Minute No. 408
Report – Standing Policy Committee on Public Works – April 11, 2023

Item No. 1 Fire Trucks for Ukraine

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council did not concur in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works and as such, the item was not adopted.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Lukes,

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

Councillor Lukes called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:

Yea: Councillors Allard, Chambers, Eadie, Mayes, Schreyer, Sharma and Wyatt 7

Nay: His Worship Mayor Gillingham, Councillors Browaty, Dobson, Duncan, Gilroy, Lukes, Rollins and Santos 8

and the motion was declared lost.

David Grant submitted a communication with respect to the matter.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On April 18, 2023, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works and submitted the matter to Council.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On April 11, 2023, the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works considered the Council Motion of March 23, 2023, and recommended to the Executive Policy Committee and Council:

1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to report back to the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works when surplus fire trucks have been identified, in order to consider the donation of the equipment to Ukraine.

2. That the donation of non-fleet-related fire truck equipment to Ukraine be referred to the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services.

3. That the City of Winnipeg request the Province of Manitoba to consider the donation of end of life ambulances to Ukraine.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

4. That the City of Winnipeg work with the Province of Manitoba regarding the transportation of said equipment to Ukraine.

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

David Grant submitted a communication with respect to the matter.

COUNCIL DECISION:

On March 23, 2023, Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works:

Moved by Councillor Wyatt,
Seconded by Councillor Eadie,

WHEREAS Ukraine has been suffering with regard to an illegal and unprovoked invasion by Russia, with Western Countries, including Canada, actively assisting Ukraine with military equipment and supplies;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg Fleet Management Agency manages and disposes of all fire trucks and fire apparatuses;

AND WHEREAS the Winnipeg Fleet Management Agency indicated in the last Standing Policy Committee on Public Works meeting that said fire trucks and/or fire apparatuses do not provide any dividend to the City when they are at end-of-life and disposed;

AND WHEREAS the Winnipeg Fleet Management Agency leases City of Winnipeg ambulances via the Provincial Fleet Division and the Province also has a number of end-of-life ambulances being disposed of;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the City of Winnipeg send any end-of-life fire trucks and/or fire apparatuses (ladder trucks, etc.) to Ukraine.

2. That the City of Winnipeg request the Province of Manitoba to consider the same with the end of life ambulances, namely send them to Ukraine.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

3. That the City of Winnipeg work with the Province of Manitoba regarding the transportation of said equipment to Ukraine.