

Clause No. 23 in Report No. 12 of the Committee of the Whole was adopted, without amendment, by the Council of The Regional Municipality of York at its meeting held on June 26, 2014.

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# APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL TO EXPROPRIATE WIDENING AND CONSTRUCTION OF BUS RAPID TRANSIT CORRIDOR HIGHWAY 7 WEST, CENTRE STREET, AND BATHURST STREET (H2) VIVANEXT PROJECT 90991, CITY OF VAUGHAN

Committee of the Whole recommends adoption of the recommendations contained in the following report dated June 5, 2014 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services:

### 1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. Council authorize an application for approval to expropriate the following lands for the construction of a bus rapid transit corridor along Highway 7 West, Centre Street and Bathurst Street, within the City of Vaughan:

No.	Owner	Municipal Address (YRRTC Reference)	Legal Description	Interest Required
1	Pine Seven Office Park Inc.	4500 Highway 7 (Ref No. 18)	Parts 6, 7, 8 and 9 on Plan 65R-34915	Fee Simple
			Part 5 on Plan 65R-34915	Permanent Easement
			Parts 1, 3 and 4 on Plan 65R- 34915	Temporary Easement
2	Estate of	4114 Highway 7	Part 1 on Plan 65R-34914	Fee Simple
	Marguerite Culotta	(Ref No. 19)	Parts 2 and 3 on Plan 65R- 34914	Temporary Easement
3	1737445 Ontario Inc.	4100 Highway 7 (Ref No. 20)	Parts 4 and 9 on Plan 65R- 34914	Fee Simple
			Parts 5, 6, 7 and 8 on Plan 65R-34914	Temporary Easement

4	1737445 Ontario	4040 Highway 7	Part 12 on Plan 65R-34914	Fee Simple
	Inc.	(Ref No. 21)	Parts 10 and 11 on Plan 65R-	Temporary
			34914	Easement
5	Lee-Mar	4030 Highway 7	Parts 13 and 14 on Plan 65R-	Temporary
	Developments	(Ref No. 21A)	34914	Easement
	Limited			
6	Sara Kranc, et al.	7818 Dufferin	Parts 20 and 22 on Plan 65R-	Fee Simple
		Street	34917	
		(Ref No. 50/51)	Parts 21, 23 and 24 on Plan	Temporary
			65R-34917	Easement
7	2090396 Ontario	1500 Centre	Part 18 on Plan 65R-34917	Fee Simple
	Limited	Street	Part 19 on Plan 65R-34917	Temporary
		(Ref No. 52)		Easement
8	IDAN-SHIM	1470 Centre	Part 17 on Plan 65R-34917	Fee Simple
	(1986)	Street	Part 16 on Plan 65R-34917	Temporary
	Incorporated	(Ref No. 53)	2 142 142 21 652	Easement
9	235539 Ontario Inc.	1450 Centre Street	Parts 12 and 13 on Plan 65R-34917	Fee Simple
		(Ref No. 54)	Part 14 on Plan 65R-34917	Permanent
				Easement
			Part 15 on Plan 65R-34917	Temporary
				Easement
10	235539 Ontario Inc.	1438 Centre Street	Parts 6 and 7 on Plan 65R- 34917	Fee Simple
		(Ref No. 55)	Part 8 on Plan 65R-34917	Permanent
				Easement
			Part 9 on Plan 65R-34917	Temporary
				Easement
11	Mares Success	1416 Centre	Parts 1 and 3 on Plan 65R-	Fee Simple
	Ltd.	Street	34917	
		(Ref No. 56)	Parts 2, 4 and 5 on Plan 65R-	Temporary
4.5		62.1.1.2	34917	Easement
12	Malvina Beker	63 Loudon Cres.	Part 21 on Plan 65R-34945	Fee Simple
		(Ref No. 58)	Parts 22 and 23 on Plan 65R-	Permanent
			34945	Easement
			Part 20 on Plan 65R-34945	Temporary
12	Tomas and Marris	27 Lauden C	Dowt 17 on Diag CED 24045	Easement
13	Tony and Maria	37 Loudon Cres. (Ref No. 59)	Part 16 on Plan 65R-34945	Fee Simple
	Wong	(עפו ואט. אאן	Part 16 on Plan 65R-34945	Temporary Easement
1.4	Prigido and	2 Concord Road	Part 14 on Plan 65R-34945	
14	Brigido and Analie Servanez	(Ref No. 60)	Part 14 on Plan 65R-34945  Part 15 on Plan 65R-34945	Fee Simple
	Andre Servanez	(עפו ואט. סט)	Part 15 On Plan 65K-34945	Temporary Easement
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15	1096818 Ontario	1314 Centre	Part 11 on Plan 65R-34945	Fee Simple
	Inc.	Street	Part 9 on Plan 65R-34945	Permanent
		(Ref No. 61)		Easement
			Part 10 on Plan 65R-34945	Temporary
				Easement
16	1096818 Ontario	1304 Centre	Part 8 on Plan 65R-34945	Permanent
	Inc.	Street		Easement
		(Ref No. 62)	Part 7 on Plan 65R-34945	Temporary
				Easement
17	Arthur Fisch	1294 Centre	Part 5 on Plan 65R-34945	Permanent
		Street		Easement
		(Ref No. 62A)	Part 6 on Plan 65R-34945	Temporary
				Easement
18	1096818 Ontario	1282 Centre	Part 4 on Plan 65R-34945	Permanent
	Inc.	Street		Easement
		(Ref No. 62B)	Part 3 on Plan 65R-34945	Temporary
				Easement
19	Arthur Fisch	1272 Centre	Part 1 on Plan 65R-34945	Permanent
		Street		Easement
		(Ref No. 62C)	Part 2 on Plan 65R-34945	Temporary
				Easement
20	1096818 Ontario	1260 Centre	Part 19 on Plan 65R-34944	Fee Simple
	Inc.	Street	Part 20 on Plan 65R-34944	Permanent
		(Ref No. 62D)		Easement
			Parts 21 and 22 on Plan 65R-	Temporary
			34944	Easement
21	Raya Gluzberg	1252 Centre Street	Parts 13 and 18 on Plan 65R-34944	Fee Simple
		(Ref No. 62E)	Parts 14 and 17 on Plan 65R-	Permanent
			34944	Easement
			Parts 15 and 16 on Plan 65R-	Temporary
			34944.	Easement
22	Daniel and Raya	1238 Centre	Part 12 on Plan 65R-34944	Fee Simple
	Gluzberg	Street	Part 11 on Plan 65R-34944	Permanent
		(Ref No. 63)		Easement
			Part 10 on Plan 65R-34944	Temporary
				Easement
23	Theodore, Hanna	1226 Centre	Part 7 on Plan 65R-34944	Fee Simple
	and Charles	Street	Part 8 on Plan 65R-34944	Permanent
	Haller	(Ref No. 64)		Easement
			Part 9 on Plan 65R-34944	Temporary
				Easement

