Report - Executive Policy Committee - May 12, 2004

Item No. 6 Councillors Access to Reporting and Query Tools in the PeopleSoft Financial Information System
File F-1

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On May 12, 2004, the Executive Policy Committee submitted the following to Council:

1. That the March 24, 2004 Council Motion, pertaining to Councillors access to reporting and query tools in the PeopleSoft Financial Information System, be received as information and filed, in view of the fact that the Administration is currently making the necessary preparations to provide Councillors with access to the PeopleSoft System.

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:

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On May 12, 2004, the Executive Policy Committee passed the following motion, namely:

WHEREAS on March 24, 2004, Council referred the following motion to the Executive Policy Committee for input;

AND WHEREAS the Chief Financial Officer has advised that within the next four weeks, PeopleSoft Systems account details will be installed on PCs in each Councillor's office which will include both the budget and the actuals for 2004, and as subsequent annual budget estimates are produced for future fiscal years, those details will be added to the system and will be available to all Councillors to aid them in the budget review process;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that in view of the fact that the Administration is currently making the necessary preparations to provide Councillors with access to the PeopleSoft System, Executive Policy Committee recommends that the motion be received as information and filed,

and submitted the matter to Council.

COUNCIL:

On April 21, 2004, Council referred the following motion to the Executive Policy Committee:

Moved by Councillor Lubosch,
Seconded by Councillor De Smedt,

WHEREAS Councillors are required to form policy and make decisions regarding the City of Winnipeg's programs and services;

AND WHEREAS Councillors must make these decisions to the best of their ability and utilize adequate information;

AND WHEREAS a large number of decisions are predicated upon budgetary concerns, including the drafting of annual operating and capital budgets;

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg has introduced a new financial system known as Connexus using the Peoplesoft financial suite of products to improve the ability of the City to control and analyze financial and budgetary concerns;

AND WHEREAS currently Councillors do not have access to any type of financial reporting information other than that provided to the general public;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that City Councillors be provided with access to the Reporting and Query Tools in the Peoplesoft financial information system, to better facilitate their decision-making ability.