Minute No. 433
Report – Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development – June 8, 2018

Item No. 8 Lease Agreement – Ross House Museum

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development and adopted the following:

1. That upon approval of the lease agreement by Council or its delegated authority, that Criteria 6 be waived for Seven Oaks House Museum, namely:

   "The organization must provide evidence of available funding and commitment to complete the project and assurance that no ongoing operating subsidies from the City will be required over the life of the development."

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

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Pagtakhan,

That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development be adopted by consent.

Carried

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On June 13, 2018, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development and submitted the matter to Council.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On June 8, 2018, the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development concurred in the recommendation of the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On May 15, 2018, the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee moved the following motion:

WHEREAS there is a City of Winnipeg museum located at 140 Meade Avenue (the "museum");

AND WHEREAS the museum was leased to Manitoba Historical Society;

AND WHEREAS the Manitoba Historical Society received an annual grant ("grant") from the City to operate the museum;

AND WHEREAS the Manitoba Historical Society vacated the property in 2018;

AND WHEREAS on April 26, 2018 Council re-allocated the grant to Seven Oaks House Museum for the operation of the museum;

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

AND WHEREAS the grant re-allocation was contingent upon Seven Oaks House Museum entering into a lease agreement with the City;

AND WHEREAS the Seven Oaks House Museum is a non-profit organization and approval of the lease requires compliance to the Policy on the Sale/Lease of City Lands to Non-Profit Organizations ("Policy");

AND WHEREAS the Policy requires non-profit organizations to meet several criterion;

AND WHEREAS one of the criterion from the Policy is that the non-profit organization provide an assurance that no ongoing operating subsidies from the City will be required over the life of the development ("Criteria 6");

AND WHEREAS the Seven Oaks House Museum will not comply with Criteria 6 since the grant represents an operating subsidy;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that upon approval of the lease agreement by Council or its delegated authority, that Criteria 6 be waived for Seven Oaks House Museum, and forwarded to the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage, and Downtown Development.