COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINNIPEG
Tuesday, May 30, 2023

The Council met at 9:41 a.m.

The Clerk advised the Speaker that a quorum was present.

The Speaker called the meeting to order.

The opening prayer was read by Councillor Lukes.

ROLL CALL

Clerk: Madam Speaker Councillor Sharma, His Worship Mayor Gillingham, Councillors Browaty, Chambers, Dobson, Duncan, Eadie, Gilroy, Lukes, Mayes, Orlikow, Rollins and Councillor Santos.

INTRODUCTION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Madam Speaker: Thank you. At this time, it's my pleasure to welcome our pages for today's meeting. Joining us is Max Novak of the Seven Oaks School Division MET School who resides in the Old Kildonan Ward, and Mohini Machiraju from MET Centre for Arts and Technology, who resides in the St. Boniface Ward. Thank you for serving Council today. We now have morning announcements. Mr. Mayor, you have the floor.

Mayor Gillingham: Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. Good morning to everyone. Finally, after almost seven years, we're able to announce last week with the Premier that we have a new agreement on ambulances. This has been a long time coming and I know that many of our staff have worked very, very hard over the last several years to try to put this agreement together. So, it's good news because the last term of Council, Council determined that the new ambulance contract needed to be on full cost recovery, that property taxpayers should not be paying on…through their property taxes be paying for medical services, which are provincial responsibility. And so, this new contract is full cost recovery providing cost certainty for the city as we enter the next multi-year balanced budget process. It also adds two more ambulances and 20 more staff to improve our response times and alleviate pressure on existing staff. That is something that I requested of the Premier. I know our staff requested it. Other councillors around the table have also raised it as well, but it's something, certainly, in my discussions with the Premier the day after I was elected, I did ask that the new contract be full cost recovery, and that we were in the place where we need more staff. So, those staff will be fully funded by the Province of Manitoba. Also last week, I was really pleased to participate in an announcement with Prime Minister Trudeau at The Forks that we'll see Winnipeg be the headquarters for the brand-new Canada Water Agency. This is really exciting news. This is great news for the city. It's expected to add hundreds of jobs to our community and build on the expertise at places like IISD, Fresh Water Institute, Manitoba Hydro, our local colleges and universities as well. And so, I think Winnipeg is a natural location for the new Canada Water Agency. Credit where credit is due, I know Mr. Terry Duguid, Member of Parliament worked with very, very hard for years to lobby his own government to have the Canada Water Agency located here. So, credit to Mr. Terry Duguid, Minister Vandal. I know the Premier, also, asked the…or made the case to the Prime Minister, and I want to thank the Federal Government for choosing Winnipeg to be the new home of the Canada Water Agency. I have…when asked, I have told representatives of the Federal Government and others who have asked that I believe it's very important that the agency be located in Winnipeg's downtown. Central to Winnipeg…central…in the centre of our city, and have had very positive feedback on that so far. Pride week has begun, it is happening right now. We had a flag raising ceremony at city hall last week. So, thank you so much to Councillor Orlikow for representing the City of Winnipeg at the flag raising. The parade is this Sunday. I know many of us will be participating. Everyone's hoping for good weather as well. It's a great community celebration. It also draws thousands of people downtown for the parade and the festival, and many people to our city. Congratulations to the Winnipeg Sea Bears for winning their first game this past weekend. Not just for winning their first game, but for setting a CEBL record of...attendance record with a sell-out crowd of the lower bowl of Canada Life Centre with over 7,000 people enjoying the game. And I know that it's been a great hit, and we just wish the Sea Bears much success in our community. I want to thank Mr. David Asper for making the investment in our city and making the investment in the Sea Bears. And this is just, you know, yet another professional sport that's going to add a lot of excitement to our community and draw people downtown. Finally, one of my campaign commitments was to hire a senior advisor on homelessness to work in my office as one of my staff members. I'm really pleased to announce last week that Mr. Jared Baker will begin next week in that role as the Senior Advisor on Homelessness and Addiction. And Jared has more than 15 years of experience addressing homeless…issues like homelessness, health, injustice; particularly with Indigenous organizations. And I know that Jared will be welcomed, I trust, by all of us to do very, very important work as working with individuals who are struggling with homelessness and addiction is really one of the

top matters that we're facing at this time. I would also add, I want to thank Mr. Al Wiebe, a community advocate and…for hosting a symposium. He and others hosted a symposium yesterday. I know Councillor Santos was involved as the emcee. I know Councillor Rollins was also there, Councillor Chambers, and others. So, it's a very, very important matter and important issue that we are working on and dealing with, and so I'm glad to see so many people coming together to work together to address this matter. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Next speaker, Councillor Dobson, your morning announcement.

Councillor Dobson: Thank you very much. I think everyone is aware of the apartment fire we had in the Trail Ridge area of St. James less than two weeks ago. The fire displaced up to 180 people and left many with nothing more than the clothes on their backs. I would like to thank the people of Trail Ridge, the Assiniboine West Community Club, as well as the Dreamland Diner on Portage for providing a place where people could drop off donations for those affected by the fire. I especially would like to thank those who came by and dropped off donations. We had people from all over Winnipeg and the surrounding communities come by and drop off donations. I would also like to thank the very many volunteers at these facilities who help sort huge volumes of donations. This would not have been possible without your help. If I missed anyone, I apologize and I thank them. This huge outpouring of support shows what it is to be a Canadian, shows what it is to be a Manitoban, shows what it is to be a Winnipegger. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Dobson. Moving forward, we have a leave of absence motion for Councillor Allard who is away today due to a personal family matter. Madam Clerk, would you read that into the record.

MOTIONS

Moved by His Worship Mayor Gillingham,
Seconded by Councillor Chambers,

THAT Councillor Allard be granted a leave of absence from today's meeting due to a personal family matter.

Madam Speaker: All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Second leave of absence motion for Councillor Schreyer who is away today due City business. Madam Clerk.

Moved by Councillor Browaty,
Seconded by Councillor Eadie,

THAT Councillor Schreyer be granted a leave of absence from today's meeting due to his absence from the City on City Business.

Madam Speaker: All in favour? Contrary? Carried. We have a condolence motion moved by His Worship Mayor Gillingham, seconded by Councillor Mayes, for the passing of Councillor Allard's father. Mr. City Clerk, would you read it into the record, please.

Moved by His Worship Mayor Gillingham,
Seconded by Councillor Mayes,

THAT Council place on record its profound sorrow at the death of Julien Omer Allard, Father of Councillor Matt Allard, which occurred on May 23, 2023.

This Council extends to Matt Allard and his family, its deepest sympathy and condolences in their bereavement.

QUE le conseil municipal annonce officiellement son profond chagrin à la suite du décès de Julien Omer Allard, père du conseiller municipal Matt Allard, qui a eu lieu le 23 mai 2023.

Le conseil municipal présente à Matt Allard et à sa famille ses plus sincères condoléances lors de leur deuil.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Mr. City Clerk. Please rise on the floor and in the gallery for a moment of silence.

MINUTES

Councillor Mayes moves that the Minutes of the meeting held on April 27, 2023 be taken as read and confirmed.

Madam Speaker: All in favour? Contrary? That's carried. We'll now move in to delegations. Just before we do that, we have a motion moved by Councillor Browaty, seconded by Councillor Eadie. I'm sorry, we've already done this motion. Thank you. Thank you. First delegation is Glen Koroluk, Executive Director, Manitoba Eco-Network, who is appearing in support of Item 16 of the report of the Executive Policy Committee dated May 16th, 2023 regarding the Strategic Priorities Action Plan. Delegation is with us via Zoom. Welcome.

DELEGATIONS

Glen Koroluk: Hello, good morning, and thank you. So, just for the record, I would say more like conditional support for the Strategic Priorities Action Plan. And I'll just explain why it's conditional. The Manitoba Eco-Network recently completed a one-and-a-half-year study in the community entitled 'Healthy Environment, Healthy Neighbourhood Project'. The report we just published, 'The Burden of Concern', sort of looked at firsthand experience of Winnipeg residents living in the inner-city and working in the inner-city and who live near industrial sites and contaminated sites. I attached the full report to the Hansard record, should anyone have interest in reading. This is report itself. So, basically, there are 11 main recommendations that stem from the report. I won't go over all of them, but they're…the recommendations are sort of broken-down into four main themes. One of the themes is commitment to environmental justice. A second theme was improving accountability and enforcement. A third theme was independent health and environmental research. And the last theme was land use planning. That theme, land use planning, had two specific recommendations in it, and these two recommendations are really specific to the City of Winnipeg's planning regime. And also, something we're recommending that these recommendations be included in the Strategic Priorities Action Plan. So, recommendation 5 from our study was, develop a more inclusive and comprehensive regulatory approach to the redevelopment of brownfield and contaminated/remediated sites in Winnipeg. And the recommendation No. 6 from the report: relocate freight trains away from residential zoned areas. So, if one looks at the current Strategic Priorities Action Plan, action number 34, and I'm not too sure what the renumbering is, but the original action was replacing the Arlington Bridge, which...which will cost maybe up to half a billion dollars, should we do that. It's basically a bridge that goes over a parking lot for trains, the CP Winnipeg yards. So, we're recommending that that specific action sort of be modified, edited, and instead of replacing the Arlington Bridge, it should read, "Investigate options, including replacement of the Arlington Bridge". And we say that because, you know, I think Winnipeg should look again at rail relocation as an option for the city for future developments. And as many of you know, we had a recent accident on McPhillips on the CP line. And you know, many other cities are moving their rails from their inner-city to other parts outside of the inner-city. So, that's one recommendation. The other recommendation we have for the Strategic Priorities Action Plan is that there should be a new action included into the priorities, and that is to initiate a brownfield land strategy for Winnipeg. And right now, it's absent from the four-year plan, and we suggest that, as a city, we should start looking at those redevelopment and revitalization opportunities. And now is a good time to start. We still are overly reliant on greenfield development, which, in the end, costs us a lot. And by, you know, reusing and revitalizing, you know, inner-city sites that are contaminated or they're brownfield sites where they're in industrial zones, there could be many benefits in terms of future. So, I just want to leave it at that. As I say, we're conditionally supporting the Strategic Priorities Action Plan. We know this is the first time the City has done this, and we congratulate the City for embarking on this initiative. And yeah, the next cycle, four years from now, you know, we suggest that public…that you do a public outreach and engagement program much like you do for other policies and strategies that you develop. So, more of the residents and general public that the City of Winnipeg could help set our priorities for the next four years. If you have any questions, I'm here to hopefully address them. And thank you for your time.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Any questions for our delegation? Seeing none, thank you for your time. Next delegation is Marianne Cerilli who is here with us in-person appearing in opposition to Item 16 of the report of the Executive Policy Committee dated May 16th, 2023 regarding the Strategic Priorities Action Plan. We'll have ten minutes on the clock. Following that, we will hear from Kate Kehler. Welcome.

Marianne Cerilli: I have a flash drive with…I've sent materials to…part of my presentation. Is it possible for me to have that projected?

Madam Speaker: No, there's no such presentations at Council, just at the committee level.

Marianne Cerilli: Ah, that's why the slides aren't…So, I do have a presentation, but…good morning, councillors. Good to see you again. Some of you I had a chance to present on this matter to at the community committee. And since then, I've sent a package that was part of my presentation that I'm going to refer to. It includes two motions that are being sent to

you through the organizations that are part of the Transportation and Land Use Coalition, which is a coalition made up of some 35 to 40 individuals and organizations that are encouraging the City of Winnipeg, Council and administration to live up to our corporate mandate for a healthy city for all and a sustainable city. And I come here today because I care deeply about our city. I care not only because I have a daughter who's 25 and I'm very concerned about the city that we're leaving for her and for any future generations, but I'm also concerned about the city we're leaving for your kids and your grandkids. And I have, you know, worked for many years in various roles, feeling like I've been saying the very similar thing, and that has to do with the way that we are developing our city. So, I'm going to talk about what kind of city that we want, our economic theory of change for the city, and I've sent you a handout called 'Comparing Two Models of Economic Development' that I'm going to refer to. I'm going to talk about the Mayor's commitment during the election not to proceed with the Chief Peguis Trail extension or the widening of Route 90, Kenaston Boulevard unless there is a full impact assessment and a business case and to ensure that that's going to be available to the public and fully transparent. And then I'm going to talk about the motions that we have which are to, basically, amend the Strategic Priorities Action Plan to only proceed with number 17 and 18, which are the extension of Chief Peguis Trail and the widening of Kenaston Boulevard. When that business case is made and when economic information is made available to the public and when the return on investment is demonstrated, that these projects would have a greater return on investment than many other projects that we could do as a city. And finally, being someone that does help organizations now with strategic planning, that's what I've been doing since I was teaching at Red River, and I was teaching courses like participatory planning, which is how do you engage the entire community in planning? I have a few suggestions for you, and how we make decisions. So, to begin with, I had wanted to present on the slide an image that I've shared with you all which has two different ways that 30 people can get coffee. And one shows a picture of a drive-thru with cars circling around and sprawling through and getting their coffee, and the other is a picture of green umbrellas at a cafe with people sitting down and enjoying coffee and chatting and being together. And really, that's what we're talking about here with this strategic plan and the investments, the massive borrowing, that you're planning to invest in more city development that is, you know, that kind of sprawl model, which makes for a very costly cup of coffee. So, we have to ask ourselves, when you have that image of those cars circling through that drive-thru to get their coffee in their disposable cup, who is paying for all that infrastructure? Who is paying for all that subsidy that's going to allow them to get that very costly cup of coffee? In the slides I have that you can't see, I also have an image of a clover leaf from Texas, and the town of Sienna, Italy with a population of 30,000 people. And both have the same area of…of land. And of course, one is got no revenue being generated, no tax base, and the other has an entire community which has…you know, is a walkable complete community. I'm going to go now to talk about these two different approaches because, to me, if you're developing your strategic plan, it has to be grounded in an understanding of economic development. So, if you are doing me the courtesy of actually having the handouts or the materials that I sent to you open, I'm on the slide that has the two approaches to economic development. And one is the more traditional approach that we've seen for many years, which looks at, you know, attracting developments and investment through low taxes, giving away land at a very reduced cost by basically subsidizing the location of large firms in Winnipeg. And it doesn't look at local ownership. It looks at how, you know, it doesn't really consider greenhouse gas emissions, environmental impacts, and it sees industry and economic development as more linear rather than circular. It also doesn't have the kind of collaboration that we're calling for in the Transportation Land Use Coalition and it doesn't have that kind of inclusion of the whole community, that kind of participatory planning, and it also doesn't have a high wage strategy investing in…where the workforce through training and high wages. And it also really doesn't take that systems view of, you know, the...the City, as a way of keeping funds circulating in the city, and if we have a lot of foreign investment then we're going to also have a lot of capital flight. And you know, the City is faced now with an important choice of continuing on that model of economic development or moving to the other side, which is a more sustainable approach to economic development. You know, I had some other slides in here that compare the infrastructure needed to move people through car reliance or through a bus or on bicycle, and also, through rapid transit. So, we're at...we're faced now with asking ourselves, what is driving the city budget and the Transportation Land Use Coalition has been active for…since 2019, talking to councillors about new budget tools that will help ensure that public policy is driving the budget and not other private interests or assumptions or other things that seem to be driving this decision to move these two projects that were rated at number 29 and 14 up to the priority list for the next four years. So, we want to make sure that it actually is not just public policy, but in this case, a sound business pace that is driving the strategic plan and then driving the budget. So, there's been some recent headlines that suggest that the deficit that Winnipeg face would require you to completely drain the rainy-day fund, and they're…you're forecasting a $27 million deficit. So, on the business side, the borrowing that's required for items 17 and 18 in the strategic plan, there is no business case for this based on the information that members of our coalition have taken the time to dig for through freedom of information, through looking at the applications that have been made to federal levels of government for funding; that there are projects that would have way less borrowing and way better return on investment. So, there's also some ideas we have, and I'm actually going to move to the policy map that we are developing, and looking at all the policies that aren't really reflected in the Strategic Priorities Action Plan. And I have a list of like at least a dozen of them. And we're also concerned that the Strategic Priorities Action Plan that was presented in the document that was released in April, it actually doesn't indicate where those plans…those priorities are coming from. So, I would recommend that you kind of go back to looking at maybe a four-column chart rather than a two-column chart, and you're able to show that there are policies and plans that indicate the directive for those priorities, of those 41 priorities that you have. That there are

clear goals with in indicators. So, that's the other thing that's missing from your plan, is there are no indicators or metrics. And I would suggest to you that one of the biggest indicators that Winnipeg has to start looking at is the revenue and tax that's generated from different types of development. And there's been all sorts of really good research that shows that if you compare the model of urban development that will be forced by the extension of Chief Peguis Trail, is a very low revenue generating development compared to others.

