Minute No. 580
Report – Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works – June 9, 2022

Item No. 8 Pothole Repair Strategy

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works and adopted the following:

1. That the Council Motion of April 28, 2022, be received as information.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Allard,
That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works be adopted by consent.

Carried

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On June 15, 2022, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works and submitted the matter to Council.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On June 9, 2022, the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works recommended to the Executive Policy Committee and Council:

1. That the Council Motion of April 28, 2022, be received as information.

On May 4, 2022, the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works laid the matter over to its meeting on June 9, 2022.

COUNCIL DECISION:

On April 28, 2022, Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works:

Moved by Councillor Klein,
Seconded by Councillor Nason,

WHEREAS there has been a surge in City residents complaining about potholes and their concern for deteriorating infrastructure through the City;

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

AND WHEREAS potholes can cause even more damage to cars, leading to increased trips to the mechanic, and citizens spending even more money on their vehicle;

AND WHEREAS urgent action is required to repair potholes on major City routes where cars are travelling over 50 kph and safety is a factor;

AND WHEREAS there isn't sufficient time to develop a study or report, or to proceed to committee, to address the immediate issues.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to:

    A. Take urgent steps towards fixing potholes on all routes with speed limits above 50 kph at an expedited pace, dedicating crews to pothole work at a higher priority than other non-urgent work, with the funds for this work taken from the existing road renewals budget, and from within existing funding of the Public Works Department.

    B. Submit a monthly written report to the Council for the next six months on specific locations where potholes have been: 1) reported and 2) repaired;

    C. Develop an interactive publicly accessible geographic map linking with the current online pothole reporting systems, which displays the reported potholes locations across the City and their repair status within 240 days.

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