

TO:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING ON MARCH 4, 2014
FROM:	MARTIN HAYWARD MANAGING DIRECTOR, CORPORATE SERVICES AND CITY TREASURER, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
SUBJECT:	DECLARE SURPLUS CITY OWNED LAND COLBORNE STREET DIVERSION

RECOMMENDATION

That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, on the advice of the Manager of Realty Services, with respect to a portion of the Colborne Street Diversion, legally described as Parts 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, Registered Plan 33R-18775, as shown on Schedule "A" attached, the following actions be taken:

- a) the subject property **BE DECLARED SURPLUS**; and
- b) the subject property **BE OFFERED** to the abutting property owner, The Diocese of London, at fair market value, failing which it will be tendered for sale in accordance with the City's Sale and Other Disposition of Land Policy.

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER

Jan 20, 2014 Civic Works Committee - Closing of Hill Street Boulevard

BACKGROUND

The "Colborne Street Diversion" was created by Judges Order dated February 17, 1934 registered as Instrument No. LY40898 that effectively realigned portions of Colborne Street and Epworth Avenue on Registered Plan 402(C). The intent was to relocate Colborne Street and Epworth Avenue to provide a permanent cross-connection from Huron Street to Waterloo Street that became known as the Colborne Street Diversion.

The Colborne Street Diversion was never constructed and is not traveled. The short section of Colborne Street lying immediately north of Huron Street contains a joint private entrance to the Diocese property at 1040 Waterloo Street, as well as to the separately owned Merrymount Children's Centre at 1064 Colborne Street. The private entrance has always been maintained by the Diocese.

The Merrymount Children's Centre has consented to the closing on the condition that they receive an easement that protects their legal access to Huron Street, which all parties have agreed to.

The Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of the Diocese of London Ontario has applied to close and purchase the Colborne Street Diversion and Colborne Street north of Huron Street so that the road allowances can be incorporated into their property. The Diocese own most of the lands abutting the road allowances save for a small portion on the east side of Colborne Street at Huron Street that is owned by the Merrymount Children's Centre.

This request has been circulated to various internal City departments and no objections have been received.

A locational map has been included as Schedule "A" for the Committee's information.

Conclusion

The former road allowance has been closed by by-law and there is no further municipal need for the property. The land therefore should be declared surplus to the needs of the City and subsequently sold for fair market value.

PREPARED BY:	SUBMITTED BY:
RON GASPARETTO PROPERTY COORDINATOR & NEGOTIATOR	BILL WARNER MANAGER OF REALTY SERVICES
RECOMMENDED BY:	
MARTIN HAYWARD MANAGING DIRECTOR, CORPORATE SERVICES AND CITY TREASURER, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	

February 14 , 2014
Attach.

File No. P-2418

cc: Gary Irwin, Chief Surveyor
David G. Munteer, Solicitor II
Edward Soldo, Director of Roads and Transportation

Schedule "A"

