

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – APRIL 8, 2002

EXEMPTION TO THE NOISE CONTROL BY-LAW AND TEMPORARY PARKING RESTRICTIONS FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF BOWES ROAD

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Development Services and Public Works recommends:

1. That an exemption to the City's Noise Control By-law 270-81 be granted to permit the operation of construction equipment in connection with the reconstruction of Bowes Road (between Highway 7 and Keele Street), between the hours of 19:00 and 07:00, and on Sundays and Statutory Holidays, for the duration of the project.
2. That a by-law be enacted to temporarily prohibit parking from April 1, 2002 to September 30, 2002, at anytime, on both sides of Bowes Road from a point 226 metres north of Rayette Road south to Highway 7.

Purpose

To provide the City's contractor with the flexibility to extend working hours and days of work, and to employ parking restrictions as required, in order to complete the reconstruction of Bowes Road (Contract T01-155, Capital Project No. 1389) on schedule and with minimal disruption to businesses.

Background - Analysis and Options

The Bowes Road reconstruction project includes the installation of a new storm sewer, replacement of portions of the existing sanitary sewer and replacement of the old watermain.

In addition, new road construction is planned including new curbs and gutters and sidewalks. Construction is planned to commence the week of April 1, 2002, with completion scheduled for September 30, 2002, not including allowances for poor weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

Traffic Management

In order to ensure that vehicular traffic on Bowes Road, Oster Lane, Rivermede Road and Rayette Road and all driveways is maintained at all times, the contractor has forwarded a comprehensive Traffic Control Plan for review and approval by the City of Vaughan, Region of York, and the consulting engineer. With the daily traffic volumes on Bowes Road of 3300 vehicles, the Traffic Control Plan will address domestic and commercial traffic for the duration of the project.

Hours of Work

Providing the contractor with the flexibility to work between 19:00 and 07:00, and on Sundays and Statutory Holidays, will greatly assist the contractor in maintaining the construction schedule. By working outside normal business hours, traffic disruption to area business hours may be minimized.

The land use in the immediate vicinity of the construction zone is an industrial/commercial area (with the nearest residential area located south of Highway 7), and would therefore not be adversely affected by the nighttime, Sunday or Statutory Holiday construction noise. The contractor will only use these extended hours of work as required.

Parking Restrictions

Schedule 'A', Part 1, of the City's Parking By-law (Number 1-96) stipulates that parking is prohibited at anytime on both sides of Bowes Road from Keele Street east to a point 226 metres north of Rayette Road. From this point south to Highway 7, parking is permitted.

In order for construction to proceed without disruption, parking must be prohibited on Bowes Road for the duration of the project, from April 2, 2002 through November 30, 2002. Accordingly, a By-law to prohibit parking should be enacted.

Conclusion

It is recommended that an exemption to the City's Noise Control By-law 270-81 be granted, and that a By-law prohibiting parking along Bowes Road be enacted to facilitate the timely completion of the City's capital project.

Attachments

1. Location Map

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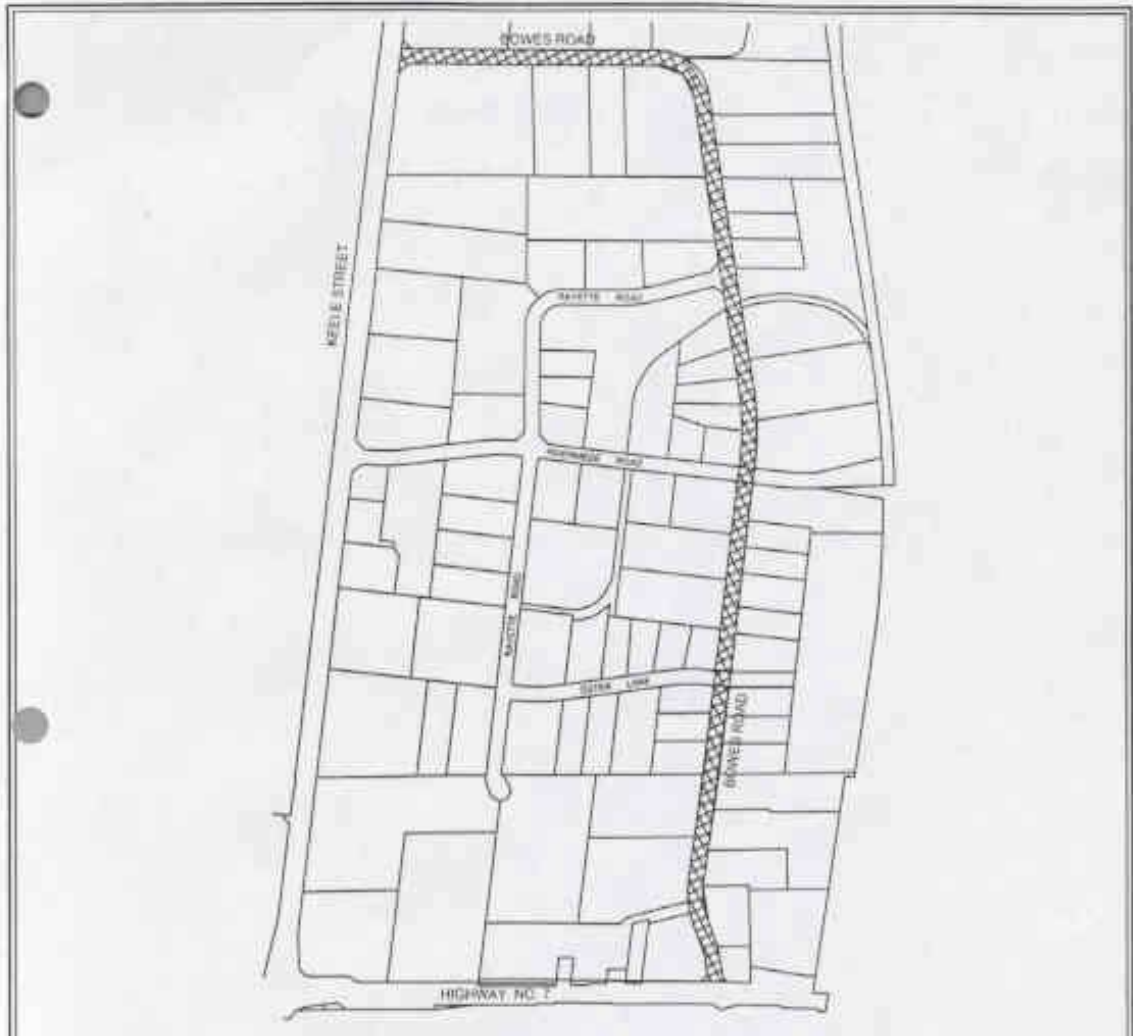
Respectfully submitted,

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ATTACHMENT No. 1



BOWES ROAD RECONSTRUCTION

LOCATION : Part of Lots 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10
Concession 3
Reg. Plan, R.P. 7925

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PROJECT AREA



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