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Item No. 1 New Fire Station in the Southeast Quadrant of Winnipeg
File GF-1

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On November 12, 2008, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Finance and submits the following to Council:

1. That the Council Motion of October 22, 2008 be referred to the existing review process, for report back to the appropriate committee of Council.

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:

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On November 12, 2008, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Finance and submitted the matter to Council.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On November 6, 2008, the Standing Policy Committee on Finance recommended that the Council Motion of October 22, 2008 be referred to the existing review process, for report back to the appropriate committee of Council, and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

Further n November 6, 2008, the Standing Policy Committee on Finance received from Alex Forrest, President, United Fire Fighters of Winnipeg, a presentation dated November 6, 2008 in support of funding for the construction of a new fire station in the southeast quadrant of Winnipeg.

COUNCIL DECISION:

On October 22, 2008, Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Standing Policy Committee on Finance:

Moved by Councillor Vandal,
Seconded by Councillor Smith,

WHEREAS the population and geographic growth in the southeast quadrant of the city are amongst the fastest in Winnipeg;

AND WHEREAS the current response times for fire and paramedic services for the residential homes who are located in the southeast quadrant of the City of Winnipeg are well below national safety standards;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT funding for the construction of a new Fire station in the southeast quadrant be approved in the 2009 Capital budget.