

## **COUNCIL – DECEMBER 12, 2005**

### **ROAD CLOSURE – KING HIGH DRIVE AT DUFFERIN STREET**

#### **Recommendation**

The City Clerk recommends:

- 1) That any deputations on the matter be received; and
- 2) That a By-law be enacted to stop up and close King High Drive at Dufferin Street.

#### **Purpose**

To enact a by-law to stop up and close King High Drive at Dufferin Street.

#### **Background – Analysis and Options**

At its meeting of October 31, Council directed staff to commence procedures as required by the Municipal Act to advertise and schedule a Public Hearing to stop up and close King High Drive at Dufferin Street (Attachment 1).

The notice (Attachment 2) was advertised for two (2) consecutive weeks in the City Page of the Vaughan Citizen and the Liberal (Thursday edition only). The appropriate agencies have been notified of the proposed by-law. An objection has been received by Vaughan Fire and Rescue services (Attachment 3).

#### **Conclusion**

In order to complete the road closure process, Council's approval of this recommendation is required. It should be noted that a reference plan has to be completed prior to the by-law being forwarded to a future Council meeting for enactment.

#### **Attachments**

1. Extract
2. Notice
3. Objection

#### **Report Prepared by:**

Brenda Macdonald  
Administrative Co-ordinator

Respectfully submitted

J.D. Leach, City Clerk

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**EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 31, 2005**

Item 26, Report No. 57, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on October 31, 2005.



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**KING HIGH DRIVE CLOSURE**

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated October 24, 2005, be approved; and
- 2) That staff be directed to initiate the process of advertising Council's intent to close the road and to hold a public hearing on this matter.

**Recommendation**

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

That this report be received for information.

**Economic Impact**

Should Council wish to close King High Drive at Dufferin Street, a public notification and hearing process is required. The cost of advertising is a nominal expense. Shall the closure proceed, a design for the work would be required and a cost estimate prepared.

**Purpose**

To advise Committee of the Region of York's response to the City of Vaughan's request that the Region review the feasibility of the closure of King High Drive at Dufferin Street or the implementation of a left turn prohibition at Dufferin Street and King High Drive.

**Background - Analysis and Options**

At its meeting of June 27, 2005 Council adopted Item 17, Report 42 of the Committee of the Whole. That report, among other things recommended that a traffic calming plan for the King High Drive area be approved and "That the Region of York be requested to review the feasibility of the closure of King High Drive at Dufferin Street or the implementation of a southbound left turn prohibition at the intersection of Dufferin Street and King High Drive between the hours 7:00am to 9:00am, Monday to Friday." The extract from the Council meeting is Attachment No. 1 to this report.

Regional Council, at its meeting of September 22, 2005 adopted a recommendation that "The proposal by the City of Vaughan to close King High Drive at Dufferin Street (Y.R. 53) in the City of Vaughan, be supported by Regional Council. The extract from the Regional Council meeting is Attachment No. 2 to this report.

Should Council wish to proceed with the closure of King High Drive, it would be necessary that the City Clerk be instructed to initiate the process to advertise Council's intent to close the road and to hold a public hearing on the matter.

Currently the City does not have funds identified to construct a permanent road closure at this location. If a closure was ultimately approved by Council, the road could be effectively closed through the installation of concrete barriers and appropriate signage. A plan to construct and fund a permanent closure would need to be developed.

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Closure of King High Drive at Dufferin Street would have an impact on the proposed King High Drive Area Traffic Calming plan in that some of the measures proposed may no longer be required or desired by area residents.

**Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007**

This report is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2007 A-1 Pursue Excellence in the Delivery of Core Services and A-2 Promote Community Safety Health and Wellness.

**Conclusion**

The Region has advised that they would support a proposal to close King High Drive at Dufferin Street. Should Council wish to proceed, the City Clerk should be instructed to initiate the procedure under the Municipal Act to stop up and close the road. Should a closure be implemented, the area traffic calming plan should be reviewed and amended as necessary.

**Attachments**

1. Item 17, Report 42
2. Clause 15, Report 7 of Transportation and Works Committee as amended and adopted by Regional Council on September 22, 2005

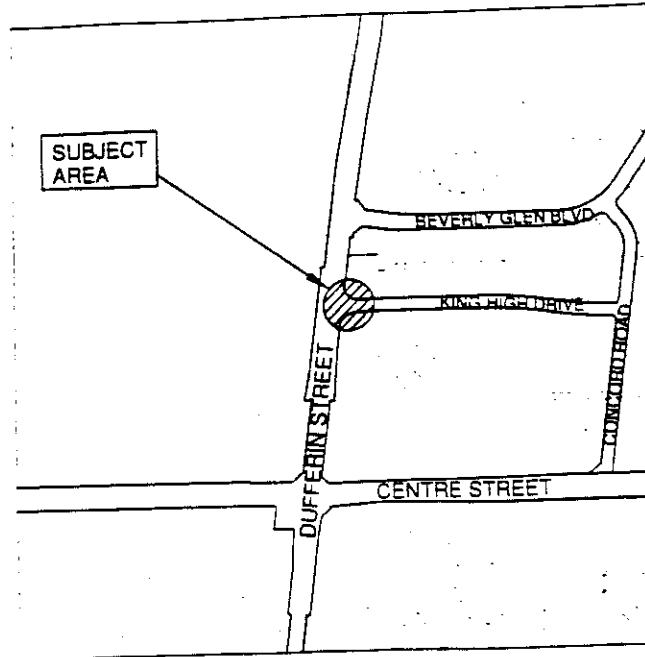
**Report prepared by:**

Bill Robinson, Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works (ext 8247)

(A copy of the attachments referred to in the foregoing have been forwarded to each Member of Council and a copy thereof is also on file in the office of the City Clerk.)

## NOTICE OF THE STOPPING-UP AND CLOSING OF A ROAD

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Vaughan at its meeting to be held on Monday December 12, 2005 at 1:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Offices, proposes to consider a by-law to stop up and close King High Drive at Dufferin Street.



The Council will hear, in person, or by his/her Counsel, Solicitor or Agent, any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected by the proposed by-law and applies to be heard.

Dated at the City of Vaughan this 1st day of December, 2005.

J.D. Leach  
City Clerk  
City of Vaughan

## Macdonald, Brenda

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**From:** Duncan, Glenn  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 06, 2005 2:58 PM  
**To:** Macdonald, Brenda  
**Subject:** Stopping up and closing or King High Drive at Dufferin St.

Brenda:

The Vaughan Fire and Rescue Service is opposed to the closing of King High Drive at Dufferin Street because it will result in longer emergency response times for the residents living between 136 and 265 King High Drive. For example, the response route to 265 King High Drive will be increased by 0.9 km. With additional speed humps and stop signs added to this distance, the response time to 265 King High Drive would be increased by upwards of 1 min and 45 seconds.

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