

# COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINNIPEG

## Wednesday, July 15, 2015

**The Council met at 9:53 a.m.**

The City Clerk advised the Speaker that a quorum was present.

The Speaker called the meeting to order.

The opening prayer was read by Councillor Orlikow.

### ROLL CALL

**Clerk:** Madam Speaker Councillor Sharma, His Worship Mayor Bowman, Councillors Allard, Browaty, Dobson, Eadie, Gerbasi, Gillingham, Gilroy, Lukes, Mayes, Morantz, Orlikow, Pagtakhan, Schreyer and Councillor Wyatt.

### INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME OF GUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Madam Speaker:** Our Page for today's meeting is Katrina Chanas who resides in the North Kildonan Ward and she attends Miles Macdonell Collegiate. Thank you so much for being here today. Mr. Mayor, I understand you have several announcements this morning.

**Mayor Bowman:** Thank you Madam Speaker, and welcome to everyone joining us in the gallery and online today. I first want to start by congratulating a Winnipeg swimmer, Chantal van Landeghem. She successfully won a gold medal at the Pan American Games yesterday in Toronto in the 100 metre free style, a sport I used to swim much faster in and her time, if swimmer just to take a look at her time, is absolutely outstanding so we do want to wish her and our athletes all the very best at the Pan American Games. Also want to send our thoughts and prayers to Maria Mitousis and all affected by the impact of the far reaching in inhering recent events in our city. I also want to, in that respect, thank all first responders for their exemplary, tireless and their quick efforts that undoubtedly saved lives including the members of our Winnipeg Fire and Paramedic Service, the RCMP and of course, the Winnipeg Police Service. Winnipeggers appreciate your work each and every day on our behalf and especially in the last number of weeks. Had the opportunity with Councillor Mayes and Councillor Lukes to welcome our hometown hockey player, Jonathan Toews home. He brought back the Stanley Cup for the third time in six years. As members of this Chamber will know, Jonathan Toews is captain of the Chicago Blackhawks. He's also a captain of our community, too. He's renowned for his generosity, his charity and caring off the ice. He does work in-home in Winnipeg when he comes home and just worked with the Winnipeg Foundation on the "nourishing potential" campaign which is running now. And I would encourage Councillors and Winnipeggers to give to this important effort if they can. "Nourishing potential" makes a positive impact in our community with our population growing. It's important that we empower and support our children and our youth to make healthy choices and to lead to our growing, striving and much more prosperous and healthy city. On June 17th, the City of Winnipeg honoured our indigenous employees with the celebration of National Aboriginal Day here in the courtyard of City Hall. I want to thank members of the Public Service so as members of Council who attended. Also, on June 17th, the Winnipeg Arts Council held the 9th Annual Mayor's Luncheon for the Arts, which I was pleased to attend. The luncheon celebrated and recognized some of the City's outstanding talented artists, recognizing champions for important contribution to the arts and cultural community, and I want to just...I wanted to note this to let all those in our creative community know that this chamber and this Mayor support their efforts to continue to demonstrate their talents in our city. I also want to advise members of City Council that I had an opportunity to visit Shoal Lake recently, including a personal visit to Shoal Lake Band 40. I visited the Falcon Lake Canal Diversion Bridge which our Deputy Mayor was able to do the sod turning recently. As members of this chamber will know, the City of Winnipeg is funding 100 percent of the construction of a permanent bridge and we all are also, as active as possible on the important Freedom Road Project. Visiting the community was educational and certainly heightened my awareness of the acute issues that that community faces. Winnipeggers expect us to be respectable partners with the community that resides on the lake where we get our drinking water. And so, it was an important trip and hopefully not the last during my term, to Shoal Lake. We also celebrated the grand opening recently of Centrepont, the development that incorporates historic Winnipeg with a growing, thriving and more modern city. Groups such as Stantec had moved downtown and we want to welcome them here downtown. That effort and that Centrepont initiative will help continue to revitalize our downtown and bring more people, more jobs and vibrancy to the heart of our city. I want to recognize that thousands of Winnipeggers participated in the Canada Day Living Flag and also had the opportunity with I know members of Council to visit CanadInns' picnic at the park, at the Assiniboine Park at the Forks. And I know there were a number of initiatives and celebrations in various wards that Councillors attended in celebrating with...celebrating our great country with the members of our community that we serve. I also want to recognize that Habitat for Humanity Home Build occurred a week or two ago. I want to thank Councillor Dobson for picking up a hammer with me and demonstrating some skills that he has and were on full

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display. I also donated with...in partnership with the Chamber, \$3,000 from my inaugural State of the City Address in support of Habitat. Recently, I attended the launch of the Take Pride Winnipeg Green Wave 2000 program at McKittrick Park and I want to thank all of the students who are literally cleaning up our city. They painted a number of things at that location and others across our community and I want to thank the efforts of everybody involved to help, essentially help beautify our community. The enhancement work really makes a positive impact on our community services. And, in advance of today's meeting, I know we've got a lot in store today to discuss in this Chamber, I want to thank the Clerks, I want to thank members of this Council and Public Service for a productive session before we take a break over the course of the summer and I hope everybody has time during the prorogue to recharge their batteries and get ready to work for Winnipeggers when we return. Thank you very much, Madam Speaker.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Councillor Allard, I understand you have an announcement?

**Councillor Allard:** Yes. I just wanted to recognize the presence of workers from the St Boniface Parmalat plant, UNIFOR Local 755 as well as other representatives from Parmalat who are joining us in the audience today. So thank you very much for your presence here and I understand some of you may have travelled a little bit further today to join us. So thank you so much for your presence here today and thanks for watching the Council meeting

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you.

### **MINUTES**

Councillor Morantz moves that the Minutes of the meeting held on June 17, 2015 be taken as read and confirmed.

**Madam Speaker:** All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

### **MOTIONS**

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Orlikow, yes.

**Councillor Orlikow:** If I may request that we are able to remove our jackets for today's meeting in light of the heat?

**Madam Speaker:** Motion is moved to remove jackets. Members of Council and members of the Administration on the floor. All in favour? Contrary? Carried

**Councillor Schreyer:** Madam Speaker. I'm just curious, is it possible to have the alternative of removing one's tie instead? I'm...

**Madam Speaker:** I think we can put that motion forward, a removal of the tie? All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Okay.

### **DELEGATIONS**

**Madam Speaker:** We'll now move on to delegations. We have two delegations in support of Item No. 4 of the Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works Committee regarding Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies. First up is Sarah Prowse from the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority, following that we will hear from Mark Cohoe from Bike Winnipeg. Good morning. You have ten minutes to make your presentation.

**Sarah Prowse:** Okay, perfect. Thank you very much. Good morning Mayor and Councillors and guests. Thank you for having me today. There was a written submission coming around as well, which I will refer to in my presentation. My name is Sarah Prowse with the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority. I am the manager of Physical Activity Promotion with Population and Public Health. As you may know, my colleague, Dr. Lisa Richards and I have been speaking in support of the Pedestrian Cycling Strategies as recently as last week to Executive Policy Committee. I am here again today because these strategies are fundamentally important for health. First of all, thank you City of Winnipeg for getting it right. Thank you for recognizing that...and I quote from the strategies, "equitable access to walking and cycling will improve personal mobility, promote healthy living, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and contribute to the quality of life and community well-being." As Dr. Richards described last week and you will see in the written submission that is being

provided to you right now, physical activity improves health through reducing the risk of heart disease and stroke, some types of cancers, Type 2 diabetes and improves mood and well-being. These strategies provide an opportunity to increase physical activity and reduce injuries through safe infrastructure. We know that health is determined and influenced by multiple factors. If we focus only on changing behaviour at an individual level, we will not create the level of impact we need to improve the health status of our population. The built environment influences our daily decisions to participate in physical activity whether we do that for active recreation or active transportation. We have engineered physical activity out of our daily lives and we are increasingly dependent on cars. And now, we have increasing rates of chronic disease and obesity, and this is costing us. Both in terms of direct health care costs but also indirect costs. Indirect costs are associated with the premature mortality and morbidity, shortened long term disability and the burden that's placed on our citizens and communities by our high rates of chronic disease and obesity. In 2012, the direct cost in Manitoba due to the health effects of just physical inactivity and excess weight are an estimated \$350 million annually. The estimated indirect costs are \$838 million annually. This is a total cost of \$1.19 billion each year due to the effects of physical inactivity and excess weight. The health care system's mandate is to provide health care services. Generally we look after people when they are ill. The system treats illness and fixes injuries. It is the responsibility of all of us to create and protect health. The pedestrian cycling strategies are vital to providing access, supporting cohesion, providing choice, improving health, increasing health equity and most of all, will benefit all Winnipeggers. The strategies will provide access to school and to work, to the grocery store, to the park, to health care services, to pharmacies and other destinations on foot and on bike through connected networks of sidewalks and bike facilities. The strategy will support cohesion. When people are on foot or on bike they interact more with the people and places around them and increasing social connections creates an increased sense of community belonging and a vibrant and healthy city. The strategies will provide choice for active recreation and active transportation in a safe and enjoyable environment. Over one third of Winnipeggers are interested but concerned, who report they would cycle more if they felt safer. The strategies will benefit all Winnipeggers, everyone, all of us, no matter how we choose to get around, whether we walk, ride bikes or not. This is because increased active transportation decreases vehicle emissions, traffic congestion, air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions and that's good for all of us. People who are connected to and feel happy about the neighbourhood that they live in are healthier and happier. And it will keep youth and young adults in our city. They want walkable, vibrant and healthy communities. The strategies will improve health even with small changes. Health gains are greatest when we can move someone from being inactive to somewhat or moderately active. So half the people in our city want to do a little bit more physical activity as what's documented in our strategies, the change could have tremendous impact. For example, an annual one percent reduction in physical inactivity for 20 years would reduce the indirect and direct costs of physical inactivity by \$752 million. The strategies can increase health equity through improving access to destinations and increasing social inclusion for those in our lower socioeconomic populations. About one third of the people who currently cycle in Winnipeg have incomes of less than \$40,000 per year. This population may not have the same choices that people in higher income groups do and they should be projected by being able to get where they need to more safely. So thank you again to the City for developing these strategies that have great potential to improve the health of our city. More people using active modes of transportation and participating in active recreation will help create a city that's connected, poised for sustainable growth and enhance the quality of life and health for all in Winnipeg.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Miss Prowse. Please remain on the floor and we'll hear from our next presenter and then we'll take any questions.

**Sarah Prowse:** Okay.

**Madam Speaker:** Next is Mark Cohoe from Bike Winnipeg. Good morning, Mr. Cohoe.

**Mark Cohoe:** Good morning.

**Madam Speaker:** You have five minutes to present. Thank you.

**Mark Cohoe:** Sure. So, it's my great pleasure to stand before you today in support of Winnipeg's first ever Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies. The strategy is a part of an ongoing commitment to proceed with the recommendations of Our Winnipeg and the transportation master plan which called for the development of the pedestrian and cycling strategies. As stated in the minutes of the November 2011 meeting, the past transportation master plan, a key underlying goal of the transportation plan is to expand the range of travel options that are available to residents, workers and visitors and to ensure that people are not dependent on one single mode of transportation. So basically, ensuring that we are giving people options as to how they get to their destinations whether they choose to walk, to bike or to drive or to take transit. It's important that they have those options available to them so they can make a decision they prefer. The strategies you see before you are the first step toward making that happen. They will act as a frame work that will help you guide but not dictate development of Winnipeg's walking and cycling networks over the next 20 years. They begin a process that will continue to engage residents, businesses and other stakeholders as strategies continue to evolve through

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neighbourhood level planning, corridor studies, precinct plans and various other capital projects. The strategies you see before you are the combination of more than two years of effort that engaged over 3,000 participants representing a variety and a balance of perspectives include over 600 telephone survey responses and a random survey of the City of Winnipeg, over 1600 on line responses, over 90 participants at a stakeholder workshop or 500 people participated in three open houses, including I think a significant amount of the dedication that some of the people are taking part in that showed over 300 completed open house questionnaires as they exited those open houses. And then there were approximately another 100 submissions that were filed through e-mail and over 160 responses to questions of the week that were provided as an opportunity to provide input into the strategies. So key messages that emerge from the public engagement process would ensure that sidewalks are maintained year round and that the cycling network provides a cohesive connected network of routes that provide direct access to destinations. A further key recommendation of the strategies include the set criteria to assist in the prioritization of projects that will be implemented in the short, medium and long term. Prioritization of the list of short-term projects will be open in the annual public engagement process facilitated through the active transportation advisory committee before being approved by Council. And this will add transparency to the process while allowing for continued evolution of both the walking and the cycling networks. So just to sum up, I can finish here. I just want to urge you to vote in favour of the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies and I certainly look forward to working with all Councillors in the community at large as Winnipeg continues on its journey to create a city where walking and biking are safe, convenient and comfortable options for all. So I would be happy to take any questions if you have any.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Miss Prowse, if you could come forward as well. Councillor Gerbasi, you have a question?

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Thank you. This is for Mark. I know you were around in 2013, I believe it was in July, like myself, you were probably on your way to the Folk Festival, when you learned that the active transportation strategy that had already been started at a consultant that had been hired was abruptly cancelled without any public notice or notice to Councillors. Is that accurate? Can you describe your experience with that?

**Mark Cohoe:** Yes. That is quite accurate. It was the decision that never went before any Community Committee, any of the internal standing committees or through Council; it was basically just a decision that came down the line. It came as a complete shock to myself and many others and I'm sure completely shocked many who were on Council at the time as well. It was a process that was under way. It was engaged and took a fair bit of effort. Thanks to yourself and Councillor Orlikow to get that back on track. And I think what we see in front us today is the result of that effort, to move forward and I think it's something that's really going to benefit our city, to make sure that we have some planning, some vision to go forward as we try to provide those options to people as they travel to their destinations.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** And my second question is you talked quite a bit about the consultation process. Now, one accusation we also heard is that it's just the bike lobby that is the only one who cares about this issue which is basically you represent the bike lobby, supposed if you want to use that to sort of negative term, which I don't. But could you describe who it is, who is the population of Winnipeg that has participated in this, beyond your own group. And do you believe that people beyond the bike organization care about this issue?

