

3. ROAD CLOSING - UNTRAVELLED PORTION OF REGIONAL ROAD 174 AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF BLAIR ROAD - PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Having held a public hearing, that Council pass a by-law to close an untravelled portion of Regional Road No. 174 (old Highway No. 17) situated on the south-west corner of Blair Road at Regional Road No. 174, and being composed of Part of Lot 21, Concession 2, Ottawa Front in the City of Gloucester, Region of Ottawa-Carleton and designated as PARTS 1, 2 and 3 on a draft plan.

DOCUMENTATION

1. Director Mobility Services and Corporate Fleet Services report dated 12 November 1999 is immediately attached.

REGION OF OTTAWA-CARLETON
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REPORT
RAPPORT

Our File/N/Réf. Your File/V/Réf.	50 23-99-R174, 23-99-R027-A
DATE	12 November 1999
TO/DEST.	Co-ordinator Transportation Committee
FROM/EXP.	Director Mobility Services and Corporate Fleet Services Environment and Transportation Department
SUBJECT/OBJET	ROAD CLOSING - UNTRAVELLED PORTION OF REGIONAL ROAD NO. 174 AT THE SOUTH-WEST CORNER OF BLAIR ROAD - PUBLIC HEARING

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION

That Transportation Committee recommend Council pass a by-law to close an untravelled portion of Regional Road No. 174 (old Highway No. 17) situated on the south-west corner of Blair Road at Regional Road No. 174, and being composed of Part of Lot 21, Concession 2, Ottawa Front in the City of Gloucester, Region of Ottawa-Carleton and designated as PARTS 1, 2 and 3 on a draft plan.

BACKGROUND

The above-noted lands, shown in Annex A, were transferred to the Region as a part of the downloading of provincial highways to the Region in 1997. Staff have reviewed the need for these lands and have determined that this section of Regional Road No. 174 no longer meets the needs and criteria of a Regional Road, and is surplus to the Region's requirements.

The Region has been approached by a potential buyer to purchase these lands, the sale of which is subject to the road closing, and which is the subject of a separate report going to Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee on 30 November 1999 and Council on 08 December 1999.

DISCUSSION

The lands in question were originally secured by the province to provide for the implementation of a free flow eastbound off-ramp from then Highway No. 17 to southbound Blair Road if and when the need for such a lane arose. The implementation of a free-flow ramp is not in keeping with the direction of the Official Plan and Transportation Master Plan. Staff recommend that enough land

in this quadrant be retained to provide for the future construction of an eastbound off-ramp that would terminate at Blair Road at a signalized intersection. Vehicles approaching this intersection would be required to make a sharp right turn to head south on Blair Road as opposed to having a free-flow condition. This restricted right turn would provide for a much more pedestrian and cycle friendly alternative to the free-flow condition.

The portions of the road outlined in this report for closing are those required to provide for an eventual free-flow lane and are no longer required, and should therefore not be retained as such by the Regional Corporation.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

There are no financial implications with the recommendations of this report.

CONSULTATION

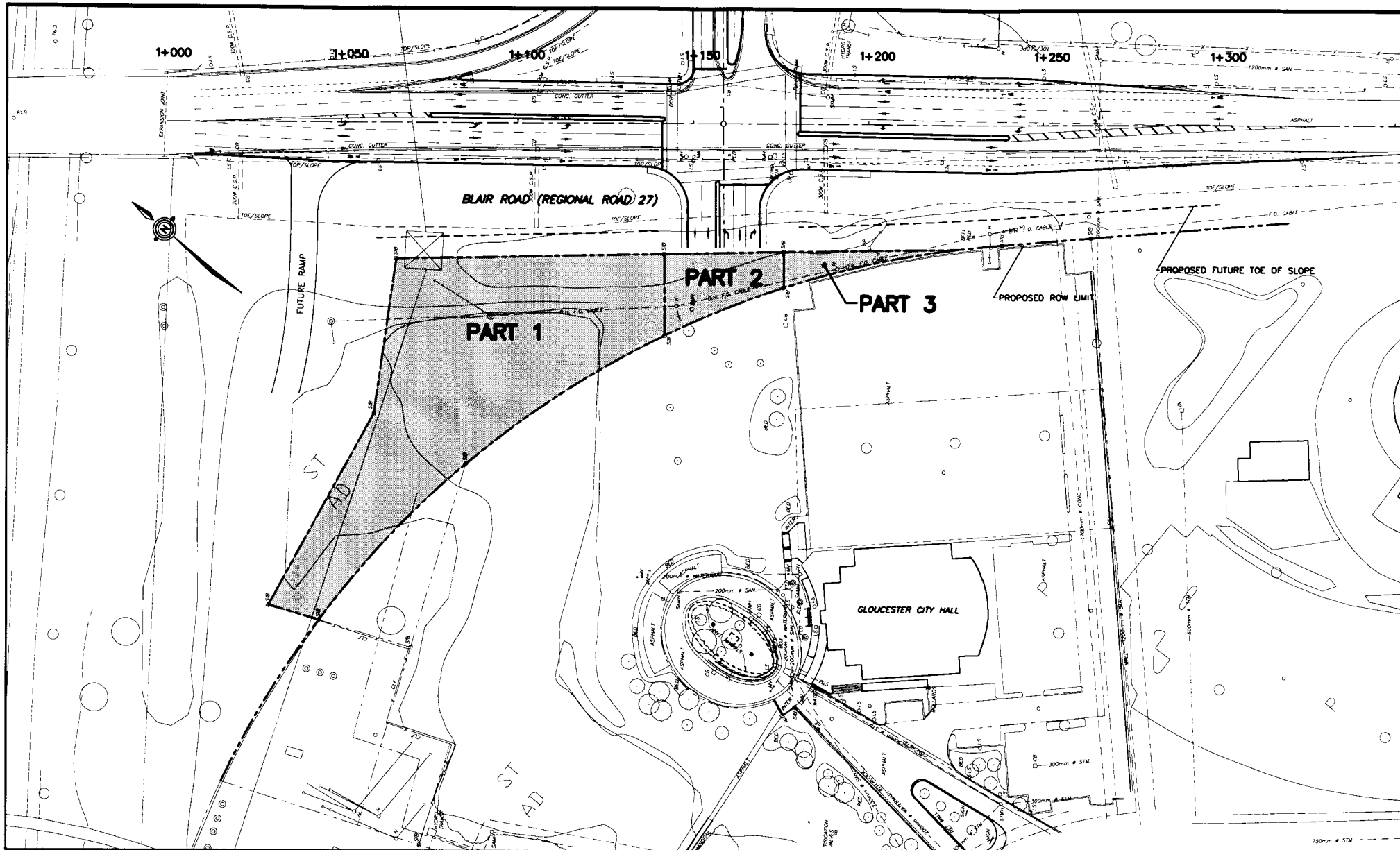
As required under the *Municipal Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter M.45 and *The Regional Municipalities Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter R.8, an advertisement was placed in the Ottawa Citizen, the Ottawa Sun and Le Droit, providing Public Notice of the Regional Road No. 174 closing on 5, 12, 19, and 26 November 1999.

In accordance with the recently revised procedure for road closings, the Public Hearing coincides with Committee's consideration of this Report.

Approved by
Doug Brousseau

JF/gc

Attach (1)



**REGIONAL ROAD 174
SURPLUS LANDS**



Ottawa-Carleton

DATE:
NOV. 1999

SCALE:
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