



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: General Purposes Committee

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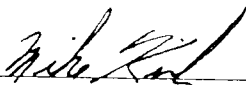


Re: **Disposition of Land - Right of Way for Telus Works within River Road**

Staff Recommendation

That Council approve granting a right of way to Telus over existing works within the portion of River Road to be closed between No. 2 Road and Hollybridge, to be registered after the road is closed and title raised, and that staff be authorized to take all necessary steps to finalise the matter including advertising, as required by the Community Charter.


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Staff Report

Origin

At the Council meeting of January 24, 2006 Council gave 1st 2nd and 3 readings to Bylaw 7975, a Road Closure and Removal of Highway Dedication Bylaw to close a portion of River Road between No. 2 Road and Hollybridge Way.

Findings Of Fact

The Community Charter requires that prior to adoption of such bylaws, operators of private utilities with works within the road allowance should be notified so that appropriate arrangements may be made to protect such works.

Accordingly, after 1st 2nd and 3rd readings of Bylaw 7975, Telus was notified as it has works within the River Road allowance at this location. Telus engineers are working with City staff to relocate the works (a large telecommunications duct) to the new road being constructed along the old CP Rail allowance. However, this will not be accomplished for some time as the new duct work will be constructed at the same time as the road.

In the meantime, Telus has requested that a right of way be granted over its works until such time as these can be relocated at the City's cost.

Analysis

The relocation of Telus works has been factored into the City's road construction project. Staff are in agreement with granting the right of way, conditional upon it being discharged once the works are relocated.

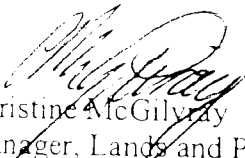
Staff recommend granting the right of way and completing the road closure process (fourth reading and final adoption of Bylaw 7975) as negotiations to sell City riverfront lands affected by this will take place shortly.

Financial Impact

None for the right of way, apart from registration of the documentation (approximately \$60.00).

Conclusion

Granting a right of way is a disposition of land and requires Council approval.


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