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Item No. 4 Winnipeg Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle (Winnipeg WAV) Pilot Project Update

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On September 15, 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 up to 30 days be granted for the Winnipeg Public Service to report back on the following:

    A. A review of the fees noted in Appendix 2 to determine the long-term sustainability of the Winnipeg WAV program and the related accessibility surcharge.

2. That the Proper Officers 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 September 15, 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 September 10, 2026, the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

COUNCIL DECISION:

On October 24, 2024, Council concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works, as amended, and adopted the following:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Item 2 of the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works dated October 2, 2024, be amended as follows:

- Delete Recommendation 5 and replace with the following:

  "5. That the Accessibility Surcharge fee schedule and collection guidelines be amended as per Appendix 2, effective January 1, 2025, subject to the following amendments:

     A. Under the section titled "Dispatch Company – Taxi", amend the "Accessibility Surcharge - TAXI" fee for 2025 by deleting "0.03" and replacing with "0.07"

     B. In the Notes section, delete the highlighted paragraph and replace with the following:

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

> "An accessibility surcharge will be charged on every trip (accessible and non-accessible trips) during the month when less than 10% of all registered vehicles for hire of a dispatcher were accessible vehicles for hire demonstrated to have provided transportation services during the month. To count as an accessible vehicle for the purposes of determining the applicability of the accessibility surcharge, the dispatcher must demonstrate that an accessible vehicle provided multiple trips on at least one day per week in the month, was occupied on those days by a driver qualified to provide accessible transportation services, and was available on those days for dispatch to individuals who required accessible transportation services."

- Add the following new Recommendation 6 and renumber the remaining recommendation accordingly:

  "6. That, subject to the approval of Recommendation 5, the Public Service be directed to review the fees noted in Appendix 2 and report back within two years to determine the long-term sustainability of the Winnipeg WAV program and the related accessibility surcharge."

NOTICE OF EXTENSION REQUEST

Title: Winnipeg Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle (Winnipeg WAV) Pilot Project Update

Critical Path: Standing Policy Committee on Public Works

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RECOMMENDATION

The Public Service requests that an extension of up to 30 days be granted to report back on the following:

That, subject to the approval of Recommendation 5, the Public Service be directed to review the fees noted in Appendix 2 and report back within two years to determine the long-term sustainability of the Winnipeg WAV program and the related accessibility surcharge.

REASON FOR THE EXTENSION

This report will be incorporated into the Vehicle for Hire Annual Report.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY

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Item No. 2 Winnipeg Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle (Winnipeg WAV) Pilot Project Update

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works, as amended, and adopted the following:

6. That, subject to the approval of Recommendation 5, the Public Service be directed to review the fees noted in Appendix 2 and report back within two years to determine the long-term sustainability of the Winnipeg WAV program and the related accessibility surcharge.