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Corporate Report

NO: R237

COUNCIL DATE: November 7,

2005

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: October 18, 2005

FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 0870-20/353D

SUBJECT: Land Acquisition for Park Purposes

West Newton Highway #10 Neighbourhood Concept Plan

(13067 Highway #10)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council authorize the acquisition of PID No. 010-006-184 (13067 Highway #10) for park purposes in accordance with the West Newton Highway #10 Neighbourhood Concept Plan ("NCP").

DISCUSSION

1. Property Location

The subject property has a total area of $\pm 52,686$ ft.² (± 1.21 acres) and is improved with an older, full basement dwelling. The subject property is located on the north side of Highway #10, between 128 Street on the west and 132 Street on the east.

2. Zoning, Plan Designations and Land Uses

The subject property is zoned RA (One Acre Residential Zone) and is specifically designated park in the NCP, along with five other adjacent parcels to the immediate east and west.

3. Purpose of Acquisition

The West Newton Highway #10 NCP has identified the subject property as being required for a proposed sports field land assembly, which will includes overlapping cricket and soccer fields, parking, washroom facilities, a picnic area, and a playground. Construction will commence when all six adjacent parcels have been acquired.

4. Contract of Purchase and Sale

Based on the results of an independent, accredited appraisal, staff have negotiated a settlement with the owner subject to Council approval by November 8, 2005. Completion is to take place upon registration on or before November 30, 2005.

5. Conclusion

This acquisition is required as part of a larger land assembly for a proposed sports field and related facilities.

The terms of this agreement are considered reasonable. There are six adjacent properties identified at this location for park purposes in accordance with the West Newton Highway #10 NCP. This is the first of the six acquisitions.

The Finance Department has confirmed that the funds for this acquisition have been identified in the Parks Acquisition DCC Reserve.

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Appendices

I. Aerial Photograph of Site with Project Property Requirements