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Report - Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works – May 28, 2013

Item No. 3 City-at-Large Local Improvement – Sidewalk Installation – Oddy Street between William Avenue and Bannatyne Avenue

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On May 28, 2013, the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works did not concur in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and submitted the following to Council:

1. That an appropriate source of funding be identified by the Winnipeg Public Service for the installation of a sidewalk on the west side of Oddy Street between William Avenue and Bannatyne Avenue as a City-at-Large Local Improvement.

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

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On May 28, 2013, the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works did not concur in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and directed that an appropriate source of funding be identified for the installation of a sidewalk on the west side of Oddy Street between William Avenue and Bannatyne Avenue as a City-at-Large Local Improvement and forwarded to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Title: **CITY-AT-LARGE LOCAL IMPROVEMENT - SIDEWALK INSTALLATION – ODDY STREET BETWEEN WILLIAM AVENUE AND BANNATYNE AVENUE**

Critical Path: **STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE RENEWAL AND PUBLIC WORKS**

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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City does not initiate the installation of a sidewalk on the west side of Oddy Street between William Avenue and Bannatyne Avenue as a City-at-Large Local Improvement.

REASON FOR THE REPORT

At the January 31, 2013 meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works, the Committee requested through Minute 51:

> "The Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works referred the recommendation of the Assiniboia Community Committee to the Winnipeg Public Service for a review and report back within 60 days."

IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS

The local improvement process is intended to provide citizens with an opportunity to improve local infrastructure in their neighborhoods at the expense of the benefitting properties.

The City of Winnipeg Charter does provide that a local Improvement that Council considers to benefit the City at large may be funded in whole or in part by the City at large. The City at Large approach to the delivery of new sidewalk infrastructure has not been done before and the lead time required would mean that the sidewalk installation may not be completed this season.

HISTORY

For most local improvements, the fronting or abutting properties, to the improvement being constructed, pay for the improvement based on the amount of frontage each property has. The Local Improvements Regulation By-law No 98/72 makes provision for exemptions in some situations. For a concrete sidewalk improvement, residential properties that flank the improvement are exempt.

For the proposed sidewalk improvement on the west side of Oddy Street between William Avenue and Bannatyne Avenue, there are four properties abutting the improvement. Three of these properties are single family residential properties that flank the improvement and are exempt from assessment. The City incurs the cost of exempt properties. The remaining property at 1960 William Avenue is owned by the City of Winnipeg and leased to the Brooklands Pioneer Senior Citizen Club. It is not exempt from assessment. However, since the City owns the property, the City would also incur the cost for this property. This means the City would pay for 100% of the cost of the proposed Local improvement should this proceed as a normal local improvement.

Should the improvement be initiated as a normal local improvement the advertising period could be waived and there remains a possibility that the sidewalk could be installed this season.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Financial Impact Statement Date: May 14, 2013

Project Name:

CITY-AT-LARGE LOCAL IMPROVEMENT - SIDEWALK INSTALLATION – ODDY STREET BETWEEN WILLIAM AVENUE AND BANNATYNE AVENUE

COMMENTS:

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

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