Affordable Housing and Homelessness

Affordable Housing Site Sale of Land Below market Value and Grant Funding Edmonton

Canora and Garneau

Background

- The Affordable Housing Investment Strategy targets the construction of 1,400-1,700 units of supportive housing by 2027.
- In 2023, The City applied to the CMHC and the ASHC for financial support in relation to 3 City-led PSH projects (Holyrood, Canora, Garneau).
- Holyrood PSH received CMHC (\$12 million) and ASHC (\$3.99 million) funding and is currently under construction
- ASHC committed funding to the Canora (\$4.25 million) and Garneau (\$2.38 million) PSH projects, but these projects did not receive CMHC funding.







Completed City-led supportive housing buildings in King Edward Park, Westmount and Inglewood (RHI Round 1)

Background

- The funding commitment from ASHC for the Canora PSH and Garneau PSH projects is now at risk.
- Administration recommends using previously approved City funding to close the \$33.4 million funding gap required to advance the PSH projects, while continuing to seek additional funding for the projects from other orders of government.
- Approval is being sought for the required budget adjustments, land sales at below market value and affordable housing agreements required to proceed.



Rendering of Holyrood PSH currently under construction (RHI Round 3)

Canora PSH

- 10111 154 Street NW
- City purchased land in September of 2021 for the purpose of supportive housing
- Zoned RM16 (Medium Scale Residential)
- Intending to construct 1 residential building up to 4 storeys.
- 63 studio units, 9 of which are designed to be barrier free, plus associated support, amenity and ceremonial space



Garneau PSH

- 11049 83 Avenue NW
- City purchased land in April of 2020 for the purpose of supportive housing
- It was rezoned from RA9 (RL Large Scale Residential) to RA8 (RM23 -Medium Scale Residential) in 2021.
- Intending to construct 1 residential building up to 6 storeys.
- 34 studio units, 5 of which are designed to be barrier free, plus associated support and amenity space



Funding Requirements

Project	Unit Count	Total Project Cost	ASHC/AHPP	Previous City Contribution	Funding Gap/New City Contribution
Canora PSH	63	\$27,699,538	\$4,248,681	\$2,033,335	\$21,417,522
Garneau PSH	34	\$15,740,199	\$2,337,810	\$1,398,790	\$12,003,599
Total	97	\$43,439,737	\$6,586,491	\$3,432,125	\$33,421,121

- To address the \$33.4 million funding gap:
 - \$11.9 million in Council approved funding held in abeyance
 - \$21.5 million from capital profile 19-90-4100 Affordable Housing Land Acquisition & Site Development

Land Sales and Affordable Housing Agreements

- Construction of the Canora and Garneau PSH projects will be led by the City
- Ownership of the projects will be transferred to Homeward Trust, who will be responsible for their ongoing management and contracting third-party operators.
- Affordable Housing Agreement with the Homeward Trust will ensure the projects continue to provide supportive housing in the long term



Edmonton

Completed City-led supportive housing buildings in Wellington and Terrace Heights. (RHI Round 1)

Key Decision Points

- Budget adjustments required to accept funding from ASHC (recommendations 1 and 4)
- Land sales to Homeward Trust at below market value (recommendations 2 and 5)
- Affordable Housing Agreements between the City and Homeward Trust (recommendations 3 and 6)
- Approval to use the \$11.9 million held in abeyance and \$21.5 million from the Affordable Housing Land Acquisition & Site Development Capital Profile to close the funding gap (recommendations 7 and 8)

Questions?