

# Corporate Report

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COUNCIL DATE: July 14, 2008

#### REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: July 11, 2008

FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 0870-20/340/G

General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture

**SUBJECT:** Land Acquisition for Park

16746 - 15 Avenue

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department and the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department recommend that Council authorize the acquisition of PID 004-475-097 (16746 -15 Avenue) to provide linear park for the Pioneer greenway adjacent to the environmentally sensitive areas of Fergus Creek Watershed as identified on the Highway 99 Corridor Land Use Concept Plan.

#### DISCUSSION

# 1. Property Location: 16746 - 15 Avenue

This property is located in South Surrey and has an area of 46,006 ft <sup>2</sup> (1.06 acres). The purpose of the acquisition is to provide linear park as set out under the Highway 99 Corridor Land Use Concept Plan.

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

The subject property is zoned RA (One Acre Residential). The Highest and Best Use would be redevelopment in accordance with the land uses and highest densities that would be approved for the subject site.

# 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 linear park identified in the Highway 99 Corridor Land Use Concept Plan.

## 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 15, 2008. The purchase price was determined by an independent, accredited appraiser and 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 linear park in accordance with the Highway 99 Corridor Land Use Concept Plan.

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