Agenda – Executive Policy Committee – January 13, 2016

REPORTS

Item No. 12 Agreement between the Government of Manitoba and The City of Winnipeg – Winnipeg Police Service Court Unit

WINNIPEG PUBLIC SERVICE RECOMMENDATION:

That the Winnipeg Police Board receives this report for information.

That Council approves the following recommendations:

1. That the City enter into the Agreement between the Government of Manitoba and The City of Winnipeg for funding of the Winnipeg Police Service Court Unit.

2. That the requirement that the City negotiate full indexing for inflation and collective agreement increases in multi-year agreements for funding from other levels of government for additional positions be waived in this instance.

3. That authority be delegated to the Chief Administrative Officer to approve the terms and conditions of the agreement, which commenced on January 1, 2015, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the City Solicitor / Director of Legal Services to protect the interests of the City.

4. That authority be delegated to the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate and approve the terms and conditions of all future agreements with the Government of Manitoba regarding funding of the Winnipeg Police Service Court Unit, in accordance with terms and conditions similar to those set forth herein and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the City Solicitor / Director of Legal Services to protect the interests of the City.

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

Agenda – Executive Policy Committee – January 13, 2016

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

WINNIPEG POLICE BOARD:

On January 8, 2016, the Winnipeg Police Board received the report as information.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Title: **Agreement between the Government of Manitoba and The City of Winnipeg for funding of the Winnipeg Police Service Court Unit**

Critical Path: **Winnipeg Police Board – Executive Policy Committee – Council**

AUTHORIZATION

Author	Department Head	CFO	CAO/COO
M. Musgrove	Acting Chief Arthur G. Stannard	Mike Ruta	Mike Jack

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Winnipeg Police Board receives this report for information.

That Council approves the following recommendations:

1. That the City enter into the Agreement between the Government of Manitoba and The City of Winnipeg for funding of the Winnipeg Police Service Court Unit.

2. That the requirement that the City negotiate full indexing for inflation and collective agreement increases in multi-year agreements for funding from other levels of government for additional positions be waived in this instance.

3. That authority be delegated to the Chief Administrative Officer to approve the terms and conditions of the agreement, which commenced on January 1, 2015**,** in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the City Solicitor / Director of Legal Services to protect the interests of the City.

4. That authority be delegated to the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate and approve the terms and conditions of all future agreements with the Government of Manitoba regarding funding of the Winnipeg Police Service Court Unit**,** in accordance with terms and conditions similar to those set forth herein and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the City Solicitor / Director of Legal Services to protect the interests of the City.

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

REASON FOR THE REPORT

Council approval is required to enter into the funding agreement for the Winnipeg Police Service Court Unit with the Government of Manitoba.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Winnipeg Police Service increased the current complement of staff in the Court Unit earlier in 2015 based upon this agreement. The additional civilian personnel improve management of case details and enhance the speed at which matters proceed through the criminal justice system.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS

The agreement commenced on January 1, 2015 and will continue until terminated by either party in accordance with the agreement, with annual funding of $300,000 to be provided for each year through a fixed grant.

HISTORY

This agreement provides efficiencies to both the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) and Government of Manitoba, as the added civilian personnel will improve management of case details and increase the speed of the process in which matters proceed through the criminal justice system.

In the negotiated agreement, the parties agree to the commitment of creating four new positions of Court Coordinator in the Winnipeg Police Service Court Unit. This was accomplished in early 2015, with the result being that the Court Unit will have a complement of not fewer than sixteen during the term of the agreement and best efforts will be made to ensure the staffing level of the Court Unit is maintained at the full complement.

The new positions will enable the Court Unit to operate on a seven-day, days and evenings schedule. The previous work cycle was a five-day, straight days schedule. These positions were included in the 2015 Operating Budget as permanent staff which was approved by Council.

As the funding will cover the full cost for the first five years, there will be no additional budget impact for the Winnipeg Police Service. However, starting in 2019 the Service will be responsible for any salary costs, increases in excess of the grant. For instance, projecting at 2% increases, the incremental costs in 2019 is expected to be approximately $2,000 over the grant and increasing approximately $6,000 per year after that.

This is still a good economic decision for the Winnipeg Police Service as the majority of the wages will be covered by this grant.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Financial Impact Statement

Date: December 30, 2015

Project Name:
Provincial Funding - Court Unit

First Year of Program **2015**

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Capital					
Capital Expenditures Required	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Less: Existing Budgeted Costs	-	-	-	-	-
Additional Capital Budget Required	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Funding Sources:					
Debt - Internal	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Debt - External	-	-	-	-	-
Grants (Enter Description Here)	-	-	-	-	-
Reserves, Equity, Surplus	-	-	-	-	-
Other - Enter Description Here	-	-	-	-	-
Total Funding	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Total Additional Capital Budget Required	$ -				
Total Additional Debt Required	$ -				
Current Expenditures/Revenues					
Direct Costs	$ 300,000	$ 300,000	$ 300,000	$ 300,000	$ 302,000
Less: Incremental Revenue/Recovery	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000
Net Cost/(Benefit)	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 2,000
Less: Existing Budget Amounts		-	-	-	-
Net Budget Adjustment Required	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 2,000

Additional Comments: Additional staff costs are covered by Provincial Funding Agreement. As the funding will cover the full cost for the first five years, there will be no additional budget impact for the Winnipeg Police Service. However, starting in 2019 the Service will be responsible for any salary costs, and increases in excess of the grant. For instance, projecting at 2% increases, the incremental costs in 2019 is expected to be approximately $2,000 over the grant and increasing approximately $6,000 per year after that.

original signed by Ron Smolik Dec 30, 2015
Manager of Finance
Winnipeg Police Service

CONSULTATION

In preparing this report there was consultation with:

Legal Services Department
Winnipeg Police Board

OURWINNIPEG POLICY ALIGNMENT

SUBMITTED BY

Department:	Winnipeg Police Service
Division:	Organizational Development, Division 32
Prepared by:	M. Musgrove, Research Analyst
Date:	December 30th, 2015
File No.	ODS 15 – 171