

Corporate Report

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REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: September 19, 2006

FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 0870-40/21

General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture

SUBJECT: Land Acquisition for Newton Recreation Complex

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department recommends that Council authorize the acquisition of PID 005-068-541 (13716 - 70A Avenue) for use as an addition to the Newton Recreation Complex.

DISCUSSION

1. Property Location - 13716 - 70A Avenue

This improved site has a total area of 7,740 ft.² and is improved with a 982 ft.², one storey, basement home in good condition. The subject property is located on the south side of 70A Avenue, east of 136B Street.

2. Zoning, Plan Designations, and Land Uses

The subject property is zoned Single Family Residential (RF). The Highest and Best Use of the property is the existing use due to the size and location of the property.

3. Purpose of the Acquisition

The acquisition of the subject property will provide additional land to be used for the future expansion of the Newton Recreation Complex.

In December 1994, Council approved an acquisition program to purchase the remaining residential properties required for the Newton Recreation Complex expansion. The City owns 23 of the 28 properties within the two City blocks located immediately south of the Newton Arena and west of the Seniors' Complex and the Newton Branch of the Surrey Public Library.

4. Contract of Purchase and Sale

Staff have negotiated a Contract of Purchase and Sale Agreement with the owner subject to Council approval by September 26, 2006. Completion is to take place upon registration on October 18, 2006.

CONCLUSION

This acquisition is required to provide necessary land for the future expansion of the Newton Recreation Complex.

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Appendices

I. Aerial Photograph of Site