Minute No. 683
Report – Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development – September 14, 2021

Item No. 12 Tax Sale Properties to be Marketed to Affordable Housing Providers - 88/90 Weatherstone Place and 663 Elizabeth Road (St. Boniface Ward)

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council concurred in the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, as amended, and adopted the following:

1. That the Offers to Purchase City-owned Property Policy, adopted by Council on December 6, 2006, be waived and the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to market 88/90 Weatherstone Place and 663 Elizabeth Road exclusively to affordable housing providers for a minimum of 90 days, and report back to Standing Committee on offers received during the marketing period.

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 Gilroy,

That the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee be adopted.

In amendment,

Moved by Councillor Gilroy,
Seconded by Councillor Allard,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Item 12 of the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development dated September 14, 2021 be amended as follows:

- Delete Recommendation 1 and replace with the following new recommendations:

"1. That the Offers to Purchase City-owned Property Policy, adopted by Council on December 6, 2006, be waived and the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to market 88/90 Weatherstone Place and 663 Elizabeth Road exclusively to affordable housing providers for a minimum of 90 days, and report back to Standing Committee on offers received during the marketing period.

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

The motion for the adoption of the amendment, was put and declared carried.

The motion for the adoption of the item, as amended, was put and declared carried.

Councillor Mayes was absent from the votes on the above motions.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On September 21, 2021, the Executive Policy Committee recommended to Council:

1. That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development be received as information.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On September 14, 2021, the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development concurred in the recommendation of the Riel Community Committee and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On September 1, 2021, the Riel Community Committee passed the following motion:

WHEREAS the St. Boniface Ward is a growing community that requires more affordable housing to meet its needs;

AND WHEREAS the City has recently acquired two properties through the Tax Sale process which are located at 88/90 Weatherstone Place and 663 Elizabeth Road (the "Properties");

AND WHEREAS the Properties could be purchased by a housing provider to provide affordable housing in the St. Boniface Ward;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Standing Policy Committee of Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development be requested to direct the Winnipeg Public Service to market 88/90 Weatherstone Place and 663 Elizabeth Road exclusively to affordable housing providers for a minimum of 90 days, and report back to Standing Committee on offers received during the marketing period.