**Mark Cohoe:** Absolutely. You know, certainly when you look at the participants who have been engaged in this, it's gone out to neighbourhood groups, it's gone out to the Councillors who have been involved who have been sending out newsletters to actively get people participating. It's something that's gone out through newsletters across the board. And when they have gone out, you know, we were asked to engage people in the community and certainly we did engage that. We engaged our membership and people through our lists, and the other stakeholders did that same commitment to getting...making sure that they were providing information both forward and asking people to actually participate in the strategies as well. And it is really, I think, you know, certainly when we're looking at the people who are cycling, it's not just an elite community of cyclists plan and it's certainly also not simply a plan that asks to provide a cycling network that includes improvements to our pedestrian network that will help, you know, make them more accessible, bring them up to standards in many cases and in some cases, provide the first sidewalk on a street to give people that option to walk. And I think it really reflects both, you know, sort of an 8 to 80 kind of perspective. And, you know, whatever the specific public engagement processes are aimed at youth as well as I believe there is a seniors representative. There were representatives from the Access Advisory Committee, neighbourhood groups, business groups so it was a pretty wide participation.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Third question.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** And my final question has to do with infrastructure priorities and can you talk a bit about how cycling and walking infrastructure as compared to how much we've invested in more car oriented infrastructure and how you see the balance between those two things?

**Mark Cohoe:** Yeah. It's certainly something we've been asking for for a long time, you know. We're dealing here with a strategy that's \$334 million over 20 years. If we look at the four priority projects in the Building Canada Fund, it's \$1.2 billion over ten years and that doesn't go to start including the significant plans for roadways expansion that's included within the transportation master plan, which again, goes into the billions. And, you know, I think the process that we have gone through here has been, you know, having been part of the stakeholder group on the transportation master plan and having been involved in that process, I can say that we went through a more significant public engagement process than this. Certainly I think if you look through it, we did get more people out and at a higher level of engagement. You know, on a percentage scale, we're talking about two to three percent of the total budget we have forecast going forward. I think that's the small price to pay to provide those healthy options for many people who don't have alternatives whether they are too young for a drivers licence or they've made a choice to not drive as much or they've made a choice to just have maybe one car in the family.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Mayes followed by Councillor Eadie.

**Councillor Mayes:** Thanks, Madam Speaker. Question for Mark. By way of preamble, thank you for your efforts in trying to clarify for me, some of the more byzantine, curious, anomalous parts of the strategy such as the curious bridge that would require to cut across two fairways at a Kildonan Park Golf Course to access the bridge. As you said, well if we did this, we move it a couple hundred meters so there are ways of dealing with some of the anomalies in this report. I think that's...thank you for that. It was a report commissioned by the previous Council before this one as you pointed out. I just...I think to give some credit where credit is due. Councillor Vandal was Chair of Public Works in July of 13 and went to bat to restate this so former Councillor Vandal helped get this up and running. But your comments in some ways that the forwards I wanted to get you to talk a bit about were guide, but not dictate and I think that's well said. What do you mean by that? What does that mean to you? Because I think that's not a bad...

**Mark Cohoe:** Yeah.

**Councillor Mayes:** ...strategy, not bad guide post to have as we go forward with this.

**Mark Cohoe:** Exactly. And I think it provides that sense of...this is a starting point for our processes as, you know, we've gone through these strategies before as we move forward. The idea is to sort of provide that neighbourhood level planning that can provide different options to people including the pros, the cons of those options, can move towards helping sort of prioritize items and assist in that prioritization, but ultimately, all decisions move up through the Council process and certainly the end decision making remains with Council. At the same time, you get to hear some of that public engagement, you get to go out and hear what people are talking about, where their barriers are, what they want to see move forward and I think it gives you a bit of...a bit more to reflect on and a bit more information to make your ultimate decisions on.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Eadie.

**Councillor Eadie:** Yes, thank you Madam Speaker. I was just wondering, actually, first of all, I'd like to thank both the presenters. I think that making sure that walking and cycling is safe and a great thing to do in this city. It's very important and I know that Mr. Cohoe has put a lot of work in trying to see the City come up with a strategic plan. But my first question is, Madam Speaker, is...I'm just wondering, given all the consultation and so forth and my question really is, do you think it would've been reasonable just to have a meeting with, before we moved ahead with this, just to have a meeting with City Councillors to determine if we missed any consideration of needs and neighbourhoods in which they usually grow up and know a lot about and maybe for some consideration about considering the maps, aside from the public consultations that went on, Madam Speaker?

**Mark Cohoe:** What I certainly know, I think Councillors were invited out to the public meetings. They were involved...I'm not privy to exactly what the seminars were involved with this. Certainly, I wouldn't have been invited to those. I think there were opportunities, you know, the public consultation, the open houses occurred back in April of 2014. Certainly, I know, we provided input based on those and I really did see changes in the networks reflected in the choice that were made and some of the recommendations we made. I think also that continue...that process continues, so there are opportunities as we move forward for...for these certain neighbourhood level planning to, for the Councillors to get involved but also, to hear the input from the residents and to make sure that it's sort of an informed decision-making process that's going forward.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Second question.

**Councillor Eadie:** Okay. Madam Speaker, the report has a lot of discussion about the poor condition of the streets in these various neighbourhoods in which you need to have a, you know, strategy, a plan, some actions to take, regarding

these issues and I notice that you have a section about direction, and foray and it talks about the maintenance of neighbourhoods, it talks about, Madam Speaker, the report talks about, you know, how people won't walk and the condition of roads for cyclists and so on. I'm wondering how come there was no consideration given to our local road improvement programs that actually look at fixing all of those neighbourhood sidewalks to make sure that we have complete communities that work for, as age friendly and work for people with disabilities and so on.

**Madam Speaker:** We're out of time right now.

**Mark Cohoe:** I'd be happy to answer.

**Madam Speaker:** We are out of time. Would someone like to suspend the rules just to answer the question? Suspension of the rules? Okay. An additional five minutes for questions. Councillors, all in favour? Contrary? Carried.

**Mark Cohoe:** Sure. Certainly, within the guidelines as I spoke, within the strategies, the pedestrian network is one of the considerations. There is consideration, for instance for local infill sidewalk development as well as widening. There is a pretty significant bit of research that was done looking into the various conditions of the sidewalks, where sidewalks would need widening and where, for instance, we need...we don't have any sidewalks on streets, we would need to fill in those gaps. And it looks as well at how to fund that, so it talks about having a budget item for local infill sidewalk which is something that was passed in this year's capital budget for the first time ever as well as looking at filling in the regional sidewalks. And it is one of the included cost estimates in that. And I think, you know, I was a bit surprised to see that the budget that was brought forth at the East Kildonan Transcona Committee meeting called for the removal of everything but the implementation, the \$65 million that would be included through implementation of various other roadway projects which would, in a sense, remove that ability to create that infill on that regional sidewalks or at least made it much harder that...to...I guess, to validate and, you know, call for those additional monies to be spent in the future.

**Madam Speaker:** Third question, Councillor Eadie.

**Councillor Eadie:** Last question, Madam Speaker. Would you not agree that the \$106 million in regional and local road, sidewalk improvements is not part of actually making sure that we have good pedestrian improve the maintenance and have good infrastructure, walking, everywhere in everybody's local neighbourhood? Would you not agree that that \$106 million is actually going towards the goal of this whole overall strategy?

**Mark Cohoe:** Well, I would and certainly, I believe that would be included in the 55 million that's part of the implementation, the work that's included through other capital projects. I make the assumption that that 55 million includes some of that money. But it is specifically going towards improving sidewalks and improving access across major roads, widening sidewalks and I'm happy to see it, you know, and I'm certainly happy that we are getting work done over \$100 million done to improve streets.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Schreyer.

**Councillor Schreyer:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. Mr. Mark, you know, when it comes down to local decision making, that's one thing, but it's difficult on central aspects and general aspects of this to deal with on a local level and certain things have to be done with Council. And ideally best while we are trying to implement which we are really trying to do, implement this plan as it gets through Council. So this is a hard part for us. As an example, in terms of central and overall planning, I would like to know why you think, through this consultation process, that \$400,000 that ended up in this document that we are even considering through this consultation process, jeopardizing 95 percent of our current active transportation system which is our sidewalks. And, what that had to do with the consultation system...consultation process you have. We need to deal with this centrally and not later on a local consultation level. This is part of the crux of the problem we have to deal with today.

**Mark Cohoe:** So, I assume you're referring to the issue to do a study on the feasibility of doing a few less...having residents clean the sidewalks and I'm sure you're aware that that is basically the suggestion to move forward with a feasibility study. That is not a recommendation to actually implement that. That is a recommendation to consider that. This is a report that is coming before you, certainly, I imagine, consultants thought that was an important aspect. Perhaps they heard that through their public engagement process. I'm not privy to the exact decision-making process that created this. You know, it is something that will go forward towards Council which is clearly stated in the strategies that any decision making process related to that, would go through a full public engagement process and then would be decided on by Council. I think it would also need to be initiated by Council. So it would be up to you. Certainly, I do feel the snow clearing policy is something that needs to be looked at and I think it's important to have something in the strategy saying that we do need to look at snow clearing policy because I know it's not what I would hope it to be.

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**Councillor Schreyer:** I don't think it belongs there.

**Mark Cohoe:** Certainly, I can.

**Madam Speaker:** We are out of time. Thank you so much for appearing today.

**Mark Cohoe:** Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** I'm just going to take a moment with the Clerk here. Our next delegation is Mr. Ken Guilford who is in opposition of Item No. 1 regarding the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy. Mr. Guilford, if you could come forward and you have ten minutes, sir.

**Ken Guilford:** I'd like to call a two minutes recess, please. Suspend it for two minutes.

**Madam Speaker:** Ten minutes, sir.

**Ken Guilford:** Ten minutes. Thank you. I like to stand up. You won't let me stand up, I've got to sit down over there Ma'am.

**Madam Speaker:** If you could move forward Mr. Guilford, so that we can hear you in the microphone.

**Ken Guilford:** What I don't like is the fact that I have been pushed around back and told to sit down on them. I don't sit down ever. I'm an activist. Activists don't sit down and I would like to say that I am very upset because I am not allowed to speak for this motion. However, I do not agree with the fact that this is not covered, streets, roads, alleyways, ...place, I would like to say, first off, that I want to extend my world. I want to bring back the fact that I am not against this because of the...roads and I want to speak in favour of it. I've told by City Clerk...and I could do this. May I please do that? Council's decision.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Are you done your presentation, sir?

**Ken Guilford:** No, I'm not. I'm asking to speak for him to tell me can I speak in favour? If I ...City Clerk, okay, yes.

**Madam Speaker:** We already had two delegations in favour.

**Ken Guilford:** No, I am speaking...I can't speak against something I don't believe in. I'm saying and advisors agree to say yes, Ken, you can ...that way.

**Madam Speaker:** Are you in favour or opposition?

**Ken Guilford:** You won't let me be in favour. I want to be in favour.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay. So take a few minutes sir and make your presentation, go ahead.

**Ken Guilford:** Okay. Is this...

**Madam Speaker:** You tell us what you feel.

**Ken Guilford:** I feel strongly...I've asked Eadie and others...I feel strongly that this has to be... how...against, no, okay, now...no, I am...the Speaker has given me permission to speak for it. I would like to say you guys are great. I love listening to you and even sing Karaoke with Ross...same thing. And I love you guys who can come forward and you can say what's on your mind. I really like to hear it interpreted but I can't say. Fortune is in the follow up. We need more follow up. I am included. I need more follow up. I've been awarded. This is...Manitoba...kitty corner to RB Russell school. I have been awarded three...a five day course and I am very happy. I would like to thank you Councillors and everyone else in the city for thanking me. ...access manager, you put one dollar in and came to three dollars more. Damn good. I wish I had money for them, but I'm a poor man. We need ways to improve that. I have my own company, my own business... (balance indecipherable)...

**Madam Speaker:** Mr. Guilford...Mr. Guilford, thank you for your presentation. I would like to take questions now. Is there any, okay...are there any questions for Mr. Guilford? No? Seeing none. That concludes...thank you so much for being here. Have a great day. Thank you.

**Ken Guilford:** Did I fail?

**Madam Speaker:** You did good. Thank you. Thank you. That concludes our presentations for today. We will now move on to Committee reports. First up, we have EPC dated June 24th, 2015. Mr. Mayor.

**REPORT OF THE  
EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE  
DATED JUNE 24, 2015**

**Mayor Bowman:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I move or I introduce the report and move adoption of the Consent agenda Items 1 through 16.

**Madam Speaker:** I'll call the question on Items 1 through 9 and 11 through 16. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Madam Clerk, Item 10.

**Item 10 – Real Estate Audit Recommendation Implementation Monitoring**

**Madam Speaker:** Mr. Mayor, would you like to introduce?

**Mayor Bowman:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. As members of this Council can see, this is to receive as information advising that the Auditor will be issuing an RFP to have an independent third party audit, the implementation of the audit recommendations and I'll wait to hear from members of this Council further. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Councillor Eadie I believe you stood this down.

**Councillor Eadie:** Yes, Madam Speaker. I rise to speak to the report. Actually, this particular report goes to the notice of motion that was presented at Council last meeting and I just wanted to speak to...I was reading through the report and I didn't quite see...we're receiving this as information, but it was my understanding, Madam Speaker, to...so it says...the Mayor saying that it says that the Auditor is hiring this external company to help oversee, and assist the PD to imp...and other departments to implement the recommendations that were passed at our Special Meeting in regards to the real estate audit.

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Eadie, I have a question that...you have a notice of motion relative to this item. Is it your desire to suspend the rules and deal with it now?

