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COUNCIL DATE: November 29, 2010

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: **Mayor & Council**

DATE: **November 19, 2010**

FROM: **General Manager, Engineering
General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture**

FILE: **0910-30/146**

SUBJECT: **Road Closure at the North End of Bedford Drive for Park Purposes**

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department and the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department recommend that Council:

1. authorize the City Clerk to bring forward a by-law to close and remove the dedication as highway, a portion of road located at the north end of Bedford Drive having an area of $\pm 12,916 \text{ ft.}^2$ ($\pm .120 \text{ ha}$) as illustrated on Appendix 1 attached to this report; and
2. approve the sale of the closed portion of road to the Surrey Parks, Recreation & Culture Department for the purposes of parkland.

BACKGROUND

1. Property Location

The subject area of road allowance proposed for closure is adjacent to City Parkland located at 14415 Wellington Drive.

2. Zoning, Plan Designations, and Land Uses

The subject property is zoned RA (One Acre Residential) and designated "Urban" in the Official Community Plan.

DISCUSSION

1. Purpose of Road Closure

The City purchased 14415 Wellington Drive in 2008 to form part of the proposed park/open space between Invergarry Park and Victoria Park. The area of road proposed closure at the cul-de-sac at the north end of Bedford Drive will be consolidated with 14415 Wellington Drive for park/open space purposes.

The closure has been reviewed by all relevant City Departments and there are no objections to the closure of road allowance and its subsequent use by the City as parkland.

2. Sustainability Considerations

The proposed road closure and sale support the City's Sustainability Charter's goal of using the City's land base efficiently. In particular, the road closure and sale supports the Sustainability Charter Scope actions related to:

- SC13: Designing recreational paths and greenways to be accessible, where possible; and
- EN12: Enhancement and protection of natural areas, including the acquisition of additional new natural areas.

3. Funding for Purchase

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

CONCLUSION

The subject portion of road allowance is surplus to the City's road needs. The Engineering Department and Parks, Recreation & Culture Department are recommending that Council authorize the closure of this road allowance and its subsequent sale to the Surrey Parks, Recreation and Culture Department for park purposes.

It is noted that all area calculations contained in this report are approximate and subject to final survey.

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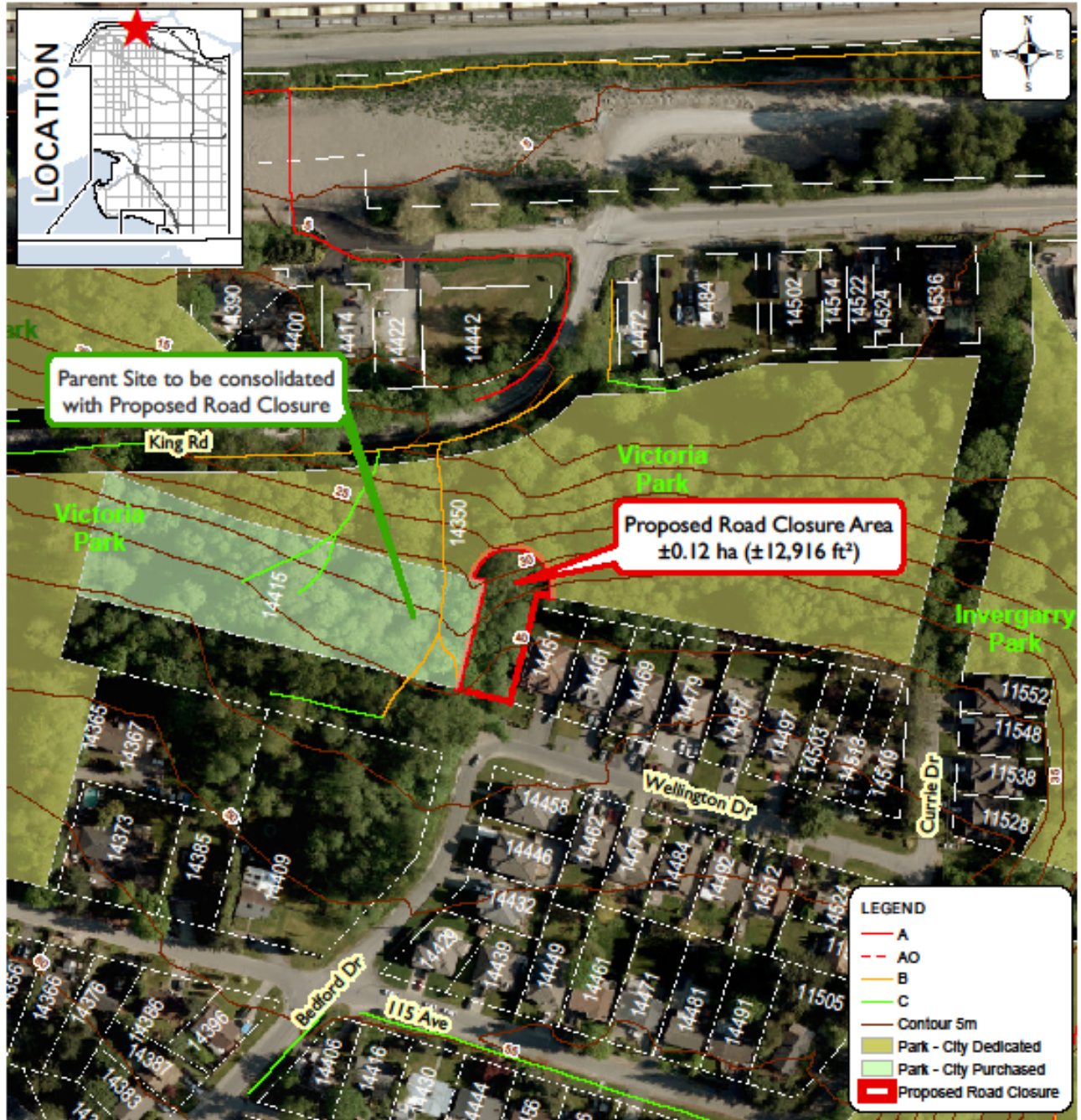
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Appendix I: Aerial Photo – Proposed Road Closures

APPENDIX I AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF SITE



Produced by GIS Section: November 15, 2010, JJR

Date of Aerial Photography: May 2010



**PROPOSED CLOSURE OF
BEDFORD DRIVE CUL-DE-SAC
NORTH OF WELLINGTON DRIVE
FILE: 0910-30/146**

**ENGINEERING
DEPARTMENT**

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