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# Staff Report

## Infrastructure & Public Works

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**Report To:** Committee of the Whole  
**Meeting Date:** March 13, 2017  
**Report Number:** CSPW.17.020  
**Subject:** Stop Up and Close of a Portion of King Street West Road Allowance  
**Prepared by:** Reg Russwurm, Director of Infrastructure and Public Works

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### A. Recommendations

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THAT Council receive Staff Report CSPW.17.020 entitled “Stop Up and Close of a Portion of King Street West Road Allowance”;

AND THAT Council enact a By-law to Stop up and Close a portion of the King Street West road allowance extending easterly from the juncture of King Street West and Peel Street to the Little Beaver River.

### B. Overview

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A Public Meeting was held at the February 22, 2017 Committee of the Whole meeting to consider stopping up and closing a portion of the King Street West road allowance between Peel Street and the Little Beaver River. There were no comments made or concerns raised regarding the considered stop up and close. Therefore, Staff recommend Council proceed with the closure of this portion of King Street West.

### C. Background

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At the request of an adjacent land owner Council felt there were warrants to consider stopping up and closing a portion of the King Street West road allowance between Peel Street and the Little Beaver River with the intention that the Town may consider disposing of the lands. The subject portion of King Street is depicted in Figure 1 and is approximately 220m in length.

In accordance with Corporate Policy POL.COR.07.03, Provision of Notice and Manner of Giving Notice, an advertisement was placed in a local newspaper, a Notice was posted on the Town’s website, and an e-blast were made to subscribers to provide notice of the meeting regarding the proposed closing. Council held the Public Meeting on February 22, 2017 where no comments were made or received regarding the proposed closure.

**Figure 1 – Subject Portion of King Street West**



It should be noted that in 2012 (EPW.12.092), Council deemed the lands described as the portion of the unopened Albert Street road allowance between the King Street West road allowance and the Georgian Trail and an adjoining block of land surplus to the needs to the Town however the lands have yet to be disposed. A depiction of those lands is provided in Attachment 2 labelled as Parts 1 and 2.

## **D. Analysis**

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Since no comments were received in response to the proposed closure and Staff feel there are merits to the closure and the possible sale of the lands, Staff therefore recommend that Council Stop Up and Close the unopened portion of the King Street West road allowance east of Peel Street to the Little Beaver River.

A draft By-law to enact the above is provided as Attachment 1. With the Council approval of this Report's recommendation, the draft By-law will be finalized and brought forward at a subsequent Council for adoption.

Staff will prepare a separate report for the possible disposal of the lands for consideration by Council at a subsequent meeting.

## **E. The Blue Mountains Strategic Plan**

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Goal #5: Ensure Our Infrastructure is Sustainable

## **F. Environmental Impacts**

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None.

## **G. Financial Impact**

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None.

## **H. In consultation with**

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Shawn Everitt, Director Community Services

## **I. Attached**

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1. Draft By-law to permanently close the portion of municipal highway known as King Street West extending easterly 220 metres from the juncture of King Street West and Peel Street to the Little Beaver River
2. Lands previously deemed surplus south of King Street West

Respectfully submitted,

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## The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains

### By-Law Number 2017 – \_\_\_\_\_

**Being a by-law to permanently close the portion of municipal highway known as King Street West extending easterly 220 metres from the juncture of King Street West and Peel Street to the Little Beaver River**

**WHEREAS** sections 9, 11 and 34 of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25* (the “Act”), enable a municipality to pass by-laws permanently closing highways;

**AND WHEREAS** Council has deemed it to be in the public interest to permanently close the portion of municipal highway known as King Street West extending easterly 220 metres from the juncture of King Street West and Peel Street to the Little Beaver River;

**AND WHEREAS** Council did adopt, in accordance with Section 270 of the Act, Policy POL.COR.07.03 (the “Policy”) to prescribe the form and manner for the giving of public notice of its intention to consider this by-law;

**AND WHEREAS** public notice of the intention to enact this by-law has been given in accordance with the requirements of the Policy and a Public Meeting was held on February 22, 2017 to hear input on the proposed by-law from interested persons;

