STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY AND DEVELOPMENT

MOTIONS

Minute No. 365
Moved by Councillor Wyatt,
Seconded by His Worship Mayor Katz,

WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg has hundreds of acres of land within the City that sits idle as said land has been negatively impacted by historic environmental conditions, and such lands, either publically or privately owned, are often referred to as 'brownfield lands';

AND WHEREAS if these lands were remediated, it would create an economic opportunity, by way of potential development and therefore increase the tax base of the City, as well as increasing density and making our City more vibrant;

AND WHEREAS the costs to remediate lands has prevented these lands from becoming productive, but that this is not uncommon within other large industrial centers in Canada, and therefore other Canadian cities have established active and effective Brownfield Redevelopment Strategies;

AND WHEREAS Our Winnipeg identified brownfields as an issue that must be addressed;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Winnipeg formulate a Brownfield Redevelopment Strategy for both public and private lands and present said policy for adoption by City Council.

Automatic Referral to the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law