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STRATEGIC INITIATIVE AND UPDATE**Elk Island Catholic School Administration Building****Report Purpose**

To provide the Priorities Committee with an update on the building that was acquired from a land exchange with Elk Island Catholic Schools and, its potential use for temporary office space for administration.

Our Prioritized Strategic Goals

Goal 2 - Manage, invest and plan for sustainable municipal infrastructure

Continuously improving the way we work, as one organization, in an agile and sustainable manner

Report

In March 2017, the County completed a strategic land exchange with Elk Island Catholic Schools for a 1.41 acre site. The site includes an office building as well as 39 parking spaces located on approximately 1.0 acre of the land, with the remaining 0.41 acres currently undeveloped. The County is expected to take possession of this site on December 1, 2018.

Currently, Administration is considering how this building and its lands could fit into the longer vision to support community services, or be incorporated into the long range planning for the Centre in the Park.

Until the long range plans are confirmed, this office building located on-site will become part of the County's office space inventory. As such, it is anticipated that this acquired office space will assist in accommodating "swing" space for various departments, or portions thereof, in anticipation of the renovations for the main floor of County Hall over a 2-3 year time period.

As well, there is currently a need to provide temporary office space for a group of staff in Transportation and Agriculture Services as the space in SPSY cannot sufficiently accommodate current staff in their existing office environment.

The Elk Island Catholic School building is currently an office environment; therefore, very little renovation, apart from minor repairs and maintenance, would be required. However, due to the age of the building it will be necessary to confirm whether or not there are any environmentally hazardous materials present within the building. Facility Services will need to conduct a full assessment of the state of the building space once it is vacated by Elk Island Catholic Schools.

Elk Island Catholic Schools have stated that existing office furniture will remain in the building, which can be used by the County "as is" in most cases.

Council and Committee History

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| March 28, 2017 | Council amended the 2017 Capital Budget to complete the subdivision and required servicing of a six-acre parcel from the SW 3-53-23-W4 to facilitate a strategic land exchange. |
| November 28, 2016 | Council approved the 2017 Capital Budget. |

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February 10, 2015 Council amended the 2015 Capital Budget to complete a Servicing Study for the Strathcona lands located within SW 3-53-23-W4.

February 8, 2011 Council amended the 2011 Capital Budget for the acquisition of strategic land.

Other Impacts

Policy: n/a

Legislative/Legal: n/a

Interdepartmental: This office building will provide options for office space for various County departments

Enclosures

- 1 Site Plan
- 2 Aerial Photo
- 3 Building Floor Plan