

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – OCTOBER 7, 2002

COALBROOK COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

- 1) That this report be received for information purposes; and
- 2) That the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works be authorized to engage a contractor to proceed with the proposed modifications to the walkway lighting between Coalbrook Court and Michelle Drive using available funds in the 2002 Capital Project No. 1110-4-02 Walkway Lighting Program.

Purpose

Engineering Department report on improvements for the Coalbrook Community as requested by Council.

Background - Analysis and Options

Council at its meeting of August 27, 2001 adopted the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole in Item 2 of Report No. 54, of which the following recommendations were the responsibility of the Engineering Department:

“That the City of Vaughan notify York Regional Police to enhance enforcement of the non-compliance of stop signs and reported dangerous driving on Coalbrook Court”;

“That the City of Vaughan install a “no exit” sign on the north side of Coalbrook Court at Grancrest Gate to inform northbound traffic that left turn movement will result in entering a dead end street”;

“That the City of Vaughan approves of the three way stop installation at Coalbrook Court at Grancrest Gate and on Belview Avenue at Coalbrook Court, in consultation with the City of Vaughan Engineering Department”;

“That the City of Vaughan Engineering Department revisit the replaced walkway lighting between Coalbrook Court and Michelle Drive to review the box type fixture or alternative, recommended by the City of Vaughan Engineering Department” and

“That the City of Vaughan Engineering Department review the need for a school crossing sign and/or lighting for Blue Willow Public School”

A No Exit sign on the north side of Coalbrook Court at Grantcrest Gate, and allway stop controls at the Coalbrook Court/Grantcrest Gate and Belview Avenue/Coalbrook Court intersections, were installed in November 2001. Staff have requested that York Regional Police provide more frequent enforcement of the stop signs on Coalbrook Court.

The originally installed bollard type walkway lighting fixtures were replaced with pole-mounted type fixtures by Building and Facilities Department in the Summer of 2000 due to incidents of vandalism. The walkway lighting installed by the Building and Facilities Department were approximately 5.77metre (19 feet) high as compared to the recently proposed standard mounting height of 4.57metre (15 feet) for walkway lighting fixtures. Staff recommend that the existing poles be shortened where feasible or replaced by new poles to reduce the mounting height to be in accordance with the new City standard.

Staff have reviewed the need for additional school crossing signs in the vicinity of Blue Willow Public School, and have confirmed that the existing signage is appropriate and in accordance with Provincial standards.

Conclusion

No Exit sign and all-way stop controls have been installed as per Council direction. The walkway lighting may be modified to conform to a new City standard. There is no need for additional signage for the school crossing.

Attachments

None.

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