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ISLINGTON AVENUE LAND USE STUDY (2002) FILE: 21.35

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Planning, in consultation with the Director of Purchasing, recommends:

"That the consulting team led by IBI Group be retained as the City's consultant to complete the Islington Avenue Land Use Study (2002)."

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to confirm Council's approval of the IBI Group Inc. as the City's consultant for the Islington Avenue Land Use Study (2002).

Background - Analysis and Options

The lands subject to the Study front on the west and east sides of Islington Avenue, and extend to the branch of the Humber River and Open Space corridor to the east; the study area is generally bounded by Woodbridge Avenue on the south and Langstaff Road on the north.

On October 29, 2001, Council approved a Terms of Reference for the Islington Avenue Land Use Study, including a budget of 125,000.00 for consultant fees, from the City Wide Development Charges-Management Studies fund.

Council's direction for the Islington Avenue Study originated as a result of a number of development applications within the Islington Avenue Area. The purpose of the Study is to examine existing and appropriate future land uses for lands with frontage on the west and east sides of Islington Avenue between Woodbridge Avenue on the south and Langstaff Road on the north. The study will address the following key planning components: land use compatibility, transportation impacts; environmental impacts; community impacts; and urban design principles. It will be conducted under the supervision of a project manager reporting to the Manager of Policy, the Director of Community Planning and the Commissioner of Planning.

Conclusion

Planning Staff have reviewed nine proposals submitted by various consulting teams and determined that the team led by the IBI Group is the most suitable candidate. Council's approval to retain the team led by the IBI Group is needed so that the Study can be initiated immediately.

Attachments

Location Map

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