

**IN CITY COUNCIL  
EXECUTIVE SESSION  
MAYOR'S RECEPTION ROOM  
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 18, 2025  
TIME 8:40 PM**

Roll Call 10 present (C. Belanger, C. Chau, C. Descoteaux, C. Gitschier, C. Jenness, C. Mercier, C. Nuon, C. Robinson, M. Rourke, C. Yem), 1 absent (C. Scott).

M. Rourke presiding.

Others Present: City Manager Golden, Jr., Austin Ball (Asst. CFO), City Solicitor Corey Williams, Melissa Desroches (Manager's Office), Conor Baldwin (CFO) and Yovani Baez-Rose (DPD).

The purpose of the Executive Session was stated by M. Rourke in the open session followed by a Roll Call. The public was informed the body would not return to the open session and would adjourn in Executive Session upon completion.

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Manager Golden, Jr. opened the discussion regarding the Smith Baker Center. C. Yem recused self from discussion and any votes. Manager Golden, Jr. noted that there was a full price offer along with agreement to enter into a land disposition agreement (LDA) for the Smith Baker Center. C. Gitschier questioned if there were any claw back provision with the agreement. Atty. Williams indicated that they were part of the LDA and would apply until there was an occupancy issued. C. Robinson noted that it was for full asking price. Atty. Williams commented on funding options. M. Rourke commented on funding by the purchasers. C. Chau noted the presence and protection of the LDA. Atty. Williams reviewed that agreement. C. Nuon noted agreement was to set price and enter into an LDA. C. Gitschier questioned if there was a bank foreclosure. Atty. Williams commented on scenario if bank foreclosed on property and how the LDA would be in place. **Motion** by C. Nuon, seconded by C. Gitschier to grant City Manager the authority to enter to execute an LDA and Purchase & Sales Agreement with the Smith Baker Preservation Corporation for the Smith Baker Center. Adopted per Roll Call vote 9 yeas (C. Belanger, C. Chau, C. Descoteaux, C. Gitschier, C. Jenness, C. Mercier, C. Nuon, C. Robinson, M. Rourke), 1 abstain (C. Yem), 1 absent (C. Scott). So voted.

The second issue was brought forward regarding the Senior Center and C. Mercier recused self from discussion and vote. Manager Golden, Jr. noted that Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) would allow the funding of a 15-year lease for site with option to purchase at end. C. Nuon noted grants could only be used to lease the property. Ms. Baez-Rose noted that these grants are more protected because they are for the benefit of seniors. Atty. Williams noted that lease was subject to appropriations. C. Chau noted the federal grant protection for seniors. C. Yem indicated preference for ownership of the site. C. Gitschier requested to review the document. M. Rourke highlighted the responsibility of owners. **Motion** by C. Nuon, seconded by C. Yem to allow City Manager to enter into a 15-year lease agreement with option to own for the Senior Center. Adopted per Roll Call vote 7 yeas (C. Belanger, C. Chau, C. Descoteaux, C. Jenness, C. Nuon, M. Rourke, C. Yem), 2 nays (C. Gitschier, C. Robinson), 1 abstain (C. Mercier), 1 absent (C. Scott).

**Motion** to Adjourn by C. Jenness, seconded by C. Belanger. So voted

Adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Michael Q. Geary  
City Clerk