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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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TO: Vancouver City Council

FROM: Director of the Housing Centre

SUBJECT: Addition of S.U.C.C.E.S.S. (United Chinese Community Enrichment Services Society) to the List of Approved Sponsor Groups for Non-Market Housing

RECOMMENDATION

THAT S.U.C.C.E.S.S. be added to the list of approved sponsor groups for non-market housing.

GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The General Manager of Community Services RECOMMENDS approval of the foregoing.

COUNCIL POLICY

On January 15, 1991, Council directed "that approval of the list of potential sponsor and resource groups for 1991 not preclude applications from other groups during the year if they conform to the evaluation criteria."

On April 13, 1993, Council adopted the 1993 list of potential sponsor and resource groups for non-market housing.

DISCUSSION

The City maintains a list of potential sponsors for non-market housing on City-owned or controlled sites. The 1993 list is updated as new societies make requests and satisfy requirements for inclusion.

Applications are evaluated using Council approved criteria and weighting system. The key factors below are considered:

- Society Credentials
- Housing Expertise and Management Philosophy
- Projects Operated by Society
- Links with Community or Neighbourhood Organizations
- Housing Needs and Waiting List of Prospective Tenants
- Housing Project Proposed
- Building Site Identified

A score of at least 70 points out of 100 is required to recommend inclusion.

S.U.C.C.E.S.S. (United Chinese Community Enrichment Services Society) manages the Carrall Street residence in Vancouver at 555 Carrall Street, which provides 24 hour professional care to 103 residents with complex care needs. It was recently awarded a service provider's contract from Vancouver Coastal health to manage the nearby 33-unit Taylor Assisted Living Residence for seniors at 28 West Pender Street.

S.U.C.C.E.S.S. provides social, education, training and health services in many Lower Mainland Communities. The Society also advocates for health and housing needs for seniors.

The Society draws on the support and expertise of its parent organization and has gained recognition among other service providers, and with many government agencies.

S.U.C.C.E.S.S. scored above the 70 point minimum required to recommend inclusion, staff therefore recommend their inclusion on the list.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.

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