SUBJECT: Proposed Permanent Closure of a Portion of Unopened Road Allowance of Edgehill Drive (PW06003/PED06023) (Ward 8)

RECOMMENDATION:
(a) That the application to permanently close a portion of unopened road allowance known as Edgehill Drive be approved.
(b) That the appropriate By-law be introduced and enacted by Council.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
A request has been received to permanently close a portion of the unopened road allowance of Edgehill Drive. The lands in question were dedicated as a public highway for the purpose of a temporary turnaround at the south end of Edgehill Drive. Edgehill
Drive has since been extended and the lands are no longer needed for roadway purposes. The lands are proposed to be closed and transferred to the abutting properties as intended in the original draft plan approval. As the lands are no longer required by the City and as the abutting owners will acquire the lands, staff support this proposal.

BACKGROUND:
The information/recommendations contained in the report primarily affect Ward 8.

The Planning and Economic Development Department has made a request to have portions of the road allowance of Edgehill Drive closed and transferred to the abutting property owners. The subject lands are no longer required by the City as Edgehill Drive has been extended and the temporary turnaround at the south end is no longer required.

Notice was circulated to all affected municipal departments and utilities and no negative comments were received. The proposed closure has been advertised to the public as required under the Municipal Act. No environmental assessment was required in this instance.

As the lands are no longer required by the municipality and as the abutting property owners will assume responsibility for lands, staff support this proposal.

ANALYSIS/RATIONALE:
Notice was circulated to all affected municipal departments and public utilities. The public has been notified, as required under the Municipal Act, through an ad in the Spectator.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION:
N/A

FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:
The lands will be transferred to the abutting owners for a nominal fee.

POLICIES AFFECTING PROPOSAL:
The lands must be permanently closed under the Municipal Act before they can be transferred.

RELEVANT CONSULTATION:
The Planning and Economic Development Department has recommended this plan of action in the interest of moving the project forward.
CITY STRATEGIC COMMITMENT:

By evaluating the “Triple Bottom Line”, (community, environment, economic implications) we can make choices that create value across all three bottom lines, moving us closer to our vision for a sustainable community, and Provincial interests.

Community Well-Being is enhanced. ☑ Yes ☐ No

closing of the roadway will allow for additional housing which will enhance the development of the neighbourhood.

Environmental Well-Being is enhanced. ☐ Yes ☑ No

Economic Well-Being is enhanced. ☑ Yes ☐ No

closing of the roadway will allow for additional residential units to be developed utilizing the existing infrastructure.

Does the option you are recommending create value across all three bottom lines? ☐ Yes ☑ No

Do the options you are recommending make Hamilton a City of choice for high performance public servants? ☐ Yes ☑ No
LOCATION PLAN

PROPOSED CLOSURE:

PORTION OF EDGEHILL DRIVE
IN FRONT OF # 168 & 172
IN FALKIRK WEST, HAMILTON

CITY OF HAMILTON
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

LEGEND

[Various symbols and labels indicating streets, blocks, and property boundaries]

SCALE
NOT TO SCALE
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