

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – DECEMBER 8, 2003

McNAUGHTON ROAD EXTENSION KEELE STREET EAST TO MAJOR MACKENZIE DRIVE

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

That the necessary by-law be enacted to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign agreements with GO Transit with respect to the above and below ground crossings of the GO Transit Railway at McNaughton Road and its related municipal services.

Purpose

To attain the necessary approvals to execute the necessary crossing agreements over the Go Transit Railway at McNaughton Road.

Background – Analysis and Options

The City of Vaughan, the Region of York and York Major Holdings have been making progress over the last few months over the McNaughton Road project. One of the requirements that need to be addressed is the Go Transit Railway crossing (refer to Attachment 1).

On December 31, 2003, the City of Toronto crossing agreement with GO Transit will expire and the City of Toronto has stated that they have no intention of renewing the agreement. Without an agreement, GO Transit would physically remove the private crossing of McNaughton Road. As construction on the McNaughton Road extension is expected to commence shortly, it is appropriate that the City enter into a level grade crossing agreement with GO Transit. This agreement would be for an at-grade 2-lane rural cross-section public crossing. Ultimately once the construction of McNaughton Road is complete, the City will have to enter into a new agreement with GO Transit for an at-grade 4-lane urban cross-section public crossing.

In addition to the at-grade crossing agreements, the City will also require a below grade storm sewer crossing agreement and York Major Holdings will require a below grade sanitary sewer crossing agreement.

As the City is aware of these three essential GO Transit agreements, it is therefore appropriate that the authority to enter into these agreements be granted at this time.

Conclusion

As part of the requirements for the development of McNaughton Road, it is necessary that the City enter into agreements with Go Transit in order to facilitate the road and municipal services crossings of the railway tracks.

Attachments

1. Location Map

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ATTACHMENT No. 1

