

COUNCIL MEETING – MARCH 27, 2025 MEETING PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION

- The Speaker asks the Clerk if there is a quorum
- The Speaker calls the meeting to order
- Acknowledgement

In accordance with Rule 11.1 of the City of Winnipeg Procedure By-law No. 50/2007, the Speaker acknowledges that we are in Treaty One Territory, the home and traditional lands of the Anishinaabe (Ojibwe), Ininew (Cree), and Dakota peoples, and in the National Homeland of the Red River Métis. Our drinking water comes from Shoal Lake 40 First Nation, in Treaty Three Territory

- Opening Prayer read by Councillor Browaty
- Roll call
- Pages
Sally Leask, from Churchill High School, resides in the St. Vital Ward
Vladyslav Tanasiichuk, St. James Collegiate, resides in the St. James Ward
- Welcome of Guests and Announcements
- Adoption of Minutes

Councillor _____ moves that the minutes of the meeting held on February 27, 2025, be taken as read and confirmed.

- Delegations

Dr. Erin Millions, Welcoming Winnipeg Committee of Community Members, in opposition to Item 1 – Executive Policy Committee – Notice of Motion (Welcoming Winnipeg Policy Review)

(10 Minutes)

Dr. Mary LeMaître, Welcoming Winnipeg Committee of Community Members, also in opposition to Item 1 – Executive Policy Committee – Notice of Motion (Welcoming Winnipeg Policy Review)

(5 Minutes)

Kelly Ryback to be heard as follows:

- In support of Item 2 – Executive Policy Committee – Notice of Motion (Housing Accelerator Fund – Public Consultation)
- In opposition to Item 7 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated March 18, 2024 (Customer Service and Wait Time Improvements within 311)

(10 Minutes TOTAL)

Diane Bousquet, Warming Souls with Soup, to be heard in support of Item 1 - Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development – Notice of Motion (Expropriation and Rezoning of Lemay Forest)

(10 Minutes)

Louise May to also be heard in support of Item 1 - Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development – Notice of Motion - Expropriation and Rezoning of Lemay Forest)

(5 Minutes)

Steve Snyder to be heard in opposition to Item 2 of the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works dated March 4, 2025 (Council Update for the Preliminary Design Study – Chief Peguis Trail Extension West – Main Street to Brookside Boulevard)

(10 Minutes)

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

Report of March 18, 2025

His Worship Mayor Gillingham introduces the report and moves adoption of the Consent Agenda, Items 1 to 14.

Notice of Motion

Moved by His Worship Mayor Gillingham,
Seconded by Councillor Eadie,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Public Service be directed to:
 - A. Report back to Council in 120 days on changes to the current Welcoming Winnipeg Policy based on suggestions outlined in the Thematic Interview Report, attached as Appendix A, including the following:
 - i. Funding implications of specific actions and policies that may require additional resources;
 - ii. clarification that the policy affords equitable opportunity to all communities and groups, Indigenous and non-Indigenous, for park and place renamings;
 - iii. a review of existing policies that may overlap with the Welcoming Winnipeg policy;
 - iv. Committee of Community Members' terms of reference.
 - B. Enter into a single-source contract with Merrell-Ann Phare, author of the Welcoming Winnipeg Policy: Thematic Interview Report, for consulting services to provide guidance on the implementation of the report's recommendations, to be funded by the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer.
2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

Moved by Councillor Mayes,
Seconded by Councillor Wyatt,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the public service be directed to hold in-person public consultations between April 2 and May 10, 2025 in each of the 15 Council Wards to solicit feedback on the proposed zoning changes.
2. That the public consultation dates, times and locations be provided to the public at least five working days in advance of the information sessions, with advertising at a minimum to be purchased on Facebook.
3. That the Chief Administrative Officer be directed to cover any security-related costs (e.g. provision of security guards).
4. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

Motions (if any)

Consideration of By-laws – First Reading Only

His Worship Mayor Gillingham moves that By-law No. 36/2025 be read a first time.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the by-law number.

Consideration of By-laws – Second and Third Readings

His Worship Mayor Gillingham moves that the following by-laws be read a second time:

By-law No. 103/2024

By-law No. 18/2025

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the by-law numbers.

His Worship Mayor Gillingham moves that by-laws numbered 103/2024 and 18/2025, be read a third time, and that same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Consideration of By-laws – Three Readings

His Worship Mayor Gillingham moves that the following by-laws be read a first time:

By-law No. 32/2025

By-law No. 34/2025

By-law No. 35/2025

By-law No. 37/2025

By-law No. 38/2025

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the by-law numbers.

His Worship Mayor Gillingham moves that by-laws numbered 32/2025, 34/2025, 35/2025, 37/2025 and 38/2025, be read a second time.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the by-law numbers.

