

Bella soaking up love from foster family

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nationwide media coverage.

Bartley, along with others who were also at the event, brought the approximately five-year-old shepherd mix food and water.

She was extremely docile and gently accepted the food by hand. The stench was unbelievable, he said.

"I can't believe anyone could be so heartless and cause such suffering to another living creature," said Bartley, a dog owner himself who is running for mayor. "I am so happy that I followed my instinct and decided to pull over."

Bartley has received emails from across the country praising his actions.

"I don't think the dog would have survived the night without water or food and probably would have been attacked by coyotes or other predators," said Mayor Wayne Emmerson. "I hope whoever is responsible for this is caught."

No one knows why a person would do this, however, Kaitlyn Chafe, an animal control officer with the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville had one guess.

"The first thing that pops into my mind is because they don't want to be caught."

NATIONAL COVERAGE, REACTION

The dog has large open wounds on both hips and smaller open wounds on other parts of her body. From the appearance and severity of the sores, combined with her emaciated body condition, it is suspected Bella was confined to a crate and starved for a very long period of time before being dumped and chained on the side of the road.

Chafe was not the officer on duty the day Bella was rescued and could not comment on whether or not she is microchipped.

The case is not being investigated by the OSPCA.

"If there's no owner, then there's no way to prove neglect or abuse," said Brad Dewar, the OSPCA's investigations and communications officer.

It is obvious to Van Beek that Bella was trained. She also goes to the bathroom outside and answers to her new name.

"She's a lovely dog and just happy to be loved," she said, noting Bella is still on antibiotics and her wounds, while healing, are still pretty bad.

"We might have a hard time giving her up. She's bonded so closely with us," Van Beek said.

The Georgina Animal Hospital is paying for Bella's care.

Anyone with information regarding the dog is asked to contact the Town's Animal Control Services via the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville Customer Service Centre at 905-640-1900 or 1-855-642-(TOWN) 8696.

With files from Jim Mason

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Richard Bartley
town councillor

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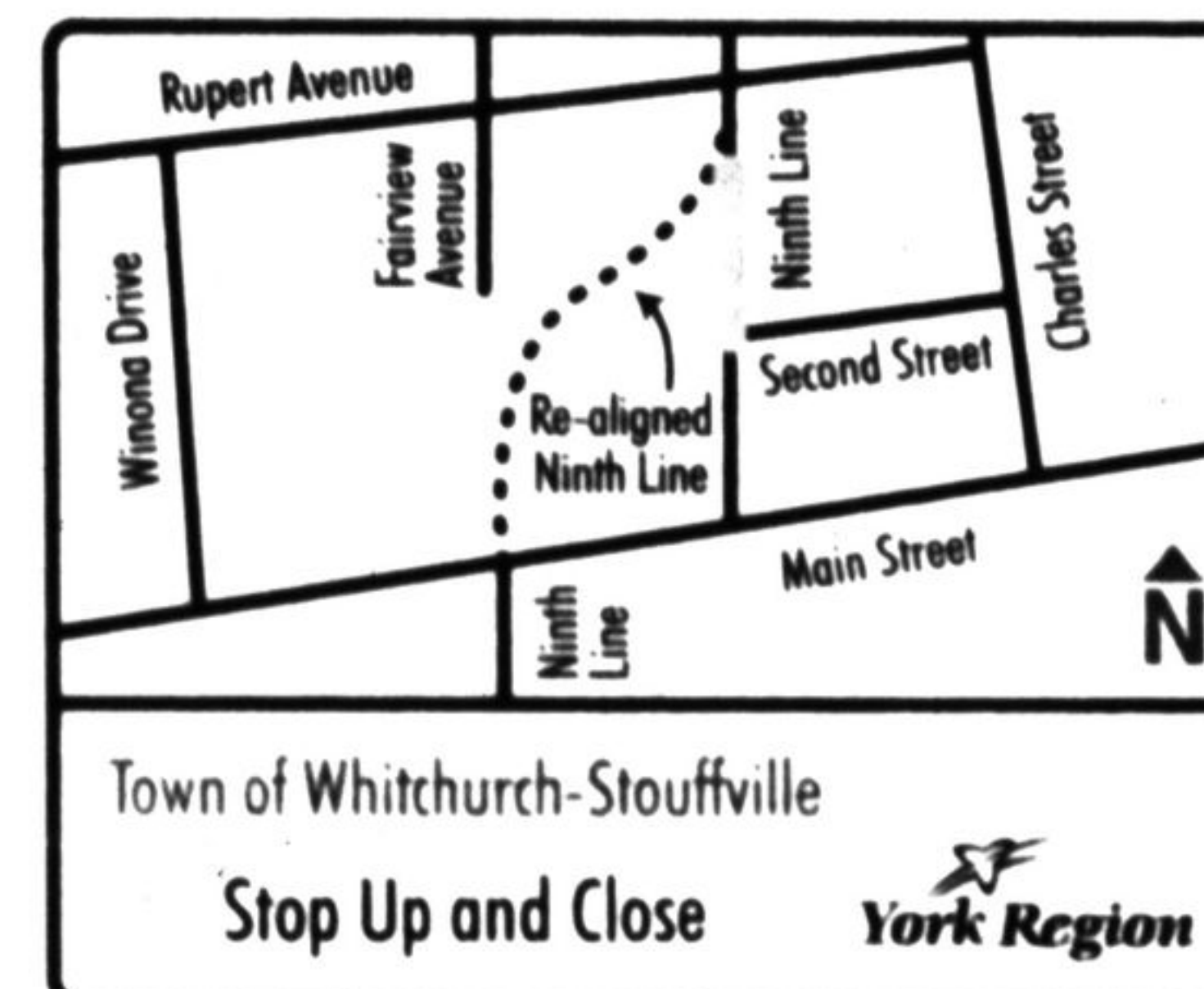
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The Regional Municipality of York NINTH LINE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS UPDATE

