

October 7, 2010



City Council Committee Report (closed meeting)

To: Mayor & Council

Fr: Tara Rickaby, Planning Administrator

Re: Request to purchase municipal property – Wm. Lougheed

Recommendation:

That Staff be directed to indicate to William Lougheed, that a portion of the shoreline reserve property, adjacent to lands and within lands described as M 135 LOT 21 PT PARCEL 12696 WINNIPEG RIVER and the Winnipeg River, will be declared surplus by the City of Kenora upon receipt of and application and conditional upon the receipt of letters of no objection by the Lake of the Woods Control Board, the Department of Fisheries and Oceans and Ontario Power Generation; and

THAT the lands to be surplussed will be sold at \$1000 per lot, plus all other applicable costs (including but not limited to all legal, surveying, transfer costs) associated with the sale based on the number of lots to be created which will include parts of the road allowance.

Background:

The City of Kenora recently received a request, by William Lougheed, to purchase a shoreline reserve which runs through his property, and in some areas, abuts the Winnipeg River. In addition, Mr. Lougheed proposes that the City transfers the lands at no cost, in exchange for the Sunnyside Road. Mr. Lougheed has applied for, and received conditional consent to create 2 new residential lots on the property. One condition of approval is that the Sunnyside Road is surveyed out and transferred to the City. The preliminary survey has been approved by the City.

Mr. Lougheed was required to provide a fishery assessment when he applied for consent. A significant portion of the shoreline was identified with potential fishery value. The southern portion of that area has been infilled. The fishery assessment makes recommendations as to methods of preserving and protecting other areas of the lands, including a suggestion to re-tree the area. It appears as though Mr. Lougheed has begun construction of a road over his lands and portions of the municipally-owned road allowance.

Mr. Lougheed has indicated that there will be an application going forward to the Planning Advisory Committee for a residential subdivision in the near future.