Madam Speaker: Councillor Gilroy moves extension. All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

Marianne Cerilli: Thank you. I'm almost finished. So then, the other thing that the Transportation Land Use Coalition has been talking about that would go along with this plan is to link those priorities directly to the budget so we can see, both on the revenue side, whether it's borrowing or money coming from other levels of government, as well as the expenditure side, how those budget lines compare with the policies and the goals and the indicators. And we think that kind of a budget checklist or budget tool will go a long way to helping us make sure that the public policy that we spent so much time developing through OurWinnipeg, Completely Communities, actually is following…is following the budget. So, I'm just going to end...what is my slide is here with the motions. So, there are two motions. Like I said, we want to ensure that you're keeping...if you're keeping those two projects in the Strategic Priorities Action Plan, Item 17 and Item 18, that they only proceed as the Mayor committed with a strong business case, show a positive return on investment, justify the borrowing, and address any changes needed for the borrowing policy which is also in your plan that's a big concern. And we're suggesting that that may delay the allocation of funds for Chief Peguis Trail and the widening of Route 90, but then at least we would be fulfilling our commitment to be transparent as a city and make sure that the public can be informed because when I attended the open house for the Kenaston widening, it was done before there's any of that information about greenhouse gas emissions or the financial and economic impact. So, you're asking the community to make comments on something when they don't have that full information. And finally, I just want to also make sure that the energy road map is also included, so that's also part of both of those amendments, which is a strong public policy that would support the kind of development for Winnipeg that I'm recommending. Thank you very much.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Thank you. If you'd like to just stay on the bench and we'll have the next delegation, and then take questions. I'd like to call forward Kate Kehler, Executive Director of the Social Planning Council of Winnipeg, who is also in opposition to the same item, the Strategic Priorities Action Plan. Welcome.

Kate Kehler: Thank you very much. Good morning everybody. 37.5%, that's the percentage of eligible voters who turned out last October. It's important for us all to remember this given what has been communicated on the SPAP process. This process was an internal process engaged in by Council, and while I can appreciate this having been an opportunity for all of Council to have internal, and one can only assume, at times, difficult conversations, you all got to know each other and your priorities better. However, I'm asking you all to consider how strong your mandate is to insist on your priorities when only 37.5% of those who could vote did. I'm not attempting to take away from your accomplishment, you are all to be congratulated. You put your names forward, not an easy thing to do, and then mounted a campaign that garnered more votes than your competitors. Well, all but two. Two of you got acclaimed. However, now is the time that the rubber hits the road, and I'm using that expression on purpose given that too many of the spending priorities in the SPAP are now…are antithetical to three of the five overarching priorities; that of the downtown, the environment and a liveable, safe, happy community. While I appreciate…I appreciated hearing at EPC that this was a draft document and that there is more work to be done by the civil service to align the SPAP with already approved plans and policies and that the document declares itself to be a living document and can be adapted. However, the City's departments are already working on their budget submissions and having this document come back to the public in September will mean no final department submissions have to be made by the end of October. It is my hope that you will take the intervening time to seek out and listen to the experts on the spending priorities. So, rather than what we have now, a disjointed mix of competing priorities, we actually have a plan to achieve what SPCW, with our over 100-year commitment to making Winnipeg a better place to live for all, seizes the most important thing, that of a liveable, safe, healthy and happy city. The other four, with the right action items, should only feed into this. My skepticism of the adaptability of this plan being altered, if adopted as is, does come from experience. The previous and first four-year budget cycle did lock spending in which included cuts to community organizations and services. There was also the 2018 plebiscite on keeping Portage and Main closed to pedestrians. That was supposed to be non-binding, and yet, it remains closed even though all of the then and even now more…more necessary work that made up the majority of the so-called too expensive distraction of opening it to pedestrians is finally happening, opening it to pedestrians was not even an option on the recent public consultation process. It is also important to note that only 42% of the electorate showed up in 2018. Portage and Main is one of the four spending priorities that are the most concerning. The other three are the expansion of Route 90, the Chief Peguis Trail, along with the replacement of the Arlington Bridge instead of removing the railyards. All four of these will further lock Winnipeg into being a car city and you simply cannot claim to be addressing the environment and climate change at the same time. We are long past the time when we can dabble when it comes to global warming. The current spending priorities reminds me, again, of the first four-year budget cycle. Presentations were made based on the expert advice of the City's own Arborist calling for millions more annually to protect the tree canopy. Only $150,000 was finally approved. I certainly appreciate and support

that the SPAP specifically out…specifically outlining the plan for the canopy now, but had the experts been listened to at the time, we would not be as far behind as we are now. I've also taken note of the proposed amendment document at EPC. Mayor Gillingham, you've brought forward that amendment that speaks to the need to align the SPAP with previously approved plans and policies, however, while the language appears in the decision making document, it's not in the amendment document. Why? My colleagues in the settlement sector made excellent economic and social justice arguments at EPC on the importance of naming and including the actual priorities as laid out in the City's own Newcomer Welcome and Inclusion Policy, for example. Others also spoke to the environmental impacts and the need to consider the community energy investment roll back. And yet, these are not mentioned in the amendments. What is mentioned though, is the deletion of finding sustainability for the City's long underfunded and crumbling community centres, increasing library and recreation hours to optimize access and commitment to recruit and retain more employees from equity deserving group and those from the inner-city. Why? Given that Winnipeg's centre, for example, remains the urban federal riding with the highest rates of child and family poverty from across the country, is home to a large portion of Winnipeg's Indigenous and newcomer populations. Why? Well, the SPAP does mention the City's Poverty Reduction Strategy, there is a focus on housing and we know the majority of actual spending will be federal money, as is necessary, but that does not excuse the City from doing all it can in every area to enact that plan. In closing, I'm going to need that minute, in closing, I would like to highlight Councillor Orlikow's comment at EPC.

Madam Speaker: Councillor Gilroy moves extension. All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

Kate Kehler: As someone…as someone on the outside, what is being put forward looks very much like the result of the usual budget wrangling you all do. Doing some of everything is not going to get us where we need to be. We all want a city that is liveable, safe, healthy and happy. Please use this lens before committing any money. Please remember that 37.5% and that…and that the elector does not include non-citizens or anyone under the age of 18 whose futures you are locking in with every decision you make. And finally, of that 37.5%, not all of them voted for you. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Any questions for either of the delegations? Marianne Cerilli, if you could please come forward to the podium. Councillor Eadie.

Councillor Eadie: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I just preface, I'm hearing about the low turnout for elections, Madam Speaker. And you know, when you look at our city elections, it's been that way for a long time. Some neighbourhoods, I believe it was my ward, had the lowest voter turnout, but it almost always has the lowest voter turnout, Madam Speaker. And a lot of that has to do with people who are not empowered or very excited in any level of government because they're trying in their lives to deal with poverty and very circumstances. So, just before I ask the question, I'm just going to present my perspective that those who are compelled to vote, they do vote. And we were elected, and whether they all voted for us or not, Madam Speaker, we went out into the community during an election. And so, my question, really, is…first question, is related to…is an election not a way of consulting with the public about their ideas? I had a pamphlet that talked about the Arlington Bridge. I had it there, talked about creating…bringing back and having a department of recreation and parks. That's not in the strat plan. But would you not agree that that is a form of consultation with the public, regardless of how many people actually showed up to vote?

Madam Speaker: Thank you.

Kate Kehler: Yeah, I think that one's me because I'm the one that mentioned it. But you know, sure, you can say that if you want, but you're having to prove the negative, which we can't prove. You can say people...some could claim that people are happy as clams and that's why they don't bother to show up to vote. I think the citizen satisfaction survey proves that that would not be true. The…and I could claim that people don't show up to vote because they're completely demoralized and don't think their voice matters. You know, they are the two extremes. The fact of the matter is, is you do have to look at how many people showed up to vote and why they're not voting. You can say that it's a forum, you can say that it was a type of consultation, but when you're relying on a very small percentage of the people who you are trying…who you are representing, it's not a...it's not good enough to actually then push your own priorities through.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Second question, Councillor Eadie.

Councillor Eadie: Second question is...well, it's too bad. You try to consult with people and they don't want it, then they don't want it. Anyway, the…in terms of the...this one's for Marianne...I just…I just have a question. Would you acknowledge that in a strategic plan, in the one that we put up, we all had our election things, we tried to get everything in there. But would you…would you not agree that a strategic plan doesn't get into the subject material specifics in terms of what you were discussing; Kenaston, Chief Peguis Trail or even the Arlington Bridge as mentioned by Glen? The…there's a lot of detail. Can you acknowledge that some of the stuff you presented were actually discussed and will be part of moving ahead with our strategic plan?

Marianne Cerilli: Councillor Eadie, I'm not sure what you mean by some of the stuff, but you do have two very specific projects in the plan: the extension of Chief Peguis Trail and the widening Kenaston Boulevard, Route 90. What a lot of people…there's been lots of coverage now, there's lots of research, there's lots of evidence, that these kind of projects don't help with traffic congestion, that they actually drive more use when you widen streets. And down the road, you're going to…you will have exactly the same kind of congestion problem. So, they don't do what they say they're going to do. So, there isn't the business case. There isn't the return on investment. So, I think those are exactly how you make strategic decisions. Are you choosing things that are going to give you the best bang for your buck? The other thing I would say in terms of the democracy issue is there's a whole movement out there to move to more collaborative governance. Every city, every province, every frontal government now has offices of community engagement. And we are encouraging you to take that seriously and move up the ladder of engagement and actually move to that collaborative stage where you are working with stakeholders that have a lot of good experience and evidence and expertise to contribute to the decisions that you're making. And there's actually a conference I'm going to be part of that's in Edmonton in June, called Meeting in the Middle, which is hosted by the Tamarack Institute. And it's a conference looking at how do municipalities better collaborate with community stakeholders. I'm doing two workshops called Democracy Between Elections, Collaborative Governance and the Politics of Unity. And we're going to be looking clearly at how do we set policy that connect the engagement and the participation of citizens and stakeholders which…with making better decisions and plans and budgetary spending. The other thing is, in going to your question about poverty and democracy, one of the things I wanted to mention is there seems to be a disconnect in understanding the connection between urban sprawl and urban decline. A lot of you are very concerned, it sounds like, about poverty and homelessness, and the fact that we have an underclass in Winnipeg that don't have access to the things that many of us take for granted. So, we do need to understand that investing in those kinds of mega projects are continuing the capital plight, are continuing to put resources that support that very expensive cup of coffee, people driving around those drive-throughs, rather than investing in the neighbourhoods like yours, Councillor Eadie, that really need investment, that need to have that investment into rent geared to income and affordable housing, that need to have investment into food security, that need to have investment into people having another chance at getting an education so they can have employment that is not going to be lower than the poverty line. So, there's a huge connection between the decisions that you're making today in terms of urban sprawl and the wards that many of you represent that have serious concerns with poverty.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Final question, Councillor Eadie.

Councillor Eadie: We do have an office of public engagement, and we have various committees on various master plans that provide us stakeholder advice. My final question, Madam Speaker, is just a rather simple one. I'm wondering if our presenter could agree that a road that hasn't been built yet will actually have a better business case than a road that already exists.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Final question to you.

Marianne Cerilli: I'm not sure what you're referring to, Councillor Eadie, but...

Councillor Eadie: Business case.

Marianne Cerilli: The business case for continuing to build roads that are costing an amount of borrowing that is preventing the City from investing in libraries and community centres and many other road repair projects that are dire…direly needed, is not a good investment. It's not a good reason to borrow that kind of money. And I think when the citizens of Winnipeg really see transparently the information presented, they will understand that you're making a mistake. And I hope some of you will move the motions that we have prepared so that this is not in the next four-year budget. Thank you very much.

Kate Kehler: I'd like a chance to respond a little bit as well just to that one. You mentioned a road's not built yet, it made me think of Chief Peguis Trail. Specifically, and I'm remembering the EPC presentations from Seven Oaks School Division and who you have a commitment to the environment, but then also, came out in favour of that expansion, which I had a hard time wrapping my head around. And one of the reasons they used is because it is…they have a number of newcomers to Canada settling in that area, and it was too far for them to come downtown for services. And so, they set up their own settlement services. And for that, I say, bravo. That is what we need to do in all areas of the city. That's why Immigration Partnership Winnipeg, through other…with other community partners set up a hub at the Ryerson School and we were expecting a large influx Yezidis…Yezidi refugees. We actually have to have services throughout the city and not force people to come all the way downtown for their needs. That's what builds communities, and I think to Marianne's point, that's what builds neighbourhoods is that everybody has what they need in a walkable, liveable, safe area, and expansion of…and widening the Kenaston trail, for example, is not going to get us a neighbourhood in that area. Because if…you just have to look at the Portage freeway, there's not a lot of crossover traffic between north and south of Portage, it's not

people drive to destinations along Portage. They pull up and they park, they go in and they use the business. We know there's no pedestrians at Portage and Main.

Madam Speaker: Councillor Mayes. Okay. Moves extension. There are a few other questions. Councillor Mayes moves extension. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Next question, Councillor Lukes.

