

Staff Report

Report No.	PW-DR-008-25
То:	Mayor and Members of Council
From:	Drainage Superintendent
Meeting Date:	June 23, 2025
Subject:	Dorchester Road Drain – Meeting to Consider

Recommendation:

THAT Report No. DR-008-25 prepared by the Drainage Superintendent, dated June 23, 2025, concerning a meeting to consider the Dorchester Road Drain, **BE RECEIVED** for information;

AND THAT the Drainage Report for the Dorchester Road Drain, as prepared by Spriet Associates, dated April 3, 2025, **BE RECEIVED AND ADOPTED;**

AND THAT the first sitting of the Court of Revision on behalf of the Dorchester Road Drain, **BE SCHEDULED** for July 28, 2025.

Purpose:

To provide Council with the information necessary to deal with the request under the *Drainage Act* as it relates to the requirements for the Meeting to Consider. This meeting will deal with engineering matters only. Assessment questions will be dealt with at the Court of Revision.

Background:

At the intersection of Byron Avenue and Dorchester Road, three separate developments are currently underway, each in various phases of construction. To manage stormwater runoff safely, different drainage requirements must be addressed for each site. Given that the proposals for these developments will impact Dorchester Road and involve three different development teams, staff recommended the appointment of a Drainage Engineer. The goal of this Report was the design of a Municipal Drain that will collect/capture flows from upstream lands, conveying this water along Dorchester Road, ultimately outletting into the Big Swamp Drain. Through Council Resolution 317-2023, Spriet was appointed as the

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Engineer to investigate and complete this Report. All parties agreed and signed a petition to proceed.

The engineer has designed a solution attempting to satisfy all affected parties, ensuring fair assessments and allowing for appeals if anyone feels their stormwater service needs are not met or if the associated costs are deemed unfair.

Several meetings have been held with all impacted parties to ensure that outlet locations and capacity concerns are adequately addressed.

Comments:

This design outlines the installation of the Municipal Drain under current conditions and provides a framework for the future urbanization of the affected section of Dorchester Road. It considers the need to minimize future work required on the Dorchester Road Drain when urbanization occurs.

Financial Implications:

As outlined under the Drainage Report.

Strategic Plan Link:

Pillar: Smart Planning

Goal: Make smart planning decisions to grow the community, while maintaining a "hometown feel"

Consultation:

None.

References:

None.

Attachments:

- Dorchester Road Drain Report
- Dorchester Road Drain Drawings

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Reviewed by: D. Barrick, Chief Administrative Officer