

**- ADDENDUM -**  
**- GUELPH CITY COUNCIL MEETING -**  
**-July 25, 2011 -**

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**DELEGATIONS**

**CONSENT REPORTS**

- a) Corporate Administration, Finance & Emergency Services Committee  
CAFES-4 Impacts on the 2012 Budget

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**A-8) PURCHASE OF THREE (3) MOBILITY BUSES FROM CITY OF GUELPH CONTRACT NO. 11-140**

THAT staff issue a purchase order to Creative Carriage Ltd., St. George, Ontario, for the amount of \$523,320 (excluding taxes), for three (3) mobility buses.

**SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS**

Councillor Van Hellemond's notice of motion regarding 80 Simmonds Drive

Correspondence:

- Ajay Bhasin / Ritu Bhasin / Sudershan Kumar Bhasin
- Nell Rynsoever, Virginia Massie and Loretta Massie
- Laurel McKellar

***"THAT By-law Numbers (2011)-19233 to (2011)-19247, inclusive, are hereby passed."***

**BY-LAWS**

By-law Number (2011)-19244 A by-law to remove Lot 17, Plan	To remove land from part lot control to create separate parcels for semi
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<p>61M164, designated as Parts 1 and 2, Reference Plan 61R11532 in the City of Guelph from Part Lot Control. (103 and 105 Oakes Crescent)</p>	<p>detached dwellings to be known municipally as 103 and 105 Oakes Crescent.</p>
<p>By-law Number (2011)-19245 A by-law to authorize the execution of a Transfer Release and Abandonment of an Easement over Lot 4, Registered Plan 777, Guelph. (58 Kortright Road East)</p>	<p>To execute a Transfer Release and Abandonment of an Easement with respect to 58 Kortright Road East.</p>
<p>By-law Number (2011)-19246 A by-law to authorize the execution of release of the Cost Sharing and Land Exchange Agreement with respect to property described as Block 10, Plan 61M169, designated as Parts 1 to 5 inclusive, Reference Plan 61R11661 and Part of Block 11, 61M169, designated as Part 6, Reference Plan 61R11661, City of Guelph. (Hanlon Creek Business Park)</p>	<p>To release the cost sharing and land exchange agreement with respect to the Hanlon Creek Business Park.</p>
<p>By-law Number (2011)-19247 A by-law to confirm the proceedings of meetings of Guelph City Council held on July 4, 19 and 25, 2011.</p>	<p>To confirm the proceedings of Council meetings held July 4, 19 and 25, 2011.</p>

# COUNCIL REPORT



TO **Guelph City Council**

SERVICE AREA Operations & Transit  
DATE July 21/2011

**SUBJECT** PURCHASE OF THREE (3) MOBILITY BUSES FROM CITY OF  
GUELPH CONTRACT NO. 11-140

REPORT NUMBER

## SUMMARY

### **Purpose of Report:**

To seek Council approval for the early replacement of mobility buses

### **Council Action:**

Approve purchase of three (3) mobility buses for 2011

## RECOMMENDATION

Issue a purchase order to Creative Carriage LTD, St. George Ontario, for the amount of \$523,320 (excluding taxes), for three (3) mobility buses.

## BACKGROUND

The Transit Vehicle and Equipment Reserve provides scheduled funding for the replacement of mobility buses based a 10 year lifecycle.

## REPORT

Fleet Services is recommending that we proceed with the replacement of three mobility buses. These units have exceeded or are very near the end of their 10 year lifecycle. Fleet Services analysis shows that these units have become very costly to maintain. As well, because of ongoing break down issues, vehicles have become unreliable to provide daily service.

The City can also take advantage of the savings offered by the vendor from a recently awarded contract for mobility buses. The total discount offered in this case is \$10,680.

## CORPORATE STRATEGIC PLAN

1.4 A sustainable transportation approach that looks comprehensively at all modes of travel to, from and within the community

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## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

One mobility bus was originally scheduled for replacement in 2010 but was delayed in the forecast to 2012 because of budget constraints. Since then unspent funding from previously approved transit capital projects that have been closed has been transferred to the 2011 Transit Vehicle and Equipment Replacement project. This funding covers the cost of one of the mobility buses.

