



The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

To: Mayor and Members of Council
Prepared by: Kevin Miller, Deputy Clerk
Department: Administration
Date of Report: July 2, 2020
Report Number: AD-04-2020
Subject: Request to construct wood privacy fence – F. Pheby

Recommendation

That the report of the Deputy Clerk dated July 2, 2020 (AD-04-2020) regarding the request from Franca Pheby at 61 Adams Lane for the Town to construct a wood privacy fence adjacent to her property BE RECEIVED, and that Council:

1. Contribute the cost of a chain link fence to F. Pheby as outlined in this report, OR
2. The municipality construct a chain link fence in accordance with standard municipal practice.

Report

As Council will recall, the Town purchased property municipally known as 1310 Front Road in 2019 (refer to Figure 1). Subsequent to the purchase, a tender was released and the dwelling was demolished leaving the land currently vacant. Following the demolition, F. Pheby contacted the Town with a number of concerns, including the request for the Town to install a new privacy fence. It was explained to her that municipal practice is to install a chain link fence where Town property abuts private property. As outlined in the emails received, F. Pheby indicates that a chain link fence is not acceptable and is requesting that Council deviate from its normal practice and construct a wooden privacy fence.

The Parks division of Public Works has confirmed that only chain link fencing is installed by the municipality in parks and other locations. Chain link fencing is less costly compared to privacy fencing to install and is less costly to maintain. In the past, there has been instances where property owners have requested to pay the difference between the two types of fence. Under this arrangement, the Town would agree to

contribute to the homeowner the cost of the chain link fence, and the homeowner would then hire a company to install a wood privacy fence of their choice (on their own property) and be responsible to pay the difference. In this manner, the fence would become the property of the homeowner for future maintenance. In the event that F. Pheby does not wish to pursue this option, then it is recommended that the Town install a chain link fence as per the usual practice on municipal property. It is noted that there is a chain link fence along the rear of the homes on Adams Lane (together with privacy fences on private property) save and except the vacant land at 31 Adams Lane.

At this point in time, it is unclear how this property will be incorporated into the overall Riverfront Park. It is anticipated that this will become more solidified as the public consultation process unfolds and the overall site plan is finalized. This is likely to occur over the next 6 to 12 months.

It is noted that due to COVID-19, there are no public delegations permitted at this time. Administration has explained this to F. Pheby and rather than wait she has elected to have this matter placed before Council recognizing that she will not be in a position to directly speak to the matter. Attached to this report is a copy of emails received from F. Pheby regarding this matter for Council's review and consideration.

Consultations

Public Works

Financial Implications

No additional financial implications for either option presented.

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Deputy Clerk

Kevin Miller

Link to Strategic Goals

	Enhancing organizational excellence
	Sustain strong public services and infrastructure
	Strengthen the community's engagement with the Town
	Grow and diversify the local economy
	Build on our high-quality of life

Communications

Yes	Not applicable
	Website
	Social Media
	News Release
	Local Newspaper
	Bids & Tenders
	Notification pursuant to the Planning Act

Notifications

Name	Address	Email
Franca Pheby		

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:



Chief Administrative Officer

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