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as adopted by Council at its meeting held April 22, 2013 [M150-2013]**

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Windsor, Ontario, April 22, 2013

**REPORT NO. 117 of the
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT,
HEALTH & CULTURE STANDING COMMITTEE
of its meeting held October 10, 2012**

Present: Councillor Fulvio Valentinis
Councillor Ed Sleiman
Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Absent: Councillor Alan Halberstadt
Councillor Percy Hatfield

That the following recommendation of the Social Development, Health and Culture Standing Committee **BE APPROVED** as follows:

Moved by Councillor Gignac, seconded by Councillor Valentinis,

I. **THAT** the report from the Manager of Cultural Affairs on the Museum Feasibility Study **BE RECEIVED** as information and further (upon completion of the negotiations between the Art Gallery of Windsor and the City), that Administration **BE DIRECTED** to report back with a detailed report on the recommendations with a capital and operating budget plan and next steps; and

II. **THAT** the City Solicitor **BE DIRECTED** to provide Council with an update as to the status of the Chimczuk Estate – Application to Court; and

III. **THAT** Council **BE PROVIDED** with a Library update in terms of the requirements since the initial discussions took place with the CEO of the Windsor Public Library; and

IV. **THAT** the proposal submitted by Van Niforos and George Sofos dated February 16, 2012 entitled “Proposal to the City of Windsor: Expanded Museum Destination **BE FORWARDED** to Council for consideration.

Carried.

Clerk's Note: The administrative report authored by the Manager of Cultural Affairs dated September 25, 2012 entitled “Museum Feasibility Development Study Report” is attached as background information.

LIVELINK #15987, APR/10168



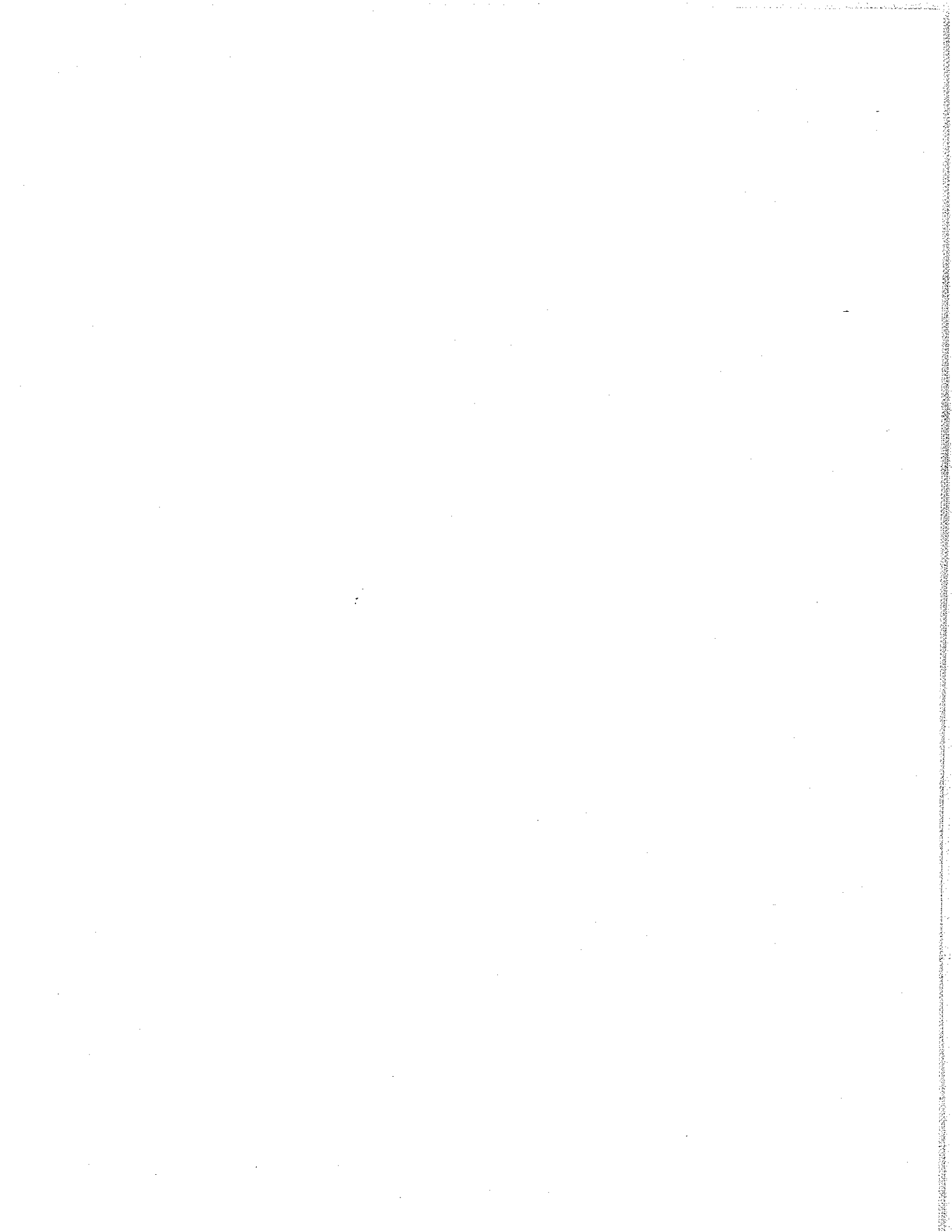
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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WINDSOR
Social Development, Health and Culture Standing Committee-
Administrative Report

