STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE

ON INFRASTRUCTURE RENEWAL AND PUBLIC WORKS

MOTIONS

Minute No. 512
Moved by Councillor Clement,
Seconded by Councillor Browaty,

WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg enacted a new Boulevard Maintenance By-law on May 16, 2007;

AND WHEREAS the new Boulevard Maintenance By-law allows property owners to install non-standard boulevard treatments on boulevards adjacent to their properties on residential streets without the need for a permit;

AND WHEREAS there are numerous underground structures, such as utility cables, wires and pipes, located below the surface of boulevards on residential streets;

AND WHEREAS the installation of non-standard boulevard treatments may involve excavating below the surface of boulevards;

AND WHEREAS such excavations could damage underground structures and could result in harm to people and the structures;

AND WHEREAS June and July are the months during which the installation of many non-standard boulevard treatments, such as the planting of flowers and other plants, can be expected to take place;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, in the interests of public safety and the protection of underground structures, the Boulevard Maintenance By-law No. 125/2007 be amended by adding the following immediately after subsection 5(1):

> *5(1.1) Prior to making any excavation in a boulevard, the owner or occupant of property must contact utilities and other owners of underground structures to ensure that no underground structures will be disturbed or damaged by the proposed excavation.*

The Speaker ruled automatic referral to the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works.

Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works – Motions (continued)

Moved by Councillor Clement,

That the rules be suspended to allow consideration of the motion at this time.

Carried

The motion was put and declared carried.