Minute No. 474
Report – Standing Policy Committee on Community Services – May 5, 2023

Item No. 3 Demolition Site Debris

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services and adopted the following:

1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to report back in 90 days to the appropriate Committee of Council with a report on the following:

    A. The feasibility of the Winnipeg Public Service cleaning debris from demolition sites and the cost of this work being added to the property owner's tax bill.

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 Councillor Orlikow,

That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services be adopted by consent.

Carried

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On May 16, 2023, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services and submitted the matter to Council.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On May 5, 2023, the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services considered the Council Motion of April 27, 2023, and recommended to the Executive Policy Committee and Council:

1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to report back in 90 days to the appropriate Committee of Council with a report on the following:

    A. The feasibility of the Winnipeg Public Service cleaning debris from demolition sites and the cost of this work being added to the property owner's tax bill.

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

The following persons submitted communications in support of the matter:

Councillor Santos, Point Douglas Ward
Kevin Sweryd, President, Bardal Funeral Homes

COUNCIL DECISION:

On April 27, 2023, Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services:

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

Moved by Councillor Gilroy,
Seconded by Councillor Santos,

WHEREAS there are buildings in the City of Winnipeg that have been demolished and the debris has not been cleaned up within six months by the owner;

AND WHEREAS this has a devastating impact on the surrounding community with respect to cleanliness, health and safety;

AND WHEREAS there are a number of these sites located in inner-city neighbourhoods which is a hindrance to their revitalization;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Public Service be directed to clean debris from demolition sites and the cost of this work be added to the property owner's tax bill.