THE CITY OF WINNIPEG

BY-LAW NO. 180/2007

A By-law of THE CITY OF WINNIPEG to establish The Winnipeg Police Advisory Board and provide for the appointment of its members.

THE CITY OF WINNIPEG, in Council assembled, enacts as follows:

1. This by-law may be referred to as the "Winnipeg Police Advisory Board By-law".

2. In this by-law:

"Board" means The Winnipeg Police Advisory Board established by this by-law;

"Citizen" means a person, other than a member of Council, who is a resident of The City of Winnipeg;

"Council" means the Council of The City of Winnipeg.

Establishment of The Winnipeg Police Advisory Board and Its Duties

3.(1) There is hereby established a board to be known as "The Winnipeg Police Advisory Board" which shall have such duties as hereinafter provided.

(2) The Board shall advise Council through the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services on:

(a) annual Police Service business plans and their performance targets related to crime prevention and enhancement of neighbourhood safety;

(b) effectiveness of the Police Service in deployment of resources and tactics in crime prevention and neighbourhood safety efforts, both as a measure of achievement of annual business plan targets and as a value for money function of budget allocations made by City Council;

(c) effectiveness of the Police Service in their efforts to liaise with community groups;

(d) effectiveness of the Police Service in reporting regularly to the public on crime trends and occurrences in all districts of the City;

(e) response by the Chief of Police to findings under The Law Enforcement Review Act related to accusations of police misconduct;

(f) such other similar or related issues as they are directed to report on by the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services.

(3) For greater certainty the Board shall not consider or advise on:

(a) The Law Enforcement Review Act and citizen complaints during the investigative and hearing process;

(b) ongoing criminal investigations or public inquiries;

(c) Winnipeg Police Service personnel matters;

(d) Winnipeg Police Service budget development.

Composition of The Board and Term

4.(1) The Board shall be composed of 7 to 10 members which shall include the Chair of the Board and the Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services, all to be appointed by Council.

(2) The citizen members of the Board shall be appointed for an initial term of office as follows:

(a) where there is an even number of citizen members on the Board, one-half shall be appointed for a 2 year term and one-half shall be appointed for a 3 year term; or

(b) where there is an odd number of citizen members on the Board, a bare majority shall be appointed for a 3 year term and the remaining members shall be appointed for a 2 year term.

Citizen members shall be selected to provide a balance of skills on the Board which may include expertise in financial/audit, law, public safety/research or community safety.

(3) Upon expiry of the initial term of office described in subsection (2) citizen members shall thereafter be appointed by Council, following consultation with the Board's Chair, for terms of 3 years commencing from the respective expiry dates.

(4) All citizen nominees to the Board must pass background security checks.

(5) All Board members shall sign declarations agreeing to confidentiality and that they have no conflict of interest regarding matters within the Board's jurisdiction.

(6) Where a member resigns or is otherwise unable to carry out and complete his or her term of office, Council may appoint a person to complete the reminder of that term.

(7) Each citizen member of the Board shall be eligible to serve no more than 2 additional renewal terms of 3 years each.

Meetings

5.(1) The Board shall hold monthly meetings, with at least 2 per year being open to the public and the remainder being in camera.

(2) In addition, the Board shall hold an annual meeting to solicit community input on public safety issues and priorities.

(3) The Board may hold other meetings at the call of the Chair.

(4) The Board may make rules and regulations to govern its own procedure.

(5) The Winnipeg Police Service shall appoint a senior representative as an administrative liaison to the Board who shall:

(a) attend all Board meetings;

(b) co-ordinate with the Chief of Police and others in the Winnipeg Police Service, to determine, if required, which representatives from the Winnipeg Police Service should attend Board meetings;

(c) provide such information as is requested by the Board for matters within its jurisdiction.

(6) The Chair of the Board may request the attendance of the Chief of Police at Board meetings to discuss particular agenda items.

Reporting

6.(1) The Board shall prepare an annual work plan which shall be submitted to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services each January for approval.

(2) At the end of each year, the Board shall issue an annual report to Council, through the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services, which shall include a summary of the Board's activities for the year, significant findings, and recommendations for consideration.

(3) In addition, the Board may, in its discretion, report to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services at any time throughout the year.

Budget and Support Staff

7.(1) The Board shall prepare an annual budget for consideration by Council, which shall provide annual operating funds in an amount to be determined by Council.

(2) Within the budget approved by Council, the Board may hire such persons as it deems appropriate.

(3) The City Clerk's Office shall provide a clerk to prepare minutes for each Board meeting and to provide procedural advice.

Remuneration

8. Members of the Board, other than the Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services, shall be paid the following remuneration for time spent in attendance at meetings of the Board, including the annual meeting:

(a) Chair of the Board: $150.00 for the first 4 hours or portion thereof, plus $37.50 per hour for each subsequent hour or portion thereof;

(b) Other members: $100.00 for the first 4 hours or portion thereof, plus $25.00 per hour for each subsequent hour or portion thereof.

DONE AND PASSED, in Council assembled, this day of , 2007.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

Approved:

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Chief Administrative Officer

Certified as to form:

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City Solicitor/Manager of
Legal Services