EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE
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MEETING NO. 15, MARCH 17, 2004

MEMBERS PRESENT: His Worship Mayor Murray, Chairperson
Councillor Clement
Councillor Eadie
Councillor Gerbasi
Councillor Thomas

COMMITTEE CLERK: Jo-Ann I. Park, City Clerk's Department

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		DELEGATIONS	
221	Councillor Lubosch, North Kildonan Ward,		See Minute 250
222	Councillor Lubosch, North Kildonan Ward		See Minute 227
		REPORTS	
223	Municipal Political Campaign Contributions and Tax Incentives Council Referral 2004 01 28 GK-2.4	The Executive Policy Committee recommends to Council that it be granted an extension of time of 60 days in order to report back on the matter.	Committee Clerk
224	2004 Zone Levy for Business Improvement Zones Report 2004 03 10 FL-7	The Executive Policy Committee recommends to Council: 1. That Council approve the following 2004 Business Improvement Zone (BIZ) budgets, and set and impose a zone levy to be applied to the annual rental value of each business in the BIZ, namely: A. Academy Road Business Improvement Zone B. Corydon Avenue Business Improvement Zone C. Downtown Winnipeg Business Improvement Zone D. Exchange District Business Improvement Zone E. Grosvenor Square Business Improvement Zone F. Mosaic Market Business Improvement Zone G. Norwood Grove Business Improvement Zone H. Old St. Vital Business Improvement Zone I. Osborne South Business Improvement Zone J. Osborne Village Business Improvement Zone K. St. James Village Business Improvement Zone L. Selkirk Avenue Business Improvement Zone M. Transcona Business Improvement Zone N. West Broadway-South Sherbrook Business Improvement Zone O. West End Winnipeg Business Improvement Zone P. ZAC Quartier Francais-French Quarter Business Improvement Zone 2. That the City Treasurer be directed to make payment to the Board of each zone in accordance with the Business Improvement Zone Procedures By-law No. 8111/2002.	Committee Clerk

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		3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	
225	Selkirk Avenue Business Improvement Zone - Councillor Appointment Communication 2004 02 04 FL-7.5	The Executive Policy Committee requested the Administration to review and report back on the appointment of a second Member of Council to the Selkirk Avenue Business Improvement Zone Board.	Chief Administrative Officer City Solicitor / Manager of Legal Services
226	2004 School Division Levies and Mill Rates Report 2004 03 17 FL-3	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the administrative recommendation and recommends to Council: 1. That in compliance with the mandatory provisions of The Public Schools Act, Council adopt a by-law required to fix and impose taxes sufficient to meet that portion of the cost of education required to be raised through the Special Levy on assessable property within the City of Winnipeg. 2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	Committee Clerk

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227	Local Improvements on John Huyda Drive Minute 23, SC FI, 2004 03 09 SL-3	The Executive Policy Committee referred the following recommendation of the Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues to the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works, namely: 1. That the following proposed Local Improvement Projects to be funded and constructed in 2005 be proceeded with, namely: A. Work Order No. 99-03-020-1-03, Land Drain Sewer (Lateral Only) in the east-west leg of John Huyda Drive from the north-south leg of John Huyda Drive to Mitchelson Way. B. Work Order No. 99-03-010-1-02, Waste Water Sewer in the east-west leg of John Huyda Drive from the north-south leg of John Huyda Drive to Mitchelson Way. C. Work Order No. 99-03-060-1-02, Watermain in the east-west leg of John Huyda Drive from the north-south leg of John Huyda Drive to Mitchelson Way. D. Work Order No. 99-03-200-1-04, 25'X 6'' Concrete Street Pavement on the east-west leg of John Huyda Drive from the north-south leg of John Huyda Drive to Mitchelson Way; E. Work Order No. 99-03-270-1-03, Ornamental Street Lighting on the east-west leg of John Huyda Drive from the north-south leg of John Huyda Drive to Mitchelson Way. 2. That the private property owners having rearage on John Huyda be deemed to benefit from the proposed local improvements and the local improvement levies not be deferred.	Standing Policy Committee on Public Works c. Chief Financial Officer Director, Planning, Property and Development Acting Director of Public Works
		Further, the Executive Policy Committee received as information the following recommendation of the Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues, namely, that Lot 12 (David Scott, Certificate of Title No. 1253365) be protected from a planning (development) perspective to ensure the ability to service any future subdivision of Lot 12.	Nil