Councillor Lukes: Thank you. I guess this is in response to a comment from Ms. Cerilli. So, I'll be voting in support of this strategic action plan today, and while I'm not in agreement 100% with everything in the plan, I am confident that I can work through compromises with my colleagues. I wanted to comment on your statement of indicators metrics, that you said there were none. So, on page one of the report, Item 4, "That the Public Service work with Council and report back in September with a framework to measure and report on the Strategic Priorities Action Plan and to include key performance indicators." So, that is in the report. Over the past eight years, we've had two CAOs, three acting CAOs, there's been a lot of turnover to ensure…and very difficult, I would imagine, to ensure strong oversight over ten thousand staff working on a broad range of projects. So, I can't stress enough to you, and I guess this is a 'did you know', that the importance and concern that everyone around this table had putting this strategic plan together about identifying key indicators, measuring and reporting of the strategic plan to ensure accountability and transparency for Council, for the staff, the Public Service, and the public. So, that is probably one of the things I'm most absolutely supportive and concerned about is performance metrics and indicators and transparency. So, I just wanted to assure you, did you know that it is in there?

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Lukes.

Marianne Cerilli: Councillor Lukes, I think that that information should be available prior to you making a decision to borrow the kind of money that you're going to borrow for some of these large projects…infrastructure projects, and that isn't there right now. So, when you're having public hearings and public open house and you're asking for public input and the public doesn't know the modelling for traffic flows or that is being disputed, where residents are having to go to a freedom of information search to get that kind of information, that's not transparent disclosure.

Madam Speaker: Councillor Duncan moves extension, two-minutes. All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

Marianne Cerilli: That's not transparent disclosure of those metrics and those indicators that we need before you would approve this kind of a strategic action plan. So, I appreciate that you're going to do that, but I think you need that information now when you're making these big decisions.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Anything further? Councillor Browaty, then Councillor Chambers.

Councillor Browaty: Thank you very much. Through you, Madam Speaker, to Ms. Kehler; in 2018, as you pointed out, the turnout in the election was significantly higher that despite the fact that there was an incumbent mayor, and likely no change to the mayor's chair. But at the same time, you discounted the fact that Winnipeggers overwhelmingly voted in favour of not allowing pedestrian crossings at Portage and Main. How do you connect that into higher…higher people turning out and that democracy is bad?

Kate Kehler: It was still only 42%. And I'll make the argument that I'm sure you're well familiar with, is that the people who live in that area voted overwhelmingly to open to pedestrians. It is only the people who choose to drive through it want it kept closed. Ignoring the evidence that it wouldn't even elongate their wait time in traffic by more than, I think it was 90 seconds, and there was…and the idea that there's no way you can claim to make it more accessible when access to the tunnels actually close at 4:30 in the evening and nobody can get across that. So, that is…oh, you're shaking…you're going to correct me. Go for it.

Councillor Browaty: Are you aware that, prior to the pandemic, the underground tunnels were open 24/7?

Kate Kehler: No, in fact, I've actually went there and it was not. Okay, then I was in the wrong place. So, thank you very for that. It doesn't take away from the fact that people didn't like to travel down there in the middle of the night because it did feel unsafe. So, I'll answer that. But thank you for the correction.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Councillor Chambers.

Councillor Chambers: Yes, thank you. Through you, Madam Chair; you're aware…are you aware that there is a significant development, the largest Indigenous urban economic zone that will be developed on the former Kapyong Barracks? There's also development that continues to occur…density that continues to occur in the Seasons of Tuxedo area. There's also density that's occurring in the Waverley West area. So, not building or extending this roadway would

add and compound the current traffic's situation that we have on Kenaston now. So, what would you say to the partnerships that have been created with respect to Oodenawi, the former Kapyong Barracks, and the investments that are being made to create densification in the areas of Seasons of Tuxedo and Waverley West?

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Councillor Santos moves extension, two-minutes. All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

Kate Kehler: I would say, there is obviously…well, it's well-known, there is a report that was commissioned by Treaty One themselves that actually demonstrates that there could be detrimental effects to that development of that. They have decided to go with a different direction and it's a direction I disagree with…disagree with. I go back to the creation of…I go back to Portage…Portage Avenue. If we're looking to actually…I remember all of the nimbyism that happened in going forward with in turning over that land to Treaty One. It took a ridiculous amount of time and a ridiculous amount of effort, and there was a lot of that nimbyism out there. But the goal should always be is to actually build better relationships. And by putting two extra lanes in there, you're not going to encourage a lot of crossover. I realize there are other plans in there for active trans…active transportation, but we don't know if that is actually going to be successful. The studies do show, as Ms. Cerilli mentioned, is that you're simply going to drive more cars to that area. In however many years, we're going to be in the exact same position. So, are we going to go to four, are we going to five lanes on each side? We're building an urban freeway and we have to move away from those. We have one on Portage and as I noted, there is not a lot of pedestrian walking on that…on that street. People don't go back and fourth between those two neighbourhoods. I live in Wolseley, my friends…I do have friends who live on the other side who jokingly refer to it as Wolseley north. It's not…we don't…you know, we get together, but it's nothing something that is a lot of crossover between the neighbourhoods. And I would suggest that building…widening out Kenaston is simply just going to create, actually, a larger divide and far more traffic.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. That concludes…

Marianne Cerilli: Oh, I just wanted to respond to Councillor Chambers as well. The solution, if there is improved residents in that…number of population density, is to actually have programs that move people out of relying on single-use vehicles, gas powered, in particular. So, improving bus…transit, improving active transportation, improving complete communities so people are required to drive less; those are the solutions that forward cities are doing in order to address the issues that you're talking about.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Next question, Councillor Chambers. First of all, Councillor Lukes moves extension, two-minutes. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Second question, Councillor Chambers then onto Councillor Mayes.

Councillor Chambers: Yes. And you're aware that…and I'm not certain if you've seen the presentation that was done by Public Works with respect to the widening and the enhancements of transit, as well as the AT pathways that will be on either side of the extension. So, improved transit will be one of the programs that will be utilized to encourage people to use transit along that stretch of corridor.

Madam Speaker: Thank you.

Marianne Cerilli: That does...that defeats the purpose, though. Like, if you're still encouraging more vehicle traffic and you're trying to support bus rapid transit or more transit and active transportation, this…the both/and does not work in this case. So, you need to have the incentive for people to have good functional transit and invest in that and not to also expand the roadways at the same time. So, that's what I would...

Kate Kehler: Yeah, and I would only like to respond. As somebody who does take the bus, I'm less an avert of sitting in a bus in traffic than I am sitting in my own car in traffic, which is what will be the result of, again, you can put more buses on Kenaston, but if people…or like I can at least enjoy my air conditioning and my own tunes in my car, you're going to get people who will actually still drive rather than actually take the bus. So, I would agree with Ms. Cerilli around the ideas that we actually need to use that…create the best transit system we can so people want to take it as opposed to what our traditional approach has been in Winnipeg, is that the bus…the public transit system is for people who can't afford a car.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Next question, Councillor Mayes.

Councillor Mayes: Question for Ms. Kehler.

Madam Speaker: Just before you start, Councillor Lukes moves extension, two minutes, when the buzzer goes off. Thank you. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Councillor Mayes.

Councillor Mayes: I am used to being lectured by people from the right or people who are leeched saying, don't listen to the people in your ward, listen to us, do as you're told by us. But I don't think I've ever heard people from the left come down and say, well, you're not really legitimately elected because even though you got elected, turnout was under 50%. As Councillor Eadie points out, the turnout is almost always low in low-income areas, so does that make Duncan more legitimate than Eadie because the turnout was higher in Duncan's? What about me? I got elected with 20% turnout in a by-election when there were 10 candidates, but I had a higher vote total than Harvey Smith. Am I somehow less legitimate? It's an election, people should vote. If you're…if you can't get your…the vote out for the people who support your candidates, look inwardly, don't come here and say, listen to the experts, not the people who voted for you, which was buried in your presentation. Here's my question, I worked and proud of…I worked for Bernadette Smith when she got elected in a by-election in 2017. Turnout was 31%. Are you troubled by that? Do you think she's less legitimate than others because that's less than 35%, which was how we got elected?

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Mayes. Marianne Cerilli had to depart, so questions are for Kate Kehler.

Kate Kehler: I'm going contest the assumption that you weren't somebody I didn't want to get elected. So, or anybody here as somebody that I didn't want to get elected. Nobody knows how I voted, and I'm…that's just the way…

Councillor Mayes: Did I say that in my question? So, I can make up what people say too.

Kate Kehler: That's the way it's going to be. So, what I…and what I am actually saying is, though, you have to represent more than the people who voted for you. You have to represent the people who didn't vote for you or didn't vote at all. And that…that is why I call in the experts with the idea of listening to evidence as opposed to the, this is just common sense. This is what I hear from my constituents' argument because we all know that people tend to complain more than they allot in compliment. And so, yeah, I'm sorry. I'm just going to go back to my basic point; I didn't say, don't listen to your constituents, I said, listen to more than just your constituents.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. That concludes questions under this presentation. Thank you.

Kate Kehler: Thank you all and have a good day.

Madam Speaker: Next is Mr. David Grant who is appearing before Council on the following items: in opposition to Item 13 of the report of the Executive Policy Committee dated May 16th, 2023 regarding New 2023 Capital Budget Project – St. Mary's Road Riverbank Stability Study. He is in support of Item 5 of the report of the Standing Policy Committee on Water and Waste and the Environment dated May 1st, regarding Plan for Capturing Methane at City Landfills. He is in opposition to Item 1 of the report of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services dated May 5th, regarding Home Grown Grant Community Tree Planting Projects for 2023. In support of Item 1 of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services, the notice of motion regarding Winnipeg Police Service Four District Stations. Welcome, David Grant. You may begin your presentation.

David Grant: Thank you. And greetings and thanks to Your Worship and staff and councillors. I thank, also, the other delegations and the supportive way that Council has responded. We've agreed that Winnipeg will be growing a lot and you are wise to plan for this, in support of what you've said. On services No. 1, I support the idea of planting trees for their shade and their beauty. I do not support the way that the City has done this in the past. Money has been handed out, but we seem to have nothing to show for it. I know of hundreds of trees planted during the Million Trees years, and they're all dead. I have spoken here before on this problem. I have pointed out here that the Million Trees report is silent on the failures. City staff cannot tell us where those very expensive trees are if they still exist. The City should require that every planting operation location be published. Until your funding agreements are amended in this way, please do not fund these requests. Service…services, notice of motion that WPS buildings be open to the…for public access when needed 24/7. I support this notice. As I've mentioned before, if these WPS buildings are going to all be closed 24/7 to the public, the area buildings, this service cannot justify building another one. The North End can be served where this latest station is being built, can be served from grant. I do suggest that the front door be locked at most times to keep staff safe, but that a staffer must watch the door and buzz in anyone wanting service. This keeps everyone safe and improves the police service to the community. I've long maintained this, I know good people who have been desperate for help and were knocking on a WPS door while officers were inside, could be heard inside, and they got no response. Let's not keep doing this. Thank you. On Water No. 5, as I've said here over the years, I'm in favour of collection and the use of fugitive CH-4 from the landfills wherever practical. When no cost to the…when cost to the taxpayer is too high, I no longer support this action. For example, if reducing city emissions by a tonne of greenhouse means producing more than a tonne equivalent of new greenhouse gas or if it means spending $100,000 to reduce that tonne, I would not be onside. Don't believe you should, either. More significant are the numbers reported in this agenda item, as you'll remember, I presented to EPC. Since the three sources of CH-4 quoted are not significant nationally, we should stop saying that landfills produce 28% of Canada's methane…fugitive methane escaping to the air. When a federal fearmongering report makes a ludicrous claim and when

you were reminded at EPC that the numbers in that claim are not possible, it is disappointing to see that the…see the City fail to adjust its wording. So, just disappointed, but I know you're going to go ahead. EPC No. 13, as some of you well know, I am strongly in favour of protecting the edges of our waterways. Where I grew up as a kid, we had a very busy river and just about every foot of it had steel pilings. There were some beaches originally, but it's all steel pilings. It's the way…cities should protect themselves from rivers. Anyway, I'd like to see more steel pilings installed, which is what this item is about. Aspects of this item, this agenda item, are troubling. It's a lot of money, and it seems to be another violation of the best practices rules at city hall. This matter is not a suddenly appearing failure. This riverbank has been problematic for decades. The item even describes that. The City should not now be forced into emergency mode just to break the rules. For years, I worked in a lab, this is an aside, worked in a lab, and there was a sign in the greeting area that said, "Your failure to plan does not make this an emergency". And it's sort of a sarcastic thing. And anyway, much of the work was, in fact, done on an emergency basis, but the sign was a reminder that things go off the rail…rails when folks fail to plan. The excuse that only KGS has the data from the last time the City hired them to study this matter suggests that City staff have failed to keep the info, if paid for, at the time. Will the City learn from this? Will all raw data be archived from future civil engineering work that we pay for? The apparent ethical violations that arose from another major KGS report of that vintage, the vintage of the report…their last report to us, suggests that the competitive source rules be followed this time, even if the work begins weeks later as a result of following the rules. If the timeline for the work is adjusted, we could still meet any…I believe, still meet any needed reporting date for the final study and what to do about the filing. Initially, I was disappointed to see that this is another project funded by grabbing road repair money. In this case, though, the money is being spent to protect the land on which a road lies, a city road lies. So, this is a more legitimate use than some of the more recent non-roadwork funded with road dollars. And that concludes my comments. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, David Grant. No questions today. Thank you for your presentation. Our next delegation is Laura Tyler, Executive Director of Sustainable Building Manitoba, who is appearing in support of Item 3 of the report of the Standing Policy Committee on Water and Waste and the Environment dated May 1st, regarding Retrofits to Reduce Carbon Tax Payment Obligations. Delegation is with us here in-person. Welcome.

