Winnipeg

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE
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MEMBERS PRESENT: His Worship Mayor Katz, Chairperson
Deputy Mayor Leipsic
Councillor Clement
Councillor O'Shaughnessy
Councillor Steeves
Councillor Swandel
Councillor Wyatt

CLERK: Jo-Ann I. Park, Clerk of the Executive Policy Committee
City Clerk's Department

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		DELEGATIONS	
208	Terry Kozak, Citizens for Democratic Transportation Solutions Sharon and George Famega Elsie Kozac, Orest Lazaruk, Tony Hendricks and Gerry Hendricks Sandra Klinck Walter Tuteckyz Councillor Browaty, North Kildonan Ward Vern Toews George Esau Brian Reinisch		See Minute 225
209	Councillor Gerbasi, Fort Rouge-East Fort Garry Ward Tom Simms, Co-Director, Community Education Development Association Molly Roulette, Vice President, accompanied by Sandra Guiboche, Centennial Community Improvement Association Chris Rhodes, Principal, Hugh John MacDonald Junior High Dushant Persaud, Principal, Winnipeg Adult Education Centre accompanied by Lorne Belmont, Principal, Children of the Earth School and Chair of the SRO Project Barbara Coombs and Katherine Purchase, Parents for an Aware Community - South District Linda McLaren on behalf of the Gordon Bell Parent Council Richard Page, Community Safety Coordinator, Spence Neighbourhood Association Councillor Pagtakhan, Point Douglas Ward Arlene Skull, Principal, Gordon Bell High School		See Minute 242
210	Christine Common-Singh, accompanied by Sophie Melnychuk, Secretary and Treasurer, Friends of the Sherbrook Pool Don Medeima, Housing Coordinator, and Inonge Aliaga, Executive Director, Spence Neighbourhood Association		See Minute 245
211	Jeff Doerksen, Lehigh Inland Cement		See Minute 223
212	Irene Merie, Executive Director, Partners in the Park accompanied by Dianne Zuk, Acting President, Friends of the Assiniboine Park Conservatory		See Minute 244
213	Mike Owen, Executive Director, Winnipeg Boys and Girls Clubs of Winnipeg Inc.		See Minute 243
		REPORTS	
214	Climate Change Action Plan Report 2007 01 16 E	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the administrative recommendation and recommends to Council: 1. That the Climate Change Action Plan - Quarterly Status Report be received as information. 2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	Clerk of the Executive Policy Committee

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215	General Council of Winnipeg Community Centres – Universal Funding Formula Review Communication 2006 10 30 PR-2	The Executive Policy Committee amended its November 29, 2006 direction regarding a process to deal with issues related to the interpretation and implementation of the Universal Funding Formula (UFF) as follows: That the General Council of Winnipeg Community Centre's 2007 UFF Task Force, with assistance from the City Administration, be requested to recommend a process to deal with issues related to the interpretation and implementation of the UFF that cannot be resolved by the City Administration and the Community Centres, and report back in conjunction with the UFF Review by June 30, 2007.	Acting Director of Community Services General Council of Winnipeg Community Centres
216	Lake Winnipeg Pollution Issues, Public Education Campaign Report 2007 03 12 ER-1	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the administrative report dated March 12, 2007. Further, the Executive Policy Committee directed the Administration to include an additional one page fact sheet into the water/sewer bill inserts which briefly explains the following in point form: 1. The reason for the increases (Clean Environment Commission decision); 2. The nature of the infrastructure work needing to be done; 3. The City of Winnipeg's share of the Lake Winnipeg pollution contribution; 4. The facts on the state of Lake Winnipeg's health; and 5. The other parties contributing to the problem who need to be part of a long-term solution.	Chief Administrative Officer Director of Water and Waste
217	Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce - Chamber Way Project – Manitoba Rural Infrastructure Program Application Report 2007 02 16 S-7	The Executive Policy Committee recommends to Council: 1. That funding not to exceed $50,000.00 be provided to the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce from the 2007 Image Route Enhancements/ Streetscaping Program for the sole purpose of conducting preliminary engineering design work for the Chamber Way concept to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works in advance of endorsing the Manitoba Rural Infrastructure Fund application. 2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	Clerk of the Executive Policy Committee
218	Two-Year Assessment Cycle Report 2007 02 12 AA	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the administrative report on the Two-Year Assessment Cycle.	City Assessor

