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Item No. 4 The 2005 Winnipeg Juno Awards Bid Committee
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EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On April 23, 2003, the Executive Policy Committee passed a motion and recommend to Council:

WHEREAS The City of Winnipeg has an opportunity to support the 2005 Winnipeg Juno Awards Bid Committee at the Canadian Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences (CARAS) Board Meeting to be held April 29, 2003, in their official bid to host The Juno Awards in Winnipeg in April 2005;

AND WHEREAS The Juno Awards attracts approximately 1000 music industry professionals from musicians, record company executives and associations from across Canada;

AND WHEREAS the televised Juno Awards would be held at The True North Centre with a live audience of 12,000 expected to shine the spotlight on Winnipeg's cultural and social life;

AND WHEREAS the 2005 Winnipeg Juno Awards Bid Committee is asking for a cash commitment from all three levels of government (The City of Winnipeg, The Province of Manitoba and The Federal Government) in the amount of $275,000.00 each, which is consistent with the commitments made by other host organizations in other provinces;

AND WHEREAS this contribution by The City of Winnipeg is deemed desirable as it will support economic and cultural development;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that subject to the success of the 2005 Winnipeg Juno Awards Bid Committee being awarded the 2005 Juno Awards, and subject to payment of matching funds by the other levels of government, The City of Winnipeg approve a grant to The Manitoba Film and Sound Recording Development Corporation in the amount of $275,000.00, and that funds be identified in the 2004-2005 operating budgets.