

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - FEBRUARY 19, 2007

FUTURE DEDICATION OF EAGLE ROCK WAY TO MCNAUGHTON ROAD EAST

Recommendations

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

That upon confirmation from the Ministry of the Environment that all property requirements for the lands intended to be the McNaughton Road extension east of Keele Street and north of Major Mackenzie Drive (currently referred to as Eagle Rock Way) have been removed from the Secondary Buffer Zone of the Keele Valley Landfill Site, the necessary by-law be enacted dedicating this roadway as a City of Vaughan municipal public highway to be known as McNaughton Road East.

Economic Impact

There are no immediate budgetary impacts resulting from the adoption of this report.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the imminent opening and dedication of the McNaughton Road extension east of Keele Street and north of Major Mackenzie Drive.

Background - Analysis and Options

The Closure Plan for the Keele Valley Landfill Site (KVLS) has now been finalized and was approved by the Ministry of the Environment on December 20, 2006. As part of the approved Closure Plan and in order to allow for the development of the McNaughton Community Plan (Draft Plans 19T-05V05 South and 19T-05V05 North), York Major Holdings Inc. and the City of Toronto have submitted applications to the Ministry of the Environment to have all lands removed from the Secondary Buffer Zone of the KVLS as required for the dedication of the currently private roadway referred to as Eagle Rock Way to a public right -of- way (extension of McNaughton Road east of Keele Street to Major Mackenzie Drive).

Eagle Rock Way is currently a private roadway north of Major Mackenzie Drive extending in an easterly direction from Keele Street to the Greater Toronto Transit Authority Railway tracks. This private roadway is intended to connect with the proposed right-of-way within the McNaughton Community Plan (Draft Plans 19T-05V05 South and 19T-05V05 North) in order to complete the McNaughton Road extension east of Keele Street to Major Mackenzie Drive. Once opened the roadway will serve as a "by-pass" for the Major Mackenzie Drive and Keele Street intersection and will align with the existing portion of McNaughton Road west of Keele Street. Refer to Attachment No. 1.

There currently exists an intersection of McNaughton Road and Major Mackenzie Drive, west of Keele Street, and based on safety concerns raised by the Fire Department, and it is proposed that the new extension of McNaughton Road east of Keele Street to Major Mackenzie Drive be named "McNaughton Road East". This would minimize the potential for confusion, in the event that emergency vehicles need to be dispatched to the intersection of McNaughton Road and Major Mackenzie Drive. Accordingly, the intersections of McNaughton Road **East** and Major Mackenzie Drive and McNaughton Road and Major Mackenzie Drive could be easily distinguished from one another.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

In consideration of the strategic priorities related to planning and managing growth as established by Vaughan Vision 2007, this report will assist in ensuring protection of the environment and that municipal operations are undertaken in an environmentally responsible manner.

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council.

Conclusion

It is anticipated that all applicable property requirements for the lands intended to be the McNaughton Road extension east of Keele Street and north of Major Mackenzie Drive will be released from the conditions of the Secondary Buffer Zone of the Keele Valley Landfill Site in the near future. Upon this happening the McNaughton Road extension is anticipated to be opened by the spring of this year. Upon confirmation from the Ministry of the Environment, it is recommended that Council enact the necessary bylaw in the future to dedicate the subject roadway, (as shown in Attachment 1), to a City of Vaughan public right-of-way to be known as McNaughton Road East. Should Council concur, the recommendations herein may be endorsed.

Attachments

1. Location Map

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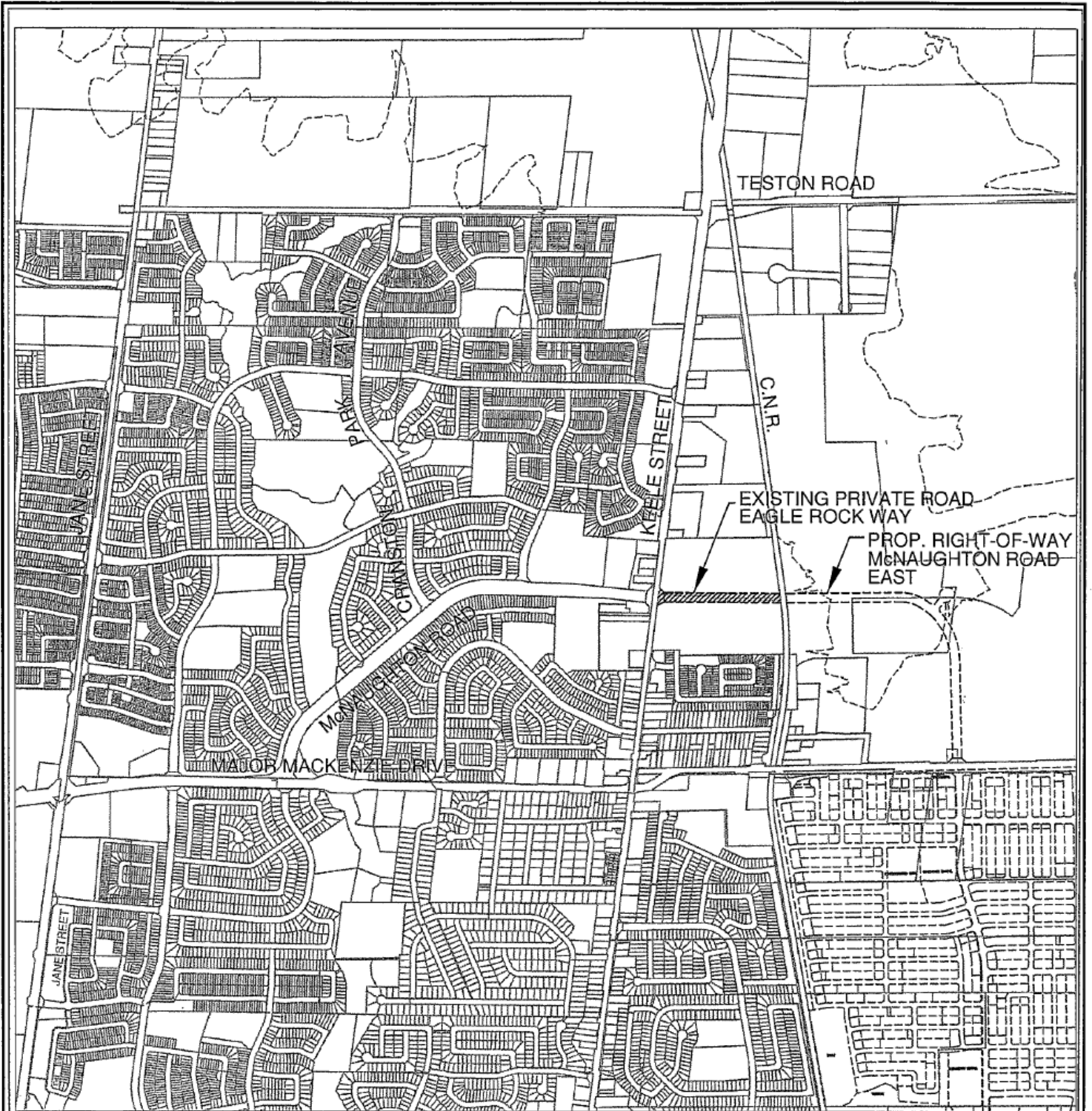
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ATTACHMENT No. 1



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