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Report – Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development – October 9, 2025

Item No. 1 Exemptions for Fees Issued During the Redevelopment of Vacant Buildings

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development and submitted the following to Council:

1. That an extension of time of 60 days be granted for the Winnipeg Public Service to review relevant By-laws and Council Policies report back on the following:

    A. Recommendations on amendments to the By-law to properly exclude buildings or projects which are currently in a bona fide process of redevelopment and/or receive municipal grant funding, and

    B. An estimated breakdown of fines in the last two calendar years levied under the By-law against buildings which are currently in a bona fide process of redevelopment and/or receive municipal grant funding.

    C. A by-law amendment for approval, which would allow for the suspension of invoicing fines against buildings or projects that are currently in a demonstrable process of redevelopment and/or receive municipal grant funding.

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 Duncan,

That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development be concurred in and forwarded to Council.

Carried

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On October 9, 2025, the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and submitted the following to the Executive Policy Committee and Council:

1. That an extension of time of 60 days be granted for the Winnipeg Public Service to report back on the matter.

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

COUNCIL DECISION:

On June 26, 2025, Council concurred in the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee and adopted the following:

1. The Public Service be directed to review the relevant By-laws and Council Policies and report back in 90 days with:

    A. Recommendations on amendments to the By-law to properly exclude buildings or projects which are currently in a bona fide process of redevelopment and/or receive municipal grant funding, and

    B. An estimated breakdown of fines in the last two calendar years levied under the By-law against buildings which are currently in a bona fide process of redevelopment and/or receive municipal grant funding.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

2. That the Public Service be directed to bring a by-law amendment to Council for approval, which would allow for the suspension of invoicing fines against buildings or projects that are currently in a demonstrable process of redevelopment and/or receive municipal grant funding.

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

NOTICE OF EXTENSION REQUEST

Title: Exemption for Fees Issued During the Redevelopment of Vacant Buildings

Critical Path: Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development

AUTHORIZATION

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RECOMMENDATION

The Public Service requests an extension of up to 60 days to report on the below disposition.

REASON FOR THE EXTENSION

The Public Service has conceptualized solutions that will respond to the disposition. Additional time is required to develop an operational plan to ensure that recommended solutions can be delivered, concur with the other departments involved, and to work with Legal Services on a by-law amendment.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY

On June 26, 2025, Council concurred in the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, as amended, and adopted the following:

That the Public Service:

1. Review the relevant By-laws and Council Policies and report back in 90 days with:

    A. Recommendations on amendments to the By-law to properly exclude buildings or projects which are currently in a bona fide process of redevelopment and/or receive municipal grant funding, and

    B. An estimated breakdown of fines in the last two calendar years levied under the By-law against buildings which are currently in a bona fide process of redevelopment and/or receive municipal grant funding.

2. And that the Public Service be directed to bring a by-law amendment to Council for approval, which would allow for the suspension of invoicing fines against buildings or projects that are currently in a demonstrable process of redevelopment and/or receive municipal grant funding.