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REPORTS

Minute No. 296 Disabled People's International Conference
File FG-1.1(D)

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee recommended approval of a one-time only grant in the amount of $48,000.00 to the Disabled People's International Conference for transportation purposes, and referred the matter to the Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues to identify the funding source.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Gerbasi,

That Rule 9.3 of the Procedure By-law be suspended in order that the following item, which was received too late to be placed on the regular agenda, may also be considered by Committee at this time.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Gerbasi,

WHEREAS in September, 2004, the Disabled People's International (DPI) Conference will be held in Winnipeg which will be a cross-disability network of 135 national assemblies representing millions worldwide, with 1,000 participants from 100 countries discussing the theme "Diversity Within";

AND WHEREAS Disabled People's International Conference sees itself as a leader of discussions on disability and human rights, especially as it pertains to creating opportunities for under-represented groups, such as women, youth, indigenous and Arab peoples;

AND WHEREAS Disabled People's International Conference is looking for a $50,000.00 gold sponsorship from the City of Winnipeg to cover the cost of all necessary transportation during the event, and currently, there is no overall policy framework for City of Winnipeg sponsorship for conferences and events;

AND WHEREAS presentations were made to, and non-monetary support was received from Destination Winnipeg and the City's Access Advisory Committee;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba is providing DPI with $50,000.00 towards the needs of the conference;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Executive Policy Committee recommend a one-time only grant in the amount of $48,000.00 be approved to the Disabled People's International Conference for transportation purposes, and the matter be referred to the Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues to identify the funding source.

Carried