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Forks North Portage Partnership

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Mandate:

The Forks North Portage Partnership (FNPP) is the amalgamation of two development corporations established by the Governments of Canada, Manitoba and the City of Winnipeg (The North Portage Development Corporation and The Forks Renewal Corporation) to support the redevelopment of the north side of Portage Avenue from Carlton to Vaughan and The Forks site in downtown Winnipeg. The mission of the tripartite FNPP is to act as a catalyst, encouraging activities for people in the downtown area through public and private partnerships and revitalization strategies, and to work to ensure financial self-sufficiency.

Responsibilities:

The FNPP Board oversees several business units at the North Portage and Forks sites, including: Forks North Portage Parking, IMAX Theatre, Webbsite Condominiums, The Forks Market, The Forks Site – Operations, The Forks Site – Programming, Communications/ Marketing, Sponsorship and Planning/ Property Development.

Membership:

Each government is an equal shareholder in the FNPP.

Under the terms of the Shareholder Agreement, The Forks North Portage Partnership is governed by a 10-person Board of Directors. Each shareholder (Canada, Manitoba and Winnipeg) appoints three persons to the Board. All three shareholders jointly select the Board Chair.

Each shareholder also appoints a non-voting government representative to the Board to ensure the communication of government priorities. The Deputy Minister of Growth, Enterprise and Trade, is the current provincial shareholder representative.

Length of Terms:

Three years on a staggered basis, commencing May 26th of each year. Board members may be reappointed. Directors will be eligible to serve up to two (2) consecutive terms of three (3) years each for a total of six (6) years. The exception to this is if the Board unanimously recommends to the shareholder a further extension to a board member term to meet the strategic needs or priorities of the corporation.

Desirable Expertise:

Shareholder representatives should be residents of Winnipeg.

There is no formal educational requirement. While not formally articulated, it would be expected that Board members possess:

- The ability to comprehend financial statements, complex reports and analyses.
- A knowledge and appreciation of the circumstances and role of Winnipeg’s downtown and historic Forks site.

Time Commitment:

Shareholder representatives should be prepared to commit one day per month to Board meetings, and to participate in sub-committees, as required.

Meetings:

Meetings of the Board of Directors are held in downtown Winnipeg, generally in their Boardroom at The Forks.

Remuneration:

Through resolution of the Shareholders, the Chair and Directors receive the following per diems:

All directors, including chair:	\$350 per meeting
Chair’s supplement:	\$500 per month
Directors serving on board subcommittees:	\$350 per full day; \$175 per half day