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THE CITY OF CALGARY CHTY CLERK'S

NOTICE OF MOTION

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RE: TAX CANCELLATION FOR CALGARY HOUSING COMPANY (CHC) PROPERTIES

COUNCILLOR PINCOTT

WHEREAS, property tax exemptions in the Province of Alberta are governed by the *Municipal Government Act* (MGA) and ancillary regulations;

AND WHEREAS, each Alberta municipality administers property tax exemptions in its jurisdiction within this legislative framework as part of the process of maintaining the municipality's property assessment roll;

AND WHEREAS, CHC, being a wholly-owned subsidiary of The City of Calgary, operates as the sole designated "management body" under the *Alberta Housing Act* operating within Calgary providing Community Housing under the Ministry of Seniors and Housing;

AND WHEREAS, the MGA does not currently specifically provide for an exemption for property tax for CHC-owned properties;

AND WHEREAS, The City of Calgary has requested new authorities under the City Charter that may enable The City of Calgary to exempt affordable housing from property tax;

AND WHEREAS, CHC was billed \$2,112,025 in property taxes for 2016;

AND WHEREAS, the Properties will be levied property taxes of \$2,179,761.31 for 2017 that CHC will be obligated to pay;

AND WHEREAS, through its authority under section 347 of the MGA, Council can cancel property taxes for a particular property when it considers equitable to do so;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2017 property taxes for the Calgary Housing Company properties be cancelled, representing the 12 months in 2017;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Calgary request the Province of Alberta cancel the Provincial requisition portion of the property taxes on CHC properties for the 2017 tax year.

Signature of Member(s) of Council

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