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ACQUISITION OF LAND
MARKHAM BY-PASS
TOWN OF MARKHAM, PROJECT 8070

The Transportation and Works Committee recommends the adoption of the recommendation contained in the following report, May 14, 2004, from the Commissioner of Corporate Services:

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

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

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to obtain Regional Council's approval to complete the purchase of the following property. This property is required for the construction of the Markham By-Pass in the Town of Markham.

2.1 Property No. 1

OWNER:	Markville Tree Farm Ltd.
PROJECT:	The construction of the Markham By-Pass in the Town of Markham
SUBJECT PROPERTY:	Part of Lot 20, Concession 8, Town of Markham, Regional Municipality of York shown as Parts 4 to 8 inclusive on Expropriation Plan D834. Parts 7 and 8 on D834 are not needed by the Region and will be sold back to Markville Tree Farm Ltd. This sale was approved by Regional Council at its meeting held on March 25, 2004.
AUTHORITY:	By-law No. R-1223-2000-054
TOTAL OWNERSHIP:	4.049 ha (10.006 acres)
AREA TAKEN:	Fee simple interest in Parts 4 to 8 inclusive on Expropriation Plan D834. Parts 7 and 8 on D834 are not needed by the Region and will be sold back to Markville

Tree Farm Ltd. This sale was approved by Regional Council at its meeting held on March 25, 2004.
1.267 ha (3.1313 acres)

COMMENTS: The subject property is located on the south side of Major Mackenzie Drive East, midway between Highway 48 and Ninth Line in the Town of Markham. The subject is improved with former farm buildings that have been converted to residential, office and storage buildings for the present owner's landscaping business.

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3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The total amount of compensation involved in connection with the above transaction is \$145,500.00. In addition to the foregoing, legal and consulting fees are payable. Funds have been included in the 2004 budget for this offer.

4. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

The property described in this report is required for the construction of the Markham By-Pass in the Town of Markham. The Markham By-Pass was planned to provide a link from Highway 48, north of Major Mackenzie Drive, to Highway 407. The new by-pass will provide an alternative to both Highway 48 and the Ninth Line and service the ongoing growth in Markham.

7. CONCLUSION

The lands, which are the subject of this report, are required for the construction of the Markham By-Pass in the Town of Markham and it is recommended that this acquisition be completed.

The Senior Management Group has reviewed this report.

(A copy of the attachment referred to in the foregoing was forwarded to each Member of Council with the June 16, 2004, Transportation and Works Committee agenda and a copy thereof is on file in the Regional Clerk's Office.)