

NO: R210

COUNCIL DATE: October 4, 2010

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: **Mayor and Council** DATE: **September 24, 2010**

FROM: **General Manager, Engineering** FILE: **0870-20/277/A**
General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture

SUBJECT: **Acquisition of Property at 13881 Colebrook Road for Parkland**

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department and the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department recommend that Council approve the purchase of the property at 13881 Colebrook Road (PID No. 009-740-601) for parkland.

DISCUSSION

1. **Property Location: 13881 Colebrook Road**

The property at 13881 Colebrook Road is located south of the Panorama Ridge neighbourhood, on the north side of Colebrook Road. This property is a 3.54 ha (8.75 acre) parcel surrounded by Colebrook Park. The subject property is improved with an older, single family dwelling.

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

The subject property is in the Agricultural Land Reserve, zoned General Agriculture (A-1) Zone, and designated Agricultural in the Official Community Plan. The property is currently fallow.

3. **Purpose of the Acquisition**

The City owns the 440 acres surrounding the subject property, which is known as Colebrook Park. The acquisition of the subject property for addition to Colebrook Park is considered appropriate in relation to the longer term development of the park site. This acquisition will complete the acquisitions for Colebrook Park.

4. **Contract of Purchase and Sale**

A purchase and sale agreement has been negotiated with and accepted by the executor of the will of the deceased owner. This agreement is supported by an appraisal completed by an accredited, independent appraiser. The agreement is subject to City Council approval on or before October 4, 2010. Sale completion will take place upon registration of the transfer documents in the Land Title Office.

5. Sustainability Considerations

Acquiring the subject property supports the broad Sustainability Charter goal of integrating nature into the City's neighbourhoods. In particular, the proposed land acquisition supports the following Sustainability Charter Scope actions:

SC6 - Accessible and appropriately located services within the City, including recreation, arts, culture, and customer service locations;

EN1 - Inter-connecting Surrey and the areas outside Surrey through wildlife corridors, parks, and natural areas.

EN13 - Enhancing the Public Realm by the design of parks and natural areas.

6. Funding for Purchase

The Finance Department has confirmed that funds for this acquisition are available in the Park Acquisition Reserve.

CONCLUSION

The terms of the purchase and sale agreement are considered reasonable. This acquisition will complete the land requirements for Colebrook Park.

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Appendix I: Aerial Photograph of Site

APPENDIX I AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF SITE



Produced by GIS Section: September 15, 2010, LW

Date of Aerial Photography: April 2009



SUBJECT PROPERTY
13881 COLEBROOK ROAD

ENGINEERING
DEPARTMENT

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