

CORPORATE REPORT

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REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: November 9, 2009

FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 0910-30/156

SUBJECT: Road Closure, Portion of 132A Street Fronting 116 Avenue

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department recommends that Council authorize the City Clerk to bring forward a by-law to close and remove the dedication as highway of approximately 219 m² (2,357 ft.²) of 132A Street fronting 116 Avenue as illustrated on the attached Appendix I.

BACKGROUND

1. Property Location

The road allowance proposed for closure is redundant once construction of the South Fraser Perimeter Road is completed. The road allowance proposed for closure presently contains a constructed road. Subject to approval by Council and completion of the closure process, the road closure area will be consolidated with the adjacent light impact industrial lots at $\frac{11568}{73}$ $\frac{78}{85}$ $\frac{98}{98}$ $\frac{132}{98}$ Street.

2. Plan Designations, Zoning, and Land Uses

The road closure area and the adjacent light impact industrial lots at 11568/73/78/85/98 – 132A Street are zoned Light Impact Industrial (IL) and designated as "Industrial" in the Official Community Plan.

DISCUSSION

1. Purpose of Road Closure

The area of road proposed for closure is to be consolidated with the adjacent properties located at 11568/73/78/85/98 - 132A Street, which are the subject of Development Application No. 2009-0077.

All concerned City departments have reviewed the closure and there are no objections to the disposition and consolidation of the subject portion of road allowance with the adjacent lots at $\frac{11568}{73}$

The road closure will complete in 2010. During the time between the closure of this portion of 132A Street and the opening of the SFPR, City staff will arrange for a temporary statutory right-of-way (public right of passage) to allow vehicular access to 116 Avenue. As part of the South Fraser Perimeter Road construction, a cul-de-sac bulb will be constructed at the proposed 132A Street road end. If the proposed road closure does not complete in 2010, values will be revisited as they are set for a one year period.

As required under Section 40 (4) of the Community Charter, all utility companies potentially affected by the closure of this road have been consulted and none has expressed any concerns regarding the proposed road closure.

2. Land Value

The applicants have agreed to provide compensation to the City equivalent to the market value of the land as determined by a qualified appraiser.

3. Road Closure Process

Prior to final approval of Council, a reference plan will be submitted to the Legislative Services Department requesting introduction and adoption of a by-law to close and remove the dedication as highway of the subject portion of road. Prior to final adoption of the by-law, in conformance with Sections 40 (3) and 94 of the Community Charter, notice of the closure will be advertised for two consecutive weeks in a local newspaper and a notice will be posted at City Hall. The advertisement will provide information to the public at large about the details of the closure and will indicate that all pertinent information can be obtained from the Realty Services Division. All concerns from the public will be addressed prior to completion of the closure. In addition, as required under Section 40 (4) of the Charter, notice of the City's intention to close the road will be directed to all utility companies considered to be affected by the proposed closure. Legislative Services will then request Council to provide final adoption of the by-law. Upon completion of these requirements, the by-law will be registered at the Land Title Office. The Realty Services Division will then advertise the disposition of the road in a local newspaper and will post a notice at City Hall as prescribed under Sections 26 and 94 of the Community Charter. The advertisement and notice will contain a description of the land. Upon completion of these postings, a final report will be submitted to Council to approve the sale of the closed road. Staff will then prepare transfer documents to transfer the road to the purchaser and consolidation and registration will take place at the Land Title Office.

4. Sustainability Considerations

The proposed road closure supports the City's Sustainability Charter's economic goal of using the City's land base efficiently. The closure and consolidation will increase the City's industrial property tax assessment base.

In particular, the road closure supports the Sustainability Charter Scope actions related to:

- EC2: Economic Development Strategy and an Employment Land Strategy
- EC3: Sustainable Infrastructure Maintenance and Replacement

CONCLUSION

The portion of road to be closed and consolidated is not needed for road purposes. The terms of the agreement covering the disposition of the surplus road are considered reasonable. It is noted that all area calculations contained in this report are approximate and subject to final survey.

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Appendices

Aerial Photograph of Site

APPENDIX I AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF SITE





PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURE AT 132A ST FRONTING 116 AVE

REALTY DIVISION

The data provided in compiled from various nources and 15 NOT instrumented on to the accuracy or sufficiency by the City of Survey. This information in provided for information and convenience purposes only.
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