

**Section I – Items for Board of Directors Action**

**TO:** Chair and Members of the Executive Committee  
Friday, September 13, 2024 Meeting

**FROM:** Kathryn Lockyer, Director, Legislative and Property Services

**RE: DISPOSITION TO THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PICKERING (PICKERING MUSEUM VILLAGE)**  
Request from the Corporation of the City of Pickering for conveyance of Toronto and Region Conservation Authority-owned lands required for municipal infrastructure expansion and enhancement for Pickering Museum Village, City of Pickering, Regional Municipality of Durham, Duffins Creek Watershed (CFN 62895)

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**KEY ISSUE**

Receipt of a request from The Corporation of the City of Pickering, for conveyance of lands owned by Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) located south of Highway 7, and west of Concession Road 6, City of Pickering, Duffins Creek Watershed (CFN 62895).

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT WHEREAS TRCA is in receipt of a request from The Corporation of the City of Pickering (City of Pickering) for the conveyance of TRCA-owned lands located south of Highway 7, and west of Concession Road 6, City of Pickering, Regional Municipality of Durham, required for municipal infrastructure expansion and enhancement of Pickering Museum Village, Duffins Creek watershed;**

**AND WHEREAS TRCA has entered an agreement registered on title between City of Toronto and TRCA when TRCA acquired the land from City of Toronto;**

**AND WHEREAS this agreement prohibits disposition of the lands with the exception of conveyance to specific parties and for those uses listed in the agreement;**

**AND WHEREAS City of Pickering is an approved party and the expansion of Pickering Museum Village had been considered and**

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approved in the agreement, subject to City of Toronto concurrence via execution of a Partial Assignment and Assumption Agreement;

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 City of Pickering in this instance;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT a parcel of TRCA-owned land containing 0.383 hectares (0.946 acres), more or less, of vacant land, to facilitate municipal infrastructure expansion and enhancement for Pickering Museum Village, said land being designated as Part 1 on draft plan prepared by J.D. Barnes Limited under reference number 18-25-500-05 on June 9, 2023, in the City of Pickering, Regional Municipality of Durham, be conveyed to City of Pickering;

THAT the conveyance of land is contingent upon the City of Toronto execution of a Partial Assignment and Assumption Agreement;

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

THAT City of Pickering is to fully indemnify TRCA via the Agreement of Purchase and Sale from any and all claims from injuries, damages or costs of any nature resulting in any way, either directly or indirectly, from this conveyance and that the indemnification clause shall survive upon the conveyance of land;

THAT should an archaeological investigation be required City of Pickering will proceed with any mitigation measures being carried out to the satisfaction of TRCA staff, at the expense of City of Pickering;

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

TRCA acquired the requested lands from the City of Toronto in October of 2010 for nominal value with several conditions attached to the acquisition that allow for nominal conveyance of portions or all of the land dependent upon fulfilling specific conditions.

The agreement restricts ownership of the lands to TRCA for open space

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and parks purposes, and the use of the lands to TRCA or the Town of Ajax, City of Pickering, or by one or more of their agencies, boards or commissions, or by another entity approved by City of Toronto.

The agreement further restricts what ancillary uses these potential owners can utilize the land for, with the agreement specifically mentioning other uses such as a future expansion of the Pickering Museum and a district park. Furthermore, if TRCA is to dispose of the property to one of the abovementioned parties for the intended use or an ancillary use, the City of Toronto has the option to consent to a below-market rate for the disposal. Accordingly, City of Toronto has indicated that they will consent to the below-market rate disposition and is in the process of executing the Partial Assignment and Assumption Agreement.

Finally, the City of Pickering has also worked with TRCA Planning to obtain a permit for the proposed works.

### **RATIONALE**

City of Pickering has conveyed lands to TRCA over the years for nominal consideration of \$2.00 and has requested that TRCA lands required for municipal infrastructure expansion and enhancement of Pickering Museum Village, be conveyed for a nominal consideration of \$2.00. Furthermore, City of Pickering is responsible for all survey and legal costs associated with this conveyance of TRCA-owned lands.

### **Relationship to TRCA's 2023-2034 Strategic Plan**

This report supports the following Pillars and Outcomes set forth in TRCA's 2023-2034 Strategic Plan:

#### **Pillar 1 Environmental Protection and Hazard Management:**

- 1.4 Balance development and growth to protect the natural environment ensuring safe sustainable development

#### **Pillar 3 Community Prosperity:**

- 3.1 Connect communities to nature and greenspace

#### **Pillar 3 Community Prosperity:**

- 3.2 A culture of diversity, equity and inclusion contributing to community well-being

**Pillar 3 Community Prosperity:**

3.4 Inspired communities take environmental action

**FINANCIAL DETAILS**

City of Pickering has agreed to assume all legal, survey and other costs involved in completing this transaction.

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**Date: July 26, 2024**

**Attachments: 2**

Attachment 1: Site Plan - located south of Highway 7, and west of Concession Road 6, City of Pickering

Attachment 2: Orthophoto - located south of Highway 7, and west of Concession Road 6, City of Pickering