Section I – Items for Authority Action

TO: Chair and Members of the Executive Committee

Meeting #4/18, Friday, June 08, 2018

FROM: Michael Tolensky, Chief Financial and Operating Officer

RE: TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL

Request from the Town of Richmond Hill for a Conveyance of Toronto and Region

Conservation Authority-owned Lands, Town of Richmond Hill, Regional

Municipality of York, Humber River Watershed (CFN 59703)

KEY ISSUE

Receipt of a request from the Town of Richmond Hill, for a conveyance of TRCA-owned lands located on west side of Bayview Avenue and north of Bethesda Side Road, in the Town of Richmond Hill, Regional Municipality of York, required for municipal park infrastructure, Humber River watershed.

RECOMMENDATION

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT WHEREAS Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) is in receipt of a request from the Town of Richmond Hill for the conveyance of TRCA-owned lands located west side of Bayview Avenue and north of Bethesda Side Road, in the Town of Richmond Hill, Regional Municipality of York, required for municipal park infrastructure, Humber River watershed;

AND WHEREAS it is in the best interest of TRCA in furthering its objectives as set out in Section 20 of the *Conservation Authorities Act* to cooperate with the Town of Richmond Hill in this instance;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT a parcel of TRCA-owned land containing 1.23 hectares (3.05 acres), more or less, of vacant land, required for municipal park infrastructure, Part Lots 6 & 7, Concession 2 in the Town of Richmond Hill, Regional Municipality of York, be conveyed to the Town of Richmond Hill.

THAT consideration be the nominal sum of \$2.00; all legal, survey and other costs to be paid by the Town of Richmond Hill;

THAT the Town of Richmond Hill provide a new waterline to service Lake St. George Field Centre from Bethesda Side Road to the satisfaction of TRCA staff;

THAT the Town of Richmond Hill fully indemnify TRCA from any and all claims from injuries, damages or costs of any nature resulting in any way, either directly or indirectly, from this conveyance;

THAT an archaeological investigation be completed, with any mitigation measures being carried out to the satisfaction of TRCA staff, at the expense of the Town of Richmond Hill;

THAT said conveyance be subject to the approval of the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry in accordance with Section 21(2) of the *Conservation Authorities Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter C.27, as amended, if required;

AND FURTHER THAT authorized TRCA officials be directed to take the necessary action to finalize the transaction, including obtaining any necessary approvals and the signing and execution of documents.

BACKGROUND

The Town of Richmond Hill has requested the conveyance of TRCA-owned lands, located on the west side of Bayview Avenue and north of Bethesda Side Road, in the Town of Richmond Hill, Regional Municipality of York, required for municipal park infrastructure, Humber River watershed.

The subject TRCA-owned lands were acquired from S.C. & M.L. Snively, on June 29, 1966 under the Lake St. George Conservation Area Project. Attachment 1 is a sketch illustrating the location of the subject lands.

RATIONALE

The subject TRCA-owned land was severed from the Lake St. George Field Centre property when Bayview Ave was re-aligned and widened in the early 2000's. This isolated piece of land has been managed by the Town of Richmond Hill for 34 years as a parking lot. TRCA staff has no concerns with the conveyance. Town of Richmond Hill will continue to use the site as a parking lot and is proposing to construct a storage facility to support the surrounding recreational uses.

FINANCIAL DETAILS

The Town of Richmond Hill has agreed to assume all legal, survey and other costs involved in completing this transaction and to provide a new waterline to service the Lake St. George Field Centre as part of this transaction to the satisfaction to TRCA.

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