Agenda – Executive Policy Committee – November 30, 2011

REPORTS

Item No. 3 Annual Report for 2011 on Community Groups Occupying City-owned Facilities By-law No. 89/2005

WINNIPEG PUBLIC SERVICE RECOMMENDATION:

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   (e) adding Valley Gardens Community Center – 218 Antrim Road
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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Title: **Annual Report for 2011 on Community Groups Occupying City-owned Facilities – By – Law 89/2005**

Critical Path: **EPC, Council**

AUTHORIZATION

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REASON FOR THE REPORT

At its meeting held on April 27, 2005, Council approved the recommendations within an Administrative Report dealing with Community Groups Occupying City-owned Facilities and By-law 89/2005, (the "By-law"). The By-law requires the Director of the Planning, Property and Development Department to annually review the list of non-profit organizations contained in the By-law for the purpose of determining whether the organizations continue to use the corresponding properties.

The Director of the Planning, Property and Development Department has completed this review and has identified a number of issues that require changes to the By-law 89/2005 for 2011.

In accordance with the procedural rules of By-law 89/2005, this Report is being submitted to Council for approval.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Department has determined that there is no general, policy, regulatory, environmental, human resource or financial implications to this report.

Upon approval by Council, the following Community Groups Occupying City-owned Facilities will be added or deleted to/from By-Law 89/2005, which is a By-law exempting from property tax occupiers of City –owned facilities:

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HISTORY

- Properties owned and occupied by the City are exempt from municipal and school taxes pursuant to the Municipal Assessment Act (MAA).
- In 2000, the City requested that the Province of Manitoba amend the MAA to provide for exemptions for City-owned properties that were occupied by non-profit groups operating community centres.
- In 2004, the Province of Manitoba amended the MAA to eliminate the restriction on the exemption for City-owned properties occupied by non-profit groups operating community centres. However, the amendment is only applicable where the groups and properties are identified in a By-law.
- At its meeting held on April 27, 2005, Council approved a list, prepared by the Public Service, of properties and occupiers for exemption.
- A copy of the current By-law 89/2005, including a listing of Community Groups as approved by Council on May 19, 2010, is attached.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Financial Impact Statement Date: November 10, 2011

Project Name:

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COMMENTS:

The recommendations contained in this report include that Council amend the table in Section 2 of the Community Groups Occupying City-owned Facilities By-Law 89/2005 by:

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There are no direct financial implications associated with the recommendations contained in this report.

"Original Signed By"
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Manager of Finance

CONSULTATION

In preparing this report there was consultation with:

None

SUBMITTED BY

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Division	Real Estate
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