Agenda – Executive Policy Committee – December 16, 2025

BUDGET REVIEW

Item No. 7 General Council of Winnipeg Community Centres Grants and Management Agreement

COUNCIL DECISION:

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3. That the following increases to GCWCC Management Agreement funding be referred to the 2026 budget process for consideration:

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

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4. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.