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# Staff Report

## Infrastructure & Public Works

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**Report To:** Committee of the Whole  
**Meeting Date:** October 23, 2017  
**Report Number:** CSPW.17.108  
**Subject:** Peel Street Consideration to Stop Up and Close a Portion at Grey Road 113  
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### A. Recommendations

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THAT Council receive Staff Report CSPW.17.108 entitled “Peel Street Consideration to Stop Up and Close a Portion at Grey Road 113”;

AND THAT Council direct Staff to initiate a public process to consider stopping up and closing a portion of the Peel Street South road allowance extending westerly from the juncture of Grey Road 113/Arthur Street West to the 10th Line.

### B. Overview

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A Public Meeting is required to consider stopping up and closing a portion of the Peel Street South road allowance extending westerly from the juncture of Grey Road 113/Arthur Street West to the 10th Line. This report seeks Council endorsement to initiate the public process.

### C. Background

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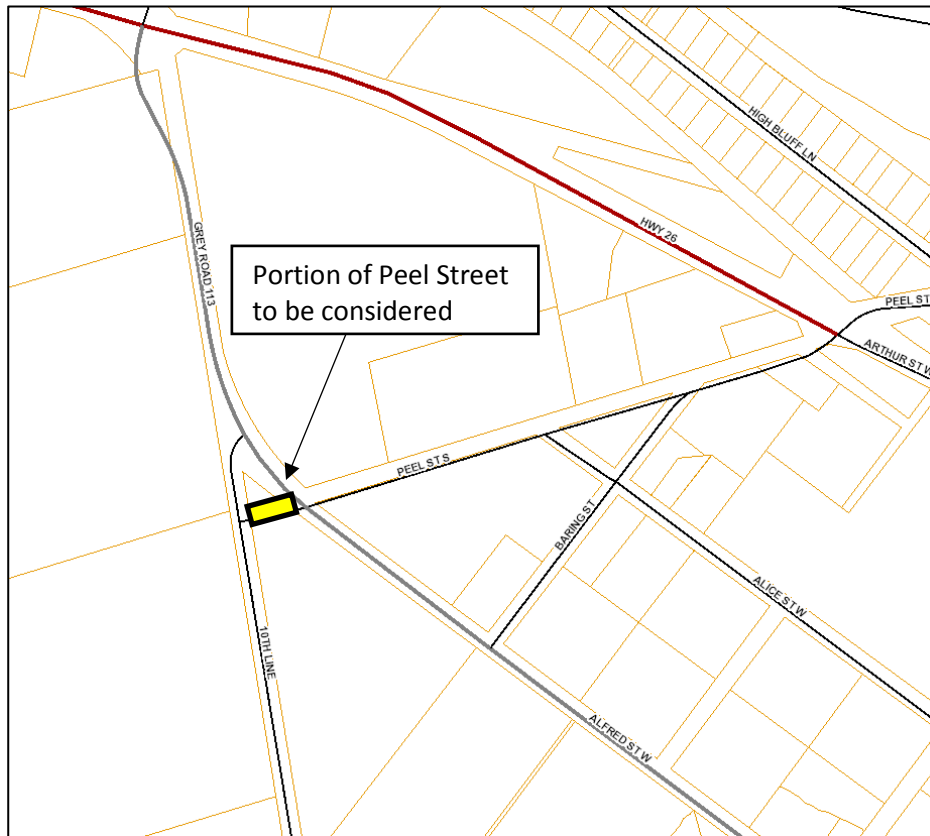
Following the completion of the 10<sup>th</sup> Line/Grey Road 113 intersection improvements in 2015, Grey County has requested that Peel Street South be closed to traffic between Grey Road 113/Arthur Street West and the 10th Line.

Currently, the poor geometrics (skewed approach and resulting poor sightlines) and proximity to the primary intersection of Grey Road 113 and the 10<sup>th</sup> Line (less than 100m) has made the intersection of Peel Street South and Grey Road 113 hazardous and continued use of the Peel Street South road allowance between Grey Road 113/Arthur Street West and the 10th Line redundant.

The closure of the Peel Street South road allowance between Grey Road 113/Arthur Street West and the 10th Line would represent the final stage of the 10<sup>th</sup> Line road improvements.

In accordance with Corporate Policy POL.COR.07.03, Provision of Notice and Manner of Giving Notice, and subject to Council's approval, an advertisement will be placed in a local newspaper, a Notice will be posted on the Town's website, and an e-blast will be made to subscribers to provide notice of the meeting regarding the proposed closing. Notice will also be provide to the County of Grey

**Figure 1 – Subject Portion of Peel Street South**



## D. Analysis

It is the opinion of Staff that the closure of the Peel Street South road allowance, between Grey Road 113/Arthur Street West and the 10th Line, would facilitate the safer and more efficient movement of traffic. This proposed closure is not expected to cause any significant inconvenience to either personal or commercial traffic.

If the closure occurs, Staff expect the road would be blocked with boulders and a road closed sign at both ends. The surface treated road surface would remain in place and permit use by pedestrians and cyclists. There is no expectation to sell the lands.

It is the recommendation of Staff that Council approve the initiation of a public process to review the proposed stopping up and permanently closing the Peel Street South road allowance to traffic between Grey Road 113/Arthur Street West and the 10th Line.

## **E. The Blue Mountains Strategic Plan**

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Goal #2: Addressing the Town's Municipal infrastructure needs

Goal #5: Ensure Our Infrastructure is Sustainable

## **F. Environmental Impacts**

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None.

## **G. Financial Impact**

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There will be no significant budget reduction as a result of closing this section of road.

## **H. In consultation with**

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None.

## **I. Attached**

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None.

Respectfully submitted,

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