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219	2007 Zone Levy for Business Improvement Zones Report 2007 03 07 FL-7	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the administrative recommendation and recommends to Council: 1. That the following 2007 Business Improvement Zone (BIZ) budgets be approved and a zone levy be set and imposed to be applied to the annual rental value of each business in the BIZ, namely: A. Academy Road Business Improvement Zone B. Corydon Avenue Business Improvement Zone C. Downtown Winnipeg Business Improvement Zone D. Exchange District Business Improvement Zone E. Mosaic Market Business Improvement Zone F. Norwood Grove Business Improvement Zone G. Old St. Vital Business Improvement Zone H. Osborne South Business Improvement Zone I. Osborne Village Business Improvement Zone J. St. James Village Business Improvement Zone K. Selkirk Avenue Business Improvement Zone L Transcona Business Improvement Zone M. West Broadway-South Sherbrook Business Improvement Zone N. West End Business Improvement Zone O. ZAC Quartier Français-French Quarter Business Improvement Zone 2. That the City Treasurer be directed to make payment to the Board of each zone in accordance with the Business Improvement Zone Procedures By-law No. 8111/2002. 3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	Clerk of the Executive Policy Committee
220	Winnipeg Police Pension Board – City Representative Report 2007 02 26 GU-3.10	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the administrative recommendation and recommends to Council: 1. That Doug Webster, Deputy Chief of Support Services, Winnipeg Police Service, be appointed as a City representative on the Winnipeg Police Pension Board. 2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	Clerk of the Executive Policy Committee

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221	Consultant Assignments for the Second Quarter April 1 to June 30, 2006 Report 2007 03 01 ST-7	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the Consultant Assignments for the Second Quarter Report.	Nil
222	Refinancing of Debt Issued Pursuant to By-law No. 7054/97 - $40,000,000 - Maturing June 27, 2007 Report 2007 03 07 FC-2	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the administrative recommendation and recommends to Council: 1. That a borrowing by-law enabling the City to borrow money in the amount of $17,500,000.00 to provide for the refinancing of debt issued pursuant to By-law No. 7054/97 be passed. 2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	Clerk of the Executive Policy Committee
	STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS		
223 - 224	Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works Report dated March 6, 2007	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation for Items 1 and 2 of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works and forwarded the items to Council.	Clerk of the Executive Policy Committee
	Standing Policy Committee on Finance Report dated March 6, 2007	No report	Nil
	Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development Report dated February 26, 2007	No report	Nil
225	Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development Report dated February 27, 2007	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation for Item 1 of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, as amended, and submits the following to Council: 1. That McIvor Avenue between Strongberg Drive and DeVries Avenue be re-opened on the understanding that all accesses to Lagimodiere Boulevard be reviewed as part of the Chief Peguis Trail, and that the Administration be directed to take all steps necessary to effect the intent of the foregoing. 2. That any Council Decisions inconsistent with the above be rescinded, including the option given to the Developer by Council on November 21, 2001, to acquire the residual closed McIvor Avenue right-of-way as a buildable lot and the easement granted to the owner of 1922 De Vries Avenue by Council on March 24, 2004, to enable access to his property from the existing approach at McIvor Avenue.	Clerk of the Executive Policy Committee

