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Minute No. 482
Report – Standing Policy Committee on Public Works – September 10, 2026

Item No. 3 **Contribution Agreement between the City of Winnipeg and His Majesty the King in Right of Canada for the ATF-3068-New Pathways in Northeast Winnipeg Connecting Communities Project**

COUNCIL DECISION:

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

1. That Canada Public Transit Fund grant funding in an amount of up to $2,160,900 be approved from His Majesty the King in Right of Canada as represented by the Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Complete Communities, for the ATF-3068-New Pathways in Northeast Winnipeg Connecting Communities project which includes construction of the Lagimodiere Active Transportation Path – Reenders Drive to Ravelston Avenue West and the Concordia Active Transportation Path – Molson Street to Peguis Street.

2. That the City enter into, execute and deliver a Contribution Agreement with His Majesty the King in Right of Canada as represented by the Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Complete Communities and such other agreements as determined necessary by the City Solicitor / Director of Legal Services to implement the intent of the foregoing ("Ancillary Agreements").

3. That authority be delegated to the Chief Financial Officer to negotiate and approve the terms and conditions of the Contribution Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements, in accordance with this report and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the City Solicitor / Director of Legal Services to protect the interests of the City.

4. That subject to Council approval of Recommendations 1 to 3, the Pedestrian and Cycling Program budget (project #1832100627) be increased by up to $2,160,900 with the final budget increase equivalent to the Canada Public Transit Fund grant funding received.

5. 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 Lukes,
That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works be adopted by consent.

Carried

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.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Title: Contribution Agreement between the City of Winnipeg and His Majesty the King in Right of Canada for the ATF-3068-New Pathways in Northeast Winnipeg Connecting Communities Project

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

AUTHORIZATION

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The City has been offered a grant from the Federal Government for active transportation in northeast Winnipeg. The money would come from the Canada Public Transit Fund.

The City could receive up to $2.16 million, or 60 percent of eligible costs for the Lagimodiere Twin Overpasses Rehabilitation Project. The money would help cover the construction costs for active transportation

The Public Service recommends the City enter into an agreement with the Government of Canada.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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REASON FOR THE REPORT

Council approval is required for the City to receive grants and enter into a funding agreement with the Government of Canada.

Council approval is also required to amend and increase adopted capital budgets by the amounts received.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS

If Council concurs with this recommendation, an amendment would be required to the existing Capital Budget to include the grant funding in the Pedestrian and Cycling Program. The Capital Budget for the Pedestrian and Cycling Program will be increased by up to $2,160,900. The final budget increase will be equivalent to the grant funding received in accordance with the Contribution Agreement. If the grant funding leaves the program with surplus unspent amounts, the funds would remain in the program and be reallocated based on future needs.

The construction of the multi-use pathways is included in the Lagimodiere Twin Overpasses Over CPKC Keewatin Rehabilitation and Related Works project, a Major Capital Project, comprised of bridge rehabilitation, road renewal, and new multi-use path works.

These grant funds will increase the overall budget of the Lagimodiere Twin Overpasses Over CPKC Keewatin Rehabilitation and Related Works Major Capital Project. Expenditures pertaining to each of the works presented above are tracked independently which will assist with the reimbursement requirements of this federal contribution agreement. See Table 1, below, for a summary of the current budgets supporting this major capital project.

Table 1 – Major Capital Project Budget by Program

Budget Item	Amount ($000's)						
	2022 *Adopted*	2023 *Adopted*	2024 *Adopted*	2025 *Adopted*	2026 *Adopted*	2027 *Forecast*	**TOTALS**
Lagimodiere Twin Overpasses Rehabilitation (Concordia Avenue & CPKC Keewatin)	$2,000	-	$2,000	-	$21,100	$15,742[1]	**$40,842**
Regional and Local Street Renewal Program – Lagimodiere Blvd/Concordia Ave Bridge Renewal Roadworks)	-	-	-	$2,320[2]	$7,000	-	**$9,320**
Pedestrian and Cycling Program – Recreational Walkways and Bicycle Paths – Lagimodiere Twin Overpasses Rehabilitation Multi-use Paths (2027)	-	-	-	-	-	$3,200[1]	**$3,200**
TOTALS	**$2,000**	**-**	**$2,000**	**$2,320**	**$28,100**	**$18,942**	**$53,362**

[1] First Charge of up to $18.942M was approved by Council on December 17, 2025.
[2]A budget transfer to this project from existing budgets within the Regional Street Renewal Program has been processed.

Capital budget for both multi-use pathways was approved by Council on December 17, 2025, through a First Charge on the 2027 Capital Budget for the Pedestrian and Cycling Program in the amount of $3,200,000. As previously reported to the Standing Policy Committee on Finance and Economic Development on June 12, 2026, the construction costs for the Lagimodiere Twin Overpasses Over CPKC Keewatin Rehabilitation and Related Works Project came in higher than expected including the multi-use pathway works. The grant funding as presented in this report will support with the multi-use pathway construction efforts.

The maximum permitted level of total government funding (federal, provincial, and municipal combined) cannot exceed 100 percent of the total eligible project costs.

As the Lagimodiere Twin Overpasses Over CPKC Keewatin Rehabilitation and Related Works Project is at its early stages, surplus funding is unclear currently. The proposed budget increase will functionally increase the limited contingency in the major capital project at this time. The project status, including financial forecasts, will continue to be reported to the Standing Policy Committee on Finance and Economic Development on a quarterly basis.

