Minute No. 176
Report – Executive Policy Committee – January 20, 2021

Item No. 10 Acceptance of Donation from Dr. Donald Reimer

COUNCIL DECISION:

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

1. That the City accept a donation in the amount of $10,000 from Dr. Donald Reimer on the condition that the monies be used to directly support the creation and maintenance of outdoor community rinks in Winnipeg this winter.

2. That the City provide the $10,000 received as a donation from Dr. Donald Reimer to the GCWCC in the form of a grant for the purpose of distributing the monies to community centres in accordance with the following:

    A. That the GCWCC will identify which community centres in each of its 5 Districts faces the greatest need and greatest financial challenges creating and maintaining outdoor ice for its surrounding community and will direct $2,000 to each of the 5 selected community centres to support the creation and/or maintenance of outdoor ice (including but not limited to purchasing tools, shovels, hoses or defraying the water costs associated with flooding the ice).

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.

His Worship Mayor Bowman called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:

Yea: His Worship Mayor Bowman, Councillors Allard, Browaty, Chambers, Eadie, Gilroy, Klein, Lukes, Mayes, Nason, Orlikow, Rollins, Santos, Schreyer and Sharma 15

Nay: 0

Absent: Councillor Gillingham 1

and the motion was declared carried.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On January 20, 2021, the Executive Policy Committee passed the following motion:

WHEREAS Dr. Donald Reimer is a founder of Reimer Express, one of the largest freight transportation companies in Canada;

AND WHEREAS Dr. Reimer is a proud Winnipegger;

AND WHEREAS Dr. Reimer wishes to donate $10,000 to the City to directly support the creation and maintenance of outdoor community ice rinks in Winnipeg for this winter;

AND WHEREAS the City wishes to grant the above-mentioned monies to the General Council of Winnipeg Community Centres (“GCWCC”), who is in the best position to allocate and further distribute the monies as quickly as possible.

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

1. That the City accept a donation in the amount of $10,000 from Dr. Donald Reimer on the condition that the monies be used to directly support the creation and maintenance of outdoor community rinks in Winnipeg this winter.

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GCWCC in the form of a grant for the purpose of distributing the monies to community centres in accordance with the following:

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

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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.

and submitted the matter to Council.