Agenda – Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services – July 5, 2012

REPORTS

Item No. 3 Winnipeg Police Service – Use of 340 Rutland Street (St. James-Brooklands and St. Charles Wards)

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On June 7, 2012, the Assiniboia Community Committee recommends to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services that the Winnipeg Police Service be requested to:

1. Approach Manitoba Hydro for utilization of their facility at 340 Rutland Street for the purpose of enhancing crime prevention in the community.

2. Investigate and develop a plan to approach the Citizens for Crime Awareness (CFCA) to use their office at 340 Rutland Street for service centre hours on days that are not currently being utilized.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On June 7, 2012, the Assiniboia Community Committee passed the following motion:

WHEREAS a new police station located in Charleswood, just south of the William R. Clement Parkway, will be constructed and open for operation in 2013 to replace the old police station on Lyle Street, and which will serve the citizens of St. James, Charleswood, Tuxedo, and Fort Garry;

AND WHEREAS the citizens of St. James have utilized the Winnipeg Police Service Centre at Lyle Street to report crimes and get community updates on crime and crime prevention information;

AND WHEREAS the location of the new police station will have no impact on the number of police officers covering the St. James and Charleswood area inasmuch as policing is done mainly through cruiser car rather than dispatched from the station;

AND WHEREAS there has been an increase of 282 new officers on the streets and 50 new cadets since 2004 to help fight crime and apprehend criminals;

AND WHEREAS Citizens for Crime Awareness (CFCA) is a not-for-profit, volunteer based community organization, whose mandate is to vigorously promote crime prevention by providing crime awareness information, programs and safety related training to the residents of Winnipeg;

AND WHEREAS Citizens for Crime Awareness (CFCA) helps to augment policing operations and help crime prevention by being the eyes and ears of the community;

AND WHEREAS Citizens for Crime Awareness (CFCA) has an office at 340 Rutland Street, a building owned by Manitoba Hydro, which it utilizes one day a week to help coordinate crime prevention in St. James and work in partnership with the Winnipeg Police Service;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Winnipeg Police Service be requested to:

1. Approach Manitoba Hydro for utilization of their facility at 340 Rutland Street for the purpose of enhancing crime prevention in the community,

2. Investigate and develop a plan to approach the Citizens for Crime Awareness (CFCA) to use their office at 340 Rutland Street for service centre hours on days that are not currently being utilized,

and forwarded to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services.