

CORPORATE REPORT

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REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: May 10, 2017

FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 7914-0322-00

General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture XC: 0910-20/529A

SUBJECT: Road Closure Adjacent to 16668 – 103 Avenue and Disposition of a Portion of

City Parkland located at 16678 - 103 Avenue

RECOMMENDATION

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

- 1. Authorize the City Clerk to bring forward a Bylaw to close and remove the dedication as highway of a 142 m^2 (1,529 ft.²) portion of unconstructed 103 Avenue adjacent to the north property line of 16668 103 Avenue; and
- 2. Approve the sale of a 403 m² (4,338 ft.²) portion of City Parkland located at 16678 103 Avenue,

all as generally illustrated in Appendix "I" attached to this report and subject to compliance with the notice provisions of Sections 26 and 94 of the *Community Charter*, S.B.C., 2003, c. 26.

BACKGROUND

Property Description

The road allowance area proposed for closure has an area of 142 m² (1,529 ft.²) and is a portion of unconstructed 103 Avenue north of Highway 1 (the "Road Closure Area").

The owner of the properties at 10368 - 165 Street; 16624, 16646, 16660 and 16676 - 104 Avenue; and 16575, 16587, 16615, 16647, and 16665 - 103 Avenue (the "Parent Properties") has applied to acquire a $403 \, \text{m}^2$ ($4,338 \, \text{ft.}^2$) portion of City Parkland located at 16678 - 103 Avenue (the "City Parkland") and consolidate it with the Parent Properties and the proposed Road Closure Area.

Zoning, Plan Designations and Land Uses

The Road Closure Area, City Parkland and the Parent Properties are zoned One-Acre Residential (RA) Zone and designated "Urban" in the Official Community Plan. There is no Neighbourhood Concept Plan (NCP) for this area.

DISCUSSION

Purpose of Road Closure

The Road Closure Area is intended to be consolidated and rezoned with the Parent Properties and the City Parkland under Development Application No. 7914-0322-00. This Development Application is seeking approval to develop a fifty-eight (58) lot subdivision. The subdivision will include Single Family (RF) Zone, Comprehensive Development (CD based on RF) Zone and Single Family Residential Gross Density (RF-G) Zone lots, as illustrated on the attached Appendix "II". The related Rezoning Bylaw was granted Third Reading by Council on December 5, 2016, and the Preliminary Layout Approval was granted on January 16, 2017.

The proposed road closure has been circulated to all concerned City Departments for review and no objections to the closure or disposition have been raised.

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 have expressed any objections.

The proceeds from the sale of the Road Closure Area and the City Parkland will be placed in the Parkland Acquisition Reserve Fund for use in funding other purchases of parkland within the City.

Purpose of Park Disposition

The proposal under Development Applicant 7914-0322-00 specifically references the purchase of the City Parkland for consolidation with the Parent Properties and Road Closure Area. Through parkland dedication requirements, the City is receiving 4,559m² (49,073 ft.² or 1.13 acres) of parkland and achieving a connected park system through the neighbourhood for the Fraser Heights Greenway. Over 450 metres of new greenway will also be built as a result of the development. The layout of the development and greenway location determined that the City Parkland was not required and could be sold for consolidation purposes.

Land Value

The applicant has agreed to provide compensation to the City equivalent to the market value of the Road Closure Area and the City Parkland, as determined by a qualified 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 objectives of the City's Sustainability Charter. In particular, the proposal relates to the Sustainability Charter theme of Built Environment and Neighbourhoods. Specifically, this road closure and sale support the following Desired Outcomes:

• Neighbourhoods and Urban Design DO 4: Surrey's neighbourhoods are safe, accessible, well-connected, walkable and bike friendly;

- Neighbourhoods and Urban Design DO 6: Land is used efficiently and sensitively, and development minimizes the impacts on the natural environment, viewscapes, agricultural land and urban wildlife; and
- Neighbourhoods and Urban Design DO 8: The built environment enhances quality of life, happiness and well-being.

CONCLUSION

The Road Closure Area and the City Parkland are surplus to the City's needs. The terms of the agreement related to the disposition of the Road Closure Area and the City Parkland are considered reasonable. It is recommended that Council:

- Authorize the City Clerk to bring forward a Bylaw to close and remove the dedication as highway of a 142 m² (1,529 ft.²) portion of unconstructed 103 Avenue adjacent to the north property line of 16668 103 Avenue; and
- Approve the sale of a 403 m² (4,338 ft.²) portion of City Parkland located at 16678 103 Avenue,

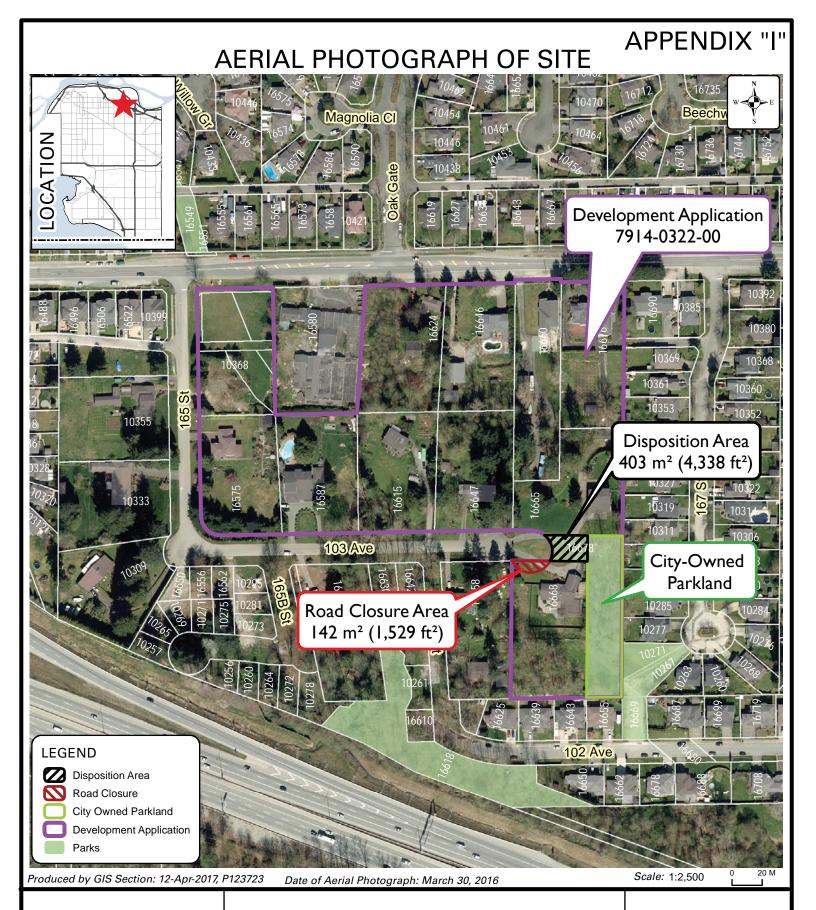
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Appendix "I" - Aerial Photograph of Site Appendix "II" - Site Plan

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Road Closure adjacent to 16668 -103 Avenue; Disposition of City-Owned Parkland at 16678 - 103 Avenue

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

