Re: INSTALLATION OF CHIPWALK ON 10 FOOT ACCESS DUNDAS STREET ALLOWANCE EAST OF FELL AVENUE PLANS CANCELLATION - D.L. 218

Following is a report from the Director of Planning on the need for the installation of a chipwalk within a redundant street allowance.

RECOMMENDATION:

 THAT Council authorize the expenditure of \$1,200.00 from the 90-01 Contingency Account for the installation of an informal chipwalk to be located within the 10 foot access allowance, as described in the Director of Planning's report; and

2. THAT Council authorize the Municipal Engineer to arrange for its immediate installation.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT 1978 JUNE 06

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

RE: PLANS CANCELLATION - DUNDAS STREET ALLOWANCE EAST OF FELL AVENUE - D.L. 218 CHIPWALK ON REMAINING 10' WALKWAY ACCESS

BACKGROUND

On 1978 March 14 staff members of the Legal, Engineering and Planning Departments attended a Plans Cancellation Hearing pertaining to the closure of the above noted 66' road allowance before Mr. Carlow, Registrar of Titles. Also present were Mr. T.M. Wylie, solicitor for William McKenzie and Beatrice Elizabeth McKenzie and David Horne and Andrea Horne, and the said William McKenzie and the said David Horne. There was also a representative from B.C. Telephone Company.

It was the abutting property owners' desire to acquire 33' of the allowance each for consolidation with their properties as shown on the <u>attached</u> plan. The Registrar stated various easements required by the Corporation and B.C. Telephone Company should be granted. The Corporation attempted to secure a 30' allowance for eventual pedestrian use related to the proposal to use Corporation lots 78, 81 and 36 (see <u>attached</u> sketch) as part of a major pedestrian walkway link between Kensington Park and the park areas on the north face of Capitol Hill. To be viable, such a park trail would need pedestrian access at various points from the large residential area to the west. One such access point considered was the subject road allowance. A site visit revealed that while the allowance was too steep for suitable vehicular passage, it could easily accommodate pedestrian movement. The Registrar was not in favour of granting the 30' for walkway access, but he did agree to a 10' access (i.e. 5' on either side of the centre line of Dundas Street). However, it should be noted that during the hearing, both of the abutting owner-applicants were made aware by Mr. Carlow that they could re-apply for the 10' and that the Registrar would give a favourable decision, should the Municipality not have exercised its right to use the 10' walkway.

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EXISTING SITUATION

Since the abutting owners are pursuing the cancellation of the north 28' and south 28' portions of the subject road allowance, and in view of the Registrar's position on the remaining 10' access allowance, it is advisable that the Corporation arrange for the installation of an informal chipwalk within the 10' access from Fell Avenue east to the lane allowance at this time, thereby safeguarding the public interests and allowing safe access to the undeveloped Scenic Drive allowance. The Municipal Engineer has advised that the estimated cost of installing this chipwalk would be \$1,200. It is proposed that this amount be drawn from the Contingency Fund.

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RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council authorize the expenditure of \$1,200 from the Contingency Fund for the installation of an informal chipwalk to be located within the 10' access allowance, as described above; and THAT Council authorize the Municipal Engineer to arrange for its immediate installation.

Parr, A. L. DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

CW:ad Atts. cc: Municipal Engineer Municipal Solicitor Municipal Treasurer P & R Administrator

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