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		3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	
226-241		The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendations for Items 2 to 17 of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development and forwarded the items to Council.	Clerk of the Executive Policy Committee
242	Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services Report dated March 5, 2007	The Executive Policy Committee did not concur in the recommendation for Item 1 of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services and recommends to Council: 1. That the City of Winnipeg will consider a proposal jointly initiated by the Winnipeg School Division and the Province of Manitoba for an expansion of the School Resource Officer Program, provided that: A. Such proposal shall contain a minimum ten-year funding commitment by the Winnipeg School Division and the Province of Manitoba; B. The financial contribution of the City of Winnipeg shall be limited to the same level of in-kind support as provided under the existing agreement for the North End School Resource Officer Program between the City of Winnipeg, the Province of Manitoba and the Winnipeg School Division for the period from September 1, 2005 to June 30, 2008; C. The complement of officers assigned to any such expansion of the SRO Program in the Winnipeg School Division shall consist of additional officers, as opposed to officers within the Winnipeg Police Service's existing complement; and D. The Winnipeg School Division shall provide a priority placement plan for each School Resource Officer for the City of Winnipeg's review and comment. 2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	Clerk of the Executive Policy Committee
243		The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation for Item 2 of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services and forwarded the item to Council.	Clerk of the Executive Policy Committee

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		Further, the Executive Policy Committee referred the amount of the annual grant to the Boys and Girls Club of Winnipeg Inc. to the 2008 Operating Budget review process.	Acting Chief Financial Officer c. City Treasurer
244		The Executive Policy Committee laid over for up to 90 days the recommendation for Item 3 (Governance of Assiniboine Park) of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services.	Chief Administrative Officer Acting Director of Community Services
245-247		The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendations for Items 4 to 6 of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services and forwarded the items to Council.	Clerk of the Executive Policy Committee
248 - 252	Alternate Service Delivery Committee Report dated March 12, 2007	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation for Items 1 to 5 of the Alternate Service Delivery Committee and forwarded the items to Council.	Clerk of the Executive Policy Committee
		OPERATING BUDGET REVIEW	
253	Alternate Service Delivery Committee – Allocation for On-Going Expenses Minute 16, ASD, 2006 07 17 FE	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the recommendation from the Alternate Service Delivery Committee regarding an allocation for on-going expenses for the ASD Committee. (See Minute 261)	Nil
254	General Council of Winnipeg Community Centres – 2006 Operating Grant Minute 422, Council, 2005 05 18 PR-1	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the matter of an increase of $150,000.00 to the General Council of Winnipeg Community Centre's annual operating grant for 2006. (See Minute 261)	Nil
255	General Council of Winnipeg Community Centres – Programming Grant for Community Centres Minute 119, Council, 2007 01 24 PR-2	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the matter of increasing the Programming Grant administered by the General Council of Winnipeg Community Centres by $50,000 annually. (See Minute 261)	Nil
256	General Council of Winnipeg Community Centres – Universal Funding Formula Review Minute 18, EPC, 2006 11 29 PR-2	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the recommendation of the General Council of Winnipeg Community Centres that the overall community centre funding envelope be increased by five percent (5%) effective January 1, 2007. (See Minute 261)	Nil

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257	Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services – 2007 Operating Budget Recommendations Minute 55, SPC PCS, 2007 03 05 FE(2007)	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the March 5, 2007 recommendation from the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services pertaining to the Preliminary 2007 Operating Budget. (See Minute 261)	Nil
258	Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works – 2007 Operating Budget Recommendations Minute 73, SPC IRPW, 2007 03 06 FE(2007)	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the March 6, 2007 recommendation from the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works pertaining to the Preliminary 2007 Operating Budget. (See Minute 261)	Nil
259	Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development – 2007 Operating Budget Recommendations Minute 157, SPC P&D, 2007 02 27 FE(2007)	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the March 8, 2007 recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development pertaining to the Preliminary 2007 Operating Budget. (See Minute 261)	Nil
260	Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development – Establishment of a Permit Reserve Fund Minute 157, SPC P&D, 2007 02 27 FE(2007)	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development and submitted the matter to Council. (See Minute 261)	Nil
261	Executive Policy Committee – Final Recommendations – 2007 Operating Budget Minute 193, EPC , 2007 02 22 FE(2007)	The Executive Policy Committee recommends to Council: 1. That the 2007 Operating Budget as outlined in the following financial summary, and amended by Recommendation No. 2, be approved. 2. That the following additions to the 2007 Tax-Supported Operating Budget, tabled on February 22, 2007, be made: A. That the budget for Environmental Services, Wastewater (Sewage Disposal Fund) be updated to reflect Council's Decision of February 21, 2007 with respect to the 2007 Sewer Utility Rates. B. That the budget for Planning and Development Services, City Planning be increased by $100,000.00 (one-time basis) to assist with the provision of services for long range planning, said funds to be utilized at the discretion of the Director of Planning, Property and Development.	Clerk of the Executive Policy Committee

