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Green Line Transit Oriented Development Implementation Strategy – Deferral Request

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is a request to defer the Green Line Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Implementation Strategy report until the Green Line project execution plan is complete. The project execution plan will be based on a constructability review and will provide certainty on scope, schedule and cost for the Green Line. Resources are focused on finalizing this scope of work which includes design reviews and validation that TOD objectives are being met for station sites. The Green Line team is currently slated to come forward to Council with an update on the project execution plan in Q4 2018. Following this, the Green Line TOD Implementation Strategy will be brought forward to the Standing Policy Committee on Planning and Urban Development (PUD) in Q1 2019 with an update.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION:

That the SPC on Planning and Urban Development recommends that Council approve Administration's request to defer the report on Green Line Transit Oriented Development Implementation Strategy and to report back to the SPC on Planning and Urban Development with an update no later than Q1 2019.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION / POLICY

At the 2017 June 26 Regular Meeting of Council a motion arising, moved by Councillor Farrell, seconded by Councillor Carra, directed Administration to report back as part of the Transit Oriented Development implementation strategy and City Shaping implementation strategy and in coordination with the Stage 1 project by Q2 2018 with the recommended scope of work and potential funding sources to meet the improved streetscape vision as developed through engagement.

At the 2017 June 17 SPC on Planning and Urban Development, as moved by Councillor Chabot, seconded by Councillor Carra, Committee directed Administration to develop a Transit Oriented Development Implementation Strategy, based on the framework in Attachment 3 (PUD2017-0471), and with priority given to the 16 Avenue North and 28 Avenue North Stations, and report to Council through the Planning and Urban Development Standing Policy Committee no later than 2018 Q2 and in conjunction with associated Green Line reports.

INVESTIGATION

Administration was directed to create a TOD Implementation Strategy (the Strategy) based on the Green Line TOD Framework (PUD2017-0471) approved by Council in 2017 June with the expectation of reporting back to the Standing Policy Committee on Planning and Urban Development in Q2 2018. While progress on the Strategy has been made, a deferral is being requested while a constructability review is underway. This review will inform the completion of the Green Line project execution plan which will provide certainty on scope, cost and schedule.

The ownership of the Strategy for TOD will remain within Planning and Development under the City Planning and Policy service line. The on-the-ground LRT implementation and supporting work to help achieve TOD results and measurable outcomes are the responsibility of the Green Line.

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Stakeholder Engagement, Research and Communication

None regarding this request to defer.

Strategic Alignment

None regarding this request to defer.

Social, Environmental, Economic (External)

Social

None regarding this request to defer.

Environmental

None regarding this request to defer.

Economical

None regarding this request to defer.

Financial Capacity

Current and Future Operating Budget:

None regarding this request to defer.

Current and Future Capital Budget:

None regarding this request to defer.

Risk Assessment

None regarding this request to defer.

REASON(S) FOR RECOMMENDATION(S):

A deferral is being requested while the Green Line project execution plan is being created following the review of constructability. An update on the Green Line TOD Implementation Strategy will be brought forward to the SPC on Planning and Development no later than Q1 2019.