**Councillor Eadie:** Well, the thing is, at this point, I was actually going to make sure I get clarification, Madam Speaker, because I think that I would have to amend the notice of motion...the motion that I presented, given this new information that's being provided in this report, Madam Speaker. So as I speak to this, I welcome the Mayor to close on it, and then when we get to notice of motion I'll figure out how to amend it if it need be amended or withdrawn, Madam Speaker. So I'm reading through this report, Madam Speaker, and at this point, I'm not seeing...I must have missed where it said that the auditor is actually hiring and overseeing the consulting company that will oversee these recommendations. In the report it talks about -- it's interesting in this report, Madam Speaker, that it talks about at the time of our special meeting when Council hadn't even decided, and voted on following the recommendations in the real estate audit as presented by Ernst & Young, they were the ones who did the audit and I'm reading in this report that somehow there were decisions made that go ahead from Property and Development, to go ahead and hire a company to help oversee them implement these recommendations as some expertise was lacking in our administration I think to accomplish some of those recommendations. Now, Madam Speaker, the will of the Council at the time was the direction that we took was to say that the auditor would issue RFPs. The Auditor would engage that...choose the accountants, the company, partnership or whatever you want, that's won the RFP to oversee it and in there, there was a direction of course that Ernst & Young, because people at the time, Madam Speaker, you may recall, as I believe you were the Chair at the time, Madam Speaker, you might recall that there was a lot of questioning and concern that, you know, about audit companies and people having different perspectives. And so it called to not have, Madam Speaker, Ernst & Young be the external group to help us implement those recommendations, Madam Speaker. So, in this report I'm not reading that...there's no recommendation in here, Madam Speaker, there is no actual real explanation that I can find anywhere in this report that actually explains why our administration did not follow the will of Council, did not implement what we did and we passed as Council, was very clear and at the time that it was passed, I feel, Madam Speaker, that PD should, at that point, handed everything over because it was clear that the auditor was to undertake that. And in the report that came in January of this year, Madam Speaker, from the Audit Committee, EPC, I know it...it noted in there, and it didn't...and the auditor himself, who is no longer with us, indicated that he was consulted but he was not in control of the overall process



there, and so, Madam Speaker, I don't know that this report is enough for me, and so...but I would welcome to hear the Mayor's perspective on what this report means. We're accepting it as information. It sounds like some decisions have been made, so and I will proceed with the notice of motion once I get clarification. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Are there any further speakers on the item? Mr. Mayor.

**Mayor Bowman:** Thank you, Madam Speaker and through you, I thank the Councillor for his attention to this matter. The report that we're receiving as information as members of Council will know, typically Auditor's reports are received as information. The history and the reasons for the report is set out in the administrative report, but I'll also just note for those that are watching these proceedings, that at the July 9, 2014 meeting of Council, predates certainly my term and others, Councillors Eadie and Havixbeck passed the motion to have the Auditor engage a third party, other than Ernst & Young to oversee the implementation of the recommendations contained in the real estate management review. PPD has since issued an RFP to engage a third party to develop the real estate management framework that would address the majority of the recommendations. Now, since...since 2014, the June 17th, 2015 meeting of Council, a notice of motion was given by Councillors Eadie and Wyatt to have the motion from the July 9th applied to the consultant that would be preparing the real estate management framework. This report outlines the steps that the Auditor will be taking to comply with the direction of Council.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. I will call the question on Item 10. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Mr. Mayor on the report of EPC dated July 9th. July 8, pardon me, 2015.

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DATED JULY 8, 2015**

**Mayor Bowman:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I introduce the report and move adoption of the Consent Agenda Items 1 through 15, please.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay. I will call the question. Number one has been pulled. So I will call the question on 2 through 15. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Madam Clerk, Item 1.

**Item 1 - Waiver of Fees for the Sport for Life Project - Host City for the National Women's Volleyball Team**

**Madam Speaker:** Mr. Mayor.

**Mayor Bowman:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. As the report outlines, this is a vote on waiver fees associated with permits for the Sport for Life Centre estimated to be 220,000 for building permits, approximately 210,000 for street and sidewalk closure and the report caps the amount that the City would contribute, of course.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Mayes, you stood this down.

**Councillor Mayes:** I did, Madam Speaker. Thank you. And it's a matter that may seem unimportant or curious in some ways, but it's important to remember we all as a group endorsed a few months ago, the efforts to try to keep the national volleyball team here. We have only one national sports team based in the City of Winnipeg. It's the women's volleyball team. We passed and then took some action and the CAO has come back with a very good report and I thank him for his efforts on this; recommending a waiver of fees and I would also like to thank Councillor Pagtakhan who's been a very steady and persistent champion of promoting this structure which is going to be not far from here, about Pacific and Main, about a block and a half from here. It will be a great initiative for downtown Winnipeg. As Chair of the Downtown, Heritage and Riverbank Management Committee, I think it's incumbent on me to stand this down and just say a few words about the project that is getting City, Provincial and Federal funding. It's going to be lynch pin for our Canada Games hosting. We're saying the excitement in an activity in Toronto area this week with the Pan Am Games and I think we will get our version of that in 2017 when we have the Canada Games. It may seem curious to be voting on something like this, but I will point out it's not in the report, but the Province is in for over a hundred thousand dollars each year subsidizing the volleyball team. That figure from the National volleyball folks, Greg Paseshnik and John Blacher who have provided a lot of information to us over the past couple of months. So the Province is in for over a hundred thousand dollars. Other Cities made pledges they would put forward money if they are able to lure the team away. The...there is certainly advantage to promoting sports tourism and that's I think some of what we're doing here. It's also worth point out that...it was estimated by Destination Winnipeg as it was then, that this hosting the volleyball team here generates over \$2 million a year in gross economic activity, over \$2 million a year in gross economic activity

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for the City of Winnipeg. Madam Speaker, later you'll be hearing a lot of talk and it will be good to talk about Parmalat and the jobs that are being saved here by our investment there. It's worth it to point out there are 17 jobs that are associated with this program and if we're able to can the program...that's not the team members that's jobs associated with running the program here. If we're able to keep the program here, it's a lot cheaper than what we're putting in toward Parmalat, but I think it's a good use of our creative energies here to waive the fees to get what would really be a lynch pin tenant for this project, get in underway, a block and a half from here, right in the heart of downtown, we have a national team, promotes sports tourism, keep the jobs in Winnipeg and start building toward what should be I think \$160 million economic activity that will be the Canada Games. So again, my thanks for...to Councillor Pagtakhan for his work on this initiative. This came out of community centre...no, Community Committee resolution a couple of weeks ago and some good work by the staff on this as well, bringing us this recommendations that we asked for a few months ago. So I'm in favour of the motion. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Any further speakers on the item? Councillor Wyatt?

**Councillor Wyatt:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise to be able to support the item as well. I will also state that we have on occasion done this in the past. But we should also be cognizant and aware that when it comes to the revenues, you know, in terms of different projects, permits, we have to be very careful in terms of what we're waiving especially of this size and magnitude. It does set a precedent and I can't recall one of this size in terms of the amount of dollars that have been now waived. I realize that it's a...it's a great project. I realize that it's the national women's volleyball team. Their offices are here. Their headquarters are here. I understand that, unlike many great causes, you know, they all have various...it's thunder. They all have various benefits to the city and in their own right...it's not my stomach. I had breakfast. Anyway...thank you very much. But you know, at the end of the day, I want to support this of course. It's a positive project for our city. I just think we need to be cognizant of that fact, you know, we don't have a lot of sources of revenue. We always talk about diversifying our revenue from property taxes. Well, this is actually one of the areas you would diversify your revenue from...is in permit fees and we are waiving them and, you know, I appreciate the fact that this organization is great organization, but I would also remind members of Council that we just...we're in the process of building or built two new areas in the city and we did not waive the fees for that. Those community clubs paid for their fees, our community clubs. So it's great we're doing this, but let's just keep that in mind as we go forward. Thanks very much, Madam Speaker.

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Orlikow.

**Councillor Orlikow:** Thank you very much, Madam Speaker and again, I rise to support this endeavour on this specific money, but I just want to follow up what Councillor Wyatt is saying and forewarn the Councillors that we are working on a motion now for your discussion about what we're going to...how we're going to proceed in the future with permits and waving fees. We know our budget issues are strong and real, but however, we need some guidelines so the public also knows. Will we bar any more waiving of fees or specific groups or how that will work? We'll be meeting with Councillors to discuss that shortly and that's presently in the works.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Any further speakers on the item? Mr. Mayor to close.

**Mayor Bowman:** Thank you, Madam Speaker and thank all members of Council for their thoughts on this issue. I would point out that this is somewhat of a unique matter. We are trying to retain the national women's volleyball team and there is a number of conditions that this motion sets out, one of which is that it be contingent on the successful conclusion of the bid process to secure the national team and maintain them as the only National team that currently resides in our City of Winnipeg. With that though, of course, I would ask all members of Council to support this motion.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. I will call the question on Item No. 1. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. We now have a notice of motion from our June meeting regarding the real estate audit. Councillor Eadie, do you wish to introduce?

**EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE**  
**NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

**Moved by Councillor Eadie,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Wyatt**

*WHEREAS the will of City Council is to be followed by the City's Administration unless City Council changes its will;*

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*AND WHEREAS at the special meeting of Council on July 9, 2014, to deal with the real estate management audit, the following motion was carried as written in the meetings disposition:*

*Moved by Councillor Eadie,  
Seconded by Councillor Havixbeck,*

*That Item 1 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated July 2, 2014 be amended by adding the following recommendation to the Ernst and Young LLP Real Estate Management Review recommendations:*

*20. That the City Auditor be delegated authority to acquire an external agency, other than Ernst and Young, to oversee the implementation of all the recommendations from Ernst and Young's report by the Public Service in a timely and efficient manner, to report back to Council on the implementation of the recommendations via the Auditor's Report to Council.*

*AND WHEREAS the City Auditor indicated in his report to the Audit Committee (EPC) at the January 21, 2015 meeting that the Property and Development Department undertook Council's delegated authority to the City Auditor to implement the will of Council as per the motion above;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council change the delegated authority to the Property and Development Department with the auditor's office continuing to report on the progress of the recommendations.*

**Councillor Eadie:** Yes. Madam Speaker, I rise to speak to it, but I'd like to amend this actual notice to reflect the...basically, new information that exists today, Madam Speaker, with the will of my seconder, Councillor Wyatt, and if Councillor Wyatt could quick...if he agrees to that, if he would quickly write down the 'therefore be it resolved' for the Clerk's, I'd appreciate it.

**Madam Speaker:** Yeah, this needs to be presented in writing, Councillor Eadie.

**Councillor Eadie:** You do have to submit it in writing, correct?

**Madam Speaker:** That's right

**Councillor Eadie:** And I don't hand write so I'm asking if it's the will of my seconder on this notice of motion if he would, on my behalf, write what I just speak out as an amendment.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, Councillor..

**Councillor Wyatt:** May I make a suggestion by the Chair to a member of Council that maybe the right thing to do at this point and I would support that would be to withdraw the motion and bring back a motion that is...once you have the chance to do, do time to be able to write it out, think about it and then bring it forward in September. This is not time sensitive and in light of the fact we just dealt with the other clause I would suggest that is the course of action to my colleague.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Eadie.

**Councillor Eadie:** So Madam Speaker...

**Madam Speaker:** What is your desire?

**Councillor Eadie:** With due consideration of this new information, Madam Speaker. I'll withdraw the notice and I guess we'll deal with it in September.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay.

**Councillor Eadie:** But there's a real important issue to deal with here, Madam Speaker.

**Madam Speaker:** So essentially you're asking for the permission of Council to withdraw?

**Councillor Eadie:** I'm withdrawing.

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**Madam Speaker:** Okay. All in favour of the withdrawal? Contrary? Carried. Thank you. We'll now move on to motions. I'll first draw your attention to Motion No. 20.

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**Motion No. 20**  
**Moved by Councillor Gerbasi,**  
**Seconded His Worship Mayor Bowman,**

*WHEREAS municipalities continue to work with all orders of government as equal partners to solve some of our country's biggest challenges; jobs, economic growth and better quality of life;*

*AND WHEREAS with greater cooperation with the federal government, Canada will prosper from modern infrastructure, ensure our communities remain affordable and family-friendly, attract talent and investment, improve public safety and ensure environmental sustainability for all Canadians;*

*AND WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has launched campaign calling on the federal party leaders to participate in a national debate on municipal issues before the next federal election and asks its member municipalities to pass a Council resolution supporting the campaign;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council endorses the FCM campaign and urges all federal party leaders to participate in a debate on municipal issues such as infrastructure, transit, transportation, and housing;*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the four main party leaders and to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.*

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Madam Speaker, Motion 20, if I could request you suspend the rules to address this. It's an FCM request that they're asking municipalities. It's time sensitive because it's related to the coming election.

**Madam Speaker:** Yes, thank you. I shall call the question on that. Thank you.

**Councillor Wyatt:** Point of order. Was there a meeting of EPC this morning July 15? Are we not dealing with that item? Is it...it's under PD, but not EPC? Okay. Thanks very much.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, good. So Motion No. 20 is regarding FCM moved by Councillor Gerbasi, seconded by Mr. Mayor, and we've asked for the suspension of rules. So all in favour? Contrary? Carried. Councillor Gerbasi to introduce.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Councillor Browaty has...

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Browaty.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Did you want... point of order?

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, you would like to speak?

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Okay.