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		C. That the budget for Corporate Administration, Property Asset Management – Land and Property be increased by $10,000.00 to assist with operational costs of the Prendergast Centre. D. That the grant for Heritage Winnipeg be increased to $12,000.00 (from $9,000.00). E. That the grant for Take Pride Winnipeg! be increased by $25,000.00 on a one-time basis. F. That the General Council of Winnipeg Community Centres be allocated $35,000.00 on a one-time basis as a contingency fund to assist with costs incurred by Community Centres related to union certification, collective bargaining and labour management issues. G. That a one-time grant of $15,000.00 be approved to the Boys and Girls Clubs of Winnipeg. Inc. 3. That the City's mill rate remain fixed at the 2006 level of 25.448. 4. A. That the City's business tax rate be set at 7.75% for 2007; and B. That Council extend to 2007 the 15% limit on business tax increases resulting from the 2006 General Assessment. 5. That a transfer from the Fiscal Stabilization Reserve to the General Revenue Fund in the amount of $9 million be approved for one time expenditures, as this amount is in excess of the target for stabilization reserves (10% of tax supported expenditures). 6. That a transfer of $2.936 million from the Workers Compensation Reserve Fund (the fund) to the General Revenue Fund be approved given that, under the authority provided in section 289(4)(a) of the City of Winnipeg Charter, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the amount in the fund is greater than the amount required for the purpose for which the fund was established. 7. That the transfers to/from utility operations and reserves, as well as the	

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		increases in fees and charges outlined in the tax-supported budget submission be approved. 8. That, in accordance with subsection 215(4) of The City of Winnipeg Charter with respect to Special Service Units, authorization be given to the Fleet Management Agency to transfer a portion of the cash and/or accounts under its control to the general revenue fund in the amount of $4.5 million, and that the Fleet Management Agency report back on any financing requirements. 9. A. That under Section 289(1) of The City of Winnipeg Charter, a Permit Reserve Fund be established in order to: i. Mitigate revenue shortfalls in boom/bust cycles. ii. Fund temporary staffing needs during busy periods during the boom/bust cycle. iii. Provide a source of funds for service and system improvements. B. That the Director of Planning, Property and Development be designated as the Reserve Fund Manager and thereby authorized to draw on the Reserve when the approved annual operating budget is insufficient to cover the costs of responding to the needs described above. C. That funds be transferred from the Permit Reserve Fund to the Planning, Property and Development Department to finance: i. Shortfalls in actual permit revenue in the Development and Inspections Division compared to budget in any given year. ii. The cost of additional temporary staff resources, beyond that already identified in the Department's budget, required to respond to annual fluctuations in construction activity in order to provide a consistent level of service. iii. The cost of additional resources, outside the normal budget process, required in order to respond quickly to unanticipated opportunities for service improvements (e.g. Permits X-Press,	

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		Implementation of new Zoning By-law, Red Tape Report). D. That the source of funds for the Permit Reserve Fund be the excess of actual permit revenue in the Development and Inspections Division compared to budget in any given year and that the transfer of any such excess to the Permit Reserve Fund be effective beginning with the 2007 fiscal year. Note: Attachment "B" to the report dated February 21, 2007 from the Director of Planning Property and Development describes the source of revenues as described in the Planning, Development and Building Fees By-law E. That the balance in the Permit Reserve Fund be capped at $3 million and any surplus funds over and above the $3 million cap transferred to the General Revenue Fund. F. That the Director of Planning, Property and Development provide an annual report on expenditures from and the status of the Permit Reserve Fund. 10. That the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-laws to implement the above recommendations. 11. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing, including the execution of any documents related thereto.	
In Camera 262			