

Report Number: PFC2021-0619

Meeting: Priorities & Finance Committee

Meeting Date: 2021 April 27

NOTICE OF MOTION

RE: Long Term Planning for the Bridgeland Place Building – 736 McDougall Court NE

Sponsoring Councillor(s): Gian-Carlo Carra

WHEREAS Council, at its 2021 March 22 meeting, approved a recommendation from Administration that the City-owned building located at 736 McDougall Court NE and referred to as Bridgeland Place should be vacated and decommissioned by 2023 January;

AND WHEREAS Council, at its March 22 meeting, approved a recommendation from Administration to return to Council by no later than Q2 2022 with a long-term plan for Bridgeland Place;

AND WHEREAS in planning for the long-term future of the Bridgeland Place site, there is a significant opportunity to renovate or redevelop the site to increase and diversify the affordable housing options within the neighbourhood of Bridgeland-Riverside;

AND WHEREAS Council approved the Benefit Driven Procurement recommendations in 2021 March;

AND WHEREAS the benefit of aligning social procurement policies with affordable housing projects is well documented across North America:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED Council direct Administration, in their development of a long-term plan for the Bridgeland Place site, investigate options to, at minimum, replace the existing 210 homes provided by the building preferably within the Bridgeland-Riverside neighbourhood, or other neighbourhoods, if the overall benefit to Calgarians is greater;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct Administration to prioritize the investigation of options that could deliver more homes with consideration of the City of Calgary East Riverside Masterplan and the City of Calgary's considerable land holdings within the area;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct Administration to consider options that are financially sustainable, including ensuring any replacement homes are mixed-income and offer a variety of housing choice;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct Administration to consider options that involve innovative partnerships with the private sector, other business units within The City and external partners;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT that Council direct Administration to consider including a benefit driven procurement process in any applicable future Request for Proposal(s), to support local small to medium-sized businesses that strive to provide opportunities for diverse and underrepresented groups.

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