

Minutes – Council – May 28, 2026

Minute No. 305

Executive Policy Committee – Motions

Item No. 1 St. James Collegiate Running Track Funding

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council adopted the following:

1. That the Council Decision dated January 29, 2026, with respect to funding for the Sturgeon Height Collegiate Running Track be rescinded and the following be approved:
 - A. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to enter into a grant agreement with the St. James-Assiniboia School Division in the amount of \$92,725.00 for the purpose of the St. James Collegiate running track project, subject to the following condition:
 - i. That the if the project is not commenced within two years, the funds must be returned to the City.
 - B. That the funding source for the grant be allocated from the surplus funds from the Golf Lands Repurposing Review and Recreation Amenities project.
2. 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 Dobson,
Seconded by Councillor Mayes,

WHEREAS on July 23, 2020, Council approved the reallocation of \$95,000 in surplus funding from the Memorial Soccer Pitch Lights project to the Seven Oaks School Division to support the upgrade of the Garden City Collegiate running track facility to a rubber track;

AND WHEREAS City Council has approved funding for the running tracks at both Victor Mager School, and Garden City Collegiate;

AND WHEREAS since 2020, Councillors have funded running track renewal projects with four School Divisions (Louis Riel, Seven Oaks, Winnipeg, and River East-Transcona) in five different Council Wards, with funding from the St. Vital, Old Kildonan, North Kildonan, St. Norbert-Seine River, River Heights and St. Boniface Wards;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg has upgraded running tracks in four Community Committees since 2018, but has not yet upgraded a track in the Assiniboia Community Committee area;

AND WHEREAS there is currently no upgraded running track in the St. James Ward;

AND WHEREAS page 2-101 of the 2020 City budget re-allocated funds set for renewal of the Canoe Club golf course in the St Vital Ward towards various other projects in the St Vital, St Norbert, and North Kildonan Wards;

AND WHEREAS the Golf Lands Repurposing Review and Recreation Amenities project currently has a surplus of \$92,725.00;

AND WHEREAS allocating surplus funds to the St. James Collegiate track project will help attract \$200,000 in School Division funding, and produce an asset for which the City has no maintenance obligations;

AND WHEREAS on January 29, 2026, Council directed the Winnipeg Public Service to enter into a grant agreement with the St. James-Assiniboia School Division in the amount of \$92,725.00 for the purpose of the Sturgeon Heights Collegiate running track project;

AND WHEREAS the location of the track has changed from Sturgeon Heights Collegiate to St. James Collegiate;

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council Decision dated January 29, 2026, with respect to funding for the Sturgeon Height Collegiate Running Track be rescinded and the following be approved:

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 - A. That the if the project is not commenced within two years, the funds must be returned to the City.
2. That the funding source for the grant be allocated from the surplus funds from the Golf Lands Repurposing Review and Recreation Amenities project.
3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

The Speaker ruled automatic referral of the motion in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law No. 50/2007.

Moved by Councillor Mayes,

That Rule 16(1) of the Procedure By-law No. 50/2007 be suspended to consider the motion at this time.

Carried

The motion for the adoption of the item was put.

Councillor Chambers called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:

Yea:	His Worship Mayor Gillingham, Councillors Allard, Chambers, Dobson, Duncan, Durand-Wood, Eadie, Gilroy, Lukes, Mayes, Rollins, Santos, Sharma and Wyatt	14
Nay:		0
Absent:	Councillor Browaty	1

Carried