



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Public Works and Transportation Committee

Date: April 29, 2010

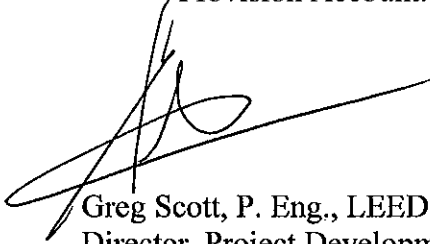
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Re: 23031 Westminster Highway – Former Hamilton Fire Hall Site

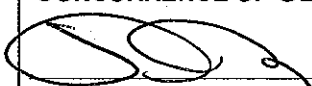
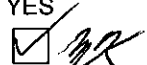
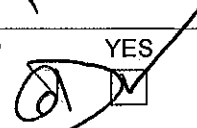
Staff Recommendation

It is recommend that;

1. Staff remove the concrete foundation, asphalt entrance and parking lot from the former Hamilton Fire Hall site (23031 Westminster Highway); and
2. Funding for the demolition and removal of materials come from the Property Costs Provision Account.



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Staff Report

Origin

At the Public Works & Transportation Committee meeting on Wednesday, April 21, 2010, the following referral was introduced:

"That Staff investigate the removal of the cement footings that remain from the demolished Fire Hall."

Background

The new Hamilton Fire Hall at 22451 Westminster Highway was opened in 2006, leaving the former fire hall property at 23031 Westminster Highway available for other City uses. At the time of demolition, there was a possibility that a childcare facility would be built on the property and that the foundation and the parking lot would be incorporated into the design. After a thorough analysis, it was found that the site was not viable for a childcare facility and the property has remained undeveloped.

Analysis

Not For Profit Agencies have been using this site for household goods donation bins, which from time to time, has been problematic. Items that did not fit into the drop chutes were left beside the bins, which encouraged others to leave items that were not suitable for donation. The donation bins are in the process of being removed, but the driveway and parking lot remain accessible to vehicles. Since the City has no immediate plans for reusing the foundation, entrance and parking lot, the concrete and asphalt can be removed so that the potential for illegal dumping is dramatically reduced.

Financial Impact

The cost of removing the concrete foundations, asphalt entrance and parking lot is approximately \$10,000. Funding is available from the Property Costs Provision Account.

Conclusion

Removing the concrete foundation and asphalt entrance and parking at the former Hamilton Fire Hall site will reduce the potential of illegal dumping of goods on the site.



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