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Minute No. 123
Report – Standing Policy Committee on Public Works – January 9, 2024

Item No. 4 Arlington Bridge

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works and adopted the following:

1. That in accordance with Section 16(4) of the Procedure By-law No. 50/2007, an extension of time of 60 days be granted for the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works to submit a recommendation on the Council Motion of November 23, 2023.

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 Lukes,

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

Carried

Councillors Allard, Eadie and Gilroy asked to be recorded as having voted against the item in accordance with Rule 47(7) of the Procedure Bylaw.

Councillors Schreyer and Wyatt were absent from the vote on the above motion.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On January 16, 2024, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works and submitted the matter to Council.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On January 9, 2024, the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works considered the Council Motion of November 23, 2023, and recommended to the Executive Policy Committee and Council:

1. That in accordance with Section 16(4) of the Procedure By-law No. 50/2007, an extension of time of 60 days be granted for the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works to submit a recommendation on the Council Motion of November 23, 2023.

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

Mark Cohoe, Executive Director, Bike Winnipeg, submitted a communication with respect to the matter.

COUNCIL DECISION:

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

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

Moved by Councillor Eadie,
Seconded by Councillor Gilroy,

WHEREAS the closure of the Arlington Bridge will have a negative effect on the surrounding community in terms of social and economic outcomes;

AND WHEREAS the Arlington Bridge is vital to the overall traffic plan for the north segment of the City, which is growing;

AND WHEREAS emergency service vehicles require use of the Arlington Bridge;

AND WHEREAS the City has been focused on building roads for new developments while at the same time, the City has not maintained its older infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS the City would require capital investment from other levels of government for the replacement of the Arlington Bridge, and direction should be given to explore various sources of funding;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the cost for the replacement of the Arlington Bridge be referred to the 2024-2027 Multi-Year Budget Review Process.