Minute No. 656
Report – Executive Policy Committee – October 21, 2015

Item No. 9 Amendments to The City Organization By-law No. 7100/97

COUNCIL DECISION:

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

1. That the following amendments to The City Organization By-law No. 7100/97 (the By-law) be approved that reflect the following:

   A. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection, Community Services, and Parks be given the authority to address all matters pertaining to public parks within, or owned, by the City of Winnipeg;

   B. The deletion of the Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development, Heritage and Riverbank Management, and the transfer of its authority as set forth in Recommendations 1C and 1D hereof;

   C. The renaming of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development to the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development with the additional authority to address all matters pertaining to downtown development and heritage and that membership of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development be required to include at least one Councillor from one of the three Downtown wards, namely the Point Douglas, Daniel McIntyre and Fort Rouge – East Fort Garry Wards.

   D. The creation of a new Standing Policy Committee on Water and Waste, Riverbank Management and the Environment, with the authority to address appropriate matters pertaining to water, waste management, riverbank management, and the environment;

   E. The renaming of the Alternate Service Delivery Committee to the Standing Policy Committee on Innovation, with committee membership to be determined in accordance with the process set forth in Section 7 of the By-law;

2. The Director of Legal Services and City Solicitor be requested to submit the necessary amending by-law directly to Council.

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COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

3. That By-law 106/2015, A By-law of THE CITY OF WINNIPEG to amend the City Organization By-law, the Development Procedures By-law and other by-laws to reflect changes to the organizational structure of Standing Policy Committees of Council, come into force on November 4, 2015.

4. 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:

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

In amendment,
Moved by His Worship Mayor Bowman,
Seconded by Councillor Lukes,

WHEREAS meetings have been scheduled for the Appeal Committee on October 29, the Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development, Heritage and Riverbank Management on November 2 and the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works on November 3 which will precede the Organizational Meeting of Council on November 4;

AND WHEREAS the coming into force of By-law 106/2015, A By-law of THE CITY OF WINNIPEG to amend the City Organization By-law, the Development Procedures By-law and other by-laws to reflect changes to the organizational structure of Standing Policy Committees of Council immediately upon enactment could affect the agendas of said meetings by altering the jurisdiction of said committees;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that proposed By-law 106/2015, A By-law of THE CITY OF WINNIPEG to amend the City Organization By-law, the Development Procedures By-law and other by-laws to reflect changes to the organizational structure of Standing Policy Committees of Council, come into force on November 4, 2015.

The amendment from His Worship Mayor Bowman and Councillor Lukes was put and declared carried.

Councillor Wyatt asked to be recorded as having voted in opposition to the amendment, in accordance with Rule 47.7 of the Procedure By-law.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

In amendment,
Moved by Councillor Gerbasi,
Seconded by Councillor Eadie,

WHEREAS the former Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development, Heritage and Riverbank Management had the responsibility to deal with matters related to real property located with the area covered by The Downtown Winnipeg Zoning By-law;

AND WHEREAS the responsibility for real property matters in the Downtown will now be assigned to the new Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development;

AND WHEREAS the membership of the former Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development, Heritage and Riverbank Management included at least one Councillor from one of the three Downtown wards that are covered at least partially by the Downtown Winnipeg Zoning By-law, namely the Point Douglas, Daniel McIntyre and Fort Rouge – East Fort Garry Wards;

AND WHEREAS the Downtown area is a unique and very important part of Winnipeg, having unique real property matters that should be addressed at the committee stage by at least one Councillor whose ward makes up part of the Downtown;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Recommendation 1.C. of Item 9 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated October 21, 2015 be amended to include the following at the end of the current wording:

"and that membership of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development be required to include at least one Councillor from one of the three Downtown wards, namely the Point Douglas, Daniel McIntyre and Fort Rouge – East Fort Garry Wards."

The amendment from Councillors Gerbasi and Eadie was put and declared carried.

Councillor Wyatt asked to be recorded as having voted in opposition to the amendment, in accordance with Rule 47.7 of the Procedure By-law.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

The motion for adoption of the item, as amended, was put and declared carried.

Councillor Wyatt asked to be recorded as having voted in opposition to the item, as amended, in accordance with Rule 47.7 of the Procedure By-law.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On October 21, the Executive Policy Committee passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg's governance structure is comprised of various committees that deal with specific areas of responsibility, as outlined in the Organizational By-law;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg Water and Waste department provides a broad scope of city services and includes numerous major capital projects where there is merit for a specific focus as a Standing Policy Committee of Council;

AND WHEREAS City of Winnipeg matters involving riverbank management and issues pertaining to the City's waterways are relevant to the jurisdiction of the Water and Waste department;

AND WHEREAS matters of the environment are critical to building a sustainable growing city;

AND WHEREAS riverbank and environmental issues are frequently related under the activities and services provided through the Water and Waste department;

AND WHEREAS to ensure all parks matters are addressed consistently;

AND WHEREAS reports for issues relating to downtown development and heritage are currently prepared by the Planning Property and Development department and will align with related matters under the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development;

AND WHEREAS the Alternate Service Delivery is not currently a Standing Policy Committee of City Council;

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

AND WHEREAS The City of Winnipeg has committed to develop innovative policies and committed $1 Million in the 2015 Budget to consider new ideas to save the City money;

AND WHEREAS developing and considering opportunities for new and improved ways of doing business at the City of Winnipeg needs to be a regular and constant focus and warrants its own standing policy committee formally reporting to Council;

AND WHEREAS the Organizational By-law has been amended in the past to reflect a concentration on specific policy areas that Council determined to be of paramount importance by creating specific committees;

AND WHEREAS the priorities of Council, and that of Winnipeggers, change over time to reflect the wants and needs of a modern Winnipeg;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to amend the Organizational By-law to reflect changes in the committee structure at City Hall;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve amendments to the City Organization By-law No. 7100/97 (the By-law) that reflect the following:

1. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection, Community Services, and Parks be given the authority to address all matters pertaining to public parks within, or owned, by the City of Winnipeg;

2. The deletion of the Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development, Heritage and Riverbank Management, and the transfer of its authority as set forth in Recommendations 3 and 4 hereof;

3. The renaming of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development to the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development with the additional authority to address all matters pertaining to downtown development and heritage;

4. The creation of a new Standing Policy Committee on Water and Waste, Riverbank Management and the Environment, with the authority to address appropriate matters pertaining to water, waste management, riverbank management, and the environment;

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

5. The renaming of the Alternate Service Delivery Committee to the Standing Policy Committee on Innovation, with committee membership to be determined in accordance with the process set forth in Section 7 of the By-law;

6. The Director of Legal Services and City Solicitor be requested to submit the necessary amending by-law directly to Council

and submitted the matter to Council.