



*The City Above Toronto*

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### **CURB CUT & DRIVEWAY WIDENING PROCEDURE:**

- In order to proceed with your request for a driveway widening & curb cut, please prepare a drawing using a copy of your property **survey**.
- The property survey must show the **existing driveway** width in meters as well as the proposed width. See example supplied next page. (Please note: we only use the metric system).
- Following this step, please visit our Public Works Department counter located at 2800 Rutherford Rd. (between Jane St. & Keele St., our driveway is located off of Melville Ave. beside the police station) to apply for the curb cut and driveway widening.
- Most applications must be sent to the Building Standards Department to determine if the proposed driveway and curb cut complies with Bylaw 1-88.
- If the Building Standards Department approves the proposed widening, Public Works staff will investigate the site and ensure no existing street furniture prevents the widening and curb cut. This process usually takes 2 weeks.
- The City of Vaughan will contact and advise you of the outcome of your application.

### **FEES:**

- If your file is approved:
  - Driveway widening fees are \$125,
  - Curb cuts are \$200.00 (+GST) for the first 4 meters (including the driveway widening fee);
  - each additional meter is \$25.
- Curb cuts are usually performed within 2 weeks following your payment.
- If your street is unassumed, the City of Vaughan will require a letter from your developer allowing us to proceed with the proposed curb cut.
  
- NOTE: Residents who widen their driveways without approval are subject to fines and reinstatement costs.

For any concerns, please contact :

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Below are a few extracts from Bylaw 1 -88

**By-Law 1-88 requirements:**

Driveway widths and curb cut widths are governed by the City of Vaughan By-law 1-88 as amended, which states the following:

**Dimensions of Driveways**

- 1) The maximum width of a driveway shall be six (6.0) meters measured at the street curb, provided circular driveways shall have a maximum combined width of nine (9.0) meters measured at the street curb. For lots zoned RR (Rural Residential zone), circular driveways shall have a maximum combined width of fifteen (15.0) meters measured at the street curb.
- 2) Where there is no street curb, the maximum width of the driveway shall be measured at a point 4.25 meters from the street line.
- 3) Driveways in either front or exterior side yards shall be constructed in accordance with the following requirements:

**Maximum Driveway Widths**

<u>Lot Frontages</u>	<u>Driveway</u>
6.0 – 6.99 m	3.5 m
7.0 – 8.99 m	3.75 m
9.0 – 11.99 m (1)	6.0 m
12.0 m and greater (2)	9.0 m

- (1) The lot frontage for lots between 9.0– 11.99 meters shall be comprised of a minimum of 33% landscaped front or exterior side yard. A minimum of 60% of the minimum landscaped front or exterior side yard shall be soft landscaping.
- (2) The lot frontage for lots 12.0 meters and greater shall be comprised of a minimum of 50% landscaped front or exterior side yard and a minimum of 60% of the minimum landscaped front or exterior side yard shall be soft landscaping.

**Note:**

Curb cuts must be a minimum distance of one (1.0) meter away from any street furniture or physical objects such as telephone boxes, hydro poles, light standards, fire hydrants, water/service boxes, street catch basins, transformers, boulevard trees, lot lines, etc.

It is the responsibility and cost of the applicant to arrange with the appropriate Utilities or City Department to have any conflicting furniture or objects relocated, if possible.

Proposed curb cuts must be outside of daylight triangles. Daylight triangles are located on corner lots where two streets meet. They will be indicated on legal surveys of the property (they are for use of vehicle site lines when approaching intersecting roads).

**By-Law 263-94 to amend Bylaw 1-88**

**4.15.5 Parking Space (243/97) (16/98)**

Notwithstanding Section 2, Subsection 93, respecting the definition of a parking space, a parking space located on a driveway on a lot not accessed by a lane, means, a rectangular area measuring at least 2.7 meters by 5.8 meters.