Minutes – Executive Policy Committee – April 20, 2011

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Minute No. 234 Amendment to the Taking Title to Vacant and Derelict Buildings By-law No. 89/2010 – Designated Committee

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and recommends to Council:

1. That section 16 of By-law No. 48/2011, with respect to amendments to the Taking Title to Vacant and Derelict Buildings By-law No. 89/2010 that would give the Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development, Heritage and Riverbank Management responsibility for any vacant and derelict properties located in the downtown area, be forwarded to Council for second and third reading.

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

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

The Winnipeg Public Service advised that all statutory requirements with respect to this application have been complied with.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Swandel,
That the report of the Winnipeg Public Service be taken as read.

Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Swandel,
That the receipt of public representations be concluded.

Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Swandel,
That the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service be concurred in and forwarded to Council.

Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Swandel,
That the following supporting reasons be provided, namely:

1. This recommendation is consistent with the Council Decision of March 23, 2011, to augment the mandate of the Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development, Heritage and Riverbank Management to include the authority to hear applications and appeals involving property in the area covered by the Downtown Winnipeg Zoning By-law for vacant and derelict building matters.

Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Swandel,
That the public hearing with respect to this application be concluded.

Carried

DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION:

On March 23, 2011, Council concurred in the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee and adopted the following:

1. That the City Organization By-law No. 7100/97 be amended as follows:
   A. To rename the Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development as the "Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development, Heritage and Riverbank Management".

   B. To augment the mandate of the Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development, Heritage and Riverbank Management to include the authority to hear all applications and appeals that would otherwise be heard by the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development involving real property located entirely or primarily in the area covered by the Downtown Winnipeg Zoning By-Law including, without limitation:
      i. Heritage matters;
      ii. Housing programs;
      iii. Vacant and derelict building matters;

      but excluding applications and appeals under the Winnipeg Building By-law.

   C. To clarify that the responsibility for providing policy advice to Council with respect to housing grant programs and vacant and derelict building matters remains with the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, and the responsibility for providing policy advice to Council with respect to heritage matters throughout the City, as well as for administering the Historical Building By-law, becomes the authority of the Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development, Heritage and Riverbank Management.

   D. To abolish the Riverbank Management Committee by deleting section 15.1 in its entirety and assigning the Committee's previous responsibilities to the Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development, Heritage and Riverbank Management.

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

PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY

Before:	Executive Policy Committee His Worship Mayor Katz, Chairperson Deputy Mayor Swandel Councillor Browaty Councillor Fielding Councillor Havixbeck Councillor Steeves Councillor Vandal
Public Hearing:	April 20, 2011 West Committee Room Council Building, 510 Main Street
Applicant:	Director of Planning, Property and Development
Subject:	A proposal to amend the Taking Title to Vacant and Derelict Buildings By-law No. 89/2010 that would give the Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development, Heritage and Riverbank Management responsibility for any vacant and derelict properties located in the downtown area.
Exhibits Filed:	1. Council Decision of March 23, 2011 2. First Reading of section 16 of By-law No. 48/2011 by Council on March 23, 2011 3. Newspaper Advertising Notice 4. Report from the Director of Planning, Property and Development dated March 31, 2011 5. Audio Recording of Public Representation

REPRESENTATIONS:

In Support:
Mr. D. Joshi, Director of Planning, Property and Development Department
Mr. G. Solkoski, Manager of Development and Inspections,
Planning, Property and Development Department

In Opposition:
Nil

For Information:
Nil