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Tennis and Downtown Parking Update Information Report to Council

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In accordance with the Procedure By-law, any member of Council may make a request to the Town Clerk that this Report be placed on an upcoming Committee of the Whole agenda for discussion.

Purpose

This report will provide an update in terms of targeted sequencing and timing for tennis facility changes and additional downtown parking construction. It will also provide a high level preliminary design plan for the new tennis facility.

Background

The Town has previously entered into an agreement with Shining Hill development that will include the developer constructing a comprehensive facility complete with twelve full sized lit courts, associated two-story clubhouse and onsite parking. This facility will house the Newmarket summer tennis club and will provide for the annual install of a winter double bubble. Community Services is currently researching and developing a recommended programming plan and operating model related to the twelve-month operation of this site. The future recommended operating model and business plan is to come to Council in future for discussion and direction. Please see attached the preliminary concept plan.

As tennis moves from its current downtown location, this also enables a parking expansion in support of both the existing businesses and the Postmark Hotel currently under construction at the Clocktower property. The Postmark's stated targeted opening timeframe is spring, 2023.

Specifically the increase of downtown parking is will be achieved through the re-purposing of the current Keith Davis tennis site adjacent to the Parking Lot 3 downtown. The design (underway) and construction budget will officially come forward as part of the 2023 capital budget package.

This information is to be shared with the membership of the Newmarket Tennis Club at their Annual General Meeting (AGM) on November 12. As well, as the new tennis facility design matures, there will be an information meeting coordinated for area residents.

A high-level time sequencing targeted is below:

- Postmark Hotel – targeted completion and opening – spring, 2023
- End of summer tennis season at the Keith Davis facility downtown – targeted September, 2023
- Demolition of existing clubhouse and courts and construction of additional (new) parking lot -targeted completion Q1, 2024 (due to time pressures on fall/winter construction window, a key consideration will be the tennis decommissioning timeframe)
- New tennis facility opening for winter season – targeted Q4, 2023

Conclusion

This is an exciting opportunity to expand the number of tennis court and dramatically increase available parking downtown. At the same time, this new parking provision will help support established downtown businesses, community events, and the soon to open Postmark Hotel.

Business Plan and Strategic Plan Linkages

These initiatives speak to the 2018 – 2022 Council Strategic Priorities, particular the pillar of Extraordinary Places and Spaces.

Consultation

The tennis club changes and high level timeframes will be shared with the Newmarket Tennis Club on Nov. 12 at their AGM. In addition, as the site plan for the new tennis facility site matures it will be important to engage area residents through a public meeting.

Human Resource Considerations

All the work scopes outlined in this report will be covered by existing staff forces along with the addition of outside consultants as necessary.

Budget Impact

New facility at Shining Hill – design and construction funded by Shining Hill

Design and construction the new parking lot downtown (including demolition of current tennis site) – funded by the Town with details coming forward as part of the 2023 capital budget process.

Attachments

Preliminary concept plan for the facility located at the Shining Hill site attached.