**NOW THEREFORE** The Council of the Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains hereby enacts as follows:

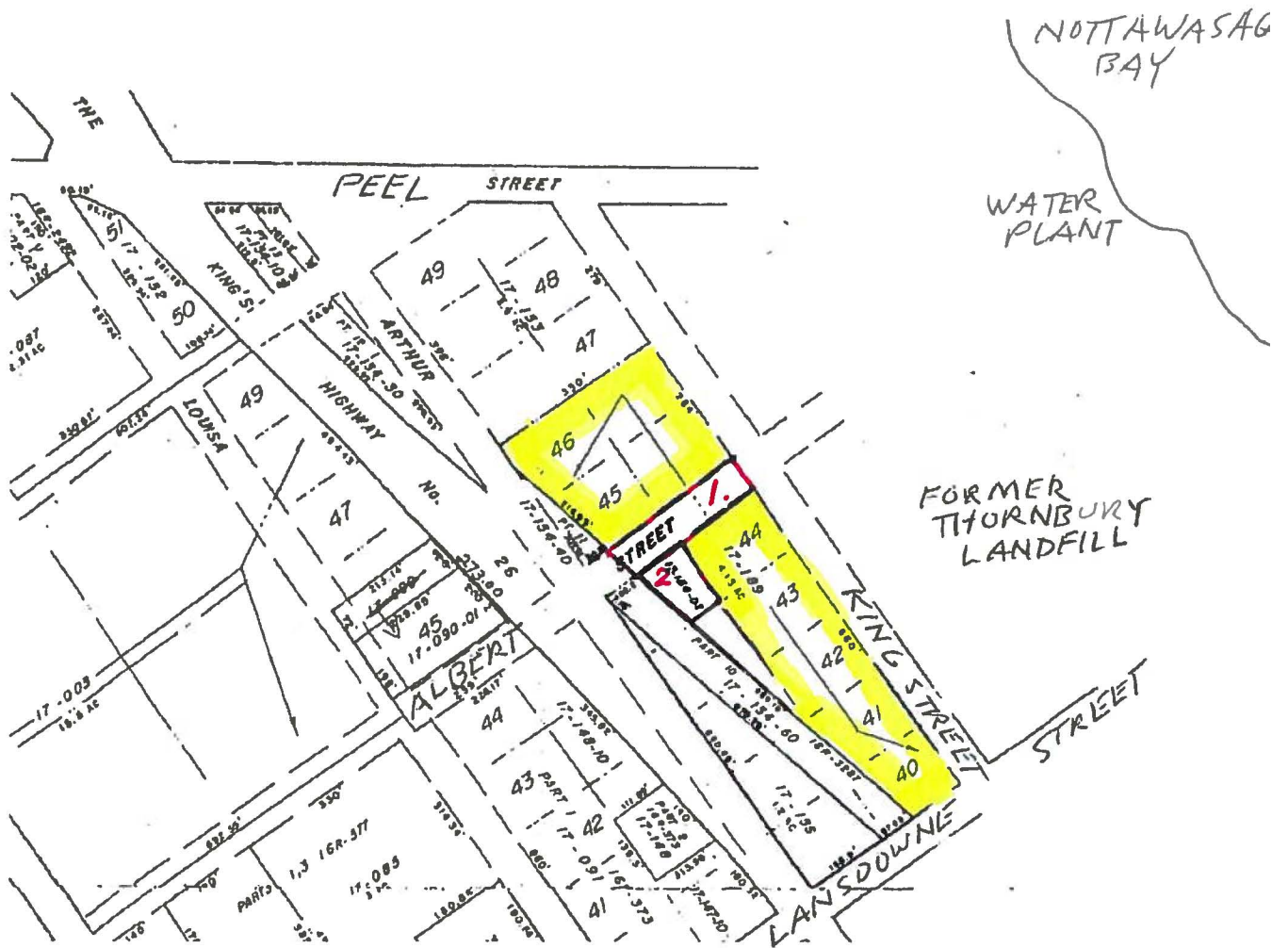
1. THAT the portion of municipal highway known as King Street West extending easterly 220 metres from the juncture of King Street West and Peel Street to the Little Beaver River is hereby permanently closed.
2. This By-law shall come into force and take effect upon the registration of a certified copy of this By-law in the Land Registry Office for the Registry Division of Grey (#16).

And Further that this By-law shall come into force and take effect upon the enactment thereof.

Enacted and passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017

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John McKean, Mayor

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Corrina Giles, Clerk



1. Portion of unopened Albert Street
  2. Block adjoining Georgian Trail 17-154-02
- Yellow - Applicant's lands