

CORPORATE REPORT

NO: R091 COUNCIL DATE: May 7, 2018

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: April 24, 2018

FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 0870-20/437D

General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture XC: 7815-0443-00

SUBJECT: Acquisition of Property for Park Purposes at 16688 – 18 Avenue

RECOMMENDATION

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

- 1. The purchase of a portion of the property at 16688 18 Avenue (PID No. 017-336-007) for park purposes, as illustrated on the attached Appendix "I";
- 2. The transfer of appropriate costs for the portion of the future road construction of 17A Avenue, 17B Avenue and 167 Street fronting the proposed parkland (the "Future Road Construction") from the Park Acquisition Program to the Engineering Department's Future Works Account; and
- 3. Re-imburse the developer upon construction completion and receipt of the certification of final costs for the Future Road Construction.

INTENT

The intent of this report is to seek Council's approval to purchase the property at 16688 - 18 Avenue for park purposes, as well as seeking Council's approval to transfer the funds for road construction costs from the Parks, Recreation & Culture Department to the Engineering Department for reimbursement of associated road construction costs.

DISCUSSION

Property Location: 16688 - 18 Avenue

The property at 16688 - 18 Avenue (the "Property") is located in the Sunnyside Heights Neighbourhood Concept Plan. The related Development Application No. 7915-0443-00 received third reading on November 21, 2016. The preliminary layout approval was issued on January 3, 2017, and subsequently extended on January 5, 2018. A 3,910 m² (42,087 ft.²) portion of the Property, illustrated as Lot 18 on the Subdivision Plan attached as Appendix "II" to this report, is being acquired as a park. The remainder of the property illustrated on the Subdivision Plan, attached as Appendix "II" to this report, is being developed as single-family residential lots. An additional 960.3 m² (10,337 ft.²) is being dedicated as park from this development as a condition of approval.

Zoning, Plan Designations and Land Uses

The Property is zoned One-Acre RA (One-Acre Residential) and designated Urban in the Official Community Plan. The Highest and Best Use of the portion of the Property is as a development site for urban residential infill lots in compliance with the policies of the Grandview Heights NCP Area #2 (Sunnyside Heights) within the context of the pending subdivision.

Purpose of the Acquisition

The acquisition of the Property will secure a component of an overall future park, as illustrated in the Sunnyside Heights Neighbourhood Concept Plan ("NCP"), attached as Appendix "III". It will be part of an approximately 1.5 hectare (3.7 acre) neighbourhood park to serve the future residents of this area. The park will likely include forested areas, a playground, walking trails and other park amenities, subject to consultation with local residents.

Contract of Purchase and Sale

A purchase and sale agreement has been negotiated with, and accepted by, the owner of the Property. The agreement is supported by an appraisal that was completed by an accredited, independent appraiser. The agreement is subject to City Council approval on or before May 9, 2018. Sale completion will take place upon registration of the subdivision in the Land Title Office.

Funding for Purchase

The Finance Department has confirmed that funds for this acquisition are available in the Park Acquisition Program.

SUSTAINABILITY CONSIDERATIONS

Acquiring the Property supports the objectives of the City's Sustainability Charter 2.0. In particular, this acquisition relates to the Sustainability Charter 2.0 themes of Built Environment and Neighbourhoods, and Health and Wellness. Specifically, this acquisition supports the following Desired Outcomes (DO) and Strategic Direction (SD):

- Buildings and Sites DO15: All new buildings, public places and outdoor spaces are welcoming, safe and universally accessible;
- Neighbourhoods and Urban Design SD6: Provide a range of community amenities including culture, recreation, health and educational facilities in each Town Centre; and
- Wellness and Recreation DO6: Residents participate in a wide range of recreation and leisure opportunities.

CONCLUSION

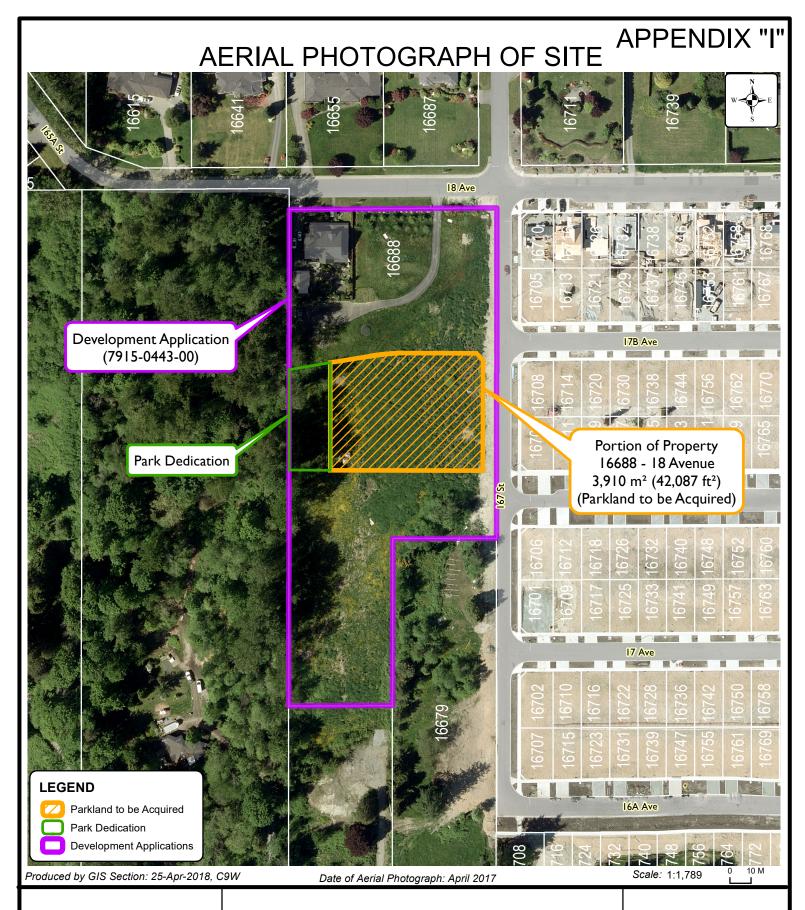
The terms of the purchase and sale agreement are considered reasonable. This acquisition will assist in providing park space in the Grandview Heights NCP Area #2 (Sunnyside Heights).

