



Corporate Report

NO: R181

COUNCIL DATE: JULY 23, 2007

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: July 12, 2007

FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 0870-20/280
General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture

SUBJECT: Land Acquisition for Park
3135 & 3139 Wickson Place

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department and the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department recommend that Council authorize the acquisition of PID 018-208-550 (3135 Wickson Place) and PID 018-208-576 (3139 Wickson Place) to provide additional park/open space for a viewpoint park adjacent to Blackie's Spit in South Surrey.

DISCUSSION

1. Property Location – 3135 and 3139 Wickson Place

These properties are located in Crescent Beach and have a combined area of 14,260 ft.² (.33 acre). The purpose of the acquisition is to provide the two remaining parcels of land necessary to complete the proposed park assembly to the west of the Crescent Beach pier.

2. Zoning, Plan Designations, and Land Uses

The subject property is zoned RA (One Acre Residential). The Highest and Best Use is as a short-term holding site for future development.

3. Purpose of the Acquisition

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Department has determined that the acquisition of this property will be required to form part of the proposed park/open space in the Crescent Beach area.

4. Contract of Purchase and Sale

Staff have negotiated a Contract of Purchase and Sale Agreement with the owner subject to Council approval by July 24, 2007. Completion is to take place upon registration in the Land Title Office.

CONCLUSION

The terms of this agreement are considered reasonable. Approval of this acquisition will provide park/open space in accordance with the Blackie's Spit expansion plan for Crescent Beach.

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

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Appendices

I. Aerial Photograph of Site