Laura Tyler: Thank you. Hello everybody. Thanks so much for having me here today. I want to acknowledge that a bunch of you have heard me speak before, so hopefully I'll go quickly. But I've just learned that you will extend people's time, so whoops. All right, so I just really want to speak out in favour of this action. It's really exciting to see the City of Winnipeg starting to make plans to move forward in making sure that our city is more sustainable and burning less greenhouse gases, all while saving money. So, what is a deep retrofit? It is taking meaningful action on a building to increase its energy performance. So, that means fixing the windows by upgrading the vent to be more energy efficient, adding to the insulation of the building. And by making a building higher performance, not only do you save money, and you're going to hear me talk about saving money a lot today, but you're also going to improve the air quality. Did you guys all just live through a pandemic? I know I did. I like good air quality. That's a nice something. I…you'll be using less energy, so that means you're going to be using the grid a little bit less, so reducing strain on that is pretty important. And making the indoors more comfortable. So, you're looking at a bill that's looking at saving energy for your own buildings. So, one of the things that happens in high performance buildings is that people in it become more productive. I feel like that's something you guys want to be pushing in your own buildings, right? Higher productivity, that sounds pretty okay. The staff just look at me being like, we're already productive enough, we're doing great. But fewer sick days is always a nice thing. So, make no mistake, energy prices is going…are going up. So, this bill does speak to the carbon tax, and that is one of the factors that is pushing energy prices up, but natural gas is a fossil fuel, which means that it's a non-renewable resource, which means we will run out at some point, which means that prices at some point will go up, even though right now, they're pretty on par with where they have been for the past few decades, but they are…have seen huge spikes in the past few years. So, this is one of the ways that we're also not only saving money, but also future proofing your own budgets against different market…market implications. So, passing this motion will save money, there's also a whole lot of other benefits. I've already talked a little bit about healthy buildings, how high performing buildings will lower absenteeism, increasing productivity. Buildings are more comfortable, which increases satisfaction of occupants within it. One of the things Winnipeg has recently been recognised for is a tourist destination. That's pretty exciting. One of the things that people want to see when they go to a different city is, of course, what the city looks like. And by maintaining our own existing building stock, it helps maintain the character. And so, you're also helping support like that aspect of the city's operations. It also leads to further economic development. So, there's going to be a lot of jobs that are produced by going through the retrofits. And one of the things that you're also going to be able to do is strengthen your own internal inspections and quality controls. So, in 2012, the city of Calgary did do analysis of if the high performance buildings pay for themselves. The report showed that they do. In fact, if you go higher performance, for every dollar put in, you get $10 to $12 back in triple bottom-line benefits. That's nice. Who's the accountants in the room? Like, you should be…I should have seen a whole bunch of people pop their eyes up at that comment. Oh, triple bottom-line; let's hear more of that. So, the low carbon economy is something that Manitoba has as a huge advantage. We have an incredible opportunity here, and we don't want to see it squandered. And so, what happens when a government starts to invest in green buildings and more sustainability is that the…then the workforce follows suit. We see more architects get trained in terms of how to do more high performance buildings, we see the workers making sure that they're trained. So, you guys taking action is going to

have such an important ripple effect through the rest of the city in terms of not just your own buildings being upgraded, but then other buildings across the city, which again, will make Winnipeg a more attractive place for investments. So, when corporations are, like, where we're going to settle? We just heard a great announcement this morning about an agency deciding to come here, they can look at their greenhouse gas emissions and that's a huge thing and it's getting bigger and bigger for a lot of corporate responsibilities. And so, they can come here and they can realize, oh hey, this is some place, because of our electricity grid, where we can use less…where we'd be producing less greenhouse gases. So, as we continue to retrofit our buildings across the city, as we continue to push for better building codes...I saw that motion. Hopefully you guys will all follow-up on that and take that as seriously as you've been taking this motion. And so, moving forward is really exciting. This is great action, it's taking the first step of assessing what properties you be…should be starting with. A lot of them are going to be in their own cycle. These projects will pay for themselves really quickly, so yes, you're looking at that $80 million, going, no, that it is a lot of money, and it is a lot of money, but where is that money going to go? Through your social procurement policy, it's going to be going to a lot of local businesses, which is really exciting. Winnipeg used to be a centre of excellence for (inaudible) in Canada. And so, having your own city invest in that, that's really important and will really help develop further that…that sector. And so, a lot of the money will be going into jobs, it will be going into the local economy. And so, there's so, so, so many benefits to this motion, not just the fact that you will be saving the city money. The carbon tax is just assigning a monetary value to greenhouse gas emissions. We just lived through that smoke event the other day. I am a born and raised Haligonian, which means that a lot of people are from Halifax or if you don't know what that means. And a lot of people just got evacuated in my hometown and we don't want to see that continue. These are the actions that we need to take to prevent and to decrease the number of severe weather events and, again, make our own buildings and our own city future proof to both the volatility of the climate, but also, to the market itself. So, please, I love to see this, please continue to push this forward. It's been really cool to see it go so quickly. It was first introduced just a month ago on April 27th. So that speed of action is much appreciated. Please continue to take these types of actions. You need to look no further than your own report, The Community Energy Investment Roadmap, for a lot of great ideas on how to take climate action that will save the city money and, in some cases, even make some money. So, please continue to take actions, take building codes seriously because we don't want to keep adding more low-performing buildings to our existing building stock. Please continue to talk about no new natural gas infrastructure in the city. And please remember that as you're building affordable housing, that affordable housing can only be considered affordable if it's energy efficient. I really appreciate your time here today. I really appreciate you taking this seriously, The Community Energy Investment Roadmaps, seriously. Yeah, yeah, there we go. You're all paying attention, great. And now, I'll be happy to take any questions. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you for your presentation. Any questions for our delegation? Okay, seeing none, thank you for your presence at Council today. We'll move in to reports of the Executive Policy Committee. Mr. Mayor, the report dated May 16th, 2023, noting Item 15 has an amending motion. Item 15. Item 15 is the Tax Increment Financing Grant under the Heritage and Economic Development Incentive Program for the redevelopment of 138 Portage Avenue East. Mr. Mayor?

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Mayor Gillingham: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'd introduce the report and move adoption of consent items…agenda Items 1 to 18, with 15 pulled. I'd also like to pull 16 and 17, please.

Madam Speaker:16 – Strategic Priorities Action Plan. 17 – Development Agreement Parameters Review. I'll call the question on 1 through 14 and 18. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Madam Clerk.

Item 15 – Tax Increment Financing Grant under the Heritage and Economic Development Incentive Program for the redevelopment of 138 Portage Avenue East

Madam Speaker: Mr. Mayor to introduce the item, and followed by Councillor Rollins who was the mover of the amending motion.

Mayor Gillingham: Thank you. I believe this is more of…perhaps, a clerical clean-up. And so, I'll maybe leave it to the Clerks or the councillor to explain, please. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Councillor Rollins, the motion you moved, seconded by Councillor Santos. Your opportunity to speak to the item and the amendment.

Motion No. 1
Moved by Councillor Rollins,
Seconded by Councillor Santos,

WHEREAS Item 15 of the Executive Policy Committee (EPC) report dated May 16, 2023, recommends to Council that a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) grant be approved under the Heritage and Economic Development Incentive Program (HEDI) to support the redevelopment of 138 Portage Avenue East;

AND WHEREAS the recipient of the above noted TIF grant is currently stated as "138 Portage Avenue E. Inc.";

AND WHEREAS the HEDI program By-Law No. 64/2022 requires the registered owner of the property to be the recipient of the TIF grant;

AND WHEREAS after EPC recommended approval of this TIF grant the Public Service confirmed with the developer of this project that the registered owner of 138 Portage Avenue East is "10096773 MANITOBA INC." rather than "138 Portage Avenue E. Inc."

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Item 15 of the Executive Policy Committee report dated May 16, 2023, be amended as follows:

- *In Recommendations 1 and 3 delete "138 Portage Avenue E. Inc." and replace it with "10096773 MANITOBA INC.".*

Councillor Rollins: Yes, Madam Speaker. Thank you. I'd like to thank Councillor Santos for seconding this motion. It's, of course, in her ward. Really, just an administration. EPC did approve the spirit of the Tax Increment Financing Grant to be approved for this location, 138 Portage Avenue East. Excellent project. Excellent rational for the tax increment financing. Just, really, an administrative motion to get things going under business named, you know, numbered company, Manitoba Inc. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Rollins. Any further speakers on this item? Okay. Do you wish to close on the amending motion?

Councillor Rollins: (inaudible) on this, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker: Mr. Mayor, call the question?

Mayor Gillingham: Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker: Calling the question on amending Motion 1. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. And the main Item 15, as amended. All in favour? Contrary? That's carried. Madam Clerk.

Item 16 – Strategic Priorities Action Plan (SPAP)

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Mr. Mayor to introduce the item.

Mayor Gillingham: Thank you, Madam Speaker. There has been a lot of discussion and a lot of work on the Strategic Priorities Action Plan. Really, I believe it's the first of its kind for Winnipeg City Council. I want to express my appreciation to all city councillors for their effort, for their contributions, for their really good discussions and participation that each member of Council brought to the several meetings and discussions that have got us to this point. I also want to recognize our City staff for their work and their efforts to...to assist us and to guide us in this process. This is a very, very important strategic plan. It does list several actions that we want to pursue over the next four years. It really categorizes under five important themes, and I'm really pleased to have worked with colleagues to see these themes emerge. And I believe that these five focuses for the next four years really do reflect what I would say is the priorities of the citizens of Winnipeg. And I think it's important to remember that we entered into the strategic planning process fresh off of the most recent election. So, the 16 of us that have been elected and represent the people of Winnipeg and have the honour to do so, had just heard from our local residents. We had just been at the doors, on the phone, in the coffee shops, at the community centres, you know, at the soccer fields, having discussions with area residents hearing what, you know, the residents are saying are their priorities for this city over the next several years. And so, the five key priority areas are the downtown, a strong economy, a liveable, safe, healthy and happy city, a green and growing city with sustainable, renewable infrastructure, and a city that works for the residents through improved customer service, I believe are the five priorities that we need to focus on over the next four years, and we'll do that. This document is the first part of the next multi-year budget process.

We've got a lot of work to do as we enter the multi-year budget process discussions to determine how we fund these priorities that we've articulated. But this is really good work, I believe. Is it perfect? No, there's nothing perfect, but this is really good. It points us in a direction. It sets before us the priorities that we need to pursue to build a stronger, healthier city, one that I believe we owe it to our citizens of Winnipeg that we represent to pursue with focus. So, thank you, again, Madam Speaker, to everyone involved in the process so far.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Next speaker, Councillor Rollins.

Councillor Rollins: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I do think that this conversation doesn't end. When we have a plan that focuses on the downtown, a strong economy, a liveable, safe, happy, healthy city, a great and growing city with sustainable renewal of infrastructure, and a city that works for residents through improved customer services, the work doesn't end here. And for calls that we heard this morning and other calls on more democracy, more participation, well, you know, that's why you have your locally elected councillors and you have the standing policy committees that are available, because this, this is where the rubber hits the road. We have a focus for our Public Service, Madam Speaker, but it doesn't mean we can't slow it down from here. I go into meetings to talk about, as our friend Laura said, a seriously good CIR plan coming up on June 7th. That's in line with a liveable, safe and healthy, happy city and a green and growing city. Madam Speaker, there is opportunities to increase democracy around this document. There is disagreement amongst councillors of how to implement this document, perhaps. And we will see that, maybe most closely around the multi-year budgetary discussion, but we will see it in the debates and the ebb and flow as we're focused on these priorities in the standing policy committee. So, I welcome Winnipeggers to reach out as they have been doing, whether it's the postcard campaign of joe lunchbox that I'm receiving, Madam Speaker, or it is the rigorous discussion around the roadmap, the energy roadmap or even, you know, what the downtown means around Portage and Main. There is discussion, Madam Speaker, and I'm encouraged by that. I'm encouraged we have a document that lays out plans and priorities of Council. And I think there will be more participation and certainly for the Fort Rouge-Fort Garry Ward, I'm committed to holding, you know, a seminar on all five of these starting June 7th, Madam Speaker. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Rollins. Any further speakers? Councillor Lukes, followed by Councillor Eadie.

Councillor Lukes: Sure. Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. So, like I mentioned earlier, I'll be voting…whoops, I'll be voting in support of the strategic action plan. And while I'm not in agreement, and I'm sure everyone around the table could say the same that we're not in agreement 100% with everything in the plan, I am confident through this process that we've already experienced that we can work together to find compromises. As councillors, we work with many issues. We deal with issues in our ward, throughout the city, and as we know, Winnipeg's not short on issues. As councillors, we juggle, we meet with residents, organizations and other levels of government. We sit on committees, we read countless reports, and we have a lot of balls on the move to keep moving. So, the value of a strategic plan cannot be understated. We are all here to do good work to make our city a better place to live, work, and play, but there's so much to do, and where do we begin? We begin like we did, by sitting down together, to talking about ward and city priorities, and the policies we voted on, and the guiding documents we've put together and accumulated. And we narrow down the areas of focus so we can direct our limited resources to be strategic and effective. And that is what we did and that's what is in front of us today. This is the City of Winnipeg's first strategic plan. I want to thank Councillor Wyatt who brought a motion forward, and Councillor Eadie who seconded it back in, I believe, it was 2017. And then…maybe it was 2015, I've been here too long. And then, last year, I think it was in June, at the time, Councillor Gillingham, brought forward another motion for seeing the delivery of Winnipeg's first strategic plan to reach this milestone here today. And because this is Winnipeg's first strategic plan, it won't be perfect, but it's a start. And we've committed to reviewing each year. And I hope that that provides a level of confidence for each other, for the public, and the Public Service. And I think what is critical is the strategic plan will provide a much clearer direction for the Public Service. As I mentioned earlier, the leadership of the Public Service, leadership of 10,000 people, has turned over five times in eight years. That concerns me. The strategic plan aims to provide a much clearer direction to assist in guiding and focusing the Public Service's efforts. I want to thank the Public Service for the efforts that they did offer at putting this together. It was an experience for them, also. And I'm pleased with where we're at. We will be building in key performance indicators, measurements, all in an effort to keep moving the city forward. And because of this collaboration, all of us should see a reflection of our ward priorities and city priorities. I really appreciate the collaboration of all councillors in this process. For some starry-eyed reason, I thought back in 2016 that this occurs at city hall, but it does now. We're here today. And again, I'm so appreciative of everyone's efforts in making this effort on this first strategic plan, and I look forward to the next steps.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Lukes. Councillor Eadie.

