Minute No. 302
Report – Executive Policy Committee – April 17, 2018

Item No. 4 "Buy Local" Procurement Procedure

COUNCIL DECISION:

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

1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to consult with stakeholders including but not limited to the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce, the Manitoba Heavy Construction Association and Manitoba Business Council on options to amend the Materials Management Policy to implement a buy local procurement procedure for City contracts valued at less than $100,000.00, and other ways that the City can better support local businesses to participate in the City's procurement processes.

2. That the Public Service report back to Council in 90 days with a recommendation on the aforementioned buy local procurement procedure and recommendations on other ways that the City of Winnipeg can better support local businesses to participate in the City procurement processes.

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:

Moved by His Worship Mayor Bowman,
Seconded by Councillor Gillingham,

WHEREAS City Council is considering a report by the Executive Policy Committee directing the Public Service to develop a buy local procurement procedure for City contracts valued at less than $100,000.00;

AND WHEREAS a buy local procurement procedure is one of several initiatives that the City of Winnipeg could consider to support the efforts of its local businesses to better participate in the City's procurement processes;

AND WHEREAS various external stakeholder groups have indicated interest in working with the City to develop the buy local procurement procedure as well as suggest other initiatives that the City can consider to support its local businesses to better participate in the City's procurement processes;

THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Recommendation 1 of Item 4 of the Report of Executive Policy Committee dated April 17, 2018 be deleted and replaced with the following:

"1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to consult with stakeholders including but not limited to the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce, the Manitoba Heavy Construction Association and Manitoba Business Council on options to amend the Materials Management Policy to implement a buy local procurement procedure for City contracts valued at less than $100,000.00, and other ways that the City can better support local businesses to participate in the City's procurement processes.

2. That the Public Service report back to Council in 90 days with a recommendation on the aforementioned buy local procurement procedure and recommendations on other ways that the City of Winnipeg can better support local businesses to participate in the City procurement processes."

On motion of His Worship Mayor Bowman the amendment was put and declared carried.

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

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On April 17, 2018, the Executive Policy Committee passed the following motion:

WHEREAS local businesses are a vital part of a growing and thriving economy;

AND WHEREAS implementing "buy-local" procurement procedures for City contracts with a value of less than $100,000.00 is one way that the City of Winnipeg can support its local businesses;

AND WHEREAS the "buy-local" procurement procedures should apply to all goods and services contracts, including construction;

AND WHEREAS the "buy-local" procurement procedures will comply with the various trade agreements that the City is subject to;

AND WHEREAS various City bid opportunities where the estimated value does not exceed $100,000.00 will clearly state that the "buy-local" procurement procedures apply to the evaluation of bids in response thereto;

AND WHEREAS the "buy-local" procurement procedures will be included in the procurement and contract administration procedures related to the Materials Management Policy to ensure compliance with this motion;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Winnipeg Public Service be authorized and directed to amend the Materials Management Policy to implement a "buy-local" procurement procedure for all City contracts with a value of less than $100,000.00, and report back to Council within 60 days on the progress of implementing the "buy-local" procurement procedure.

and forwarded the matter to Council.