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Item No. 2 Landfill Tipping Fees
File WT-3

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works and submits the following to Council:

1. That the Council Motion of December 19, 2007, be filed inasmuch as tipping fees are to be addressed in the 2008 Operating Budget.

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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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Clement,

That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works be concurred in and forwarded to Council.

Carried

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On February 5, 2008, the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works recommended that the Council Motion of December 19, 2007, be filed inasmuch as tipping fees are to be addressed in the 2008 Operating Budget, and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

On January 8, 2008, the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works referred the Council Motion of December 19, 2007 to the Winnipeg Public Service for report back on how the current landfill tipping fees have been determined.

COUNCIL DECISION:

On December 19, 2007, Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works:

Moved by Councillor Swandel,
Seconded by Councillor Steeves,

WHEREAS Winnipeg has among the lowest landfill tipping fees in the country;

AND WHEREAS higher tipping fees should cause an increase in commercial recycling thus diverting material from the landfill and thereby reducing greenhouse gasses;

AND WHEREAS increased tipping fees could be used to offset a Business tax reduction;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT increased tipping fees be referred to the 2008 Operating budget process for consideration.