Winnipeg

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE
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DECEMBER 12, 2007

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

COMMITTEE CLERK: Jo-Ann I. Park, Manager of the Decision Making Process
City Clerk's Department

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		DELEGATIONS	
57	Cindy Tugwell, Executive Director, Heritage Winnipeg Corporation		See Minute 64
		REPORTS	
58	Special Grant - Tim Hortons Brier - The Canadian Men's Curling Championships Minute 8, SPC Finance, 2007 12 04 FG-1.1(T)	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Finance and recommends to Council: 1. That a grant of up to a combined value of $200,000.00 of services in-kind and cash be approved to the 2008 Tim Hortons Brier - The Canadian Men's Curling Championship. 2. That the source of funding for the grant to the 2008 Tim Hortons Brier be the anticipated year-end surplus in the 2007 General Reserve Fund. 3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	Manager of the Decision Making Process
59	Overview of Winnipeg Housing Homelessness Initiative Item 4, WHSC, 2007 07 17 EX	The Executive Policy Committee laid the matter over for thirty (30) days.	Chief Administrative Officer Acting Director of Planning, Property and Development
60	City Council Benefits Board – Appointments Report 2007 11 28 GC-2.3	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and recommends to Council: 1. That Glenda Willis be appointed to the City Council Benefits Board for a three-year term ending December, 2010. 2. That the appointment of David Laird to the City Council Benefits Board be extended for a further three year term ending December, 2010. 3. That the Speaker of Council be appointed as its designate to the City Council Benefits Board for a three year term ending December, 2010. 4. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	Manager of the Decision Making Process

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61	Red Tape Commission, Recommendation 11 – Improve Service and Convenience for Building Permit Purchasers in the Non-Professional Home-Renovation Market Report 2007 11 30 EB-1.4	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service, namely: 1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to do all things necessary to implement the following as outlined in the report from the Acting Director of Planning, Property and Development dated November 30, 2007, in order to improve service and convenience for building permit purchasers in the non-professional home renovation market, consistent with the intent of Recommendation 11 of the Red Tape Commission Report: • that a more 'customer-friendly' permits website be developed that is easier for the less informed 'homeowner' customer to navigate and understand • that the City of Winnipeg establish a presence in participating retail building supply stores to increase awareness of permit requirements • that homeowners be permitted to apply for required home renovation permits on-line, starting with permits for basement renovations • that for qualifying applications, home renovation permits be sent to the homeowner electronically upon approval.	Acting Director of Planning, Property and Development
62	Red Tape Commission, Recommendation 9 – Certified Professional Program Report 2007 12 07 GG-5	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service, namely: 1. That a phased approach to implementing Red Tape Recommendation 9: Establish a Certified Professional Program be adopted, with Phase I to be implemented in 2008. Work will continue to develop subsequent phases, along with Legal Services, industry and related Departments, including identification of any necessary amendments to The City of Winnipeg Charter or other provincial legislation, for proposed implementation in 2009 and 2010.	Acting Director of Planning, Property and Development c. City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services Chief, Fire & Paramedic Service Director of Community Services Director of Public Works Director of Water and Waste

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63	Red Tape Commission, Recommendation 3 – Doing Business in Winnipeg By-law Report 2007 12 07 EL	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and recommends to Council: 1. That the principles upon which a new Doing Business in Winnipeg By-law will be based, as proposed within the report from the Director of Community Services, Fire Paramedic Chief, Acting Chief of Police and Acting Director of Planning, Property and Development dated December 7, 2007, be adopted. 2. That based on the principles contained in the said report, the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to prepare a Doing Business in Winnipeg By-law, including a new fee structure, to come into force on June 1, 2008 and report back to Council with same by April 2008. 3. That The City of Winnipeg License By-law No. 6551/95 be repealed, effective June 1, 2008 (the date the new Doing Business in Winnipeg By-law comes into effect). 4. That minor modifications to existing By-laws to facilitate enforcement and accommodate the new Doing Business in Winnipeg By-law be enacted at the same time, including: A. repealing The Meat and Poultry By-law No. 3354/83 and The Milk and Dairy Products By-law No. 3218/82 and consolidating any relevant provisions of those into The Food Services Establishment By-law No. 5160/89; B. adding requirements for Wood Energy Technology Transfer (WETT) Certificates currently imposed under the License By-law, to The Fire Prevention By-law No. 150/2004. 5. That as transition measures: A. The City enact the by-law to repeal the business license requirements under The City of Winnipeg License By-law No. 6551/95 for hawkers, and plant stalls (renewable on January 1) effective January 1, 2008 (Appendix A); and	Manager of the Decision Making Process

