Minutes – Executive Policy Committee – February 19, 2019

REPORTS

Item No. 7 Appointment of City Representatives to the Winnipeg Police Pension Board, Civic and Police Employees' Group Life Insurance Plans Corporation (The "Municipal Corporation"); and the Sinking Fund

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and recommended to Council:

1. That the following City appointments be made to the Winnipeg Police Pension Board effective immediately upon Council approval:

    A. Existing non-voting member, Michael Jack, Chief Corporate Services Officer, be appointed as voting member, for a term ending December 31, 2020.

    B. New non-voting member to be appointed for the following term:

        i. Cindy Fernandes, Director of Community Services, for a term ending December 31, 2020.

2. That the following City appointments be made to the Civic and Police Employees' Group Life Insurance Plans Corporation (the "Municipal Corporation"); effective immediately upon Council approval:

    A. That Todd Slatnik, Manager of Human Resources, Winnipeg Transit, be appointed for a three-year term ending on July 31, 2021.

    B. That Michael Ruta, Chief Financial Officer, be re-appointed for a three year term ending on July 31, 2021.

    C. That Marc Pittet, Manager of Land Development, Geomatics and Land Information Services, be re-appointed for a three year term ending on July 31, 2021.

3. That Tanis Yanchishyn, Manager of Finance and Administration be appointed, effective immediately upon the approval of Council, to serve as Sinking Fund Trustee.

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

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Gillingham,

That the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service be concurred in and forwarded to Council.

Carried

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Title: APPOINTMENT OF CITY REPRESENTATIVES TO THE WINNIPEG POLICE PENSION BOARD, CIVIC AND POLICE EMPLOYEES' GROUP LIFE INSURANCE PLANS CORPORATION (THE "MUNICIPAL CORPORATION"); AND THE SINKING FUND

Critical Path: EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE - COUNCIL

AUTHORIZATION

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Mr. Mel Chambers, City Assessor/Director of Assessment and Taxation, resigned effective December 31, 2018, from the following three Boards - the Winnipeg Police Pension Board, a term due to expire December 31, 2020; the Civic and Police Employees' Group Life Insurance Plans Corporation (the "Municipal Corporation"); and the Sinking Fund.

Winnipeg Police Pension Board

There is one Council-appointed vacancy on the Winnipeg Police Pension Board. It is recommended that existing non-voting member, Michael Jack, Chief Corporate Services Officer, with a term due to expire December 31, 2020, be appointed as a voting member. It is also recommended that Ms Cindy Fernandes, Director of Community Services, be appointed as a non-voting member to the Winnipeg Police Pension Board, for a term ending December 31, 2020. Ms Fernandes' term is to be effective immediately upon the approval of Council.

The Civic and Police Employees' Group Life Insurance Plans Corporation (the "Municipal Corporation")

There are three Council-appointed vacancies on the Municipal Corporation. It is recommended that Mr. Todd Slatnik, Manager of Human Resources, Winnipeg Transit be appointed to the Civic and Police Employees' Group Life Insurance Plans Corporation (the "Municipal Corporation") for a three-year term ending on July 31, 2021.

Mr. Michael Ruta's and Mr. Marc Pittet's term to the Municipal Corporation expired July 31, 2018. It is recommended their term(s) be renewed for three years to July 31, 2021.

The Sinking Fund

It is recommended that Ms Tanis Yanchishyn, Manager of Finance and Administration be appointed, effective immediately upon the approval of Council, to serve as Sinking Fund Trustee.

This report recommends the appointment terms on the Boards be effective immediately upon the approval of Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the following City appointment(s) be made to the Winnipeg Police Pension Board effective immediately upon Council approval -

    a) Existing non-voting member, Michael Jack, Chief Corporate Services Officer, be appointed as voting member, for a term ending December 31, 2020.

    b) New non-voting member to be appointed for the following term:
        i. Cindy Fernandes, Director of Community Services, for a term ending December 31, 2020.

2. That the following City appointment(s) be made to the Civic and Police Employees' Group Life Insurance Plans Corporation (the "Municipal Corporation"); effective immediately upon Council approval -

    a) That Todd Slatnik, Manager of Human Resources, Winnipeg Transit, be appointed for a three-year term ending on July 31, 2021.

    b) That Michael Ruta, Chief Financial Officer, be re-appointed for a three year term ending on July 31, 2021.

    c) That Marc Pittet, Manager of Land Development, Geomatics and Land Information Services, be re-appointed for a three year term ending on July 31, 2021.

3. That Tanis Yanchishyn, Manager of Finance and Administration be appointed, effective immediately upon the approval of Council, to serve as Sinking Fund Trustee.

4. 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 renew existing appointments, and make new appointments to these Boards.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS

There are no financial impacts associated with the recommendations in this report.

