

<p><b>4. TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE MODIFICATION – EMOND STREET</b></p> <p><b>MODIFICATION APPORTÉE À LA FERMETURE TEMPORAIRE DE LA RUE EMOND</b></p>
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**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

That Council approve that the chain currently linking the planters installed as temporary road closure on Emond Street be replaced with an additional planter.

**RECOMMANDATION DU COMITÉ**

Que le Conseil approuve le remplacement de la chaîne reliant les jardinières installées de façon à empêcher temporairement l'accès à la rue Emond par une autre jardinière.

**DOCUMENTATION / DOCUMENTATION**

1. Councillor's report, dated 25 April 2018 (ACS2018-CCS-TRC-0008)

Rapport du conseiller, daté le 25 avril 2018 (ACS2018-CCS-TRC-0008)

**Report to**  
**Rapport au:**

**Transportation Committee**  
**Comité des transports**  
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**and Council**  
**et au Conseil**  
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**Ward: RIDEAU-VANIER (12)**

**File Number: ACS2018-CCS-TRC-0008**

**SUBJECT: Temporary Road Closure Modification – Emond Street**

**OBJET: Modification apportée à la fermeture temporaire de la rue Emond**

**REPORT RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Transportation Committee recommend to Council approve that the chain currently linking the planters installed as temporary road closure on Emond Street be replaced with an additional planter.**

## RECOMMANDATION DU RAPPORT

**Que le Comité des transports recommande au Conseil d'approuver le remplacement de la chaîne reliant les jardinières installées de façon à empêcher temporairement l'accès à la rue Emond par une autre jardinière.**

## BACKGROUND

Emond Street is a very unique street in our neighbourhood since it has a strip club on one end and a children's park on the other. Residents had many concerns about the speeding, dangerous driving, solicitation, and drug activity that was occurring on their street. In 2016, we temporarily closed the street using two planters and a chain. This led to an improvement in safety for the residents; however, they noticed the chain very often was broken likely due to (private contractor) snow maintenance and cars that were choosing to ignore the closure. For this reason, we would like to add a third planter in the middle and remove the need for this chain altogether.

## DISCUSSION

Emond Street is a local residential roadway that connects Montreal Road to Deschamps Avenue. Emond Street consists of commercial properties along both sides where it meets Montreal Road, while the remainder of the street's land use consists of residential properties, a small park and a playground. There are sidewalks installed along the entire length of Emond Street on both sides of the roadway.

Residents of Emond Street have requested that the City install a barrier to separate the residential end of the street from the commercial end. A temporary road closure measure, funded as a part of the Ward 12 Temporary Traffic Calming Measures program funding, was initially installed on November 29<sup>th</sup> 2016. The measure consisted of a planter installed on both sides of the street, with a chain attached from one planter to the other, to prohibit the through movement of vehicles on Emond Street. Also included as a part of the temporary road closure measure are signs meant to indicate to drivers that a hazard is located on the roadway. Please see the image below for further details:

Figure 1 - Existing Temporary Road Closure on Emond Street



The configuration was chosen in consultation with Fire Services to ensure the ability of an emergency vehicle to access either end of Emond Street in a timely manner in the event of an emergency situation. Materials selected for the chain allow emergency vehicles to break through it therefore not impacting response times.

Since the installation of this measure, residents have noticed that the chain easily breaks. As such, the existing measure is not suitable from the perspective that when the chain is broken, it does not achieve the desired purpose of prohibiting the through movement of vehicles. Emond Street residents, along with Councillor Fleury are requesting that a more permanent temporary measure be installed, more specifically, that the existing chain be replaced with a planter. The existing temporary road closure measure would be modified to include three planters on Emond Street; the two planters on either side of the street would remain in their current positions while a third would be installed between them.

## **RURAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no rural implications associated with this report or its recommendations.

## **CONSULTATION**

### **Transportation Services Comment:**

The installation of a more permanent temporary road closure on Emond Street does not impact traffic management given that Emond is a local residential street. Any costs

associated to the modification of the temporary road closure will be covered through Councillor Fleury's Ward 12 funding for the Temporary Traffic Calming Measure Program should the report be approved by Council.

**Emergency and Protective Services Comment:**

Emergency and Protective Services staff have assessed the road closure on Emond Street and have determined the closure may negatively impact response times for both Fire and Paramedic Services. Any reduction in response times may put public safety and property at risk.

As long as the appropriate signage is in place, By-law and Regulatory Services can effectively enforce the road closure.

**Public Works and Environmental Services Comments:**

There would be no change to the operations by adding a third planter instead of a chain, as the winter beats and sweeping operations have already been re-routed to accommodate the two planters and chain. There would be no additional cost or effort incurred by this change. There would be a reduction in staff time to maintain the temporary road closure as staff would no longer be required to fix the chain.

**COMMENTS BY THE WARD COUNCILLOR(S)**

See Background section of this report for Ward Councillor's comment.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE(S) COMMENTS**

This has not been considered by Advisory Committees.

**LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no legal impediments to approving the recommendation in this report.

**RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

There are no risk management implications associated to this report.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There is no financial implication associated with the recommendation of the report, as funding is available to cover the cost in Capital Project # 907984.

### **ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS**

There are no accessibility impacts associated with the recommendations of this report.

### **TERM OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES**

The recommendation of this report aligns to the 2015-2018 Strategic Priority – Transportation and Mobility, specifically Strategic Objective TM4 – Improve safety for all road users.

### **DISPOSITION**

The Transportation Services Department, through the Temporary Traffic Calming Measures Program, will take appropriate action based on the recommendations made by the Committee and Council.