

NO: **R076**

COUNCIL DATE: **May 4, 2020**

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: **Mayor and Council**

DATE: **April 27, 2020**

FROM: **General Manager, Engineering
General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture**

FILE: **o870-20/573A**

SUBJECT: **Acquisition of Property at 13760 – 62 Avenue for Parkland Purposes**

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department and the Parks, Recreation & Culture Department recommend that Council approve the purchase of the property at 13760 – 62 Avenue (PID No. 005-590-710) for parkland purposes, as illustrated on the attached as Appendix “I”.

INTENT

The intent of this report is to seek Council’s approval to purchase the property located at 13760 - 62 Avenue (the “Property”) for parkland purposes.

DISCUSSION

Property Description

The Property is a 1.130 acre (49,223 ft.²) rectangular parcel located in the South Newton Neighbourhood Concept Plan.

Zoning, Plan Designations and Land Uses

The Property is zoned One-Acre Residential (RA) Zone and is designated Urban in the Official Community Plan. The highest and best use of the Property, absent the park designation, would be redevelopment in a residential multi-family context.

Purpose of the Acquisition

This acquisition will protect Archibald Creek, an important fish bearing stream in South Newton, along with its riparian area. It also provides space for a small neighbourhood park, with potential for paths, seating and other amenities.

Contract of Purchase and Sale

A purchase and sale agreement has been negotiated with and accepted by the owner of the Property. The agreement is supported by an appraisal that was completed by an accredited, independent appraiser. The agreement is subject to City Council approval on or before May 27, 2020. Sale completion will take place upon registration of transfer documentation in the Land Title Office.

SUSTAINABILITY CONSIDERATIONS

Acquiring the Property supports the objectives of the City's Sustainability Charter 2.0. In particular, the acquisition relates to the Sustainability Charter 2.0 themes of Built Environment and Neighbourhoods, and Health and Wellness. Specifically, this acquisition supports the following Desired Outcome ("DO") and Strategic Direction ("SD"):

- Neighbourhoods and Urban Design DO5: Trees, green spaces and natural areas are integrated into all neighbourhoods; and
- Wellness and Recreation SD6: Provide opportunities for all residents, especially children, to interact with green spaces and trees.

FUNDING

The Finance Department has confirmed that funds for this acquisition are available from the 2020 Parkland Acquisition Program.

CONCLUSION

The terms of the purchase and sale agreement are considered reasonable. This acquisition will assist in protecting this section of Archibald Creek, along with its riparian area, as well as providing space for a small neighbourhood park.

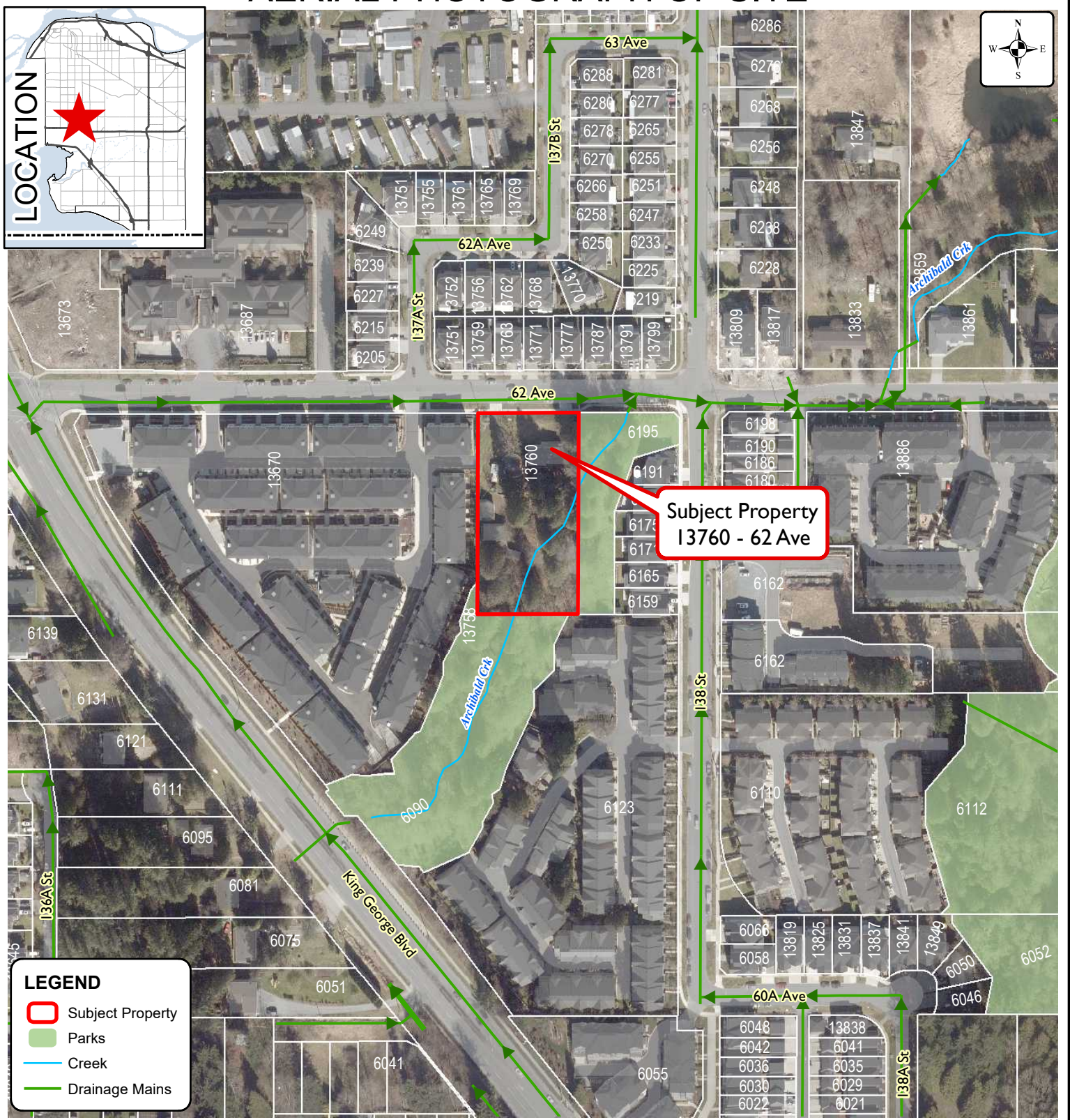
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Appendix "I" - Aerial Photograph of Site

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF SITE



Produced by GIS Section: 27-Apr-2020, JJR

Date of Aerial Photograph: March 2019

Scale: 1:2,500 0 25 M



SUBJECT PROPERTY

13760 - 62 Avenue

ENGINEERING
DEPARTMENT

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