Minutes – Executive Policy Committee – October 21, 2015

REPORTS

Item No. 8 Open Government Initiatives

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee recommended to Council:

1. That the City Clerk's Department be requested to report back to the Executive Policy Committee within 30 days with a report detailing leading open government initiatives in other jurisdictions.

2. That the report contain recommendations for implementing Open Government practices at The City of Winnipeg.

3. That the City Clerk's Department, in consultation with the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, report back annually thereafter on current initiatives other jurisdictions are implementing in Open Government, and identify initiatives which have been implemented at the City of Winnipeg as well as any future opportunities to improve Open Government.

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

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

The Chairperson called Deputy Mayor Pagtakhan to the Chair in order to move the following motions:

Moved by His Worship Mayor Bowman,

That Rule 10(3) of The Procedure By-law No. 50/2007 be suspended in order that the following item, which was received less than 96 hours preceding the committee meeting, be considered by Committee.

Carried

Moved by His Worship Mayor Bowman,

WHEREAS citizens of Winnipeg demand and deserve increased openness and transparency at City Hall;

AND WHEREAS other jurisdictions in Canada have a made advances in Open Government over the past few years;

AND WHEREAS an annual cross jurisdictional review will provide City Council with information on how to improve openness and transparency;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Clerk's Department be requested to report back to the Executive Policy Committee within 30 days with a report detailing leading open government initiatives in other jurisdictions;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the report contain recommendations for implementing Open Government practices at The City of Winnipeg;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Clerk's Department, in consultation with the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, report back annually thereafter on current initiatives other jurisdictions are implementing in Open Government, and identify initiatives which have been implemented at the City of Winnipeg as well as any future opportunities to improve Open Government.

Carried

His Worship Mayor Bowman resumed the Chair.