

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON WATER , WASTE

AND THE ENVIRONMENT

MOTIONS

Minute No. 338

Moved by Councillor Gilroy,
Seconded by Councillor Mayes,

WHEREAS the Winnipeg Climate Action Plan outlines the City's role in reducing corporate carbon emissions and taking a leading role in protecting our environment;

AND WHEREAS at the COP-15 conference on biodiversity, which took place in Montreal in December 2022, countries across the world were encouraged to sign on to the Montreal Pledge as part of the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework;

AND WHEREAS a number Canadian municipalities including Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver have signed on to the Montreal Pledge to take 15 concrete actions to protect biodiversity;

AND WHEREAS many of the 15 actions identified in the pledge have already been, or are in the process of being, implemented by the City of Winnipeg;

AND WHEREAS the pledge encourages signatories to act swiftly to protect biodiversity and reduce pollution;

AND WHEREAS clause 15 of the pledge ensures equitable participation of Indigenous Peoples and local communities in decision-making and in the process of acquiring and transmitting knowledge about biodiversity;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Public Service report back within 90 days on the City of Winnipeg becoming a signatory to the Montreal Pledge: Cities United in Action for Biodiversity, (attached for reference as Appendix A).

Automatic Referral to the Standing Policy Committee
on Water, Waste and the Environment in accordance
with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law