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228	New Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development Report 2004 02 27 CR-2	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the administrative recommendation, as amended, and recommends to Council: 1. That a Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development be established as outlined in Attachment A, with the exception of the proposed amendment to The Procedure By-law No. 5400/90. 2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	Committee Clerk
		Further, the Executive Policy Committee referred the proposed amendment to The Procedure By-law No. 5400/90 to the Secretariat Committee for review.	Secretariat Committee c. City Clerk
		STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS	
229	Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues Report dated March 9, 2004	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation for Item 1 of the Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues and forwarded the item to Council.	Committee Clerk
230-242	Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development Report dated March 2, 2004	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendations for Items 1 to 13 of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development and forwarded the items to Council.	Committee Clerk
243-244	Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development Report dated March 4, 2004	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendations for Items 1 and 2 of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development and forwarded the items to Council.	Committee Clerk
245-247	Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services Report dated March 8, 2004	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendations for Items 1 to 3 of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services and forwarded the items to Council.	Committee Clerk
248-249	Standing Policy Committee Public Works Report dated March 9, 2004	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendations for Items 1 and 2 of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works and forwarded the items to Council.	Committee Clerk
250	Standing Policy Committee Public Works Report dated March 9, 2004	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the recommendation for Item 3 of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works and recommends to Council: 1. That Bonner Avenue between Gateway Road and DeVries Avenue be removed as a designated Snow Emergency Route (non-regional street) from the Snow Emergency By-law No. 6548/95. 2. That the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services be requested to prepare the necessary by-law in accordance with the foregoing and submit same directly to	Committee Clerk

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		Council. 3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.	
251-253	Standing Policy Committee Public Works Report dated March 9, 2004	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendations for Items 4 to 6 of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works and forwarded the items to Council	Committee Clerk
PRELIMINARY 2004 to 2006 OPERATING BUDGET			
254	Winnipeg Harvest - Ongoing Line Item to the Operating Budget Council 2003 04 30 FE(2004-2006)	The Executive Policy Committee received the matter as information (See Minute 268)	Nil
255	2005 Winnipeg Juno Awards Bid Committee Council 2003 04 30 GC-8	The Executive Policy Committee received the matter as information. (See Minute 268)	Nil
256	Per Capita Grant Program - Increased Funding Council Referral 2003 07 23 FG-1	The Executive Policy Committee received the matter as information. (See Minute 268)	Nil
257	Canada/Manitoba Infrastructure Program - Cultural Centres Contribution Project Minute 2, SC FI, 2003 12 04 S-7	The Executive Policy Committee received the matter as information. (See Minute 268)	Nil
258	Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development - Operating Budget Recommendations Minute 145, SPC PD, 2004 03 04 FE(2004-2006)	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development with respect to the Preliminary 2004 to 2006 Operating Budget. (See Minute 268)	Nil
259	Standing Policy Committee on Public Works - Operating Budget Recommendations Minute 76, SPC PW, 2004 03 01 FE(2004 - 2006)	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works with respect to the Preliminary 2004 to 2006 Operating Budget. (See Minute 268)	Nil
260	Boulevard Maintenance Minute 78, SPC PW, 2004 03 01 PB-1	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works with respect to regional street boulevard maintenance program. (See Minute 268)	Nil

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261	Snow Clearing and Ice Control Minute 79, SPC PW, 2004 03 01 SC-3.6	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works with respect to snow clearing program. (See Minute 268)	Nil
262	Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services - Operating Budget Recommendations Minute 58, SPC PCS, 2004 03 11 FE(2004-2006)	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services with respect to the Preliminary 2004 to 2006 Operating Budget. (See Minute 268)	Nil
263	Operation of Outdoor Swimming and Wading Pools Minute 61, SPC PCS, 2004 03 11 PR-2.2	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services with respect to the operation of outdoor swimming and wading pools. (See Minute 268)	Nil
264	Helicopter Services for Insect Control Minute 65, SPC PCS, 2004 03 11 FE-1	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services with respect to the insect control program. (See Minute 268)	Nil
265	Transcona Historical Museum Minute 63, SPC PCS, 2004 03 11 PR-9	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services with respect to funding for the Transcona Historical Museum. (See Minute 268)	Nil
266	Seven Oaks House Museum Minute 64, SPC PCS, 2004 03 11 PR-9.7.1	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the recommendation from the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services with respect to funding for the Seven Oaks House Museum. (See Minute 268)	Nil
267	St. Boniface Museum Minute 67, SPC PCS, 2004 03 11 PR-9.3	The Executive Policy Committee received as information the recommendation from the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services with respect to funding for the St. Boniface Museum. (See Minute 268)	Nil

