STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY AND DEVELOPMENT

QUESTION PERIOD

Minute No. 100
Councillor Steeves referenced the Louis Riel Mill site on St. Anne's Road and requested the Chairperson to comment on the collaboration and compromise of the interested parties regarding development of the property.

Councillor Vandal stated that the administration had been directed to negotiate with the proponents of the housing development, the Manitoba Metis Federation and the Save Our Seine organization, regarding the acquisition of a parcel of land on which an interpretive facility could be constructed.

Councillor Steek questioned if the Chairperson supported the administration providing Council with their best advice on every offer that was received by the Planning, Property and Development Department, to which Councillor Vandal replied in the affirmative.

Councillor Steek questioned if the Chairperson would undertake to see that a policy was developed whereby any and all offers solicited or unsolicited, were brought forward, and that the final offering from the Director was not tampered with on its way to the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development.

Councillor Vandal replied that he was not going to interfere with the current process and was not going to advise the Chief Administrative Officer on how to manage reports.

Councillor Steek questioned if the Chairperson supported a policy whereby each and every offer that came forward to the Planning, Property and Development Department would be treated in an expeditious manner onward to Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development to which Councillor Vandal stated that a definitive policy was needed.