

Section I – Items for Board of Directors Action

TO: Chair and Members of the Executive Committee
Meeting #8/19, Friday, October 04, 2019

FROM: Michael Tolensky, Chief Financial and Operating Officer

RE: **GREENLANDS ACQUISITION PROJECT FOR 2016-2020**
Flood Plain and Conservation Component, Rouge River Watershed
Geranium Homes (CFN 56129)

KEY ISSUE

Acquisition of property located on the west side of Ninth Line and north of Bloomington Road, municipally known as 13876 Ninth Line, in the Town of Whichurch-Stouffville, Regional Municipality of York, under the “Greenlands Acquisition Project for 2016-2020,” Flood Plain and Conservation Component, Rouge River watershed.

RECOMMENDATION

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT 4.28 hectares (10.56 acres), more or less, of vacant land, located on the west side of Ninth Line and north of Bloomington Road, municipally known as 13876 Ninth Line, said land being Part of Lot 11, Concession 8, designated as Blocks 16, 17 and 18 on Registered Plan 65M-4522, in the Town of Whichurch-Stouffville, Regional Municipality of York, be purchased from Geranium Homes;

THAT the purchase price be \$2.00;

THAT Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) receive conveyance of the land free from encumbrance, subject to existing service easements;

THAT the firm Gowling WLG, be instructed to complete the transaction at the earliest possible date and all reasonable expenses incurred incidental to the closing for land transfer tax, legal costs, and disbursements are to be paid by TRCA;

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

Resolution #A161/15 at Authority Meeting #8/15, held on September 25, 2015, approved the Greenlands Acquisition Project for 2016-2020.

Negotiations have been conducted with Michael Harte, Project Manager, Land Development at Geranium.

Access to the subject lands will be achieved through its frontage from Kingstree Court and Castle Gate.

Attachment 1 is a sketch illustrating the location of the subject lands. Attachment 2 is an orthophoto illustrating the location of the subject lands.

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RATIONALE

The subject lands fall within TRCA's approved master plan for acquisition for the Rouge River watershed as outlined in the approved Greenlands Acquisition Project for 2016-2020. Through the review of the Plan of Subdivision 19T(W)-14.001 for residential development, TRCA staff established the limits of the open space lands.

Relationship to Building the Living City, the TRCA 2013-2022 Strategic Plan

This report supports the following strategies set forth in the TRCA 2013-2022 Strategic Plan:

Strategy 3 – Rethink greenspace to maximize its value

Strategy 4 – Create complete communities that integrate nature and the built environment

TAXES AND MAINTENANCE

This parcel of land will be turned over to the Town of Whichurch-Stouffville under the terms of the existing management agreement.

FINANCIAL DETAILS

Funds for the costs related to this purchase are available in TRCA's land acquisition capital account.

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Attachment 1: Site Plan

Attachment 2: Orthophoto