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Item No. 19 Process Improvements for Community Centre Renovation Grants

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On February 23, 2024, the City Centre Community Committee recommended to the following to the Executive Policy Committee:

1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to provide a verbal report back on streamlining and reducing the red tape associated with the Community Centre Renovation Grants for community centres, considering joint procurement, and additional FTE's.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On February 23, 2024, the City Centre Community Committee passed the following motion:

WHEREAS the well-being of volunteers, and voluntary boards are vital to maintaining a healthy recreation system and maintaining city community centres in the City of Winnipeg;

AND WHEREAS Council has directed the doubling up of the Community Centre Renovation Grant to fund necessary building envelope repairs and to maintain community centre amenities;

AND WHEREAS long intervals between being funded, receiving funding, and expending funding can result in escalation in costs from contractors;

AND WHEREAS the General Council of Winnipeg Community Centre Boards in District 1 have been applying and receiving grants from the City of Winnipeg but are experiencing barriers and slow response times from the City of Winnipeg, impacting their scope of work and/or their ability to pay;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Centre Community Committee recommends the following to the Executive Policy Committee:

1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to provide a verbal report back on streamlining and reducing the red tape associated with the Community Centre Renovation Grants for community centres, considering joint procurement, and additional FTE’s.