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		B. Business licenses issued under The City of Winnipeg License By-law No. 6551/95 that are subsisting at the time the new Doing Business in Winnipeg By-law takes effect will be recognized as valid until their expiry date (This will only effect mobile food vendors and rooming houses as their license renewals are due on January 1). 6. That all remaining business licensing requirements be contained within the Doing Business in Winnipeg By-law rather than through a conditional occupancy permit issued under the Winnipeg Building By-law, as identified in Red Tape Recommendation 3.4. 7. That Recommendations 3.5 and 3.6 (consolidation of fire, police and public health inspection processes) be addressed during the course of the by-law enforcement consolidation review currently underway. 8. That the Standing Policy Committee on Finance review license fees 18 months after implementation to ensure that the fees in the new system substantially achieve the goal of cost-recovery. 9. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	
64	104 King Street, Ryan Building – Options for Consideration Report 2007 12 10 G-3.1.1	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and recommends to Council: 1. That subject to an executed Development Agreement: A. That a grant be approved in the amount of $1.5 Million for the re-development of 104 King Street to ensure the two principal facades of the former Ryan Block are preserved while incorporating the construction of an approximately 186 stall parkade including 8000 sq. ft. of main floor retail space. B. That a Heritage Conservation Tax Credit be approved in an amount equivalent to the incremental municipal portion of realty and business tax paid annually in respect of the subject property over a period not exceeding 21 years and in a total amount not exceeding $800,000.00.	Manager of the Decision Making Process

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		C. That the Heritage Investment Reserve be approved as a source of funding. D. That the Acting Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to finalize and approve the terms and conditions of all agreements required to implement matters as approved by Council including security arrangements such as mortgages to the extent deemed necessary by the Acting Chief Administrative Officer. 2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	

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		STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS	
65	Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development Report dated November 30, 2007	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation for Item 1 of the Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development and forwarded the item to Council.	Manager of the Decision Making Process
66 - 77	Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development Report dated November 27, 2007	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendations for Items 1 to 12 of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development and forwarded the items to Council.	Manager of the Decision Making Process
78	Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services Report dated December 3, 2007	The Executive Policy Committee laid over Item 1 of the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services to a special meeting at the call of the Chairperson.	Manager of the Decision Making Process
79	Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works Report dated December 4, 2007	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation for Item 1 of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works and forwarded the item to Council.	Manager of the Decision Making Process
	Standing Policy Committee on Finance Report dated December 4, 2007	No report	Nil
		CAPITAL BUDGET REVIEW	
80	Legion Memorial Park - Parking Lot Redevelopment Minute 144, ASSIN CC, 2007 10 16 PR-7(31)	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the October 16, 2007 recommendation of the Assiniboia Community Committee regarding the Legion Memorial Park - Parking Lot Redevelopment Project, inasmuch as there are other sources of funding available to Community Committees for park development. (See Minute 85)	Nil
81	Access Advisory Committee - Accessibility Program Funding Minute 70, AAC, 2007 11 13 CR-3	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)	Nil
82	Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development -Preliminary 2008 Annual Capital Budget - 2009 to 2013 Five-Year Capital Forecast Recommendation Minute 4, SPC PD, 2007 11 27 FC(2008)	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the November 27, 2007 recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development pertaining to the Preliminary 2008 Annual Capital Budget and the 2009 to 2013 Five-Year Capital Forecast, inasmuch as the Standing Policy Committee recommendation has been incorporated into the Executive Policy Committee recommendation to Council. (See Minute 85)	Nil

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83	Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services - Preliminary 2008 Annual Capital Budget and the 2009 to 2013 Five-Year Capital Forecast Recommendation Minute 5, SPC PCS, 2007 12 03 FC(2008)	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the December 3, 2007, recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services pertaining to the Preliminary 2008 Annual Capital Budget and the 2009 to 2013 Five-Year Capital Forecast, inasmuch as the Standing Policy Committee recommended approval as submitted. (See Minute 85)	Nil
84	Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works - Preliminary 2008 Annual Capital Budget and the 2009 to 2013 Five-Year Capital Forecast Recommendation Minute 13, SPC IRPW, 2007 12 04 FC(2008)	The Executive Policy Committee did not concur in the December 4, 2007 recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works to reinstate the upgrade of Panet Road / Molson Street Widening from Munroe Avenue to Kimberly Avenue in the 2008 Annual Capital Budget. (See Minute 85)	Nil
85	Executive Policy Committee – Final Recommendation - Preliminary 2008 Annual Capital Budget and the 2009 to 2013 Five-Year Capital Forecast FC (2008)	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the Preliminary 2008 Annual Capital Budget and the 2009 to 2013 Five-Year Capital Forecast, as amended, and recommends to Council: 1. A. That the 2008 Capital Budget totalling $421,499,000.00, requiring borrowing authority totalling $40,688,000.00 for the Sewer System and Local Improvements, as tabled at the Executive Policy Committee meeting on November 22, 2007, and amended by Recommendation No. 2, be approved. B. That the 2009 to 2013 Five Year Capital Forecast, as tabled at the Executive Policy Committee meeting on November 22, 2007, and amended by Recommendation No. 2, be approved. 2. That the following changes be made to the 2008 Capital Budget and the 2009 to 2013 Five Year Capital Forecast tabled at the Executive Policy Committee meeting on November 22, 2007: A. That the funds provided in the Land Acquisition – Riverbank Account be transferred to the Riverbank Greenway Programs (formerly Pathways) to allow flexibility in utilization of the funds for other projects, on the understanding that there are alternative methods of funding the acquisition of riverbank properties including from the Land Acquisition for General Unspecified Purposes account.	Manager of the Decision Making Process

