Minutes – Standing Policy Committee on Community Services – March 3, 2026

REPORTS

Item No. 1 Verbal Update on the Encampment Response Protocol

STANDING COMMITTEE DECISION:

The Standing Policy Committee on Community Services approved the following:

1. That the verbal report of the Winnipeg Public Service be received as information.

2. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to provide a written report to the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services at its May 4, 2026, meeting with respect to the Encampment Response Plan, detailing resources and costs from the start of the policy, to date.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Gilroy,

1. That the verbal report of the Winnipeg Public Service be received as information.

2. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to provide a written report to the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services at its May 4, 2026, meeting with respect to the Encampment Response Plan, detailing resources and costs from the start of the policy, to date.

Carried

C. Brens, Manager of Community Development, CAO's Office, accompanied by G. MacPherson, Manager of Community Development, CAO's Office, provided a verbal report on the matter.

STANDING COMMITTEE DECISION:

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

1. That the verbal report of the Winnipeg Public Service be received as information.

2. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to report back to the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services with a monthly verbal update on the Encampment Response Protocol.

G. MacPherson, Manager of Community Development, CAO's Office, provided a verbal report on the matter.

COUNCIL DECISION:

On November 27, 2025, Council concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services and adopted the following:

1. That the Encampment Policy, attached as Appendix A, be adopted.

2. That the Encampment Response Protocol, attached as Appendix B, be received as information.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

3. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to report back to the Standing Committee in 30 days with a verbal update on options to monitor the Encampment Response Protocol.

4. That a By-law be enacted to amend the Parks By-law No. 85/2009, a draft of which is attached as Appendix C to this report.

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