**Madam Speaker:** Would you like to speak to the item?

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Okay, thank you Madam Speaker. What this is, is F...and it was talked about...many of you were at the June annual general meeting of Federation of Canadian Municipalities. And part of the FCM election strategy is to call on all four parties to have a National leaders' debate on issues important to municipalities. And so they are asking municipalities large and small, across the country to approve resolutions and obviously it's July, the election could even be in October. That's why we're putting this here now and basically, I'll maybe read out the 'be it resolved', that Council endorse the FCM campaign and urges all Federal party leaders to participate in a debate on municipal issues such as infrastructure, transit, transportation and housing. And be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the four main party leaders and to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities. And I'd also...while I'm talking about this,

the whole strategy which we are endorsing is it's not just this, we also, on the debate, we really appreciate if people would sign the on-line petition that's a calling for elected officials to sign the on-line petition and members of the public as well and that you would like to see all four parties in a national debate, talking about issues important to communities. So I think this is a really good thing to see for our democracy and I'd also like to highlight the FCM strategy on the election is something you really might want to take a look at. It's road map for strong cities and communities is what it's called and it's really, basically, showing the...of all the Federal parties how communities and cities can play a role in improving our economy, improving our quality of life and solving the fiscal issues of the country through working together. So it's...and it's dealing with the problems cities are facing like lack of funding for basic infrastructure, such as waste water, transit and housing and all of those issues. So it's...the strategy is on line. I suggest you take look at it. I'd like to thank Mayor Bowman who seconded the motion. I also would like to point out that Mayor Bowman attended the FCM meeting in June in Edmonton and didn't just pop in for a few minutes, he was there for three or four days meeting and working and connecting with people across Canada, promoting Winnipeg and working with the other Big City Mayors' on this which I think is really important, like Winnipeg is...he's really boosting our presence and that it's a really good, Big City Mayors' group. There's also more effort from the Big City Mayors'. There's now website and they're sort of parallel campaign they're working completely together with all of FCM which represents also a lot of rural communities. So we are all working together. The Big City Mayors' is strong and with the election coming federally, it's a really good time to get the attention. We've already succeeded at getting in the budget from the current federal government, a permanent transit funding that was...we're really pleased to get and we can continue to ask for all the parties to up that ante and do even more for public transit among many of the other issues. So that's all we are asking, is to support this campaign and sign the on-line petition, read the election platform and talk about it. There's other things individual Councillors can do. You can talk to your MPs about it. You can talk to your constituents about it as we move into the election and get the priorities of the communities across Canada including of course our own city on people's radar and talking about it. So that's the motion. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Browaty.

**Councillor Browaty:** Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. I'd like to thank FCM Second Vice-President, Jenny Gerbasi for bringing this motion forward and Mayor Bowman for supporting it. It's very important that Canadians from coast to coast hear from our national leaders on their views on a whole range of municipal issues. Regardless of political stripe, I think we have a really good opportunity right now to hear about some of the important programs that the various leaders are proposing. We've seen, you know, things like the gas tax and Green Municipal Fund, which the Federal...the Green Municipal Fund is a Federal Liberal project. We've got now entrenched funding for the gas tax and there's a whole multitude of other important issues that are going to be dealt with through this campaign and I think it's very important that all national leaders get their voices heard on our municipal issues. So I strongly support this and I'd like to see a unanimous support for this today.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Mr. Mayor.

**Mayor Bowman:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'd like to thank Councillor Gerbasi for her ongoing efforts and participation at FCM. It's been a very positive experience getting more engaged in my capacity as Mayor with FCM in...back last year, I attended the Big City Mayors' Summit in Toronto in which we resolved to really focus on three main issues, housing, public transit and infrastructure in our advocacy work on behalf of the Big Cities in advance of the upcoming Federal election. As has been noted by Councillor Browaty, this effort is nonpartisan. It is simply to bring all of the main parties together for a national debate. The City of Winnipeg is increasingly, thanks to the efforts of a number of people in this chamber, we are letting our voice be heard on a national level in a greater way than certainly in the past and my participation with FCM has really focused on getting a national discussion going with my counterparts on new funding models for cities, increasingly, the keys to 24 Sussex are through Canada's big Cities. Politically, times are changing as a greater number of seats and Canadians reside in our big Cities and so it really is incumbent upon all national parties to make sure that they have City's platforms, platforms that speak to the needs of Winnipeggers and others in other larger centres. And much of the issues that we deal with here are also being dealt with in other big Cities, housing, infrastructure as well as public transit, and so I'm very pleased to second this motion. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Councillor Gerbasi to close.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** I think it's been covered. We can just call the question and thanks everyone for your support and your participation in FCM going forward and in the past. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. I'll call the question on...

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**Councillor Schreyer:** Madam Speaker. Point of Clarification. Councillor Gerbasi mentioned the four political parties to discuss national issues that would be the Green Party, the Bloc Québécois, what would be the other two parties? It was a joke, excuse me.

**Madam Speaker:** There is no point in clarification here. Thank you. I will call the question on Item 20. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Motion No. 28. Moved by Councillor Wyatt, seconded by Councillor Eadie regarding Council Prorogue, this will be an automatic referral to EPC. Thank you.

**Motion No. 28**  
**Moved by Councillor Wyatt,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Eadie,**

*WHEREAS the Council summer prorogue was originally intended to set aside the month of August to allow for a "summer break" for members of Council, in their regular meetings of Council and Committees;*

*AND WHEREAS the existing planned summer prorogue for 2015 has already been voted on by City Council, as per its approved 2015 Schedule of Meetings;*

*AND WHEREAS over the last four years the "summer break" has been growing in length, from its original four week August break, to what is now a seven to eight week break, from the last Council meeting in July to the start of regular meetings in September;*

*AND WHEREAS a two month prorogue has a negative effect, both on the ability of Council to conduct its business effectively and efficiently, but also negatively impacts members of the public and the private sector;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT in advance and in preparation of the 2016 Council Schedule, that Council Policy be established to ensure that the Council summer prorogue will start from the August long weekend to the end of the September long weekend.*

**Madam Speaker:** Motion No. 29 moved by Councillor Wyatt, seconded by Councillor Eadie. It calls for an independent review. This will be an automatic referral to EPC.

**Motion No. 29**  
**Moved by Councillor Wyatt,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Eadie,**

*WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg enters into contracts and subcontracts on a regular basis to conduct city business whereby outside assistance is required;*

*AND WHEREAS any contract or sub contract now provides standard protections to City of Winnipeg to ensure professional and ethical conduct of those that are being contracted by the City of Winnipeg;*

*AND WHEREAS in regards to the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy, one of the subcontractors to the main contractor hired for the purpose of writing the said Strategy for Council's consideration, has been using social media since the report was published, to publicly lobby, berate and compliment, in a partisan fashion, Members of Council, who are the decision makers required to make decisions on the said report, which is widely recognized as unprofessional, if not unethical behaviour of a contractor;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Winnipeg Auditor immediately conduct an independent review of the contracts with all consultants and outside entities who were contracted with regards to the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy, so as to ensure all aspects of the contracts contain necessary protections to the City of Winnipeg and all aspects of the contracts are being enforced, and report their findings back to the City of Winnipeg Council.*

**Madam Speaker:** Motion No. 30. Do you have the motions in front of you? Yes. Okay, Motion No. 30. Motion No. 30 moved by Councillor Wyatt, seconded by Councillor Eadie. It's calling for an independent review of the procurement of the contract and subcontracts related to the cycling strategy that will be an automatic referral to EPC.

**Motion No. 30**

**Moved by Councillor Wyatt,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Eadie,**

*WHEREAS a code of conduct exists for Employees of the City of Winnipeg, that states in "Part B – General Principles" that "Employees must avoid situations in which their personal interest conflicts, or appears to conflict, with the interests of the City in their dealings with persons doing or seeking to do business with the City";*

*AND WHEREAS that Part E of the Code of Conduct entitled Enforcement, requires that an employee who perceives that he or she is, or may potentially be, in conflict with the principles set out in Part B, they shall disclose the conflict to the department head, in case of an employee, or to the Chief Administrative Officer, in the case of a department head;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Auditor immediately undertake an independent review of the procurement of the contract and subcontracts related to the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy so as to ensure that all aspects of the City of Winnipeg Code of Conduct have been upheld and to report their findings back to Winnipeg City Council;*

*AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Auditor provide recommendations to City Council in the event that they find there is a need to update and modernize the City of Winnipeg Employee Code of Conduct.*

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, we'll now move on to By-laws for EPC. Mr. Mayor.

**EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE**  
**CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS**

**Mayor Bowman:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I move that the following by-laws be read a first time. By-law 70/2015, 78/2015, 80/2015.

**Madam Speaker:** All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

**Clerk:** By-law No. 70/2015, By-Law No. 78/2015 and By-Law No. 80/2015.

**Madam Speaker:** Mr. Mayor.

**Mayor Bowman:** I move that the By-laws numbered 70/2015, 78/2015 and 80/2015 be read a second time.

**Madam Speaker:** All in favour? Contrary. carried.

**Clerk:** By-laws numbered 70/2015, 78/2015 and 80/2015.

**Madam Speaker:** Mr. Mayor.

**Mayor Bowman:** I move that the rule be suspended and the By-laws numbered 70/2015, 78/2015 and 80/2015 be read a third time and that same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

**Madam Speaker:** All in favour? Contrary? Carried. We'll now have Question Period for the Mayor. Any questions for the Mayor today? Okay, seeing none. We will move on to the Standing Policy Committee on Finance. Okay, just a moment. Okay, there is no report, no motions, no by-laws. Are there any questions for the Chair, Councillor Morantz? Okay. We will now move on to the Standing Policy Committee on Downtown Development, Heritage and Riverbank Management. This is the report dated May 25th, 2015. Councillor Mayes.

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**Councillor Mayes:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I think that matter is just being laid over. So I don't know that we need to deal with it in any other fashion.

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**Madam Speaker:** Okay, thank you. Then we will move on the report dated June 22.

**REPORT OF THE STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT, HERITAGE AND RIVERBANK MANAGEMENT  
DATED JUNE 22, 2015**

**Councillor Mayes:** Happy to move Items 1 through 1 inclusive on the report dated June 22.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, all in favour? Contrary? Carried. We have no motions, no by-laws. Any questions for the Chair, Councillor Mayes? Okay, seeing none. We will move onto the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development...

**REPORT OF THE  
STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY AND DEVELOPMENT  
DATED JUNE 26, 2015**

**Councillor Orlikow:** All right. Thank you very much.

**Madam Speaker:** ...the report dated June 26th. We will pull Item No. 2. We have an amending motion.

**Councillor Orlikow:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'll move Items 1 through 13.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay. All in favour of Items 1 and 3 through 13? Contrary? Carried. Item No. 2 is pulled. We have an amending motion, Motion No. 19, I believe it is. Madam Clerk.

**Item 2 - Subdivision and Rezoning – 159-175 Mayfair Avenue  
File DASZ 11/2015**

**Motion No. 19**

**Moved by Councillor Orlikow,  
Seconded by Councillor Gerbasi,**

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Item 2 of the June 26, 2015 report of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development be amended by adding the following new recommendation:*

*2. A. ii. That for the development of any building and/or accessory parking area and/or signage, plans shall be submitted showing the location and design of the proposed buildings, the location and design of accessory parking areas, private approaches, garbage enclosures, fencing, landscaping and signage to the City Centre Community Committee and the Director of Planning, Property and Development for plan approval prior to the issuance of any building or development permit, and thereafter all to be constructed and maintained to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning, Property and Development.*

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Councillor Orlikow.

**Councillor Orlikow:** Yeah. Madam Speaker, this was a slight oversight on the administration's part that we caught. The plan approval was just for one little of the property on, but again we need to do the full property. So it's just an amendment, same language as always, just to bring it back to the Administration and Community Committee for plan approval.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Gerbasi, do you wish to introduce the amending motion?

**Councillor Orlikow:** Oh, sorry. I did it both at once.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, any other discussion on this motion and the main item? Councillor Orlikow do you wish to close.

**Councillor Orlikow:** No, thank you, Madam Chair.



**Madam Speaker:** All in favour of Item 2? Contrary? Carried. Okay, we're now going to move on to the next report for Property and Development, but before we let...we do that, I would like to advise, pursuant to the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, I shall refrain from entering into the discussion and voting on this item. Item No. 4 on the report of Property...Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development dated July 6, due to a potential Conflict of Interest. Madam Deputy Speaker, could I ask you to come up here and take the chair? Thank you.

**Madam Deputy Speaker:** So on the report of the Standing Policy Committee dated July 6, we...Councillor Orlikow.

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**Councillor Orlikow:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'd like to move Items Nos. 1 through I think it's 5.

**Madam Deputy Speaker:** Four? Anything else? So we'll move Items 1 to 3 and 5. All those in favour? Any opposed? Carried.

**Item 4 - Request to Rescind 2013 Council Approved Joint Venture between the City of Winnipeg and  
Terracon Development Ltd. – Prairie Industrial Park**

**Madam Deputy Speaker:** Would you introduce the motion for the clause?

**Councillor Orlikow:** No, Madam Speaker. I'll speak at the end, but I just want to state though that the...this is not the City of Winnipeg, this is the proponent that did not wish to sign the document in the end. We respect that and the reasons why. So there is no agreement because the proponent did not sign and didn't wish to.

**Madam Deputy Speaker:** Okay. Is there anyone who wishes to speak to the item? Councillor Eadie.

**Councillor Eadie:** Thank you, Speaker Gerbasi, if you don't mind me using that terminology.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Just don't call me late for dinner.

**Councillor Eadie:** Speaker Gerbasi, I'm actually going to be voting for this, to rescind this because there is no deal. But I just wanted to speak to this issue though in terms of why did we attempt a joint venture to develop some industrial/commercial land, industrial land for business, so that we could compete with rural municipalities around us who are, and Centerport for that matter, out in Rosser, who are competing to attract businesses to the city and that's a very laudable thing for us as a city to do. I think it's important that we try to ensure that we have a base right here in Winnipeg that allows us to actually, you know, we'll have people, workers who pay taxes here in the City, help us to pay for fixing our roads, for example, and so on. But in doing this though, when you look at a joint venture, you have to evaluate risk. Risk is a real essential consideration in the development market. And, for example, right now in the housing market, Speaker Gerbasi, there's...it's not quite as robust as it was over the last ten years and more. So if you're starting up a new development investing money, you are at a much higher risk at this point than the environment I...I'm no expert in any of it necessarily, although I can understand the economics and economy and how things are moving forward but frankly, I don't really understand the industrial context in terms of development, assessment values, taxation and so on, a little bit off on it. But so I just wanted to say, in...when we moved forward with this, what we were trying to do is balance the risk for the City in terms of being able to actually make some money that can be directed into doing better things for the City. So I'm going to leave it at that. I am voting for the rescind obviously, the negotiations didn't come through and no signed contracts, so that's the way it is. But I think you really have to understand risk in the context of what we'll be hearing about as a fall out as a result of this. So I'll leave it at that, Speaker Gerbasi and I will be voting to rescind the motion we had to try to negotiate a joint venture.