The Transit Infrastructure Reserve Fund currently has an uncommitted balance of \$488,154.52 of which \$356,000 would be available to fund the other two mobility bus replacements. This reserve fund was established as a result of a one time grant from the Province of Ontario of \$1.76 million to assist with the renewal and expansion of transit infrastructure projects aimed at modernizing equipment and facilities to keep them in a state of good repair.

## DEPARTMENTAL CONSULTATION/CONCURRENCE

Transit Operation

## COMMUNICATIONS

N/A

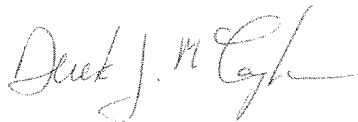


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Respected Councillors

We would like to bring up this concern in our community/neighbourhood regarding this north end park/Wilson Farmhouse.

As per our information Guelph city council plans to vote on reopening the heritage destination.

We bought our house in Feb 2009 from the builder Pidel Homes and paid an extra premium of \$6000 for this property as it is facing the park/wilson farmhouse.

As this farmhouse was shown as part of the park,we believe that any change to this property will not be fair to the residents

who paid the extra premium to buy the property facing this park/farmhouse.

We strongly believe that this farmhouse is integral part of this park/neighbourhood and it should not be altered.

Also this Wilson farmhouse is one of the unique and most beautiful feature of this park.

We sincerely hope that our councillors will take a note of this genuine concern from the residents living in this area of Guelph.

Yours sincerely

Ajay Bhasin/Ritu Bhasin/Sudershan Kumar Bhasin

Guelph.

Good morning Councillors,

Our email is to address the concerns shared at the July neighbourhood meeting re: the Ingram-Wilson Farm House and Land given for the people of this city.

- Guelph hosts and attracts residents with the image of a "Home" town to escape the GTA area. Every bit of our Greenspace areas should be salvaged.
- To sever and sell land donated for parkland to a specific portion of the city should not be changed into an option of private usage - it should stay as one unit.
- Our home purchase was done with the understanding the area was entirely parkland - for neighbours and all.
- Please review the Heritage designation as a choice made with limited information, especially if the house itself, as well as funding, does not allow for restoration.
- The only existing feature worth salvaging on this site is the mature trees for the future.
- If there is historical value in a small number of bricks and the two windows from the house, save those and relocate them to be displayed in our Guelph museum or offered in donation to the Farm museum in Milton.
- A plaque to commemorate the park area to preserve past history and family contribution is welcomed.
- The old house basement ruins can be a converted feature for the park gardens.
- The park access should remain accessible on all four corners of property from the road areas for this growing community.

We look forward to the re-evaluation of this important situation on Monday, July 25th. Our thanks again to our fellow neighbour Mike for his efforts, Councilor Andy for the motion to re-open, and both Councillors Andy and Ian for their extra time and consideration on July 17th.

Respectfully,

Nell Rynsoever, Virginia Massie and Loretta Massie.

Good Morning,

I live on Simmonds Drive, right near the park with the Wilson Farmhouse. I received a letter from a neighbour in my neighbourhood, describing that the farmhouse site is going to be severed and sold. On Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, you will be voting on a motion to re-open the heritage designation of this farmhouse. When we bought our home nothing was presented to us that this large part of the park would be sold off including many mature trees. What would it be sold off as – a private lot right in the public park? This does not match the official plan of the park. I feel strongly that severing and selling this farmhouse and large lot (more than twice the area of most lots in the neighbourhood) would be a terrible mistake and ruin our park. The City of Guelph has never severed 10% of a park with a house on it before and just because the city does not have it in the budget to restore the farmhouse, does not mean that you get to simply discard it. If you only think of the short term gain, you are forgetting about the huge loss of enjoyment and use of this park for years to come. We haven't even got to see the park develop yet. I couldn't believe when I read that "Staff investigated converting the house to a community facility, but the cost of renovation and expansion exceeded the available budget, and no need could be identified for such a facility at this location." Who decides that there is no need for a public facility, not the families that live in this neighbourhood. Guelph is expanding quickly, with little infrastructure for all of these residential neighbourhoods.

