Minutes – Executive Policy Committee - November 29, 2006

REPORTS

Minute No. 21 Neighbourhood Safety and Crime Prevention – CRIME-STAT File GF-2

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee affirmed its recommendation of July 19, 2006, and instructed the Chief Administrative Officer to report back (as directed by the Executive Policy Committee on July 19, 2006) in January 2007 in order that final approval can be given for the website information to be available to the public in February 2007.

Further, the Executive Policy Committee directed that the report back also include a detailed proposal for providing public access to crime statistics on the City of Winnipeg Corporate Web Page.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Steeves,
WHEREAS on July 19, 2006, the Executive Policy Committee recommended to Council, inter alia, that the Administration be directed to report back to the Executive Policy Committee and the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services on the following:

A. How the permanent complement of police officers will expand with the implementation of these above noted two units in addition to the officers hired over the past two years with casino revenues and how these new police officers impact the City operating budgets over the forthcoming three years;

B. What, if any additional, resources will be required to develop and implement a COMPSTAT style management and accountability mechanism where that will provide weekly updates to citizens on crime trends on a geographical basis across each of the Police Districts and propose how the existing Police command structure with its specialized operational units can be augmented by weekly organizational and strategy meetings chaired by the Chief of Police to respond to crime and safety concerns across each geographical district and coordinate Clean Sweep Task Force Operations.

C. How the Administration proposes to measure Police Service outcomes related to crime prevention and enhancement of neighbourhood safety.

AND WHEREAS on July 19, 2006 the Executive Policy Committee adopted the foregoing direction to the Administration;

AND WHEREAS it is desirous for the above noted information to be available to Council in 2007 Operating Budget deliberations;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Policy Committee affirm its recommendation of July 19, 2006, and instructs the Chief Administrative Officer to report back as directed by the EPC as noted above in January, 2007 in order that final approval can be given for the website information to be available to the public in February, 2007.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report back also include a detailed proposal for providing public access to crime statistics on the City of Winnipeg Corporate Web Page.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION:

On July 26, 2006, Council concurred in the July 19, 2006 recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee and adopted the following:

1. That the report from the Chief of Police dated June 30, 2006 be received as information.

2. That the Administration be directed to implement and deploy the proposed Clean Sweep Street Crime Task Force and the related Crime Analysis Unit as soon as possible.

3. That commencing in 2006, that increased Highway Traffic Act fine revenue collected by the City with respect to the recent announcement made by the Province of Manitoba, be dedicated as a funding source for expenses that will be incurred relating to the Clean Sweep Task Force and the related Crime Analysis Unit.

4. That for the 2006 costs incurred for the Clean Sweep Task Force and the related Crime Analysis Unit, no further funding beyond the above noted source be requested by the Winnipeg Police Service

5. That the Administration be directed to provide to the Executive Policy Committee a quarterly report concerning the financial status of the program.

6. That the Administration be directed to report back to the Executive Policy Committee and the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services on the following:

    A. How the permanent complement of police officers will expand with the implementation of these above noted two units in addition to the officers hired over the past two years with casino revenues and how these new police officers impact the City operating budgets over the forthcoming three years;

    B. What, if any additional, resources will be required to develop and implement a COMPSTAT style management and accountability mechanism where that will provide weekly updates to citizens on crime trends on a geographical basis across each of the Police Districts and propose how the existing Police command structure with its specialized operational units can be augmented by weekly organizational and strategy meetings chaired by the Chief of Police to respond to crime and safety concerns across each geographical district and coordinate Clean Sweep Task Force Operations.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

C. How the Administration proposes to measure Police Service outcomes related to crime prevention and enhancement of neighbourhood safety.

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