

Council Report

Report Number:	RS2021-053
Meeting Date:	December 14, 2021
Title:	Surplus Property Located on East Beehive Road, Bobcaygeon
Description:	Recommendation to Rescind Surplus Declaration of City- Owned Property Located on East Beehive Road, Bobcaygeon
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Recommendations:

That Report RS2021-053, Surplus Property Located on East Beehive Road, Bobcaygeon, be received;

That Resolution CR2015-1164 be amended to remove BLK B, PL 373; KAWARTHA LAKES (PIN: 63126-0482 (LT)) from the list of properties to be sold;

(A two-thirds majority vote is required to pass this specific resolution)

That the surplus declaration of BLK B, PL 373; KAWARTHA LAKES (PIN: 63126-0482 (LT)) be rescinded.

(A two-thirds majority vote is required to pass this specific resolution)

Department Head:	
Financial/Legal/HR/Other:	
Chief Administrative Officer:	

Background:

At the Council Meeting of November 10, 2015, Council adopted the following resolution:

Moved by Councillor Dunn, seconded by Councillor Yeo,

RESOLVED THAT Report LM2015-015, Surplus Declaration and Sale of City Owned Lands in Wards 1, 2, 3 and 7, be received;

THAT the following City owned lands be declared surplus to municipal needs:

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Location	Legal Description	Roll Number
Road	BLK B, PL 373; KAWARTHA LAKES PIN: 63126-0482 (LT)	1651026050186000

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THAT notice be given in accordance with By-laws 2008-065 and 2010-118, as amended;

THAT the properties be investigated and, if suitable, prepared and marketed for sale to the general public in accordance with any current or future policies in place and be sold to the interested parties for no less than the appraised value plus any and all costs associated with the transaction;

THAT the Land Management Coordinator or CAO be permitted to negotiate the legal fees and advertising costs with a potential purchaser of municipal property identified above;

THAT all costs associated with investigating, preparing or marketing the properties be taken from the Property Development Reserve;

THAT on completion of the public notice, Council shall consider any deputation or public input in opposition of the sale, if any, and if appropriate, pass a by-law (with any amendments deemed necessary) to authorize the disposition;

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THAT the Land Management Coordinator or the CAO be permitted to fully execute all surplus municipal land listing documentation and any documentation associated with the receipt of an offer to purchase surplus municipal land for the full appraised value plus any and all costs associated with the transaction; and

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute all legal closing documents required for the sale of any surplus municipal property.

CARRIED CR2015-1164

The purpose of this Report is to recommend that this property no longer be declared surplus for the purpose of sale, for the reasons provided below.

Rationale:

The subject property, which is legally described as Block B on Plan 373, in the Geographic Township of Verulam, City of Kawartha Lakes (PIN: 63126-0482 (LT)), was acquired by The Municipality of the Township of Verulam as a Township Park (see Deed of Land attached as Appendix D and Plan of Subdivision No. 373 attached as Appendix E).

The subject property was declared surplus in 2015 and steps were taken to prepare the property for sale on the open market. In reviewing the property in further detail, it was noted that a large portion of the property is located in a KRCA regulated area (see map attached as Appendix F), as well as being a recognized woodland.

Accordingly, the Land Management Team re-reviewed the property at its meeting of October 4, 2021 and felt that the property should be retained by the City due to the fact that it is a recognized woodland. With the property being heavily treed, it could be considered as part of the offset of the City's carbon footprint.

Other Alternatives Considered:

Council could decide to keep the property surplus and direct Staff to continue preparing the property for sale on the open market. This is not recommended at this time, given that the property is recognized as a woodlot and can be used to offset the City's carbon footprint.

Alignment to Strategic Priorities:

The recommendations set out in this Report align with the following strategic priorities:

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- Good Government
 - Effective management of the municipal building and land portfolio

In retaining this property for tree cover, the recommendations further support the strategic priorities of "a healthy environment".

Financial/Operation Impacts:

If Council decides to rescind the surplus declaration and not proceed with a sale of the subject property, the City will be unable to recover the survey costs of \$4,068.00, the appraisal costs of \$2,215.93 and the advertising costs of \$274.32 (which were paid from the Property Development Reserve). The City will also forgo the revenue from the sale of land itself. Realty Services has been tasked with selling a net revenue of \$6,000,000.00 in City land over a 10-year period. In January 2022, Realty Services will bring forward a report to Council demonstrating how this is achievable with existing surplus land, assuming that this property will not be sold.

Consultations:

Land Management Team

Attachments:

Appendix A – General Location Map



Appendix B – Aerial Map Appendix B - Aerial Map.pdf Appendix C – Map



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Appendix D – Deed of Land (VT61410)



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Appendix E – Plan of Subdivision No. 373



of Subdivision No 3

Appendix F – Map of KRCA Regulated Area



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