

Proposed Closure of Right-of-Way – Portion of College Drive – Brighton Neighbourhood

ISSUE

Administration requests approval to close a portion of College Drive right-of-way. The portion is undeveloped road allowance and is not needed for current or future transportation purposes. This closed portion will be consolidated with existing parcels of the Brighton Neighbourhood owned by the applicant.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That City Council consider Bylaw No. 9774, The Street Closing Bylaw, 2021 (No. 3); and
2. That all costs associated with closure be paid for by the applicant, including Solicitor’s fees and disbursements.

BACKGROUND

Dream Asset Management Corporation (Dream) approached the City of Saskatoon about closing and purchasing a small portion of the College Drive undeveloped road allowance and consolidating the portion with existing parcels in the Brighton neighbourhood. The portion of undeveloped right-of-way is not needed for current or future transportation purposes.

The provincial Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure (MHI) requires compensation for this portion. MHI and Dream have come to a compensation agreement for this portion of public right-of-way.

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
July 2015	Transportation and Construction Division is contacted by Meridian Surveys with proposed subdivision/road closure plans.	Area to be closed is 0.02 hectares.
July 2015	Received review comments from Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure (MHI). MHI requires compensation.	Meridian Surveys initiated the circulation of the Plan of Proposed Road Closure to MHI, a required action under Section 13 of <i>The Cities Act</i> .
March 2021	Conditional subdivision approval from Community Services Division.	Subdivision No. 27/18.
August 2021	Public Notice, Bylaw and City Council report.	None.

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To complete this transaction, the Administration requires that City Council approve Bylaw No. 9774, The Street Closing Bylaw, 2021 (No. 3) (Appendix 1).

No dead-end situation will be created.

Utility agencies have been contacted with respect to the closure. No easements are required.

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 The StarPhoenix on August 14, 2021 and August 16, 2021 (Appendix 2);
- Posted on the City Hall Notice Board on August 13, 2021; and
- Posted on the City of Saskatoon website on August 13, 2021.

There are no financial, social, or environmental implications identified.

APPENDICES

1. Bylaw No. 9774 - The Street Closing Bylaw, 2021 (No.3)
2. Public Notice – Proposed Closure Portion of College Drive

Report Approval

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