



City of
Peterborough

To: Members of General Committee

**From: Cynthia Fletcher,
Commissioner of Infrastructure and Planning Services**

Meeting Date: May 6, 2019

**Subject: Report IPSRE19-006
Acquisition of Lands from Trent University for the Rotary Trail**

Purpose

A report to recommend that Parts 1 and 2 on Plan 45R-16770 be acquired from Trent University. The lands in question form part of the Rotary Trail.

Recommendations

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report IPSRE19-006, dated May 6, 2019 of the Commissioner of Infrastructure and Planning Services, as follows:

- a) That the Commissioner of Infrastructure and Planning Services, in consultation with the City Solicitor, be authorized to execute such agreements and documents as necessary to permit the City to acquire, for nominal consideration, lands from Trent University, which are described as Part of Lot 6, Concession 10, formerly in the Township of Douro, now in the City of Peterborough, being designated as Parts 1 and 2 on Reference Plan 45R-16770.
- b) That in the event that the City elects to no longer use the Lands for the purpose of a recreational trail, that the Lands be re-conveyed to Trent University, for nominal consideration, at Trent's option.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are minimal budget implications associated with the recommendations. The transfer of lands will be completed for nominal consideration. Land Transfer Tax (the “LTT”) is calculated as portion of the Lands’ value. Staff anticipates that the LTT, if any, for the Lands will be nominal. Any LTT and other registration costs that may be incurred will be paid out of the capital account for the multi-use trail network. Any financial implications associated with maintaining the Lands, and none are anticipated in 2019, would be accommodated from the existing 2019 budget for maintaining the City’s trail network.

Background

In 2015, with Trent University’s (“Trent”) permission, the City constructed a section multi-use recreational trail (the “Trail”) between the intersection of Nassau Mills Road and Pioneer Road north-ward towards the Faryon Bridge at Trent. The recreational trail is separated from Nassau Mills Road by a drainage ditch. In order to construct the Trail without impacting the drainage ditch, it was necessary to utilize two small slivers of Trent’s land. (See Appendix A) The Reference Plan, which created the legal description for the Lands, was not finalized and registered until March 1, 2019.

This section of Trail currently serves as the northern terminus of the Rotary Trail which starts in East City. In the near future, the Trail will be connected, via a new link under the Faryon Bridge to the gravel section of the Rotary Trail which runs, roughly parallel to Nassau Mills Road, which, at the City-County boundary then becomes County Road 32, all the way to Lakefield.

Since the City has completed this section of Trail, and since slivers of the Trail are located on land currently owned by Trent, it is appropriate that the Lands be under the City’s ownership.

Submitted by,

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Appendix A: Reference Plan 45R-16770

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