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Report - Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services - September 12, 2005

Item No. 3 Insect Control Strategy
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EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services and submits the following to Council:

1. That the July 27, 2005 Council Motion pertaining to questions on the Insect Control Strategy, be filed, inasmuch as the administration has provided the information requested.

2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Steeves,

That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services be concurred in and forwarded to Council.

Carried

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On September 12, 2005, the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services recommended that the July 27, 2005 Council Motion pertaining to questions on the Insect Control Strategy, be filed, inasmuch as the administration has provided the information requested and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

Further, the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services requested that the administration provide the information pertaining to the questions on the Insect Control Strategy to all Members of Council.

COUNCIL DECISION:

On July 27, 2005, Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services:

Moved by Councillor Lazarenko,
Seconded by Councillor Pagtakhan,

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2005, Council adopted Item 1 of the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services dated March 11, 2005, Insect Control Strategy;

AND WHEREAS, on July 14, 2005, the provincial Health Minister signed a public health order under the Environment Act to begin spraying for adult mosquitoes with malathion in the City of Winnipeg because of the high numbers of adult Culex tarsalis mosquitoes and evidence of infection with West Nile virus;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council request City Administration to provide the answers to the following questions:

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

- Who gave the directive not to release the mosquito trap counts?
- Who decided not to take immediate action to fog when trap counts exceeded an average of 25 mosquitoes on three consecutive nights and why?
- Why were the trap counts for West Kildonan not released when the counts rose on June 13 from 43 to the highest count of 512 on June 27?
- Who decided not to take action in West Kildonan and why?