

# **The Corporation of the Town of Lakeshore**

## **Report to Council**

### **Engineering & Infrastructure Services**

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**To:** Mayor & Members of Council

**From:** Tony DiCiocco, C.E.T., Manager, Engineering Services

**Date:** June 17, 2020

**Subject:** Ellis Road – MTO Project – Highway 3 Road Widening

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#### **Recommendation**

The closure of Ellis Side Road southwest of Highway 3 and the modification of the access to Ellis Side Road northeast of Highway 3 to a right-in, right-out configuration be supported.

#### **Background**

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) completed a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) in 2017 for the widening of Highway #3 in the Towns of Lakeshore, Essex and Kingsville. The MTO has advertised for requests for proposals to design/build the next phase of the Highway 3 widening.

#### **Comments**

The Ministry of Transportation intends to proceed with construction to widen Highway 3 this year in accordance with the approved 2017 Transportation Environmental Study Report. The initial phase of construction will include the closing of the intersection at Ellis Side Road southwest of Highway 3 to end in a cul-de-sac and to modify access to Ellis Side Road northeast of Highway 3 to a right-in, right-out configuration in the Town of Lakeshore. The recommended plan is attached (Attachment 1). At this time, the MTO is seeking a Council resolution from the Town of Lakeshore to close and modify Ellis Side Road at Highway 3 in accordance with the approved TESR. Once construction has been completed, the MTO will be seeking a formal by-law amendment in accordance with Section 27 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, which authorizes a municipality to close a highway via by-law. The correspondence from MTO is attached (Attachment 2).

#### **Others Consulted**

Ministry of Transportation of Ontario

## Financial Impacts

There are no budget impacts resulting from the recommendation. All costs associated with construction of modifying access to Ellis Side Road northeast of Highway 3 to a right-in, right-out configuration shall be incurred by the Province within the MTO Highway 3 project.

**Attachments:** 1) Letter from the MTO dated April 24, 2020  
2) Recommended Plan

## Report Approval Details

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