EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF MOTION

Minute No. 374
Moved by Councillor De Smedt,
Seconded by Councillor Wyatt,

WHEREAS Civic Government functions best when fully responsive to the electorate;

AND WHEREAS the public interest is well-served through a mandated rotation of its elected officers;

AND WHEREAS the public interest is enhanced when the electorate has more opportunity to unfettered access for public service to the office of mayor and councillor;

AND WHEREAS term limits have been implemented in other democratic jurisdictions with positive impacts;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed desirable to limit the terms of Members of Council to 2 full four year terms, with additional terms possible after a four year stand-down between each set of 2 full four year terms;

AND WHEREAS civic government functions most responsively when matters of significant public impact are tested through the will of the electorate;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Council of the City of Winnipeg submit a referendum question to the electorate during the 2006 General Municipal Election to seek public support for term limits for Councillors and the Mayor, as described;

2. The Council of the City of Winnipeg request that The Winnipeg Charter Act be amended accordingly with the limitation on terms commencing November 7, 2006, if accepted by a majority of the electorate;

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

Moved by Councillor De Smedt,
That Council go into Committee of the Whole.

The motion that Council go into Committee of the Whole was put.

Executive Policy Committee - Notice of Motion (continued)

Councillor De Smedt called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:-

Yea: Councillors De Smedt and Wyatt. 2

Nay: His Worship Mayor Katz, Councillors O'Shaughnessy, Lazarenko, Benham, Clement, Gerbasi, Lubosch, Magnifico, Pagtakhan, Smith, Steeves, Swandel, Thomas and Eadie. 14

and the motion that Council go into Committee of the Whole was declared lost.

In amendment,

Moved by Councillor Wyatt,
Seconded by Councillor De Smedt,

THAT Recommendation No. 1 be deleted and replaced with the following:

"1. The Council of the City of Winnipeg submit a referendum question to the electorate during the 2006 General Municipal Election to seek public support for a 3 consecutive term of office limit for Councillor and the Mayor."

The motion for the amendment proposed by Councillor Wyatt and De Smedt was put.

Councillor De Smedt called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:-

Yea: Councillors De Smedt and Wyatt. 2

Nay: His Worship Mayor Katz, Councillors O'Shaughnessy, Lazarenko, Benham, Clement, Gerbasi, Lubosch, Magnifico, Pagtakhan, Smith, Steeves, Swandel, Thomas and Eadie. 14

and the motion for the amendment proposed by Councillor Wyatt and De Smedt was declared lost.

The motion for adoption of the item was put.

Executive Policy Committee - Notice of Motion (continued)

Councillor De Smedt called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:

Yea: Councillors De Smedt and Wyatt. 2

Nay: His Worship Mayor Katz, Councillors O'Shaughnessy, Lazarenko, Benham, Clement, Gerbasi, Lubosch, Magnifico, Pagtakhan, Smith, Steeves, Swandel, Thomas and Eadie. 14

and the motion for the adoption of the item was declared lost.