

67 Fourth Avenue, Coniston - Declaration of Surplus Vacant Land and Transfer

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Report Date: **June 11, 2020**

Background:

The subject land measures approximately 2,638 square metres (28,400 square feet) in size and is zoned "Institutional". The location of the land is identified on the attached Schedule 'A' and a photo is shown on the attached Schedule 'B'.

The Coniston Curling Club is a not-for-profit corporation. In 1957, the Club constructed a curling rink on lands owned by INCO. In 1975, the lands were transferred by INCO to the former Town of Nickel Centre. The Coniston Curling Club has continued to own, operate and maintain the building located on City lands. The City currently has a vacant land lease agreement with the Club and is not charging a base rent.

The City recently received a request from the Coniston Curling Club to transfer the lands for nominal consideration.

The proposal to declare the land surplus was circulated to all City departments and outside agencies, the following responses were received:

There are no objections from Leisure Services to declare the land surplus for the purposes of transferring to the Coniston Curling Club. This transfer will provide clarity around responsibility and ownership of the asset.

The Drainage section has no issue with the sale of this property. However, there is a storm sewer running parallel to the north limit of the site and drainage outlet. An easement will be required.

The Nickel District Conservation Authority (Conservation Sudbury) advised that the proposed parcel contains a floodplain and associated regulated area. As such, portions of the parcel are regulated by Ontario Regulation 156/06 Nickel District Conservation Authority: Regulation of Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shoreline and Watercourses. Should a landowner wish to do works in the areas regulated by Ontario Regulation 156/06, a permit would be required. Conservation Sudbury has no objection to the sale.

No further comments were received.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the subject vacant land at 67 Fourth Avenue, Coniston, be declared surplus to the City's needs and transferred to the Coniston Curling Club for nominal consideration.