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# Corporate Report

NO: R175

COUNCIL DATE: July 19, 2004

#### REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: July 12, 2004

FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 0910-30/28

SUBJECT: Road Closure at 96 Avenue and 131 Street

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council authorize the City Clerk to bring forward a By-law for consideration to close and remove the dedication as highway of a  $\pm 2,169$  ft.<sup>2</sup> ( $\pm 202$  m<sup>2</sup>) unopened portion of 131 Street at 96 Avenue.

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### A. Property Location

The road allowance proposed for road closure is located in the Cedar Hills area at 96 Avenue and 131 Street. The immediate area is primarily residential.

#### B. Plan Designations, Zoning, and Land Uses

The property located at 13803 - 96 Avenue is currently zoned Duplex Residential (RM-D) and is used as a residence. The area is not subject to a Neighbourhood Concept Plan.

The Official Community Plan designation for this area is Urban.

## C. Purpose of Road Closure

The applicant is proposing to create a second single family residential lot with the addition of the closed portion of road. The applicant has also agreed to grant a 440 ft.<sup>2</sup> (37.5 m<sup>2</sup>) right-of-way for the future widening of 96 Avenue.

#### 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 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 closure allows the applicant to proceed to make application to the Planning & Development Department for subdivision. The portion of road to be closed and consolidated is not needed for road purposes and does not affect the surrounding area.

As required under Section 40 (4) of the Community Charter, all utility companies potentially affected by the road closure, have been consulted. All have advised that the closing of this portion of road does not affect their services.

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### **Appendices**

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