Ninth Line north of Main Street in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville and Major Mackenzie Drive East at Ninth Line in the City of Markham

The Regional Municipality of York continues transforming Ninth Line to improve travel options for all users. The Ninth Line jog north of Main Street in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville and the Major Mackenzie Drive East jog east of Ninth Line in the City of Markham have been eliminated. Both re-aligned roads are now open to traffic.

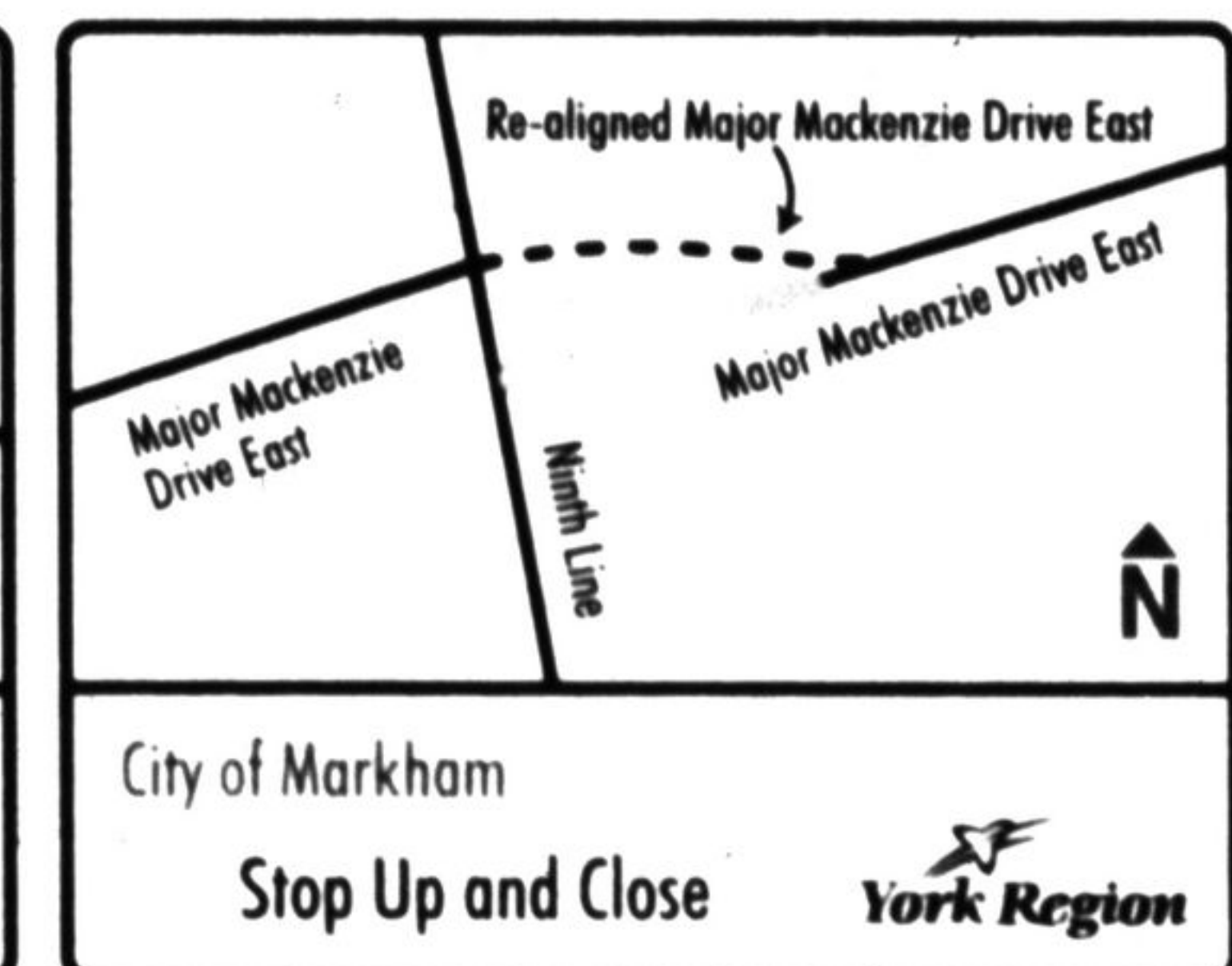
Following the re-alignment of Ninth Line and Major Mackenzie Drive East, a portion of these lands are no longer required as public highway (see proposed configuration maps below).



Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

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York Region



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A report authorizing the stopping up and closing of these areas will be presented to York Region Committee of the Whole on Thursday, September 4, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. at the York Region Administrative Centre, Seminar Room at 17250 Yonge Street in the Town of Newmarket.

The proceedings of the committee and its recommendations will be presented to Regional Council for adoption.

Anyone wishing to attend the meeting and address the committee on this matter is requested to inform Carrie Martin, Committee Coordinator, at 905-830-4444 ext. 71303 by noon on Thursday, August 28, 2014.

To submit a comment, question or for more information, please contact:

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