EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

MOTIONS

Minute No. 408
Moved by His Worship Mayor Katz,
Seconded by Councillor Browaty,

WHEREAS the Infrastructure Funding Council (IFC) report was submitted to the Executive Policy Committee on May 18, 2011, indicating that new sources of revenues are required to address the existing infrastructure deficit of $3.8B and estimated strategic infrastructure deficit of $3.6B over the next 10 years;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Canada rebates 100% of GST to The City of Winnipeg;

AND WHEREAS the IFC estimated that the current PST rebate to the City of Winnipeg would amount for $10.5M;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg received $41M from Gas Tax Fund, which was made permanent by the Government of Canada in 2008;

AND WHEREAS the IFC concluded that the Federal Gas Tax Fund should be indexed to reflect the population growth and the growth in the economy;

AND WHEREAS the IFC report indicated that a 1 point share of the existing 7% PST, over and above 2011 budget re-allocation, should be dedicated to municipal infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS the Building Canada Fund expires in 2014, which jeopardizes the future of Council endorsed infrastructure projects;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT City Council calls on the Province of Manitoba to:

i) Rebate of PST for City of Winnipeg purchases

ii) Provide a 1 point share of the existing (7 point) PST, over and above 2011 budget re-allocation, dedicated to municipal infrastructure;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT City Council calls on the Federal Government to

i) Index the Gas Tax Fund to reflect the growth in the economy and population.

Executive Policy Committee – Motions (continued):

The Speaker ruled automatic referral to the Executive Policy Committee in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law.

Moved by His Worship Mayor Katz,

That the rule be suspended to allow consideration of the motion at this time.

The motion to suspend the rule was put and declared carried.

The motion for the adoption of item was put.

Councillor Smith called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:

Yea: His Worship Mayor Katz, Councillors Browaty, Eadie, Fielding, Gerbasi, Havixbeck, Orlikow, Pagtakhan, Sharma, Smith, Steen, Steeves, Swandel, Vandal, Wyatt and Nordman. 16

Nay: 0

and the motion for adoption of the item was declared carried.