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Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

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Policy for Accepting Potentially Contaminated Lands to be Conveyed to the City under the Planning Act

Committee Recommendations

The Public Works and Infrastructure Committee recommends that:

- 1. City Council amend Principle 5.1.4 in Attachment 1 to the report (June 3, 2014) from the Executive Director, Engineering and Construction Services by deleting the words "Only lands greater than 100 m2 in size may utilize the < 1.0 m width exemption" so that it reads:
 - "5.1.4. Exemptions regarding applicability of the City's procedures and criteria to small parcels of land for land conveyances under the *Planning Act* will be assessed first by size (to be either less than or greater than 100 m2) as summarized in revised Table 1."
- 2. City Council adopt the "Policy for Accepting Potentially Contaminated Lands to be Conveyed to the City under the Planning Act" as set out in Attachment 1 to the report (June 3, 2014) from the Executive Director, Engineering and Construction Services, as amended by Part 1 above.

Origin

(June 3, 2014) Report from the Executive Director, Engineering and Construction Services Division

Summary

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval of a City policy titled "Policy for Accepting Potentially Contaminated Lands to be Conveyed to the City under the Planning Act". This policy updates and consolidates the City of Toronto's procedures and criteria for the acceptance of potentially contaminated lands conveyed to the City as a condition of a Planning Act application approval.

The policy formalizes processes that have been in place and applied for the past twelve years and updates those processes by incorporating the Ministry of the Environment's recently updated requirements for contaminated lands.

The outcome of adopting the policy will: (1) provide more certainty and clarity to City staff and the development industry about the City's expectations and requirements for accepting

potentially contaminated lands; (2) continue to minimize the City's liabilities related to accepting conveyed lands; and (3) continue to safeguard public health and the environment.

Background Information (Committee)

(June 3, 2014) Report and Attachment 1 from the Executive Director, Engineering and Construction Services, on Policy for Accepting Potentially Contaminated Lands to be Conveyed to the City under the Planning Act (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2014/pw/bgrd/backgroundfile-70165.pdf) (June 18, 2014) Revised Table 1 - Application Requirements - Procedures and Criteria of the Peer Review Process for Land Conveyances under the Planning Act (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2014/pw/bgrd/backgroundfile-70829.pdf)

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