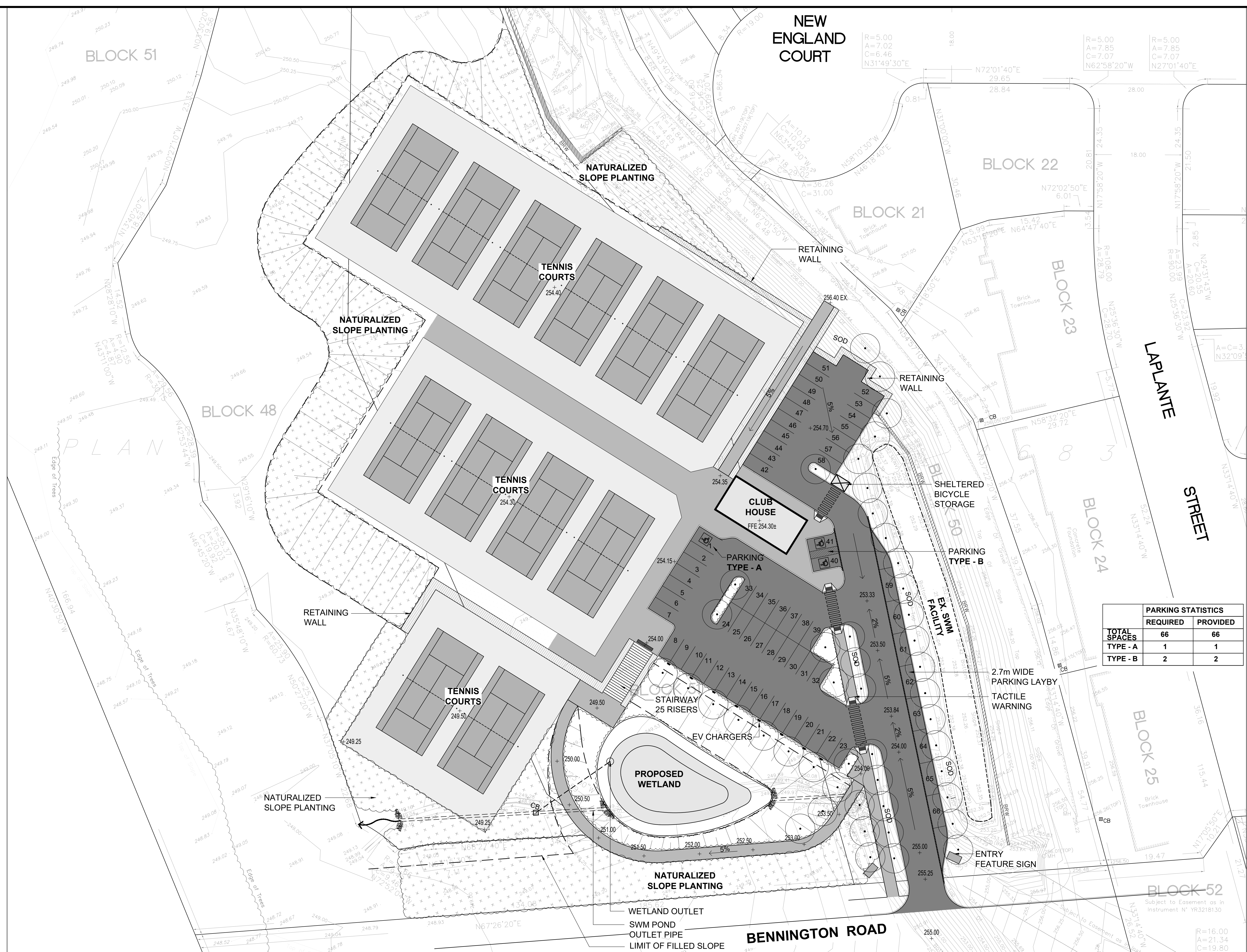
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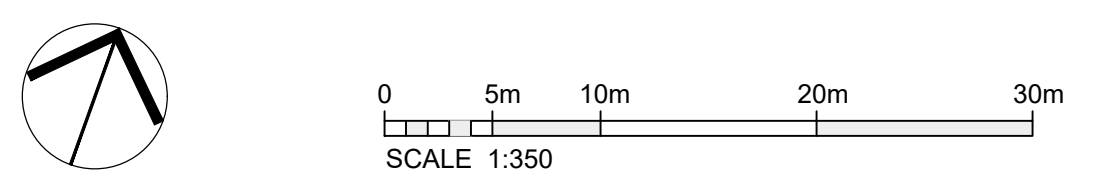
Approval

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	PARKING STATISTICS	
	REQUIRED	PROVIDED
TOTAL SPACES	66	66
TYPE - A	1	1
TYPE - B	2	2

Preliminary Concept Plan
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