

UM PROPERTIES GP INC – BOARD DIRECTORS / BOARD CHAIR

In 2007, the University of Manitoba approved the purchase of the Southwood Lands (the former 120 acre Southwood golf course, which operated for many years alongside the University's Fort Garry campus). At the time, the purchase was characterized as a "once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for the University". Following a Design Competition, in 2013 the winning designer worked with the University to develop a long-term master campus plan which incorporated the Southwood Lands.

The Visionary (re)Generation Master Plan for the Fort Garry Campus was approved by the University's Board of Governors on April 12, 2016. This Master Plan will be administered by the University, and establishes a vision and framework for the evolution of the academic campus over roughly the next 30 years. It also provides a general, high-level vision for the Southwood Lands.

UM Properties GP Inc. was created in 2016 as the optimal legal structure for the development of the Southwood Lands. Proposed Principles and Objectives were drafted, with priority placed on sustainable community building and shaping and situating the University within a vibrant community and setting, thereby creating long-term social, economic, environmental, and educational value.

If you are interested in helping the University of Manitoba build a new organization that will deliver the best possible development of the lands – as a member or chair of the Board - we want to hear from you.

A diverse array of professional backgrounds and skills are sought, reflective of the demography of the community and needs of the new organization. In addition to sound governance and strategic vision, the Directors of UM Properties bring a comprehensive spectrum of skills, experience and thought leadership to the Boardroom table. We will look to attract proven leaders in the community and accomplished leaders in their professional lives, with key experience and competencies in at least one of the following functional areas: land use planning; real estate/land development; human and financial resources; legal issues; corporate performance and business strategy; audit and accounting; and public engagement and civil society. As an accomplished business professional and community leader, you will add insight, experience and thought commitment to the sound governance and strategic direction of the organization. Most importantly we are seeking individuals with the vision to see the potential of this project for the University and the city.

Given the governance work required of a new organization, and considering the significant impact the organization will have in the community, a substantial time commitment is expected of directors for participation in meetings, preparation for meetings and travel. A further time commitment is expected from the Chair of the Board or Chair of a Committee.

Directors are reimbursed for allowable expenses as per the Board's policy.

The University of Manitoba is strongly committed to equity and diversity within its community and welcomes applications from women, members of racialized communities, Indigenous persons, persons with disabilities, persons of all sexual orientations and genders, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.

Application materials, including letters of reference, will be handled in accordance with “The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act” (Manitoba). Please note that curriculum vitae may be provided to participating members of the search process.

To be considered for this Board position, please submit your resume and cover letter confidentially online at <https://www.odgersberndtson.com/en/careers/14156> or to margaret.vanwyck@odgersberndtson.com , on or before November 30th, 2017.