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		B. That funding for the City-Wide Accessibility Program be increased by $100,000.00 (from $250,000.00 to $350,000.00) for 2008, sourced from the 2008 Local Street Renewals (Various Locations) and that the $100,000 funding increase for future years be referred to the 2009 Capital Budget Process. C. That funding in the amount of $500,000.00 be added for Active Transportation Corridors, with expenditures subject to Council approval of priorities after the active transportation plan is developed in early 2008, sourced by $250,000.00 from the 2008 Lane Renewals (Various Locations) and the 2008 Granular Roadway Improvements, and that the funding for future years be referred to the 2009 Capital Budget Process. 3. That, in recognition of the recent extension of the Federal Gas Tax Funding, lease payments on tax supported public private partnerships be funded annually up to a maximum of 30% of the cash to capital contribution in the Operating Budget and the Federal Gas Tax. 4. That the Public Service pursue the Private Public Partnership opportunities as presented in the Capital Budget/Forecast and undertake appropriate due diligence to make recommendation on this approach to Council for each project. 5. That the tax supported cash to capital contribution be as follows: Year — $Millions 2008 — 61.478 2009 — 63.478 2010 — 65.478 2011 — 67.478	

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		2012 69.478 2013 71.478 6. That the City work with the Province on project selection for funding under the Manitoba/Winnipeg Infrastructure Program (MWIP) and the Provincial funding for road improvement projects from priorities included in the City's Capital Budget. 7. That the City work with the Province to finalize the necessary agreement(s) for the extension of the Federal Gas Tax Funding beyond 2009. 8. That $10.5 million in prior years' tax supported capital surplus identified in the recent capital review be transferred to fund such 2008 tax supported capital projects in the 2008 Capital Budget as the Chief Financial Officer may approve. 9. That all other transfers from utility operations, reserves and other funds outlined in the Capital Budget be approved, with cash flows to be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. 10. That the City request that the Province of Manitoba and the Government of Canada enter into a new multi-year cost-sharing agreement to fund sewer and wastewater treatment projects resulting from the Clean Environment Commission recommendations of August 2003, in compliance with the Clean Environment Commission's Recommendation 15 of their Report, which states that: "…the estimated costs to upgrade Winnipeg's wastewater collection and treatment systems to achieve a better level of treatment and thereby improve water quality constitute a significant cost burden to a municipal level of government. Municipal governments have many competing priorities for funding and do not have access to the growth revenues of provincial and federal governments… The commission believes that the senior levels of government should assist with the cost of achieving improved nutrient management and other water quality enhancement measures. Ideally, the funding	

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		formula of one-third municipal, one-third provincial and one-third federal should be used." *(Manitoba Clean Environment Commission, Better Treatment: Taking Action to Improve Water Quality, August, 2003, Recommendation 15, Page 60)* 11. That the Chief Financial Officer, in conjunction with the Director of Water and Waste, be delegated the authority to redistribute capital financing sources (reserve, retained earnings, other government funding) for the Water Treatment Plant and environmental projects, prior to utilizing debt financing in order to ensure the most effective timing and use of funding. The total debt authorizations and approved funding levels are not to be exceeded. 12. That the Chief Financial Officer be given the authority to redistribute federal gas tax revenue, cash to capital, and other financing sources as sources of financing for approved capital projects, provided the total approved financing is not exceeded, to ensure the most effective use of federal gas tax revenues and any other financing sources. 13. That the fund manager of the Federal Gas Tax Revenue Reserve be changed to the Director of Public Works effective January 1, 2008. 14. That Council's policy be amended with respect to back lanes and granular surface roadways to the extent necessary to accomplish the priority renewal and rehabilitation programs as outlined in this budget for 2008; and, that Council undertake to review local improvement policies and requirements relating to roads, back lanes and similar infrastructure needs before year end 2008 and consider proposals for potential reform. 15. That budgeted expenditures for the Public Safety Building Recladding project, related "decanting" projects, and the Identification Unit - Forensic Services project be subject to review by the Chief Financial Officer to examine alternatives including (but not limited to) recladding strategies, and/or the construction of a new facility financed partly by offsetting reductions in space leased by the Police Service, and cancellations of related decanting projects.	

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		16. That, before March 31, 2008, the Acting Chief Administrative Officer report to the Standing Policy Committee on Finance on: A. The use of alternative forms of financing for city infrastructure, including tax increment financing, where this would generate a specific and significant tax benefit to the City as a direct result of completing the financed project(s); and B. An appropriate process by which such projects could be introduced as an amendment to the 2008 Capital Budget, and/or included in future budgets. 17. That the City Solicitor/Manager of legal Services be requested to submit the necessary borrowing by-law directly to Council. 18. 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.	
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