



Corporate Report

NO: R100

COUNCIL DATE: May 3, 2004

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: April 20, 2004
FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 0910-30/36B
SUBJECT: Road Closure at 2336/38 King George Highway

RECOMMENDATION

That Council authorize the City Clerk to bring forward a By-law for consideration by Council to close and remove the dedication as highway of a $\pm 3,888$ ft.² opened portion of road fronting 2336/38 King George Highway.

BACKGROUND

A. Property Location

The road allowance proposed to be closed is part of the King George Highway (KGH) boulevard area fronting onto 2336/38 KGH in South Surrey. The immediate area along KGH is primarily commercial and multiple residential zones.

B. Plan Designations, Zoning and Land Uses

The property fronting the proposed road closure located at 2336/38 KGH is zoned Highway Commercial (CHI) and designated Commercial in the Official Community Plan.

C. Purpose of Road Closure

The owner of 2336/38 KGH has applied to close the boulevard land fronting his property for consolidation purposes. The Engineering Department's Functional Plan classifies the subject section of KGH between 8 Avenue and the Nicomekl River as an arterial road, which means that a strip of the dedicated road on each side of KGH is redundant roadway. The Engineering Department therefore supports the sale of the $\pm 3,888$ ft.² portion of KGH adjacent to 2336/38 KGH.

D. Process

Prior to final approval of Council, a reference plan prepared at the applicant's expense will be submitted to the Legislative Services Department requesting Introduction and Adoption of a By-law to close and remove the dedication as highway. Prior to Final Adoption of the By-law, in conformance with Sections 40 (3) and 94 of the Community Charter, notice of the closure will be advertised for two consecutive weeks in a local newspaper, and a notice will be posted at City Hall. The advertisement provides information to the public at large on the details of the closure and indicates that all pertinent data can be obtained from the Realty Services Division. All concerns from the public will be addressed prior to completion of the closure. In addition, as required under Section 40 (4) of the Charter, notice of the City's intention to close the road will be directed to all utility companies considered to be affected by the proposed closure. Legislative Services will then request Council to provide Final Adoption of the By-law. Upon completion of these requirements, the By-law will then be registered at the Land Title Office. The Realty Services Division will then advertise the disposition of the road in a local newspaper and will post a notice at City Hall as prescribed under Sections 26 and 94 of the Charter. The advertisement and notice will contain a description of the land. Upon completion of these items, a final report will be submitted to Council to approve the sale. The City will then prepare

transfer documents to transfer the road to the applicant, and registration will take place at the Land Title Office.

E. Conclusion

The road to be closed is surplus to the City's requirement. The highest and best use for this redundant road is amalgamation with the fronting property located at 2336/38 King George Highway.

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Appendices

- I. Site Map
- II. Aerial Photograph of Site