Agenda – Council – September 25, 2025

Report – Executive Policy Committee – September 16, 2025

Item No. 6 Proposed Opening of a Portion of Lot 2 Plan 18013 WLTO 1845 Pembina Hwy (Pembina Hwy and Abinojii Mikanah Over-Ramp Project) File No. DAO 2/2025

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On September 16, 2025, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and submitted the following to Council:

1. That, subject to Recommendation 2, the proposed street opening shown on Miscellaneous Plan No. 16047/4 (Appendix A), be approved.

2. That upon instructions from the Director of Planning, Property and Development, the Director of Legal Services and City Solicitor be instructed to prepare and bring directly to Council for enactment, a by-law to facilitate the street opening in accordance with Appendix A.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

Report – Executive Policy Committee – September 16, 2025

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On September 16, 2025, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and submitted the matter to Council.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Title: Proposed Opening of a Portion of Lot 2 Plan 18013 WLTO
1845 Pembina Hwy [Pembina Hwy and Abinojii Mikanah Over-Ramp Project]
File No. DAO 2/2025

Critical Path: Executive Policy Committee – Council

AUTHORIZATION

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Public Service has applied to legally open a portion of 1845 Pembina Highway as a public right-of-way (see Appendices A and B). The City has finalized the acquisition of the required land and is responsible for the opening. The proposed opening is required for the works related to the Pembina Highway and Abinojii Mikanah Overpass Ramp Project.

The Public Service recommends approval. Council approval is required before land can be legally opened as public right-of-way.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That, subject to Recommendation 2, the proposed street opening shown on Miscellaneous Plan No. 16047/4 (Appendix A), be approved.

2. That upon instructions from the Director of Planning, Property and Development, the Director of Legal Services and City Solicitor be instructed to prepare and bring directly to Council for enactment, a by-law to facilitate the street opening in accordance with Appendix A.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

REASON FOR THE REPORT

Dedication of land as a public right-of-way requires a by-law pursuant to Section 139 of The City of Winnipeg Charter.

Council approval is required before land can be legally opened as a street or lane.

The application has been submitted to the Executive Policy Committee in accordance with Section 4(20) of the City Organization By-law No. 7100/97.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS

All costs associated with the street opening are the responsibility of the Public Works Department. Council has provided its approval for funding as outlined in the History/Discussion section of this report.

HISTORY/DISCUSSION

The Public Service intends to legally open a portion of 1845 Pembina Highway as a public right-of-way (see Appendices A and B). The proposed opening is required for a transit stop and pathway related to the Pembina Hwy and Abinojii Mikanah Overpass Ramp Project.

On March 22, 2023, Council approved the 2023 Capital budget, of which $1 million was allocated to the Pembina Highway Overpass at Abinojii Mikanah Rehabilitation and Related Works Project. A portion was used to undertake the preliminary engineering study for the project.

At its meeting of March 20, 2024, Council approved the budget for the Public Works project related to Pembina Highway and Abinojii Mikanah Overpass Ramp Project.

On November 4, 2024, the Public Works Department instructed Planning, Property and Development to acquire a portion of 1845 Pembina Highway.

On March 19, 2025, the purchase and sale agreement with the vendor was executed by the Manager of Real Estate and Land Development, in accordance with the authority delegated by Council.

BellMTS, Telus Communications, Rogers Communications, Real Estate Canada and Imperial Oil/Exxon Mobil, have all indicated that they have no concerns or objections. Manitoba Hydro/Centra Gas, Fibre.Ca Inc., Crown Pipeline Ltd., Bell Canada, Canadian National Railway, the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, Pembina Trails School Division and Teraspan Networks did not respond to the request for comment on this application.

The Public Service has no concerns about the proposal.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Financial Impact Statement

Date: July 4, 2025

Project Name:

Proposed Opening of a Portion of Lot 2 Plan 18013 WLTO -1845 Pembina Hwy [Pembina Hwy & Abinojii Mikanah Over-Ramp Project]

COMMENTS:

As the costs related to this proposed opening are immaterial, for the purposes of this analysis, there are no financial implications associated with this report.

Mike McGinn, July 4, 2025
Mike McGinn, CPA, CA
Manager of Finance

CONSULTATION

This Report has been prepared in consultation with:

- Legal Services Department (as to legal issues)
- Public Works Department
- Water and Waste Department

OURWINNIPEG POLICY ALIGNMENT

The opening aligns with the following goal and objective of OurWinnipeg 2045:

Goal: City Building
Objective 2: Integrate resilient land use, transportation, and infrastructure planning and investments.

Ensure that land use, transportation, and infrastructure planning are aligned to provide the conditions for compact, complete, and connected communities, supported by sustainable transportation options and municipal infrastructure capacity.

