

# **REPORT** Clerk's Department

TO: Mayor and Members of Council

FROM: Debbie Leroux, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk

DATE: June 10, 2024

REPORT: CL-19/24 FILE NO.

# SUBJECT: Proposed Sale of the King Street Parkette

### BACKGROUND:

The Township is considering selling the King Street Park. The Park is underutilized however, there is no updated playground equipment/structures located in the park. It has been determined that in order to bring the park up to current park standards as in other Township parks, it would cost approximately \$75,000.

This proposal has been in front of numerous Township Council's over the years including a public planning meeting in 2014 where Planning Committee considered an application to rezone the subject lands from Recreation (RE) Zone to Residential First Density (R1) Zone. After receiving a report from Liz Howson, Planning Consultant, Council did not proceed with the rezoning.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Should Council wish to proceed with the sale, the property must be declared surplus in accordance with Township process and advertised for 2 consecutive weeks in the local paper.

In addition, as mentioned, the lands require rezoning. An application must be submitted, and a public planning meeting hosted to allow the public an opportunity to speak to the proposed rezoning. The property is currently not serviced with water or sewer services. Should Council wish to do this prior to the sale, it would require water and sewer lines being installed and brought to the frontage of the property.

Staff are recommending that Council proceed to declare the property surplus to the needs of the Township. In addition, staff recommend that the Township proceed with rezoning the land and lastly, that the adjoining property owners be contacted to determine if any of them wish to purchase the lands.

# ALIGNMENT TO STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

## **Good Governance**

## RECOMMENDATION

- THAT Report CL-19/24 of Debbie Leroux, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk be received for information;
- AND THAT Council direct staff to bring forward a resolution to declare the lands surplus to the needs of the Township and advertised for 2 consecutive weeks;
- AND THAT Council direct staff to undertake the process of rezoning the lands from Recreational Open Space to Residential (R1);
- AND THAT Council direct staff to not undertake servicing of the land with water and sewer;
- AND THAT Council direct that the adjacent property owners be contacted to determine if they wish to purchase the land prior to listing the property for sale with real estate.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Debbie Leroux Director of Legislative Services/Clerk