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REPORT FOR ACTION

Declare Surplus of City Walkway Between 19 and 23 Lord Roberts Drive

Date: September 18, 2023
To: General Government Committee
From: Executive Director, Corporate Real Estate Management
Wards: 21 – Scarborough Centre

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek authority for the City of Toronto (the "City") to declare the lands currently utilized as a City walkway located between 19 and 23 Lord Roberts Drive as described in Attachment 1 (the "Property") surplus with the intended manner of disposal to be by way of a transfer of a permanent easement to Enbridge Gas Inc. ("Enbridge"). Authority for the proposed transfer of permanent easement will be sought separately utilizing Corporate Real Estate Management's delegated authority.

As per Toronto Municipal Code, s. 213-1.3, it is necessary to declare the Property surplus before proceeding with the proposed transfer of permanent easement. Under Toronto Municipal Code, s. 213-1.6, authority to declare City property surplus has been delegated to the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services unless the local Councillor requests the matter to be determined through the appropriate standing committee. The local Councillor for the subject Property has requested that the proposed declare surplus be determined via the applicable committee process.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Executive Director, Corporate Real Estate Management recommends that:

1. City Council declare the City walkway lands located between 19 and 23 Lord Roberts Drive and described in Attachment 1 (the " Property") surplus, with the intended manner of disposal to be by way of a transfer of a permanent easement to Enbridge Gas Inc.

2. City Council grant an exemption from the requirement to give notice to the public with respect to the proposed declare surplus.

3. All steps necessary to comply with the City's real estate disposal process, as set out in Article 1, Chapter 213 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code, Real Property, be taken.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications resulting from this approval.

The Interim Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial implications as identified in the Financial Impact section.

DECISION HISTORY

There is no decision history associated with this report.

COMMENTS

Background

The City acquired the Property via a Site Plan Agreement with Rainbow Village Scarborough Inc. (Instrument No. C543101) registered on title on February 15, 1989. The Property was conveyed to the City for the purpose of a new pedestrian route linking Lord Roberts Drive to the north side of Eglinton Avenue East.

The Property was not acquired through expropriation proceedings.

Relocation of Gas Service onto City Property

As a result of a conflict with Metrolinx's Scarborough Subway Extension (SSE) project, Enbridge has been requested to relocate an existing gas service from its current location within the City's right of way. Given the proximity of the current gas service line with the City's walkway lands located between 19 and 23 Lord Roberts Drive, it was proposed that the gas service be relocated onto the City's Property. Metrolinx and Enbridge approached the City and requested that the City grant a permanent easement to Enbridge to allow the organization to relocate the gas service onto the Property. Once the gas service has been relocated, the existing gas service can be removed from its current location and Metrolinx can proceed in its efforts to complete the SSE project.

Declaration of Surplus

A circulation to the City's Divisions and Agencies was undertaken to ascertain whether or not there is any municipal interest in retaining the Property. No municipal interest was expressed however, staff have requested that the proposed permanent easement with Enbridge contains certain terms to protect existing improvements and municipal infrastructure on the Property. Housing Secretariat has confirmed there is no interest in the Property for affordable housing. Accordingly, it is appropriate that the Property be declared surplus. The Technical Review Committee has reviewed this matter and concurs.

As per Toronto Municipal Code, s. 213-1.3, it is a requirement to declare the Property surplus before proceeding with the proposed transfer of permanent easement to Enbridge. Under Toronto Municipal Code, s. 213-1.6, authority to declare City property surplus has been delegated to the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services subject to the endorsement of the local Councillor. The local Councillor for the subject Property has requested that the proposed declare surplus be determined through the Committee and City Council process.

Although the declare surplus associated with this report is required to transfer the proposed permanent easement to Enbridge for the installation of a new subsurface gas service on the Property, the City will continue to own the Property, and it will remain a publicly accessible walkway. Once terms have been negotiated and agreed upon between the City and Enbridge, authority for the proposed transfer of permanent easement will be sought separately utilizing Corporate Real Estate Management's delegated authority.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - Legal Description of the Property Attachment 2 - Location Map of the Property Attachment 3 - Reference Plan of the Property

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Attachment 1 - Legal Description of the Property

Part of Blocks B & F, Registered Plan M-680, and Part of Lot 27, Concession D, Geographic Township of Scarborough, City of Toronto, identified by PIN 06348-0443 (LT), PIN 06348-0442 (LT) and PIN 06348-0444 (LT).

The Property is displayed as Parts 1, 2 and 3 on Plan 66R-33427 located in Attachment 3.





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Attachment 3 - Reference Plan of the Property

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