

Council report

Meeting date:	May 17, 2022
Title:	Request for purchase of municipal property (MELLOR, Surya Leigh)
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Reviewed by:	Laura Johnston, CAO

Recommendation

That council receive Planner Spencer's report

That council hereby declares the identified road allowance immediately west of the Concession 2 WGR road deviation surplus to the needs of the municipality; and

That council directs staff to proceed with the disposition of lands, pursuant to the municipality's land disposal by-law.

Executive summary

A request has been provided to council to request the purchase of an unopened road allowance west of the Concession 2 WGR road deviation and the 9th Sideroad NDR in the geographic township of Bentinck.

Background and discussion

The lands were an original road allowance which was not developed, a road deviation was created. This road allowance has not been opened nor has it been maintained. The landowner requesting consideration to purchase the lands owns the property east of the road to the road deviation.

The subject lands are designated entirely 'rural' under the County of Grey Official Plan. Appendix B also identifies that the road allowance is located entirely within significant woodlands. The subject lands are zoned A2 (rural).

The portion of the unopened road allowance would involve approximately 0.5 hectares (1.17 acres) in area and 260 metres (853 feet) in length. It is the intent of the adjacent landowner to add these lands to their property to the east.

Planning staff recommend consideration for the sale of these lands as it is not anticipated that there is a desire or need for the municipality to open this portion of the road. Disposing of the road would remove potential liability from its unintended use and will not interfere with property access or the Concession 2 WGR deviation.



Legal and legislated requirements

- Municipality of West Grey Disposition of Land By-law No. 23-2008
- Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended
- County of Grey Official Plan policy review
- Municipality of West Grey Comprehensive Zoning By-law review.

Financial and resource implications

- Completion and receipt of appraisals
- Review and completion of a survey for registration purposes, if required
- Circulation regarding the offer to purchase to all abutting property owners
- A tender process regarding interest in the purchase of property

Staffing implications

None

Consultation

None

Alignment to strategic vision plan

Pillar:	Build a better future
Cool	Vibrant community

Goal: Vibrant community Strategy: Responsible stewards of the tax dollars

Attachments

- Aerial and official plan mapping
- Aerial and zone mapping
- Aerial and sketch of requested purchase

Next steps

- Completion and receipt of appraisal
- Review / completion of a survey, if required
- Passage of a by-law deeming the subject lands surplus
- Circulation regarding the offer to purchase to all abutting landowners
- A tender process regarding interest in the purchase of property (approved by Council)



Respectfully submitted:



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