COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - OCTOBER 15, 2007

1137 CENTRE STREET OFFICE REDEVELOPMENT REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF APPROVAL OF TEMPORARY ACCESS OFF PARSONS PLACE

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

That Krcmar Surveyors be granted an extension to enter their site at 1137 Centre Street from Parsons Place with staff and visitor vehicles only from 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. MONDAY TO FRIDAY UNITL NOVEMBER 30, 2007.

Economic Impact

None.

Communications Plan

Should Council approve the temporary access, the affected residents on Parsons Place and Carl Tennen Street would be advised of the extension for the temporary access and provided with contact information in the event that such use presents any concerns to the residents.

Purpose

To report to Committee of the Whole on a request received from Krcmar Surveyors Ltd for an extension of the approval for a temporary access for staff and visitors through Parsons Place during construction at 1137 Centre Street.

Background - Analysis and Options

In a letter, dated June 4, 2007, Krcmar Surveyors advised that they are rebuilding their head office at 1137 Centre Street and requested that temporary access be granted for staff and visitors during construction. The temporary access was requested for July through September 2007. This request was dealt with by Council at its meeting of June 25, 2007. (See Attachment No 1).

In a letter dated October 3, 2007, Krcmar Surveyors Ltd. requested an extension until November 30, 2007 of the temporary access through Parsons Place for Krcmar staff and visitors. The building permit was only issued on August 22, 2007, resulting in a two month delay in their originally anticipated construction start date thereby necessitating the extension.

As before, access would be restricted to weekday access for staff and visitors of Krcmar Surveyors Ltd., between 7:30 AM and 5:30 AM. Weekend access would not be permitted. More importantly, all heavy construction vehicle access will be restricted to the existing Centre Street access.

Krcmar Surveyors Ltd. continues to operate out of the existing building throughout the construction and is cognizant of employee/visitor safety, while causing minimal disruption to their neighbors.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2007 so as to promote community safety, health and wellness, promote economic development and plan and manage growth.

Regional Implications

Although Centre Street is a Regional Road, this report has no impact on the Regional road network.

Conclusion

The request from Krcmar Surveyors for an extension of the approval for temporary access off Parsons Place for staff and visitors and ensuring construction traffic is restricted to the existing Centre Street driveway appears to be reasonable. Accordingly, it is recommended that the extension be granted until November 30, 2007. The Parsons Place access shall be closed at all times outside the aforementioned period. Should there be non compliance with the foregoing, the use of the Parsons Place access shall cease and all vehicular access shall be from Centre Street.

Attachments

1. Extract from Council Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Robinson, P.Eng. Commissioner of Engineering & Public Works

ATTACHMENT NO. 1

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 25, 2007

Item 78, Report No. 34, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on June 25, 2007.

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1137 CENTRE STREET OFFICE REDEVELOPMENT REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY ACCESS OFF PARSONS PLACE

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated June 18, 2007:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

- That Krcmar Surveyors be permitted to enter their site at 1137 Centre Street from Parson Place with staff and visitor vehicles only from 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. MONDAY TO FRIDAY FOR JULY, AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2007,
- That all construction access to the site be from the existing driveway off Centre Street only; and,
- That should the foregoing conditions not be adhered to, the temporary access from Parsons Place shall be closed.

Economic Impact

None.

Communications Plan

Should Council approve the temporary access, the affected residents on Parsons Place and Carl Tennen Street would be advised of the temporary access and provided with contact information in the event that such use presents any concerns to the residents.

Purpose

To report to Committee of the Whole on a request received from Krcmar Surveyors Ltd for temporary access for staff and visitors through Parsons Place during construction at 1137 Centre Street.

Background - Analysis and Options

In a letter, dated June 4, 2007, Krcmar Surveyors advised that they are rebuilding their head office at 1137 Centre Street and requested that temporary access be granted for staff and visitors during construction. The temporary access was requested for July through September 2007.

The area road network is shown on Attachment No. 1. Currently, Krcmar Surveyors operates their business from their office at 1137 Centre Street and access to the site is via a driveway from Centre Street. Although there is a driveway off Parsons Place, it is closed and not used for any access. The approved site plan for the office redevelopment is shown in Attachment No. 2. As indicated on the approved plan, vehicular access to the site is from Centre Street only. The site area abutting Parsons Place will be landscaped as shown on Attachment 2.

During construction on the site, construction vehicles would access the site only by the existing entrance off Centre Street. Allowing staff and visitors to enter off Parsons Place would separate regular passenger car traffic from construction traffic and would provide safe and responsible

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access for employees and visitors. It would also allow the contractor to service and grade the site and build the necessary parking areas and driving aisles through most of the site free from conflict with employee and visitor vehicular traffic.

Krcmar has requested access from Parsons Place only on week days and between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Weekend access to the site off Parsons Place would not be permitted. All heavy construction vehicle access will be restricted to the existing Centre Street access.

Krcmar Surveyors has advised that they will continue to operate out of their existing building throughout the construction. They have also indicated their desire to ensure that the sequencing of construction is done so as to protect the safety of their employees and visitors and allow their continued operations which causing minimal disruption to their neighbours.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2007 so as to promote community safety, health and wellness, promote economic development and plan and manage growth.

Regional Implications

Although Centre Street is a Regional Road, this report has no impact on the Regional road network.

Conclusion

The request from Krcmar Surveyors for temporary access off Parsons Place for staff and visitors and ensuring construction traffic is restricted to the existing Centre Street driveway appears to be responsible and reasonable. Accordingly, it is recommended that such access be granted for July, August and September 2007 from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m, Monday to Friday only. The Parsons Place access shall be closed at all times outside the aforementioned period. Should there be non compliance with the foregoing, the use of the Parsons Place access shall cease and all vehicular access shall be from Centre Street.

Attachments

- 1. Area Road Network
- 2. Krcmar Site Plan

(A copy of the attachments referred to in the foregoing have been forwarded to each Member of Council and a copy thereof is also on file in the office of the City Clerk.)