COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE JUNE 2, 2009

PART OF THE PINE VALLEY DRIVE ROAD ALLOWANCE ROAD CLOSURE REQUEST WARD 2

Recommendation

The Senior Manager of Real Estate in consultation with the Director of Legal Services recommends that:

The Clerk be directed to commence the statutory procedures to stop-up and close 1.69 ha (4.2 ac) more or less of vacant lands being "Part of the Pine Valley Drive road allowance" between Concession 6 & 7, between Rutherford Road and Club House Road.

Contribution to Sustainability

Conveyance to TRCA provides for protection and enhancement of the surrounding natural environment.

Economic Impact

The City of Vaughan shall receive funds in the total amount of \$1,000.00 for an administrative fee.

Communications Plan

Not applicable

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek Council authorization for the stop-up and closure of Part of the Pine Valley Drive road allowance.

Background - Analysis and Options

Council enacted By-law No. 207-2007, on June 25, 2007, to declare the Pine Valley Drive road allowance between Rutherford Road and Club House Road surplus and authorize the conveyance of the lands to TRCA for a nominal amount with TRCA paying legal, survey costs and an administrative fee of \$1,000.00.

On June 25, 2007 Council, also directed:

"That the TRCA agree to convey to the City of Vaughan lands or lands within the City of Vaughan of equivalent extent and value at such times as said lands are identified and acceptable to the City of Vaughan for such conveyance";

At the time TRCA had no surplus lands available for a land exchange. Resolution #A227/07 at the Authority meeting #8/07 on October 26, 2007 authorized as follows:

"That the City of Vaughan be advised that TRCA does not have any surplus lands of equivalent extent and value".

The above minutes do not refer to future conveyance of lands to the City. It is TRCA's position that they are unable to commit to a future transaction. However, their Disposal of Property process requires notification of proposed sale to the Region and local municipality prior to a

public offering. Therefore, the City can express interest in any property when circulated regarding a proposed sale. Staff are obtaining a valuation for future discussions with TRCA.

In recent discussions, TRCA re-confirmed that they do not have any surplus lands available at this time. TRCA staff are preparing a reference plan and have requested the closing of the unopened road allowance.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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

Regional Implications

Not applicable

Conclusion

In June, 2007 Council approved the conveyance of part of the Pine Valley Drive unopened road allowance to TRCA.

The road closure of the City lands is required prior to final conveyance. Therefore, staff recommend approval of this direction to the Clerk to commence the statutory procedures.

Attachments

Location Map

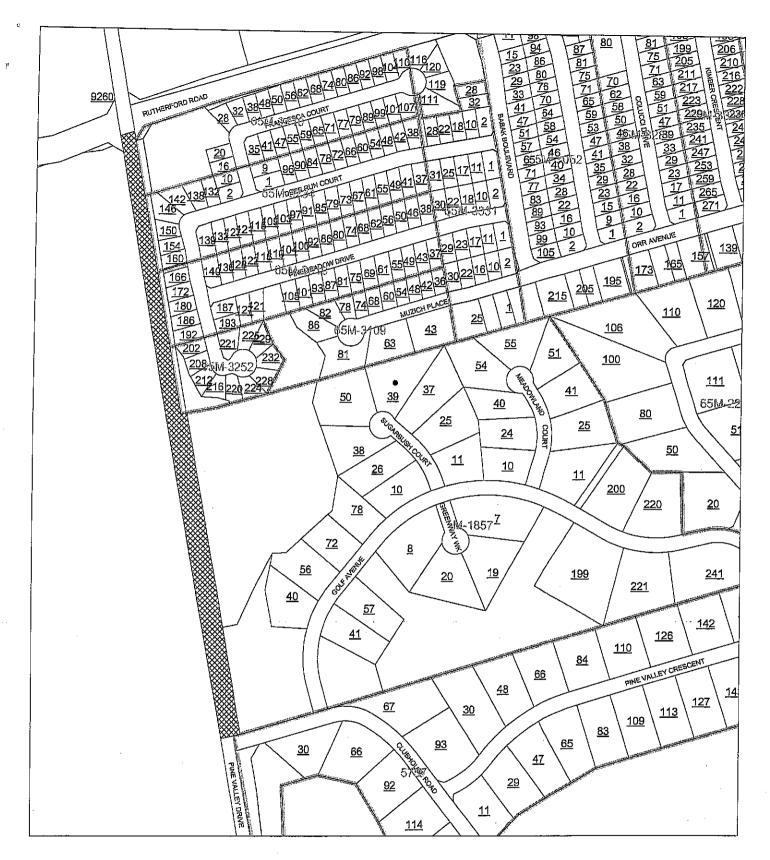
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LOCATION MAP



Subject Lands (Pine Valley Dr. Road Allowance)