Councillor Eadie: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise, and I will begin by saying, of course, I will be supporting our strategic plan moving forward. Our first one, four years, Madam Speaker. And I think, like most of us, we don't necessarily all agree with it, but what we did is, we, actually, six…well, whenever we could, 16 people got together with different perspectives on how the city can move forward. My particular perspective was coming in as a…as I tried to say, I'm always

working for better future, and a better future is one where we achieve a balance between growth and taking care of our old neighbourhoods which need huge amounts of investments as well. And so, I'm not sure that it quite meets that, Madam Speaker, but ultimately, a city can do both. They can do both, Madam Speaker. Growth is important because if you're not providing the facility and provisions for those big corporations who employ lots of people, they'll invest somewhere else, Madam Speaker. So, we have to consider that. When you start talking about business plans, we have to…you know, let's talk about business. I call myself a hybrid socialist, Madam Speaker, because I understand the need. Because, like, this is Canada. So, what we have, we need to make it work. And to make it work, we have to be able to facilitate the private sector to provide jobs. Like, CP Rail has provided really good paying jobs for over 100 years, Madam Speaker, to north enders, to west enders, to Transconians, all over Winnipeg. People are making a good living. I know peoples' parents who had a good retirement and their kids were able to be taken care of and move forward in their lives, Madam Speaker. So, we have to consider what we have and move forward. So, I just wanted to mention that. And I'm going to just speak about a couple of things. Like, I have some concerns. I was in complete support about the Kenaston widening, the Ness to Taylor. And we'll see what happens as it goes forward. But, Madam Speaker, there's one thing that nobody's mentioned; the conservative government of Manitoba decided not to invest the money in the St. Norbert bypass off of Pembina Highway. A major trucking trade route between us, the United States, and Mexico. Without that bypass, yes, the investment that the conservatives are doing steers the actual trade traffic around the perimeter to CentrePort. So, I hope that that part of the evaluation is in there. It's a road that already exists, whereas Chief Peguis...you know, there's a reason that the Seven Oaks School Division supports it. There's two reasons: one is, that it will provide new economic development, new property taxpayers in the Seven Oaks School Division, where they want to make sure that they have the funding to graduate well-educated…well-rounded, educated…our kids so that they have a better future, Madam Speaker. And so, that's why they support the Chief Peguis Trail. And also, one would hope, Madam Speaker, that our Leila and Partridge will not face as much truck traffic as it does going into the future, if we move ahead. And I think that, you know, there is a reason to invest in that and it's an infrastructure thing. It creates what I call the inner rectangle of the city of Winnipeg. No need for extra inner circling. That's folks that run into this sort of rectangle because you have Kenaston, Route 90, you have...I forgot how to pronounce the former Bishop Grandin. We have Lagimodiere and we need to finish off Chief Peguis and then we have spoke people…trade or whoever's coming into Winnipeg, they can get across the city, north, south, east, west, in a very efficient, fast manner to our industrial areas, which need to grow. We have a new one coming in by the airport. I think that's an essential growth item that Mayor Gillingham before and continues to support. And he knows that that Chief Peguis extension is needed to support what's happening up here in northwest Winnipeg. On the Arlington Bridge, I just ask my colleagues to think about this. I've lived up in this area for a very long time. I turn 63 years old. I've lived in the North End and West Kildonan for most of my life. I hung out in Old Kildonan up at…well, even hanging out with people from West St. Paul and different places all-around. Lived in the Maples. What you need to understand…and I've had lots of friends in the West End, going all the way down, taking a bus all the way down, you know, there's a...there's an unknown corridor. You take Sinclair, Arlington, then you come over, you go over down Maryland, you go over the bridge, you've got Academy Road, and you've got a great transport. It's a way for friends and family and whoever, it's a transportation route that needs to be able to support a better bus service. So, I ask my colleagues, as we're moving forward, you know, we don't want CPR because you know what, I'll tell you right now, they might move their intermodal section over to CentrePort, but what won't happen, is those yards will not be moved. And I don't want them to move because that's where they fix cars, they store train cars. They need to take better care of it, but there are really good paying jobs there, and I think it's essential. And there's people who live all-around in that area, they work for CPR, and now, it's Kansas City Rail. So, anybody who thinks that you convince CPR to move out of the yards there, what's going to happen is, they have facilities now all-over North America. They can repair and fix those cars wherever they please. So, remember, if you say, sorry, we don't want your railway, they'll go away and we'll lose thousands of jobs. And how are people going to pay the property taxes that we do have to raise; Mayor Gillingham, Finance, we need to raise…I'm sorry, at this moment, we have no other option but to raise property taxes to pay for our operations. And what we…the last thing I want to conclude about our strategic plan, this is very ambitious. However, we do need to support ongoing operations. And part of that, well, solid waste, we've got…I've got some idea. But essentially, Madam Speaker, this city has to try to focus in on our strategic plan, but we also have to maintain and do better with what we already do in this city. And there's only one we could do it, we have to fund it properly. That's what it comes down to is funding it properly. And, well, I'll make one other note. I was so glad to see the alternative energy agency. We're going to try to establish it...if I could get a two minutes, I'll just conclude.

Madam Speaker: Mr. Mayor moves extension of two-minutes. All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

Councillor Eadie: So, I was sitting at FCM the other day in a plenary, and I heard this huge insurance company underwriters' representing…and they talked about investing…and you know, sometimes you…I'm not in support of private-public partnerships when it comes to a fully public facility or asset. However, what I heard was an opportunity if we move forward with this, and there's a Manitoba entity that we could also work with to create that alternative energy. That's a bold idea from Councillor Wyatt. I think it's an excellent one. I've tried, sort of, in various different manners in the past, but ultimately, what it comes down to is capital. Because…you know, I don't know that we're going to be able to borrow money given the big asset things we're talking about. So, essentially, if we could create this with a little incentive, get a…some

private capital into creating a public alternative energy entity for the city of Winnipeg, that is what we can do to make Winnipeg much environment…much more environmentally friendly towards our climate and try to stop climate change. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Eadie. Councillor Gilroy.

Councillor Gilroy: Thank you, Madam Speaker. The process of a strat plan was the ability to be able to speak on behalf of my community and be able to share a vision of the city that is moving forward. I'm happy to have had the chance to participate in the planning process. This process was new to me and Council and I've learned a lot in participating. I want to thank the Mayor, my council colleagues for the work they've put into this, along with many administration who's been navigating us through the process. Unfortunately, I will not be supporting the strategic plan today. It lacks clarity on the expected results and where we should be moving forward. We have many priorities within this plan and I'm uncertain of which ones will be prioritized as we move forward. It is very similar to our…all of our overarching documents that fails to commit us in funding and the policy work it really needs to make the significant changes I'd like to see in the next four years. We have focused areas within the strat plan; how are we prioritizing them? What do we do when they contradict one another? For example, what does a green and growing city mean to you? What projects are we funding and how do they align with our overarching documents? What we should be looking for in a strategic plan is building an action plan with funding over the next four years that builds a city that reflects everyone. At the heart of it, it is a downtown that is shaping the future for generations for our city. We do this by building a downtown that draws people to it to live, play, work, and play. It's clean, safe and inviting and our young people want to stay where businesses want to call home and companies invest in all sectors of our economy. We diverse our economic portfolio and not relying just on trucking and transportation but on innovation. We just need to look at one…at other cities to know that if we build it, they will come. We do…we do not do this by pushing people out but by building on what we have. We have the fastest growing Indigenous population in Canada who are migrating into our city. Many newcomers come here with vast amount of experience and natural gifts and talents, and we need the ability to tap into that. The city…a city that is safe and clean is vital, and we are failing our future city if we do not make downtown and inner-city neighbourhoods a priority. We all know this is a…this priority we are the weakest in. We need to have concrete steps taken to address poverty, mental health, addiction, and the devastating decay of our infrastructure and lack of investments into these older neighbourhoods. This is…has left an exodus of people out of our downtown neighbourhoods and into suburbs and surrounding communities. I want to see a city that is investing in other modes of transportation and public transportation that we can all be proud of, one that is affordable and within our downtown and surrounding communities, the most efficient way of getting around, that our city transit is clean, safe, fast and reaching out into industrial areas to make sure there's access to support businesses and their workforce. Bus stops that have been cleaned, shelters that have replaced glass that gets broken. I want to see a strat plan that takes on our climate crisis. That we are working together to meet our targets; a city that will have net-zero emissions by 2050. Some cities will be beating us and getting to their…getting there by 2040 because they are doing the work and investing in climate change adaption, making it a priority. We have a strategy to do it, like the Community Energy Roadmap and Climate Change Action Plan. We just need the political will, and at the same time, we could be getting very new industry coming to Winnipeg, growing our economy, and creating jobs through new technologies, adding a sector of business and innovation, but we need a vision. There is not a cancelling of room that has not been impacted by mental health and addictions that our city is facing and the over…and the overwhelming…and the overwhelming impacts of this is most impacted in the inner-city. Revitalization and decolonization efforts are needed within these communities. It has to start with a city government that is taking the lead. In order to build a healthy and safe downtown, we need the political will, and those that are elected need to listen to residents of the area that is being affected. We also do…we do not need just ideas, but we require the funding and investment needed. You want a strong economy? It needs a healthy downtown where people want to relocate and live, work, and play. We got…we've got a lot of great ideas, in the end, we need to execute a plan and the funding to reinvest in our downtown. We do not have to do this by pushing people out, but by caring about our inner-city and making major investments into the aging infrastructure and spaces that are needed to support a green and vibrant downtown that has access to parks and civic facilities like recreation. Making sure wading pools are staffed, recreation programs are running out of facilities is vital. Safety is about cleanliness. How people feel in a space when it's filled with garbage and graffiti matters. Putting our energy towards brand new road project when we have streets right outside this building with decades worth of potholes that have been neglected matters. When you see people cleaning up the garbage at our bus shop, replacing glass, cleaning windows, that really matters. Putting effort into derelict and vacant buildings matters. Showing we care about that space matters. It's neglectful when all of our trees on our streets have been taken down without a clear plan on when we're replacing them. It's impactful when garbage is littering our lanes and streets and you have no way to get it cleaned up. This is not only devastating to community, but the businesses that are trying to stay afloat and encouraging people to come to our inner-city neighbourhoods. These businesses are usually newcomers that have put their life savings into businesses. We can pave the way forward; the way other cities have done before. However, we have to start from within. We do not have to reinvent the wheel. When we are prioritizing Chief Peguis and Kenaston over infrastructure projects such as the Arlington Bridge or Louise Bridge that is at its end of its life cycle, it really impacts those inner-city neighbourhoods and sends a message to those communities that I cannot support. Those costs of those projects will take up most of the city's debt and funding which really have little for

the reinvestment we need. This will have devastating social and economic impacts primarily in communities that have a larger proportion of our Indigenous and newcomer population, and most importantly, those that have lower economic means. That does not support a healthier downtown, a diverse economy, our Climate Change Master Plan and aging infrastructure. This plan does not clarify on the prioritizing of these projects or identifying cost-benefit analysis on how it's meeting our Climate Change Action Plan. We are building more roads when we have roads that have been neglected for decades right here in our downtown and surrounding communities. In this strat plan we see that our main concern rests in the downtown, a green and growing city and a stable renewal of infrastructure. Widening Kenaston and expanding Chief Peguis does not meet our Climate Change Action Plan, nor does it reinvest in our downtown communities, and most importantly, does not diversify our economy so we're not just relying on the trucking and transportation. Nor does it connect with Winnipeg, OurWinnipeg, our guiding document that is wanting our city to build up and not out. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker: Next speaker, Councillor Duncan.

Councillor Duncan: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I wanted to rise today to first off thank my council colleagues for working alongside each other to get through this process. It was quite a process. Having been new to this council, I quite enjoyed working together with all of you, but also, with the Public Service and time that they put into help facilitate these meetings. This is a four-year Strategic Priorities Action Plan. This is...is not a plan for the next 50 years of Winnipeg. We need to look at this as a four-year plan. I appreciate the comments from some of our speakers today. I disagree with the fact that, you know, throwing out percentages of how you were elected means your validity of what your opinion should be. But having met with several people in the community, understanding their needs, it's very similar to what this plan looks like. It's around safety, it's around infrastructure improvement, investing into parks and recreation, a clean and desirable city. At the end of the day, we need to look at Winnipeg and how we will keep our young people here, how we will attract businesses, how we will attract investment into the city because, again, this is a plan that's over the next four years and how we can get moving on this to make sure that Winnipeggers know that, first off, as their elected representatives, we're here to work for them, work with them and make sure that we have some change in place that will show some vision for this city as well. So, I'm proud of the work that's been done here. There's a lot more work to come with our four-year budget. Looking forward to working with my council colleagues and the Chairman of Finance here as well. That will most definitely invoke some fairly hard decisions there and we'll look at these actions and see which ones we need to prioritize and which ones might not make the cut. Unfortunately, that's the truth of it. So, we will continue to work together for the betterment of Winnipeg and for our constituents in each of our wards. And at the end of the day, I hope we come out here with a very strong vision for Winnipeg over the next four years and how we can move past that. So, thank you very much.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Duncan. Any further speakers? Back to the Mayor for close.

Mayor Gillingham: I want to thank all my colleagues for their comments today. And once again, just express my appreciation to all who had a hand in developing the Strategic Priorities Action Plan to this point. And I invite you to call the question, Madam Speaker. I would call for a recorded vote, please.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. With that, call the question. All in favour, please rise.

A RECORDED VOTE was taken the result being as follows:

Yeas

His Worship Mayor Gillingham, Councillors Browaty, Chambers, Dobson, Duncan, Eadie, Lukes, Mayes, Orlikow, Rollins, Santos, Madam Speaker Councillor Sharma

Nays

Councillor Gilroy

City Clerk: The vote Madam Speaker, Yeas 12, Nays 1, with Councillors Allard, Schreyer and Wyatt absent.

Madam Speaker: Item 16 passes. Next item, Madam Clerk.

Item 17 – Development Agreement Parameters Review

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Mayor Gillingham to introduce the item.

Mayor Gillingham: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I simply wanted to rise just to acknowledge the hard work of our Public Service, in this case, on this project lead by Mr. Marc Pittet and his team, and Mr. Gordon Chappell, as well, who was involved in this. And members of the private sector; the Urban Development Institute and appreciate the work of facilitation that was done by Donovan Toews of Landmark Planning as well. What this work has accomplished is an update to modernize the 20-year-old guidelines of development agreement parameters. And so, this is an important effort that was put in. A lot of meetings, several specific items that were looked at to update and to modernize a very important document that really guides development. And so, just wanted to highlight it today to express appreciation to everyone involved in a process that took more than two years. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Next speaker, Councillor Lukes.

Councillor Lukes: Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. I will be supporting this document today. I'm pleased to see it here. It would have been here sooner, we would have been operating under a different, more progressive approach to development had we not had the ill-fated impact fee fiasco unfold. So, thankfully that's over. We've moved forward with this. Many, many, many hours of meetings and work has gone into this. I do have a concern and I did mention it, and it is being addressed, and that is in relation to greenspace related to density. As we develop a denser and denser city, there will be work going forward related to defining what amount of greenspace is allocated in the greenfield developments for greenspace related to density. I know there's concern and maybe Councillor Mayes will speak to it about infill in existing neighbourhoods and greenspace, but as the development agreement parameters primarily addresses greenfield development, I'm really pleased that we've reached this point. I want to thank the Public Service. I want to thank all the stakeholders involved. They didn't agree on everything either. That was stated at the meeting that we had. But they agreed to move forward and continue discussions, much like the majority of us here will be doing with the strategic action plan. So, this is really monumental. I'm thrilled. Because if you think about when they first were put in place, literally decades ago. And I'm very pleased that we'll continue these discussions on an annual basis and to make it better. I know there was discussion about sidewalks that some of us have brought forward. But when we see the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies updated and finalized, we can bring that discussion forward with sidewalks to this document, as we will be doing with greenspace and density. So, bravo to everyone involved. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Next speaker, Councillor Rollins, followed by Councillor Eadie.

