Member Motion

City Council

Motion without Notice

Requesting Cooperation from Tennis Canada to Establish Shared Driveway Entrance - by Councillor Anthony Perruzza, seconded by Councillor Paul Ainslie

* This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.

* This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.

Communication MM22.43.1 has been submitted on this Item.

Recommendations

Councillor Anthony Perruzza, seconded by Councillor Paul Ainslie, recommends that:

1. City Council request Tennis Canada to agree to partially surrender its lease for the closed portion of Murray Ross Parkway shown shaded yellow and labelled 'Access Area' on the attached Plan, to enable the City to establish a shared driveway entrance on the City's lands that provides access to both the Tennis Canada site and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority property at 5 Shoreham Drive.

2. If Tennis Canada refuses City Council's request, City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services, in collaboration with Tennis Canada and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, to investigate the feasibility of reconfiguring the intersection at Shoreham Drive and Murray Ross Parkway to create a new shared driveway entrance on the City lands west of the existing private driveway (being the unopened portion of the Murray Ross Parkway road allowance) that provides access to both the Tennis Canada site and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority property at 5 Shoreham Drive.

Summary

In 2003, City Council authorized a long-term lease with Tennis Canada for the easterly half of Murray Ross Parkway at Shoreham Drive (Motion J(19) moved by Councillor Li Preti and seconded by Councillor Mammoliti, as adopted by City Council at its meeting on June 24, 25, and 26, 2003). The lease facilitated the development of Tennis Canada's site, where the Rogers Cup takes place every year. Since that time, Tennis Canada has enjoyed the use of the City's property for access to its site and for parking.

The Toronto and Region Conservation Authority is Tennis Canada's neighbor to the west, abutting the remaining unopened portion of Murray Ross Parkway. The Toronto and Region
Conservation Authority is redeveloping its property to build a new head office. The City, as a member municipality, endorsed the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority's redevelopment plans, including approving funding of $38.617 million dollars over 33 years (Item EX22.2 (Part 93), as adopted by City Council at its meeting held on February 15 and 16, 2017). The design of the new headquarters includes an enlarged, shared entrance with the Tennis Canada facility at the intersection of Shoreham Drive and Murray Ross Parkway. The proposed shared entrance is preferred by City Planning and Transportation Services, as it is located at a signalized intersection and will provide safe and efficient access to both sites.

Since part of the proposed new shared entrance lies on part of the lands leased by the City to Tennis Canada, the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority requires an access agreement with Tennis Canada to cross part of the leased lands. To date, Tennis Canada has not agreed to share access with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority over the property it leases from the City on reasonable terms that are satisfactory to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.

This Motion is urgent as Toronto and Region Conservation Authority's redevelopment plans may otherwise be delayed, resulting in additional project costs.

**Background Information (City Council)**
Member Motion MM22.43

**Communications (City Council)**
(June 27, 2020) Letter from Michael Downey, President & CEO, Tennis Canada (MM.New.MM22.43.1)  