

# **Municipality of East Ferris**

## **Report to Council**

Report No.: PLAN-2021-12

Date: June 22, 2021

Originator: Greg Kirton, Manager of Planning and Economic Development

Subject: Road Allowance Purchase Request – Donna Couch – Mullins Lane

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the Municipality of East Ferris deems the identified section of road allowance to be surplus in order to allow for an application to be made to purchase the lands.
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### **BACKGROUND**

A request was received from Donna Couch, owner of 52 Mullins Lane, requesting to close up and purchase a section of road allowance that is adjacent to her property. She is also requesting that the shoreline road allowance in front of her property be closed to allow her to purchase it. The latter request will go before the Planning Advisory Committee for a public meeting at a future date, prior to coming before Council, as per the East Ferris policies around the disposition of shoreline road allowances. A key map can be found on Schedule A and a detailed map on Schedule B of this report.

With regards to the section of road allowance not along the shoreline, staff are of the opinion that there would be no future need for this section of road allowance for municipal operations. Generally, we will maintain control and ownership of road allowances if there is a foreseeable use for municipal operations but will close and sell them to adjacent owners if they will not be needed in the future. The section of road allowance, as labelled in Schedule B, is part of a road allowance that runs east to west for a very short distance with one side ending at Lake Nosbonsing and the other side ending at a privately owned piece of property. There would be no future road expansion onto this road allowance, and it is not used for lake access.

Based on the above information, staff are supportive of the request from Donna Couch to deem the road allowance surplus in order to allow an application to be made to purchase the lands.

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## OPTIONS

1. Option 1

That the Municipality of East Ferris deems the identified section of road allowance to be surplus in order to allow for an application to be made to purchase the lands.

2. Option 2

That the Municipality of East Ferris does not deem the road allowance surplus.

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## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Deeming the road allowance surplus would allow for an application to be made for the purchase of the road allowance, which would generate some additional revenue for the municipality from an unused piece of land. There would be no other financial implications as all costs associated with the transfer of road allowances are the responsibility of the purchaser.

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## RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Municipality of East Ferris deems the identified section of road allowance to be surplus in order to allow for an application to be made to purchase the lands.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Greg Kirton  
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I concur with this report  
and recommendation



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## Schedule A



## Schedule B

