Report - Executive Policy Committee - March 5, 2008

Item No. 6 Valour Community Centre - Land Dedication Reserve (Daniel McIntyre Ward) File EP-2

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On March 5, 2008, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the City Centre Community Committee and submits the following to Council:

1. That funding to assist with the cost of the new gym project, in the amount of $144,080.88 be allocated from the City Centre Land Dedication Reserve to the Valour Community Centre.

2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

Agenda - Council - March 19, 2008

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On March 5, 2008, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the City Centre Community Committee and submitted the matter to Council.

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On February 26, 2008, the City Centre Community Committee recommended to the Executive Policy Committee that funding to assist with the cost of the new gym project, in the amount of $144,080.88 be allocated from the City Centre Land Dedication Reserve to the Valour Community Centre.

Further the City Centre Community Committee approved a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $70,000.00, funded from Daniel McIntyre Ward allocation, not to exceed a maximum of 50% of the total project cost, to the Valour Community Centre to assist with the cost of the new gym project, subject to the following conditions:

1. Confirmation of other funding sources.

2. Approval of final plans and specifications for the project by the City of Winnipeg.

3. The applicant entering into a formal agreement with the City of Winnipeg.

4. That should the application not meet the selection and eligibility criteria, said criteria be waived in this instance and forwarded to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services.

Smith, Harvey

From: McKim, Ken
Sent: Friday, February 08, 2008 3:42 PM
To: Smith, Harvey
Cc: Gord Fleury (Home); Werboweski, Debbie; 'Bob Gingras'; 'Cindy'; Remple, Graeme
Subject: RE: Funding Shortfalls

Councillor Smith,
Further to Bob's e-mail below, I would add that the delays referred to relate to the period from May/07 when a $400,000 funding shortfall was identified to December/07 when those funds were secured. The $210,000 requested by Valour CC basically reflects 8 months of inflation @ 1.5% /mth.

Please be aware that Cindy Fox of GCWCC and Gord Fleury of Valour CC may be in contact over the next week to discuss this further.

Regards,

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From: Bob Gingras
Sent: Friday, February 08, 2008 3:00 PM
To: Smith, Harvey
Cc: Gord Fleury (Home)
Subject: Funding Shortfalls

Hi Harvey.

Well it's do or die Harvey in regards to the construction of the new gym at our Isaac Brock site. The tendering process is complete as 4 bids were received. Due to the many delays that have occurred since May of last year there is still a shortfall of $216,000.00 for contingency. Now granted we may not have to use it or maybe a portion of it, but it has to be in place before we move forward. With the bid locked in for 60 days we have to come up with the means to secure this shortfall. We need to make this project happen and I'm hoping you can help us out. The timing is so critical at this point that any further delays could jeopardize this much needed addition to the community.
I'm hoping that there's a way you could secure another $210,000.00 through maybe land dedication or whatever means possible. The community centre will provide the other short amount of $6,000.00. At the same we're applying for $50,000.00 from the Province for a Community Places Grant of which I will get Andrew Swan to push through for the full amount. We'll also be applying for a Capitol Grant from GCWCC for $63,000.00 to cover the parking lot. The problem with these 2 grants is that the award of them falls in June which of course is too late. If any of the contingency funds are not used it would be returned for your use. We're also looking at every other angle for possible funding sources.
Ken McKim from the City is aware as to what has happened over the last couple of days and could further inform you. He will be away till February 25th on holidays.

I myself will be away till February 21st so if you have any questions you could also contact Gord Fleury our President @ or Cindy Fox at GCWCC @

Thanks for your all your help,
Bob Gingras