

CORPORATE REPORT

NO: **R145** COUNCIL DATE: **July 22, 2013**

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor and Council DATE: July 17, 2013

FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 0870-20/473/B

General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture

SUBJECT: Acquisition of Property at 16420 - 64 Avenue for Parkland

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department and the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department recommend that Council approve the purchase of a portion of the property at 16420 – 64 Avenue (PID: 007-606-591), as described in this report, for parkland in the West Cloverdale North Neighbourhood.

DISCUSSION

1. Property Location: 16420 - 64 Avenue

The property at 16420 – 64 Avenue is located in the West Cloverdale North NCP and is the subject of Development Application Number 7911-0330-00. A 7,551 m² (1.87 acres) portion of the subject property has been identified for park purposes, which is shown on Appendix I and labelled as Lot 45 on Appendix II, both of which are attached to this report. An additional area of 3,885 m² (0.96 acres) is being secured by way of park dedication (5% of the area of the site) as a condition of approval of the related subdivision application. Therefore, the entire park component of this particular 19.23 acre development site will be 2.83 acres.

2. Zoning, Plan Designations, and Land Uses

The subject property is zoned A-1 (Agricultural) and is designated "Suburban" in the Official Community Plan. The Highest and Best Use for this property is for single family and multifamily residential land uses, as illustrated on the plan attached to this report as Appendix II.

3. Purpose of the Acquisition

The parkland at this location is being acquired to create a significant community park as envisioned in the West Cloverdale North NCP. The land proposed to be acquired will protect a forested area that is an extension of the forested area on parkland to the west that was recently acquired by the City as part of a development application approval process.

The subject acquisition together with the parkland dedication and the parkland that was recently acquired to the immediate west will result in a total parkland area of 15 acres.

4. Contract of Purchase and Sale

A purchase and sale agreement has been negotiated with and accepted by the owner. This agreement is supported by an appraisal completed by an accredited staff appraiser. The agreement is subject to City Council approval on or before July 23, 2013. Sale completion is to take place upon registration of the subdivision in the Land Title Office.

5. Sustainability Considerations

Acquiring the subject property supports the objectives of the City's Sustainability Charter. 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; 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 Program.

CONCLUSION

The terms of the purchase and sale agreement are considered reasonable. This acquisition will assist in providing park/open space as anticipated by the West Cloverdale North NCP.

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Appendix I: Aerial Photograph of Site Appendix II: Preliminary Lot Layout

APPENDIX I AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF SITE





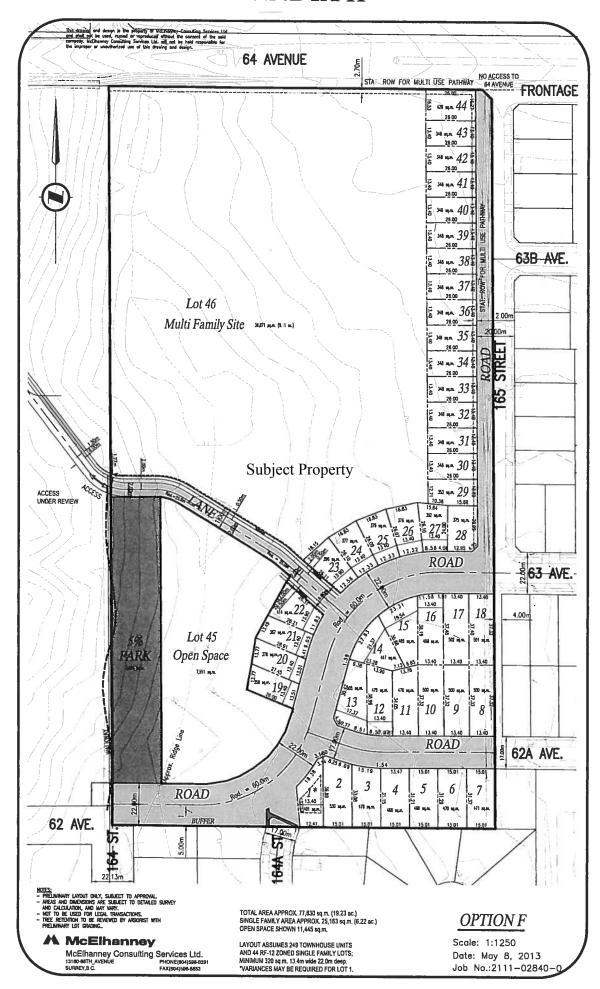
SUBJECT PROPERTY 16420 - 64 AVENUE

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

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APPENDIX II



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