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	STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND POLICY COMMITTEE
	MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2019
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SUBJECT:	CITY OF LONDON HOUSING SERVICE REVIEW: PROPOSED ACTION PLAN – UPDATE

UPDATE – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The purpose of this report is to provide additional information regarding the Housing Services Review and associated proposed Action Plan and recommendations. The information relates to the board composition requirements of the Housing Development Corporation (HDC) and the London Middlesex Community Housing (LMCH).

Board Composition requirements for HDC and LMCH

The Articles of Incorporation for both organizations provide confirmation of the composition requirements for each Board of Directors.

Section 3 of the Articles of Incorporation for the HDC provide for the minimum of three (3) and the maximum of seven (7) directors. Similarly, Section 3 of the Articles of Incorporation for LMCH provide for a minimum of two (2) directors and a maximum of thirteen (13).

Implications for Recommendations

Civic Administration provided recommendations regarding proposed future board compositions for both organizations in its previous report. Options 1 and 2 recommend Council assume the governance responsibility for both organizations, with all council members in Option 1 or a smaller subset of Council (3-5 members) or a Standing Committee, for Option 2. Both of these options meet the requirements of Section 3 of each respective set of Articles of Incorporation.

Option 3, which was identified as a preferred option, recommends the appointment of a member of Civic Administration as the Board of both the HDC and the LMCH. Should council choose to adapt this recommendation, Council would need to resolve (as the Shareholder) to amend the Articles of Incorporation for both organizations to reduce the minimum number of directors to one (1). When the amendments have been finalized, a subsequent Council resolution to release each of the current directors of both boards and appoint one staff member as the board for each organization would be required. Conversely, Council would choose to resolve immediately (at a Shareholder meeting) to release the current directors and appoint the requisite number (2 or 3) as required by the present articles for each organization.

Recommended Option

The preferred recommendation from Civic Administration does not change. Appointing a member of Civic Administration to act as the Board of both corporations, for an initial interim period, provides an opportunity for better collaboration as well as more coordinated alignment and oversight of the broader homelessness and housing system in our community. Should Council choose this option, additional actions would need to be taken to amend the Articles of Incorporation of each organization.

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