Minute No. 448
Minutes – Council – July 17, 2025

Report – Standing Policy Committee on Community Services – July 2, 2025

Item No. 4 Charitable Donation to Friends of Peanut Park

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services and adopted the following:

1. That the City accept and issue a tax receipt for a monetary donation from Michael Nesbitt in the amount of approximately $75,000.00 and re-direct and donate those funds to Friends of Peanut Park Inc. for the purchase of art entitled "Austin" by artist Joe Fafard to be placed in Peanut Park at a location that is mutually agreed upon by the City and the Friends of Peanut Park Inc.

2. That, subject to approval of Recommendation 1, the City enter into, execute and deliver Donation Agreements with Michael Nesbitt and Friends of Peanut Park Inc. to receive and donate the funds for the purpose described in Recommendation 1, and such other agreements as determined necessary by the City Solicitor / Director of Legal Services to implement the intent of the foregoing (the "Ancillary Agreements").

3. That authority be delegated to the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate and approve the Donation Agreements and Ancillary Agreements and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the City Solicitor/Director of Legal Services to protect the interests of the City.

4. 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:

Moved by Councillor Santos,
That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services be adopted by consent.

Carried

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On July 8, 2025, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services and submitted the matter to Council.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On July 2, 2025, the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services passed the following motion:

WHEREAS on June 30, 2013 the City of Winnipeg entered into a Revised Memorandum of Understanding with the Friends of Peanut Park ("Friends") for the ongoing maintenance and the future improvements undertaken by the Friends at the City-owned Enderton Park at Ruskin Row and Yale Avenue ("Peanut Park");

AND WHEREAS the City, as a registered charity, receives donations of approximately $12,000 per year and provides those contributions to the Friends for the costs of maintaining Peanut Park and improvements;

AND WHEREAS a Winnipeg citizen wishes to make a financial donation of an estimated $75,000 to the City for the specific purpose of purchasing public art to be placed in Peanut Park and receive a donation receipt for same;

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

1. That the City accept and issue a tax receipt for a monetary donation from Michael Nesbitt in the amount of approximately $75,000.00 and re-direct and donate those funds to Friends of Peanut Park Inc. for the purchase of art entitled "Austin" by artist Joe Fafard to be placed in Peanut Park at a location that is mutually agreed upon by the City and the Friends of Peanut Park Inc.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

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