**Deputy Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Eadie. Councillor Wyatt.

**Councillor Wyatt:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'm rising to speak on this item. It's disappointing that we haven't been able to make this joint venture occur. The...we were told that it's because one party has not agreed to sign the joint venture in relation to the fact that there was an interpretation of the...I believe it's the Municipal Act that the joint venture has to pay property tax where in the past, joint ventures, because we are still 50 percent owners, have not. Joint ventures by their nature are a risk, but at the same time, they have worked well for the City. Most of our joint ventures have been in the area of developing residential developments where we have had contiguous land with the developer, in

the City of Winnipeg that it made sense for us to enter into a joint venture. Where that developer would act as the manager of the joint venture and that, instead of selling our land as simply raw, undeveloped land, that we would be working as through a joint venture partnership of servicing that land, once that land is serviced, then selling that land as developed land, therefore, receiving proceeds which far outstripped what we would have received had we just simply sold the lowland unserviced. This has generated millions, literally, for the City of Winnipeg on the various joint ventures. This land in particular is quite interesting because this is the lands which are technically in the St. Boniface Ward, close to my ward, which are the historic lands of one decade ago, the debate on Olywest and the decision to move the hog plant on to these lands without any consultation with the community, and Madam Speaker, you remember that meeting very well in May of 2006. So just nine years ago, I guess, when this whole issue was very much hot and heavy before us. And it...you know, it spoke to the whole issue of the need for a number of things, better public consultation, better involvement of the community, but also about the need for industrial lands in our city and in our province. Unfortunately, that need has not changed. We now have...there is a huge need in terms of serviced, industrial employment lands inside the City of Winnipeg. That issue has not gone away. In fact, in many ways, it has gotten worse. We have seen in this last...in that period since then, nine years, a growth of industrial lands in the surrounding municipalities around the City of Winnipeg. The RM of Springfield, the RM of Macdonald, the RM of West St. Paul and others, who have built industrial properties and literally, businesses which previously were located inside the City of Winnipeg, contributing to the City of Winnipeg mill rate or actually have moved out and are now contributing to other municipal mill rates simply because of the fact that they have industrial sized properties large enough to accommodate them, that have what they would call their level of services. The hope here was to do a joint venture with a reputable firm located on lands that they own just to the north of the site, they have continuous lands, a reputable firm which has done a number of projects with the City of Winnipeg, and delivered them on time, on budget, to name a few, the Chief Peguis Trail, delivered on time, on budget and in only a year. The Public Works Yard, delivered on time and on budget on Thomas Avenue in Elmwood. The Charleswood Bridge, built many years ago. And this firm came forward and said look, why don't we work together and put forward a proposal where we could compete with the other municipalities around the city in terms of the level of services and to the price of land and to develop these 200 plus acres. There is another clause coming forward on the agenda, which I don't want to confuse or speak to because that's a separate clause, but the issue here is the lost opportunity because no matter what we do with the other clause, the fact is the remaining 100 some...nearly 180 acres will remain probably undeveloped for the foreseeable future. The benefit of having a private sector partner is to be able to market and have that private sector partner have the ability, the in-house ability to market and to sell. We already know already of one other private sector entity that wanted to move into this industrial park that has contacted the CAO, the Mayor and some members of Council, TEAMS Transport, larger actually than Parmalat, 140 employees and they had interest in 10 acres of land in this industrial park. Again, a tenant, a purchaser that was secured through the work of our...what we were hoping would be our joint venture partner. It's unfortunate though that we were not able to make it work and I really don't understand why it was not able to come together considering now the contents of the next report, in light of the fact that the Province was prepared to kickback, to give back their education taxes for one, for us to develop a small section of the property, verses where had we had the same proviso in place for this, we could have been in a position, Madam Speaker, to be able to go forward and foreseeably implement the joint venture which was a 16 year business plan to develop this entire site. This site has sat foul, grass, grass up to your knees, Madam Speaker, since Unicity and my fear is that with...I'm glad to see that Parmalat is still staying, but with the Parmalat development and maybe hopefully the TEAMS Development, the balance of the lands though, the marketing and the sale of the balance the lands that these lands, some 170, 180 acres will sit and not contribute anything to the tax base. The risk here, I guess what I'm saying, Madam Speaker, was minimal compared to what could have been the benefit to the new taxes coming on the tax roll, had we proceeded it with this development, with this joint venture. And so it's really, it was sadness that I speak to this clause, because I think opportunities like this don't come along that often. I hope that the Public Service does not simply stop at the Parmalat and pursues the TEAMS project, but also pursues potentially another EOI, maybe through another EOI, another expression of interest. The opportunity for a joint venture on the balance of the lands so that we can make those lands productive. The fact of the matter is we are losing our industries to other municipalities. The fact of the matter is we know that there are other cities now in western Canada, Regina, Calgary, Edmonton, who have industrial lands available that we are competing with whether we like it or not that we could lose industries to it because of the fact we do not have available, serviceable, industrial lands. And so that...

**Madam Deputy Speaker:** Councillor Orlikow moves extension.

**Councillor Wyatt:** Thank you.

**Madam Deputy Speaker:** All those in favour? Opposed? Carried.

**Councillor Wyatt:** For that reason, it's...I see it as a loss of...for that reason, it's a symbolic vote. I appreciate the vote against this, but nonetheless that's what I'm going to do and frankly, I wish that there had been more understanding and willingness on the part of the powers would be here at City Hall to make this project come together and to keep it alive for the good of Parmalat, for the good of TEAMS, for the good of developing those entire industrial lands and for the

good of our tax base, to the good of finding diversification of revenues, Madam Speaker, revenues that we need. Sometimes we have not hesitated to raid that the land operating reserve to balance operating budgets in the last budget and previous, those funds come from these sorts of joint ventures, Madam Speaker, and so it's therefore...it's with sadness that I have to stand and speak on this and to vote against it. So thanks, Madam Speaker.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Councillor Wyatt. Mayor Bowman.

**Mayor Bowman:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I agree with the Councillor from Transcona, Councillor Wyatt. It is unfortunate that the Joint Venture Agreement wasn't able to get signed. As you know, this was a matter that this new Council inherited. I'm sure members of Council that have previously served can best answer why they were not able to move it forward in the last number of years, but at the end of the day, we know that Terracon wasn't prepared to sign on to the Joint Venture Agreement. I so want to take this opportunity to say that it is my hope that the City and Terracon can work together in the future. They've been an industry leader with over 40 years' worth of experience and I share the Councillor's comments on the hope that we will be able to continue to develop these lands. I'm very pleased with the motion that we will be considering in a short of while where we will actually have the opportunity to finally put shovels in the ground in these lands after only eight months of this new Council. Thank you.

**Madam Deputy Speaker:** Thank you Mayor Bowman. Any further speakers on this matter? Councillor Orlikow to close.

**Councillor Orlikow:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I just, yeah...I have nothing really more to comment about. I think the Mayor commented...most of the comments I have to make. Again, this has...this deal has been in the works for quite some time and they're trying to get a joint venture signed. I just want to state about the larger conversation about industrial lands inside Winnipeg. There was a lot of pressure upon myself recently about how do we develop industrial lands within the City of Winnipeg. One of my comments is that Winnipeg itself has inherent strength that rural municipalities don't. We have a labour force. We have a large water supply. We have a large sewer supply. So we attract industrial lands and customers that would be attracted to those assets. I am not interested as a City Council and I don't think we're interested in residential properties to be there. It's a lower development standards to a point where we're doing gravel roads, open culverts, to try to match one for one with the Rural Municipalities. They have their assets out there. They can have lower design standards, much lower design standards. Through this joint venture, we were able, well, we may or may not have been able to come...we are closer to a point where it made some more sense for Terracon and the City, but there is a point when the City of Winnipeg has to say, we do have standards; we do have standards. So we can't just throw all those standards out the window just because we want to facilitate a lower standard industrial park. We need to be open. We need to consider what the developers are bringing forward. But again, the City of Winnipeg has these assets. So we are going to be attracting businesses such as Parmalat that needs lots of water. Municipalities can't do that. They need sewer capacity. They need certain things. They need transportation links, some other groups need. So that's...so I'm not here to sell Winnipeg out for the cheap, I'm here to make sure Winnipeg gets those industrial lands develop at a standard that is...has a balance to it, but I'm not looking at developing industrial lands in the City of Winnipeg on a rural standard. And I just want to add a comment to Councillor Eadie and thank you Councillor Eadie for mentioning the question of risk. The previous Council and the Executive Policy Committee, to some people's view and mine included had a very high tolerance for more risk. Take lots of risk because it's a slam dunk. So you can't miss on this one. How many times did we hear that? Again, things aren't a slam dunk. So we can go out there and, you know, scare the public and say, this won't, won't or won't happen, will happen. But again, we can't...we have to do it both sides. We can't say that we're going to develop all these lands just because we are here and we hope it will come. Again, we have a fiscal situation right now in the City of Winnipeg that we have to be very careful about how much risk we do take. We have to make sure that the issues that are addressing for the City of Winnipeg or the City of Winnipeg issues, i.e. property taxes, water taxes, the revenue streams and then. We do want to care about the jobs, we want to care about other factors but again, our issue is does it make fiscal sense for the City of Winnipeg as well as the other developers? So there's two parties negotiating. And in this case, Terracon as we negotiated for quite some time. Again unfortunately, the last Council wasn't able to include a deal. However, in the short period of time that we've been here and again I want to thank our public administration for spending an astronomical amount of time trying to make this thing work, this inherited issue. In the end of the day, Terracon decided that it's just the risk was too high for them. So the idea that some Councillors are alluding to that we should've dumped more money into it to make it happen, again that increases our risk on our side. And again, the risk, Terracon is now going to go forward, why should the City's also going to take on more risk? Well again, we have to balance our risk threshold and I say, after that last couple of years in the Council where some of those risks have not turned out too well for us. We have to be much more pragmatic when we're assessing our risk. So I want to make that known and also I don't believe it's the intention unless Council of course who has previously decides otherwise to lower our industrial lands to a standard that is equal or even less than rural municipalities.

**Madam Deputy speaker:** Thank you, Councillor Orlikow. I just lost my mike. I'll call the question. All those in favour? Any opposed? Record Councillor Wyatt in opposition and now Councillor Orlikow moves...

**COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINNIPEG**  
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**REPORT OF THE  
 STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY AND DEVELOPMENT  
 DATED JULY 14, 2015**

**Councillor Orlikow:** Item 1 of the report of Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development dated July 14th, 2015, be considered.

**Madam Speaker:** This is the walk on report, members of Council and the paper copy is on your desk. So Councillor Orlikow has suspended the rules. So all in favour of hearing this item? Contrary? Carried. Councillor Orlikow to introduce item...the item.

**Item 1 - Sale of a portion of City-owned Property located south of St. Boniface Industrial Park to  
 Parmalat Canada Inc.**

**Councillor Orlikow:** We suspended the rules? Okay. Madam Speaker, you'll see it in front of you today, the sale of the portion of the City owned property located south of St. Boniface Industrial Park to Parmalat Canada Inc. I will listen and respond accordingly.

**Madam Speaker:** Any speakers on the item? Councillor Mayes.

**Councillor Mayes:** Just procedurally, this is the July, there was 14th, 15th that we...we are on the...

**Madam Speaker:** This morning's meeting, yes.

**Councillor Mayes:** Just to clarify the comments I made earlier today and highlight some words Councillor Allard had said. Certainly, we had some delegations from the Labour Council and from Unifor which is the Local involved at Parmalat, the union involved at particular Local there. So pleased that we're moving forward on this item because it is certainly important to the bargaining agent to keep that work in Winnipeg, so pleased to see the work that's gone into this matter and pleased to see a number of the folks from the Union Local are here in support of this plan. I know that there had been concerns expressed as recently as I think last Wednesday by the head of the Local and by the Labour Council about where things were going so I'm glad we were able to get that resolved. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Wyatt followed by Councillor Eadie.