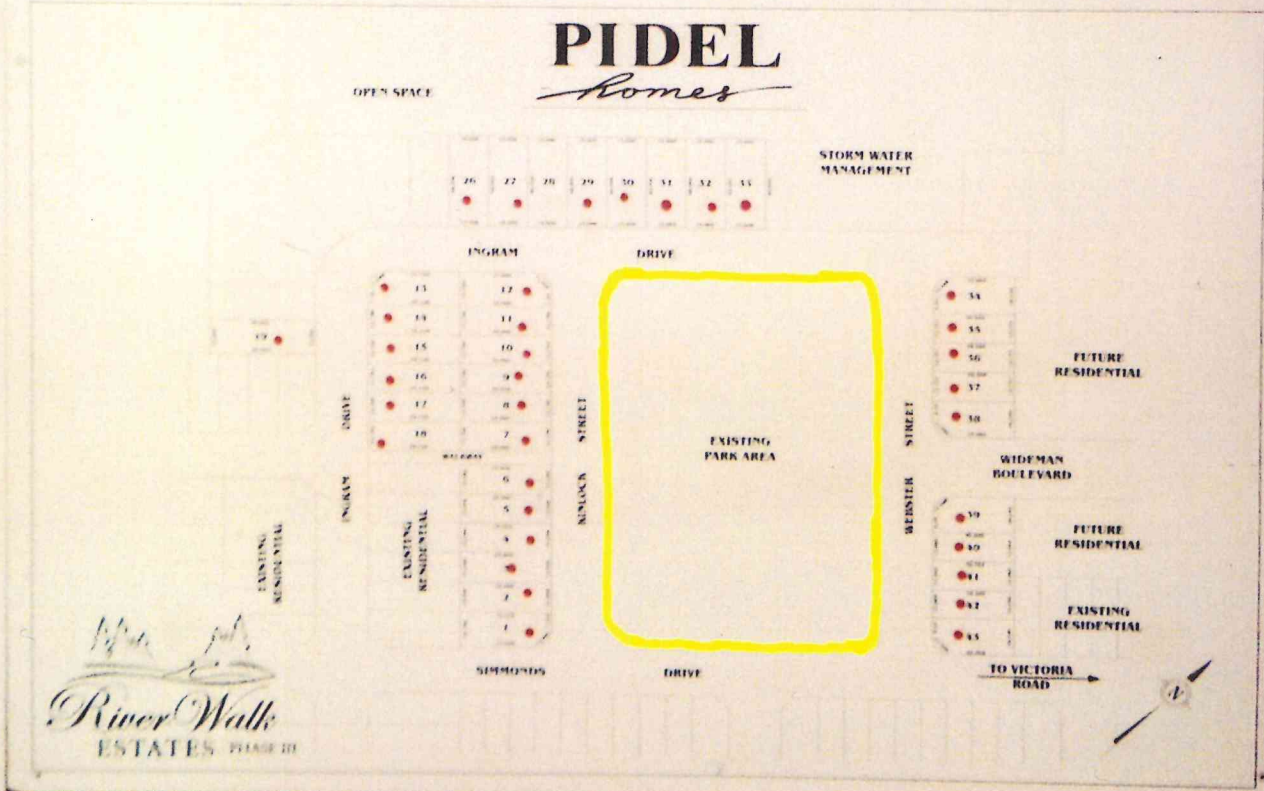
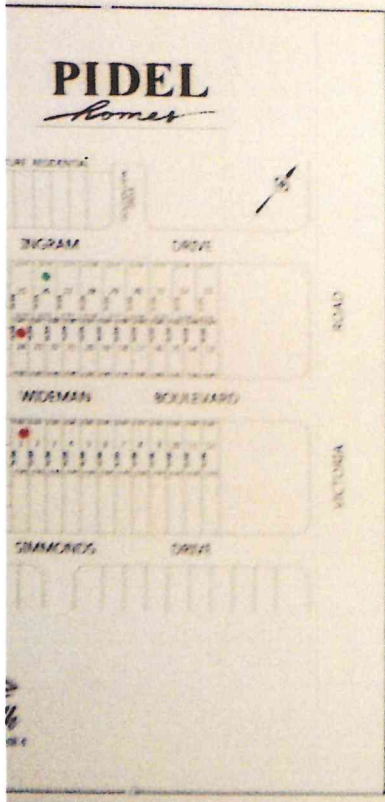
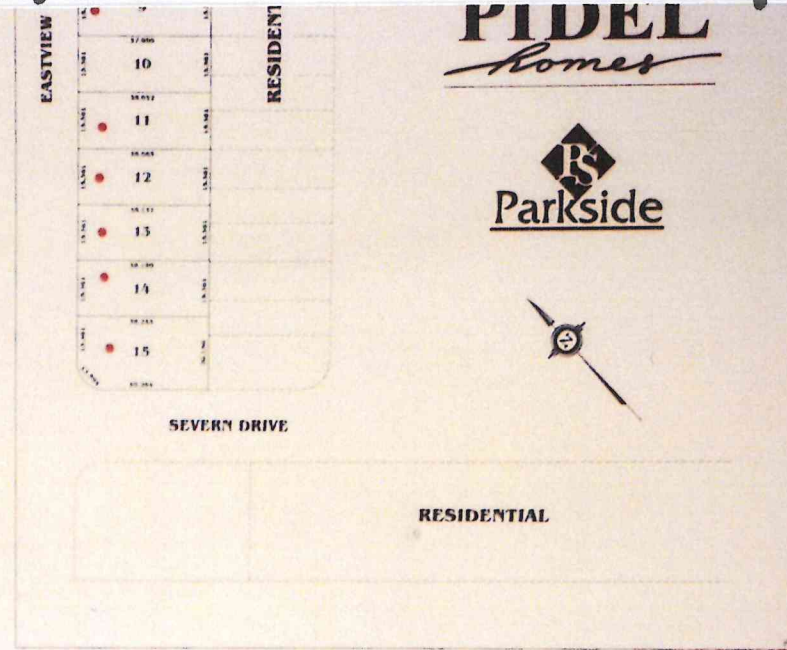
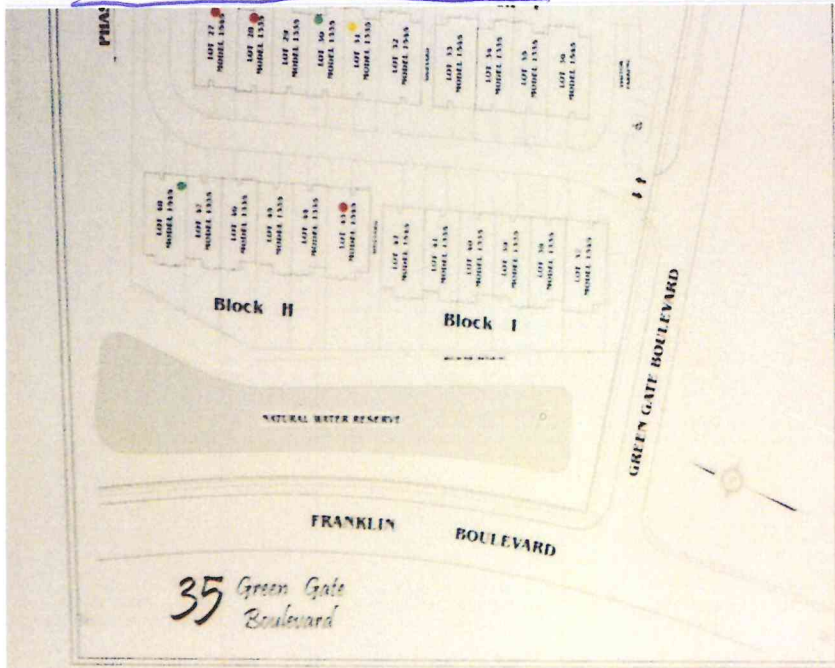
I urge you to reconsider this matter,

Thank you,

Laurel.

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RE: 80 SIMMONDS DR. DISPLAYED IN SALES OFFICE





Re: 80 SIMMONDS DRIVE

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