



Report Number: EC2024-1114

Meeting: Regular Meeting of Council

Meeting Date: 2024 October 29

NOTICE OF MOTION

RE: Trellis Society's Renfrew Village Land Disposition

Sponsoring Member(s) of Council: Gian-Carlo Carra

WHEREAS Calgary is in a housing crisis with over 84,600 households that cannot afford their current housing;

AND WHEREAS Council approved Home is Here: The City of Calgary's Housing Strategy which identified that The City has a vital role to play in facilitating new development through planning processes, regulations, funding mechanisms, and through the provision of land;

AND WHEREAS Home is Here identified the objective to make more City-owned real property assets (i.e., land, buildings, and strata) available for housing (market, non-market, subsidized, and housing co-op) in all communities;

AND WHEREAS Eighty-eight per cent of Calgarians surveyed in the 2023 Perspectives on Calgary: Housing Affordability and Affordable Housing report (September 2023) consider affordable housing to be an issue, with 66 per cent rating it as a significant issue;

AND WHEREAS Trellis Society has the expertise and experience¹ in providing wraparound housing, mental health, social and community services through their work with individuals, families and communities in their places and at every stage of life that facilitates their growth, with locations embedded in communities across Calgary and area;

AND WHEREAS The City of Calgary owns property located at 731 13 Av NE which is a 2.98 acre parcel of land ("City Property"). A portion of the property (~1.49 acres) is currently under a non-standard lease with Trellis Society, operating an existing hub location with a preschool, employment and housing supports on the site, and a the remaining ~1.49 acre portion of the property is City operated through Parks and Open Spaces as tennis courts and community open space;

AND WHEREAS Trellis Society has proposed "Renfrew Village" development to provide 172 – 246 units of a range of market and non-market housing types (live/work tower houses, row townhomes and multi-family 4-6 storey apartments), shared public spaces and amenity, and a youth centre on the entire 2.98 acre parcel;

¹ The 2022 – 2023 Trellis Society Impact Report reported their work:

- Served 7,020 individuals and their natural supports.
- Supported 2,058 individuals and 500 families (an additional 1,590 individuals) out of homelessness or prevented from experiencing homelessness.
- Supported 108 families with in-home workers to keep the family together.
- Assisted 325 young people and adults in gaining employment through work experiences and readiness support.
- Mentored 1,195 young people to build social and emotional literacy.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to prepare a Non-Profit Method of Disposition Report as approved through UCS2018-0912 Proposed Framework – Transacting with Non-Profit Organizations and Charities below Market Value, and report back to Council through the Infrastructure and Planning Committee no later than Q2 2025.