EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF MOTION

Minute No. 607
Moved by Councillor Dobson,
Seconded by Councillor Wyatt,

WHEREAS the principles of open and transparent government dictate that access to information must be provided in a timely manner;

AND WHEREAS members of Council often have difficulty obtaining information from the Public Service;

AND WHEREAS there is a lack of accountability for not responding to Councillor inquiries;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg Charter grants the Executive Policy Committee the jurisdiction to supervise the Chief Administrative Officer as well as recommend to Council individuals for appointment as statutory officers, and where necessary or appropriate, the suspension or dismissal of statutory officers;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Winnipeg Organizational By-law No. 7100/97 be amended so as to provide for a dual reporting relationship of Department Heads to both the Chief Administrative Officer and the Standing Committees, in order to provide for better information sharing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Winnipeg Organizational By-law No. 7100/97 be further amended to grant Standing Committees the authority to recommend to Council individuals for appointment as Department Heads, and where necessary or appropriate, the suspension or dismissal of a Department Head.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Solicitor/ Director of Legal Services be directed to submit within 30 days to Council, the appropriate amendments to the City of Winnipeg Organizational By-law No. 7100/97, to reflect the intent of the above.

The Notice of Motion was put.

Councillor Dobson called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:

Yea: Councillors Dobson, Eadie, Schreyer, and Wyatt. 4

Nay: His Worship Mayor Bowman, Councillors Allard, Browaty, Gerbasi, Gillingham, Gilroy, Lukes, Mayes, Morantz, Orlikow, Pagtakhan and Sharma. 12

and the Notice of Motion was declared lost.