

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – DECEMBER 5, 2005

KING-VAUGHAN ROAD – DUFFERIN STREET TO BATHURST STREET WATERMAIN AND ROAD UPGRADE TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE AND AN EXEMPTION TO THE NOISE CONTROL BY-LAW

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

1. That the temporary road closure on King-Vaughan Road between Dufferin Street and Bathurst Street be approved from December 12, 2005 to December 31, 2005 as requested by the Region of York, in order to complete the watermain installation and road upgrades;
2. That an exemption to the Noise Control By-Law be granted to the Region of York from December 12, 2005 to December 31, 2005 for the construction of a watermain and road upgrade on King-Vaughan Road from Dufferin Street to Bathurst Street from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. from Monday to Friday and from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturdays only (excluding holiday weekends and/or statutory holidays).
3. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the appropriate By-Laws.
4. That the Region of York – Transportation and Works Department be so notified of the approval of the temporary road closure extension and Noise Control By-Law exemption related to the subject location and that Regional staff so advise the affected residents of the noise by-law exemption.

Economic Impact

Not Applicable.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval of a request from the Region of York for a temporary road closure on King-Vaughan Road from Dufferin Street to Bathurst Street from December 12, 2005 to December 31, 2005 and an exemption from the City's Noise Control By-Law (270-81) from December 12, 2005 to December 31, 2005 in order to complete the construction of a watermain and road upgrades.

Background - Analysis and Options

Council at its meeting of January 24, 2005 approved the temporary road closure on King Vaughan Road from Keele Street to Dufferin Street from May 1, 2005 to September 15, 2005. However, the Region's contractor (Clearway Construction Inc.) was not issued a Notice of Commencement from the Region of York until August 15, 2005. Due to the delay in agency approvals and the difficulties in constructing the 1200mm diameter concrete trunk watermain through a very sensitive King-Vaughan Wetland which requires piles and concrete cradles, the contractor issued a revised construction schedule which indicated that the watermain installation and roadwork along King-Vaughan Road from Keele Street to Dufferin Street was expected to be substantially completed by December 31, 2005.

A request was received on September 7, 2005 from MacViro Consultants Inc. on behalf of the Region of York for an extension of the temporary road closure from September 15, 2005 to December 31, 2005 to facilitate the installation of the trunk watermain and road upgrade, and also an exemption to Noise Control By-Law during the same time period.

Council at its meeting of October 17, 2005 approved the extension of the temporary road closure and an exemption to the Noise Control By-Law as requested by MacViro Consultants on behalf of the Region of York.

Another request was received on November 8, 2005 from MacViro Consultants Inc. on behalf of the Region of York for a temporary road closure from December 12, 2005 to December 31, 2005 for the installation of a 1200mm diameter concrete trunk watermain and road upgrade on King-Vaughan Road from Dufferin Street to Bathurst Street and also an exemption to the Noise Control By-Law from December 12, 2005 to December 31, 2005. (See Attachment No. 1).

Further, in order to expedite the planned works and to meet this schedule, the contractor must also perform work outside the regular work hours of Monday to Friday 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Therefore, an exemption from the Noise Control By-Law to allow work until 11:00 p.m. in the evening on weekdays and from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturdays only (excluding holiday long weekends and/or statutory holidays) is being requested.

Local access to the affected residences within the area, including all emergency services (fire, police and ambulance) will be maintained and coordinated by the Region of York administration staff at all times. Emergency services will be informed at all times by the Region of York construction staff with regards to the available access to the affected area during the closure. (i.e. either from Dufferin Street, Bathurst Street, or both).

Staff note that an interim approval of the temporary road closure extension was granted on November 16, 2005 by the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works via a memorandum to the Mayor and Members of Council.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

The project is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2007 in that the proposed works ensure that growth does not outpace the road network infrastructure (3.2.3.).

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

Conclusion

Based on the revised construction schedule of proposed works for King-Vaughan Road which includes watermain construction and road upgrades as provided by the Region of York's consultant (MacViro Consultants Inc.), City Engineering staff recommend the temporary road closure and the Noise By-Law exemption as recommended, from Dufferin Street to Bathurst Street from December 12, 2005 to December 31, 2005, to facilitate construction of the watermain and road upgrades.

The Region of York is requested to continue to keep all stakeholders, including the City of Vaughan, Emergency Service providers, area residents and others, fully informed of the project schedule and workplan as it progresses so that all parties can modify their schedules/operations as necessary to respond to any road closures.

Attachments

1. Location Map

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ATTACHMENT No. 1



