

Policy Review Criteria

Council Policy C07-012 Median Openings Section 3.1 Construction Criteria	Comments
I. The adjacent land use must have significant traffic generation characteristics or other special circumstances such as restricted access/egress. Actual or projected traffic volumes must exceed 150 left-turns during the peak traffic hour into the site.	Policy met: The site does have restricted site access.
II. The location of the median openings must not pose a safety hazard to roadway users, such as the crest of a vertical curve in the road.	Policy met.
III. The design of a median opening will be based on traffic volumes and the type of turning vehicles and its design will be made according to the Geometric Design Guide for Canadian Roads, produced by the Transportation Association of Canada	Policy met.
IV. The occurrence of median openings must be minimized, while at the same time having due regard for access/egress requirements of adjacent and use.	Policy met.
V. All median openings must have left turn bays.	Policy not met: As the turning vehicles are equipped with lights and use of the median opening will be infrequent, no left turn bay is required.
VI. Median openings will not be allowed within existing or proposed left turn bays.	Policy met.
VII. Median openings will not be permitted on roadways designated as freeway and expressway.	Policy met.
VIII. Unsignalized median openings will not be permitted on roadways with a posted speed limit of 60 km/h or greater.	Policy met.
IX. Median openings must not negatively impact adjacent/neighbouring residential properties (such as creating shortcutting of traffic through a neighbourhood).	Policy met.
X. Median openings cannot be located within 150 metres, in either direction, from an existing signalized intersection or another median opening.	Policy not met: The median opening will be equipped with fire hall traffic signals requiring Preston Avenue traffic to stop to apparatus. The existing traffic signal at 108 th Street will be equipped for preemption when the fire hall signal is activated.
XI. Unsignalized median openings will not be permitted when left-turn vehicles would have to cross three lanes of opposing traffic.	Policy met.