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Report – Standing Policy Committee on Community Services – April 10, 2024

Item No. 2 Matt Jonsson Memorial Skatepark

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On April 16, 2024, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services and submitted the following to Council:

1. The City accept funds from the Matt Jonsson Memorial Fund and/or the Winnipeg Foundation in a sufficient amount to fully cover all costs related to the concrete work associated with the proposed installation of solar lighting at the Matt Jonsson Memorial Skatepark.

2. The Chief Administrative Officer be delegated the authority to determine the full cost of the proposed concrete work for the purpose of calculating the required fund transfer;

3. That the City enter into, execute and deliver any required agreements to accept the funds from the Matt Jonsson Memorial Fund and/or the Winnipeg Foundation and such other agreements as determined necessary by the City Solicitor / Director of Legal Services to implement the intent of the foregoing, and that authority be delegated to the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate and approve the terms and conditions of the agreements, in accordance with this report and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the City Solicitor / Director of Legal Services to protect the interests of the City.

4. The Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to fulfill the intent of the foregoing.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

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STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On April 10, 2024, the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services passed the following motion:

WHEREAS Matt Jonsson, an avid BMX rider, passed away in February 2021 at the age of 24;

AND WHEREAS Matt, along with his brother Cole, was one of the committee members involved with the initial design of SkatePark West in St. James, also having helped design the skatepark;

AND WHEREAS Matt is an example of the power young people have to shape a community;

AND WHEREAS Matt's legacy has been honoured by renaming the skatepark in his memory as the Matt Jonsson Memorial Skatepark;

AND WHEREAS Matt's mother Tish Johnson established the Matt Jonsson Memorial Fund ("the Fund"), a Donor-Advised Fund at The Winnipeg Foundation, to support programs and projects in the community that Matt would have cared about;

AND WHEREAS the Fund wishes to install solar lighting at the skatepark, which requires additional concrete work to be performed;

AND WHEREAS the Fund wishes to also fund the required concrete work, which will be carried out by the City through a qualified contractor;

AND WHEREAS s.10 of the City Organization By-law No. 7100/97 delegates the authority to the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services "to accept or reject gifts from the public designated for use in City parks and shall make the final decision as to the location or use of same";

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services recommend to Council:

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