

Google Hangouts Virtual Meeting – June 15, 2020

Attendees: Jackie Foord, Michael Phair, Jan Schmitz.

Discussion of housing land needs for the GLBTQ2S seniors aging in place residence.

-ESPG would like 2 lots in Oliver area. 3 would be perfect. If City land is not in Oliver it is not a deal breaker.

Jackie advised that she can help with this. It meets two targets for her department. Affordable housing and affordable in perpetuity. Our population has trouble accessing services.

She can assist with

- Identifying lands
- Public Engagement
- Stats on Housing – for example the city is 45 thousand units short
- A proposed 50 year lease on city lands for a nominal yearly fee such as \$100/year

ESPG would need to have a provider/developer and the cash to build. Getting the land would be the easiest component.

Jackie recommended that we talk to

- Capital Region Housing – Greg Dowley
- CMHC – they are currently trying to give money out
- Greater Edmonton Foundation – Walter

The province is currently not giving out money for this.

ESPG would need to lobby councilors. Currently Walters and Keen are the most supportive for this. Zydak and Nickel will only support projects that are in their wards.

Michael advised that if a report gets to council then approval is 70%.

The zoning of the land would dictate the length of time this project would take.

Jackie will have her staff start a search for suitable land and will provide contact information for suggested followup.