**MISSION STATEMENT:**

"The City of Windsor, with the involvement of its citizens, will deliver effective and responsive municipal services, and will mobilize innovative community partnerships"

LiveLink REPORT #: 15987 APR/10168	Report Date: September 25, 2012
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To: Social Development, Health and Culture Standing Committee

Subject: Museum Feasibility Development Study Report

1. RECOMMENDATION: City Wide: Ward(s): _____

That the report from the Manager of Cultural Affairs on the Museum Feasibility Study **BE RECEIVED** as information and further (upon completion of the negotiations between the Art Gallery of Windsor and the City), that Administration **BE DIRECTED** to report back with a detailed report on the recommendations with a capital and operating budget plan and next steps.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

N/A

2. BACKGROUND:

City Council at its meeting of April 6, 2011 approved proceeding with a Museum Feasibility Study with the following resolution:

B11/2011

*"That City Council **AUTHORIZE** Administration to proceed with an independent feasibility study, with the cost not to exceed \$110,000, in order to be eligible for ongoing funding from the Federal Government, with the study being funded from Capital Project #7081012 (Museum Feasibility/Location Space Study), and based on the results of that study; and*

*That the Chief Administrative Officer and the City Clerk **BE AUTHORIZED** to execute the agreement satisfactory in form to the City Solicitor, in financial content to the City Treasurer and in technical content to the Community Development and Health Commissioner; and*

*That City Council **AUTHORIZE** Administration to proceed with the development of a business case for a museum which includes capital and operating funds from all three levels of government, the Chimczuk Bequest and other private donations, and further;*

That City Council DIRECT Administration to apply to the Federal government for the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund for a capital grant towards the cost of this project."

3. DISCUSSION:

It is understood that the current location of Windsor's Community Museum is undersized. In order to access federal and provincial grants, a feasibility study was required. The study process has provided a wealth of knowledge and ample opportunity for our heritage community to participate and share their visions of what a potential future museum should look like.

While the Consultants have recommended the museum expansion to take place within the Art Gallery of Windsor, discussions have not been finalized. Upon resolution of these discussions, Administration will bring forward a report regarding the recommendations of the Consultants along with a capital and operating budget plan and next steps.

It should be noted that a private property located at 1100 University Avenue has also been offered by a local businessman for consideration. In his proposal he indicates that the city can make a request to either Purchase the property, Purchase as a turnkey operation or Lease to own the property.

The property being suggested consists of 37,200 square foot and has been constructed to allow for a further 2 floor addition to be added consisting of an additional 24, 800 square foot. This property is a much larger space than the consultants are recommending for the expanded museum. In addition, the space does not meet existing museum standards and would require a complete retrofit which with the cost of purchasing or leasing the building adds significantly to the entire project cost. The property is also outside of the downtown core and therefore removed from the cultural hub that is developing. The Consultants considered this property but eliminated for the reasons identified above. Administration supports the Consultant's recommendation that this property not be considered for the expanded Windsor Community Museum.

