

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 20, 2012

Item 9, Report No. 43, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on November 20, 2012.

**9 DRAINAGE ISSUES ON ANTHONY LANE
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The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated November 6, 2012, be approved; and**
- 2) That a letter be sent to the Minister of Infrastructure from the Mayor explaining the issue and the needs of the residents, and that a copy of the letter be sent to the local MPP.**

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

1. That Council receive this report for information.

Contribution to Sustainability

Not Applicable.

Economic Impact

There is no economic impact at this time.

Communications Plan

Not Applicable.

Purpose

This report provides Council with an update on discussions between the City of Vaughan and Infrastructure Ontario (IO) regarding the cost sharing of a hydrogeological study on Anthony Lane.

Background - Analysis and Options

On February 17, 2012, Council approved the amended recommendation in Communication C3, memorandum from the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works to read:

“That Council request the Minister of Infrastructure to work with the City to develop the Terms of Reference for a Request for Proposal for a joint hydrogeological study to assess causes of high groundwater elevation in the vicinity of the mutual property line between lands owned by the Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation, the Ontario Hydro corridor, and homes on Anthony Lane; to participate and to cost share in the findings of this study; and to respond to the City’s request by April 15, 2012;”

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Staff has been corresponding with IO regarding the drainage issues on Anthony Lane.

A letter from the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works was sent to the Minister of Infrastructure on March 16, 2012. The Ministry of Infrastructure responded on April 10, 2012, indicating this matter should be pursued further only by the residents of Anthony Lane. However, a contact at Infrastructure Ontario was provided to discuss the matter further. On June 21, 2012, City staff met with IO staff to discuss the on-going flooding issues as well as the scope of work should a hydrogeological study be undertaken and the benefits of partnering in such an undertaking. Discussions continued through the summer, and in August 2012, IO advised the City that they would not partner with the City in carrying out the study.

A Request for Proposal was issued by staff and the costs for a hydrogeological study range from \$80,000.00 to \$130,000.00.

As a result of Infrastructure Ontario's position, Engineering Services staff proceeded to develop the Terms of Reference for a Request for Proposal to undertake a hydrogeological study on Anthony Lane. The Request for Proposal was advertised on September 25, 2012, and was picked up by twenty-one (21) potential proponents, with a closing date of October 11, 2012. Proposals were received from four (4) proponents, whose costs ranged from \$80,000.00 to \$130,000.00, including all contingency allowances and applicable taxes.

A project has been submitted for a hydrogeological study as part of the 2013 Capital Budget.

Staff have submitted a capital budget project request, Project No. EN-1962-13 - "Hydrogeological Study for Anthony Lane" in the amount of \$154,000.00, funded from taxation, for Council consideration as part of the 2013 Budget deliberations

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

Not Applicable.

Regional Implications

Not Applicable.

Conclusion

This report summarizes the discussions between the City and Infrastructure Ontario, regarding a hydrogeological study for Anthony Lane. Discussions with Infrastructure Ontario have determined that the potential to jointly develop the Terms of Reference and cost sharing of a hydrogeological study on Anthony Lane is not a possibility.

Attachments

1. Location Map
2. Letter from Ministry of Infrastructure

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(A copy of the attachments referred to in the foregoing have been forwarded to each Member of Council and a copy thereof is also on file in the office of the City Clerk.)