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LEFT TURN PROHIBITION
CONSTRUCTION SITE ACCESS ON JANE STREET
CITY OF VAUGHAN

The Transportation and Works Committee recommends the adoption of the recommendations contained in the following report, October 21, 2005, from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works:

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. A “left turn” prohibition for westbound traffic exiting from a temporary construction access on Jane Street (Y.R. 55) north of Rutherford Road (Y.R. 73) be implemented.
2. The Regional Solicitor prepare the necessary by-law.
3. The Regional Clerk forward this report to the Clerk of the City of Vaughan and to the Chief of the York Regional Police, with a request for enforcement, as their resources permit.

2. PURPOSE

This report proposes the implementation of a westbound “left turn” prohibition at a temporary construction access on Jane Street north of Rutherford Road. A Regional by-law is required under the *Highway Traffic Act* before any such turning prohibition by-law can be signed and enforced. A copy of the location plan is provided as *Attachment 1*.

3. BACKGROUND

To allow the commercial development of private property situated in the northeast quadrant of the intersection of Jane Street and Rutherford Road, the Region has given permission for a temporary construction access on the east side of Jane Street, approximately 70 metres north of Rutherford Road. One of the conditions for the approval is that no westbound left-turns will be permitted from the construction access.

4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS

The distance between the intersection and the temporary construction access is less than what the Region normally allows but due to the nature of the terrain east of Jane Street, it

is not feasible to locate the construction access further north. Therefore to minimize the impact of the construction access on Jane Street traffic and at the intersection with Rutherford Road, a prohibition on westbound vehicles turning left from the temporary access is proposed.

Prior to building occupancy the construction access to Jane Street will be removed from the Regional road allowance, all road signs will be removed and all disturbed areas will be restored to their original condition.

The Regional Clerk should forward a copy of this report to the Clerk of the City of Vaughan and to the Chief of Police, with a request for enforcement, as their resources permit.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The costs associated with the manufacture and installation of the necessary signs are included within the 2005 Business Plan and Budget.

6. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

There are no local municipal impacts as a result of this report.

7. CONCLUSION

It is proposed that traffic be prohibited from performing westbound left turns at a temporary construction access on Jane Street, approximately 70 metres north of Rutherford Road. This measure will minimize the potential negative impacts that vehicles exiting this access will have on traffic operations on Jane Street and at the intersection with Rutherford Road. A Regional by-law is required under the *Highway Traffic Act* before any such turning prohibition by-law can be signed and enforced.

The Senior Management Group has reviewed this report.

(The attachment referred to in this clause was included in the agenda for the November 2, 2005 Committee meeting.)