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REPORT FOR INFORMATION

Federal Rapid Housing Initiative Phase Three Update - Supplementary Report

Date: November 29, 2023

To: Planning and Housing Committee

From: Executive Director, Housing Secretariat

Wards: All

SUMMARY

This Information Report provides an update to an item before Planning & Housing Committee, Item PH8.11 - Federal Rapid Housing Initiative - Program Update and Phase Three Implementation. This report clarifies that one project listed in Confidential Attachment 1 to PH8.11 has now been publicly disclosed by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC), and as such can be named publicly by the City. This report provides Committee and Council with information about this project.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial impacts arising from the adoption of this report.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting of February 7, 2023, City Council adopted Item No. PH1.9, "Creating New Affordable and Supportive Homes for People Experiencing Homelessness," requesting staff report back in 2023 on the outcome of the City's application for funding under the Rapid Housing Initiative Phase 3 and request additional authorities required to deliver rapid supportive housing.

https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2023.PH1.9

At its meeting of July 19-22, 2022, City Council adopted Item No. PH35.21, "Advancing Affordable and Supportive Housing Projects, Programs, and Initiatives" which authorized City staff to submit an application for funding under any time-sensitive federal or provincial funding program announced during the term of the Council break,

enter into a Contribution Agreement with CMHC for funding under the program, and extended a number of authorities previously provided under PH26.4, to enable staff to advance affordable and supportive housing projects.

https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2022.PH35.21

COMMENTS

On November 30, 2023, Planning & Housing Committee will consider Item PH8.11 - Federal Rapid Housing Initiative - Program Update and Phase Three Implementation, which includes Confidential Attachment 1 listing confidential Rapid Housing Initiative (RHI) Phase 3 projects. These projects have not been announced by CMHC as funded under the RHI 3 program, and under the City's agreement with CMHC, CMHC must be the first to publicly disclose their funding.

Since the date of the submission of the report, CMHC has publicly announced funding for one of the projects listed in Confidential Attachment 1 to PH8.11. As such, the City is able to publicly disclose funding for this project as its rationale for confidentiality no longer applies.

The project at 4201-4203 Kingston Rd., to be led by Gabriel Dumont Non-profit Homes, has been approved by CMHC for RHI 3 capital grant funding. This Indigenous-led project is located in Ward 24 - Scarborough-Guildwood, and will create 68 new rent-geared-to-income homes for Indigenous residents experiencing or at risk of homelessness and in severe housing need. This project has also been previously approved for City financial incentives through the Open Door program.

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