WINNIPEG CLIMATE ACTION PLAN ALIGNMENT

The proposed opening aligns with the following strategic objective and key directions of the City's Climate Action Plan:

Strategic Opportunity #3 – Advancing Sustainable Transportation
Key Directions:

3.1 Increase the use and efficiency of public transit systems.

WINNIPEG POVERTY REDUCTION STRATEGY ALIGNMENT

The proposed opening aligns with the following poverty reduction goal and objective:

Goal 5: Transportation System Equity is Enhanced

Low-income residents rely on public transportation to get to services and employment, or out of crisis situations.

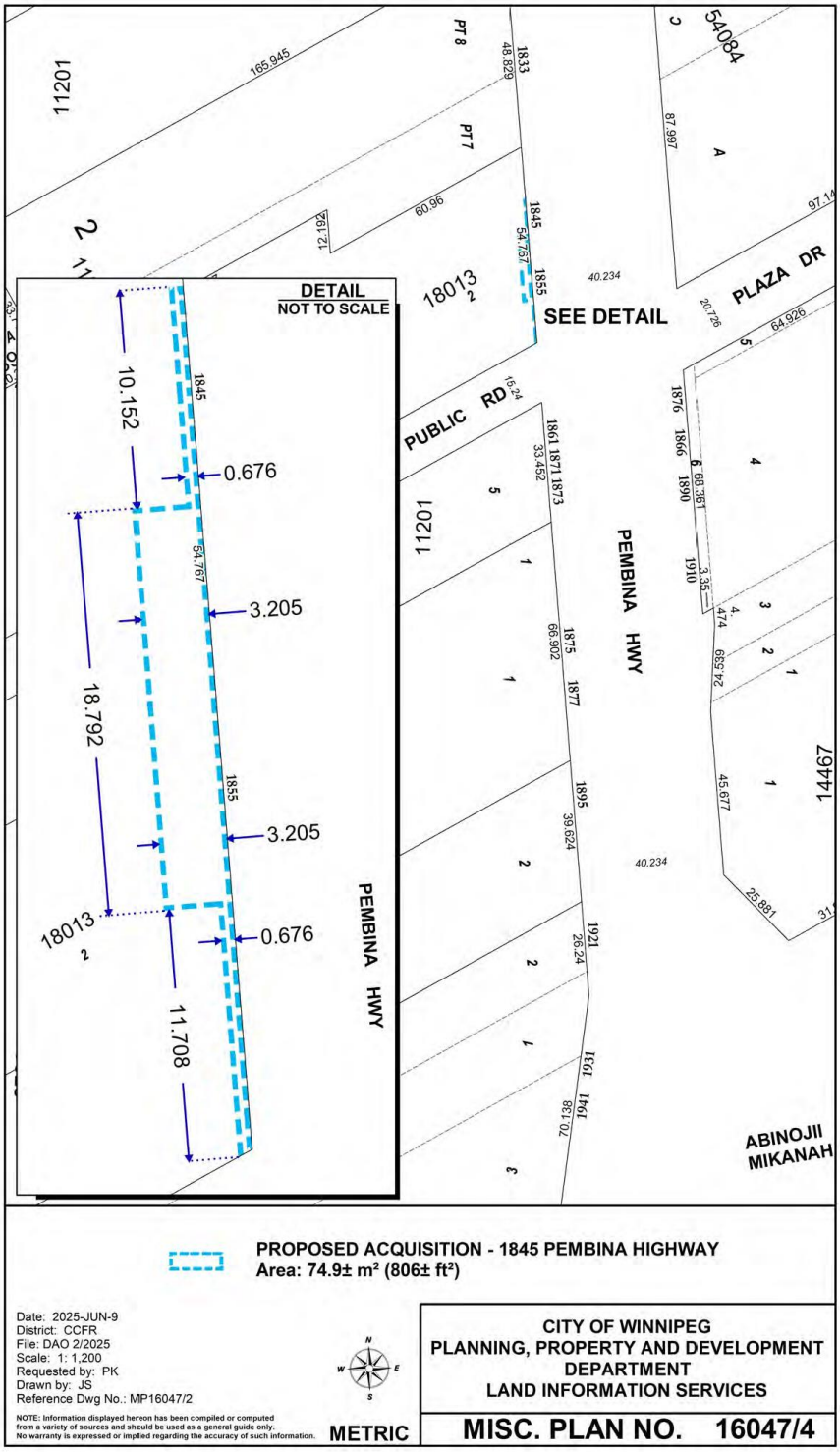
A strengthened public transportation system will serve the needs of all residents, help reach climate goals, and assist low-income riders.

SUBMITTED BY

Department: Planning, Property and Development Department
Division: Real Estate and Land Development
Prepared by: Petr Komoly
Date: July 23, 2025
File No.: DAO 2/2025

Attachments:
Appendix A: Miscellaneous Plan 16047/4
Appendix B: Aerial View of Proposed Opening

APPENDIX A – MISCELLANEOUS PLAN 16047/4



APPENDIX B - AERIAL VIEW OF PROPOSED OPENING

