Minutes – Executive Policy Committee – September 14, 2022

REPORTS

Item No. 14 Implementing the Nine-Point Plan of the International Energy Agency

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and recommended to Council:

1. That this report be received as information.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Mayes,

That the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service be concurred in and forwarded to Council.

Yea:	Bowman, Allard, Browaty, Chambers, Mayes, Rollins	6
Nay:		0

Carried

COUNCIL DECISION:

On June 23, 2022, Council concurred in the June 15, 2022, recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, which included the following recommendation:

1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to report back in 60 days on the following:

    A. Aspects of the nine-point plan outlined in the International Energy Agency's Playing My Part report which can be incorporated into City policies and decision making.

    B. Strategies or actions the City of Winnipeg can take to promote and facilitate the adoption of the nine-point plan by the public, and members of the Winnipeg Public Service.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Title: Implementing the Nine-Point Plan of the International Energy Agency

Critical Path: Executive Policy Committee – Council

AUTHORIZATION

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

There are a number of City Council approved plans that address the International Energy Agency (IEA) *Playing my part: How to save money, reduce reliance on Russian energy, support Ukraine and help the planet.*

The Council approved Climate Action Plan and the Community Energy Investment Road Map set out actions to reach net zero emissions by 2050. Various Council approved plans contribute to these goals, including, OurWinnipeg 2045, Complete Communities 2.0, the Transportation Master Plan (under development), the Transit Master Plan, Comprehensive Integrated Waste Management Strategy and Winnipeg's Parks and Recreation Strategies.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That this report be received as information.

REASON FOR THE REPORT

At its June 23, 2022 meeting, Council directed the Public Service to report back in 60 days on: aspects of the nine-point plan outlined in the International Energy Agency's Playing My Part report which can be incorporated into City policies and decision making, and; strategies or actions the City of Winnipeg can take to promote and facilitate the adoption of the nine-point plan by the public, and members of the Winnipeg Public Service.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS

There are no implications associated with receiving this report as information.

HISTORY/DISCUSSION

The April 21, 2022 report of the International Energy Agency (IEA), *Playing my part: How to save money, reduce reliance on Russian energy, support Ukraine and help the planet* (attached herein as appendix 1) outlines concrete actions for European citizens to take to support Ukraine, by using less energy to "cut reliance on Russian fossil fuels, demonstrate solidarity with the Ukrainian people, and support climate action." The IEA's nine-point plan was developed in coordination with the European Commission, based on its previous *10-Point Plan to Reduce the European Union's Reliance on Russian Natural Gas*, and its *10-Point Plan to Cut Oil Use* (attached herein respectively as appendix 2 and appendix 3).

Canada is an IEA member country. The IEA "examines the full spectrum of energy issues including oil, gas and coal supply and demand, renewable energy technologies, electricity markets, energy efficiency, access to energy, demand side management and much more. Through its work, the IEA advocates policies that will enhance the reliability, affordability and sustainability of energy in its 31 member countries, 10 association countries and beyond."

The Playing my part plan has the following nine suggestions.
Turn down your heating and use less air-conditioning
Adjust your boiler's temperature
Work from home
Use your car more economically
Reduce your speed on highways
Leave your car at home on Sunday in large cities
Walk or bike short journeys instead of driving
Use public transport
Skip the plane, take the train

The Council approved Climate Action Plan identifies strategies to reduce emissions from buildings, vehicles and waste and less reliance on fossil fuels through efficiency measures, more reliance on renewable energy, promotion of active transportation/mode shift, densification, using public transit and reusing resources where applicable.

The Council approved Community Energy Investment Roadmap defines actions and investments to meet net zero by 2050. The results can be used in decision-making by the City of Winnipeg, as well as by organizations, businesses and community groups across sectors, both in collaboration with the City, as well as in their own planning processes, to reach net zero emissions by 2050.

The Public Service is piloting a flexible work program for staff who are able to work remotely.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Financial Impact Statement

Date: August 16, 2022

Project Name:
Open Government Annual Review

COMMENTS:
There are no financial implications associated with the recommendations in this report.

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CONSULTATION

This Report has been prepared in consultation with:

N/A

OURWINNIPEG POLICY ALIGNMENT

2 Environmental Resilience
- 2.1 Prioritize the transition to a resilient, low-carbon future through demonstrated organizational and community leadership, and collaborative actions that mitigate and adapt to a changing climate.
- 2.2 Prioritize sustainable transportation as the mobility options of choice.

4 Good Health and Well-Being
- 4.2 Support positive health outcomes through the built and natural environments.

6 City Building
- 6.2 Integrate resilient land use, transportation and infrastructure planning, and investments.

WINNIPEG CLIMATE ACTION PLAN ALIGNMENT

Strategic opportunity 1: Corporate Leadership
- 1.1 Cultivate a Corporate Culture that Values Climate Action
- 1.4 Encourage Sustainable Transportation Options
- 1.5 Reduce Employee Vehicle Kilometers Traveled (VKT) and Associated GHGs

Strategic opportunity 3: Advancing Sustainable Transportation
- 3.1 Increase Use of Efficiency of Public Transit Systems
- 3.4 Increase Active Transportation Rates
- 3.5 Reduce Traffic Congestion
- 3.7 Utilize Zero Emission Buses

Strategic opportunity 7: Community climate resiliency
- 7.1 Implement Opportunities to Improve Winnipeg's Resilience and Adaptability to the Effects of a Changing Climate

WINNIPEG POVERTY REDUCTION STRATEGY ALIGNMENT

N/A

SUBMITTED BY

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Division:
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Attachments:

Appendix 1 – IEA's *Playing my part: How to save money, reduce reliance on Russian energy, support Ukraine and help the planet*

Appendix 2 – IEA's *A 10-Point Plan to Reduce the European Union's Reliance on Russian Natural Gas*

Appendix 3 – IEA's *A 10-Point Plan to Cut Oil Use*