

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - OCTOBER 11, 2005

EXEMPTION TO THE NOISE CONTROL BY-LAW CENTRE STREET CULVERT REPAIRS 250 METRES EAST OF DUFFERIN STREET

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

1. That an exemption to the City's Noise Control By-Law 270-81 be granted from October 19, 2005 to December 5, 2005 for the Centre Street culvert repairs located approximately 250 metres east of Dufferin Street for Saturdays (excluding holiday long weekends) from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., and weekly, Monday to Friday from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.; and
2. That the Region of York – Transportation and Works Department be so notified of the approval of the Noise Control By-Law exemption related to the subject location, and that Regional staff so advise the affected area residents by an appropriate means of the noise by-law exemption.

Economic Impact

Not Applicable.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval of an exemption from the City's Noise Control By-Law 270-81 to facilitate culvert repairs on Centre Street approximately 250 metres east of Dufferin Street from October 19, 2005 to December 5, 2005.

Background - Analysis and Options

Correspondence was received September 7, 2005 from G.C. Romano Sons (Toronto) Limited on behalf of the Region of York requesting an exemption from the City's Noise Control By-Law 270-81 to facilitate culvert repairs on Centre Street just east of Dufferin Street in Concord. The contractor plans to carry out these works between October 19, 2005 and December 5, 2005. To expedite the planned work and to meet the Region's project schedule, the contractor is proposing to perform the work outside the regular work hours of Monday to Friday 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., including weekend work. Therefore, an exemption from the Noise By-Law is being requested to work from 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. weekdays and to work from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on weekends only (excluding holiday long weekends).

Staff have reviewed the contractor's request and in considering the resultant impacts, have determined that in order to reduce the extended effects to the immediate community and the traveling public, as well as minimize construction costs and expedite the work schedule, it is appropriate to grant a limited exemption to the Noise By-Law. More specifically, considering the nature of the work (for example, demolition and reconstruction) and the right to some degree of peace and privacy for local area residents, staff are recommending that the noise by-law exemption hours for weekdays be from **7:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m. daily** and on weekends from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. **Saturdays only**.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This recommendation is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2007 in that it identifies and implements innovative traffic management alternatives to improve general traffic safety (1.1.3) and it supports regional and provincial initiatives on transportation infrastructure (3.2.4).

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council.

Conclusion

To facilitate the proposed culvert repairs on Centre Street 250 metres east of Dufferin Street, it is recommended that an exemption to the City's Noise Control By-Law 270-81 be granted from October 19, 2005 to December 5, 2005 between the hours of 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. weekdays and from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturdays (excluding Sundays and holiday long weekends). The Region of York is also required to advise affected area residents of the noise by-law exemption as approved.

Attachments

1. Location Map

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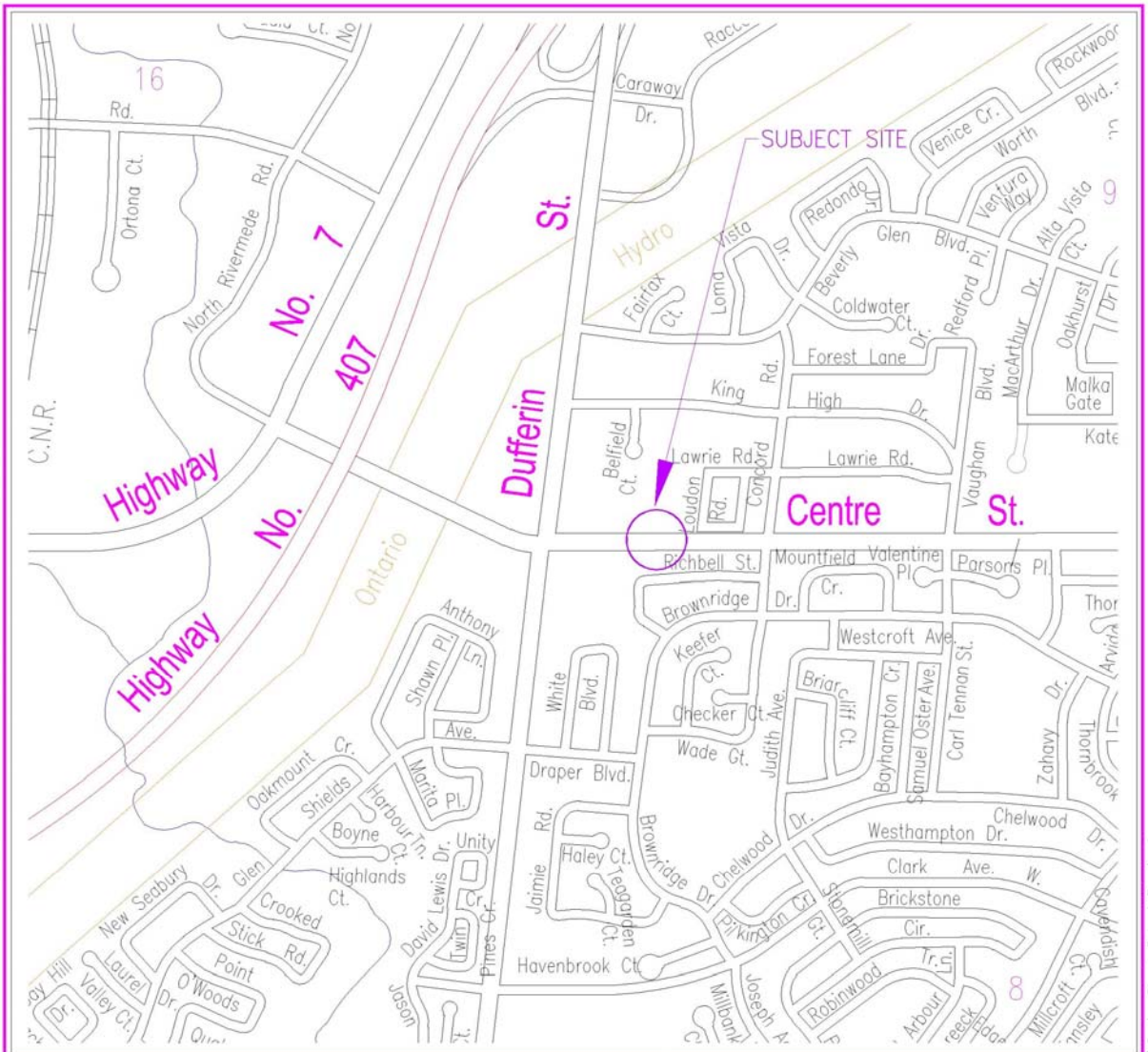
Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Engineering Services

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ATTACHMENT No. 1



CENTRE STREET CULVERT REPAIRS REGION OF YORK CONTRACT 05-107

LOCATION : Part of Lots 30 & 31,
Concession 2

LEGEND



SUBJECT SITE



NOT TO SCALE