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ACQUISITION OF LANDS YORK REGIONAL POLICE - EGYPT COMMUNICATIONS TOWER TOWN OF GEORGINA

The Finance and Administration Committee recommends the adoption of the recommendation contained in the following report dated January 11, 2010, from the Commissioner of Corporate Services, with an additional recommendation 2 as follows:

- 2. A capital project be established for this acquisition with funding to come from the General Capital Reserve Fund.**

1. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that:

1. The following agreement be accepted and the Commissioner of Corporate Services be authorized to complete the transaction in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

2. PURPOSE

This report is to obtain Regional Council's approval to accept the following agreement.

3. BACKGROUND

The lands have been leased by York Regional Police since 1973 for the Egypt Communications Tower in the Town of Georgina

The Region has been leasing lands for the York Regional Police communication tower from the Anderson family since September 1, 1973. York Regional Police in discussion with Property Services felt it was appropriate to acquire the tower lands instead of continuing the leasing of the lands. The Police Services Board at its meeting on September 23, 2009, approved this request and are seeking endorsement from Regional Council. Council at its October 22, 2009 meeting, directed that staff report back on this matter. As the owner advised the Region he was selling the entire property including the tower lands in the near future, negotiations commenced for the acquisition of the lands for the communication tower.

The acquisition of these lands supports the Region's mandate of owning lands for Regional facilities.

4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS

Property 1 *(see attachment 1)*

OWNERS:	John Anderson
SUBJECT PROPERTY:	7.789 acres
AREA TAKING:	Fee simple ownership comprising approximately 0.869 ha (2.147 acres) based on a sketch with a reference plan to be deposited prior to closing.
COMMENTS:	The subject property is located on the west side of Park Road, south of Old Homestead Road, Town of Georgina, being approximately 798 m (2,617 feet) north of Smith Boulevard. The property is a rural residential hobby farm. The lands being acquired are an irregularly shaped parcel with driveway access to Park Road.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Funds for the acquisition are included in the York Regional Police 2010 budget.

6. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

Securing an owned parcel of land for the communication tower supports the Region's mandate to own its facilities as well as ensuring no interruption to Police communication services in this area.

7. CONCLUSION

As the owner of the property being leased for the communication tower advised the Region of the future sale of the entire property, this presented uncertainty of continuing to lease the lands. Acquisition of the lands ensures future use for the communication tower without the possibility of having to relocate the facility. The Region has complied with the Police Services Board's wishes to acquire the land.

It is recommended this report be accepted in order to provide the required lands.

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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.

(Attachment 1 referred to in this clause was included in the agenda for the February 4, 2010 meeting.)



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LOCATION PLAN

YRP- Egypt Tower Site
24710 Park Road
Town of Georgina



0 105 210 420 Metres

PROPERTY SERVICES

