Proposed Street Closure – Portion of 100 Block 9th Street East – Nutana Neighbourhood

ISSUE

This report requests approval to permanently close a portion of 9th Street East to restrict vehicular right-turns at the intersection of 9th Street East and the Idylwyld Drive on-ramp in the Nutana neighbourhood. The closed portion of 9th Street will initially be barricaded using concrete barriers until a permanent condition of curbing and landscaping can be installed, but will remain public right-of-way.

RECOMMENDATION

- That City Council consider Bylaw No. 9673, The Street Closing Bylaw, 2020;
 and
- 2. That after closure, this portion of 9th Street East remain road allowance but be closed to vehicular traffic.

BACKGROUND

At its Regular Business Meeting held on December 16, 2019, City Council considered the 9th Street Directional Closure Trial Project Follow-Up report and resolved:

"That the Administration prepare a report to permanently close the right-turn lane from 9th Street to the freeway, and that the pilot project remain in place until the public hearing takes place."

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

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

Table 1 – Proposed closure of right-of-way process summary

Date	Action	Comments
December 2019	City Council resolved to permanently close a portion of 9 th Street East to not allow right turns onto the Idylwyld Drive on-ramp.	None.
December 2019	Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure (MHI) was contacted.	MHI has no concerns or comments about this proposal as the title of the area will remain in the Crown's name.
January 2020	Public Notice, Bylaw and City Council Report	None.

To complete this transaction, the Administration requires that City Council approve Bylaw No. 9673, The Street Closing Bylaw 2020. (Appendix 1).

A dead-end situation will be created for westbound vehicular traffic on 9th Street East, but the Administration has determined there is enough space to safely turn around.

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

OTHER 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 <u>The StarPhoenix</u> on January 11, 2020 and January 13, 2020 (Appendix 2);
- Notice delivered to affected parties on January 10, 2020;
- Posted on the City Hall Notice Board on January 10, 2020; and
- Posted on the City of Saskatoon website on January 10, 2020.

There are no financial, social or environmental implications identified.

NEXT STEPS

Upon approval, the pilot project will cease and a permanent turnaround area will be constructed.

APPENDICES

- 1. Bylaw No.9673, The Street Closing Bylaw, 2020
- 2. Public Notice Proposed Closure Portion of 100 Block 9th Street East

Report Approval

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