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TO:	Mayor & Council	DATE:	May 23, 2003
FROM:	General Manager, Engineering	FILE:	8380-269/A 0870-20/269
SUBJECT:	Land Acquisition For Linear Park (14898 & 14920 - 68 Avenue - Map 63)		

RECOMMENDATION

That Council authorize the partial acquisition of PID No. 010-185-798 (14898 - 68 Avenue) and PID No. 010-185-801 (14920 - 68 Avenue) for park/open space as set out in the East Newton South Neighbourhood Concept Plan.

DISCUSSION

1. Property Locations: 14898 & 14920 - 68 Avenue

These properties are located in the East Newton South Neighbourhood Concept Plan area. Combined, the two proposed partial takings have an area of 38,041 ft.² or .87 acre. An additional 7,018 ft.² portion of park is also being acquired from the subject properties under the 5% parkland dedication requirements of the Local Government Act. Acquisition of this land will provide linear park as planned under the East Newton South NCP.

2. Zoning, Plan Designations, and Land Uses

The subject properties are zoned RA (One Acre Residential) and they are designated as Urban under the Official Community Plan. The Highest and Best Use for both properties is redevelopment under the land uses and highest densities that would be approved for the subject sites in the East Newton South NCP.

3. Purpose of the Acquisition

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Department has determined that the acquisition of these properties will allow for the future development of the linear park system envisioned under the East Newton South NCP.

4. Contract of Purchase and Sale

Staff have negotiated a Contract of Purchase and Sale Agreement with the owners subject to Council approval by May 27, 2003. Completion is to take place upon registration of the subdivision plan in the Land Title Office.

CONCLUSION

Approval of these acquisitions will provide for additional expansion and development of the linear park system in the East Newton South area as envisioned under the Neighbourhood Concept Plan.

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Appendices

- I. Site Plan
- II. Aerial Photograph of Site