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Appendix "I": Aerial Photograph of Site Appendix "II": Preliminary Subdivision Plan Appendix "III": Sunnyside Heights NCP Extract

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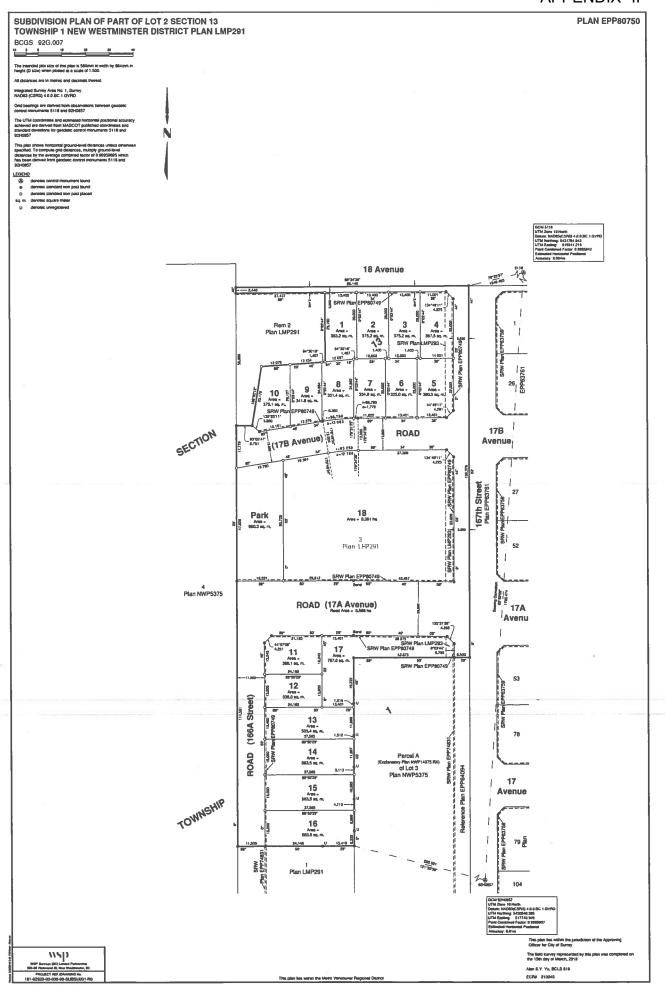


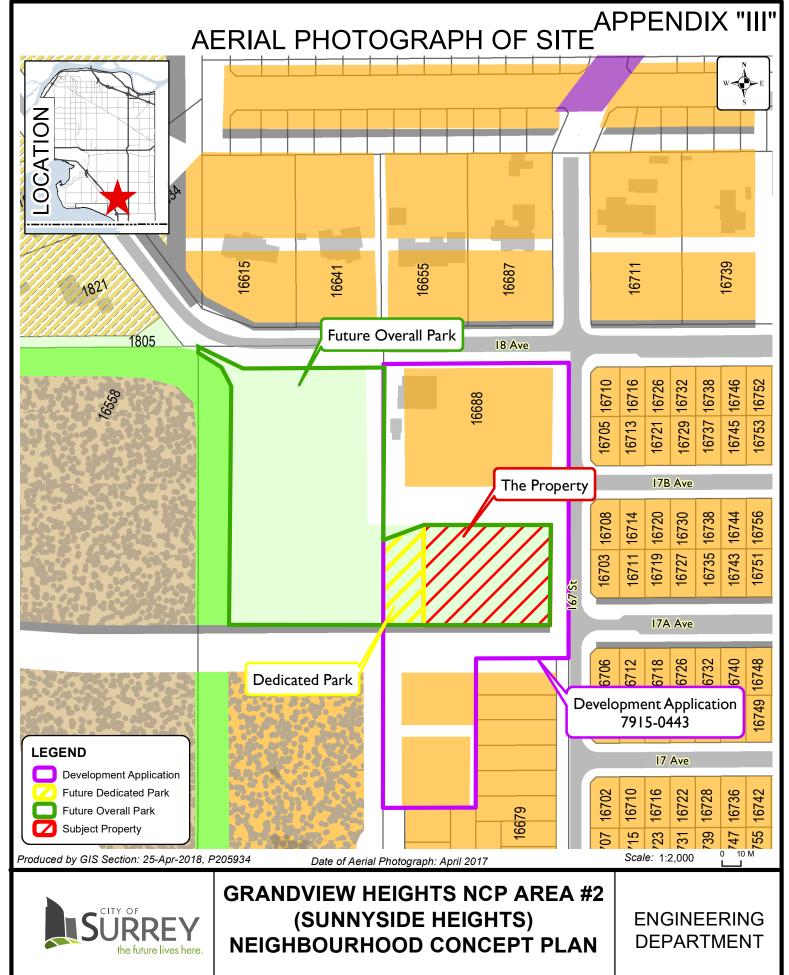


SUBJECT PROPERTY 16688 - 18 Avenue

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

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