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CITY OF BELLEVILLE
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Director of Corporate Services
Corporate Services Department
Report No. DCS-2020-41
September 28, 2020

To: Mayor and Members of Council

Subject: Habitat for Humanity - Property Request (Habitat Horizons Centre)

Recommendation:

“THAT the Director of Corporate Services/City Clerk’s Report No. DCS-2020-41, Habitat for Humanity - Property Request (Habitat Horizons Centre), be received.”

Strategic Plan Alignment:

The City of Belleville’s Strategic Plan identifies nine strategic themes. The recommendation within this report aligns with the City’s strategic theme of “Industrial and Commercial Development” and the City’s strategic objective to, “Encourage remediation and redevelopment of underutilized lands”.

Background:

At the Regular meeting of Council on September 14th, 2020 Council considered a deputation from the Executive Director and Chair of Habitat for Humanity Prince Edward-Hastings on their proposed Habitat Horizons Centre development and directed staff to prepare a report identifying City potentially available owned properties matching the criteria as identified.

The criteria that Habitat identified as required for the development of their proposed development were;

- Three (3) to five (5) acres
- Fully serviced
- On or near City bus route

Habitat also advised that a letter of commitment from the City related to the City's intent to provide a piece of property to Habitat for the Habitat Horizons Centre development would greatly assist them in their funding application.

Staff reviewed the city owned property inventory for properties that match these criteria and identified a number of potential sites for Council's consideration (maps attached).

Additionally the current Belleville Police station site was noted as a potential location during the Council meeting on the 14th however the site is only 2.3 (+/-) acres. The site also abuts the CP rail corridor which would require the proposed residential development to be set back 30 meters and the installation of a berm and fencing all reducing the already undersized parcel far below the stated needs of Habitat for this proposal.

In the event that the City is unable to identify a suitable parcel for Habitat's purposes Council has a number of options to support this project which include;

- 1) Purchase a piece of property and donate it to Habitat
- 2) Provide a monetary contribution to the Habitat project
- 3) Partner with a private land owner to secure property for the Habitat project

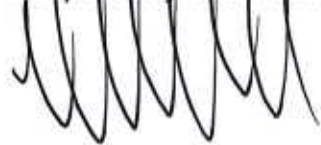
Financial:

Dependent upon which, if any, of the City owned parcels are selected by Council for donation to Habitat the cost of that property would need to be identified and accounted for. In a number of instances structures exist on the City owned parcels which would need to be removed, site preparation would need to be completed and servicing may be required. All of these costs would need to be determined and responsibility for those should be addressed in the agreement to provide land.

Conclusion:

Management recommends that Council receive the Habitat for Humanity - Property Request (Habitat Horizons Centre) report.

