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Report – Standing Policy Committee on Community Services – November 20, 2023

Item No. 3 Status Update on 'Places to Go' Framework (Public Restroom Strategy) and Temporary and Permanent Public Washrooms

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services and submitted the following to Council:

1. That an extension of time of 90 days be granted for the Winnipeg Public Service to report back on the following:

   A. "Places to Go" – Public Restroom Strategy Annual Report.

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

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Duncan,

That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services be concurred in and forwarded to Council.

Carried

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On November 20, 2023, the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

COUNCIL DECISION:

On July 23, 2020, Council concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection, Community Services and Parks and adopted the following:

1. That the three-tiered Places to Go Framework as detailed herein be approved and direct the Public Service to:

    A. work with external stakeholders to:

        i. conduct a public restroom facility analysis to determine existing gaps and high-needs areas;

        ii. determine best locations for installation of public restrooms, for all Winnipeggers inclusive of vulnerable persons on a priority basis; and

    B. work with external stakeholders to create a program and criteria to encourage private and public building owners to provide public washroom access; and

    C. identify all potential barriers within City By-laws, processes or procedures inhibiting the establishment of public restroom facilities, along with any proposed amendments to address same and report back in December of 2020 to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection, Community Services and Parks.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

2. That the Public Service report back annually on the matter commencing in December 2021.

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

NOTICE OF EXTENSION REQUEST

Title: Status Update on 'Places to Go' Framework (Public Restroom Strategy) and Temporary and Permanent Public Washrooms

Critical Path: Standing Policy Committee on Community Services

AUTHORIZATION

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RECOMMENDATION

The Public Service requests that an extension of up to 90 days be granted to report back on the following:

1. "Places to Go" – Public Restroom Strategy Annual Report

REASON

Seeking an extension for the July 23, 2020, disposition of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection, Community Services and Parks related to the Places to Go-Public Restroom Strategy directing the Public Service to "report back annually on the matter commencing in December 2021".

As part of this extension, the Public Service is requesting that this report be combined with a forthcoming report to Executive Policy Committee motioned through a March 23, 2023, disposition of Council related to the report on The Status of Downton Public Washroom Initiatives. In doing so, the Public Service will bring forward a combined report addressing both motions on the same topic, and will follow the critical path of: SPC CS – EPC – Council.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY

On July 23, 2020, Council concurred with the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection, Community Services and Parks that the Public Service report back annually with an update on progress made in the implementation of 'Places to Go' Framework.