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To Clerk and Council of Township of Puslinch

RE: Niska Road Reconstruction Memorandum of Understanding

As per the Township of Puslinch Council Meeting of January 23, 2019, and your letter of January 31, 2019 addressed to Ken VanderWal, Project Engineer, the City of Guelph is providing the following commitments regarding the items requested.

That staff request the City of Guelph to provide maintenance and lifecycle costs related to the wildlife crossing fencing and the multi-use path

The City of Guelph has contract rates of \$113.00 per linear meter of the installed 525mm HDPE half pipe wildlife fence. This material is readily available from suppliers within southwestern Ontario and has no known lifecycle cost deterioration other than due to accidental damage. A total of 75m is anticipated for the west side of the Niska Road Bridge which would fall in the municipality of Puslinch. This funnel fencing has a capital cost of approximately \$8,475.

This Multi-Use path is to be constructed of 300mm Granular B, 175mm Granular A, 50mm HL8 and 40mm HL3 for cyclists and pedestrians. The only significant traffic on this asphalt would be for snow removal and maintenance vehicles as such the wear of this component is expected to be minimal. Crack sealing is anticipated to minimize any impacts of the freeze thaw cycle. Resurfacing is anticipated to be significantly less frequent than roadways.

And that the City of Guelph advises which services and costs they are willing to contribute for these amenities

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In regards to the Multi-Use path and the proposed retaining wall, the City of Guelph acknowledges an additional 240m² to 300m² of paved linear infrastructure which will benefit all residents in the area as well as the installation of additional road features to protect the wildlife in the area from existing vehicular hazards.

As maintenance of the lands west of the Niska Road Bridge are generally preformed by Puslinch staff and the costs associated with this fencing if due care is taken, is anticipated to be very low. We do not feel it is appropriate at this time for the City of Guelph to accept maintenance of this funnel fencing.

In regards to the additional paved surface, the City of Guelph agrees to work with the Township of Puslinch to enter into a maintenance agreement for the maintenance and snow removal of the Multi-Use path from the northerly edge of the Multi-Use path/retaining wall to the vehicular portion of Niska Road.

And that the sale of the road to the City be considered and that the Township of Guelph-Eramosa be included in these discussions

At this time the City of Guelph is not interested in entering into discussions regarding purchasing this portion of Niska Road.

Based on the foregoing Memorandum of Understanding, the City of Guelph will begin discussions with Puslinch regarding the required municipal agreement.

Sincerely,



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