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REPORT FOR ACTION

7-9 Wardlaw Crescent – City-Initiated Zoning By-law Amendment Decision Report – Approval – Supplementary Report

Date: April 9, 2025

To: Planning and Housing Committee

From: Executive Director, Development Review

Wards: 1 – Etobicoke North

SUMMARY

This supplementary report provides additional information for Planning and Housing Committee about the community engagement process undertaken related to the new supportive housing development at 7-9 Wardlaw Crescent. Attachment 1 to this supplementary report contains the Community Engagement Summary report prepared by the City's engagement consultant, summarizing the engagement activities, what was heard, and feedback provided.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Executive Director, Development Review recommends that:

1. City Council receive this report for information.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact arising from recommendations in this supplementary report.

DECISION HISTORY

On February 5, 2025, City Council authorized staff to negotiate, approve, and execute a long-term nominal rent lease and a municipal housing project facility agreement with YWS or a related entity for the site. https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2025.PH18.6

On November 8 and 9, 2023, City Council adopted item "EX9.3 – Generational Transformation of Toronto's Housing System to Urgently Build More Affordable Homes" which expanded the City's HousingTO 2020-2030 Action Plan targets and approved a range of strategic directions to respond to the housing crisis. This report identified a public list of 47 City-owned sites which will be prioritized for the delivery of new affordable and rent-controlled homes. https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2023.EX9.3

COMMENTS

This report provides additional information for Planning and Housing Committee regarding the public engagement process undertaken in relation to the development of new supportive homes at 7-9 Wardlaw Crescent.

The Housing Secretariat retained Public Progress, an independent engagement consulting firm, to develop and implement a community engagement program to support the City's efforts to build 51 new supportive homes on City-owned land at 7-9 Wardlaw Crescent. The engagement process focussed on sharing information with residents and stakeholders about the supportive housing proposal, answering questions, receiving feedback, and identifying opportunities to continue working with community on successfully integrating the development into the neighbourhood.

Details about the community engagement process are provided in Attachment 1 to this report.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – 7-9 Wardlaw Crescent Community Engagement Summary Report