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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Bonnette and Members of Council

FROM: Chris Mills, Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: December 1, 2021

MEMO NO.: ADMIN-2021-0021

SUBJECT: 20 Ransom Street – Settlement Offer

PURPOSE OF THE MEMORANDUM:

The purpose of this memorandum is to update Council on a potential settlement offer from Glenn Schnarr & Associates Inc. representing Sovereign Ransom Street Limited relating to the development proposal at 20 Ransom Street, Acton.

BACKGROUND:

At its meeting on April 7, 2021, Council heard Report No. PD-2021-0019 which contained a recommendation to approve proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments to allow for the development of 10 townhouse units at 20 Ransom Street (Acton). At this meeting and a previous public meeting, residents expressed their concerns to Council on a variety of issues and asked Council to oppose the development. After hearing these concerns, Council voted against the recommendation and denied the townhouse development.

The Applicant subsequently appealed to the Ontario Land Tribunal. A case management conference was held on October 5, 2021 and a hearing on the merits of the appeal is currently scheduled for March 21-25, 2022.

On November 15, 2021 Council heard a confidential verbal update from David Germain which provided a legal opinion on the appeal and pending OLT hearing. Council then gave direction for David Germain to work with the applicant Glenn Schnarr & Associates Inc. to draft minutes of settlement and agreed upon versions of the required planning documents.

Following this direction from Council, David Germain met with the applicant and as a result of the meeting a settlement offer has been proposed. Attached to this memorandum are the following documents:

Appendix A – Letter from David Germain explaining the proposed settlement offer

Appendix B – Proposed new Concept Plan

Appendix C – Minutes of Settlement

Appendix D – Proposed Official Plan Amendment

Appendix E – Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment

COMMENTS:

Should Council choose to accept the settlement offer, a proposed recommendation is attached to this memorandum as Appendix F.

CONCLUSION:

As per the attached letter from David Germain, in order to avoid a hearing the Applicant has offered to make a number of concessions to address concerns raised by Town Council and members of the public.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Chris Mills, Chief Administrative Officer