Councillor Rollins: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I, too, want to put words on the record on…you know, similar to Councillor Lukes with respect to the process. I take very seriously, Madam Speaker, my job as the Chair of Property and Development and wanting to make sure that we're providing certainty to all the stakeholders, including ward residents that we represent and industry that are facing some significantly different economic times that want to be an investor in the city that they know and love and choose their hometown as opposed to choosing other...other cities. There are...this is a work in progress. This…this is not the end. This isn't...while I hope it's unanimous today to send that signal that we appreciated the five priorities of the project charter that brought so many players together and...from...from Qualico Communities to Genstar Development, to Barnes and Duncan Surveying, to McGowan Russell Group, to the Real Estate and Land Development Division of our government, Terracon Development Limited, to Qualico, Ladco, Urban Development Institute, the amazing Lanny McGinnis who is always usually here, Urban Planning and Design Division, Mike Pyl, Urban Planning and Design Division. I don't want to mention everyone. The amazing Dave Domke, the Public Works Parks and Open Space Division, Water and Waste, the amazing Cynthia Wiebe and her team of the Engineering Division of Water and Waste. Transportation Division, Brad Neirinck of Public Works, David Patman of Public Works and Transportation, Greg Jasper, who we don't want to retire, Madam Speaker, but whatever, Real Estate and Land Development Division. And you know, we've talked about Marc Pittet, Chad Rempel and supporting the amazing Donovan Toews who facilitated. But those five project charters are ones that I think about in here of the development agreement parameters because it really was that commitment to work together, to work together for investment, that makes me stand and really want to see this passed at unanimously at Council. But for those councillors that, you know, are concerned or folks that are concerned that this did it, it indeed isn't. This aligns nicely with our parks strategy, OurWinnipeg Complete Communities, we're heavy lifting in policy work that we did. But Madam Speaker, I know and I take seriously, you know, your work that you've been doing on sidewalk completion in your ward. It's something that, you know, my colleague, Councillor Mayes has discussed on this floor of Council. And for folks that are worried that, you know, there's more to do, for sure there is. And so, the open commitment that Councillor Lukes and I have, through you, Madam Speaker, to continue working as the ad hoc committee that we're formed with, along with Councillor Browaty, I think is the commitment that we have going forward and to continue to work with these group of stakeholders, mayors, right, Madam Speaker. Sixty

meetings took place. The efforts and work are in appendices that are in this package today. You can't get a more transparent holding than a line by line review, Madam Speaker. It's all here. I look forward to the vote, Madam Speaker. It's a good amount of work that was done and it's good to stand and recognize that today, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Rollins. Any further speakers? Yes, Councillor Eadie.

Councillor Eadie: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'll just quickly reply in terms of...you know, I had high...high expectations. I think that these revised development standards, they're quite good. They avoid...help us avoid situations like we had to deal with at our community committee where one business looked like they had to pay for two kilometres of water main work. Not a huge corporation that could afford to do that. But Madam Speaker, simply because they were adding a building to their existing lot, Madam Speaker. But ultimately, I was hoping that we could deal more with infill in our old neighbourhoods. So, you know, Councillor Mayes has Glenwood, I have many old neighbourhoods, other councillors have some fairly old neighbourhoods, and we heard from speakers today who are opposed to our SPAP. And you know, one of them…reasons is that…like, our older neighbourhoods, we're not supporting it, you know, we're not...well, I'll say it anyway, it's a big thing for me, maybe…maybe if infill in the Jefferson neighbourhood and some of the money went to expanding the West Kildonan Library, where it exists, you know, there'd be money there to fix it up and make sure that that continues to be…serve as it has since 1967 in the old part of West Kildonan. And without, you know, people who don't understand the difference between West Kildonan, Old Kildonan, and the North End, you know, you just…I can explain it. But Madam Speaker, the reality is, is that our old neighbourhoods are in a situation where, you know, if we're expanding the ability of properties to contribute to funding services, which do require facilities…and you know, contrary to the big car imagination, the regional recreation and all that kind of stuff, you know, that's fine. But ultimately, Madam Speaker, our neighbourhoods need the support and continue to support. Rather than abandoning and ditching them, it would have been nice to have development standards where you have new value of property where…well, we did have the idea of impact fees. We can do…we can do area charts, whatever. But ultimately, under the development standards, this is what says a developer has to contribute to making a good neighbourhood. And I'm not dissing the developers, Madam Speaker, in Winnipeg. I think that some excellent, beautiful communities and neighbourhoods have been built on greenfield. I think it's excellent, Madam Speaker. But ultimately, though, this is another one where we seem to hit and miss where, you know, we have that green growth. And I'm a 50%/50% kind of person because the market is the market. People want to live where they want to live. Some of them live where they have to live because it's more affordable. But Madam Speaker, when we're doing this...and it is ongoing. Maybe we can reach somewhere where there's an agreement. I don't really have a big issue with gravel back lanes, that kind of infrastructure. But what we really have a problem with in the Mynarski Ward is the ability to maintain our city, publicly funded services out of facilities that have…you know, have served and need to continue to serve North Enders, Madam Speaker. So, as we move forward, next iteration, I'll keep working towards trying to back that kind of stuff because it shouldn't be a strategic thing, it should be, this is an ongoing thing to make sure that our city is a great place; healthy, happy place to live. Thanks.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Eadie. Councillor Mayes.

Councillor Mayes: Thank you. Councillor Eadie has touched on some of the issues that I wanted to speak to, so I'll try and be brief. The agreement…the parameters were the result of a long process and good work by our staff, some good work by the private sector community, some good work by Donovan Toews, perhaps, to bring together those two…we're going to…two factions. But here we are. My difficulty, and I've presented at the almost…the committee that had never met before during the last dozen years because, as Councillor Lukes said, it didn't need to because we never upgraded the parameters. So, suddenly the ad hoc committee meets in an ad hoc way and I presented there. I think Councillor Lukes wasn't sure what I was doing at first, but what I was doing was saying, look, in April 2021, we had that very fine report prepared by Richard Mahe that came to Council April of 2021. And on page 9 it said, "Changes to the development agreement parameters could be made to better reflect the unique development scenarios of infill development." So, how do you keep some of the benefit local? The West Kildonan Library is a good example. How could you try and keep some of the money to enhance the local neighbourhood? Heard a lot of talk earlier today about how we need to be more participatory and then, I would say, well, I've been trying to work with the people in the Glenwood neighbourhood for years. And I've been listening to people say, oh, they're all nimbies. So, that bit of participation doesn't count. If we just exclude that bit of participation because those people don't agree with us. Well, if you want to be participatory, we have to listen to people throughout the city. So, how, then, do we deal with the challenges presented by infill development and try and keep some of those benefits local? We aren't going to be doing it as part of this. Nevertheless, I'll be supporting the parameters. But in a way, perhaps ironically, we deal with it on an ad hoc basis. There was an ad hoc committee on the parameters. Earlier today, you may not have noticed, we voted for a new park on Carrier, which is literally the boundary street for Glenwood. So, perhaps we are left with that as an option. We will have to consider the West Kildonan libraries, the Glenwoods, the other areas on an ad hoc basis and say, we should try and keep some of that money local. Because as the densification happens, those neighbourhoods are experiencing some of the problems and we should try and keep some of the additional revenue. To the relief of all, I will not go on about gravel lanes. But Councillor Eadie has made a

good point about…about his library, about other possible improvements we could make in some of these areas where we are infilling. It's not going to be dealt with in the parameters, that's fine, but I don't want it to go…to be told, well, you had your chance and you missed it. No, if we have to deal with it on an ad hoc basis, so be it. I'm comfortable with that. But I look forward to some motions coming forward over the next few years that would try and keep some of the revenue generated by infill, property tax, the revenue, generated by infill developments for the local communities. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Mayes. Any further speakers? Seeing none, Mayor Gillingham to close.

Mayor Gillingham: You can call the question, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker: Call the question on Item 17. All in favour? Contrary? That's carried. We'll now move into by-laws under EPC, for second and third readings. Mr. Mayor.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE
CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS – 2ND AND 3RD READINGS

Mayor Gillingham: Thank you. I would move that the following by-laws by read a second time: By-law No. 124/2022, By-law 27/2023, By-law 48/2023.

Madam Speaker: All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

Clerk: By-law No. 124/2022, By-law No. 27/2023, By-law No. 48/2023.

Madam Speaker: Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Gillingham: I move that By-law No. 124/2022, 27/2023 and 48/2023 be read a third time and that the same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

Madam Speaker: All in favour? Contrary? Carried. We'll now move under…move into by-laws under EPC for all three readings, Mr. Mayor.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE
CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

Mayor Gillingham: Thank you. I move that the following by-laws be read a first time: By-law 52/2023 and 54/2023.

Madam Speaker: All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

Clerk: By-law No. 52/2023, By-law No. 54/2023.

Madam Speaker: Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Gillingham: I move that the…By-laws No. 52/2023 and 54/2023 be read a second time.

Madam Speaker: All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

Clerk: By-laws No. 52/2023 and 54/2023.

Mayor Gillingham: And I move that the rule be suspended and that By-laws No. 52/2023 and 54/2023 be read a third time and that the same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

Madam Speaker: All in favour? Contrary? Carried. We'll now have question period for the Mayor. Councillor Eadie.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE
QUESTION PERIOD

Councillor Eadie: Thank you Madam Speaker, little preface Madam Speaker. I never introduced it in the (inaudible) process, but my former representative from the Mynarski ward was high on trying to get the City to spend more money on riverbank stabilization, Madam Speaker. And just recent today, we voted for an agreement with the Province and I think that riverbank stabilization, riverbank erosion is a serious problem that needs to be mitigated. I noticed that, you know, the City has decided that a very important soul like St. Mary's Road is pretty closed to the river there along certain spaces and so it is important and I see an investment here, Madam Speaker. But my question, Madam Speaker, is really I'm wondering if we're going to have the ability to be able to incorporate into our parks and green open spaces planning as we move along that mitigation and strengthening of our riverbanks so that we're not losing greenspace to the river.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Eadie. Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Gillingham: Through you Madam Speaker, I want to thank Councillor Eadie for the question. Certainly, and of course the councillor knows this that our budget every year includes or contemplates riverbanks stabilization, stabilization projects and of course as Councillor Eadie's pointed out, fairly in the past and rightfully so. There are several projects on the list that have not been funded. And so, I fully expect and look forward to ongoing dissuasion in the budget process. As to, you know, which riverbanks are stabilized, and where we're making investments and what level investment level we're making, so hopefully the discussion is ongoing and I look forward to having dialogue with Councillor Eadie and other councillors as well on this matter.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Second question, Councillor Eadie.

Councillor Eadie: Madam Speaker, looking for a yes or no. I'm looking for a commitment right now there is no one million dollars a year anymore going to riverbank stabilization. So Madam Speaker, I'm wondering if the Mayor will commit to at least finding in the budget to a fund, the top ten at risk riverbanks that need to be stabilized in partnership with the Province of Manitoba and maybe The Federal Government of Canada.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Gillingham: I won't commit to a funding level, a level of funding at this point, and that's part of the budget process, but I'll certainly commit to the ongoing dialogue to look at this important matter.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Any further questions for the Mayor today? Okay, seeing none, we can move on or we can break here now. Actually, we'll deal with one motion first. We do have one motion under Executive Policy Committee. It's moved by Councillor Orlikow and seconded by Mayor Gillingham. Okay, that's not an Executive Policy Committee motion? Okay, we'll do that later. So, that concludes Executive Policy Committee. Is it the will of Council to recess now? There is an event in the Susan Thompson Building over the noon hour. So, we can recess now and reconvene at 1:00 p.m.

Councillor Chambers: Finance, just…we can just go through that real quick.

Madam Speaker: There…then we'll have question period.

Councillor Chambers: Yeah, but…let's do it. Let's get it done.

Madam Speaker: Or we can take a break now and reconvene at 1:00 o'clock. I think there was a request for 1:00 o'clock. Okay, shall we do that? Okay, thank you. So, break now and reconvene at 1:00 o'clock.

Reconvened meeting of
Winnipeg City Council of
May 30, 2023, at 1:11 p.m.

Madam Speaker: Good afternoon. I'd like to reconvene our Council meeting of May 30th, 2023. We are on the Standing Policy Committee of Finance and Economic Development. Right into question period for Councillor Browaty, our chair. Any questions today? Any questions for our chair? Next committee is the Standing Policy Committee on Water and Waste and the Environment. Councillor Mayes on the report dated May 1st, 2023.

**REPORT OF THE
STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON WATER, WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT
DATED MAY 1, 2023**

Councillor Mayes: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'd like to introduce the report and move adoption of the following Items: 1, 2 and 5, pulling Items 3 and 4.

Madam Speaker: I'll call the question on 1, 2 and 5. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Madam Clerk.

Item 3 – Retrofits to Reduce Carbon Tax Payment Obligations

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Councillor Mayes to introduce the item.

Councillor Mayes: Yeah, I pulled this. This is a motion requesting our staff to do a report on two things: what the City's potential carbon tax obligations are to the Federal Government if we fail to take any action. And b) what some locations would be in the City's fleet of buildings where we could do the deep retrofits. There's no great magic, the two numbers we used up to 15 projects and $80 million. That could have been…other than that. But certainly, the indications I'm getting is there are millions and millions we will be paying in carbon tax payments if we don't take action. And second reason for pulling this is because it's so rare to have someone as enthusiastic as Laura Tyler come down here and speak favourably about something we're doing that one almost feels obliged to pull it and say, yes, thank you. This does reflect a commandment that was is in the Mayor's platform about doing deep retrofits on some of the City's buildings. And yeah, it is…it is in keeping with the CIR report. It's not all of it, it's not all that. That's a huge report with literally billions in spending attached to it. But this is at least something to move forward to say, look, better to take action than simply to make these payments to the Federal Government. There are moral, there are environmental arguments that one can make as well. But even if you put those aside, just simply on the financial front, this makes good sense to get the report back, see…I mean, and Jeff Patton and Brad Erickson have been working on this to their credit, and Catherine Kloepfer on the tax side. But I think Mr. Patton would say, there may be some in the Water and Waste fleet of buildings where we can't do some of the work that you'd want to do; the complexities with maintaining a certain temperature. But we said, give us a list of 15 buildings, and we'll have it in time hopefully. Well, we'll have it in time for the multi-year budget and take action accordingly. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Mayes. Councillor Rollins.

Councillor Rollins: This is certainly something I do want to see in advance of the multi-year budget. We have tons of greenhouse gases to avoid. We have person years of employment in Winnipeg that we're looking for. We need approval of sustainability projects, and this is the first step. I'm very grateful to my council colleague across the river, Councillor Mayes for writing this. Thank you, Madam Speaker. Hope it's unanimous today.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Rollins. Any further speakers? Seeing none, Councillor Mayes to close.

Councillor Mayes: I'll just babble for a moment or two while Councillor Eadie comes to his seat so he can be part of the vote.

Translation of French Spoken:

Councillor Mayes: I would like to thank Councillor Allard. The inquiries on climate change (inaudible) are very important for Councillor Allard, so it's important to continue the work with this program…this project to gain information to assist…to help with the decisions this autumn for the multi-year budget. So, today, it's important to begin the work.

Councillor Mayes: Without Schreyer and Allard here, it was left up to Sherri and me to do something in French. So, thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Mayes. With that, I'll call the question on Item 3. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Item 4, Madam Clerk.

Item 4 – Requesting Amendments to Phosphorus Compliance in Phase Three of the North End Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade

Madam Speaker: Councillor Mayes to introduce the item.

