Minutes – Executive Policy Committee – March 14, 2011

DELEGATIONS

Minute No. 177
The following persons were heard with respect to the Preliminary 2011 Operating Budget and Financial Plans for 2012 and 2013:

- Councillor R. Eadie, Chairperson, accompanied by Louis Gaudry and Shannon Keys, Members of the Access Advisory Committee, were heard in support of one-time funding to support training for the implementation of the Universal Design Policy and Accessibility Design Standards.

- Councillor R. Eadie, Mynarski Ward, was heard with respect to various components of the Preliminary 2011 Operating Budget, including referencing the increase in frontage levies vs. an increase in the mill rate.

- Councillor J. Gerbasi, Fort Rouge-East Fort Garry Ward, was heard with respect to various components of the Preliminary 2011 Operating Budget, including the Standing Committee recommendation to reallocate housing program funding, in support of funding to continue the Downtown Winnipeg BIZ Outreach Patrol program, in support of the Access Advisory Committee recommendation for funding to support training for the implementation of the Universal Design Policy and Accessibility Design Standards, and with respect to increases to frontage levies vs. the property tax rate.

- Councillor H. Smith, Daniel McIntyre Ward, in support of a funding increase for the library materials budget.

- Janet McLeod, Director of Development and Diane Doth, Executive Director, Manitoba Children's Museum, was heard and submitted documentation in support of additional operating funding for the Museum's Free2Play Access Program. (See Submission No. 1)

- Greg Unger, Executive Director and Nick Gammond, Volunteer, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Winnipeg, were heard and submitted documentation in support of annual grant funding in the amount of $50,000. (See Submission No. 2)

- Cindy Tugwell, Executive Director, Heritage Winnipeg Corporation, was heard and submitted documentation in support of an increase in the amount $2,400 to the Corporation's annual grant. (See Submission No. 3)

DELEGATIONS (continued)

- Nicole Matiation, Executive Director, Dennis Sinclair, Aboriginal Initiative Coordinator and Claudia Garcia de la Huerta, Programs Manager, On Screen Manitoba, were heard and submitted documentation in support of a three-year annual fellowship with the City of Winnipeg to help Aboriginal Talent within the Winnipeg production community. (See Submission No. 4)

- Gary Solar, Secretary, Manitoba Salutes Program, was heard and submitted documentation, including a video presentation, in support of financial assistance in the amount of $15,000 for The Military Heritage of Manitoba and its events held in the City of Winnipeg. (See Submission No. 5)

- Moti Shojania, Chairperson, Laird Rankin, Vice Chairperson and Carol A. Phillips, Executive Director, from the Winnipeg Arts Council Inc., were heard and submitted documentation, including its 2011 Business Plan, recommending an increase of $150,000 in operating funding so as to maintain the level of support at $4,182,552. (See Submission No. 6)

- Stefano Grande, Executive Director, Downtown Winnipeg Business Improvement Zone, was heard and submitted documentation in support of a funding increase of $100,000 to continue the Downtown Winnipeg BIZ Outreach Patrol program. (See Submission No. 7)

- Rita Burgess, Chairperson, Winnipeg Public Library Board, was heard in support of additional annual funding of $25,000 for the library materials budget.

- Ron Mark, Executive Director, Winnipeg Santa Claus Parade, was heard and submitted documentation in support of one-time grant funding in the amount of $10,000 as bridge financing to help further enact the Vision Statement for the Winnipeg Santa Claus Parade. (See Submission No. 8)

- David Sanders, Senior Consultant, Altus Group Realty Tax Consulting was heard and submitted documentation in opposition to filing fees for Reality and Business Assessment Appeals. (See Submission No. 9)

- Elaine Bishop, North Point Douglas Women's Centre was heard and submitted documentation in support of grant funding in the amount of $50,000 to help support services addressing the recreational and safety needs of the North Point Douglas community. (See Submission No. 10)

DELEGATIONS (continued)

- Kemlin Nembhard, Executive Director and Glen Koroluk, Community Housing and Grants Coordinator, Daniel McIntyre/St. Matthews Community Association, were heard with respect to the City continuing to invest in housing in the Inner City to ensure long term stability.

- Karen Cook, Organization Development Manager, Manitoba Urban Native Housing Association, was heard and submitted documentation in support of the Manitoba Urban Native Housing Association program and in opposition to the recommendation to reduce funding in the Housing Rehabilitation Investment Reserve. (See Submission No. 11)

- Don Miedema, Housing Coordinator, Robin Falk, Co-Executive Director, Susan Radstrom, Community Member, Spence Neighbourhood Association, were heard and submitted documentation in opposition to the recommendation to reduce funding in the Housing Rehabilitation Investment Reserve. (See Submission No. 12)

- Dave Sauer, President, Winnipeg Labour Council, was heard and submitted documentation in opposition to the level of funding allocated for the maintenance of the City's physical inventory of infrastructure and the proposed increase to recreation user fees. (See Submission No. 13)

- Clark Browley, Right to Housing Coalition, was heard and submitted documentation in opposition to the recommendation to reduce funding in the Housing Rehabilitation Investment Reserve. (See Submission No. 14)

- Dorota Blumcxynska, Executive Director, and Muuxi Adma, After School Program Coordinator, Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization of Manitoba Inc., were heard and submitted documentation in support of an increase of $61,000 in operating funding for their After School Program. (See Submission No. 15)

Moved by Deputy Mayor Swandel,

That Rule 51(1) of The Procedure By-law No. 50/2007 be suspended to allow Mike Sutherland, Winnipeg Police Association to address the Committee.

Carried

- Mike Sutherland, President, Winnipeg Police Association, was heard with respect to funding to continue the Downtown Winnipeg BIZ Outreach Patrol program and in support of increased funding for the Cadet Program.

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DELEGATIONS (continued)

The following submissions have been received with respect to the Preliminary 2011 Operating Budget and Financial Plans for 2012 and 2013:

1. Manitoba Children's Museum
2. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Winnipeg
3. Heritage Winnipeg Corporation
4. On Screen Manitoba
5. Manitoba Salutes Program
6. Winnipeg Arts Council Inc.
7. Downtown Winnipeg Business Improvement Zone
8. Winnipeg Santa Claus Parade
9. Altus Group Realty Tax Consulting
10. North Point Douglas Women's Centre
11. Manitoba Urban Native Housing Association
12. Spence Neighbourhood Association
13. Winnipeg Labour Council
14. Right to Housing Coalition
15. Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization of Manitoba Inc.

Moved by Councillor Fielding,

That the delegations and presentations pertaining to the 2011 Operating Budget and Financial Plans for 2012 and 2013, be received as information and that the matters brought forward be referred to the Operating Budget deliberations by the Executive Policy Committee on March 16, 2011.

Carried