

Minutes – Council – March 27, 2025

Minute No. 233

Report – Governance Committee of Council – March 11, 2025

Item No. 1 Re-appointment of the Integrity Commissioner

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council concurred in the recommendation of the Governance Committee of Council and adopted the following:

1. That Sherri Walsh be appointed as the City of Winnipeg Integrity Commissioner for an additional two-year term commencing April 1, 2025.
2. That subject to the approval of Recommendation 1, the authority be delegated to the City Clerk, in consultation with the Governance Committee of Council, to negotiate and approve the terms and conditions of the 2-year extension commencing April 1, 2025, in an amount not to exceed the Council approved budget for this contract, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the City Solicitor / Director of Legal Services to protect the interests of the City.
3. 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:

The Speaker, Councillor Sharma, called the Deputy Speaker, Councillor Orlikow to the Chair in order to move the following motion:

Moved by Councillor Sharma,

That the recommendation of the Governance Committee of Council, be adopted.

Carried

Councillor Wyatt asked to be recorded as having voted against the above motion, in accordance with Rule 47(7) of The Procedure By-law No. 50/2007.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On March 18, 2025, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Governance Committee of Council and submitted the matter to Council.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On March 11, 2025, the Governance Committee of Council passed the following motion:

WHEREAS on February 22, 2017, Council awarded a contract to Sherri Walsh to act as the City of Winnipeg's Integrity Commissioner for a two-year renewable term;

AND WHEREAS the contract allows for Sherri Walsh to be reappointed as Integrity Commissioner for up to five additional two-year terms, after the initial term;

AND WHEREAS Council re-appointed Sherri Walsh as the City's Integrity Commissioner in 2019, 2021 and 2023, with the latter expiring on March 31, 2025;

AND WHEREAS Sherri Walsh was instrumental in the development and implementation of the Members of Council Code of Conduct By-law No. 19/2018, has consistently delivered exceptional service and guidance to Council, engages with citizens on questions related to the Code, and provides advisory bulletins and annual reports to Council.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

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and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.