COUNCIL REPORT – BYLAW

BYLAW 21139

Designation of Reserve - Weinlos Community Park

Recommendation

That Bylaw 21139 be given the appropriate readings.

Purpose

To designate the parcel Plan 8720244 Block 27 Lot 124 – a portion of Weinlos Community Park – as Municipal Reserve (MR) in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act* (MGA).

Readings

Bylaw 21139 is ready for three readings.

A majority vote of City Council on all three readings is required for passage.

If Council wishes to give three readings during a single meeting, then prior to moving to third reading, City Council must unanimously agree "that Bylaw 21139 be considered for third reading."

REPORT

Weinlos Community Park is the Weinlos neighbourhood's central public space. It accommodates a public junior high school, a public elementary school, a playground and a variety of other outdoor recreation amenities. The existing playground is built on two parcels:

- Plan 8720244 Blk 27 Lot 124
- Plan 8720244 Blk 27 Lot 125MR

Renewal of the existing playground is in the concept phase and will result in cross-lot drainage, contrary to the Drainage Bylaw 18093. The issue can be resolved through consolidation of the parcels, which can only occur if all of them are designated as Municipal Reserve (MR) per Attachment 1.

In addition to allowing for playground renewal, the designation of Lot 124 as MR and its consolidation with Lot 125MR will serve to simplify and protect the park space.

Community Insight

City policy aims to ensure that every community enjoys safe and engaging recreational spaces. This bylaw supports these aims. Administration will further engage with the community as part of the playground renewal process.

Budget/Financial Implications

Designation and consolidation work will support the renewal of the Weinlos Community Park playground. Funding in support of planning, design and delivery of the renewal is being provided through the Parks Renewal (CM-32-0000) capital profile.

Legal Implications

Pursuant to section 665 of the MGA, Council may, by bylaw, require that the Registrar of the Land Titles Office designate a parcel of land that the City owns as Municipal Reserve (MR).

Once a parcel of land is designated as MR, it can only be used for MR purposes as set out in section 671(2) of the MGA. To dispose of the parcel, such as selling or leasing it, the designation would have to be removed through a Council motion following a public hearing, pursuant to section 675 of the MGA.

Attachments

1. Bylaw 21139

Others Reviewing the Report

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