Minute No. 444
Report – Standing Policy Committee on Water and Waste, Riverbank Management and the Environment – May 7, 2021

Item No. 2 Use of Retention Ponds for Recreational Activities

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Water and Waste, Riverbank Management and the Environment and adopted the following:

1. That an extension of time of 60 days be granted for the Winnipeg Public Service to report back with a cross jurisdictional review of the use of retention and detention ponds, rivers, and creeks for recreational activities, and include recommendations on the following:

    A. The requirements needed to enable recreational activities on retention and detention ponds, rivers, and creeks in the City of Winnipeg; and

    B. Any necessary amendments to the Frozen Waterways By-law No. 93/2014.

2. 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 Councillor Mayes,

That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Water and Waste, Riverbank Management and the Environment be adopted by consent.

Carried

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On May 18, 2021, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Water and Waste, Riverbank Management and the Environment and submitted the matter to Council.

Councillor Lukes, Waverley West Ward, submitted a communication dated May 17, 2021, in support of the matter.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On May 7, 2021, the Standing Policy Committee on Water and Waste, Riverbank Management and the Environment recommended to the Executive Policy Committee and Council:

1. That an extension of time of 60 days be granted for the Winnipeg Public Service to report back with a cross jurisdictional review of the use of retention and detention ponds, rivers, and creeks for recreational activities, and include recommendations on the following:

    A. The requirements needed to enable recreational activities on retention and detention ponds, rivers, and creeks in the City of Winnipeg; and

    B. Any necessary amendments to the Frozen Waterways By-law No. 93/2014.

2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the forgoing.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION:

On January 28, 2021, Council concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Water and Waste, Riverbank Management and the Environment and adopted the following:

1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to conduct a cross jurisdictional review of the use of retention and detention ponds, rivers, and creeks for recreational activities, and report back to Council within 120 days with recommendations on the following:

    A. The requirements needed to enable recreational activities on retention and detention ponds, rivers, and creeks in the City of Winnipeg; and

    B. Any necessary amendments to the Frozen Waterways By-law No. 93/2014.

2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.