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COUNCIL DATE: October 20, 2015

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: **Mayor & Council** DATE: **October 20, 2015**
FROM: **General Manager, Planning and Development** FILE: **1940-01**
SUBJECT: **Appointment of Approving Officer**

RECOMMENDATION

The Planning and Development Department recommends that Council:

1. Rescind the appointment of Murray Dinwoodie and Nicholas Lai as Approving Officers;
2. Appoint Ron Hintsche as Approving Officer under Section 77 of the *Land Title Act*; and
3. Authorize the City Clerk to advise the Land Title Office of the change.

INTENT

The intent of this report is to seek Council's approval to rescind the appointment of Murray Dinwoodie, the former City Manager, and Nicholas Lai, the former Manager, Area Planning and Development – South Division as Approving Officers, and appoint Ron Hintsche, the Acting Manager, Area Planning and Development – South Division as Approving Officer.

DISCUSSION

Approving Officers are appointed under Section 77 of the *Land Title Act*, by the City Council, to independently exercise the duties and authority specified in the *Land Title Act*, to consider and approve subdivision applications. In Surrey, in order to provide effective and efficient approval of subdivisions, Murray Dinwoodie, Jean Lamontagne, Judith Robertson and Nicholas Lai were appointed as Approving Officers.

Due to the retirement of Murray Dinwoodie and Nicholas Lai, it is appropriate to rescind their appointment as Approving Officers and appoint Ron Hintsche, Acting Manager, Area Planning and Development – South Division as Approving Officer.

CONCLUSION

Based on the above discussion it is recommended that Council:

- Rescind the appointment of Murray Dinwoodie and Nicholas Lai as Approving Officers;
- Appoint Ron Hintsche as Approving Officer under Section 77 of the *Land Title Act*; and

- Authorize the City Clerk to advise the Land Title Office of the change.

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