Councillor Mayes: Yes, this is why…and thank you to the Clerks for clarifying. This was a motion of Councillor Allard's. He, I think, would want us to at least talk briefly to this. It's…and I voted in favour of the motion at committee. Did not carry the day there, but I'm told by the Clerks I can still move this forward. So, I will not be voting to receive as information. But my thanks to Councillor Gilroy who spoke well at committee and had offered to move this if necessary today. Same result at EPC, the majority voted to receive as information. The...I'm just trying to…yes, just, as Cynthia Wiebe who's one of our very capable staff in Water and Waste had sent me an e-mail with some information I had requested. So, it's a fair question that Councillor Allard puts forward. If we are at the fork in the road on phase three of the North End Sewage Treatment Plant, and this is the nutrient removal phase, it is a fair question to say, do we really need to go down this $890 million was the estimate some years ago, probably $1 billion initiative. Could we just remove the phosphorus through chemical means and avoid a billion-dollar expenditure? No, we wouldn't do nitrogen, but maybe…maybe the science has changed. Maybe we don't need to do nitrogen. It's a fair question, I thought, that was being posed, given where we are at the fork in the road. The staff really did a good job responding to this. I don't think I've ever heard Tim Shanks in better form, and Cynthia Wiebe, in saying, it's tempting to look at it that way, but that isn't quite right. We wouldn't save a billion. And following complexities; you could do the chemical removal of phosphorus, but the operating costs are higher than they would be under the biological. So, yeah, you'd be saving less…you'd be saving on the capital side, but spending more on operating. B) to paraphrase Tim Shanks, I'm not sure the chemical industry is the best friend of the environment. That's not usually our environmental hero. Do we really want to tie ourselves that more closely to our chemical suppliers from all over the world and whatever price they may be charging? Thirdly, digester capacity would still be such that if you didn't do the biological removal, you'd still have to spend hundreds of millions on expanded digesters. Fourthly, and then we got into sort of a discussion, detour around ammonia. We should come back to this at some point. We're going to be doing a lot on ammonia removal, we just aren't doing now and nobody…we've never talked about this. So, if you're doing the phosphorus, and if you're doing the ammonia, then to some extent you can do the nitrogen along the way. I won't get into the very technical explanation that was given. But we aren't...we are not...we don't talk about the steps that we are going to be taking to remove ammonia, but that helps influence this debate as well. So, a good question raised by Councillor Allard. The Province ultimately will provide the answer, I suppose, because they're the regulator and they will tell us what they want us to do. The other part of this debate is the Lake Winnipeg Foundation had appeared at both the committees and said, don't do the billion-dollar thing. Get going on the target for phosphorus. Do the interim…do the chemical removal, let's go. And one of the staff said, I think their concern is, if we do the billion-dollar biological removal thing, that…it'd delay us getting to the phosphorus target. And I asked Cynthia Wiebe about that this morning and she sent an e-mail saying, we are meeting that target at the West End plant already with the biological. We are close to it, usually meeting it at south end using chemical and moving toward the biological. And we're doing well at the…I think I've got this right, in North End, we're doing the interim step with the chemical. So, I think the concern that…City, don't go down the billion-dollar path and delay getting going on phosphorus. That's not the correct debate here. It's…we can do both. Both things can be true, to use a Rollins-ism. We can continue on the billion-dollar biological thing and we're still getting close to hitting the phosphorus removal target with what we have in our…in our hands right now. So, fair concern from Lake Winnipeg as well. So, a good debate. A debate I think we need to have. It's…and this whole issue around ammonia, I'll come back to as I close, but it's...it's of human nature, I think, to hesitate before committing to what would be the single biggest capital project in the history of the City of Winnipeg, dwarfing things like the BRT, right. A billion dollars, but the staff were pretty convincing or at least said, look, from our perspective, there isn't a billion-dollars to be saved here. Operating issues, environmental issues, the fact that we already have a south end plant where we've already gone to the biological. So, ultimately, it will be the Province's job to tell us, but we are…for today, I'll be supporting the motion. It won't surprise me if it's received for information, but at least it's created some…some good debate I think on the floor. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Mayes. Next speaker, Councillor Eadie.

Councillor Eadie: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise in support of what we moved...or well, to receive this for information, Madam Speaker. The biggest concern I had going into this and listening to it, and thinking about what I've heard about over the couple of decades about moving to the biological removal of nutrients. And you know, I really do care about Lake Winnipeg. But what people forget is, this isn't just about Lake Winnipeg, it's about how we treat our sewage that has an affect on more than just Lake Winnipeg in terms of what comes out the other end, what do you do with it; there's so many aspects to the issue. And, of course, I don't like to be beholden to the chemical companies because they can demand whatever they want, and that's clear. You know, you just have to look at our water treatment centre for the chemicals that we need there and operating costs are high. But I'd just like to remind the people from Lake Winnipeg that it's more than just about the phosphorus removal to prevent the blue algae blooms. And you know, through the end of this product…process with the biological removal, yeah, it's a lot of money, but this is a plant that's being built for hopefully 100 years. And this city's going to grow, and it'll have more of an effect on the rest of the environment as well. And so, I

just want to…people to…to remind, I know you want to save money, that's great, but it's more than just Lake Winnipeg, it's the bigger environment. And whatever you do with the stuff at the end, it has an effect on the ecology of more than just the lake, it has an effect on the ecology of the land. And so, let's move forward. I do believe, also, that there is a by-product that looks like there could be a revenue source related to this because of the by-product. So, which will help to contribute to the operating costs of what we hope is the state-of-the-art plant and hopefully would be considered in the world, given the kind of money we're spending. So, I'm just in support of receiving this as information. It was a good discussion. And I'll just say it again, it's more than just about Lake Winnipeg. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Councillor Browaty.

Councillor Browaty: Thank you. I'll be super brief. I've been on this topic for many years. We should have been doing phosphorus removal…doing the chemical process 20-plus years ago. We could have done a lot of really good things for Lake Winnipeg. That said, the problems put us on a different path. Our staff did do a very valid and good analysis here. We're so far along this path. The advantages of also removing ammonia are legitimate and real. As well as the operating cost going forward. So, every comment that's been made I think is accurate. I just wanted to put on the record, too, that I thank Councillor Allard for bringing the topic up. We are doing interim phosphorus removal. And again, at some point, we will do the biological process. It's all in the plans now. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Any further speakers? Seeing none, Councillor Mayes to close.

Councillor Mayes: Yeah, as Councillor Browaty said, a lot of accurate statements. Councillor Eadie's right talking about, you know, struvite, this by-product of if you do the biological removal, the sludge you can get and mineral out that has market value. So, you can't if you do the chemical removal. So, yeah, it's a good debate. Final thought, in meeting with Michelle Paetkau and Cynthia Wiebe, very good staff. I said…they started talking about ammonia and I said, in a way, it's like in a law school when they talk about having the officious by-standard, it's something two parties and then some third unnamed person standing in the room. And one them said, no, the better analogy is, it's the overlooked middle child in this whole process. And I said, that is the better analogy. So, hopefully, we'll have a presentation on this at some point, but we are doing some good things or where we're at the start of doing some good things environmentally on ammonia removal, which I don't think we've ever really talked about here. So, that will be possible or much easier if we do it through the biological process. So, we're on the…we're at the fork in the road, and I think the Province is going to have to tell us, basically, which way we're going and we'll respond to that. Thanks.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. I'll call the question on Item 4. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Councillor Mayes, are you noted in opposition? Yes. Madam Clerk, next item. Item 5. Oh, pardon me. We're onto the next. Okay. Onto question period under this committee. Councillor Mayes? Any questions? Mr. Mayor.

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON WATER, WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT
QUESTION PERIOD

Mayor Gillingham: Thank you Madam Speaker, through you to the Councillor, I don't expect him to have the answer today but we have made and we are making significant investments in combine sewer overflows and I'm wondering if the Councillor would maybe at the next meeting could bring us a bit of an update as to the status of the work being done. Thank you

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Mr. Mayor, Councillor Mayes.

Councillor Mayes: Indeed we have a report coming to Water and Waste, must have published this morning actually, that some work coming in under budget as we go forward in the Cockburn and Calrossie, I'm not sure which part of that, but the work's continuing there to the Mayor's credit as Finance Chair at the last budget under Mayor Bowman, we did vote to have a 50% increase in the annual budget, but that's for four years. So we'll have to see where we go probably with who's ever elected in the Provincial Government after October 3rd. We're continuing Cockburn and Calrossie and the Big Armstrong which is in, Councillor Eadie would want me to point out, in both his ward and Councillor Sharma's that Armstrong is the big project coming out where we doubled the budget and looming in the distance is the, in Councillor Allard's ward, is the mission district which would be the next big project that's 160 million dollars, 10% of that's green infrastructure so we'll be doing some huge green infrastructure work there. So lots going on, but we can certainly get an update from our staff, but far from coming in at double the budget which was what was built into the Master Plan so far we appear to be under budget which is good news and hopefully we'll get some funding help from our Federal and Provincial friends and get this thing done in the expeditated time frame of 2047 rather than 2097 as we voted to do under Mayor Bowman. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Mayes. Any further questions? Seeing none, let's move to the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development. Councillor Rollins, on the report dated May 4th.

REPORT OF THE
STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY AND DEVELOPMENT
DATED MAY 4, 2023

Translation of French Spoken:

Councillor Rollins: Yes, Madam Speaker. Other than No. 1 – Declaration of Surplus and Sale – 48 Maple Street, Madam Speaker, I would like to move Items 2 to 10, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker: Any to stand down? Any others? 10 – Accessible Dwelling Standard Permit Prioritization. Any others? Okay. I'll call the question on 2 through 9. 2 through 9. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Madam Clerk, Item 1.

Item 1 – Declaration of Surplus and Sale of City-Owned Property – Title 1397979/1 (commonly known as 48 Maple Street)

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Councillor Rollins.

Councillor Rollins: Thank you, Madam Speaker. This…this is good work, Madam Speaker, on behalf of the councillor for Point Douglas. Working the housing file, as you know, we ought to do as councillors. This provides 365 days notice to the Firefighters Museum to terminate their current lease agreement and begin negotiations with the museum for a new agreement and enters into a purchase sale agreement with the Clan Mothers. The subject property has been noticed for the purpose price of $1. Why, Madam Speaker? Because there's a commitment here to housing and really looking at the core housing need of Point Douglas and more, are relevance living on the street. So, Madam Speaker, with that, I'll open debate.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Any further speakers? Councillor Santos.

Councillor Santos: Thank you. Thank you, Madam Speaker. Yeah, I rise, obviously, in support of this motion that came from EPC. Just to give a bit of context and history, a couple of months ago, I moved a motion at community committee, whereas yourself, Madam Speaker, and Councillor Ross Eadie had supported it and it had to move up to Property and Planning and Development Committee. I came and presented together with representatives of Clan Mothers to kind of speak more about the purpose of why we would…the City should be selling the land for $1. And in those conversations and discussions, we noted and found out that there was a certain portion in the declaration of surplus and sale of property policy that needed to be waive…that needed to be waived, such as, the reversionary clause. And what does that mean? We found out from the administration that if, in fact, that the Clan Mothers could not build or did not build what they needed to build in a certain amount of time, we don't know what that time is, the City of Winnipeg could revert the property back, and the land would have to be given back to the City of Winnipeg. Knowing that this information and finding out from the public administration, this is a Council approved policy and that's why we're here today, Madam Speaker, is to ask Council to support the re-waiver…to sell the property for $1, but also, to waive a certain clause, which is the reversion clause. Otherwise, we would have been able to keep it at the standing policy committee as is, but unfortunately, we are…we could not do that and had to move it up through EPC, which…where I made a presentation and then, as well, were here on the floor of Council. And so, I kind of wanted to quote Elder May Louise's Campbell presentation earlier this month when she was at city hall, and she asked that City Council, when they were looking at this motion, to think through their spirits and hearts. And she had mentioned here that, and I'm going to quote her, "Land is a very important part of who we are as people. The land is what brings healing to our people. There is a desperation I feel to hear our women and children and we cannot do that without land. Nothing will change until our women are healed and they take back their rightful places. Women are the leaders of our communities before the colonizers came. It was the grandmothers who led the village. It was the grandmothers that were the healers, the teachers of the sacred laws. In order to heal our women, they need to go back to the land." So, Madam Speaker, I hope…it's my hope that, with that knowledge from Elder May Louise, can help understand why we're at this junction, why we're here today. And also, I want it noted that this is a genuine act of reconciliation. A fulfillment of the National Inquiry on Murdered and Missing Womens and Girls calls for justice numbers 1.3, 2.3. 3.3 and 4.7, which speaks to government obligations. So, we're doing this work. We, as a municipal government, have our part in acts of reconciliation giving the land back to our grandmothers through Indigenous relatives is that fulfilment. And it's, you know, my hope that when we go back to the land it's possible for women and girls, two spirited

persons to be able to be provided a safe space and to heal through traditional land teachings. As a woman myself who's experienced personal sexual trauma, I'm hopeful that this is a spot for women can come to and go into the grandmothers' arms and find peace and sovereignty. So, that's all I have to say, so thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Santos. Any further speakers? Councillor Rollins to close.

Councillor Rollins: Madam Speaker, let us bring women to the arms of grandmothers and I hope it's a unanimous vote in support today.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Call the question. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Next item, Madam Clerk.

Item 10 – Accessible Dwelling Standard Permit Prioritization

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Councillor Rollins to introduce the item, followed by Councillor Eadie.

Councillor Rollins: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I will listen to my colleagues.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Councillor Eadie.

Councillor Eadie: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise and the first thing out of my mouth will be, I am very happy that Councillor Allard, actually, brought this to me as…to be a seconder for this idea. I didn't have the opportunity to listen to the discussion at the committee. But I just want to cover some points because I'm not going to vote to just receive it as information. Although, I kind of understand from the Public Service's perspective that this kind of initiative might pose some level of difficulties, not quite sure at what level. But Madam Speaker, when I was an activist with the…with the cross-disability movement back in the 1990s, and spent a lot of time down here at city hall and in different places, Madam Speaker, and we were trying to achieve more accessible housing in the city of Winnipeg, was one of the advancements we were trying to do. And we were doing that, Madam Speaker, because like back then, there wasn't a lot of places to live if you had a disability. Most of them being in your ward actually, Madam Speaker, with some others that have been developed over the years, including in St. Boniface. But ultimately, and then Councillor Gerbasi at the time, as they were moving forward…forward with Waverley West in 2003, there was a push because there was government land being sold as a part of Waverley West. And a whole particular area, they were, and it...I don't know how far it was implemented, but the best that they could do is, they said, well, we'll ensure that in this particular neighbourhood or whatever, the one that the government had most control over because a lot of the land was held privately, we'll have visit-able housing. Well, visit-able is fine, that's good. You can have your friends with disabilities come over. You've got level access, you've got a washroom you can use at the main level. But ultimately, we're all getting older. You know, I just…again…I'll say it again, I'm 63 now. Hopefully, I'll have good legs for the rest of my life. But you know, ultimately, we get older. We get…we end up with disabilities. The homes that we're living in, they may not suit us. But then, you may not be able to afford to move into more accessible seniors living space. So, there's an issue that, you know, the legacy is often, families end up with these homes, and they end up…they're…you could have a child with a disability, you never know. It's good to have homes that are actually fully accessible. And what can the City do, though? Like, we don't set the building code. We enforce the building code. I know that the Public Service in the past, when you start talking about incorporating accessibility, some people get kind of concerned. And Madam Speaker, we as Council as we've moved along since 2010, and at your leadership, we've done a great effort in when we're developing new communities to make sure that external environment, at least getting to your home is fully accessible. We do have control over that. What we don't and we seem to have a problem, so can we not provide some kind of incentive for builders to actually say, hey, yeah, you know what...and there is a market for these accessible houses, make no mistake. There is. So, why not do something...this is no skin off our nose. This is...this is like…it's trying to give an incentive. And when developers see it and builders see that, maybe they'll be more inclined to build something that's accessible according to what Monsieur Allard has put together. So, I just for the life of me, I don't know why we didn't ask for a report back and just receive this as information, because we really do. We need to make sure that this city works for everybody. Thanks.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Eadie. Any further speakers? Councillor Rollins to close.

