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## RE: CITY OF CALGARY AND CANADIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY PILOT FLOOD RECOVERY PERMIT FEE GRANT PROGRAM FOR RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS

CALGACOUNCILLORS CARRA, PINCOTT, FARRELL, WOOLLEY AND

WHEREAS Calgary experienced the costliest natural disaster in Canadian history during the 2013 Flood Event;

AND WHEREAS many properties experienced damage related to the 2013 Flood Event;

AND WHEREAS some citizens are experiencing financial capacity challenges making it difficult to repair and mitigate their flood damaged residential dwellings;

AND WHEREAS City permits are required to undertake certain repairs and mitigation measures to flood damaged residential dwellings;

AND WHEREAS The City would like to work to reduce barriers that might deter some citizens from safely repairing and mitigating their flood damaged residential dwellings due to financial capacity challenges as a result of the 2013 Flood Event;

AND WHEREAS The Canadian Red Cross Society has indicated they would work with The City to administer a pilot flood recovery permit fee grant program to assist Calgarians experiencing financial capacity challenges related to recovery;

AND WHEREAS The Canadian Red Cross Society has worked with other orders of government and other municipalities to administer grant programs for flood recovery;

AND WHEREAS The Canadian Red Cross Society has the expertise to undertake a "capacity assessment" of flood affected citizens to determine eligibility for grant programs;

AND WHEREAS The City has already been working with The Canadian Red Cross Society on response and recovery efforts to support Calgarians;

Signature of Member(s) of Council

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to commence a cost sharing pilot flood recovery permit fee grant program with the Canadian Red Cross Society to cover the cost of permit fees for Calgarians facing financial capacity challenges to repair and mitigate flood damaged residential dwellings; eligibility to be determined by a "capacity assessment" administered by the Canadian Red Cross Society, as per the program criteria;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the pilot commence with a maximum contribution by both the Canadian Red Cross Society and The City of Calgary of \$310,000 each, with The City's portion of the pilot funded from the Fiscal Stability Reserve as part of the previously approved \$100 million flood funding;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that Administration report back to the Priorities and Finance Committee no later than the first quarter of 2015 with a pilot program update.