**Councillor Wyatt:** Yeah, Madam Speaker, the reason why I support suspending the rules is not because I don't believe that the Parmalat project is a great project, I think it is. I do believe that the TEAMS project is a great project. I believe it is. I would love to be able to vote for the report, but I'm not voting for it not because of the fact that these are not great projects, not because of the fact that I don't support the employees that are here today. I think it's important, but rather because of the fact of our process here that this report was literally walked on that I have not had a chance to read this fully and understand exactly what we are voting on. And I have a hard time believing that the special meeting on July the 6th called at Property and Development to hear the matter that we just decided on with regards to cancelling the joint venture with Terracon that at that point that this was not known and that this was the other shoe that was going to fall and why was that this not brought forward at that time? Instead, it has been brought forward the day before a Council seminar is called at 2:00 o'clock on a Tuesday, for the Council...for the Standing Committee meeting at P and D on...at 3:00 o'clock on the Tuesday and that this...that meeting was called the day before at about 4:30, 5:00 o'clock, not even 24 hours of notice of the meeting and now we are being asked to vote on multi-million dollar...millions of dollars to be going out of our LOR into I think...I'm...and again, Parmalat, wonderful project, we have to keep them, but I believe that the Public Service and the Executive Policy Committee do not want to repeat mistakes of the past. I believe that's their intent. But they are repeating now the mistakes of the past by jamming Council and by ramming through, by not respecting due process, by expecting Councillors to vote on reports that they have not had a chance to read or to understand or to ask questions of. Now, there is nothing wrong with this report, I'm assuming. And if there isn't anything wrong with this report, why is it being rushed? Why? Now, I understand Parmalat has to get going, has to get moving. But you know what, we could've had a briefing on this two weeks ago. The CAO admitted yesterday in the Property and Development meeting that he was aware that the Terracon deal was not going to go through approximately two weeks ago, that something had to be happened. There could have been emergency briefing, confidential briefing of all members of Council at that time to bring us up to speed. That was not done. And yet, now we're being asked to vote millions of dollars. Now, it's great that the Minister across the way on Broadway knew about this weeks before this Council knew that it was taking money out of its LOR to make this deal whole. So we're bailing out Broadway without knowing exactly what we're doing here at City Hall. So, I want to support this because of what's...the employees and everything and they have my support, and their project has my support, but we have to respect the process here before us and you know what, there might be a lot of feelings of the past especially Councillors who were here in the previous

term and they might argue two wrongs make a right. I like...that might be a case they can make. But I don't believe that two wrongs make a right. And if it's truly about a new agenda and a new way of doing business, this is not the way of doing it. We're all here to help, I'd like to think. We all want to contribute and do the right thing for the good of our city. We all have...we all bring something to the table in terms of our own experiences, in terms of our own backgrounds. We all want to contribute productively. I really believe that. And I believe that given the opportunity, that can occur. But this is an example where that opportunity is again not being allowed to happen and is lost. So, it's a symbolic vote to vote against it, but it's also ridiculous because of the fact that the project, Parmalat is an important project to this city. We want to maintain Parmalat in this city. We want to ensure Parmalat stays in Winnipeg and Manitoba. We want to ensure that they could...they are good jobs, well-paying jobs that they can actually, not only maintain the jobs they have, but expand and the same goes with TEAM. When I spoke to the proprietor, the managing operator of TEAMS on the weekend and the other day, TEAM Transport, he, too was frustrated. He's happy and hopeful that with this, the City will now move forward and work with him and his firm on making lands available, hopefully at the same price that he was offered or he made an offer on in terms of the lands, that he is looking for 10 acres to secure his firm to stay in Winnipeg. They have offices out west as well, and warehouses out west, and they've also looked at facilities in Regina in the event that they can't secure anything here in Winnipeg. They're looking at 10 acres of land. But he, too, expressed frustration that once again, we have to as a city and as government bailed us out verses working with a private sector department where our risk could have been spread. Nonetheless, we've had that debate, and now we're debating this. My concern, Madam Speaker, is the fact that this has been brought forward in the summer, again, typical of the summer and I have, Madam Speaker, in previous Council stood up and spoken against reports rammed through in the middle of summer, even as the chair of a standing committee, where reports that were forced on to my standing committee and fought them and politically paid the price of being thrown off EPC for not allowing reports like this to go forward in this manner or for opposing them. So you know what, I've spoken about it in the past. I'm speaking about it now. I believe I have been consistent and unfortunately, here we are again today, in July, with a report being jammed through. For that reason, I'm not supporting it. I want to emphasize that for that reason, I'm not supporting it, not for the reason that I think that the Parmalat jobs are not...and that or that I don't want it to go forward. I want it to go forward, but for the reason that due process is not being respected and that members of Council are not being informed including some members on the east side of the City where this plant has been actually located. Thank you very much, Madam Speaker.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Next, we have Councillor Eadie followed by Councillor Gerbasi.

**Councillor Eadie:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. Actually, I am quite concerned how fast this is moving. Of course, we all have been working on many other items. There is a long list of reports actually on here and it is coming down fast. And actually, I want to hear some stuff before I make my final vote, but I definitely support Parmalat moving forward. As I mentioned under the previous report, I think it's really, really important that we are able to attract and keep business here in this City of Winnipeg. It's for the best of everybody in the city and I think it's good and in that, this part of the report I think that's very important. I'm not sure, of course, TEAMS is probably not part of this particular vote and not sure if that, as we proceed that, that's going to cost us some money from some fund to help accommodate that business that needs 10 acres. But you know, for me, and because I haven't had time to really synthesize everything here, I think that really, there needs to be a risk analysis if we're moving forward in just doing this ourselves, just to portray that and I know our administration, we have a...I know our new CAO who is more than qualified to deal with these kind of issues, I'm sure. And basically, what we are doing is relying on the recommendations of that person, of our CAO and through the Mayor and the...so and, well, P&D as well so but really, at some point, I think this land, if we're proceeding this way and it's the City of Winnipeg that's going to be marketing and promoting this industrial property, I think that you really need to do a real serious risk analysis. You can't just say, you know, we're going to develop it, the acreage will be worth this much money and usually, you don't make your money back till you sold off the last piece of acreage and in doing that development. I don't know how detailed this report is, Councillor Orlikow, in terms of how much of the local industrial development will have to be done in order to accommodate Parmalat and hopefully TEAMS and that can be worked out. So there's all these factors that, you know, really, we're being asked at the last moment to decide on, but and I just...I'm going to listen to hear, maybe somebody can explain to me, this sounds like it's just regards to Parmalat but I'd like to hear how we are proceeding in terms of dealing with TEAMS and for that matter, how we would be proceeding with some of the developments. So I'd like to hear that in this discussion, this debate because frankly, a quick conversation that I had two minute...for two minutes last evening is not enough for me to say, well, let's take a risk. What is the real risk? And was mentioned that there was a lot of risk taken through the last Council term and reports and things that moved along and frankly, the risks are moving higher in this particular economic environment. There's a concern. Only a number of months ago, I heard about Manitoba performing super well. And now, I'm hearing that well, there is a lot of concern, could be big trouble. There's been a downgrade in our...was just in the news. There's been a downgrade in our debt rating. So we have gone down. We followed with the Province. I understand what it is, but, you know, higher interest rates do reflect risk. And if higher interest rates are there, that means there's risks so anyway, I'll leave it at that. I...Madam Speaker, I will more than likely be voting for this because I think this is very important, but I really have to say, you know, actually, we are looking at other reports that are over 300 pages and we're...like if you don't understand all the details and nuances inside it, like...and you are moving it forward, you know, I am really concerned about that. So

I am really concerned that I'm going to make a decision here and I don't really know what the risks are for the City of Winnipeg into the future, because Madam Speaker, I do have a responsibility not just for what is happening in my ward, but that the City of Winnipeg is able to be viable and a great place to live. So, I'll leave it at that, Madam Speaker and I'll make my final decision when I hear the clause. I'd like some of my concerns addressed when I...when it's closed. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Next, we have Councillor Gerbasi.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I don't think any of us like to see walk on items, they're...they're difficult. But I would point out in this process that there was a very good reason for this to be walked on which was explained to us at the Council seminar that unfortunately, Councillor Wyatt didn't attend and Councillor Eadie, I assume they were not able to attend. But my understanding and what was explained to us by the CAO was that the reason it was last minute and there's a very legitimate reason, is that it was only the day before that they concluded the negotiations and then the report was written and put together and gotten to us in time for a Council seminar and in time to actually have a special meeting of the Standing Committee. It wasn't just walked on to the floor of Council which we've seen in the past. It wasn't walked on to the floor of Council. It went through the proper committee process and there was a Council seminar prior so all members of Council could be walked through all the details with the CAO and the Mayor and that is a better process than some of these situations we've gotten into where it was just appeared on the floor of Council and there was no chance to ask questions of the administration. We were given a chance to ask questions of the seminar. We were told we could call him at any time and follow up with those questions. So anyway, you know, we were given that opportunity. And I think to put this in perspective; this is a good news story. We had a problem. We had an industry that was really wanted to come to Winnipeg with jobs and we have supporters in the audience who are pretty pleased about this. We had a problem and the Administration and the Mayor went out and basically solved it really quickly. You know, sometimes doing things fast is a good thing if you solve a problem and it's successful and it's good for the city. That's what we are talking about here. And there is no conspiracy. Generally, our CAO was tasked with solving this problem and working with the Province. The Province is focused on jobs in the industry. They didn't want to lose that industry. They came to the table in a way that they wouldn't have come to before. So we took advantage of that. This Council is leveraging a lot more resources not only from the Province, but also from the industry. They put in a bigger chunk of this. So our risk, and I can totally understand, be concerned about it. We all are, but our risk is the worst case scenario which is what the report presents. It's the most we could absolutely be stuck with is \$2 million, if no one else and nothing else succeeds. But that will be paid back in the tax increment and financing type of arrangement over 18 years. So that's the worst case scenario. But we know we already have another, at least one, possibly more interested parties and the land instead of being worth 8100 an acre is worth 175 dollars an acre, what we're getting for it. And all this land is going to be worth more and we already have two or three interested parties, so it's already looking better than the worst case scenario that was honestly and with a conservative estimate presented to us. So I think it's a good news story. I think we should thank our administration when they solve problems quickly and effectively and bringing...levering money from other levels of government and the private sector to reduce our risk as a city. That's what happened here today. So I don't really see a down side of the joint venture didn't happen. That came also through a completely appropriate process. I'm on the Property and Development Committee. We discussed it, we were given the information as to why. There is a very good reason why and it has also to do with reducing our risk. It wasn't a good deal for us to do that joint venture. And the partner didn't want to participate and they didn't want to take on their fair share of the risk in my view, but it also just didn't work. And this approach, I also want to add one more thing, is that it also is in the report which was explained to us at the seminar, that the administration is going to go back after we quickly solve this issue, we've saved an industry. We've solved a problem and they're going to come back within a year. It says right in the...in one of the recommendations here. They're going to come back within a year with different approaches to marketing the rest of the land and how we're going to deal with all of that. So they haven't got all of the answers in front of us today about completely solving every problem, but they solved an important one today, and they're going to bring back to the proper process with the Committees and Council to decide. Maybe we will go into another joint venture, maybe we will market it a different way. Maybe the people will just come and buy the land now that there is some servicing and there's other things happening there. We're already hearing about that. So frankly, this is nothing but good news. I'm thrilled with the work done by Doug McNeill, by the Mayor and his staff. Everybody has been scrambling to solve a problem instead of thinking it's a conspiracy, we should be thanking people and appreciating their incredible work and their brilliant achievement to reduce our risk as a City. So I don't understand why anyone would oppose this and I'm thrilled to see our Labour Council friends here and the workers who now have jobs well into the future and probably more jobs coming, which is good for the whole Province of Manitoba. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Next, Councillor Schreyer followed by Councillor Allard.

**Councillor Schreyer:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. Again, I didn't expect to speak on this but Councillor Wyatt's thoughts that he provides for us for serious ponderance, they weigh on me to the extent that I'm inspired again. They weigh heavily on me. I am going to be supporting this. I believe we have to but again, Councillor Wyatt raises points that

cannot be trivialized. We are accountable for the process and we're accountable for what we spend. And, as we move forward his words of caution have to be dealt with. We have to be vigilant in terms of what type of process is taking place that rushes us through decisions, which increases the risk. And that is the essence of what this Council is accountable for and on that basis, I just hope we do not diminish the importance of Councillor Wyatt's warnings, and I will be supporting this. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Allard.

**Councillor Allard:** Than you. Well, first off, I just would like to acknowledge that it's unfortunate that the joint venture didn't work out with the private sector partner. I think that would've been a preferred route if the terms had been agreeable to both parties, and I think that's...that would have been an ideal scenario. However, we're here now, I just...I wanted to, I guess, convey a heart-felt thank you to His Worship Mayor Bowman, to Doug McNeil with, from our administration. I really do think that they've done everything they can do to have...to put together something that works for everybody. And we are keeping 50, at least 50 St. Boniface jobs in St. Boniface. I...I just...Jenny Gerbasi was saying that I think this is a...she thought that this was a good story all around. I do think this is a good story for Winnipeg and for St. Boniface in particular and I just want to mention a few of the benefits that this move will mean for St. Boniface, just reading out of page 11 of the report. It's going to mean a removal of an industrial operation within a residential area, approximately 2.1 acres. It's going to reduce noise levels within residential neighbourhood. It's going to complement higher and better use of the existing Parmalat site. There's going to be the potential for redevelopment of the lands currently occupied by Parmalat to residential use such as multi-family. There's going to be reduced truck traffic within residential...within a residential downtown area. There is an average of 38 trucks per day and Parmalat currently accounts for approximately 20 percent of heavy truck traffic come from Provencher Boulevard. There will be elimination of 300 tons of industrial ammonia from the current location. And so, those are just a few of the benefits in particular for St. Boniface and in terms of the benefits for Winnipeg and Manitoba, we're keeping at least 50 jobs in the Province of Manitoba. And I am just thrilled to see 50 St. Boniface jobs stay in St. Boniface and not only are they staying in St. Boniface, but they're going to be relocated to a new...brand new facility and in a more appropriate site. I do realize that there is a little bit of risk here because we're getting it, involved in a development venture. But I do...I do think that His Worship, Brian Bowman, Chair of the Property Committee, John Orlikow and our administration will do everything they possibly can to, to make sure that our tax dollars are being respected. And this is a great story for St. Boniface and for Winnipeg, so thank you everyone for getting everything done so quickly and for sticking your necks out for these workers for St. Boniface and for Winnipeg. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Are there any further speakers on the item? Mr. Mayor? Thank you.

**Mayor Bowman:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I appreciate the discussion today on this. And this is a success story for the City of Winnipeg and certainly the valued employees of Parmalat. In terms of due process, I do want to speak to that. The negotiations were occurring until Monday afternoon with Parmalat as well as the Province, and there were two options, one was simply to walk it on today, the other was to hold the Council seminar, which I was pleased to see many of the members of Council chose to attend, others did not. We then moved it to PP and D where it received unanimous support yesterday, Special EPC meeting this morning and then of course, today's discussion. I did, and I do appreciate the unanimous support. I'm not sure what changed for the member, the Councillor from Transcona from yesterday to today, but that's certainly his prerogative and I respect his view, as well as respect his view to not suspend or not want to suspend the rules to hear this matter. Certainly, it's something within his ability as any member of Council to choose to suspend the rules or not. I do know what the Councillor from Transcona publicly called on me to save the Parmalat jobs within the last two weeks. We've done that and we presented, I think, a pragmatic approach to dealing with problem of developing these lands that really the previous Council was unable to deliver on. So I'm very proud that we're presenting a...not only a pragmatic solution of the problem, but we've been able to bring the Province to the table and I want to thank them for joining us in contributing \$2 million to this project as well as Parmalat contributing \$1.5 million. They really took all parties working collaboratively together to be able to present this motion to Council today and so I would urge members of Council to support it, and I would like to ask the speaker if we could have Doug McNeil address many of the questions that have been raised here today, many of which were addressed by him yesterday at the Council seminar.