4. RISK ANALYSIS:

There are risks associated with not moving ahead with the Museum Feasibility Study. The cultural community of Windsor has participated in a number of Museum Studies and do not want to have the results of this comprehensive study ignored.

Notwithstanding this, the appropriate location for an expanded museum cannot be fully discussed and debated until information is available regarding the Art Gallery of Windsor site.

5. FINANCIAL MATTERS:

Consideration for both a capital and operating budget will come forward with the next report from Administration.

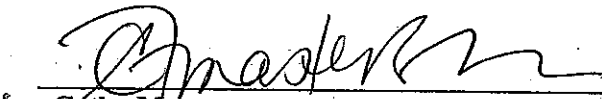
6. CONSULTATIONS:


Executive Director of Parks and Facilities,
Chief Financial Officer/City Treasurer,
City Solicitor,
Manager of Development Applications

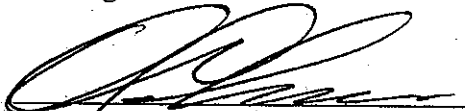
As noted in the Consultant's report, extensive consultations occurred with the broader community that helped to form the recommendations

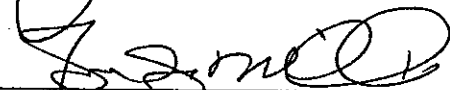
7. CONCLUSION:

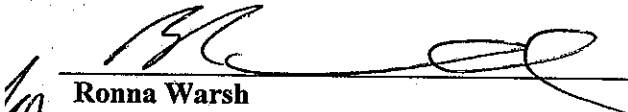
Windsor's Community Museum has out grown the space within the Francois Baby House. With all of the cultural activity taking place within the downtown, it is important to include the museum expansion within the new vision and ensure its role as an anchor of the cultural hub.

