Agenda – Executive Policy Committee – January 11, 2006

REPORTS

Item No. 11 Civic Environmental Committee - Winnipeg City Summit 2006
File E-7

CIVIC ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On December 19, 2005, the Civic Environmental Committee recommended to the Executive Policy Committee that:

1. The objectives of the Winnipeg City Summit 2006 be revised to clarify that the integration of environmental considerations with economic growth and social development (i.e. "Triple Bottom Line" principles) will be a major theme of the event consistent with Plan Winnipeg and the Mayor's Action Plan for a New Winnipeg; and

2. The Manitoba Environmental Industries be invited to join the Summit's organizing committee; and

3. A link to the Civic Environmental Committee's report Sustainable Winnipeg: A Comprehensive Environmental Strategy be added to the Summit's website.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

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> WHEREAS the Mayor has announced that a Winnipeg City Summit will take place in May 2006 to examine opportunities and key barriers to economic growth, development and the well being of its citizens;
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> AND WHEREAS the Mayor's Action Plan for a New Winnipeg pledged that his management style and approach to decision making would be one of the "Triple Bottom Line" - not only must our decisions make good economic sense, but they must also protect our environment and enhance our quality of life;
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> AND WHEREAS the Summit's web site and objectives do not appear to include the integration of environmental issues as a priority;
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> AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg has made a commitment to sustainable economic development through Plan Winnipeg Policy 2B-01;
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> AND WHEREAS this commitment to sustainable governance and corporate management was reaffirmed by adopting in principle, the Civic Environmental Committee's report Sustainable Winnipeg: A Comprehensive Environmental Strategy and adopting the administration document Embracing Sustainability: An Environmental Priority and Implementation Plan for the City of Winnipeg 2004 - 2006;
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> AND WHEREAS economic and job creation opportunity in environmental industries are growing much faster than the general economy;
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> THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:
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> 1. The objectives of the Winnipeg City Summit 2006 be revised to clarify that the integration of environmental considerations with economic growth and social development (i.e. "Triple Bottom Line" principles) will be a major theme of the event consistent with Plan Winnipeg and the Mayor's Action Plan for a New Winnipeg; and
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and forwarded the matter to the Executive Policy Committee.