



Date: April 23, 2009

TO: Board Members – Vancouver Park Board
FROM: General Manager – Parks and Recreation
SUBJECT: Approval of Statutory Right-of-Way in Jericho Park adjacent to Jericho Hostel

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Board consent to granting a statutory right-of-way (SRW) to place one pad-mount transformer electrical service adjacent to the Jericho Hostel as shown in Appendices A and B, to BC Hydro and to the City of Vancouver in priority over the same area, subject to all details being to the satisfaction of the General Manager in consultation with the Director of Legal Services.

POLICY

All interests in park lands must be approved by the Board.

BACKGROUND

A number of utility corridors and underground services run through lands under the jurisdiction of the Park Board, protected in most instances by a statutory right-of-way (SRW), to ensure that access for the purposes of inspection, maintenance, repair, and related functions is secured over the long-term, even in the event that the land in question ceases to be a park.

DISCUSSION

A new pad-mount transformer is required to support the Jericho Hostel Heating project. This project provides an electrical upgrade to heat the building for winter use as a hostel. Staff have reviewed the electrical specifications and provided input, including a requirement to bring underground service to the building instead of the original proposal for pole mounted transformer and overhead wire. Jericho Hostel has agreed to this requirement and proposes the location shown in Appendix A. The size of the SRW for the pad-mount transformer is 7.1m x 5.6m and also includes a 3.0m wide corridor to include the existing overhead lines serving the Hostel and shown in Appendix B.

The City's policy is to register a City SRW in priority over the same area as the BC Hydro SRW in order to have some flexibility in the future to bring other services into the SRW area (if it can be done without conflicting with Hydro's works) without having to get Hydro's approval.

SUMMARY

The Park Board is asked to approve the proposed SRW to both the City and BC Hydro in Jericho Park, as described in this report.

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Appendix A



1 NE ISOMETRIC VIEW
SCALE: 1/8"



2 LOCATION MAP
SCALE: 1/8"

1 ELECTRICAL SITE PLAN
SCALE: 1/8"

