Section I - Items for Board of Directors Action

TO: Chair and Members of the Executive Committee

Meeting #4/20, Friday, June 12, 2020

FROM: Michael Tolensky, Chief Financial and Operating Officer

RE: CITY OF VAUGHAN REQUEST FOR A PERMANENT EASEMENT

Request from the City of Vaughan for a Permanent Easement of Toronto and Region Conservation Authority-owned Lands required for Canada Company Avenue Road Rehabilitation Project, City of Vaughan, Regional Municipality of

York, Humber River Watershed (CFN 63205)

KEY ISSUE

Receipt of a request from the City of Vaughan, for a permanent easement of Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) owned lands located east of Canada Company Avenue and south of Major Mackenzie Drive, in the City of Vaughan, Regional Municipality of York, required for Canada Company Avenue Road Rehabilitation Project, Humber River watershed.

RECOMMENDATION

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT WHEREAS TRCA is in receipt of a request from the City of Vaughan for the conveyance of TRCA-owned lands located east of Canada Company Avenue and south of Major Mackenzie Drive, in the City of Vaughan, Regional Municipality of York, required for Canada Company Avenue Road Rehabilitation Project, 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 City of Vaughan in this instance;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT a parcel of TRCA-owned land containing 0.0056 hectares, (0.0138 acres), more or less, of vacant land, required for Canada Company Avenue Road Rehabilitation Project, designated as Permanent Easement #1 and Permanent Easement #2 on design drawing titled Canada Company Avenue – Property Acquisition Impacts TRCA (East Side) by WSP, Project No. 20-04RD, in the City of Vaughan, Regional Municipality of York, be conveyed to the City of Vaughan;

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

THAT the City of Vaughan is to 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 or the carrying out of construction;

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

THAT a landscape plan be prepared for TRCA staff review and approval, in accordance with existing TRCA landscaping guidelines at the expense of City of Vaughan;

THAT a permit pursuant to Ontario Regulation 166/06, as amended, be obtained by City of Vaughan prior to the commencement of construction;

THAT said conveyance be subject to notice to the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks in accordance with Section 21(2) of the *Conservation Authorities Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter C.27, as amended;

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 City of Vaughan has requested a permanent easement across TRCA-owned lands, located east of Canada Company Avenue and south of Major Mackenzie Drive, in the City of Vaughan, Regional Municipality of York, as it is required for their Canada Company Avenue Road Rehabilitation Project, Humber River watershed.

The Canada Company Avenue Road Rehabilitation Project is a municipal infrastructure project which involves the reconstruction of approximately 600 m of Canada Company Avenue from Islington Avenue to the cul-de-sac, in the City of Vaughan. The project proposes rehabilitation/reconstruction and widening of the roadway to create 3.0 m to 3.5 m wide lane for each direction, associated grading, cuts and fills, replacement of two culverts, construction of retaining walls on both sides of the road.

The subject TRCA-owned lands were expropriated from Estate of H.J. Farr on October 1, 1964 under Boyd Dam and Reservoir Project and Thomson Groceries Ltd. on July 12, 1963. under Boyd Conservation Area Project. The subject TRCA-owned lands are currently vacant lands at the west border of Restoration Services Centre.

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

RATIONALE

The City of Vaughan has conveyed lands to TRCA over the years for nominal consideration of \$2.00 and has requested that TRCA lands required for Canada Company Avenue Road Rehabilitation Project, be conveyed for a nominal consideration of \$2.00.

<u>Plantings</u>

All lands disturbed by construction will be stabilized and, where deemed appropriate by TRCA staff, revegetated with native woody and herbaceous plant material in accordance with existing TRCA landscaping guidelines. A landscape plan will be prepared as part of the permit application submission.

Relationship to Building the Living City, the TRCA 2013-2022 Strategic Plan
This report supports the following strategy set forth in the TRCA 2013-2022 Strategic Plan:
Strategy 4 – Create complete communities that integrate nature and the built
environment

FINANCIAL DETAILS

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

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Attachment 1: Site Plan Attachment 2: Orthophoto