24	Ilana Balilty	1218 Centre	Part 6 on Plan 65R-34944	Fee Simple
	,	Street	Part 5 on Plan 65R-34944	Permanent
		(Ref No. 65)		Easement
			Part 4 on Plan 65R-34944	Temporary
				Easement
25	1600609 Ontario	1206 Centre	Part 1 on Plan 65R-34944	Fee Simple
	Inc.	Street	Part 2 on Plan 65R-34944	Permanent
		(Ref No. 66)		Easement
			Part 3 on Plan 65R-34944	Temporary
				Easement
26	MCC Properties	1200 Centre	Part 31 on Plan 65R-34902	Permanent
	Corp.	Street		Easement
		(Ref No. 67)		
27	Perls	1152 Centre	Parts 28 and 29 on Plan 65R-	Fee Simple
	Incorporation	Street	34902	
		(Ref No. 68)	Parts 27 and 30 on Plan 65R-	Temporary
			34902	Easement
28	Centre Street	1136 Centre	Parts 24 and 25 on Plan 65R-	Fee Simple
	Properties Inc.	Street	34902	_
		(Ref No. 69)	Parts 23 and 26 on Plan 65R-	Temporary
20	N/a a a	4440.0	34902	Easement
29	Vogue	1118 Centre	Parts 20 and 21 on Plan 65R-	Fee Simple
	Investments Limited	Street (Ref No. 70)	34902 Parts 19 and 22 on Plan 65R-	Tomporoni
	Lillited	(Kei No. 70)	34902	Temporary Easement
30	949988 Ontario	1102 Centre	Parts 15 and 17 on Plan 65R-	Fee Simple
30	Ltd.	Street	34902	ree Simple
	Ltd.	(Ref No. 71)	Parts 16 and 18 on Plan 65R-	Temporary
		(	34902	Easement
31	Palmerston	1082 Centre	Part of Lot 6, Concession 2,	Fee Simple
	Properties	Street	Geographic Township of	
	Limited	(Ref No. 72)	Vaughan, as in R627788	
32	Riocan Holdings	1054 Centre	Parts 5, 10, 13 and 14 on Plan	Fee Simple
	Inc.	Street	65R-34902	
		(Ref No. 73)	Parts 4, 11 and 12 on Plan	Temporary
			65R-34902	Easement
33	Imperial Oil	1030 Centre	Parts 7 and 9 on Plan 65R-	Fee Simple
	Limited	Street	34902	
		(Ref No. 74)	Parts 6 and 8 on Plan 65R-	Temporary
			34902	Easement
34	Riocan Holdings	1054 Centre	Parts 2 and 3 on Plan 65R-	Fee Simple
	Inc.	Street	34902	
		(Ref No. 75)	Part 1 on Plan 65R-34902	Temporary
				Easement

