Minute No. 23
Report – Executive Policy Committee – November 5, 2019

Item No. 1 In-Camera By-law Amendment

COUNCIL DECISION:

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

1. That the City of Winnipeg In Camera By-law No. 21/2011 be amended to list the following as the only people who are authorized to be in attendance during in camera meetings:

    A. Members of Council;

    B. Members of the Winnipeg Public Service who have been deemed by the Chair of the committee meeting in camera, to be required to assist that committee in its deliberations while meeting in camera;

    C. The clerk(s) of the committee meeting in camera;

    D. Mayor's and Councillor's Office Staff

2. That the Director of Legal Services and City Solicitor be directed submit to Council by way of a communication, by-law amendments to reflect the foregoing recommendation.

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,

That the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee be adopted by consent.

Carried

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On November 5, 2019, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Assiniboia Community Committee and submitted the matter to Council.

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On October 8, 2019, the Assiniboia Community Committee passed the following motion:

WHEREAS The City of Winnipeg Charter allows Council to establish a by-law which specifies matters that may be considered at in camera meetings;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg In Camera By-law No. 21/2011 lists the matters, as well as the committees that may meet in camera, but is silent on who may remain in the room while a committee is meeting in camera;

AND WHEREAS there has been growing confusion and debate as to who may remain in the room while a committee is meeting in camera;

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

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