

# CORPORATE REPORT

NO: R128 COUNCIL DATE: July 8, 2013

**REGULAR COUNCIL** 

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: July 4, 2013

FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 0910-30/192

7912-0326/00

SUBJECT: Closure of Road Allowance Adjacent to 17656 - 66A 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 a 610 m<sup>2</sup> (6,566 ft.<sup>2</sup>) area of road allowance located adjacent to the property at 17656 – 66A Avenue, as generally illustrated in Appendix I attached to this report.

#### **BACKGROUND**

### 1. Property Description

The road allowance area proposed for closure has an area of 610 m<sup>2</sup> (6,566 ft.<sup>2</sup>) and is the unconstructed portion of the 66A Avenue road allowance along the north-easterly frontage of the privately-held property located at 17656 – 66A Avenue. The road closure area will not be required by the City if the adjacent property at 17656 – 66A Avenue is developed. A road dedication to complete the constructed 66A Avenue cul-de-sac road at this location will be dedicated from the subject property upon its development.

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

The area of road allowance proposed for closure and the adjacent property at 17656 – 66A Avenue are zoned Business Park (IB) Zone, and are designated "Industrial" in the Official Community Plan.

#### **DISCUSSION**

## 1. Purpose of Road Closure

The area of road proposed for closure is to be consolidated and redeveloped with the adjacent private property located at 17656 – 66A Avenue under Development Application No.

7912-0326-00. This development application is seeking approval to develop two multi-tenant industrial buildings on the consolidated site, as illustrated in Appendix II attached to this report. The road closure proposal was referenced in the related Planning Report that was approved by Council at its Regular Council Land Use meeting on May 27, 2013.

The proposed road closure has been circulated to all potentially concerned City Departments for review and all are supportive of the closure.

As required under Section 40 (4) of the Community Charter, all utility companies potentially affected by the proposed road closure have been consulted and none has expressed any objections. BC Hydro does however require a statutory right-of-way to protect existing hydro services located within the road closure area.

### 2. Land Value

The applicant has agreed to provide compensation to the City equivalent to the market value of the road closure area as determined by a staff appraiser.

All area calculations contained in this report are approximate and subject to final survey.

#### SUSTAINABILITY CONSIDERATIONS

The proposed road closure and sale support the Surrey Sustainability Charter goal of using the City's land base efficiently as the road allowance area proposed for closure will not be required for road purposes upon development of the adjacent private property at 17656 – 66A Avenue and is to be consolidated and developed with the adjacent property in support of planned and orderly development in Cloverdale.

### **CONCLUSION**

The area of road allowance proposed for closure is surplus to the City's needs. The terms of the agreement related to the disposition of the road closure area are considered reasonable. It is recommended that Council authorize staff to bring forward an appropriate by-law to close the subject road allowance area in preparation for its sale and consolidation as generally described in this report.

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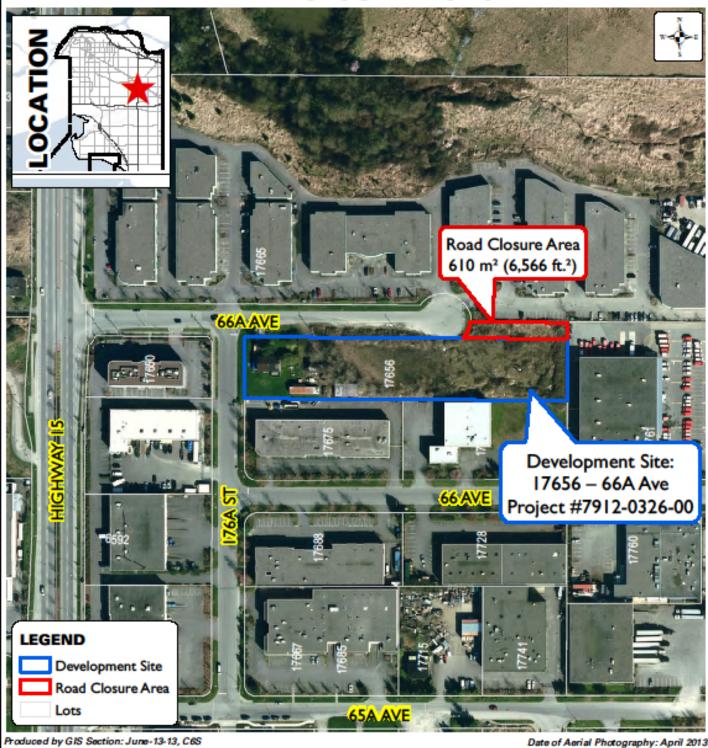
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Appendices: Aerial Photograph of Road Closure Area

**Development Site Layout** 

# **APPENDIX I AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF SITE**





CLOSURE OF ROAD ALLOWANCE: Adjacent to 17656 - 66A Ave FILE: 7912-0326-00

**ENGINEERING** DEPARTMENT

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## **APPENDIX II**

