



Corporate Report

NO: R096

COUNCIL DATE: May 29, 2006

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: May 19, 2006
FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 8380-292/A
SUBJECT: Land Acquisition for Park
9077 - 132 Street

RECOMMENDATION

That Council authorize:

1. the acquisition of (9077 - 132 Street) PID No. 000-819-093 for park/open space as set out in the City's Wildflower Greenway plan; and
2. disposition of the .42 acre portion of property that will be in excess of the City's requirements for the Wildflower Greenway plan.

DISCUSSION

1. Property Location: 9077 - 132 Street

This property is located in Newton and has an area of 32,457 m² (8.02 acres). The purpose of the acquisition is to provide linear park necessary for the completion of the Wildflower Greenway system.

2. Zoning, Plan Designations, and Land Uses

The subject property is zoned RF (Single Family Residential) and designated as Urban under the Official Community Plan. The Highest and Best Use for this property would be limited ground-based agricultural use for the 7.6 acre portion encumbered by the Hydro right-of-way and creation of a serviceable building lot for the unencumbered .42 acre southeast portion of the property.

3. Purpose of the Acquisition

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Department has determined that the acquisition of this property will allow for the future development of the Wildflower Greenway, part of Surrey's portion of the Trans Canada Trail system.

The subject property contains a .42 acre portion in the southeast corner that is excess to the needs of the city for the Wildflower Greenway. The City will create a building lot to be marketed in the future.

4. Contract of Purchase and Sale

Staff have negotiated a Contract of Purchase and Sale Agreement with the owner subject to Council approval by May 30, 2006. Completion is to take place June 15, 2006.

CONCLUSION

This acquisition is required to provide necessary land for linear park as set out in the Wildflower Greenway plan.

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Appendices

I. Aerial Photograph of Site