Minute No. 731
Report – Executive Policy Committee – September 14, 2022

Item No. 6 Appointment of City Representatives to the Sinking Fund Trustees of the City of Winnipeg

COUNCIL DECISION:

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

1. That Laurie Fisher, Manager of Finance, Winnipeg Transit, be appointed to serve as a trustee of The Sinking Fund Trustees of The City of Winnipeg, effective immediately upon the approval of Council.

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 by consent.

Carried

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On September 14, 2022, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and submitted the matter to Council.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Title: APPOINTMENT OF CITY REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SINKING FUND TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF WINNIPEG

Critical Path: EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE – COUNCIL

AUTHORIZATION

Author	Department Head	CFO	CAO
C. Kloepfer	C. Kloepfer	C. Kloepfer	M. Geer, Acting CAO

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Mr. Paul Olafson, resigned effective August 5, 2022, as trustee of The Sinking Fund Trustees of The City of Winnipeg.

It is recommended that Laurie Fisher, Manager of Finance, Winnipeg Transit, be appointed, effective immediately upon the approval of Council, to serve as a trustee of the Sinking Fund Trustees of The City of Winnipeg.

This report recommends the appointment terms be effective immediately upon the approval of Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Laurie Fisher, Manager of Finance, Winnipeg Transit, be appointed to serve as a trustee of The Sinking Fund Trustees of The City of Winnipeg, effective immediately upon the approval of Council.

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

REASON FOR THE REPORT

Council approval is required to make these appointments.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS

There are no financial impacts associated with the recommendations in this report.

HISTORY/DISCUSSION

The Sinking Fund Trustees of The City of Winnipeg was established by *The City of Winnipeg Act*. Effective January 1, 2003, *The City of Winnipeg Act* was repealed and replaced by *The City of Winnipeg Charter.* The rights and obligations outlined under the Former *The City of Winnipeg Act* are maintained by *The City of Winnipeg Charter.*

As legislated, The Sinking Fund Trustees of The City of Winnipeg shall be comprised of four trustees, one of which will be the Chief Financial Officer.

Paul Olafson, Corporate Controller, has served as a trustee until his resignation on August 5, 2022. It is recommended that Paul Olafson be replaced with Laurie Fisher, Manager of Finance, Winnipeg Transit, as trustee. The other three trustees appointed by Council are Catherine Kloepfer, Rob Provencher and Tanis Yanchishyn.

The trustees manage a sinking fund related to the February 2, 2029 debt issue of $60 million, assumed by Manitoba Hydro through the sale of Winnipeg Hydro to Manitoba Hydro. However, the debt was issued by the City of Winnipeg and remains an obligation of the City to make interest payments and retire the debt at maturity. Manitoba Hydro is required to pay to the City of Winnipeg the annual interest servicing cost and the principal value of the debenture issue at maturity. The role of the Sinking Fund Trustees of The City of Winnipeg remains limited to this run-off of debt.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Financial Impact Statement **Date:** August 5, 2022

Project Name:

APPOINTMENT OF CITY REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SINKING FUND TRUTEES OF THE CITY OF WINNIPEG

COMMENTS:

There is no financial impact associated with the recommendation of this report.

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CONSULTATION

This Report has been prepared in consultation with: N/A

OURWINNIPEG POLICY ALIGNMENT

N/A

WINNIPEG CLIMATE ACTION PLAN ALIGNMENT

N/A

WINNIPEG POVERTY REDUCTION STRATEGY ALIGNMENT

N/A

SUBMITTED BY

Department: Office of the Chief Financial Officer
Prepared by: Catherine Kloepfer
Date: August 5, 2022