Report - Executive Policy Committee - November 12, 2003

Item No. 3 Sign Language Interpreter Services - Service Agreement Renewal File CR-3

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On November 12, 2003, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation from the Access Advisory Committee, and submits the following to Council:

1. That the City of Winnipeg renew the service agreement with Independent Interpreter Referral Service for the provision of sign language interpretation services for a two-year term.

2. That the Materials Management Division be requested to negotiate a separate service agreement for the City of Winnipeg with Independent Interpreter Referral Service instead of a joint City of Winnipeg / Province of Manitoba agreement.

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:

On November 12, 2003, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Access Advisory Committee and submitted the matter to Council.

ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On October 21, 2003, the Access Advisory Committee was advised that the current service agreement with Independent Interpreter Referral Service for the City of Winnipeg expires February 28, 2004, and recommended to the Executive Policy Committee that:

1. The City of Winnipeg renew the service agreement with Independent Interpreter Referral Service for the provision of sign language interpretation services for a two-year term.

2. The Materials Management Division be requested to negotiate a separate service agreement for the City of Winnipeg with Independent Interpreter Referral Service instead of a joint City of Winnipeg / Province of Manitoba agreement.

COUNCIL:

On March 20, 2002, Council concurred in the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee and renewed the Purchase Service Agreement with Independent Interpreter Referral Service for the provision of sign language interpretation services for a two-year term.

On May 24, 2000, Council concurred in the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee and approved the provision of sign language interpretation services in the City of Winnipeg through a Negotiated Purchase Service Agreement with Independent Interpreter Referral Service.