

**Date: January 17, 2020**

**STAFF REPORT**

**Applicant:**

Dalron Construction Ltd.

**Location:**

PIN 73578-0515, Part 1, Plan 53R-18272, Part of Lots 11 & 12, Concession 3, Township of Neelon (Greenwood Subdivision, Sudbury)

**Application:**

To extend the draft approval conditions for a plan of subdivision which were approved initially by Council on November 28, 2007. The draft approval was most recently extended by Council on July 11, 2017, until November 28, 2019, for a plan of subdivision on those lands described as PIN 73578-0515, Part 1, Plan 53R-18272, Part of Lots 11 & 12, Concession 3, Township of Neelon. Staff granted a temporary administrative extension to the draft approval on May 28, 2020 in order to ensure agencies and departments had sufficient time to review the request and to have the extension request considered by Planning Committee and a decision ratified by Council.

The owner is also again requesting an amendment to Condition #25 which would reduce the design speed of Greenwood Drive from 60 km/h to 40 km/h at Street "A" as shown on the draft plan of subdivision. The owner has requested a reduction in the design speed in order to reduce the extent of remedial works required on the existing road network.

**Proposal:**

The owner is requesting that the draft approval conditions for the above noted lands be extended for a period of three years until November 28, 2022 and that Condition #25 be amended as per the request noted above.

**Background:**

The City received a written request from Dalron Construction Ltd. on September 11, 2019, to extend the draft approval on a plan of subdivision for a period of three years on those lands described as PIN 73578-0515, Part 1, Plan 53R-18272, Part of Lots 11 & 12, Concession 3, Township of Neelon. The draft approved plan of subdivision was initially approved by Council for a total of 52 urban residential lots. The lots are to be accessed from Greenwood Drive. At the time of writing this report, none of the 52 lots are within the draft approved plan of subdivision have been registered.

The draft approval was set to expire again on November 28, 2019 and staff has circulated the request to relevant agencies and departments and is now bringing forward this report to extend the draft approval to November 28, 2022. It is noted that a temporary administrative extension to the draft approval was granted until May 28, 2020 in order to have the extension request considered by Planning Committee and a decision ratified by Council. Staff has also again considered the owner's request to amend Condition #25 and note that when the draft approval was last extended the request was denied by Planning Committee and said denial was ratified by Council.

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**Departmental & Agency Circulation:**

Environmental Planning Initiatives and Operations have each advised that they have no concerns from their respective areas of interest.

Building Services has requested that standard wording with respect to a soils caution agreement be added to the end of Condition #11.

Development Engineering advises that Condition #25 should not be amended as a change to a 40 km/h design speed would require lowering the posted speed below 40 km/h and increase the risk of collision for automobiles on Greenwood Drive turning left into the proposed subdivision.

Canada Post has not requested any changes to the draft approval conditions. Canada Post did however provide a letter which is attached to this report for the owner's information and reference purposes.

Conservation Sudbury has no concerns with the requested extension and has noted that Condition #18 continues to satisfy their requirements with respect to the draft approved plan of subdivision in this instance.

Comments received from the City's Drainage Section will require an amendment to Condition #13 and a new Condition #36, both of which seek to clarify and modernize those storm-water management requirements that are required and associated with the development of the draft approved plan of subdivision.

Active Transportation, Roads, Traffic and Transportation do not support the owner's request to reduce the design speed of the vertical curve to 40 km/h.

Water/Wastewater has advised that the subdivision is located within the Ramsey Lake Intake Protection Zone 3 and that the main concern in this area is salt storage and salt application. Management of salt storage and salt application occurs generally where there is a parking lot (or plowable surface) having a surface area greater than 1 ha (2.47 acres). Water-Wastewater has advised there is likely no concern with respect to the above given the nature of the development being that of a residential subdivision.

**Planning Considerations:**

[Official Plan](#)

Section 19.4.2 of the Official Plan for the City of Greater Sudbury addressing draft plan of subdivision approvals outlines that Council will not extend or recommend the extension of a draft plan approval, beyond the statutory limitation of three years, unless the owner has demonstrated to the satisfaction of Council that they are making a reasonable effort to proceed in meeting the conditions of draft approval. At the time of an extension request, Council is to review the draft plan conditions and may make appropriate modifications.

Staff notes that this particular draft plan approval was granted by Council on November 28, 2007, and since that time none of the 52 lots that were draft approved have been registered.

The owner did not provide an update to staff at the time of their extension request with respect to their progress toward registration of all or some of the 52 draft approved lots.

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### Draft Approval Conditions

Condition #10 should be deleted entirely and replaced with a sentence referring to November 28, 2022, as the revised date on which the subject draft plan approval shall lapse.

Comments received from the City's Drainage Section will require an amendment to Condition #13 and a new Condition #36, both of which seek to clarify and modernize those storm-water management requirements that are required and associated with the development of the draft approved plan of subdivision.

Staff do not recommend any changes be made to Condition #25 with respect to lowering the design speed of Greenwood Drive. Active Transportation, Development Engineering, and Roads, Traffic and Transportation have again reviewed the request and are not supportive of lowering the design speed of Greenwood Drive at Street "A" from 60 km/h to 40 km/h.

Other administrative and housekeeping changes to the draft approval documents have also been included where necessary.

No other changes to the draft approval documents have been requested either by the owner or by circulated agencies and departments. The draft conditions are attached to this report along with a sketch of the draft approved plan of subdivision for reference purposes.

### Processing Fees

The owner is required to pay the applicable processing fee in the amount of \$2,418.00. It is recommended that the draft approval extension be granted upon receipt of Council's processing fee from the owner. This amount was calculated as per [By-law 2017-222](#) being the Miscellaneous User Fees By-law that was in effect at the time the request was made.

### **Summary:**

The Planning Services Division has reviewed the request to extend the subject draft approval and has no objections to the requested extension for a period of three years. The request was also circulated to relevant agencies and departments for comment and no concerns were identified with respect to extending the draft approval of the subdivision. Staff do not recommend that the design speed of Greenwood Drive at Street "A" on the draft plan of subdivision be reduced from 60 km/h to 40 km/h. Appropriate changes where identified have otherwise been included in the Resolution section of this report and will now form part of the draft plan approval if approved by Council.

The Planning Services Division therefore recommends that the application to extend draft approval for the Greenwood Subdivision for a period of three years until November 28, 2022, be approved as outlined in the Resolution section of this report.