STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON

INFRASTRUCTURE RENEWAL AND PUBLIC WORKS

MOTIONS

Minute No. 236
Moved by Councillor Gerbasi,
Seconded by Councillor Orlikow,

WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg has one of the lowest waste diversion rates in Canada when compared to other major cities;

AND WHEREAS it is widely acknowledged that a series of separate responses to expiring waste and recycling contracts is no substitute for systematic planning;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct the Public Service to develop a city-wide waste reduction plan in consultation with the public. This plan should consider all options for reducing waste including curbside organics pickup as well as bi-weekly collection schedules for some materials and include an early and orderly implementation schedule.

Automatic Referral to the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law

Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works – Motions (continued):

Minute No. 237
Moved by Councillor Wyatt,
Seconded by Councillor Lazarenko,

WHEREAS Active Transportation has become an important part of urban life with growing public use and support;

AND WHEREAS Winnipeg is a winter city which creates special challenges for active transportation by way of snow removal and ice control and that the existing city policy does not provide for the removal of snow from all pathways and this greatly limits the ability for the public to enjoy these important amenities that improve our quality of life;

AND WHEREAS Winnipeg now removes snow on some multi-use active transportation corridors, but does not remove snow and conduct ice control on walkways/paths within community parks;

AND WHEREAS funds have not been included in past budgets nor in the 2010 Preliminary Operating Budget for the removal of snow and ice control for both multi-use active transportation corridors or single use active transportation, such as walkways within community parks;

AND WHEREAS the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works voted on March 1, 2004 to add $200,000 to the 2004 Operating Budget for snow clearing of walkways within parks, but the recommendation was not included in the final budget adopted by Council;

AND WHEREAS the public service now estimates the cost of amending the Snow Clearing and Ice Control Policy to include snow clearing for walkways within parks and all multi-use active transportation pathways to be approximately $500,000.00

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council amend both the Snow Clearing and Ice Control Policy and the 2010 Preliminary Operating Budget to include $500,000.00 for the purpose of ensuring walkways within parks and all multi-use A.T. pathways have snow removal service.

Automatic Referral to the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law