

Minutes – Standing Policy Committee on Public Works – June 29, 2026

REPORTS

**Item No. 18 Four-Way Stop Control - Downing Street at Yarwood Avenue
(Daniel McIntyre Ward)**

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Standing Policy Committee on Public Works concurred in the recommendation of the City Centre Community Committee and directed the Winnipeg Public Service to report back in 180 days on the installation of a four-way stop control at the intersection of Downing Street and Yarwood Avenue in order to improve pedestrian safety, support safer school travel routes, and provide consistency with the existing stop-controlled intersections at Dominion Street and Yarwood Avenue and Garfield Street and Yarwood Avenue.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Sharma,

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 Eadie,

That the recommendation of the City Centre Community Committee be concurred in, and the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to report back on the matter in 180 days.

Carried

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On June 23, 2026, the City Centre Community Committee passed the following motion:

WHEREAS the intersection of Downing Street and Yarwood Avenue is located within a residential neighbourhood that experiences regular pedestrian activity, including students travelling to and from nearby schools;

AND WHEREAS students attending Tec Voc High School frequently use the field and back lane connections along Downing Street as a pedestrian route, resulting in children and youth crossing at or near the intersection of Downing Street and Yarwood Avenue;

AND WHEREAS traffic control measures currently exist at the neighboring intersections of Dominion Street and Yarwood Avenue and Garfield Street and Yarwood Avenue, creating established stop-controlled crossings along the corridor;

AND WHEREAS the installation of four-way stop signs at Downing Street and Yarwood Avenue would provide consistency with the traffic control pattern on adjacent streets, improve driver awareness, and enhance pedestrian safety;

AND WHEREAS residents have expressed concerns regarding vehicle speeds and the ability of pedestrians, particularly children and youth, to safely cross the intersection;

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works be requested to direct the Winnipeg Public Service to report back in 60 days on the installation of a four-way stop control at the intersection of Downing Street and Yarwood Avenue in order to improve pedestrian safety, support safer school travel routes, and provide consistency with the existing stop-controlled intersections at Dominion Street and Yarwood Avenue and Garfield Street and Yarwood Avenue.