COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AUGUST 19, 2002

BENTOAK CRESCENT SIDEWALK PETITION
SUGARBUSH DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED SUBDIVISION
PHASE 1, 19T-97V20
65M-3521

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

That the proposed sidewalk within the north boulevard of Bentoak Crescent from Pleasant Ridge Avenue to the Public Elementary School and Neighbourhood Park be constructed in accordance with the City's current sidewalk policy and the subdivision agreement.

Purpose

This report represents a comprehensive review of the proposed sidewalk within Bentoak Crescent as it relates to the approved construction drawings for the Sugarbush Developments Limited Subdivision and the City of Vaughan Sidewalk Policy.

Background - Analysis and Options

As a condition of the subdivision agreement between the City and Sugarbush Developments Limited dated June 21, 2001, the Developer was required to design and construct Bentoak Crescent with a sidewalk within the north boulevard from Pleasant Ridge Avenue to the public elementary school block.

Presently, the Sugarbush Developments Limited Phase 1 Subdivision is undergoing house construction and has yet to start any sidewalk construction. Staff has received a petition (See Attachment No. 2) from the lot owners requesting the deletion of the proposed sidewalk on Bentoak Crescent as shown on Attachment No. 1. The subject sidewalk abuts and/or fronts 23 lots on Bentoak Crescent of which 13 lot owners have signed the petition.

The subject sidewalk is part of the approved Sidewalk Plan for Block 10 dated November 16, 1999 and revised August 10, 2000 and is shown on the approved Construction Drawings for this subdivision dated April 16, 2002. The August 10, 2002 revision on the Sidewalk Plan does not have any impact on Bentoak Crescent. The construction of the subject sidewalk will serve as an important link in the community to the Neighbourhood Park and abutting proposed Public Elementary School which has an entrance to Bentoak Crescent and satisfy the City's Sidewalk Policy (adopted by Council February 26, 1996) that requires as follows:

- 1. Sidewalks are required where they will form part of a walkway system;
- 2. Sidewalks are required in locations where pedestrian routes connect with schools, parks, transit routes, retail areas, etc. as follows:
 - One sidewalk where 40 to 100 units are tributary to the sidewalk route
 - Two sidewalks where over 100 units are tributary to the sidewalk route

Where only one sidewalk is required, it shall be located on the side of the street, which provides the most direct route to local amenity areas.

Conclusion

Staff recommends that the subject sidewalk be constructed in accordance with the City's Sidewalk Policy and as provided for on the approved Construction Drawings.

Attachments

- 1. Location Map
- 2. Petition (Mayor and Members of Council only)

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Respectfully submitted,

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ATTACHMENT No. 1

