COUNCIL REPORT – BYLAW



BYLAW 20267

To close portions of Ellerslie Road, Windermere

Purpose

To close portions of Ellerslie Road from 170 Street SW to 173 Street SW for consolidation with abutting properties to the north for residential uses.

Readings

Bylaw 20267 is ready for three readings after the public hearing has been held. If Council wishes to give three readings during a single meeting, Council must unanimously agree "That Bylaw 20267 be considered for third reading."

Advertising and Signing

This Bylaw was advertised in the Edmonton Journal on August 26, 2022 and September 3, 2022. The Bylaw can be passed following third reading.

Position of Administration

Administration supports this proposed Bylaw.

Report

This application proposes to close portions of Ellerslie Road from 170 Street SW to 173 Street SW in the Windermere neighbourhood. The closure area will be consolidated with abutting properties to the north for residential uses. An associated zoning application (Charter Bylaw 20262) will facilitate the development of low density residential housing. With closure of the road, access to the impacted Keswick/Windermere areas will continue to be available through Washburn Drive SW, Hiller Road SW, 173 Street SW and 175 Street SW (Wright Drive SW). Additional access to the broader Keswick/Windermere areas is available from 170 Street, 28 Avenue and Windermere Boulevard.

The proposed closure meets the technical requirements of civic departments and utility agencies. The application conforms with associated plan amendments to the Windermere Neighbourhood Structure Plan and Windermere Area Structure Plan (Bylaws 20269 and 20270).

Bylaw 20267 will be dealt with together with Bylaw 20268 as they relate to portions of the same road closure area.

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Community Insights

Advance Notice was sent to surrounding property owners and the president of the Greater Windermere Community League on January 12, 2022. Two comments were received at the time of writing this report. First, a resident expressed concerns with losing emergency access to the neighbourhood due in part to this road closure. In response, Transportation informed them that upon the closure of Ellerslie Road, alternative access routes will be made available, in addition to other alternative access routes currently available.

The second citizen sought information on the council date and how they may 'help the application move forward'. They were informed about the council date and opportunities to be involved with the public hearing process.

Attachments

- 1. Bylaw 20267
- 2. Aerial Map
- 3. Windermere NSP Context Map