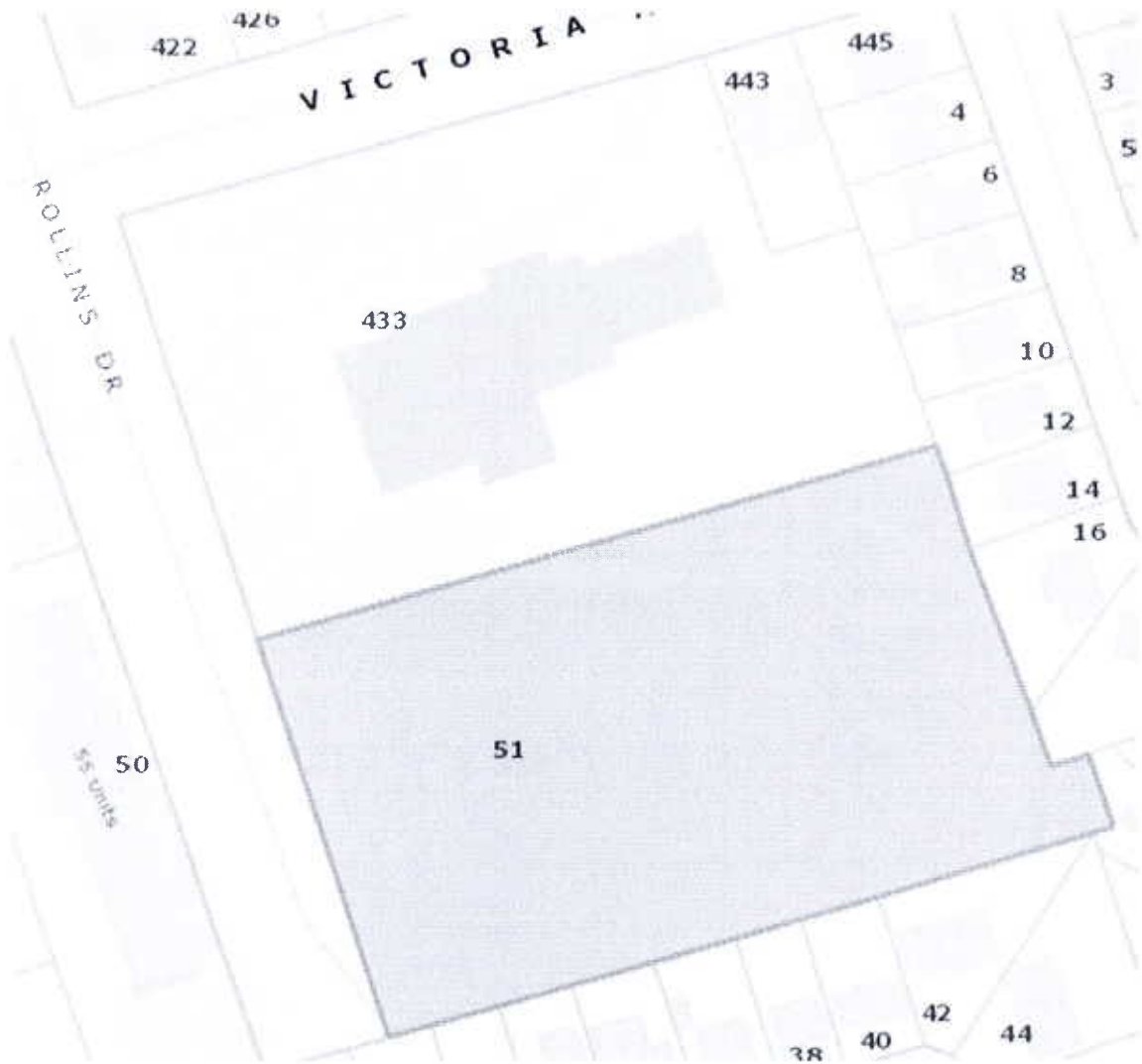
Respectfully submitted,



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attachment: site maps

433 Victoria Avenue /51 Rollins Drive – Current YMCA Site



Approximately 5.85 Acres in Total –

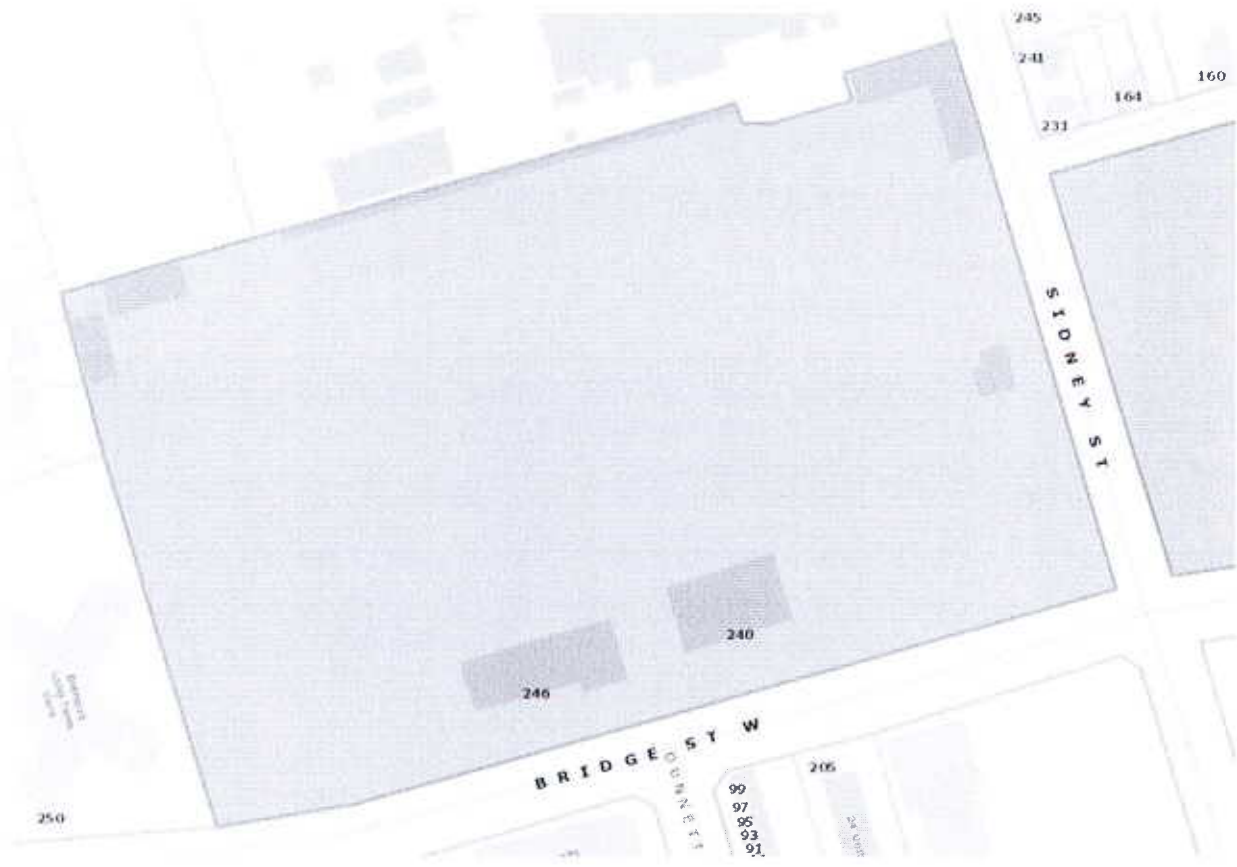
433 Victoria Avenue is currently the YMCA building, 51 Rollins Drive is currently open space.

