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Report – Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works – November 26, 2012

Item No. 4 **Amendment to the City of Winnipeg Traffic By-law No. 1573/77 – Disraeli Freeway also commonly known as Route 42 Overpass of Higgins Avenue and Crossing of the Red River**

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works and submits the following to Council:

1. That Schedule 6 of the City of Winnipeg Traffic By-law No. 1573/77 be amended by striking out clause A(2).

2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

Report – Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works – November 26, 2012

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Vandal,

That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works be concurred in and forwarded to Council.

Carried

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On November 26, 2012, the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Title: **Amendment to the City of Winnipeg Traffic By-law No. 1573/77 – Disraeli Freeway also commonly known as Route 42 Overpass of Higgins Avenue and Crossing of the Red River**

Critical Path: **Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works - Executive Policy Committee - Council**

AUTHORIZATION

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RECOMMENDATIONS

That Schedule 6 of the *City of Winnipeg Traffic By-law No. 1573/77* be amended by striking out clause A(2).

REASON FOR THE REPORT

Reconstruction of the Disraeli Freeway also commonly known as Route 42 Overpass of Higgins Avenue and Crossing of the Red River (hereinafter referred to as Disraeli Bridge and Overpass) was completed in the fall of 2012. The 36,500 kg gross vehicle weight limit is no longer required with the reconstruction completed.

The recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service requires a By-law amendment and must be approved by Council.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Disraeli Bridge and Overpass will now be capable of carrying legal gross vehicle weights pursuant to the *Vehicle Weights and Dimensions on Classes of Highways Regulation* (MR 575/88), subject to Section 45. of the City of Winnipeg *Traffic By-law 1573/77.*

HISTORY

Prior to the Disraeli Bridge and Overpass Reconstruction Project, the Disraeli Bridge and Overpass had a 36,500 kg gross vehicle weight restriction. This restriction is currently listed under clause A(2) of Schedule 6 of the City of Winnipeg *Traffic By-law 1573/77.*

The Disraeli Bridge and Overpass Reconstruction Project meets a design standard that is consistent with current bridge design codes and will increase the permissible gross vehicle weight to encompass all legal weights pursuant to the *Vehicle Weights and Dimensions on Classes of Highways Regulation* (MR 575/88), subject to Section 45 of the City of Winnipeg *Traffic By-law 1573/77.* As such, it will not be necessary to have a weight restriction on the Disraeli Bridge and Overpass.

In consideration of the foregoing, the Winnipeg Public Service recommends that Schedule 6 of the *City of Winnipeg Traffic By-law No. 1573/77* be amended by striking out clause A(2). A draft By-law amendment is attached in APPENDIX 'A': Draft By-law Amendment.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Financial Impact Statement Date: November 8, 2012

Project Name:

Amendment to the City of Winnipeg Traffic By-law No. 1573/77 – Disraeli Freeway also commonly known as Route 42 Overpass of Higgins Avenue and Crossing of the Red River

Comments:

There is no financial impact associated with the recommendation of this report.

"Original Signed by D. Stewart, CA"
D. Sterwart, CA
Manager of Finance & Administration

CONSULTATION

In preparing this report there was consultation with:
City of Winnipeg Legal Services Department

SUBMITTED BY

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File No. OB-01, L-01, E-01

Attachment: Appendix "A": Draft By-law Amendment

APPENDIX "A": DRAFT BY-LAW AMENDMENT

THE CITY OF WINNIPEG

BY-LAW NO.

A By-law of THE CITY OF WINNIPEG to amend Schedule 6 of the Traffic By-law

THE CITY OF WINNIPEG, in Council assembled, enacts as follows:

1. Schedule 6 to the Traffic By-law No. 1573/77 is amended by striking out clause A(2).

DONE AND PASSED, this day of , 2012.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

Approved as to content:

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Director of Public Works

Approved as to form:

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For Director of Legal Services/City Solicitor