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Item No. 2 Notice of Motions – Committees of Council

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On September 11, 2014, the Governance Committee of Council laid over the matter to a future date of the Governance Committee at the discretion of the Chair.

Report – Governance Committee of Council – September 11, 2014

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On October 3, 2013, the Governance Committee of Council recommended that the item be received as information and that the Governance Committee of Council deliberate this matter when a future review of the Councillor's Representation Allowance (CRA) is undertaken, with such review to be completed prior to June 2014, for implementation for the new Council to be elected in October 2014, and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

COUNCIL DECISION:

On September 25, 2013, Council referred the following motion to the Governance Committee of Council:

Moved by Councillor Havixbeck,
Seconded by Councillor Orlikow,

WHEREAS the Auditor has provided a comprehensive review of the Councillors' Representation Allowance expenditures;

AND WHEREAS there is a need to ensure consistency and accountability for all monies elected officials are responsible for;

AND WHEREAS nearly each member of Executive Policy Committee receives an additional $7,000 for discretionary spending as Chair of a committee that is not currently audited, providing these Councillors with a total of $122,924 in discretionary funds in 2013;

AND WHEREAS the Mayor's Office receives funding similar to the Councillors' Representation Allowance for operation of their office and for discretional items;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct the Auditor to include in their annual audit for 2013 and each future year, the expenditures for the Mayor's Office as well as the Chairmanship monies each member of Executive Policy Committee receives, which is approximately $7,000 each.