

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**NOVEMBER 15, 2004**

**ORR AVENUE/VILLAGE GREEN DRIVE SIDEWALK  
LAW DEVELOPMENT GROUP (1988) LIMITED  
19T-87070 \ 65M-3052**

(Referred from the Council Meeting of November 8, 2004)

Council, at its meeting of November 8, adopted the following:

That this matter be referred to the Committee of the Whole meeting of November 15, 2004.

The Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) recommends:

- 1) That the confidential verbal report from the Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services be received;
- 2) That the Developer be instructed to reinstate the sidewalk on the south side of Orr Avenue in accordance with the City's Sidewalk Policy and the Subdivision Agreement; and
- 3) That the report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated November 1, 2004, be received.

**Recommendation**

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works in consultation with Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services recommends:

1. That the confidential verbal report from the Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services be received; and,
2. That the Developer be instructed to reinstate the sidewalk on the south side of Orr Avenue in accordance with the City's Sidewalk Policy and the Subdivision Agreement.

**Purpose**

This report represents a review of the proposed sidewalk on the south side of Orr Avenue as it relates to the approved Construction Drawings for Law Development Group and the City of Vaughan Sidewalk Policy.

**Background - Analysis and Options**

At its meeting of October 12, 2004, Council directed that the City of Vaughan receive the request from the residents of Village Green Drive/Orr Avenue and refer it to the City of Vaughan Engineering Department for their review and report and that the City of Vaughan Engineering Department include the estimated cost reduction impact of the deletion of the sidewalk.

As a condition of the Subdivision Agreement between the City and Law Development Group dated March 24, 1994, the Developer was required to install a sidewalk on the south side of Orr Avenue. The sidewalk was constructed by the developer and in place for several years. A length of sidewalk in front of 4 lots was removed by the builder without City approval in early 2004, when construction of the houses commenced.

Presently, the subdivision is being inspected for assumption. The Engineering Services Department has \$75,000 in the Municipal Services Letter of Credit for sidewalk construction. The subject sidewalk is in front of 4 lots on the south side of Orr Avenue generally located between Babak Boulevard and the west leg of Kimber Cres.

It should be noted that a length of sidewalk on the south side of Muzich Place west of Babak was previously removed by the builder. This removal was done with the knowledge and approval of City staff since it was not required. That sidewalk had originally been included to connect to a planned walkway in the development. However, the walkway was deleted in the draft plan process and the sidewalk continued to be shown on the construction drawings. Since there was no walkway and since Muzich Place is a short residential cul-de-sac, the City's sidewalk policy would not have required the sidewalk. Accordingly, when requested by the builder, the removal of this short piece was authorized.

Tridin Development – Phase 1, 19T-97V25 is a development on Village Green Drive. The Subdivision Agreement was signed on August 16, 1996. There is no sidewalk along the south boulevard of Village Green Drive between Woolcott Road and the east leg of Velmar Drive. It was not shown on the approved drawings.

Council, at its February 26, 1996 meeting, adopted a Sidewalk Policy, which was confirmed on June 23, 2003. It authorized staff to request Developers to install sidewalk(s) at the following locations:

1. Sidewalks are required where they will form part of a walkway system.
2. Sidewalks are required in locations where pedestrian routes connect with schools, parks transit routes, retail areas, etc. as follows:
  - One sidewalk where 40 to 100 units are tributary to the sidewalk route
  - Two sidewalks where over 100 units are tributary to the sidewalk route

Where only one sidewalk is required, it shall be located on the side of the street, which provides the most direct route to local amenity areas.

3. Sidewalks are required on both sides of feeder, collector and arterial roads.

These roads normally service a transit route and generate higher pedestrian activity, which require sidewalks on both sides of the street.

Orr Avenue is a 23.0m collector road with approved sidewalks on both the north and south boulevards.

Village Green Drive is a 23.0m collector road as well

The cost for the replacement of the sidewalk on Orr Avenue and other associated works to remove and replace circular paved stone driveways is approximately \$25,000.

If the sidewalk on the south side of Orr Avenue is not re-instated, an additional amount of \$5,000 would be required to complete a sidewalk link to the north side of Orr Avenue at the raised pedestrian crossing located just east of the limit of Law Subdivision.

### **Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007**

The development of this subdivision and the assumption of the municipal services is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2007, which encourages managed growth through the implementation of OPA 600 (4.7.1). OPA policies require that development take place in accordance with the requirements and standards of City and relevant agencies.