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268	Executive Policy Committee - Operating Budget Recommendations Minute 209, EPC, 2004 02 24 FE(2004)	The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the Preliminary 2004 to 2006 Operating Budget, as amended, and recommends to Council: 1. That the 2004 Operating Budget as tabled at the Executive Policy Committee meeting of February 24, 2004, and amended by Recommendation 2, be forwarded to Council for approval, and that the 2005 and 2006 projections be approved in principle and received as information on the preliminary financial plans for those years, and referred back to the Executive Policy Committee for adjustments. 2. That the following changes, which have a neutral impact on the mill rate for the 2004 tax-supported operating budget, be made, namely:	Committee Clerk

Description	**Revenue**	**Expenditure**	**Mill Rate Support/ (Contribution)**
Tax-Supported Budget Tabled February 24, 2004	**$ 692,933,952**	**$ 692,933,952**	**$ ---**
RECOMMENDED CHANGES:			
1. That the Community Services budget be increased as follows:			
A. library materials	---	100,000	100,000
B. insect control/larviciding	---	100,000	100,000
2. That the Public Works budget be increased as follows:			
A. two (2) cycles of boulevard maintenance	---	240,000	240,000
B. thin bituminous overlay (TBO)	---	300,000	300,000
3. That the following museum budgets be increased on an ongoing basis as follows:			
A. St. Boniface Museum	---	80,000	80,000
B. Transcona Historical Museum	---	20,000	20,000
4. That the Fire Paramedics budget be increased by $459,795 to fund 12 positions to staff two peak-time 12-hour ambulance units to address advanced life support (ALS), emergency transport, and inter-facility transfer needs, effective May 1st,	---	459,795	459,795

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		2004. The City will fund this program in an amount of $114,948 in 2004 (25% of the cost), with the remaining funding as follows:				
		A. 50% from user fee revenue from increased call volumes	229,899	---	(229,899)	
		B. 25% from the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority - to be negotiated	114,948	---	(114,948)	
		5. That the Tax Penalty By-law No. 5796/91 and the Tax Sale Penalty By-law No. 8157/2002 be amended by setting a rate of Interest of 1.25% per month effective July 1, 2004, to all outstanding current taxes, all outstanding taxes in arrears and on unpaid taxes on real property sold in tax sale	954,948	---	(954,948)	
		Total Changes	**1,299,795**	**1,299,795**		
		Tax-Supported Operating Budget as recommended by Executive Policy Committee	**$ 694,233,747**	**$694,233,747**	**$ ---**	
		3. That the City's 2004 mill rate remain at the 2002 and 2003 level of 29.686.				
		4. That the City's business tax rate for 2004 remain frozen at the 1996 level of 9.75%.				
		5. That $4,092,000 in previously approved 2004 capital projects be held back and not proceeded with to reduce debt and finance charges in the tax-supported operating budget, and that these projects be referred to the 2005 capital budget process. See Appendix 4 in the 2004 to 2006 Preliminary Operating Budget.				
		6. That the full benefit of the GST rebate flow to the tax-supported budget and that the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to do all things necessary to implement this recommendation.				
		7. That a new investment management fee policy for reserve funds managed by the Treasury Branch of Corporate Finance be approved effective January 1, 2004, as follows:				
		A. An investment management fee of 20 basis points (1/5 of 1%) will be levied annually on the reserve funds managed on a cash or short-term basis (investments of two years and less) by the Treasury Branch of Corporate Finance; and				

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		B. An investment management fee of 10 basis points (1/10 of 1%) will be levied annually on the reserve funds managed on a long-term basis (investments of more than two years) by the Treasury Branch of Corporate Finance. 8. That the transfers to/from utility operations and reserves, as well as the fees and charges outlined in the tax-supported budget submission be approved. 9. That the Administration be directed to report on a full cost recovery solid waste user pay system to be implemented in 2005 on a revenue neutral basis, that is, with a corresponding reduction in property taxes. 10. That the City enter into discussions with the Province for a single, self-sustaining assessment authority for the Province of Manitoba for implementation in 2005. 11. That the City negotiate with the Province for equitable cost sharing of services, and/or the authority to introduce alternative sources of revenue in order to reduce reliance on property tax revenue. 12. That the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-laws to implement the above recommendations.	
In Camera 269 – 270			