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EXPROPRIATION OF LAND
BLOOMINGTON ROAD, PROJECT 9953
TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL

The Transportation Services Committee recommends the adoption of the recommendation contained in the following report dated September 14, 2009, from the Commissioner of Corporate Services.

1. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that:

1. Authority be granted to apply for approval to expropriate the following land within the Town of Richmond Hill:
 - (a) a fee simple interest in Part 13 on Reference Plan 65R-29059 containing an area of approximately 164 square metres.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to obtain Regional Council's approval to expropriate land from an owner located in the Town of Richmond in conjunction with the widening and reconstruction of Bloomington Road in the Towns of Aurora, Richmond Hill and the Township of King. Report No. 7 of the Transportation and Works Committee, approved by Regional Council on June 22, 2006 authorized the expropriation of land affecting thirty-six owners including the subject of this report. It has been determined by the Transportation Services Department the lands required must now be obtained in fee simple ownership instead of a temporary easement ownership noted in the earlier report (see Attachment 1).

3. BACKGROUND

Regional Council at its meeting on May 19, 2005, adopted By-law A-0362-2005-035 that authorized the widening and reconstruction of Bloomington Road (YR 40) from Bathurst Street (YR 38) to Highway 404 in the Town of Richmond Hill. The by-law authorizes:

- (a) the widening and reconstruction of Bloomington Road;
- (b) the carrying out of all related works and undertakings in connection with the above; and
- (c) the acquisition of the necessary lands and interests in lands for the work described above.

Construction of this project is scheduled to commence in 2010.

4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS

An offer of compensation must be made under Section 25 of the *Expropriations Act* to the owner. This offer must be made within 90 days of the registration of the expropriation plan. Staff will report back to Council prior to making these offers. Funds have been included in the proposed 2010 budget for this project.

5. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

Bloomington Road is presently a two-lane paved road with gravel shoulders and roadside ditches and is expected to be beyond capacity for this type of road within the next ten years. The widening and reconstruction of Bloomington Road will provide additional east-west capacity to improve traffic operations for the travelling public and the expected growth in this area.

6. CONCLUSION

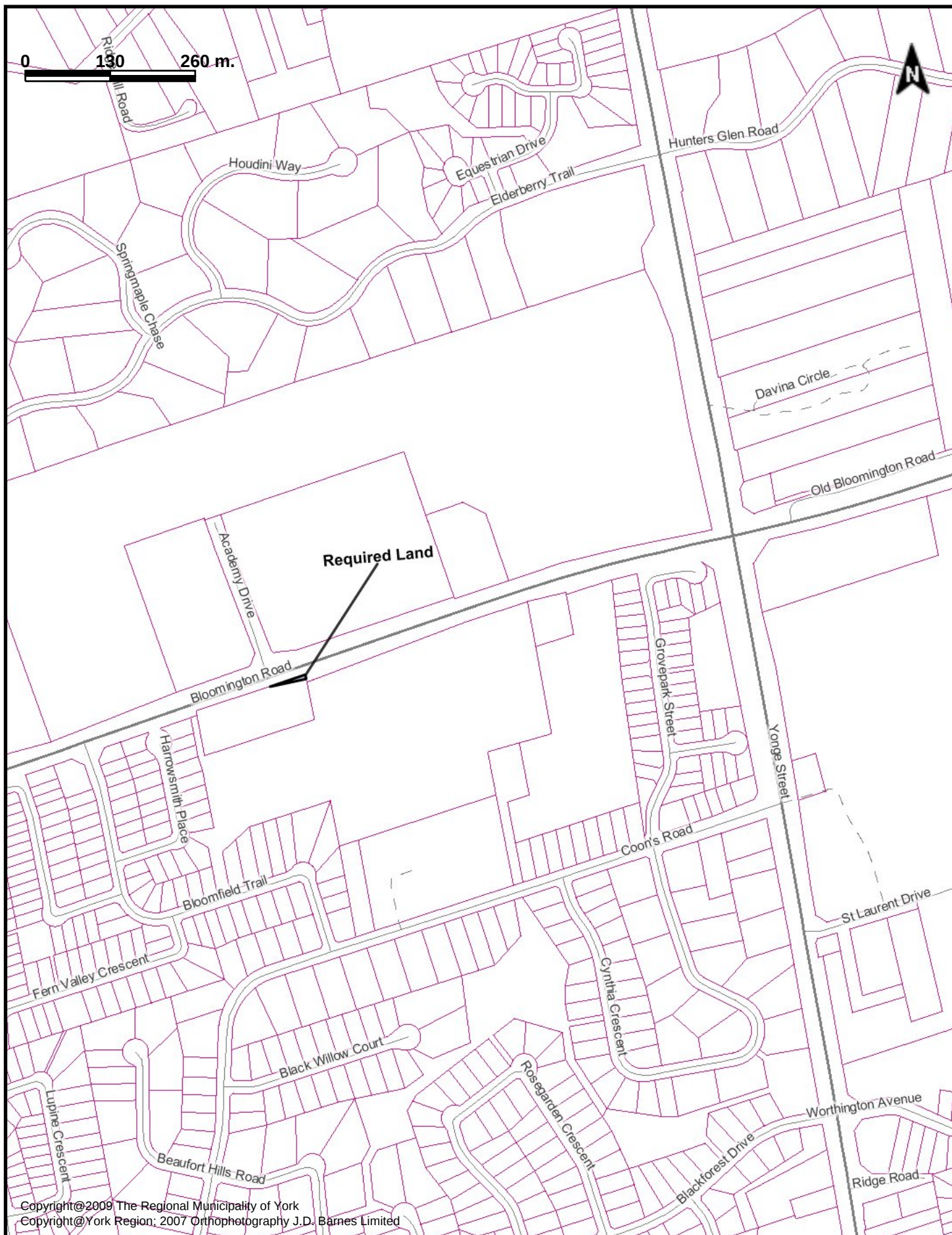
Construction of this project is scheduled to commence in 2010. Utilities are currently being relocated in anticipation of full construction next year.

The reference plan showing the Region's requirements has been registered. In order to ensure that the project is not delayed, it is appropriate to proceed with the expropriation. The above noted reference plan will be available at Committee for your review.

For more information on this report, please contact Paul J. Roberts, Manager, Realty Services at Ext. 1424.

The Senior Management Group has reviewed this report.

(The attachment referred to in this clause was included in the agenda for the October 7, 2009 Committee meeting).



Bloomington Road, Project 9953, Town of Richmond Hill

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