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

### **Conclusion**

Staff recommends that the subject sidewalk on the south side of Orr Avenue be reconstructed in accordance with the City's Sidewalk Policy and in accordance with the approved Construction Drawings.

### **Attachments**

1. Location Map – Orr Avenue
2. Location Map – Village Green Drive

# ATTACHMENT No. 1



## ORR AVENUE SIDEWALK

LOCATION : Part of Lot 15,  
Concession 6

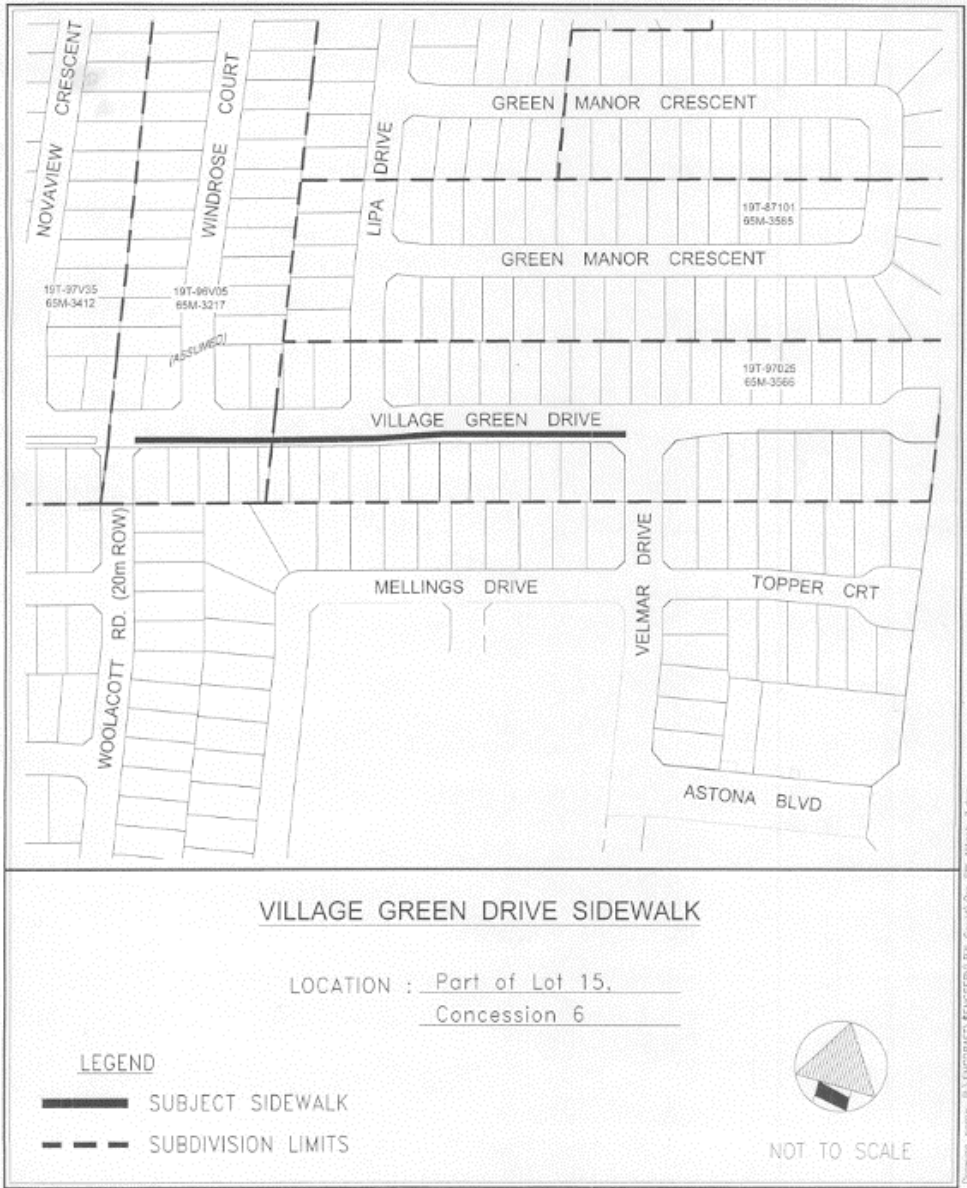
### LEGEND

-  SUBJECT SIDEWALK
-  SUBDIVISION LIMITS



NOT TO SCALE

# ATTACHMENT No. 2



CITY OF WAGHAN - ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

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