HISTORY/DISCUSSION

The Lagimodiere Twin Overpasses Over CPKC Keewatin Rehabilitation and Related Works Project is a major capital project comprised of bridge rehabilitation, road renewal, and new multi-use path works. The project includes the construction of the following multi-use active transportation paths:

- Lagimodiere Active Transportation Path – Reenders Drive to Ravelston Avenue West
- Concordia Active Transportation Path – Molson Street to Peguis Street

On July 17, 2024, the Prime Minister of Canada announced the launch of the Canada Public Transit Fund, a new $30 billion investment over the first ten years to expand public transit and make it more accessible across the country. In accordance with the Canada Public Transit Fund website, the fund aims to increase the use of public transit and active transportation relative to car travel.

The Public Service submitted a funding application to the Federal Government for the above pathways to the Housing, Infrastructure, and Communities Canada department in early 2025 with the application name, “ATF-3068-New Pathways in Northeast Winnipeg Connecting Communities.”

On July 14, 2026, the City received a letter from the Federal Government’s Minister of Housing and Infrastructure confirming that the ATF-3068-New Pathways in Northeast Winnipeg Connecting Communities project was approved in principle under the Canada Public Transit Fund with funding of up to $2,160,900 or up to sixty percent of total eligible project costs per the program’s terms and conditions. The funds can be used for eligible costs incurred between July 14, 2026, and March 31, 2030.

Capital budget for the multi-use pathways was approved by Council on December 17, 2025, through a First Charge on the 2027 Capital Budget for the Pedestrian and Cycling Program in the amount of $3,200,000. As previously reported to the Standing Policy Committee on Finance and Economic Development on June 12, 2026, the construction costs for the Lagimodiere Twin Overpasses Over CPKC Keewatin Rehabilitation and Related Works Project came in higher than expected including the multi-use pathway works. The grant funding as presented in this report will primarily assist with the multi-use pathway construction efforts.

These multi-use pathways will provide local connections between the Elmwood and Transcona neighbourhoods by providing safe and separated east-west active transportation routes. The new pathways will support longer bike commutes, enhancing access to downtown Winnipeg and promoting active transportation.

The new Concordia Active Transportation Path will connect existing pathways east of Lagimodiere Boulevard to the Concordia Hospital, as well as a new pathway currently under construction further west on Concordia Avenue that provides a connection to the Northeast Pioneers Greenway. The new Lagimodiere Active Transportation Path will connect existing pathways east of Lagimodiere Boulevard to a recently constructed pathway along Reenders Drive. These new pathways provide new connections between the Northeast Pioneers Greenway and the Transcona Trail.

In accordance with the letter received on July 14, 2026, from the Federal Government’s Minister of Housing and Infrastructure, to receive grant funding, it must be approved by a resolution of Council and the resolution must be received before a funding agreement can be executed.

Council approval is required for the City to receive grants and enter into a funding agreement with the Government of Canada.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

Financial Impact Statement

Date: August 10, 2026

Project Name: **First Year of Program** **2026**

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	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Capital					
Capital Expenditures Required	$ 5,360,900	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Less: Existing Budgeted Costs	3,200,000	-	-	-	-
Additional Capital Budget Required	$ 2,160,900	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Funding Sources:					
Debt - Internal	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
External	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	2,160,900	-	-	-	-
Reserves, Equity, Surplus, Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total Funding	$ 2,160,900	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Total Additional Capital Budget Required	$ 2,160,900				
Total Additional Debt Required	$ -				
Current Expenditures/Revenues					
Direct Costs	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Less: Incremental Revenue/Recovery	145,762	-	-	-	-
Net Cost/(Benefit)	$ (145,762)	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Less: Existing Budget Amounts	(145,762)	-	-	-	-
Net Budget Adjustment Required	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -

Additional Comments: Capital Expenditures Required represent the current estimated cost allocations of the Lagimodiere Active Transportation Pathway and the Concordia Active Transportation Pathway in the amount of $5,360,900. These estimated costs are a part of the total Lagimodiere Twin Overpass - Major Capital Project. Subject to the recommendations of this report being approved, incremental Federal funding up to $2,160,900 will support the Pedestrian and Cycling Program budget increase in that amount (project #1832100627). As detailed in Table 1 of this report the current consolidated Lagimodiere Twin Overpass budget is $53,362,000, subject to the approval of this report the revised consolidated budget will be $55,522,900. This budget increase will result in a modest increase in overall project contingency. The project status including Financial Forecasts will continue to be reported to the Standing Policy Committee on Finance & Economic Development on a quarterly basis. Incremental Revenue/Recovery represents the estimated Departmental Engineering and Corporate Interest overheads.

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for J. Ruby, CPA, CA
Manager of Finance & Administration

CONSULTATION

This Report has been prepared in consultation with:

- Legal Services

OURWINNIPEG POLICY ALIGNMENT

Goal: Good Health and Well-Being: 4.10 Transportation Safety – Design, construct, maintain and regulate an integrated and sustainable transportation system and related infrastructure that optimize safe, connected and reliable mobility, and minimize severe injuries and fatalities.

WINNIPEG CLIMATE ACTION PLAN ALIGNMENT

Strategic Opportunity #3 Advancing Sustainable Transportation 3.4 Increase Active Transportation Rates

WINNIPEG POVERTY REDUCTION STRATEGY ALIGNMENT

Action #1 Adopt a poverty reduction approach to service delivery.

SUBMITTED BY

Department: Public Works
Division: Engineering
Prepared by: Cam Ward, P.Eng.
Date: August 11, 2026
File No: 22-G-03