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Item No. 3 Establishment of Ward Boundaries Commission

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On February 3, 2016, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the Council Motion of January 27, 2016 and submitted the following to Council:

1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to establish a Ward Boundaries Commission in 2017.

2. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to work with Statistics Canada to ensure that the data from the 2016 General Census be available to the Ward Boundaries Commission for their process in 2017.

3. 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:

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

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COUNCIL DECISION:

On January 27, 2016, Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Executive Policy Committee:

Moved by Councillor Mayes,
Seconded by Councillor Lukes,

WHEREAS Ward Boundary Reviews are required as part of The City of Winnipeg Charter ("Charter");

AND WHEREAS the last Ward Boundary Review took place in 2009;

AND WHEREAS Section 12 of the Charter calls for a Ward Boundary Review to be held at such times as Council may require, but at least once every 10 years after the preceding report was prepared;

AND WHEREAS Ward Boundary Reviews must use the most current Census data for the purposes of their review;

AND WHEREAS there is another Census scheduled to be performed by Statistics Canada in May of 2016;

AND WHEREAS the current Ward Boundaries are based upon the 2006 Census data;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg has grown substantially since 2006, with especially high growth in some areas of Winnipeg such as the South East and South West quadrants;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to establish a Ward Boundaries Commission in 2017;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to work with Statistics Canada to ensure that the data from the 2016 General Census be available to the Ward Boundaries Commission for their process in 2017.