



**TO:** Business Board

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**AGENDA ITEM:**

**ITEM IDENTIFICATION:**

UTSC East Arrival Court – increase appropriation.

**JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:**

Pursuant to Section 5.2. (b) of its Terms of Reference, the Business Board approves Expenditures for, and the execution of, approved Capital Projects.

**PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

Previously approved at Business Board, February 2006.

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

The project was originally approved at a total cost of \$3,112,642, and was subsequently put on hold awaiting the outcome of a new master planning exercise for the campus. The project has now been revisited and redesigned. The revised total project cost is \$4,017,941.

Benefits of this project include:

- members of the surrounding community who will no longer be delayed in traveling on Military Trail, as fewer cars will be backed up onto this main street;
- members of the UTSC community who travel to and from campus using public transportation; TTC and GO Transit riders will use a dedicated bus facility separate from private vehicles, with bus shelters for protection from the elements;
- permit parkers who will have direct access route from Military Trail to the parking lots;
- visitors to the South campus who will have an increased number of convenient spaces in which to park;
- members of the community who are picked up or dropped off in private vehicles, giving them a centrally-located, dedicated, self-regulated area to use for this purpose;



- all members of the community who use or traverse the East Arrival Court; these persons will benefit from improved pedestrian walkways that feature fewer opportunities for pedestrians to come into contact with moving vehicles;
- members of the community walking from the South campus to the Student Center and Arts & Administration building who will use a new accessible pedestrian ramp leading from the bus facility to the upper-level courtyard between the above mentioned buildings;
- visitors who require accessible parking, having an increased number of barrier-free spaces in which to park.

**FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:**

This project will greatly improve traffic flows, safety and convenience at what is a busy entry to the campus.

**RISK IMPLICATIONS:**

1. Possible delays in the municipal approvals process, which includes various permits, committee of adjustment, and site plan approval.
2. Unanticipated site conditions discovered during excavation.
3. Labour disruptions in the construction industry.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Vice-President University Operations be authorized to implement the East Arrival Court at UTSC at a total project cost of \$4,017,941, with sources of funding as follows:

UTSC Ancillary Investment in Capital Assets:	\$249,961
Contribution from UTSC Operating:	\$3,461,056
Investment Income:	\$306,924
Funds Available:	\$4,017,941