Minute No. 28
Report – Executive Policy Committee – November 17, 2021

Item No. 13 Multi-year Funding Formula for the Winnipeg Police Service

COUNCIL DECISION:

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

1. That an extension of time of 120 days be granted for the Winnipeg Public Service to report back on Recommendation 1.W. of the 2021 Operating and Capital Budget, as approved by Council on December 16, 2021, namely:

    1. W. That Council direct the Chief Financial Officer, to bring forward on or before December 31, 2021 options and recommendation for Council's consideration on a multi-year funding formula for the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) that will provide planning certainty for the City of Winnipeg and a sustainable and predictable funding level for the WPS.

        As part of the development of the report the public service will (i) conduct a jurisdictional scan of other formula-driven models for police services; (ii) work collaboratively to seek input from the Winnipeg Police Services Board, members of Council and the WPS; (iii) commission a statistically representative third-party survey of Winnipeg residents concerning the funding of the WPS, and (iv) support the Police Board, Chair of Protection, Community Services, and Parks, and Chair of Finance through the office of public engagement to hold six events: one city wide event and 5 community committee events (Assiniboia; City Centre; East Kildonan - Transcona, Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan and Riel) designed to collect input from members of the public including Black, Indigenous and people of colour, LGBT2SQ*, community groups and associations.

        As part of the development of the report, $150,000 will be made available through an equivalent increase to the Corporate Efficiencies budget, to the Office of Public Engagement.

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 His Worship Mayor Bowman,

That the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee be adopted.

Carried

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On November 17, 2021, the Executive Policy Committee submitted to Council that an extension of time of 120 days be granted for the Winnipeg Public Service to report back on the matter.

Catherine Kloepfer, Chief Financial Officer, submitted a Status Update dated November 17, 2021.

David Grant submitted a communication dated November 16, 2021, in support of the matter.