

## REPORT OF ECONOMIC VITALITY COMMITTEE

For City Council – October 11, 2022

From: City Clerk's Office

Date: Wednesday, September 28, 2022

Title: Adoption of 2023 Implementation Plan – Fredericton Affordable Housing Strategy

## **Description:**

The Economic Vitality Committee, at its meeting held on September 22, 2022, considered an Administrative Report from the Director of Planning & Development, seeking approval of the proposed 2023 Implementation Plan for the Fredericton Affordable Housing Strategy.

The Fredericton Affordable Housing Strategy is appended to this report and outlines a multi-year strategy to be pursued by the City to make progress improving the supply of affordable housing in the community.

The attached one-year implementation plan provides direction to the corporation to begin to make progress on the affordable housing file. A series of measures in seven general areas have been prioritized for 2023. Summarized, the plan calls for the addition of a dedicated action-oriented staff resource to connect housing projects to affordable housing funding as well as take primary day-to-day responsibility for implementing the plan and strategy. Building the capacity of community housing organizations is another major focus area to help prepare them to pursue more development. Two other areas of concentration include considering changes to municipal zoning to encourage more affordable housing and working with other municipalities, the provincial government, and the federal government with a particular emphasis on obtaining housing funding from senior levels of government.

Accordingly, the Committee directed that the following resolution be forwarded to City Council for consideration:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Fredericton adopt, by resolution, the 2023 Implementation Plan for the Fredericton Affordable Housing Strategy and that the Director of Planning and Development be directed to identify the financial resources required to implement the plan as part of the 2023 budget process.

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