Agenda – Council – July 22, 2021

Report – Governance Committee of Council – June 15, 2021

Item No. 1 Lobbyist Registry

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On July 14, 2021, the Executive Policy Committee did not concur in the recommendation of the Governance Committee of Council and submitted the following to Council:

1. That the recommendation of Governance Committee of Council be received as information.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

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1. That the recommendation of Governance Committee of Council be received as information.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On June 15, 2021, the Governance Committee of Council concurred in the recommendation of the East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

COUNCIL DECISION:

On May 27, 2021, Council concurred in the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee and referred the matter to the Governance Committee of Council.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On May 18, 2021, the Executive Policy Committee submitted the following to Council:

1. That the following be referred to the Governance Committee of Council:

    A. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to report back on the following items within 120 days:

        i. A cross-jurisdictional scan of Canadian Municipalities that have implemented a mandatory registry, including staffing utilized;

        ii. A review of civic or provincial by-law or charter changes potentially needed to undertake such a change.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

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

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On April 28, 2021, the East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee passed the following motion:

WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg on April 26, 2017 through approval of Council established a voluntary lobbyist registry;

AND WHEREAS the use of the Registry is not clear in the effectiveness to ensure open and transparent lobby efforts from the individuals, groups or companies whose activities would be considered as lobbist activity;

AND WHEREAS there is a clear want and desire that lobbying of Civic Officials and the Public Service is done in an open and transparent fashion to ensure the integrity of government decision-making is upheld;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Policy Committee be requested to direct the Winnipeg Public Service to report back on the following items within 120 Days:

1. A cross-jurisdictional scan of Canadian Municipalities that have implemented a mandatory registry, including staffing utilized;

2. A review of civic or provincial by-law or charter changes potentially needed to undertake such a change.