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Report – Executive Policy Committee – October 20, 2020

Item No. 6 Temporary Parking Measures

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On October 20, 2020, the Executive Policy Committee submitted the following to Council:

1. That one-hour complimentary parking at all on-street metered locations throughout Winnipeg be continued until December 31, 2020 and that this be available without the need to pay for parking but that this should not be combined with the existing two hours of complimentary parking on Saturdays in the Downtown area.

2. That the Winnipeg Parking Authority be directed not to enforce parking time restrictions on residential streets until December 31, 2020 but to continue to enforce all other parking restrictions (such as obstructing fire hydrants, parking too close to intersections, etc.).

3. That the Public Service be directed to continue to work with the Downtown and Exchange District Business Improvement Zones in order to implement loading zones in locations which will benefit local businesses during the COVID pandemic.

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

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On October 20, 2020, the Executive Policy Committee passed the following motion:

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2020, in recognition of the fact that the COVID-19 pandemic was negatively impacting many businesses, especially in Winnipeg's Downtown and Exchange District, and that many residents of Winnipeg were working remotely from home in order to restrict the spread of the COVID-19 virus within their workplaces, the Chief Administrative Officer took the following actions with respect to on-street parking to assist businesses and to accommodate residents who were working from home rather than from their places of work:

- Offering one-hour complimentary parking at all on-street metered locations throughout Winnipeg;
- Relaxing enforcement of time limits on residential streets;
- Allowing motorists to treat areas in front of some businesses as 15 minute loading zones in various locations throughout the Downtown and the Exchange District;

AND WHEREAS the COVID-19 has continued to negatively impact businesses, especially in Winnipeg's Downtown and Exchange District, and is expected to continue to do so for the foreseeable future;

AND WHEREAS many residents of Winnipeg continue to work remotely from home and are expected to continue to do so for the foreseeable future;

AND WHEREAS the measures instituted by the Chief Administrative Officer should be put in place on a longer-term basis;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Policy Committee recommend to Council:

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

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