Agenda – Council – June 25, 2026

Report – Standing Policy Committee on Public Works – June 10, 2026

Item No. 1 Winnipeg Transit Master Plan Update

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On June 16, 2026, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works and submitted the following to Council:

1. That an extension of time of two years be granted for the Winnipeg Public Service to report back on the following:

    A. An update on the Winnipeg Transit Master Plan, including the rapid transit capital investment priorities in order for Council to review, consider, debate and ultimately prioritize the rapid transit corridors in the plan.

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

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On June 16, 2026, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works and submitted the matter to Council.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On June 10, 2026, the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and submitted the following to the Executive Policy Committee and Council:

1. That an extension of time of two years be granted for the Winnipeg Public Service to report back on the following:

    A. An update on the Winnipeg Transit Master Plan, including the rapid transit capital investment priorities in order for Council to review, consider, debate and ultimately prioritize the rapid transit corridors in the plan.

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

David Grant submitted a communication in opposition to the matter.

COUNCIL DECISION:

On April 29, 2021, Council adopted the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, as amended, which included the following:

15. That the Public Service update the Winnipeg Transit Master Plan, including the rapid transit capital investment priorities, approximately every five years (aligned with updates to OurWinnipeg), and submit the updated plans to Council to review, consider, debate and ultimately prioritize the rapid transit corridors in the plan;

NOTICE OF EXTENSION REQUEST

Title: Winnipeg Transit Master Plan Update

Critical Path: Standing Policy Committee on Public Works – Executive Policy Committee – Council

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RECOMMENDATION

The Public Service requests that an extension for two years to the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works be granted to report back on the following:

> That the Public Service update the Winnipeg Transit Master Plan, including the rapid transit capital investment priorities, approximately every five years (aligned with updates to OurWinnipeg), and submit the updated plans to Council to review, consider, debate and ultimately prioritize the rapid transit corridors in the plan.

REASON FOR THE EXTENSION

An extension of two years is being requested due to the time taken to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020-2023. Regular work was disrupted for a period of more than two years, due to the need to create five different schedule scenarios for each of the four seasonal schedule periods, while also developing the implementation plan for the Primary Transit Network, for a 2025 implementation. Due to these factors, an update within five years of the April 2021 Council approval of the Winnipeg Transit Master Plan was not feasible.

In addition to this, an update to the Winnipeg Transit Master Plan should ideally come once the Rapid Transit (Downtown Corridors) Preliminary Design project is well underway. This project is due to be completed by Q1 of 2028, and an update to the Winnipeg Transit Master Plan will be completed by the end of Q2 of 2028.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY

On April 19, 2021, Council concurred in the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, as amended, and adopted the following:

1. That the Public Service update the Winnipeg Transit Master Plan, including the rapid transit capital investment priorities, approximately every five years (aligned with updates to OurWinnipeg), and submit the updated plans to Council to review, consider, debate and ultimately prioritize the rapid transit corridors in the plan.