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**Item No. 6 Private Tree Protection By-law and Public Consultation**

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee did not concur in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services and submitted the following to Council:

1. That the matter be received as information.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Browaty,

That Rule 10(3) of The Procedure By-law No. 50/2007 be suspended in order that the following item, which was received less than four business days preceding the committee meeting, be considered by Committee.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Duncan,

That Rule 51(1.1) of the Procedure By-law No. 50/2007 be suspended to allow a submission made by Erna Buffie received after 12:00 noon on the business day prior to the meeting, to be included in the minutes.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Santos,

That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services not be concurred in and the following be forwarded to Council:

1. That the matter be received as information.

Carried

Councillor Eadie was absent from the vote on the above motion.

The following persons submitted communications in support of the matter:

- Julien Nayet-Pelletier
- Diane Bousquet
- Brenda Williams
- Roxana Mazur
- Rob Shaw
- Carolynn Smallwood
- Bev Pike, South Osborne Residents Group Inc.
- Vivianne Fogarty
- C. Menzies
- Dave Green
- Barb Cannons
- Katharina Stieffenhofer, Director, Growing Local Productions
- Evelyn Ball
- Linda Dietrick
- Jim Cannons
- Wendy Buelow
- Marianne Cerilli
- Hilda Chiswell
- Rita Morier
- David Lewis
- Donna Conroy
- Ann Loewen
- William Loewen

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

- Christine Skene
- Mellanie Lawrenz, Trees Please Winnipeg
- Cat Gauthier
- Theresa Mackey
- Lindsey Brown
- Glenn Friesen
- Kathryn Kawka
- Christian Cassidy, Executive Director, Trees Winnipeg
- Mireille Lamontagne
- Erna Buffie

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On December 2, 2025, the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services passed the following motions:

1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to initiate public consultations on a by-law to regulate private trees that the City currently has authority to regulate, as per the City of Winnipeg Charter, and the creation of a private tree by-law.

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

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