Old Kingston Road



Approximately 9.48 acres – currently open space.

Sidney/Bridge – North west corner – Old Belleville Racetrack and Fairgrounds



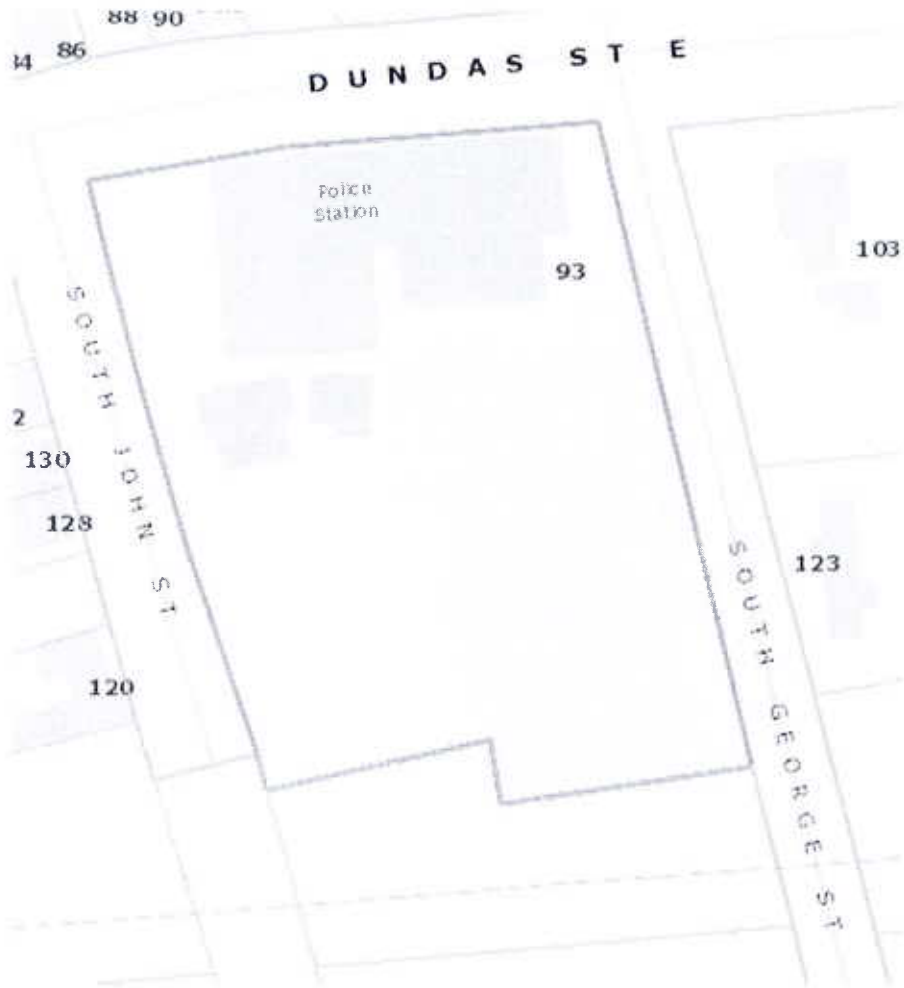
Approximately 23.37 Acres in Total – currently Housing the Quinte Curling Club, Belleville Ag Society lease, YMCA project commitment

Cascade Park



Approximately 8.5 Acres in total currently public Green Space within a residential area (Parkdale Park – splash pad, playground and Field of Abilities in close proximity)

93 Dundas Street – Former Belleville City Police Headquarters



Approximately 2.3 acres – abuts the CP rail line.