то:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS CORPORATE SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING ON FEBRUARY 19, 2019
FROM:	ANNA LISA BARBON MANAGING DIRECTOR, CORPORATE SERVICES AND CITY TREASURER, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
SUBJECT:	RESIDENTIAL TAX BY-LAW FOR NEW AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM PROJECTS 27 CENTRE STREET, LONDON

RECOMMENDATION

That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, the proposed by-law attached hereto BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting on March 5, 2019, to tax the affordable housing property at 27 Centre Street, London (Escalade Property Corp.) at an effective tax rate equal to the residential tax rate and that the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to give written notice of the by-laws to the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation and the Secretary of all area school boards.

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER

<u>Community & Protective Services Committee</u> December 2, 2002 Municipal Housing Municipal Housing Facilities By-Law

Residential Tax By-Laws for New Affordable Housing Program November 22, 2006

November 7, 2017 Municipal Housing Facilities By-Law

BACKGROUND

The Municipal Housing Facilities By-Law, provides private and non-profit affordable housing developers "special municipal agreements for selected properties to reduce the effective property tax for only those buildings receiving program funding". The property is not eligible for the new multi-residential tax rate as the building permit was issued before April 20, 2017. The attached by-law enables the City Treasurer to reduce the assessment and taxes owing on the property at 27 Centre Street, London (Escalade Property Corp.), noting that this property has a municipal contribution agreement in place.

Acknowledgements: Prepared by Isabel da Rocha, Program and Business Manager, HDC.

SUBMITTED BY:	RECOMMENDED BY:
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 - D. Purdy, Division Manager, Housing Services
 - D. Mounteer, Solicitor, City Solicitor's Office **HDC Board**

Jon Leahy, Escalade Property Corp.

Bill No.

By-Law No.

A By-law to exempt from taxation for municipal and school purposes a portion of the multi-residential assessed value of the property at 27 Centre Street, in the City of London

WHEREAS Section 110 of the *Municipal Act, 2001,* S.O.2001 c.25 as amended (the "Act") provides that the council of a municipality may exempt from taxation for municipal and school purposes land or a portion of it on which municipal capital facilities, including municipal housing project facilities, are or will be located;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 110(1) of the Act the Corporation of the City of London has entered into an agreement with Escalade Property Corp. dated September 14, 2016 for the provision of municipal housing project facilities on the property at 27 Centre Street (the "Property");

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to exempt from taxation for municipal and school purposes a portion of the multi-residential assessed value of the Property owned by Escalade Property Corp. upon which municipal housing project facilities are or will be located;

NOW THEREFORE the MUNICIPAL COUNCIL of the Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

- 1. A portion of the multi-residential assessed value of the Property described in Schedule A attached hereto, and on which municipal housing project facilities are or will be located, shall be exempt from taxation for municipal and school purposes in accordance with this by-law;
- 2. A portion of the assessed value for the Property shall be exempt from taxation each year so that the total of the property tax payable for the Property will be equal to the total taxes which would be payable if the Property were assessed in the residential class;
- 3. The exemption provided for this by-law shall be effective May 1, 2018 for a period of 30 years.
- 4. Each year the Property will be returned on the assessment roll as taxable and the amount of the exemption referred to above will be calculated by the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer.
- 5. In this by-law, total property taxes means the sum of the property taxes for municipal and school purposes, and includes any adjustments under part ix of the Municipal Act 2001.
- 6. This By-Law comes into force on the date that it is passed.
- 7. PASSED in Open council on March 5, 2019.

Ed Holder Mayor

Catharine Saunders City Clerk

First Reading – Second Reading – Third Reading –

SCHEDULE "A"

Number of Units: 46 affordable units and 15 market units

Property Address: 27 Centre Street, London

PIN: 08397-0016LT

Description: PT LT 3, PL 29, PART 1 & 2, 33R5274, & AS IN 587799; LONDON/WESTMINISTER