Minute No. 237
Report "A" – Executive Policy Committee – March 18, 2015

Item No. 2 St. Vital Minor Hockey Association
(St. Vital Ward)

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council concurred in the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee and adopted the following:

1. That a grant of up to $125,000 to the St. Vital Minor Hockey Association ("SVMHA"), be approved for the purchase of a new ice cleaning machine and that the funding source be the 2014 Parks and Recreation Program and Arenas capital program budgets.

2. That the City enter into a grant agreement with the SVMHA, and that the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to negotiate and approve the terms and conditions of such grant agreement in accordance with this motion, and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the Director of Legal Services and City Solicitor to protect the interests of the City.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by His Worship Mayor Bowman,
That the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee be adopted.

Councillor Eadie moved that the item be referred back to the Executive Policy Committee for an administrative report.

The motion to refer was put and declared carried.

In amendment,
Moved by Councillor Mayes,
Seconded by Councillor Browaty,

WHEREAS St Vital Minor Hockey has purchased a Zamboni and seeking reimbursement of $125,000 from the $400,000 already approved in capital funding by Council;

AND WHEREAS the St Vital Minor Hockey Association has stated in correspondence dated March 25, 2015 that the association may not be able to continue operations of the arena due to delay of grant approval,

AND WHEREAS having the city take over operation of the arena could incur additional operating costs of over $100,000 (when compared to operating deficits at Bertrand);

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. That the decision of Council from March 25, 2015 in regards to Item 2 of Report "A" of Executive Policy Committee dated March 18, 2015 be rescinded.

2. That the original recommendations of the Executive Policy Committee on the above item be adopted.

The motion by Councillor Mayes and Browaty was put and declared carried.

(See Executive Policy Committee Motions section for more on the above motion)

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On March 18, 2015, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Riel Community Committee and submitted the matter to Council.

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On March 9, 2015, the Riel Community Committee passed the following motion:

WHEREAS the St. Vital Minor Hockey Association ("SVMHA"), pursuant to the terms and conditions of the operating agreement for the St. Vital Arena between the SVMHA and the City of Winnipeg ("City") dated July 4, 2005, is responsible for, at its own expense, the provision of an ice cleaning machine in first class working condition;

AND WHEREAS the ice cleaning machine currently owned by the SVMHA has reached the end of its useful life;

AND WHEREAS the SVMHA requires financial assistance in this instance to comply with the terms and conditions of its operating agreement with the City dated July 4, 2005;

AND WHEREAS the 2014 Capital Budget adopted by Council on December 17, 2013 includes $200,000 in funding for the St. Vital Arena Project ("the Project"), $100,000 in each of the Parks and Recreation Program and Arenas capital program budgets;

AND WHEREAS the 2015 Preliminary Capital Budget includes an additional $200,000 in funding for the Project from the Arenas capital program budget for a total St. Vital Arena Project budget of $400,000;

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Riel Community Committee recommend to the Executive Policy Committee that:

1. A grant of up to $125,000 to the SVMHA be approved for the purchase of a new ice cleaning machine and that the funding source be the 2014 Parks and Recreation Program and Arenas capital program budgets.

2. That the City enter into a grant agreement with the SVMHA, and that the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to negotiate and approve the terms and conditions of such grant agreement in accordance with this motion, and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the City Solicitor / Director of Legal Services to protect the interests of the City.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.