35	KRCMAR	1137 Centre	Part 32 on 65R-34902 and	Temporary
	Properties Inc.	Street	Part 1 on Plan 65R-34960	Easement
		(Ref No. 80J)		
36	Gennaro and	30 Mountfield	Part 2 on Plan 65R-34960	Fee Simple
	Stella Panacci	Cres.	Part 7 on Plan 65R-34960;	Temporary
		(Ref No. 88)		Easement
37	Konstantinos	28 Mountfield	Part 3 on Plan 65R-34960	Fee Simple
	Karakostas	Cres.	Part 6 on Plan 65R-34960	Temporary
		(Ref No. 89)		Easement
38	Joe Cultraro	24 Mountfield	Part 26 on Plan 65R-34944	Temporary
		Cres.		Easement
		(Ref No. 90)		
39	Bettina Apa	7 Wade Gate	Part 25 on Plan 65R-34944	Temporary
		(Ref No. 91)		Easement
40	2157875 Ontario	1417 Centre	Parts 29, 30, 31 and 32 on	Temporary
	Limited	Street	Plan 65R-34917	Easement
		(Ref No. 99)		
41	2157875 Ontario	1423 Centre	Part 28 on Plan 65R-34917	Temporary
	Limited	Street		Easement
		(Ref No. 99A)		
42	723736 Ontario	1435 Centre	Part 27 on Plan 65R-34917	Temporary
	Limited	Street		Easement
		(Ref No. 99B)		
43	Edward	1445 Centre	Part 25 on Plan 65R-34917	Fee Simple
	Letichever	Street	Part 26 on Plan 65R-34917	Temporary
		(Ref No. 100)		Easement

The fee simple interest required is described as all right, title and interest for the municipal purpose of implementing road and intersection improvements along Highway 7, Centre Street and Bathurst Street, including associated local roads, and to provide designated lanes for the vivaNext transit system and works ancillary thereto.

The permanent easements required are described as a limited interest in perpetuity in, under, over, along and upon and for municipal purposes including, but not limited to, entering on the lands with all vehicles, machinery, workmen and other material (i) to construct and maintain permanent municipal infrastructure which may include installation, maintenance, relocation and/or removal of traffic turning loops and associated signalization equipment and controls, retaining walls, shoring and formwork and/or drainage, erosion or sediment control measures such as watermains and storm sewers; and (ii) for construction purposes which may include, but are not limited to, (1) relocation of existing services and utilities, (2) staging and storage of materials and equipment, (3) geotech testing, borehole testing, and other investigative works, (4) removal, relocation and/or installation of signage, (5) hard and soft landscaping, paving, grading and reshaping the lands to the limit of the reconstruction of municipal road fronting the lands herein described, (6) the installation and removal of temporary (i) pedestrian access and walkways, (ii) parking measures including restriping of aisles, lanes, and parking stalls, (iii) shoring and formwork, (iv) drainage and erosion/sediment control measures, (v) traffic signals, (vi) fencing, and (vii) handrails, and (7)

works ancillary to any of the foregoing and necessary to the works to be performed in association with the purpose of implementing road and intersection improvements along Highway 7, Centre Street and Bathurst Street, including associated local roads, and to provide designated lanes for the vivaNext transit system and works ancillary thereto.

The temporary easements required are described as a temporary limited interest for a term of five (5) years commencing on registration of the plan of expropriation in, under, over, along and upon and for municipal purposes including, but not limited to, entering on the lands with all vehicles, machinery, workmen and other material for construction purposes, which may include (1) relocation of existing services and utilities, (2) work that supports the construction of municipal infrastructure within the Region's permanent takings, (3) staging and storage of materials and equipment, (4) geotech testing, borehole testing, and other investigative works, (5) removal, relocation and/or installation of signage, (6) hard and soft landscaping, paving, grading and reshaping the lands to the limit of the reconstruction of the municipal road fronting the lands herein described, (7) the installation and removal of temporary (i) pedestrian access and walkways, (ii) parking measures including re-striping of aisles, lanes, and parking stalls, (iii) shoring and formwork, (iv) drainage and erosion/sediment control measures (v) traffic signals, (vi) fencing, and (vii) handrails and (8) works ancillary to any of the foregoing and necessary to the works to be performed in association with the purpose of implementing road and intersection improvements along Highway 7, Centre Street and Bathurst Street, including associated local roads, and to provide designated lanes for the vivaNext transit system and works ancillary thereto.

