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Item No. 3 Bed Bug Infestations – Public Information

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

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COUNCIL DECISION:

On March 23, 2011, Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services:

Moved by Councillor Smith,
Seconded by Councillor Wyatt,

WHEREAS bed bugs have become an increasing concern in the City of Winnipeg and citizens have a growing anxiety regarding both increased incidents of infestation as well as the high rate of transferability;

AND WHEREAS, in 2010, bed bug related complaints to the City's Community By-Law Enforcement Service went up by 30%, to more than 500 complaints;

AND WHEREAS bed bugs are not exclusive to any one area or group of people;

AND WHEREAS, to properly protect themselves and their homes, members of the public must know where bed bug infestations have occurred and where they have been declared eradicated;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City's Community Services Department develop a policy to inform the public fully where bed bug infestations have occurred and have been dealt with.