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ACQUISITION OF LAND
BLOOMINGTON ROAD WIDENING, PROJECT 97080
TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL

The Finance and Administration Committee recommends the adoption of the recommendations contained in the following report dated January 18, 2012, from the Commissioner of Corporate Services.

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. Council authorize the acquisition of the following lands required for the Bloomington Road widening project:
 - a) A fee simple interest in part of the North Half of Lot 10, Concession 3, in the Geographic Township of Whitchurch-Stouffville, now in the Town of Richmond Hill, in The Regional Municipality of York, more particularly described as Part 1 on Plan 65R-33143.
2. The Commissioner of Corporate Services be authorized to execute the agreement of purchase and sale and all documents necessary to complete the transaction.

2. PURPOSE

This report seeks Council approval to acquire certain land required for the Bloomington Road widening project, including the installation of a watermain.

3. BACKGROUND

The Environmental Assessment was approved in 2004

The Environmental Assessment report for the Bloomington Road widening project was approved in February 2004.

Construction is scheduled to commence in spring 2012

The project involves the installation of one watermain along Bloomington Road, from Bathurst Street to Bayview Avenue, followed by road widening and boulevard improvements, from Bathurst Street to Highway 404.

4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS

The subject property is an improved and operating prestige horse farm located at the Southeast quadrant of Leslie Street and Bloomington Road. The requirement is for an additional lane along Bloomington Road that would go under Highway 404 during construction, and is required by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario to maintain two lanes during construction.

OWNER:	Armada Co. Limited
PROPERTY:	Part of North Half Lot 10, Concession 3 Town of Richmond Hill
TOTAL OWNERSHIP:	104.2 hectares (257.4 acres)
REQUIREMENT:	Fee simple interest in Part 1 on Reference Plan 65R-33143
AREA REQUIRED:	0.534 hectares (1.32 acres)

Link to Key Council - approved Plans

From Vision to Results: 2011 to 2015 Strategic Plan

Priority Area – Focus Growth along Regional Centres and Corridors.
Optimize the transportation capacity and services in Regional Centres and Corridors.
Continue to deliver and sustain critical infrastructure.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Funds are included in Transportation Services 2012 capital budget.

6. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

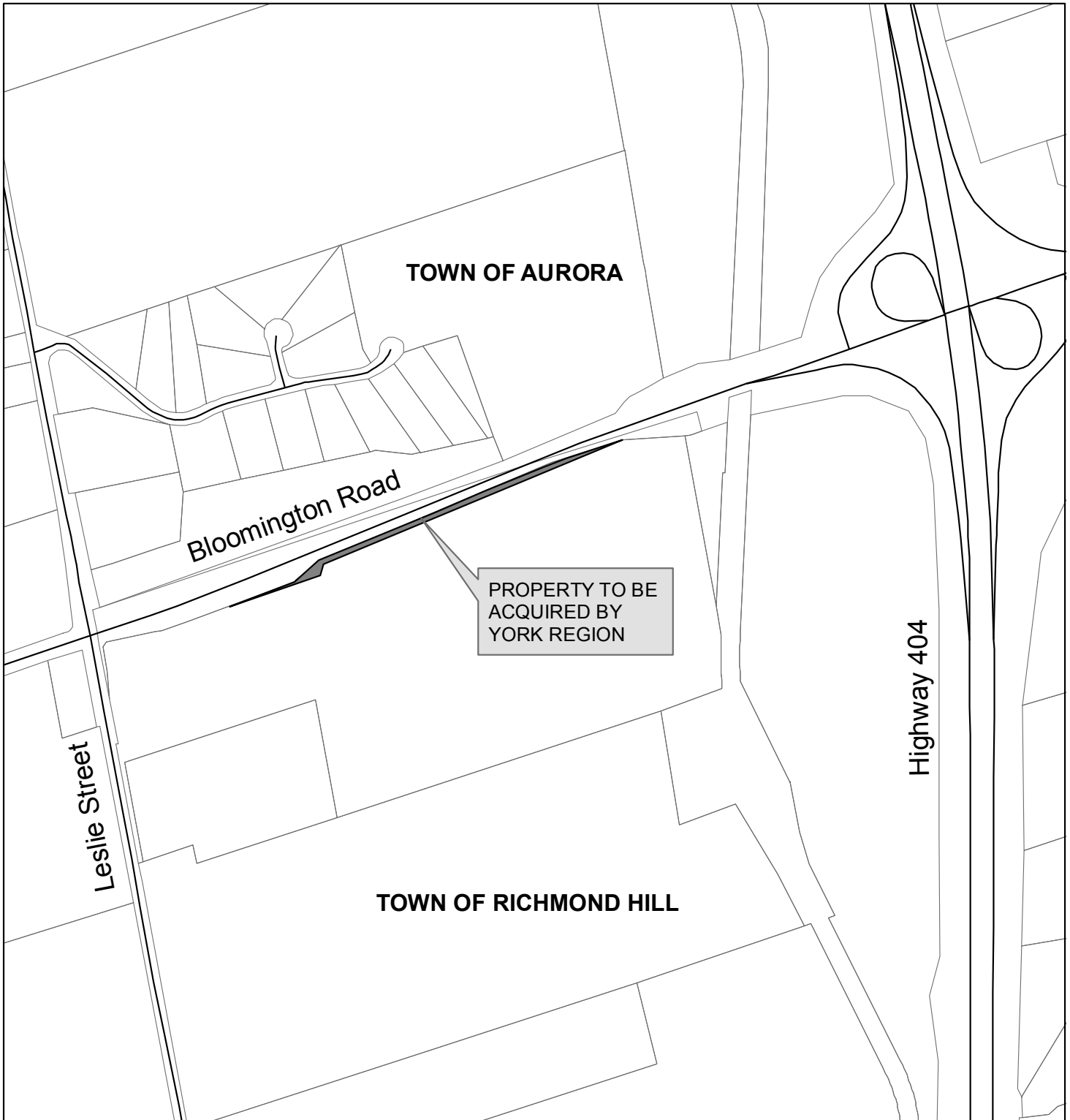
The widening and reconstruction of Bloomington Road, together with the installation of a watermain, as well as boulevard improvements, will improve the safety and efficiency of the road for the Towns of Aurora and Richmond Hill and provide required water servicing. Bicycle paths are to be included on part of the road in accordance with the Region's policy.

7. CONCLUSION

It is recommended this report be authorized in order to provide the required land for the widening and reconstruction of Bloomington Road. Construction is scheduled to commence in Spring 2012.

For more information on this report, please contact Barry Crowe, Director, Property Services Branch, at Ext. 1684.

(The attachment referred to in this clause is attached to this report.)



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PROPERTY OF ARMADALE CO. LIMITED

BLOOMINGTON ROAD

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