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Item No. 6 Green Building Policy
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The following resolution is submitted to the Executive Policy Committee for consideration, namely:

WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg is committed to demonstrating environmental leadership by reducing its corporate greenhouse gas emissions;

AND WHEREAS our civic buildings account for nearly 1/3 of our corporate emissions;

AND WHEREAS "Green Buildings" are high performance buildings that use less energy than traditional buildings, increase water efficiency and can reduce operating costs by up to 60%;

AND WHEREAS "Green Buildings" on average have construction costs premiums of 2% over conventional buildings;

AHD WHEREAS implementing a Green Building Policy can create healthier work environments and can reduce corporate energy use and GHG emissions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to develop a Green Building Policy that includes, but is not necessarily limited to:

- Demonstration of anticipated cost savings through the implementation of a life-cycle costing model;
- Provisions to ensure that all new City buildings will be built to the LEED silver standard or an equivalent;
- Anticipated emission reductions as a result of its implementation.