

Corporate Services Committee Action Report for the December 20th, 2016 meeting held in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Antonakos, Deputy-Mayor Flynn, Councillor Black, Councillor Doucett, Councillor Redmond, Councillor Fritz, Councillor Trimble, Duncan Rogers, Clerk, Paul Knowles, Chief Administrative Officer, Phil Hogan, Treasurer

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TO BE DISCUSSED

COMMUNICATION 127422

Received from David Somppi

Addressed to Paul Knowles, Chief Administrative Officer

Date November 8th, 2016 Topic Roy Brown Park

SUMMARY

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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COMMITTEE DECISION

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COMMUNICATION 128014

Received from Paul Knowles, Chief Administrative Officer

Addressed to Policy Review Committee

Date December 1st, 2016

Topic Jackson Ridge – Cost Sharing

SUMMARY

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COMMENT

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One owner, Lynda Burger at 228 Sarah Street, feels that her property will never benefit from the infrastructure, in particular, the SWM Pond, which has been designed to include her property. She is opposed to the Town adopting a by-law requiring a contribution from her or a future owner if the property is ever connected and to having this by-law registered on title.

UPDATE – December 13th, 2016

Resident is concerned that the final plan of the subdivision only provided 10m of frontage for her property on a new street instead of the approximately 90m that was shown on a 1997 preliminary plan. Also, she asks Council not to include her property in a by-law that would recover the cost for sanitary sewer and SWM pond if her property ever connected because her property is already serviced with sanitary sewer and will not connect to the SWM pond.

COMMENT

In 1997, a preliminary plan for the area showed the creation of a road along her western edge of her property. This would have required upgrading Little Sarah Street to a full public street.

Ownership of the property changed and the subdivision plan that was approved through a public process altered the road pattern. The final plan for the subdivision includes 10m frontage on a new street for this property – sufficient for constructing a multi-family development if the owner ever decided to redevelop.

If a multi-family development was constructed on the property, there is a high probability that a connection to the newly constructed sanitary sewer and SWM pond would be sensible. If this occurs, it is reasonable that the owner should contribute a fair share of the costs of the services. However, if there is no redevelopment or, if the redevelopment is designed such that a connection to the new sanitary sewer or the SWM pond is not required, then no costs will be recovered.

UPDATE 1 – December 20th, 2016

To address concerns identified on December 13th, 2016:

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UPDATE 2 - December 20th, 2016

Burger's solicitor has provided a letter that refers to an OMB hearing in Ottawa where they used an Official Plan Amendment to implement an infrastructure cost sharing. He suggests the Town obtain legal advice. Further, he requests that By-law 26-94 be removed from Burger's title as it was registered in error.

COMMENT

The Town's solicitor has review this information and advises there is no suggestion in the Ottawa City staff report or in the Ontario Municipal Board's decision that the adoption of an Official Plan Amendment requiring property owners to participate in a cost sharing is mandatory or the only means of providing for recovery of contributions to the capital cost of constructing services from benefitting property owners. In fact, other than stating the purpose of the Official Plan Amendment, the Decision does not offer any comments on the merits of this approach to recovering the capital costs of constructing services from benefitting owners;

Also, in this example, in the City of Ottawa's Official Plan amendment, contribution to non-development charge funded capital costs is required as a condition of development approval, whereas the fees and charges by-laws that would be adopted by the Town of Carleton Place provides that contributions are required when benefitting owners **connect** to services, which is a more traditional trigger for the recovery of capital costs from benefitting owners.

The solicitor's review did reveal an error in the proposed By-law as it should refer to Section 391 instead of section 326 of the Municipal Act.

In summary, different legislative options are available to collect the cost of infrastructure from owners that benefit. For this example, staff recommend that Section 391 of the Municipal Act is the best option.

Also, staff is already aware of the 1994 by-law that was registered in error. Solicitor will correct this error.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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COMMITTEE DECISION

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