CAPITAL BUDGET REVIEW

Minute No. 81 Access Advisory Committee – City-Wide Accessibility Program
File CR-3

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee received as information the November 13, 2007 recommendation of the Access Advisory Committee inasmuch as additional funding for the City-Wide Accessibility Program has been included in the Executive Policy Committee recommendation to Council.

(See Minute 85)

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor O'Shaughnessy,

That the November 13, 2007 recommendation of the Access Advisory Committee be received as information inasmuch as additional funding for the City-Wide Accessibility Program has been included in the Executive Policy Committee recommendation to Council.

Carried

ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On November 13, 2007, the Access Advisory Committee passed the following motion, namely:

WHEREAS the Accessibility Program was established by City Council in December 2002 in order to address accessibility issues in City of Winnipeg existing infrastructure and built environments;

AND WHEREAS funding for this program has remained at the level of $250,000.00 since its inception;

AND WHEREAS the applications for funding are as high as four times the funding available since 2005;

AND WHEREAS construction costs in Winnipeg have escalated at a rate of more than 20% per year since 2005;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Access Advisory Committee requests that the Capital Budget funding for the Accessibility Program be increased to $350,000.00 for each of the next 5 years starting in 2008.