

# CORPORATE REPORT

NO: R133 COUNCIL DATE: July 11, 2022

**REGULAR COUNCIL** 

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: July 7, 2022

FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 5450-30 (Rogers)

SUBJECT: License Agreement with Rogers Communications Canada Inc. for Use of Road

Allowances

## RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department recommends that Council:

- 1. Receive this report for information; and
- 2. Authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute a License Agreement with Rogers Communications Canada Inc. ("Rogers") that will grant Rogers a non-exclusive right to install, operate and maintain telecommunication infrastructure for a 10-year period within the road allowances, as illustrated on the map attached as Appendix "I".

#### **INTENT**

The intent of this report is to obtain Council's approval to execute a License Agreement with Rogers to install, operate and maintain telecommunications infrastructure within road allowances.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Rogers has approached the City for permission to install, operate and maintain new underground telecommunication infrastructure at three locations (one in Guildford, one in Fleetwood, and one in Newton) within the road allowances as listed in the following table, and as illustrated in Appendix "I":

Map Reference Number	Location
1	152 Street and Lincoln Drive
2	9574 – 160 Street
3	7575 – 140 Street

## **DISCUSSION**

The City has entered into similar site-specific license agreements with other telecommunications carriers including A2B, Allstream/Zayo, AT&T, Bell Canada, Bell Mobility, and Persona/Eastlink.

The proposed works by Rogers aligns with the Smart Surrey Broadband Strategy and the Investment & Innovation Impact Committee 2020 Annual Report (Corporate Report No. Ro31; 2021) that was received by Council on February 8, 2021 to increase broadband access and connectivity across the City by working closely with our telecommunication partners to advance deployment and expand fibre-optic wireless infrastructure to ensure residents, businesses and the general public have access to some of the most modern connectivity infrastructure.

# **Legal Services Review**

This report has been reviewed by Legal Services.

## SUSTAINABILITY CONSIDERATIONS

The License Agreement supports the objectives of the City's Sustainability Charter 2.0. In particular, the Rogers works relate to the Sustainability Charter 2.0 theme of Infrastructure. Specifically, the license agreement supports the following Desired Outcome ("DO"):

• Telecommunications DO21: The City has excellent communications infrastructure that provides affordable and effective connectivity across the community.

## **CONCLUSION**

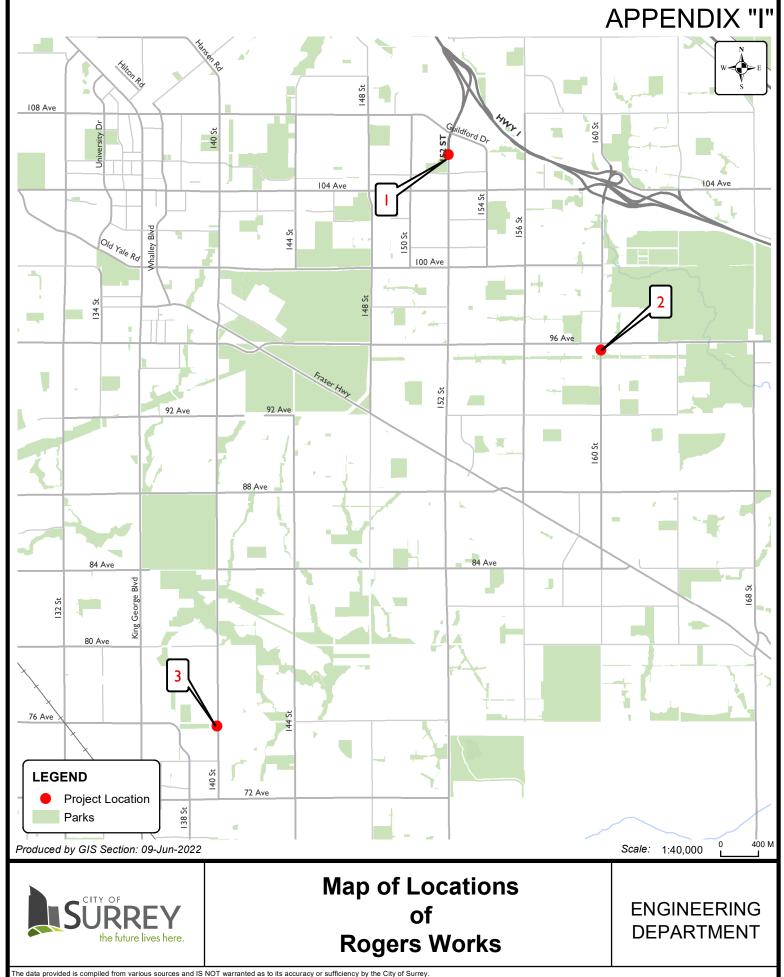
Based on the above discussion, it is recommended that Council authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute a License Agreement that will grant Rogers a non-exclusive right to install, operate and maintain telecommunication infrastructure for a 10-year period within road allowances.

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Appendix "I" - Map of Locations of Rogers Works

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