- 2. The Commissioner of Corporate Services be authorized to execute the Application for Approval to Expropriate Land and the Notice of Application for Approval to Expropriate Land (the "Notice") and to serve and publish the Notice, as required under the *Expropriations Act* (the "*Act*").
- 3. The Commissioner of Corporate Services be authorized to forward to the Chief Inquiry Officer any requests for an inquiry that are received and to represent the Region, as necessary, at an inquiry held under the *Act*.
- 4. Council authorize the introduction of the necessary bylaws to give effect to these recommendations.

### 2. PURPOSE

This report seeks Council approval for an application to expropriate property interests for the Highway 7 corridor (H2) of the vivaNext bus rapid transit project (*Attachments 1 and 2*).

Under the *Act*, Council, as approving authority, must approve an application prior to the initiation of any proceedings.

### 3. BACKGROUND

### The Region is improving road infrastructure, enhancing streetscaping and constructing dedicated lanes for Viva buses

To facilitate bus rapid transit along portions of the Highway 7, Yonge Street and Davis Drive corridors, the Region, via York Region Rapid Transit Corporation (YRRTC), is improving road infrastructure, enhancing streetscaping and boulevards, and constructing dedicated lanes for Viva buses. The entire project is called vivaNext.

The construction of vivaNext is ongoing along Davis Drive, in Newmarket, and Highway 7, in Markham. This report addresses the Highway 7 corridor (H2), in Vaughan, which is scheduled to begin construction in summer 2015. The corridor runs along Highway 7, from Pine Valley Drive to Highway 400, Centre Street, from Highway 7 to Bathurst Street, and Bathurst Street, from Centre Street to Highway 7.

### The project received approval of the Environmental Assessment Report from the Ministry of the Environment in 2006

The H2 corridor received approval of the Environmental Assessment Report from the Ministry of the Environment on November 9, 2006. Negotiations and expropriations are now proceeding to acquire land requirements.

### 4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS

### Negotiations are ongoing to acquire the necessary properties before the start of construction

Staff is currently negotiating the acquisition of 43 properties. The lands are required for many uses and activities such as road widenings, driveways, utilities, streetscaping, retaining walls, grading and temporary working areas. The ownership interests include fee simple, permanent easement and temporary easement. Possession of all lands is required by May 2015.

One of the property acquisitions is a full buy-out containing a tenant. The property will be converted to a signalized intersection and access driveway to adjacent properties. The City of Vaughan is planning to convert the driveway to a road allowance in the future.

## Initiating expropriation proceedings will ensure that the construction schedule will not be compromised if amicable acquisitions are unsuccessful

It is anticipated that negotiations will be successful on some properties. These agreements of purchase and sale will be presented to the applicable approving authorities in due

course. However, it is recommended that the expropriation process proceed in two phases and concurrently with ongoing negotiations, in order to gain possession of all lands before the start of construction. This report is the first phase, which contains 43 properties. The second phase contains approximately 41 properties, which will be presented at a later date. Timely possession of all lands will reduce the risk of significant property escalation costs and construction delays.

The first step in the process requires Council, as approving authority, to authorize an application for approval to expropriate. Subsequently, notice may be served on owners of the subject lands. Receipt of this notice will trigger an owner's right to request a Hearing of Necessity. There is also a statutory obligation to publish the notice.

Staff will continue to negotiate agreements of purchase and sale for the required interests until an expropriation plan is registered.

### Link to key Council-approved plans

### From Vision to Results: 2011 to 2015 Strategic Plan

Priority Area – Focus Growth along Regional Centres and Corridors Optimize the transportation capacity and services in Regional Centres and Corridors The acquisition of the lands will assist the Region in meeting its transportation needs.

### 5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The funds required to complete the property acquisitions have been included in the approved 2014 YRRTC Capital Budget. The project is funded by the Province, via the Metrolinx Master Agreement.

### 6. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

The construction of dedicated bus lanes, related facilities, road and intersection improvements are critical to the achievement of the vision for the Highway 7 corridor for both the Region and City of Vaughan. Additionally, this project will improve public transit facilities and enrich the streetscapes to support the Region's goal for higher density mixed use transit-oriented development.

### 7. CONCLUSION

This report seeks Council approval to expropriate land requirements for the construction of the Highway 7 corridor. To ensure timely possession of all lands for the start of construction, it is necessary to initiate the expropriation process. Staff will continue to negotiate the acquisition of the required properties and expropriation proceedings will be

abandoned where negotiations are successful. Accordingly, it is recommended that Council approve the acquisition of the lands detailed in this report.

For more information on this report, please contact René Masad, Director, Property Services Branch at Ext. 71684.

The Senior Management Group has reviewed this report.

Attachment (2)