HISTORY/DISCUSSION

Winnipeg Police Pension Board

Mr. Mel Chambers resigned from the Winnipeg Police Pension Board effective December 31, 2018, a term due to expire December 31, 2020. As a result, it is recommended that Mr. Michael Jack, an existing non-voting member, with a term due to expire December 31, 2020, be appointed as a voting member on the Winnipeg Police Pension Board.

It is recommended that Ms Cindy Fernandes, Director of Community Services be appointed as a non-voting member on the Winnipeg Police Pension Board, with a term to expire December 31, 2020.

These appointments are in addition to current voting members:

- Marc Lemoine, City Clerk, term ending December 31, 2020;
- Christian Schmidt, Deputy Chief, Winnipeg Fire Paramedic Service, term ending December 31, 2020.

The Winnipeg Police Pension By-law No. 126/2011 section 4(2) states that:

The Board shall consist of a maximum of nine voting members appointed as follows:

(a) two voting members appointed by the Winnipeg Police Association appointed on behalf of the police officers who are Active Members;
(b) one voting member appointed by the Winnipeg Police Senior Officers' Association appointed on behalf of the senior police officers who are Active Members;
(c) one voting member elected by the Non-Active Members and other beneficiaries under the Plan pursuant to Section 5 of the By-law; and
(d) five voting members appointed by the City.

The Winnipeg Police Pension By-law No. 126/2011 in section 4(3) also states that:

The Board shall also consist of a maximum of four non-voting members who may be appointed or elected as follows:

a) one non-voting member appointed by the Winnipeg Police Association, if they choose to make such an appointment;
b) one non-voting member appointed by the Winnipeg Police Senior Officers' Association, if they choose to make such an appointment;
c) one non-voting member elected by the Non-Active Members, or if no election is held, appointed by the Non-Active Member Representative on behalf of the Non-Active Members, if she or he chooses to make such an appointment; and
d) one non-voting member appointed by the City, if the City chooses to make such an appointment.

The Winnipeg Police Pension By-law No. 126/2011 in section 4(4) also states that:
The term of office of a person elected or appointed as a Board Member, shall be a maximum of three years.

The Sinking Fund

Mr. Mel Chambers was appointed, effective January 1, 2018, to serve as Sinking Fund Trustee until such time as he resigned from his duties December 31, 2018.

The February 2, 2029 debt issue of $60 million was assumed by Manitoba Hydro through the sale of Winnipeg Hydro to Manitoba Hydro. However, the debt was issued by the City of Winnipeg and remains an obligation of the City to make interest payments and retire the debt at maturity. Manitoba Hydro is required to pay to the City of Winnipeg the annual interest servicing cost and the principal value of the debenture issue at maturity. As a result of the February 2029 debt being assumed by Manitoba Hydro, the role of the Sinking Fund Trustees adds limited value as there are no investments to manage.

Council has been delegated the authority under the City of Winnipeg Charter to determine the remuneration for The Sinking Fund Trustees. It is recommended the remuneration for the Sinking Fund Trustees be reduced from $2,600 annually to $0, and three City employees be appointed by Council to serve as Sinking Fund Trustees. Current members include Paul Olafson and Rob Provencher.

It is recommended Tanis Yanchishyn, Manager of Finance and Administration be appointed as Sinking Find Trustee, effective immediately upon the approval of Council.

The Civic and Police Employees' Group Life Insurance Plans Corporation (the "Municipal Corporation")

The Board is comprised of five individuals appointed as follows:

- One appointee of the Winnipeg Police Association appointed on behalf of the Police Plan.
- one appointee selected by a majority of the civic unions appointed on behalf of the Civic Plan
- two appointees of Council; and
- a designated employee (as defined in the City of Winnipeg Charter) appointed by Council

The Board member appointments are three-year terms commencing from the date of incorporation, August 1, 2015.

Current Board members include Michael Ruta (the designated employee), Chief Financial Officer; and Mr. Marc Pittet, Manager of Land Development, Geomatics and Land Information Services.

The City of Winnipeg, through its Manager of Financial Services in the Corporate Finance Department, was authorized to act as investment manager for the Municipal Corporation.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Financial Impact Statement

Date: February 11, 2019

Project Name:

APPOINTMENT OF CITY REPRESENTATIVES TO THE WINNIPEG POLICE PENSION BOARD, CIVIC AND POLICE EMPLOYEES' GROUP LIFE INSURANCE PLANS CORPORATION (THE "MUNICIPAL CORPORATION"); AND THE SINKING FUND

COMMENTS:

There is no financial impact associated with the report recommendations.

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CONSULTATION

This Report has been prepared in consultation with:

OURWINNIPEG POLICY ALIGNMENT

N/A

SUBMITTED BY

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Date:	February 11, 2019