

#### **TOWN OF MINTO**

**DATE:** May 4, 2018

**REPORT TO:** Mayor and Council

FROM: Bill White, C.A.O. Clerk

SUBJECT: Galaxy Construction Group Ltd. Site Servicing

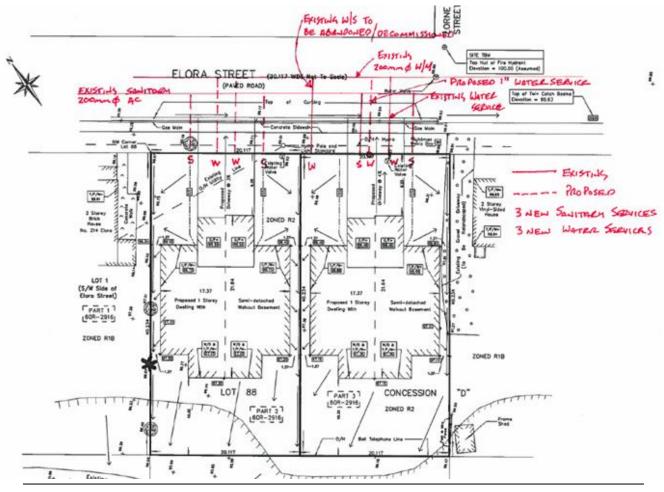
Agreement, Elora Street, Harriston

# STRATEGIC PLAN

Ensure growth and development in Clifford, Palmerston and Harriston makes cost effective and efficient use of municipal services, and development in rural and urban areas is well planned, reflects community interests, is attractive in design and layout, and is consistent with applicable County and Provincial Policies.

### **BACKGROUND**

Last year Council considered planning applications to allow development of the subject lands on Elora Street in Harriston across from Lorne Street. When Elora Street was reconstructed in 2015 it was confirmed the subject lot had access to water and sewer laterals. The form of development the new owner's propose as shown on the sketch below requires more connections than are currently available.



The proposed servicing agreement provides for a Town contractor to perform the work of cutting into the road and providing the requested connections. The County has agreed to the project proceeding in this fashion.

The Owner Galaxy Construction Group Ltd. has signed the servicing agreement agreeing to the following terms:

- 1. Owner responsible for severance or other planning applications and approvals that are needed for the development to proceed.
- 2. Owner has approved the engineering drawing prepared for the three new water and three new connections.
- 3. Agrees to provide \$10,000 deposit so that the Town can proceed to tender the work estimated at up to \$76,250.
- 4. Once tendered price is obtained the Owner decides whether project proceeds by providing security to cover the tendered price for the work.
- 5. Frontage fees would be payable by the Owner at such time as any future severance is obtained under normal Town policy.
- 6. Owner to provide all easements that might be needed for the work.

#### COMMENT

It is suggested the Town arrange to complete this work using a servicing agreement because of the recent roadwork done in this location and the need to maintain high construction standards on this County Road. Staff and Triton Engineering are working on forms and standard agreements that make it clear the Town's requirements for connecting to municipal services, particularly where pre-servicing occurs such as the Clifford Elora Street project north of James Street. A report will be provided May 22 for Council to consider proposed forms and standards in these cases. The intent is to improve the process to make it clearer to developers and contractors how access to municipal services is to be obtained.

## FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Galaxy will pay the cost of the servicing work. If the tendered amount is too high and Galaxy chooses not to proceed the Town can deduct its expenses from the \$10,000 deposit already received.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the report Galaxy Construction Group Ltd. Site Servicing Agreement, Elora Street, Harriston and considers a bylaw in open session authorizing the Mayor and C.A.O. Clerk to sign the requested servicing agreement.

Bill White, C.A.O. Clerk