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TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE
BAYVIEW AVENUE/PROSPECT STREET
TOWN OF NEWMARKET

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. Regional Council authorize the temporary closure of Bayview Avenue/Prospect Street (Y.R. 34), from Mulock Drive (Y.R. 74) to Gorham Street (Y.R. 5), from September 29, 2003 to October 10, 2003, for the purpose of replacing a sanitary sewer for the Town of Newmarket.
2. The Regional Solicitor be authorized to prepare the necessary by-laws to give effect to the foregoing.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide authorization to temporarily close Bayview Avenue/Prospect Street, from September 29 to October 10, 2003.

3. BACKGROUND

In order to complete some construction activities, it is often necessary to temporarily close sections of roads to through traffic. The *Municipal Act* allows a municipal council to temporarily close roads for the purposes of construction.

The Town of Newmarket is currently administering a contract for the reconstruction of Gorham Street, Prospect Street and Water Street. The repair and replacement of the sanitary sewers is part of this construction.

At the time that this contract was tendered, it was not certain if it would be necessary to replace the sanitary sewer on Bayview Avenue. However, over the last few months, the Town of Newmarket completed a CCTV video inspection, which identified some serious structural deficiencies in the sanitary sewer line and has determined that it would have to be replaced.

The Town of Newmarket proposes to replace the existing sanitary sewer on Prospect Street, south of Gorham Street. The construction is restricted by the narrow pavement and road right-of-way. Therefore, the Town of Newmarket has requested consideration of a temporary full closure of Bayview Avenue/Prospect Street, for a period of 12-days, from September 29 to October 10, 2003.

Since there is no acceptable detour between Mulock Drive and the south limit of the sewer construction, it is necessary to extend the temporary closure of Prospect Street to

include Bayview Avenue south to Mulock Drive. Traffic will be diverted to Leslie Street and Yonge Street during the closure.

4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS

Where possible, roads are kept open to through traffic at all times. However, due to special circumstances, sometimes it is not feasible to maintain through traffic. In these cases, it is necessary to temporarily close roads. A location plan for the recommended temporary road closure is appended to this report (*see Attachment 1*).

In light of the narrow pavement and road allowance south of Gorham Street and the close proximity of buildings, it is not possible to rehabilitate or replace the sanitary sewer and laterals south of Gorham Street while maintaining through traffic.

The contractor will be required to post signs to advise motorists of the closure, notify all emergency services, schools, school bus companies and residents of the dates of the closure.

For the duration of the road closure the contractor must maintain access to all businesses and residents at all times and provide safe pedestrian access.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no financial implication to the Region as a result of this report. The cost of advertising the closure, manufacture and installation of signs will not be the responsibility of the Region.

6. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

The impact on the local municipality will be minimal in this case. Signage forewarning of the proposed temporary road closure will be placed in advance of the closure date and residents will be advised directly by mail. Local traffic will be maintained at all times to provide access to businesses and residences.

The construction of this project will have a positive impact on the local residents through the improvement to the sanitary sewer infrastructure within the Town of Newmarket.

7. CONCLUSION

The Town of Newmarket has determined that a section of the sanitary sewer on Prospect Street south of Gorham Street is in need of replacing. In order to replace this sewer, it is necessary to temporarily close Prospect Street to through traffic.

It is, therefore, recommended that Council authorize the temporary closure of Bayview Avenue/Prospect Street, from Mulock Drive to Gorham Street, in the Town of Newmarket, from September 29 to October 10, 2003.

The Senior Management Group has reviewed this report.

(A copy of the attachment referred to in the foregoing is included with this report and is also on file in the Office of the Regional Clerk.)