Minute No. 381
Report - Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development - April 27, 2004

Item No. 22 **Transfer of Jurisdiction of Public Park Land at the Intersections of Fermor Avenue at Westmount and Autumnwood Drives to the Public Works Department for Legal Street Opening Purposes**
File FI-2.4.4.1

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development and submits the following to Council:

1. That the subject City properties, shown as "Proposed Street Opening" on Misc. Plans 11905, 11907 and 11919, currently under Parks jurisdiction, be declared surplus to parks needs.

2. That the subject properties be transferred to the jurisdiction of the Public Works Department for legal street-opening purposes.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Pagtakhan,
That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development be concurred in and forwarded to Council.

Carried

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On April 27, 2004 the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development concurred in the administrative recommendation and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

Re: Proposed Transfer of Jurisdiction of Public Park land at the Intersections of Fermor Ave at Westmount and Autumnwood Drives to the Public Works Department for Legal Street Opening Purposes
Riel Community
St. Boniface Ward

For submission to: **Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development**

Original report signed by: **Director of Planning, Property and Development**

Report date: **April 13, 2004**

Recommendation(s):

1. That the subject City properties currently under parks jurisdiction and shown as "PROPOSED STREET OPENING" on the attached Misc. Plans 11905,11907 and 11919 be declared surplus to parks needs.

2. That subject to recommendation No.1 being approved, the subject properties be transferred to the jurisdiction of the Public Works Department for legal street-opening purposes.

REPORT SUMMARY

Key Issues:

The subject City properties are currently under parks but have been used as street right- of-way since 1967.

In order to be legally opened as street right-of-way, the subject lands have to be declared surplus to parks needs and jurisdiction must be transferred to the Public Works Department.

The sale or transfer of property designated or acquired for park purposes is subject to The City of Winnipeg Charter Act, Statutes of Manitoba 2002, Chapter 39, Section 205(2) which states: "no land owned by the city and used for parks or cemetery purposes on the day that this Act came into force or acquired after that date by the city for parks or cemetery purposes may be disposed of without approval by a vote of 2/3 of all members of Council."

The Riel Community Committee at its meeting held October 7, 2003, considered the matter and advised that it had no objections to the proposed transfer of jurisdiction.

Implications of the Recommendation(s):

General implications:

- [X] None
- [ ] For the organization overall and/or for other departments
- [ ] **For the community and/or organizations external to the City of Winnipeg**
- [ ] **Involves a multi-year contract**

Comment(s):

Policy implications:

- [X] **No**
- [ ] **Yes**

Comment(s):

Environmental implications:

- [X] **No**
- [ ] **Yes**

Comment(s):
These lands have been in use as public street and boulevard since 1967.

Human resources implications:

- [X] **No**
- [ ] **Yes**

Comment(s):

Financial implications:

- [X] Within approved current and/or capital budget
- [ ] Current and/or capital budget adjustment required

Comment(s):
This project is part of The Regional Street Renewals, Fermor Avenue-Archibald Street to Lagimodiere Boulevard (Eastbound), which was approved in the Preliminary 2003 Capital Estimates by Council on March 28, 2003.

REASON FOR THE REPORT:

The sale or transfer of property designated or acquired for parks purposes is subject to The City of Winnipeg Charter Act, Statutes of Manitoba 2002, Chapter 39, Section 205(2) requiring "approval of at least two-thirds of the members of Council".

HISTORY:

In 1967, the subject City properties were improved with right turn street cut-offs and have since then been used as public street right-of-way; however, they remained under parks jurisdiction and were never legally opened as street right of way.

City Council at its special meeting held on March 28, 2003, adopted the Preliminary 2003 Capital Estimates which included a provision for The Regional Street Renewals, Fermor Avenue-Archibald Street to Lagimodiere Boulevard (Eastbound) Project. The Renewals Program provides funding for the Fermor Avenue improvements, including the requisite preparation and registration of a legal street opening plan.

At its meeting held on October 7, 2003, the Riel Community Committee reviewed the matter and advised that it has no objections to declaring the subject City properties surplus to parks needs and transferring the jurisdiction to the Public Works Department for street opening purposes.

The Park Strategic Planner in the Planning and Land Use Division has advised that the Division has no objections to the proposed transfer of jurisdiction.

