

# CORPORATE REPORT

	NO: <b>R046</b>	COUNCIL DATE:	March 12, 2012
REGULAR COUNCIL			
TO:	Mayor and Council	DATE:	March 8, 2012
FROM:	General Manager, Engineering General Manager, Parks, Recreation and C		0870/20-393/B/C
SUBJECT:	Acquisition of Property at 13799 & 13809 Grosvenor Road for Parkland		

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department and the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department recommend that Council approve the purchase of the properties at 13799 Grosvenor Road (PID No. 011-155-434) and 13809 Grosvenor Road (PID No. 000-462-624) for parkland.

#### DISCUSSION

### 1. Property Location: 13799 & 13809 Grosvenor Road

The properties at 13799 & 13809 Grosvenor Road are situated in City Centre adjacent to City-owned parkland as illustrated on Appendix I. The two properties have a combined total area of 2,604 m<sup>2</sup> (0.64 acres). Both properties are improved with older, single-family detached dwellings.

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

The subject properties are located within a Single Family Residential (RF) zone and are designated "Urban" in the Official Community Plan. These properties have been identified for park purposes on the Surrey City Centre Land Use Plan.

#### 3. Purpose of the Acquisition

The purpose of the acquisition is to provide a future neighbourhood park for residents in City Centre. Neighbourhood parks typically contain walking paths, playgrounds, and other passive recreation opportunities.

# 4. Contract of Purchase and Sale

A purchase and sale agreement has been negotiated with and accepted by the owner of the properties. This agreement is supported by an appraisal completed by an accredited, independent appraiser. The agreement is subject to City Council approval on or before March 12, 2012. Sale completion is to take place upon registration, which is anticipated to occur by April 16, 2012.

## 5. Sustainability Considerations

Acquiring the subject property supports the objectives of the City's Sustainability Charter. In particular, the following action items:

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

# CONCLUSION

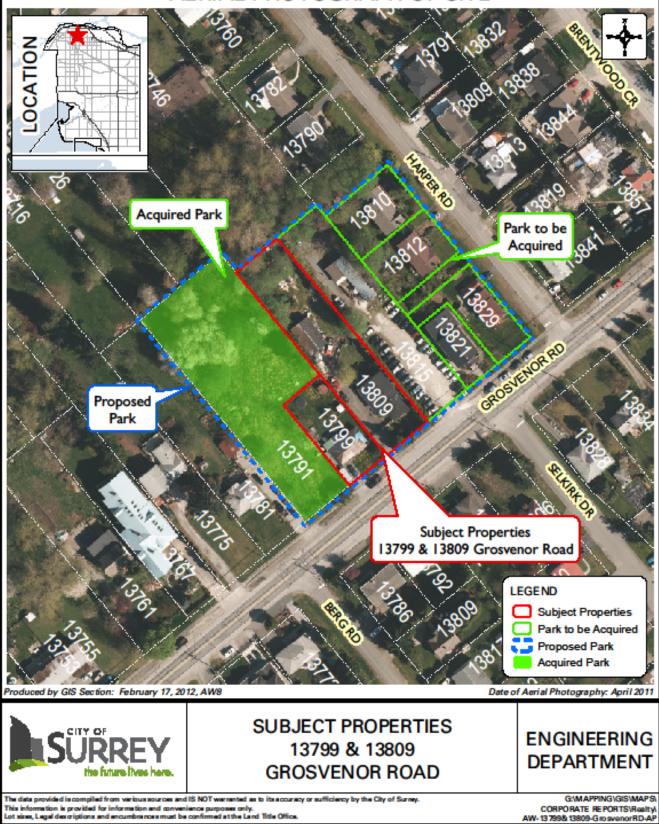
The terms of the purchase and sale agreement are considered reasonable. The recommended acquisitions will assist in ensuring adequate park/open space for the residents in City Centre.

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Appendix I: Aerial Photograph of Site

# **APPENDIXI AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF SITE**



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