Minute No. 225
Report – Standing Policy Committee on Public Works – February 7, 2023

Item No. 5 Photo Enforcement of Motor Vehicle Noise Infractions

COUNCIL DECISION:

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

1. That the Council Motion of January 26, 2023, be received as information

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Lukes,

That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works be adopted.

Carried

Councillors Allard, Eadie and Gilroy asked to be recorded as having voted against the item in accordance with Rule 47(7) of the Procedure Bylaw.

Councillor Wyatt was absent from the vote on the item.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On February 14, 2023, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works and submitted the matter to Council.

David Grant submitted a communication with respect to the matter.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On February 7, 2023, the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works recommended to the Executive Policy and Council:

1. That the Council Motion of January 26, 2023, be received as information.

COUNCIL DECISION:

On January 26, 2023, Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works:

Moved by Councillor Allard,
Seconded by Councillor Gilroy,

WHEREAS resident complaints continue regarding motor vehicles that are in violation of the noise by-law, impacting quality of life because of issues including forcing residents indoors or affecting people's ability to speak;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg police is responsible for the noise enforcement by-law;

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg police do not have the capacity to address this issue city wide and to the level expected by residents;

AND WHEREAS new technology would allow municipalities to issue photo enforcement for by-law violations related to vehicles that violate the noise by-law;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Province of Manitoba be requested to consider the legislative changes necessary to allow for photo enforcement of motor vehicle noise infractions.

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