DISCUSSION:

The subject City parks properties form part of what is commonly referred to as the Fermor Avenue Trail, which is generally developed with landscaping and a pedestrian pathway. The subject portions, however, were developed in 1967 with right turn street cut-offs and as such should be transferred to the jurisdiction of the Public Works Department so that they can be legally opened as public street right-of-way. Given that other lands are being acquired in the area for street opening, it would be prudent from an economic and practical perspective to include the subject properties in the street opening plan.

There are no expenses associated with the transfer of jurisdiction.

The expenses for the street opening plan will be charged to the The Regional Street Renewals, Fermor Avenue-Archibald Street to Lagimodiere Boulevard Project, Fund 003, Account 181000, Department Id 180604, Project 1804000503, Activity property.

Financial Impact Statement

Date: 04/07/04

COMMENTS:

There are no financial implications associated with this report's recommendations.

Karen Ayotte, Acting
Manager of Finance

IN PREPARING THIS REPORT, THERE WAS CONSULTATION WITH AND CONCURRENCE BY:

The Planning and Land Use Division and the Public Works Department.

This report submitted by:

Planning, Property and Development Department
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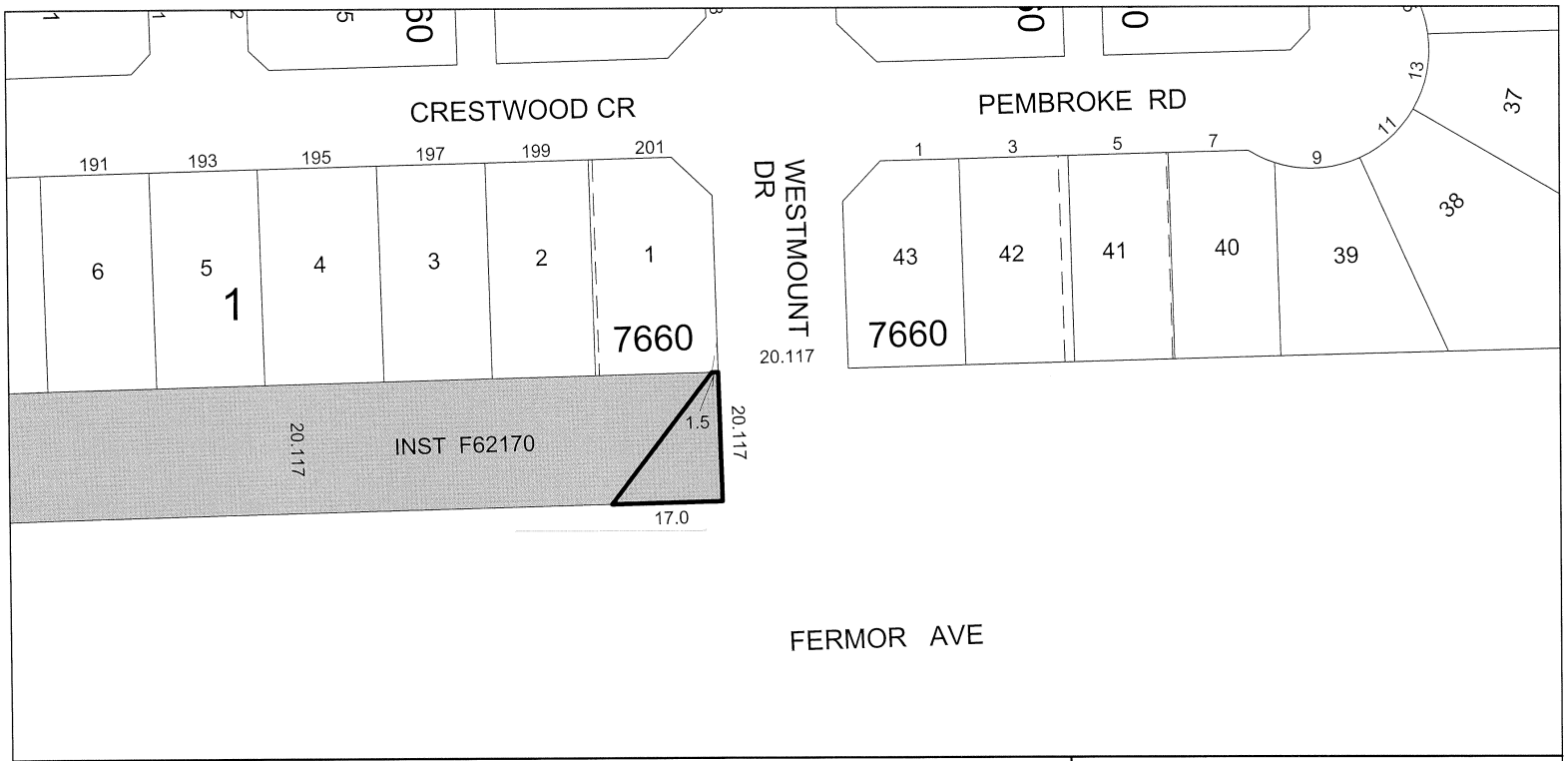