**Madam Speaker:** Yes, we can do that according to the Procedure By-law. Mr. McNeil.

**Doug McNeil:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. All right. To Councillor Wyatt's points about a rushed process, I acknowledge that it was a rushed process. This was fast-tracked. But would have liked to have a lot more time as the Mayor indicated, we did follow due process, all be it, was fast tracked and it was absolutely necessary. This is the last Council meeting until September and Parmalat wants to be in the ground, needs to be in the ground next month and it was absolutely necessary for Council to consider this report today. We literally came to a conclusion, came to a deal, the City, the Province and Parmalat late Friday afternoon. That deal was signed off Monday afternoon by Parmalat, and of

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course is subject to Council decision today and subject to the Provincial Cabinet decision today as well in terms of the terms of that deal. We had been working with Parmalat for several weeks now because, you know, the Terracon deal, these things don't just die overnight. There are a lot of concerns. When I started with the City back in April, I personally got involved with this file, got involved with Terracon. I have known Terracon senior officials for 30 years, have a lot of respect for them, but at the end of the day, they came to the conclusion that they couldn't sign the Joint Venture Agreement. Suspecting that that might happen, we started working with Parmalat fairly early on to determine what their needs were and wanted to see them stay and we are very happy to see that they've come to the table along with the Province and really indicating how serious they wanted to stay in Winnipeg and in Manitoba. And wished we had more time to do this, but we worked really hard to put the report together on Monday and finalized it yesterday so that we could get to a Council seminar and follow through with the committee processes. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Mr. McNeil. Councillor Orlikow to close.

**Councillor Orlikow:** Thank you, Madam Chair. Just to try to help clarify for Councillor Eadie, he had some questions and I think Councillor Wyatt, even though these questions were answered at the meeting yesterday, he asked again and alluded to concerns regarding future developments on the site. Point No. 4, in the motion is to allow the CAO to have delegated authority to work with those initially that may be interested. That doesn't require more servicing cost for us. Again, we're not sure what's out there. A lot of people say, I want to buy your house, but don't actually put the money down. So you have to make sure that the interest is actually there. Again, we're taking a lot more cautious approach. People saying that they want to do something is nice but...including the Province, but until they actually sign the dotted line and we have security to know that it's actually going to happen. Again, that risk is a little high just to say handshake, hope it's okay, we'll talk about it later. So again, for the other proponents are interested in these lands, again, it is about...around where we have to add servicing that we're delegate, not authority to the CAO, again it's part of the cleanup process. The other point that I want to point out in the long term plan about what we're going to do with the other...I believe once we get to the retention pond out, the roadwork, the easements and blah, blah, blah. It's about 170ish acres that have to be...that will be coming back into report with various options. The first joint venture didn't work, but can we figure something else out? Should we settle and outright, what are we going to do? Again, Council will have that opportunity to look at those options, go through the numbers together and we'll conclude a path forward. We're hoping sooner than later, but the administration will be...is on that one right away. And another concern again, Councillor Wyatt, in his wisdom yesterday, when he...when he was supporting the motion yesterday at least, we added a clause in there, No. 6 that the Winnipeg Public Service in its quarterly financial status report, with respect to this matter to Standing Committee on Finance. Again, this is below the threshold of 8.5 which is a total estimated cost. But it's at a Class 4 estimate so Councillor Wyatt raised the question, well if it's...again, taking one sight of view of this, possibly does happen and so worst, worst case scenario when everything we're saying goes off rails, the Class 4 may make it 10 million, just a bit, but we...so again, we want to make sure we have those quarterly reports, so we actually added that in there to help us make sure that we keep an eye on the ball in this one. So I hope that answers most of Councillor Eadie's questions. And again, as we all know, the Parker land sale that showed up in the morning, I read in the paper. I remember that glorious one where there is a straight on walk-on where all of a sudden, we had to get this to Jim right away with his Parker land swap. We had no Council seminar, there was nothing. There was...I read it in the Free Press in the morning when I got here. Again, so again, I know that thing feels like, and that's why when we're discussing options about how do we get this through. You can't say that, "Oh, I'm upset about the process. I'm not going to vote for it." Well, if you want to not have a process and you want us to delay this to September, fine, that's okay, vote that way, but then you also have to say, "I'm willing to take a large risk that Parmalat is not going to be here." You know, process is important and if that's the ultimate importance for you and that's...you wish not to support this motion because of that, then just say I'm okay if Parmalat is not here. I don't believe majority of Council that said that, that point. Again, we could have walked it on to Council floor, that wasn't going to be an option that was never my option. We had the seminar. We had the PPD meeting. Everyone is welcome to show up and ask questions. We had open invitation to talk to Doug. We had an EPC meeting this morning. No one showed up for that one to speak to it. Again, another opportunity to speak to it. We don't like putting things through this quickly. Absolutely not, but again, if the choice is beside, between following the rules which we did, not...again, I'd like to have a bit more time or losing Parmalat. I think we are making the right choice. We tried to accommodate the best we can to provide all the information we could to Councillors because we know, this Council, Council is supreme. That is the way it's working. So again, we want to get this information for you out earlier. Again, I wasn't prepared to go forward with any recommendation until we had signed documents saying, yes, we do commit to this. To say that again, we could've gone on a handshake model, again, the handshake model is too risky. We want to have signed documents. We'd done the handshake model in the past and it's cost us huge. So again, a part of my risk aversion now and part of the question we have is, is the agreement signed? Is that intent actually signed somewhere or did someone say, "Yeah, it's a good idea. We'll support it." But then two years later, "Nah, we're not going to do it anymore." Again, before we come to Council, we want to make sure that everybody has the information and it's locked down. The documents are signed. In here, so no one's saying we didn't tell you, it's Class 4. It's a Class 4 estimate. We'd like it to be a bit higher. We believe it could be a little bit higher. But again, Council should know, again like some other projects where that was kind of deleted out from the reports, it's in the report, Class 4. So again, we are



all a little worried about that, but we have to move forward that risk that we're taking, the 2.11 million which is coming from the City side, that risk is warranted in my opinion to make sure that Parmalat stays here and also it provides a bridge head to be able to open up this land to future development.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. I will now call the question on the item. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Seeing the hour, we will now adjourn for lunch and reconvene at 1:30. Thank you.

**Reconvened meeting of  
Winnipeg City Council of  
July 15, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.**

**Madam Speaker:** (Inaudible) Property and Development. There are no motions. We'll now consider the by-laws. Councillor Orlikow.

**STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY AND DEVELOPMENT  
CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS**

**Councillor Orlikow:** Thank you, Madam Chair. I will move by-laws numbered 73/2015, 74/2015, 75/2015, 76/2015, 77/2015, please.

**Madam Speaker:** All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

**Clerk:** By-law No. 73/2015, By-Law No. 74/2015, By-Law No. 75/2015, By-Law No. 76/2015, and By-Law No. 77/2015.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, Councillor Orlikow.

**Councillor Orlikow:** Thank you, Madam Chair I would like to move By-laws numbered 73/2015, 74/2015, 75/2015, 76/2015 and 77/2015 for a second time.

**Madam Speaker:** All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

**Clerk:** By-Law No. 73/2015, By-Law No. 74/2015, By-Law No. 75/2015, By-Law No. 76/2015 and By-Law No. 77/2015.

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Orlikow on the third reading.

**Councillor Orlikow:** Third reading, thank you. I move that By-laws...let me get there right now, that By-laws Nos. 73/2015 to 77/2015 both inclusive be read a third time and that same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

**Madam Speaker:** All in favour? Contrary? Carried. We'll now have Question Period for the Chair. Any questions for Councillor Orlikow? Okay, seeing none. We'll move on to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services. Councillor Browaty on the report dated June 29, 2015.

**REPORT OF THE  
STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROTECTION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES  
DATED JUNE 29, 2015**

**Councillor Browaty:** Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. It's my pleasure to introduce the report and move items 1 through 4 as Consent.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay.

**Councillor Eadie:** Three, Madam Speaker.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, I'll call the question on Items 1 to 3 or pardon me, 1, 2 and 4. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Madam Clerk.

**Item 3 - Illegal Commercial and Residential Dumping – Pilot Project**

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Browaty.

**Councillor Browaty:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. It's my pleasure to introduce this recommendation. I know it came from yourself, Madam Speaker. So I appreciate you taking some leadership on this. The department is quite excited to have an opportunity to pursue this and with new technology, these things don't have to be locked down forever, they're quite mobile. Again, I think it's a good motion to at least get a report back on and see what opportunities there are.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Eadie.

**Councillor Eadie:** Yes, thank you Madam Speaker. It was an honour to second your excellent motion to do this to try to address the by-law enforcement issues related to basically what's happening with waste being in the City of Winnipeg being dumped in our neighbourhoods and certain spots, of course, we always know things, bulk waste shows up and it's not good, Madam Speaker. So I just stepped this down though because this is an initiative to assist a by-law enforcement. I think that's really, really important and we need to think in context of what's really happening out there in terms of the availability for people to actually get rid of their bulk waste. For some reason, there's a number of people who think they can just dump it into neighbourhoods. There's others who just dump it down the back lane when they're leaving their premises and so on. But, you know, the people who are just, you know, driving stuff in and dumping it could be a landlord with multi-family and there's a whole host of things they want to get rid of and so they dump that stuff and, Madam Speaker, as you know, in your ward and in actually many wards, including the Daniel McIntyre Ward, is...has got some areas that are quite bad in terms of this bulk waste dumping. So well, West Broadway, good point. It's not quite as bad anyway. But anyway, needless to say, Madam Speaker, it is a problem and by-law enforcement is all over the city trying to catch these people and the camera methodology would really work. I understand it's already in a process, actually, the process that I think sort of falls within ASD I think. Didn't we change the name of ASD? Somebody could correct me but I thought we call it the Innovation Committee now but, Madam Speaker, I digress. So I just wanted to say though, there is a number of things that we were hoping in the whole...we passed a waste management or I can't remember the exact name of the report, but it was...it was a policy and by-law changes to implement a better strategy to get rid of all the waste in our City of Winnipeg. And so, there was a number of strategies in there that I'll talk to later but ultimately, I think for some of these people, they're all about convenience, so it's convenient for them just to dump in our neighbourhoods, Madam Speaker. They need to have other conveniences which I will speak to in a later report, probably much later today, Madam Speaker, but thanks again, Madam Speaker for moving this motion. I was honoured to second it and hopefully we can get implemented and running as soon as possible in 2016 and start catching some people and, Madam Speaker, I really believe that when we catch these people there's some pretty stiff fines and so that I think would be more than enough to pay for...pay for the cost of having these cameras and I'm sure the system will be mobile because once you solve the problem in certain area, we hopefully, we can move it to another. And, but I also want to say, I don't know we had some consideration on a report in regard to how parking tickets will be handled under a different act. The Province passed new legislation. I'm wondering if, Madam Speaker, we can utilize a better means of making sure that people who violate the waste get fined stiff penalties, not let off easy because, Madam Speaker, it's very important that they take a stiff penalty to understand that you just don't dump in our neighbourhoods. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Browaty to close.

**Councillor Browaty:** Thank you very much. Again, our Community By-law Enforcement officials in Community Service do a lot of really good work. They've done a lot of good cleaning up various communities in our city and that one continues. As Councillor Eadie was referring to, this Council has adopted the waste minimization strategy and as part of that, we're introducing the four urban depots in all the quadrants and we have some exciting news coming up this fall but the first coming on stream and more coming up later. This will certainly provide an opportunity to get rid of those, you know, small time construction type items, excess oil-base paints and small home project stuff that is difficult to dispose of today. That'll make that part of it easier. When it comes to the bulky items, we already subsidize the pick up those items, five bucks an item. It's really not all that onerous in my mind for large household, bulky items. And again, yeah, the...we should have the four quadrant stations coming up in the upcoming years. I think it's supposed to be one per year. And I think that's very exciting. That's of course under the solid waste division of water and waste so good stuff.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. I will call the question. All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

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**STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROTECTION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**  
**MOTIONS**

**Madam Speaker:** We have before us Motion No. 4, moved by myself and seconded by Councillor Browaty regarding library services. This will be an automatic referral to the Committee on Protection and Community Services.

**Motion No. 4**  
**Moved by Councillor Sharma,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Browaty,**

*WHEREAS Ward Boundary revisions have resulted in there being no Winnipeg Public Library Branch currently located in the Old Kildonan Ward;*

*AND WHEREAS there has been considerable population growth and development in the northern portion of the Old Kildonan Ward over the past several years;*

*AND WHEREAS the relocation of the current West Kildonan Library branch to a leased facility located in an area that will better serve all the residents of the Old Kildonan Ward is part of the Council approved Library Redevelopment Strategy;*

*AND WHEREAS funding for a new leased facility to replace the West Kildonan Library is to be included as part of the City of Winnipeg's 2021 Capital Budget;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct the Public Service to report back to the Standing Policy Committee of Protection and Community Services at its October 2015 meeting with options and implications of advancing the date of the new leased Library facility within the Old Kildonan Ward to 2017 from 2021.*

**Madam Speaker:** Onto Motion No. 21, moved by Councillor Mayes, seconded by Councillor Lukes regarding the St. Vital historical society. This will be an automatic referral. Do you wish otherwise?

**Motion No. 21**  
**Moved by Councillor Mayes,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Lukes,**

*WHEREAS The St. Vital Historical Society Inc. was formed in 1995 to preserve the history of the second oldest settlement in Winnipeg;*

*AND WHEREAS The St. Vital Historical Society Inc. is registered as a charitable organization with the Canada Revenue Agency;*

*AND WHEREAS The St. Vital Historical Society Inc. has in its possession a 1939 Fargo Pumper Truck Serial # 9,586,846, known as St. Vital Pumper #1, and has worked on its restoration;*

*NAD WHEREAS THE St. Vital Historical Society Inc. has advised that the 1939 Fargo Pumper Truck was last registered in 1974 by the St. Boniface – St. Vital Community Centre;*

*AND WHEREAS DUE TO RENOVATIONS OF THE City owned building which houses the St. Vital Historical Society Inc.'s Museum, it has become necessary to move the vehicle;*

*AND WHEREAS The St. Vital Historical Society Inc. has requested that the City donate the 1939 Fargo Pumper Truck Serial # 9,586,846 to The St. Vital Historical Society Inc.;*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that The City of Winnipeg donate the 1939 Fargo Pumper Truck Serial # 9,586,846 to The St. Vital Historical Society Inc. and that the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to effect the intent of the foregoing.*

**Councillor Mayes:** Can I move to suspend the rules, Madam Speaker, and deal with this matter today?

**Madam Speaker:** Shall do, thank you. There's a motion to suspend the rules to hear the item today. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Councillor Mayes to introduce.

