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> Public Hearing Halifax Regional Council June 8, 2004

TO:	Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council
SUBMITTED BY:	Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
DATE:	June 1, 2004

SUBJECT: Sale and Street Closure - Polar Place, Halifax

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

<u>ORIGIN</u>

At its meeting of May 11, 2004, Halifax Regional Council authorized staff to set a date for a public hearing for consideration of HRM Administrative Order SC-33 concerning the closure of Polar Place, Halifax, as shown on Attachment "A", and approved the sale of Polar Place, Halifax, subject to approval of the street closure, to Mr. Daniel Chedrawe of Westwood Developments Limited, containing approximately 17,210 square feet (exact area to be determined by survey), based on the key terms and conditions contained in the staff report

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Council close the Polar Place right of way, Halifax, as shown on Attachment "A".

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BACKGROUND

Real Estate received a request from Mr. Chedrawe, Westwood Developments Limited, to close and purchase the Polar Place Right of Way, Halifax. Westwood Developments would like to acquire the Right of Way to facilitate a proposed commercial development on the former Taylor Ford Lincoln property.

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DISCUSSION

Polar Place is on the north side of Almon Street near the corner of Almon and Robie Streets *(see Attachment "A")*. The Polar Place Right of Way is approximately 278 feet in length and 60 feet in width, for an area of approximately 17,210 square feet. It bisects the former Taylor Ford Lincoln car dealership, and runs from Almon Street to the Pierceys Building Supplies, a property owned by FS Industries Limited.

Staff has reviewed the request to close the Polar Place Right of Way, and consider it surplus to the requirements of the Municipality, subject to Mr. Chedrawe providing suitable access from Almon Street to Pierceys Building Supply property, as they are the only abutter affected by this street closure. Mr. Chedrawe and the Pierceys land owner, FS Industries Limited, have had discussions, and FS Industries has confirmed that they have entered into a formal agreement with Westwood Developments which will allow Pierceys continued access to Almon Street, subject to the closure of Polar Place.

KEY BUSINESS TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF TRANSACTION		
Property Address	Polar Place Right of Way	
Area of ROW to be closed	17,210 sq. ft. +/-	
Purchaser	Mr. Daniel Chedrawe, Westwood Developments Limited	
Purchase Price	Market Value	
Special Conditions	 Sale is subject to closing of the Right of Way by Council; and Purchaser will pay advertising costs, survey costs and HRM's legal costs and applicable taxes. 	
Closing Date	ASAP after street closure is approved.	

The key terms and conditions of the street closure and conveyance are as follows:

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BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

The net proceeds from the sale shall be credited to the Sale of Land Reserve Account Q101. Applicable deductions to the Purchase Price include, but are not limited to, appraisal, survey, environmental, deficiencies, legal, marketing and administrative costs.

Environmental and or deficiency allowances resulting from the purchaser's due diligence inspection, if required, shall be to a maximum of 15 percent of the purchase price.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

ALTERNATIVES

None recommended.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment "A"- Site Plan Attachment "B"- Administrative Order SC- #33 Attachment "C"- Site Photography

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Attachment "B"

HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NUMBER SC-33

RESPECTING CLOSURE OF <u>POLAR PLACE</u>

BE IT RESOLVED AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER of Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality pursuant to Section 315 of the Municipal Government Act as follows:

1. The "subject lands", Polar Place, Parcel A, more particularly described in Attachment "A" is hereby closed.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing Administrative Order was duly adopted by Halifax Regional Council the ____ day of _____, 2004.

MAYOR

MUNICIPAL CLERK

I, Jan Gibson, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Halifax Regional Municipality, hereby certify that the above-noted Administrative Order was passed at a meeting of Halifax Regional Council held on _____, 2004.

Jan Gibson, Acting Municipal Clerk

ATTACHMENT "C" Street Closure - Polar Place SITE PHOTOGRAPHY



View of Polar Place from Almon Street