

# **Council Report**

Report Number: RS2024-012

Meeting Date: June 25, 2024

Title: City Land Sales – Preservation of Public Access to

**Water and Environmental Stewardship of** 

**Shorelines** 

**Description:** Review of CP2021-033: Disposal of Real Property Policy to

Ensure Safeguarding of Public Access to Water and

Education related to Shoreline Maintenance

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#### **Recommendations:**

That Report RS2024-012, City Land Sales – Preservation of Public Access to Water and Environmental Stewardship of Shorelines, be received; and

**That** Council direct staff to proceed with providing shoreline protection and remediation information to residents purchasing shoreline road allowances during the disposition process.

Department Head:	
Financial/Legal/HR/Other:	
Chief Administrative Officer:	<del></del>

### **Background:**

At the Council Meeting of July 25, 2023, Council adopted the following resolution:

CR2023-362
Moved By Councillor Warren
Seconded By Councillor Perry

**That** Staff review the Sale of Land Policy as part of standard policy review and report back with a strategy to safeguard public access to water; and

**That** the report back include a strategy to educate waterfront property owners on shoreline maintenance.

Carried

This report addresses that direction.

In accordance with Council's previous direction, CR2001-1025 (CW2001-863), Realty Services currently denies requests from residents to purchase land that leads to water, unless alternatives exist in the immediate vicinity. Realty Services shall continue to prioritize public access to water in their dealings with public requests to purchase City property.

Where residents have been approved to purchase Shoreline Road Allowances ("SLRA"), Realty Services staff shall forward the Kawartha Region Conservation Authority ("KRCA") information regarding shoreline remediation practices, attached as Appendix A.

#### **Rationale:**

Following this practice would address Council's direction, as outlined in CR2023-362.

#### **Other Alternatives Considered:**

None.

## **Alignment to Strategic Priorities**

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

- A Healthy Environment
  - Protect and preserve natural areas

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

### **Financial/Operation Impacts:**

None.

#### **Consultations:**

Land Management Team

#### **Attachments:**

Appendix A – Kawartha Conservation Shoreline Protection Resources



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