



Staff Report for Council Meeting

Date of Meeting: July 12, 2023

Report Number: SRS.23.05

Department: Office of the City Manager

Division: Legal Services

Subject: Conveyance of Easements located on Bethesda Sideroad from Metrolinx - SRS.23.05

Purpose:

To seek Council authorization with respect to the conveyance of easements from Metrolinx located along Bethesda Sideroad.

Recommendation(s):

- a) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute any and all documents as may be required to implement the conveyance of easements as shown on draft Reference Plan prepared by J.D. Barnes Limited (Reference No. 22-21-873-00) dated December 7, 2022 from Metrolinx upon the written recommendation of the City Manager.

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Report Approval:

Submitted by: Antonio R. Dimilta, City Solicitor

Approved by: Darlene Joslin, City Manager

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Background:

The City of Richmond Hill is undertaking a project to reconstruct Bethesda Sideroad between Anchusa Drive and Highway 404. The scope of work includes reconstruction of the existing gravel road to paved rural standards with asphalt pavement, curbs, gutters, storm sewers, ditches, drainage improvements, and streetlight improvements.

The project will consist of three phases describe below:

Phase #1 is located between Anchusa Drive - a short distance west of Leslie Street. This part of the road has already a base asphalt and open to traffic. Surface asphalt, topsoil and seeding will be finalized during the summer of 2023.

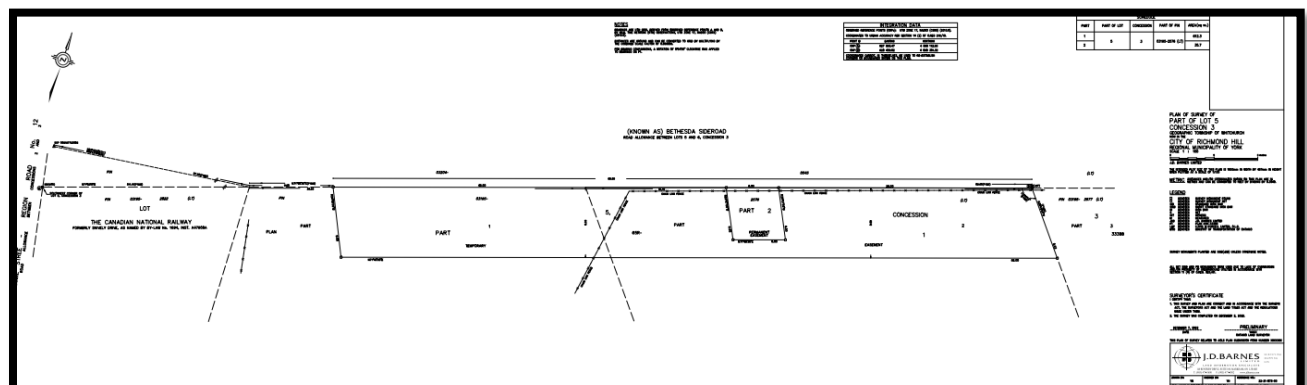
Phase #2 is the Leslie Street and Bethesda Sideroad intersection realignment, which is expected to start the summer 2023 and be substantially completed by winter 2023.

Phase #3 is located east of Leslie Street to Highway 404 and is expected to start the summer of 2024.

In order to facilitate the reconstruction of Bethesda Side Road City, Staff has identified property requirements at 1701 Bethesda Sideroad, which is currently owned by Metrolinx.

City Staff has been in communications with Metrolinx and have recently agreed to convey the easement or property rights to the City for nominal consideration.

As a result, the City retained the services of J.D. Barnes Limited and prepared the draft reference plan below which shows the easement areas:



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The description and easement areas are:

Part 1 is 612.3 m² and will facilitate the replacement of a pre-existing culvert structure, to facilitate the construction of the road improvements and will be for a time period of approximately two years.

Part 2 is 35.7 m² and will be a permanent easement to facilitate the future maintenance of the permanent culvert structure.

Financial/Staffing/Other Implications:

There is no financial impact to the City in regards to the agreement.

Relationship to Council's Strategic:

Proceeding in the manner recommended by this report reflects the goal of “responsible municipal management” under the City's Strategic Plan.

Climate Change Considerations:

Climate change considerations are not applicable to this staff report.

Conclusion:

City staff is seeking authority from Council with respect to the conveyance of easements as shown on draft Reference Plan prepared by J.D. Barnes Limited (Reference No. 22-21-873-00) dated December 7, 2022 from Metrolinx upon the written recommendation of the City Manager.

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Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Antonio Dimilta - Jun 29, 2023 - 2:20 PM

Darlene Joslin - Jun 29, 2023 - 2:55 PM