

Minutes – Council – June 25, 2026

Minute No. 341

Standing Policy Committee on Public Works – Notice of Motion

Item No. 1 Twinning of Warde Avenue

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council passed the following motion:

1. That the Preliminary Design Study, with an estimated cost of \$1.5 million be approved in 2026 to be funded from existing funds collected in the Precinct K Transportation Area Charge recorded in Future Services.
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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Standing Policy Committee on Public Works – Notice of Motion (continued)

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Mayes,
Seconded by Councillor Dobson,

WHEREAS the section of Warde Avenue running west from Lagimodiere Boulevard to Evelyn Reese Boulevard is the main roadway for the new and rapidly expanding Bonavista neighborhood (from 6 in 2017 to roughly 4,8000 in 2026);

AND WHEREAS the Precinct Agreement for the Bonavista neighborhood required the developer Genstar to twin the section of Warde Avenue referenced above, with the City to reimburse Genstar for said roadwork;

AND WHEREAS the Public Works Department advised Genstar in writing that they were excused from this requirement, with no consultation with area Councillors about relieving the developer of this obligation;

AND WHEREAS the City has roughly \$5.3 million in funds from Genstar paid in as area charges which are to be used for roads projects

AND WHEREAS the estimated the total cost to twin Warde Avenue from Lagimodiere Boulevard to Evelyn Reese Boulevard ranges from \$7.1 million to \$13 million;

AND WHEREAS there are regular complaints from area residents about traffic delays and congestion on this stretch of Warde Avenue, leading to safety concerns as traffic backs up onto Lagimodiere Boulevard due to congestion;

AND WHEREAS Qualico has announced plans to develop lands south of Bonavista which will further exacerbate traffic issues and delays on the subject stretch of Warde Avenue;

AND WHEREAS Warde Avenue needs to be twinned to accommodate traffic accessing Bonavista South;

AND WHEREAS delays in twinning Warde Avenue could delay further housing starts in the Bonavista South neighbourhood;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to initiate the twinning of Warde Avenue from Lagimodiere Boulevard to Evelyn Reese Boulevard in 2027, to be funded as follows:

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Standing Policy Committee on Public Works – Notice of Motion (continued)

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

- A. \$5.3 million currently held in the Future Services Account for the twinning of Warde Avenue.
 - B. The balance to be funded from unallocated frontage levy and Regional Street Renewal funds projected in future budget years.
2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

In amendment,

Moved by Councillor Mayes,
Seconded by Councillor Dobson,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that Notice of Motion 1 titled ‘Twinning of Warde Avenue’ under the jurisdiction of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works be amended as follows:

- Delete Recommendation 1. in its entirety and replace with the following:
 - “1. The Preliminary Design Study, with an estimated cost of \$1.5 million be approved in 2026 to be funded from existing funds collected in the Precinct K Transportation Area Charge recorded in Future Services.
 2. The twinning of Warde Avenue from Evelyn Reese Boulevard to Lagimodiere Boulevard be approved in principle in 2029 capital forecast to be funded from:
 - A. remaining funds collected from the Precinct K Transportation Area Charge recorded in Future Services; and
 - B. unallocated Regional Street Renewal Reserve of up to \$13 million, subject to a Class 3 estimate from the Preliminary Design Study.”
- Renumber the remaining recommendation accordingly.

At the request of Councillor Mayes, and in accordance with Rule 20 of the Procedure By-law No. 50/2007, the Speaker advised that Recommendations of the amending motion shall be voted on separately.

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Standing Policy Committee on Public Works – Notice of Motion (continued)

DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION:

The motion for the adoption of Recommendation 1 of the amending motion was put.

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

Yea:	His Worship Mayor Gillingham, Councillors Allard, Chambers, Dobson, Durand-Wood, Eadie, Gilroy, Mayes, Orlikow, Rollins and Sharma	11
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Nay:	Councillors Duncan, Lukes, Santos and Wyatt	4
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Carried

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

The motion for the adoption of Recommendation 2 of the amending motion was put.

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

Yea:	Councillors Dobson, Mayes and Rollins	3
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Nay:	His Worship Mayor Gillingham, Councillors Allard, Chambers, Duncan, Durand-Wood, Eadie, Gilroy, Lukes, Orlikow, Santos, Wyatt and Sharma	12
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Councillor Browaty was absent from the vote on the above motion.

The motion for the adoption of the item, as amended, was put.

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

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Standing Policy Committee on Public Works – Notice of Motion (continued)

DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

Yea: His Worship Mayor Gillingham, Councillors Allard, Chambers, Dobson, Durand-Wood, Eadie, Gilroy, Mayes, Orlikow, Rollins and Sharma 11

Nay: Councillors Duncan, Lukes, Santos and Wyatt 4

Carried

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

On May 28, 2026, the following Notice of Motion was filed with the Clerk, in accordance with section 17(1) of the Procedure By-law No. 50/2007.

Moved by Councillor Mayes,
Seconded by Councillor Dobson,

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Standing Policy Committee on Public Works – Notice of Motion (continued)

DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

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