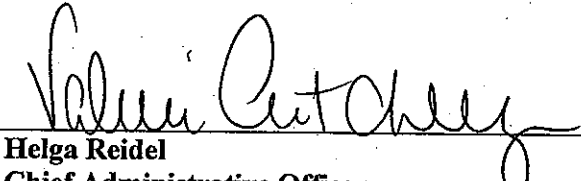

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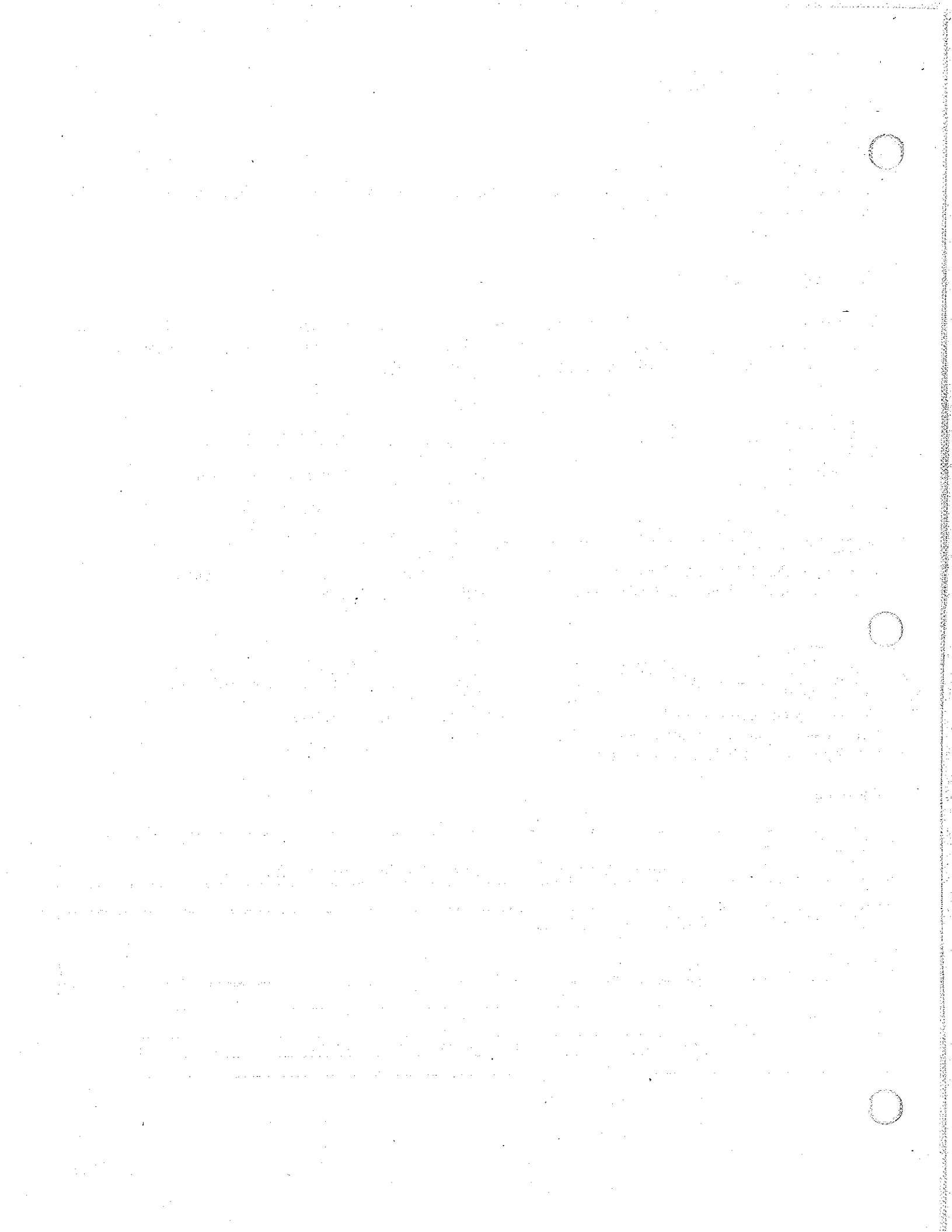
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APPENDICES:
Museum Feasibility Development Study: Final Report (enclosed due to size)

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ITEM NO. REPORT NO. 117
SOCIAL DEV.
HEALTH + CULTURE
STANDING CMTE.

Dear Ms. Reidel:

At the regular March 2013 meeting of the Windsor Public Library Board, a number of issues were discussed which impact City of Windsor planning and operations.

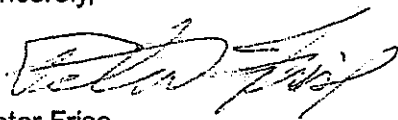
On the matter of a move by the Central Branch of Windsor Public Library to the downtown Culture and Recreation Hub, directors confirmed that the *In Camera* motion of November 17, 2011 is still in effect. It reads:

2011/102 MOTION by A. Cameron, SECONDED by L. Shepley that the Windsor Public Library Board consent to the property request, as outlined by Mayor Francis, at a special meeting of the Board on Thursday, October 13, 2011, pending an official request from City Council. Further, the Board reminds City Council of its current commitments (CR-160/2011 and CR 191/2011) to a new 40,000 sq. ft. library at the new downtown Aquatic Family Fun Centre or the immediate environs and expects that commitment to be realized. The Windsor Public Library Board, together with Library Administration, warns that failure to do so would have a catastrophic impact on the future of the Windsor Public Library System and; that the City of Windsor will fulfill their commitment within the timeframe of the construction and opening of the aquatics centre. CARRIED

The present members of the Windsor Public Library Board realize much of the discussion and intent behind this motion is unresolved and that inclusion in the Aquatic Centre is no longer an option. This motion from a previous Board stipulates that the space requirement for a library stands at 40,000 sq. ft. We appreciate the invitation to be part of the downtown Culture and Recreation Hub and welcome further discussion on the space requirement issue.

Thank you for the support provided to Windsor Public Library by your administrative team. I am available to discuss this matter further at your convenience.

Sincerely,



Peter Frise
Chair
Windsor Public Library Board

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