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CITY MOVES TO WIDEN DUNDAS AHEAD OF RAPID BUS LANE PROJECT

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Right-of-ways along Dundas Street in Mississauga are set to be widened, by up to seven metres, as the city looks to accommodate rapid bus lanes along the street.

The move -- which was approved at a Jan. 13, 2020, council session -- would generally widen Dundas's existing right of way from 35 metres to either 40 or 42 metres. It would apply to the street across most of the city and create space for Mississauga's plans for bike lanes, rapid bus transit and four regular vehicular lanes.

At the meeting, Mississauga planner Christian Binette told council that without the widening approval, the city can't prevent new



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Mississauga has moved to widen the right-of-way along Dundas Street ahead of constructing rapid bus lanes on the street.

developments from coming in the planned Dundas corridor.

"Approval of the wider right-of-way will protect the necessary space to accommodate planned transportation improvements, reducing the need for the displacement of future buildings and structures and minimizing cost to the taxpayer," he said.

Binette also said the city

already owns much of the land along the Dundas corridor. The city has included rapid bus lanes on Dundas as a \$305.7 million item in a recent funding application to the federal and provincial governments.

In total Mississauga's Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program proposal includes around \$847.5 million in transit-related projects.