EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

MOTIONS

Minute No. 243
Moved by Councillor Wyatt,
Seconded by Councillor Gerbasi,

WHEREAS on February 10, 2007, the members of the United Transportation Union (UTU), went on strike across Canada, including 209 employed in the City of Winnipeg by CN North America;

AND WHEREAS the workers are striking for quality of life issues and dignity in the workplace;

AND WHEREAS the role performed by the workers of CN North America is crucial to both the Canadian and our local economy in Winnipeg, directly impacting the flow of commerce to and from the City of Winnipeg;

AND WHEREAS the members of the UTU are requesting that management bargain in good faith in order to seek a fair and just settlement;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Winnipeg City Council call on CN North America to immediately return to the negotiating table, bargain in good faith throughout the collective bargaining process and arrive at a fair and just settlement on the outstanding contract issues with the UTU.

The Speaker ruled the motion to be out of order in accordance with Rule 38.2 of the Procedure By-law.

Councillor Wyatt challenged the ruling of the Chair.

The question, "Shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained?" was put.

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

Yea: His Worship Mayor Katz, Councillors Browaty, Clement, Fielding, Leipsic, Nordman, O'Shaughnessy, Steeves, Swandel and Lazarenko. 10

Nay: Councillors Gerbasi, Smith, Thomas, Vandal and Wyatt. 5

and the ruling of the Chair was sustained.

Executive Policy Committee - Motions (continued)

Minute No. 244
Moved by Councillor Thomas,
Seconded by Councillor Browaty,

WHEREAS Kelvin Community Centre (KCC) is in the middle of its winter programming cycle that is offered to youth, teens, adults and seniors such as after school programs, wrestling training, chess, ESL Development and a garden club as well as drop in programs;

AND WHEREAS the GCWCC has not found alternative location(s) for KCC to run its programming;

AND WHEREAS The Bronx Park Community Club is not available, at this point, to house the programming being offered at KCC;

AND WHEREAS the field house at KCC is not prepared for occupancy at this time;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the KCC Clubhouse remain open until the end of April of this year to allow all groups to finish their winter programming schedule.

The Speaker ruled automatic referral of the motion to the Executive Policy Committee in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law.

Moved by Councillor Thomas,
That the rule be suspended to allow consideration of the motion at this time.

Carried

The motion was put and declared carried.

Executive Policy Committee - Motions (continued)

Minute No. 245
Moved by Councillor Vandal,
Seconded by His Worship Mayor Katz,

WHEREAS the United Way of Winnipeg's Eagle's Eye View: an Environmental Scan of the Aboriginal Community in Winnipeg identified the following from 2001 Census data:

- That in 2001 55,755 Aboriginal people lived in Winnipeg, comprising 8% of the city's population.
- That as of 2001, the Aboriginal population was the fastest growing segment of Winnipeg's population, projected to comprise 13% of the population over the next decade.
- That in 2001, the median age of the Aboriginal population was 24.7 years compared to 37.3 years for the non-Aboriginal population.
- That in 2001, more than 30% of Winnipeg's Aboriginal population were children between the ages of 0-14 years.
- That in 2001, almost 5,000 Aboriginal youths aged 15-19 resided in the City of Winnipeg;
- That in 2001 the unemployment rate for Aboriginal youth between the ages of 15-24 in Winnipeg was almost 21%.

AND WHEREAS it is recognized that Aboriginal youth continue to encounter difficult social and economic circumstances that are barriers to fully realizing employment and educational opportunities in Winnipeg;

AND WHEREAS Council first addressed these important trends in adopting an urban Aboriginal agenda – First Steps: Municipal Aboriginal Pathways (MAP) - on September 24, 2003;

AND WHEREAS the Administration was directed to prepare action plans to develop the strategic initiatives associated with each Aboriginal Policy Pathway (recognizing the MAP stated timelines spanning the term of Council of 2002 to 2006) and report back to the Executive Policy Committee and Council, as required;

AND WHEREAS after 2006 the Administration was to report back to MAP as well as to identify appropriate next steps in the development of an Urban Aboriginal Strategy for the term of Council 2006 to 2010;

Executive Policy Committee - Motions (continued)

AND WHEREAS Council recognizes the importance of ensuring that Aboriginal youth in Winnipeg are provided with education, training, recreational and employment opportunities so that they can be full participants in, and contribute to, the economic and cultural life of the City.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Administration report back to the Executive Policy Committee with a "Next Steps" report to review the success of the "First Steps" initiatives;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administration be directed to develop an Aboriginal Youth Strategy that identifies specific programming for Aboriginal youth and to guide the City's urban Aboriginal agenda during the current term of Council, 2006 to 2010, and that as a part of this proposal existing programs and services be identified and evaluated for their effectiveness.

Automatic Referral to Executive Policy Committee in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law

Minute No. 246
Moved by Councillor Vandal,
Seconded by Councillor Gerbasi,

WHEREAS on May 19 2004, Council adopted the following Item:

1) That the City of Winnipeg complete negotiations with other orders of government to finalize a new urban development agreement for Winnipeg, based on the terms and conditions of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated January 26, 2003, providing for a commitment by each order of government of $25 million over five years for a total of $75 million.

2) That additional program funding of up to $1.4 million be included in the 2005 budget process and, subject to annual budget approval, future year's budget process.

AND WHEREAS since the date of approval, the City of Winnipeg have not approved any of the $1.4 million for the new urban development agreement, now known as the Winnipeg Partnership Agreement (WPA).

AND WHEREAS the $1.4 million is earmarked for the Aboriginal Component of the WPA, and will be invested in partnership with Federal and Provincial government funds to improve educational and employment opportunities for Aboriginal youth in the City of Winnipeg.

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Winnipeg include $1.4 million in the 2007 Operating budget for the WPA's Aboriginal Component, which will focus on improving educational and employment opportunities for Winnipeg Aboriginal youth.

Automatic Referral to Executive Policy Committee in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law