Minute No. 201
Report - Executive Policy Committee - February 25, 2003

Item No. 1 The Hotel Project at The Forks
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COUNCIL DECISION:

Council concurred in the Executive Policy Committee motion recommendations and adopted the following:

1. That Item D of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development motion, dated January 27, 2003, be rescinded.

2. That the design for the proposed Inn at the Forks hotel be approved as submitted, subject to the following:

   A. That final approval of design drawings when they are 60% completed be delegated to the Director of Planning, Property and Development.
   B. That final approval of detailed landscape plans for the site and adjacent Forks land impacted by the development be delegated to the Director of Planning, Property and Development.
   C. That the final plans showing changes to the Forks surface parking located immediately adjacent to this development be submitted to the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development for approval.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by His Worship Mayor Murray,
That the Executive Policy Committee recommendation be adopted.

Moved by Councillor Lazarenko,
That the report be laid over to the next meeting of Council.

The motion to lay over the report was put.

Councillor De Smedt called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:-

Yea: Councillors De Smedt, Smith, Steek, Wyatt and Lazarenko. 5

Nay: His Worship Mayor Murray, Councillors Eadie, Clement, Gerbasi, Lubosch, Pagtakhan, Steeves, Deputy Mayor Thomas, Vandal and the Speaker Councillor O'Shaughnessy. 10

and the motion to lay over was declared lost.

The motion for adoption of the item was put.

Councillor De Smedt called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:-

Yea: His Worship Mayor Murray, Councillors Eadie, Angus, Clement, Gerbasi, Lubosch, Pagtakhan, Smith, Steeves, Deputy Mayor Thomas and Vandal. 11

Nay: Councillors De Smedt, Steek, Wyatt, Lazarenko and the Speaker Councillor O'Shaughnessy. 5

and the motion for adoption of the item was declared carried.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On February 25, 2003, the Executive Policy Committee passed the following motion for Council's consideration:

WHEREAS on January 27, 2003 the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, in its capacity as the Downtown Design Board, passed the following motion after considering the design for the proposed Inn At The Forks hotel under the Downtown Zoning By-law No. 4800/88:

The Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development concurred in the administrative recommendation as amended, namely:

1. The design for the proposed Inn at the Forks hotel be approved as submitted, subject to the following:

    A. That final approval of design drawings when they are 60% completed be delegated to the Director of Planning, Property and Development.
    B. That final approval of detailed landscape plans for the site and adjacent Forks land impacted by the development be delegated to the Director of Planning, Property and Development.
    C. That the final plans showing changes to the Forks surface parking located immediately adjacent to this development be submitted to the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development for approval.
    D. That no occupancy permit be issued for the hotel until Phase II of the Forks Parkade, as approved by the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development in its capacity as the Downtown Design Board on February 5, 2002, is completed and opened.

Further, the Standing Policy Committee placed on record its reason for Item No. D. above (pertaining to issuance of the occupancy permit), namely, the scale of the proposed development is too grand for the parking infrastructure presently available to serve it.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

AND WHEREAS the issue of the amount of available parking at the Forks falls outside the purview of the Downtown Design Board and should not be a condition for the issuance of an occupancy permit;

AND WHEREAS Council has authority to exercise the powers or perform the duties delegated to a Standing Policy Committee;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Executive Policy Committee recommend that Council review the motion of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development dated January 27, 2003, and that Council rescind Item No. D of the said motion, and approve the design for the proposed Inn at the Forks hotel as submitted, subject to the conditions listed by the Standing Policy Committee as Item Nos. A, B and C.