Councillor Rollins: Thank you, Madam Speaker. And I appreciate the opportunity to just shed a light on the discussion at committee. Essentially, the discussion at committee pertains to the resolution that was narrowly construed about prioritizing permits. Our permitting office, and I will be the first to say that in multi-year budget, I want to do a few things with our permitting office so that they can have the capacity to be flexible and have priorities. But right now, Madam Speaker, as Chair of Property and Development, I'm very concerned about the crushing workload that they have and the lack of resources that we have put in for them. If this motion was about aging housing stock, and in part, I'll acknowledge it is, the rising energy costs and affordability, and the...the alignment to drawdown the green municipal fund, which happily, I can report, there are folks that are drawing down the green municipal fund to Winnipeg. That…that I could support. I will

even be the first to lift my hand and say I'll meet with Barrier-Free Manitoba. They're wonderful partners. And with respect to this motion, it is...it is a good motion. It's...it…really good spirit, especially the intent to drawdown more money. It's the…it's the whole file that is the permitting office that is the concern. It is the whole of their capacity. And right now, I'm really clearly focusing on that fog lamp project to make sure that, you know, we are funding them in term…relative to the bills that the Provincial Government has, you know, put on them and, too, that are competing for their time, Madam Speaker. And so, that was the focus of the receipt of information. It certainly wasn't because Property and Development Committee didn't understand wanting to construct energy efficient new builds, no matter where they would be in Winnipeg. And I'm happily here having passed a motion with Councillor Mayes that, in part, does some of that work and gets at some of that work, Madam Speaker. So, definitely there are some successes to report in terms of being able to drawdown money, and there's more work to do. The resolution, Madam Speaker, in closing, was the issue because of the broader impacts on permitting.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Rollins. With that, I'll call the question. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Councillor Eadie, noted in opposition. Moving onto by-laws, Councillor Rollins.

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY AND DEVELOPMENT
CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS - 1ST READING ONLY

Councillor Rollins: Yes, Madam Speaker. I'd like to move that By-law No. 53/2023 be read a first time, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker: All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

Clerk: By-law No. 53/2023.

Madam Speaker: Councillor Rollins.

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY AND DEVELOPMENT
CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS – 2ND AND 3RD READINGS

Councillor Rollins: Madam Speaker, I'd move the following be law…by-laws be read a second time: By-law No. 15/2023, By-law No. 42/2023.

Madam Speaker: All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

Clerk: By-law No. 15/2023, By-law No. 42/2023.

Councillor Rollins: Madam Speaker, I'd like to move that By-law No. 15/2023 and 42/2023 be read a third time and that the same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

Madam Speaker: All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Move into question period now. Any questions for our chair, Councillor Rollins? Any questions for the Chair? Moving on, next committee is the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services. Our chair, Councillor Orlikow, on the report dated May 5th.

REPORT OF THE
STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SERVICES
DATED MAY 5, 2023

Councillor Orlikow: Thank you, Madam Chair. I'd like to move Items 1 through 4, please.

Madam Speaker: Any to be stood down? Seeing none, I'll call the question. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Next, we have a notice of motion from Councillor Wyatt and Councillor Duncan from our April Council meeting. Councillor Duncan.

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SERVICES
NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Moved by Councillor Wyatt,
Seconded by Councillor Duncan,

WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg is currently suffering from an urban health crisis, including an unacceptable level of crime that is negatively affecting our neighbourhoods;

AND WHEREAS on July 23, 2003, Council adopted the "Four District Model" for restructuring the Winnipeg Police Service, being four geographic districts designated as East, West, North, and Central;

AND WHEREAS the Council motion adopted on July 23, 2003, provided that the restructuring of the Winnipeg Police Service to the Four District Model would result in a number of benefits, including improved public access to the police service, increased police visibility and public interaction, and cooperative partnerships with the community;

AND WHEREAS the North, West, and East District stations are currently "CLOSED", as stated on the City of Winnipeg website, at all hours;

AND WHEREAS public accessibility to front-line Winnipeg Police Service members is critical to building safer communities and an effective model of community policing, in accordance with the original intent of the Four District Model;

AND WHEREAS all City of Winnipeg services should prioritize "customer service" to residents.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council request the Winnipeg Police Board to do the following:

1. *That the North District Station at 260 Hartford Avenue, West District Station at 2321 Grant Avenue, and East District Station at 1750 Dugald Road be reopened immediately to the public for 12 hours per day during the day shift, 7 days a week service.*

2. *That each of the Four District stations maintain 24-7 walk-in service hours for the public.*

3. *That each of the Four District stations install and maintain visible outdoor signage advertising that the Four District stations are available and accessible to the public on a 24-7 basis, and that all websites and city public information be changed accordingly.*

4. *That clearly marked areas for free Visitor Parking be provided for the newer District Stations.*

5. *That financial resources and security measures be provided to ensure that any operational changes to the Four District stations' hours does not negatively impact front-line members.*

6. *That the relevant by-laws or policies of the City of Winnipeg and Council be amended accordingly.*

7. *The Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.*

Councillor Duncan: Madam Speaker, in absence of the mover, I'd like to ask that the item be laid over to our June meeting of Council.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. That's in order. Councillor Duncan asks that the item be laid over to the next meeting of Council. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. We have Motion No. 2: moved by Councillor Orlikow, seconded by Mayor Gillingham regarding extreme cold weather policies. This is an automatic referral to the standing committee. We have no by-laws, question period. Any questions for Councillor Orlikow, our chair? Any questions for our chair? Next committee, Standing Policy Committee on Public Works. Councillor Lukes, on the report dated May 8th.

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SERVICES
MOTIONS

Motion No. 2
Moved by Councillor Orlikow,
Seconded by Councillor Worship Mayor Gillingham,

WHEREAS Mayor Gillingham committed to update Winnipeg's extreme cold weather policies and to expand the 24/7 Safe Space system in his election platform to offer more emergency shelter options to unhoused people in all weather conditions;

AND WHEREAS End Homelessness Winnipeg and other community partners are already executing the Coalition's Extreme Weather Response Plan.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that Council approve the following policies and directives to strengthen the City's extreme weather response:

1. *Formally adopt as policy that the City's threshold for extreme cold weather activity is a temperature forecast of -25°C or colder (with or without wind chill), based on notifications from Environment and Climate Change Canada.*

2. *Direct the CAO or his designate to create a City-led, extreme weather PSA alert system similar to alerts issued in other cities, with alerts concurrent with any -25°C forecast to begin in the Winter of 2023-24, and direct the CAO to submit to the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services a draft policy governing heat and cold weather alerts by September 30, 2023.*

3. *Direct the CAO to allocate $1.0m in additional 24/7 Safe Space funds included in the 2023 Budget Update to expand 24/7 Safe Space partnerships in a ring around Downtown, and pilot new extreme weather initiatives as outlined in the Attachment.*

4. *Direct the CAO to formally pre-designate a single City-owned or controlled building as the primary site for use as a temporary overnight shelter in the event of shelter system overflow, shelter shutdown or other similar emergencies, including extreme weather. The CAO or his designate will report back to the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services by September 30, 2023 on existing or recommended procedures to use the designated space, and what (if any) additional partnerships or resources are needed to stage this site for contingencies.*

5. *Invite End Homelessness Winnipeg to make regular submissions to the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services on the progress of its Extreme Weather Response plan and to flag any trends in HIFIS data that may be of use to help the City further adjust extreme hot and cold weather responses in 2024-25.*

6. *That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to fulfill the intent of the foregoing.*

REPORT OF THE
STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS
DATED MAY 8, 2023

Councillor Lukes: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'd like to pull down Item No. 2 and move Item No. 1 and 3.

Madam Speaker: Councillor Lukes moves Item 1 and 3. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Madam Clerk, Item 2.

Item 2 – Improving Road Safety Culture in Winnipeg

Madam Speaker: Councillor Lukes to introduce the item.

Councillor Lukes: Sure. So, I just wanted to bring forward, this was a very good motion that Councillor Allard and Gilroy brought forward. And I just wanted to speak to it a bit on why we received it as information at the Public Works Committee. So, just to start with, between 2012 and 2018, 98 people were killed and 1,113 suffered major injuries. Many with far reaching location…with far reaching implications as a result of collisions on Winnipeg streets. And while the annual proportion of road related fatalities remained approximately constant over that timeframe, the number of major injuries

trended upwards. Councillor Allard and Councillor Gilroy have brought forward many actions in their motion seeking to reduce road related fatalities and injuries. And I thank them for their focused concerns. So, the Public Works Committee received this motion as information because all of these requested actions are included in the Road Safety Strategic Action Plan that Council unanimously approved almost a year ago on July 21st, 2022. And then, in the 2023 budget, virtually all of Council approved Stapon to move forward on the Road Safety Strategic Action Plan, which we are now doing. The plan consists of 67 actions intended to help Winnipeg reach its goal of achieving a 20% reduction in fatal and serious injury collisions over the next five years. I like that, I think a lot of people do. We're seeing a measurable target that we're actually working towards. Also, with a long-term vision of a transportation system that allows people of all ages and abilities to safely move around without experiencing death or serious injury. So, the plan is based on the foundation of the internationally noted Safe Systems. Safe Systems sets the approach for achieving vision zero. Many of you have heard of vision zero, which is an aspirational concept where no human life is acceptable because of transportation mobility. The Safe System's approach is built on five pillars. It's in the report. It was first introduced in Sweden, Norway, and the United Kingdom, which now have some of the lowest road related fatalities in the world. And this is Winnipeg's goal that virtually all of you voted on, to have some of the lowest road related fatalities in the world. So, I encourage councillors to take some time and review the 67 actions that form part of the Road Safety Strategic Action Plan. They're listed and ranked by implementation timeline; short-term, medium term, long-term, with long-term being four to five years. The implication…the implementation of many of these actions will be ongoing, and some of them are already underway. So, again, I want to thank Councillor Allard and Gilroy for their ongoing support and passion in making city streets safer. And I just wanted to bring that forward because there were a lot of excellent points in the motion and I didn't want anyone to think that, you know, we didn't think it was important on the Public Works Committee. So, we worked with the department, reviewed them, and saw how they fit into the 67 actions that we're working on, and I wanted to make note of that here today. Thank you.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Lukes. Any further speakers? Councillor Eadie.

Councillor Eadie: Madam Speaker, sorry to take up some time here, but I'm going to do what I always do. Madam Speaker, I'll give it a personal note, when I started to learn how to get around in this city being totally blind, there's one thing that becomes really apparent that's very important, at least through all the experience I've had travelling in this city as a pedestrian, before losing my sight as a cyclist, never really drove much, taking a bus, what have you. And part of the actions, I believe, is one action there. There needs to be an education to the public about how to use our roads, our controls, and how things...how you can follow the rules. Because technically, the rules were developed and how you use, and they developed them, like, the idea was that you're going to reduce injuries, accidents. Like, if you want to safely cross Main Street nowadays, you know what, you have to go to a controlled intersection. You can't try to run across where there's no controlled intersection, there's just too many vehicles. So, I just think that we could spend a much bigger time trying to educate people who have decided to come to Winnipeg from places where, you know, the streets work differently. I was…we were just in Toronto. Can't believe it, there's these cars that are sitting almost in the middle of the intersection. Like, it's crazy. They're trying to get...I don't know how it developed, but it seemed to happen quite a bit, Madam Speaker. So, ultimately, what I'm saying is, learn the rules. Learn how things work. And if everybody participated in their transportation, whether it's active transportation, motor vehicles, what have you; if you follow the rules, the speed limit, everything, things should be safe. And we can improve those controls, which is what our chairperson has said on our behalf, and she is right. But I just…I always like to take the opportunity, learn how to use things properly and use them according to the rules and you will be safe, you will learn.

Madam Speaker: Thank you, Councillor Eadie. Any further speakers? Councillor Lukes for the close.

Councillor Lukes: Super. Thank you. Thank you, Councillor Eadie for bringing that up. I just want to mention that there's five focused areas in this plan, and one of them is road safety culture and education. And the City's hiring three people right now, one of them is going to be focused on road safety education and promotion. And I think it's an opportune time, I put it out when someone was hammering me on Twitter the other day that it's a great time to reach out to the Province and speak to them about driver safety, driver testing and road safety. We're in an election. I'd like to hear all the parties stand on many of the issues related to road safety. One of them being driver education, another being cameras. There's a lot of topics that I think we could be bringing up to the Province because they have the ultimate authority on some of these issues that are really fundamental in road safety in the city of Winnipeg. So, thank you, Councillor Eadie, for bringing up those points. And again, thank you Councillor Gilroy and Allard for the motion.

Madam Speaker: Call the question on Item 2. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Onto by-laws, Councillor Lukes.

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS
CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

Councillor Lukes: Okay. I'd like to move that By-law No. 51/2023 be read a first time.

Madam Speaker: All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

Clerk: By-law No. 51/2023.

Councillor Lukes: Okay. And I would like to move that By-law No. 51/2023 be read a second time.

Madam Speaker: All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

Clerk: By-law No. 51/2023.

Councillor Lukes: And I'd like to move that the rule be suspended and By-law No. 51/2023 be read a third time and that the same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

Madam Speaker: All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Any questions for our chair, for Councillor Lukes? Any questions for Councillor Lukes? That concludes our final committee today. Councillor Duncan, will you move adjournment? All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Madam Clerk, roll call.

ROLL CALL

Clerk: Madam Speaker Councillor Sharma, His Worship Mayor Gillingham, Councillors Browaty, Chambers, Dobson, Duncan, Eadie, Gilroy, Lukes, Mayes, Orlikow, Rollins and Councillor Santos.

Madam Speaker: Thank you. Meeting adjourned.

Council adjourned at 1:56 p.m.