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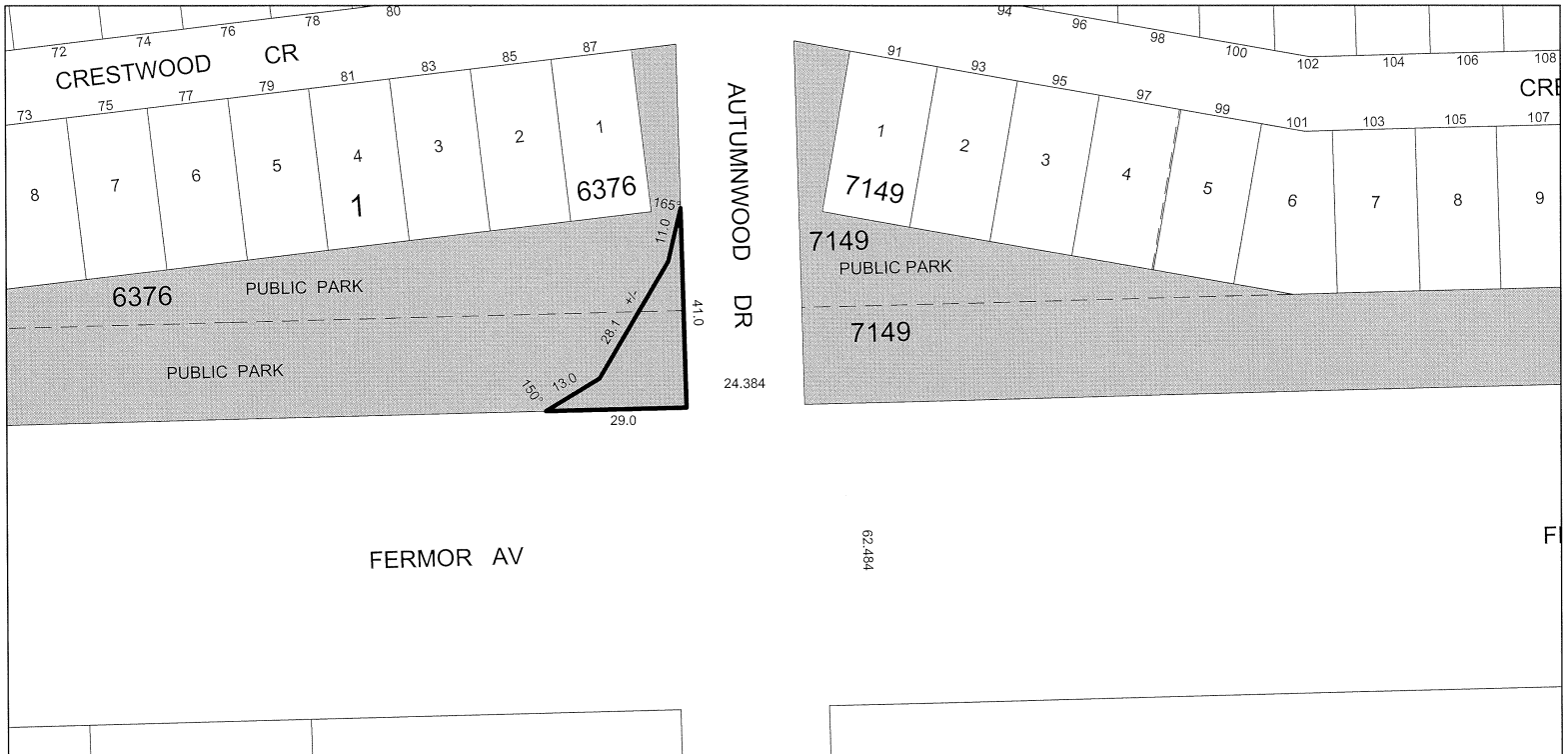
MISC. PLAN NO. 11905



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PROPOSED STREET OPENING 413.2 SQ.M.

