Minutes – Executive Policy Committee – January 16, 2024

REPORTS

Item No. 9 Update on Report for Adoption of a New Accessibility Icon

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE DECISION:

The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Human Rights Committee of Council and approved the following:

1. That the September 14, 2022 decision of the Executive Policy Committee be amended regarding adoption of a new accessibility icon as follows:

    A. That in addition to phasing-out the traditional 1960s wheelchair accessibility icon from all City of Winnipeg communications and all City of Winnipeg-owned properties and replacing with the new 2010 Accessible Icon Project symbol, the Public Service be directed to report back to the Human Rights Committee of Council within 180 days with an estimated cost for the project and potential public engagement which may be undertaken.

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

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Rollins,

That the recommendation of the Human Rights Committee of Council be concurred in.

Carried

David Grant submitted a communication with respect to the matter.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On December 1, 2023, the Human Rights Committee of Council recommended that the Executive Policy Committee be requested to amend its decision from September 14, 2022 regarding adoption of a new accessibility icon as follows:

1. That in addition to phasing-out the traditional 1960s wheelchair accessibility icon from all City of Winnipeg communications and all City of Winnipeg-owned properties and replacing with the new 2010 Accessible Icon Project symbol, the Public Service be directed to report back to the Human Rights Committee of Council within 180 days with an estimated cost for the project and potential public engagement which may be undertaken.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On September 14, 2022, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Human Rights Committee of Council, namely:

1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to report back on phasing-out the traditional 1960s wheelchair accessibility icon from all City of Winnipeg communications and all City of Winnipeg-owned properties, and replace with the new 2010 Accessible Icon Project symbol, as it appears in the attachment titled “The Accessible Icon”.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On July 18, 2022, the Human Rights Committee of Council recommended to the Executive Policy Committee that the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to report back on phasing-out the traditional 1960s wheelchair accessibility icon from all City of Winnipeg communications and all City of Winnipeg-owned properties, and replace with the new 2010 Accessible Icon Project symbol, as it appears in the attachment titled “The Accessible Icon”.