

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - MARCH 26, 2007

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE HUNTINGTON ROAD – BLOCK 57/58 WEST

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

That the necessary by-law be passed for the temporary road closure of Huntington Road from approximately 100m south of Langstaff Road to approximately 450m south of Fogal Road, during the period of April 15, 2007 to September 28, 2007 inclusive.

Economic Impact

There are no immediate economic impacts resulting from the adoption of this report.

Communications Plan

Notification and installation of signage informing motorists of the temporary road closure will be placed on all collector and local roads affected two weeks prior to the closure in accordance with the Ontario Traffic Manual, Book 7. All emergency public service agencies (police, fire and ambulance) and public and school transit authorities will be informed of the closure a minimum of two weeks prior to the closure period. The contractor will be responsible for all barricades and construction signage in order to provide pedestrian safety around the construction area.

In addition, Access Vaughan will be provided with information regarding the closure and associated contact information.

The two property owners directly affected by the temporary closure which utilize continuous access from their lands onto Huntington Road include the Quality Seeds property at 8400 Huntington Road and the Credo Christian School at 8260 Huntington Road. Written notification to these property owners will be provided directly by the Consultant two weeks prior and local access will be maintained at all times during the road closure period.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval for the temporary road closure of Huntington Road between Highway 7 and Langstaff Road (Refer to Attachment No. 1).

Background - Analysis and Options

In order to accommodate the construction of municipal services for the Vaughan West II Limited industrial subdivision described by 19T-03V19 in Block 57/58 west, it is proposed that Huntington Road from approximately 100m south of Langstaff Road to approximately 450m south of Fogal Road be temporarily closed during the period of April 15, 2007 to September 28, 2007. Refer to Attachment No. 1.

The contractor is proposing two phases of construction in order to complete the work. During the first phase, the south end of Huntington Road (approximately 1,000 metres northerly) and newly aligned road as shown in Attachment No. 1 will be completed. During the second phase, the remaining portion of Huntington Road to the northerly limit of construction will be completed. Emergency access will be provided at all times.

The temporary road closure will reduce safety risks to both the traveling public and the construction crews and will significantly reduce the construction time schedule of construction, thus minimizing public impact and disruption.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This recommendation is consistent with the priorities set forth in Vaughan Vision 2007, particularly A-2, "Promote Community Safety, Health and Wellness" and A-5, "Plan and Manage Growth".

Regional Implications

N/A

Conclusion

To facilitate the development of Block 57/58 West, it is recommended that a By-law be passed to implement the temporary road closure of Huntington Road from approximately 100m south of Langstaff Road to approximately 450m south of Fogal Road, during the period of April 15, 2007 to September 28, 2007. The temporary closure is required to accommodate the construction of municipal services.

In order to divert the motorist traveling in both northbound and southbound directions, Advanced Notification Signs will be posted prior to commencement of construction.

Attachments

1. Attachment No. 1 – Location Plan

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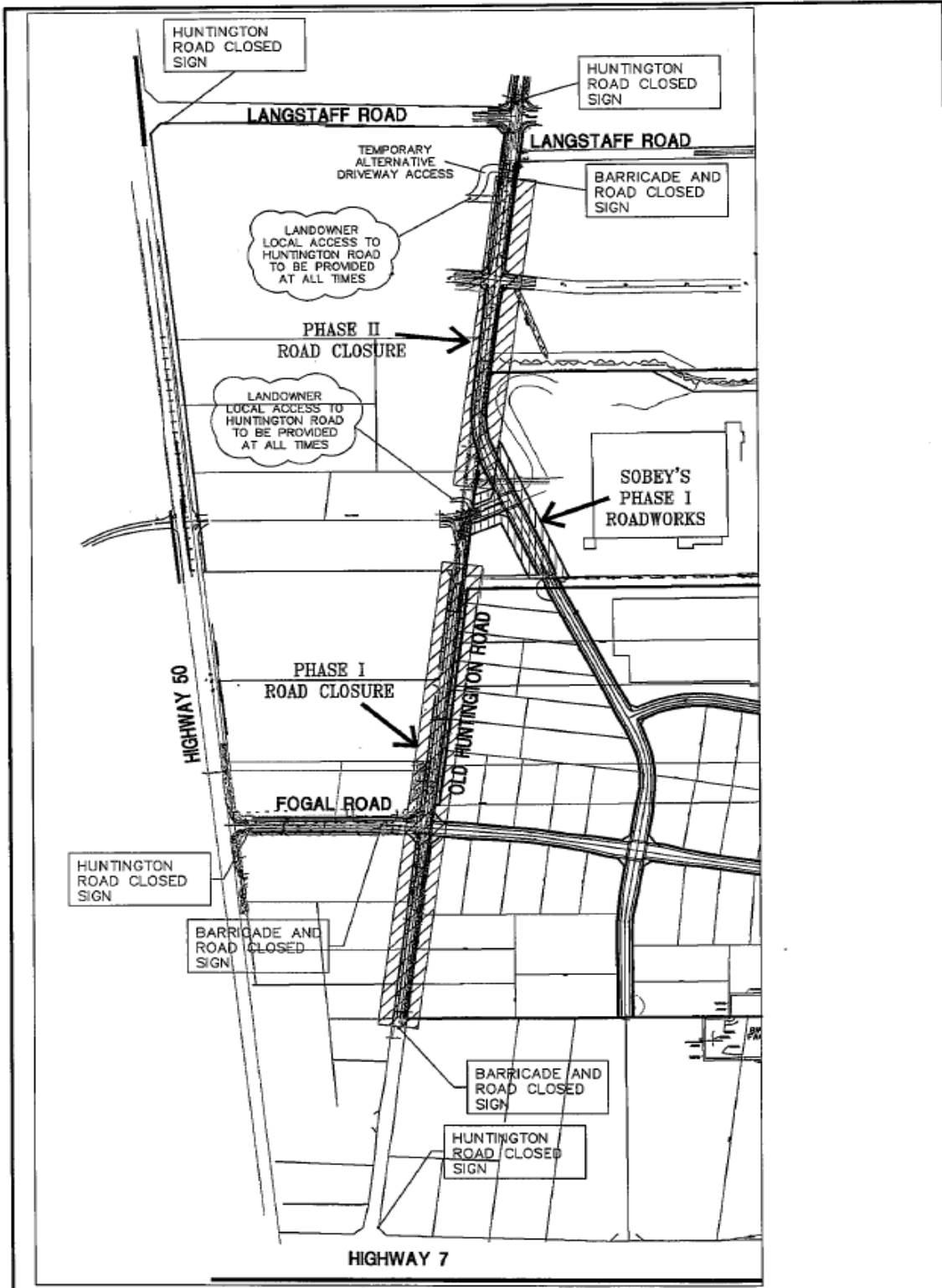
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Attachment No. 1



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