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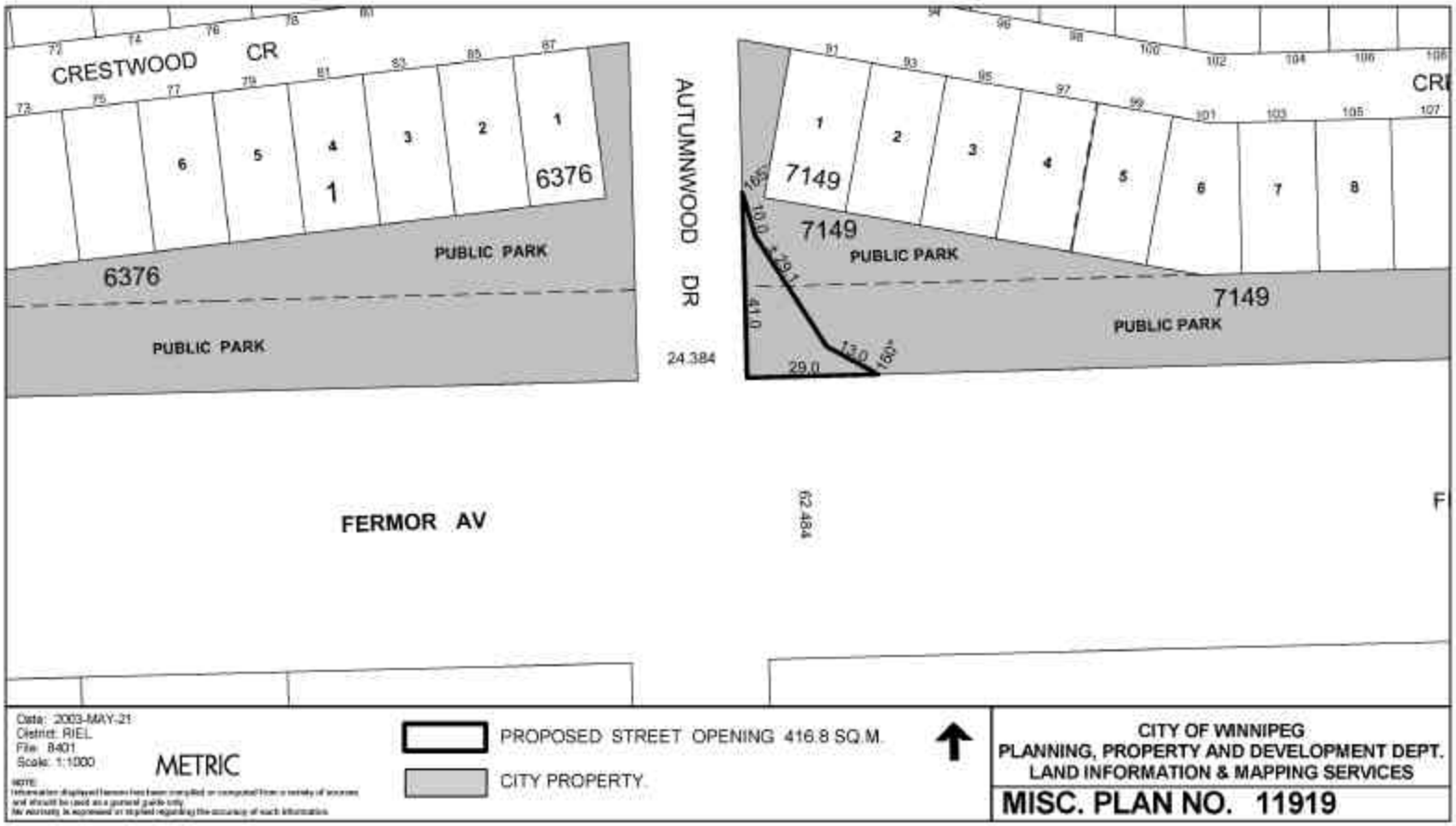
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MISC. PLAN NO. 11919