Minutes - Executive Policy Committee - March 5, 2003

REPORTS

Minute No. 115 Preliminary 2003 Capital Budget
File FC (2003)

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE DECISION:

The Executive Policy Committee referred the Preliminary 2003 Capital Estimates to the following budget process timetable, namely:

- March 6 to 21, 2003 - Standing Policy Committees to review the estimates
- March 24, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. - Special Meeting of Executive Policy Committee to hear public delegations
- March 25, 2003 at 1:30 p.m. - Special Meeting of Executive Policy Committee to table final recommendations
- March 28, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. - Special Council Meeting for review and adoption

Further, the Executive Policy Committee received the recommendation from the East Kildonan - Transcona Community Committee as information.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Playground Equipment Replacement Program
PR-1. (Vol. 3)

Further, the Executive Policy Committee referred the following motion to the 2003 Preliminary Capital estimates for consideration, namely:

> That the Administration review and identify the specific requirements for playground equipment replacement on a Ward-by-Ward basis, noting any new playground equipment that has been installed on City property, including Community Clubs.
>
> That the administration meet with each of the Ward Councillors to determine the need and priority for replacing the playground equipment;
>
> That the administration bring forth within 60 days for Council's approval program criteria for the ongoing replacement of playground equipment in City-owned parks facilities;
>
> That $450,000 ($30,000 per Ward) be identified in the 2003 Capital Budget to begin this program in 2003.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Clement,

That the Executive Policy Committee refer the Preliminary 2003 Capital Estimates to the budget process.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Angus,

WHEREAS the Executive Policy Committee has tabled its 2003 Preliminary Capital Budget at its meeting of March 5, 2003;

AND WHEREAS the Public Works Department has identified that of the approximately 476 city-owned park sites containing play equipment (i.e. play structures, swings, climbing apparatus etc) twenty-three percent (23%) or 106 sites are in poor condition and replacement is recommended;

AND WHEREAS this total does not include all the joint use school sites that we currently inspect and maintain. Installations at most of these sites are/were funded by residents associations.

AND WHEREAS a playground-funding program should first and foremost direct resources to neighborhoods parks on city property. The Community Incentive Grant Program (CIGP) already covers school division playgrounds and numerous Parent/School groups make use of this funding and city owned park sites are not eligible for the CIGP program;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Administration review and identify the specific requirements for playground equipment replacement on a Ward-by-Ward basis, noting any new playground equipment that has been installed on City property, including Community Clubs.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the administration meet with each of the Ward Councillors to determine the need and priority for replacing the playground equipment;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the administration bring forth within sixty (60) days for Council's approval program criteria for the ongoing replacement of playground equipment in City-owned parks facilities;

AND BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that $450,000.00 ($30,000.00 per Ward) be identified in the 2003 Capital Budget to begin this program in 2003.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Eadie,

That Rule 9.3 of the Procedure By-law be suspended in order that the following item, which was received too late to be placed on the regular agenda, be considered by Committee.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Eadie,

That the recommendation from the East Kildonan - Transcona Community Committee be received as information.

Carried

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On February 18, 2003, the East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee recommended to the Executive Policy Committee that the Annual Capital Estimates and the Five Year Capital Forecast be referred to Community Committee for consideration.