His Worship Mayor Gillingham moves that the rule be suspended and by-laws numbered 32/2025, 34/2025, 35/2025, 37/2025 and 38/2025, be read a third time, and that same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Question Period (if any)

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Report of March 7, 2025

Councillor Browaty introduces the report and moves adoption of the Consent Agenda, Items 1 and 2.

Motions (if any)

Consideration of By-laws – Three Readings (none)

Question Period (if any)

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY AND DEVELOPMENT

Report of March 6, 2025

Councillor Duncan advises that Item 2 has been laid over to the April 22, 2025 meeting of the Executive Policy Committee.

Councillor Duncan introduces the report and moves adoption of the Consent Agenda, Items 1 and 3 to 14.

Notice of Motion

Moved by Councillor Wyatt,
Seconded by Councillor Schreyer,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to undertake the following:
 - A. Initiate the process required in order to Rezone to a PR 'Park' zoning classification, an existing City of Winnipeg Right-Of-Way (ROW) which runs in an East/West direction, backing onto homes located on the north side of Lemay Avenue, abutting up and connecting to an eastern portion of the Rue Landry ROW.
 - B. Immediately expropriate all of the privately held lands known as the Lemay Forest, which includes forested lands, newly unforested lands, and open lands, that constitute the privately-owned land, popularly referred to as the Lemay Forest lands or property, for the purpose of creating a new City of Winnipeg Regional Park.
 - C. The expropriation should include all the privately held land including Lemay Forest Title #1: 2927614/1, Lemay Forest Title #2: 2927613/1, and 823 Lemay Ave Title 3039746/1, commonly referred to the Lemay lands, the Lemay Forest, by the community, and that was, in this term of office, subject to a Public Hearing Rezoning at the Riel Community Committee, which recommended that the application for rezoning be rejected, a decision which was adopted by Council, in order to ensure a proper and comprehensive land assembly for the creation of a single new Regional

Park, and therefore specifically that the two parcels of land, namely the said ROW referred to in Recommendation 1.A., and the Lemay Forest Lands referred to in Recommendation 1.B., as well as the lands referred to in this Recommendation, shall represent the lands required to create one new Regional Park.

2. That the successful or unsuccessful rezoning of the said ROW land parcel will not negate in anyway the direction given herein by Council to immediately secure the lands known as the Lemay Forest via expropriation, as referred to in the above Recommendation.

Motions (if any)

Consideration of By-laws – 2nd and 3rd Readings
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Councillor Duncan moves that the following by-laws be read a second time:

By-law No. 56/2024

By-law No. 122/2024

By-law No. 133/2024

By-law No. 17/2025

By-law No. 20/2025

By-law No. 21/2025

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the by-law number.

Councillor Duncan moves that by-laws numbered 56/2024, 122/2024, 133/2024, 17/2025, 20/2025 and 21/2025, be read a third time, and that same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Consideration of By-laws – Three Readings

Councillor Duncan moves that the following by-laws be read a first time:

By-law No. 28/2025

By-law No. 29/2025

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the by-law numbers.

Councillor Duncan moves that By-laws numbered 28/2025 and 29/2025 be read a second time.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the by-law number.

Councillor Duncan moves that the rule be suspended and By-laws numbered 28/2025 and 29/2025, be read a third time, and that same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Question Period (if any)

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON WATER, WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT

Report of March 10, 2025

Councillor Eadie introduces the report and moves adoption of the Consent Agenda, Items 1 to 5.

Motions (if any)

Consideration of By-laws – Three Readings

Councillor Eadie moves that By-law No. 30/2025 be read a first time.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the by-law number.

Councillor Eadie moves that By-law No. 30/2025 be read a second time.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the by-law number.

Councillor Eadie moves that the rule be suspended and By-law No. 30/2025 be read a third time, and that same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Question Period (if any)

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SERVICES

Report of March 5, 2025

Councillor Santos introduces the report and moves adoption of the Consent Agenda, Items 1 and 2.

Motions (if any)

Consideration of By-laws – Three Readings (none)

Question Period (if any)

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

Report of March 4, 2025

Councillor Lukes introduces the report and moves adoption of the Consent Agenda, Items 1 to 4.

Motions (if any)

Consideration of By-laws – Three Readings

Councillor Lukes moves that the following by-laws be read a first time:

By-law No. 31/2025

By-law No. 33/2025

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the by-law numbers.

Councillor Lukes moves that By-laws numbered 31/2025 and 33/2025 be read a second time.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the by-law number.

Councillor Lukes moves that the rule be suspended and By-laws numbered 31/2025 and 33/2025, be read a third time, and that same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Question Period (if any)

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

Report of March 11, 2025

Councillor Sharma introduces the report and moves adoption of the Consent Agenda, Items 1 and 2.

ADJOURNMENT

- Moved by Councillor , that Council adjourn.
- Roll Call