Agenda – Council – September 22, 2022

Report – Executive Policy Committee – September 14, 2022

Item No. 36 Recognition of National Forest Week and National Tree Day

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On September 14, 2022, the Executive Policy Committee submitted the following to Council:

1. That September 18 to 24, 2022, be recognized as National Forest Week and September 21, 2022, as National Tree Day.

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

Report – Executive Policy Committee – September 14, 2022

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On September 14, 2022, the Executive Policy Committee passed the following motion:

WHEREAS forests enrich the lives of Winnipeggers by enticing them to head outdoors and engage in healthy, active lifestyles;

AND WHEREAS trees help mitigate the harmful effects of climate change, including extreme heat events and erosion due to severe weather;

AND WHEREAS forests are critical to our City's biodiversity, providing shelter and food to wildlife;

AND WHEREAS trees and forests contribute to cleaner air as well as cleaner water;

AND WHEREAS it is incumbent upon City Council to continue efforts - including investment and community engagement like the Million Tree Challenge - to ensure the survival, preservation and renewal of trees and forests for future generations;

AND WHEREAS raising awareness throughout the year helps ensure trees and forests are given the consideration and resources they are due;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That Council recognize September 18 to 24, 2022, as National Forest Week and September 21, 2022, as National Tree Day.

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

and submitted the matter to Council.