

# Proposed Municipal Buffer Redesignation – 1200 Block Claypool Drive – Airport Business Area Neighbourhood

## ISSUE

This report requests approval to redesignate a portion of municipal buffer MB1 on Claypool Drive adjacent to 1215 Claypool Drive. This buffer area will become right-of-way and a new municipal buffer will be created to the south of the current location. This will accommodate potential future road widening on Claypool Drive.

## RECOMMENDATION

1. That City Council consider Bylaw 9656, The Buffer Strip Redesignation Bylaw, 2019; and
2. That a portion of Municipal Buffer MB1 be redesignated to right-of-way.

## BACKGROUND

A municipal buffer runs adjacent to 1215 Claypool Drive between Glenwood Avenue and Airport Drive. To accommodate future potential road widening of Claypool Drive, the Administration is requesting the redesignation of the existing municipal buffer to right-of-way. Since an additional 3.55 metres is required for future road widening, the current 0.3 metre wide buffer will be cancelled. A new 0.3 metre wide municipal buffer will be created to the south of the 3.55 metres of additional right-of-way.

The owner of 1215 Claypool Drive, the Kahkewistahaw First Nation, has been included in this process and are in support of the proposed buffer redesignation.

## DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

The following steps, in chronological order, have been completed as detailed in Table 1.

Table 1 – Proposed redesignation of municipal buffer

Date	Action	Comments
August 2019	Administration requested an area adjacent to 1215 Claypool Drive for potential road widening.	Comments were collected as part of a sales agreement of 1215 Claypool Drive to Kahkewistahaw First Nation.
September 2019	Received Plan of Proposed Buffer Redesignation of Municipal Buffer Strip MB1 drawing from Webb Surveys.	Width of municipal buffer to be redesignated is 0.3 metres.
November 2019	Received review comments from Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure (MHI). MHI requires no compensation.	Webb Surveys initiated the circulation of the plan of proposed municipal buffer to MHI, a required action under Section 13 of <i>The Cities Act</i> .
November 2019	Received conditional subdivision approval from Community Services Department.	Subdivision No. 44/19
December 2019	Public Notice, Bylaw and City Council Report.	None.

To complete this transaction, the Administration requires that City Council approve Bylaw No. 9656, The Buffer Strip Redesignation Bylaw, 2019 (Appendix 1).

No dead end situation will be created.

Utility agencies have been contacted with respect to this redesignation and SaskEnergy, SaskPower, SaskTel and Shaw Communications require easements.

Communication activities are included with the requirement for Public Notice. No other communication activities are required.

### **IMPLICATIONS**

Public Notice is required for consideration of this matter, pursuant to Section 3 (subsection b) of Policy No. C01-021, The Public Notice Policy. The following notice was provided:

- Advertised in The StarPhoenix on November 30, 2019 and December 2, 2019 (Appendix 2);
- Posted on City Hall Notice Board on November 29, 2019; and
- Posted on the City of Saskatoon website on November 29, 2019.

There are no financial, social or environmental implications identified.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Upon approval the existing municipal buffer will be redesignated to public right-of-way and a new municipal buffer will be created.

### **APPENDICES**

1. Bylaw No. 9656, The Buffer Strip Redesignation Bylaw, 2019
2. Public Notice – Proposed Municipal Buffer Redesignation – 1200 Block Claypool Drive

### **Report Approval**

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