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**Councillor Mayes:** My thanks to Councillor Lukes for seconding this motion. The other Councillor who represents part of St. Vital so my thanks to her. It's a fairly straight forward matter in...with some odd history. My predecessor, Councillor Steeves did some good work to get a 1939 Fargo fire truck taken out of storage and turned it over to the St. Vital Historical Society. It has been housed in the old Fire Hall which is also houses the St. Vital Museum. Had a wonderful 100th anniversary celebration last year and we're putting 600,000 renovations in conjunction with the Province into that building, not much history in St. Vital, some people say, but that building is a great historical landmark in St. Vital, but because of that 600,000 dollar renovation project, the fire truck had to be moved, it has now been moved a couple of times, has been discovered that people are driving it because after ten years of restoration, it's drivable. There's no insurance on it in short, Madam Speaker. The last insurance dates to 1974. I'm not sure if it's pre-Unicity or not, but I think it would be post-Unicity if it was 1974 during the year. In any event, we need to transfer the vehicle to the folks who have done the restoration, who have possession of it. Otherwise, says Mr. Fuih indicated to me, you don't have to be a risk analysis expert to realize it's not good to have an uninsured fire truck dating from 1939 driving around on the the streets of St. Vital. So let's transfer it. Let's get it over to the people who love and maintain this thing and get it back on the street and that's the marquis attractions when we reopen the museum. Later this fall, I welcome you all bring your son, Madam Speaker, my kids loved the thing. You would love to sit on it, too, I'm sure. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Councillor Mayes. Any other speakers on this motion? Okay, Councillor Mayes, do you wish to add anything further?

**Councillor Mayes:** What could be added? No, that's fine.

**Madam Speaker:** I will call the question. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Thank you. We have no by-laws at this time. Question Period for the Chair. Councillor Browaty, is there any questions? Okay, seeing none, we'll now move on to Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works, the report dated June 23. Councillor Lukes.

**REPORT OF THE  
 STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE RENEWAL AND PUBLIC WORKS  
 DATED JUNE 23, 2015**

**Councillor Lukes:** Good afternoon, Madam Chair. I would be pleased to bring forward the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works items dated June 23, Items 1 through 8.

(Inaudible)

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, I'll call the question on Items 1 to 3.

**Councillor Lukes:** Yes, sorry, 1 to 3.

**Madam Speaker:** And then 5 to 7.

**Councillor Lukes:** Five to seven, five to eight, okay.

**Madam Speaker:** Yes.

**Councillor Lukes:** Going eight?

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, so three, four and eight have been were stood down. I'll call the question on 1 through 3, and 5 through 7. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Madam Clerk.

**Item 4 - Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies**

**Madam Speaker:** Okay. Councillor Lukes to introduce. Now, there are two motions...there's 22 amending motions here before us, but as you all know, as per the Procedure By-law, there will be two that will be considered that were filed first and beyond that we will need a motion to suspend the rules to hear 22 motions.

**Councillor Schreyer:** Point of order, Madam Speaker. There is no need for a vote to suspend the rules to allow for more than two amendments to a motion.

**Madam Speaker:** That is the practice of this Council. Councilor Schreyer, and...

**Councillor Schreyer:** If I may, Madam Speaker, not only is there no...absolutely no referral to that in our Procedure By-law...Madam Speaker, you did not make a mistake. Madam Speaker, you did not make a mistake on March 23 of 2015...

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Schreyer, would you like to challenge the Chair? Because there is a...in the Procedure By-law, there is some commentary that says that there will be two motions before us on any one item. Would you like to suspend the rules or are you challenging the Chair?

**Councillor Schreyer:** I'd like to challenge the Chair based on information from previous expressions of convention of this Council.

**Madam Speaker:** We can put that to a vote, okay, Councillor Schreyer is challenging the Chair.

**Councillor Wyatt:** Point of order, Madam Speaker. I am curious to know what Councillor Schreyer is referring to in terms of previous precedent. Can he elaborate?

**Madam Speaker:** I am seeing the Clerk nod no. We have a vote before us on the challenge of the Chair. Okay.

**Councillor Schreyer:** I have a point of information which I would like to offer the Council.

**Madam Speaker:** Could the...

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Madam Speaker, if there is a challenge to the Chair then we're supposed to vote on that or there's a...if that's what's in place, then we're supposed to...

**Councillor Schreyer:** Well, I offered a point of information...

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Well, we're supposed to know the rules of the Chamber.

**Madam Speaker:** Could I just...could I just ask the City Clerk to clarify again that we are following process?

**City Clerk:** You have a Challenge of the Chair in front of you. The specific Procedure By-law says that you are only allowed two motions on any one given item before Council. Historically, the Speaker has always interpreted this to be thus and we've had a suspension of the rule to consider additional motions and it has been common to have a suspension of the rule especially when we're dealing with budget meetings. It's been done for many years like that.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. So Councillor Schreyer, do you wish to accept that or...?

**Councillor Schreyer:** No, I don't, I don't ma'am. That may be...that might very well be true. Two things I would like to see, I would like to see it in, in the Procedural By-law as well as I would like to express, sort of give information on the expression as my interpretation, expression of convention as has taken place by my witness as well as last year in terms of multiple amendments taking place without a motion to suspend the rules.

**Madam Speaker:** I will draw your attention to Section 27. I believe the booklet is in your drawer. In the meantime, Councillor Schreyer, I need to keep the meeting moving. Are you challenging the Chair? Okay. I will put that to a vote if you are in favour of challenging the Chair on this ruling.

**Councillor Schreyer:** Ma'am...ma'am...if I may, I had a point of order ahead of the suggestion to challenge the Chair. I would like to bring forth my point of order. Of course, we're now...

**Madam Speaker:** What is your point of order?

**Councillor Schreyer:** Okay, we are looking at Amendment 27: "where an amendment has been moved to a motion which is under discussion, an amendment to an amendment which is a sub-amendment may be moved but no further amendment may be moved to the amendment or to the principal question until after the amendment to the amendment is voted upon". I can absolutely concur with that. And that means we must deal with a sub amendment to an amendment before we deal with the amendment before we can deal with another amendment. It does not give any limitations as to how many amendments we can have to a motion.

**Madam Speaker:** Yeah, the Clerk would like to comment.

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**City Clerk:** With all due respect, Councillor, Section 27 has been interpreted by previous Speakers and historically by this Council as allowing only two motions on the floor for any one item. If you wish to see an additional interpretation that's up to the will of Council, but we've always had a suspension of the rules.

**Councillor Schreyer:** Not only that, but we've also had the interpretation of the Speaker that...which is consistent with my interpretation. After all, how would we...how would we deal with a sudden amendment to an amendment if other than by 27...

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Schreyer, Councillor Schreyer, in March, March 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting when we dealt with budget, we followed this process. So I'm going to move the meeting forward at this time. Are you challenging the Chair, yes or no?

**Councillor Schreyer:** We did not follow process, ma'am. but it's in Hansard. Well, but I can show you. But I challenge the Chair, but I can show the Council.

**Madam Speaker:** Are you challenging the Chair at this time?

**Councillor Schreyer:** Yes, of course, I'm challenging the Chair.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, there...we are having a...

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Recorded vote...., please.

**Madam Speaker:** We're having a recorded vote on sustaining the ruling of the Chair. If you agree with the ruling of the Chair, please rise.

**A RECORDED VOTE** was taken the result being as follows:

**Yeas**

His Worship Mayor Bowman, Councillors Allard, Browaty, Dobson, Gerbasi, Gillingham, Gilroy, Lukes, Mayes, Morantz, Orlikow, Pagtakhan and Madam Speaker Councillor Sharma

**Nays**

Councillors Eadie, Schreyer and Wyatt

**Madam Speaker:** The ruling of the Chair is sustained. Thank you. Now we will have a vote on suspending the rules. Okay.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Well, I think that's it, isn't it. I think that you've ruled.

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Browaty.

**Councillor Browaty:** Madam Speaker, I'd like to move that we consider Motion No. 14; I'll move the suspension of the rules to consider that...

**Madam Speaker:** Sorry, could you repeat that?

**Councillor Browaty:** Amendment No. 14, addition to the two that are there.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay.

**Councillor Browaty:** I'd like to consider Item No. 14 as well.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay. So you're just putting Item 14 forward?

**Councillor Browaty:** Just Item 14, right now.

**Madam Speaker:** All those in favour of suspending the rules to hear Item No. 14?

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**Councillor Browaty:** Recorded vote, please.

**Madam Speaker:** Please rise.

**Councillor Browaty:** Just on No. 14.

**Councillor Wyatt:** May I just ask a question of process of the Chair if it's possible? How are we going to...we have...you mentioned 22 amendments to our, your...are we going to vote each amendment in terms of entertaining them up or down or are we going to vote on them as a block in terms of entertaining them of suspending the rules? What is the...?

**Madam Speaker:** No one else...no one else put forward suspending the rules.

**Councillor Wyatt:** Well, he's adding. He's coming with 14 and like having...what is...what, Madam Speaker, what is your will?

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Point of order.

**Madam Speaker:** Yes.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Since there's so many motions, I would suggest that Council have one omnibus motion as to whether or not we want to suspend the rules to hear all the motions related to that clause.

**Madam Speaker:** And that's typically what we've done in the past. So that's how we would like to...

**Councillor Browaty:** I've moved a motion and it has to be considered.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay. Let's move forward with Councillor Browaty...

**Councillor Eadie:** (Inaudible) Point of information. Just for clarification, I have to be able to follow the debate and know what motion numbers are what. I'm not sure what Motion 14 is and I believe...I believe that Councillor Browaty is right.

**Madam Speaker:** We will read it into the record, thank you Councillor Eadie.

**Councillor Eadie:** But I need...yeah, so but I can't vote for suspension unless I know what the...what's the title of 14, please.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** That's the problem when you walk things on.

**Madam Speaker:** Madam Clerk, if you could read Motion No. 14 into the record, please.

**Motion No. 14**  
**Moved by Councillor Browaty,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Wyatt,**

*WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg is developing a long-term, comprehensive Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy as Council policy; and*

*WHEREAS the vast majority of residents on many residential streets were not consulted or otherwise aware of proposed 'Neighbourhood Greenways' that would intentionally slow vehicular traffic using measures such as mini-roundabouts, curb bump-out, speed humps and reduced speed limits; and*

*WHEREAS identifying specific streets without consulting area residents or the area Councillor risk wasting public service resources developing plans to implement 'Neighbourhood Greenways' when there simply isn't support;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following 'Neighbourhood Greenways' identified on Rothesay, Bonner, Gilmore, Sun Valley, Alberhill, Springfield (except Gateway to the Chief Peguis Trail Greenway), Hawthorne, Mark Pearce, Burnet, Red Oak, Stefanie, Leighton, Kimberly in the North Kildonan Ward as well as Rothesay and Foxgrove in the RM of East St. Paul be removed.*

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Browaty, you may introduce the motion.

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**Councillor Browaty:** No, no, no. Suspension of the rules. I don't. I thank you, but I don't.

**Madam Speaker:** We haven't suspended the rules yet. That's right. Yes.

**Councillor Eadie:** Point of privilege, I just heard a rude comment towards it. Just for clarification, my point of privilege, Madam Speaker, is simply about when you say a number, give me the title. I have read the motions contrary to what people's comments are. Thank you very much.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you.

**Councillor Eadie:** Well, you said it.

**Madam Speaker:** The motion is before us to suspend the rules to hear Motion No. 14. All in favour of suspending the rules, please rise.

**A RECORDED VOTE** was taken the result being as follows:

**Yeas**

Councillor Browaty, Dobson, Eadie, Schreyer and Wyatt

**Nays**

His Worship Mayor Bowman, Councillor Allard, Gerbasi, Gillingham, Gilroy, Lukes, Mayes, Morantz, Orlikow, Pagtakhan and Madam Speaker Councillor Sharma

**City Clerk:** The vote Madam Speaker, Yeas 5, Nays 11.

**Madam Speaker:** The motion is lost.

**Councillor Browaty:** Madam Speaker, I'd like to move suspension of the rules to deal with Item No. 15?

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Gerbasi was recognized first. Yes, thank you.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Thank you. I'd like to move the remaining motions on this clause to be considered for the rules be suspended so we can make a decision about whether to hear them or not, all at once rather than going through each one, saving some time.

**Madam Speaker:** That is the remaining 21 motions, Mr. Clerk.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** The motion is related to the clause.

**Madam Speaker:** Yes, 21 motions. And they are numbered 1 through 15 or pardon me yours was No. 14, Councillor Browaty. One through 13 and 15 through 22.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Not one and two.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, just a moment here. Okay, one and two, we will be debating later.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** I said all the ones relate....what I meant was that...the ones over and above the two that are allowed for clarification

**Madam Speaker:** Would you like to do my job?

**Councillor Browaty:** Quite the privilege for my learned colleague Councillor Eadie, we should probably have them all read into the record though.

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Eadie, do you wish to have them read into the record because you had said earlier...?

**Councillor Eadie:** Madam Speaker, that would be my privilege.



**Madam Speaker:** You had said earlier, you were fine with the numbers and the titles so I'm assume that's how we will proceed or would you now like them read into the record.

**Councillor Eadie:** You don't have to read 22 through 27.

**Motion No. 22**

**Moved by Councillor Eadie,  
Seconded by Councillor Schreyer,**

*West of Red River Spine Network Priority*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed off street pathways on the spine network running along the west side of the Red River from the Forks to Chief Peguis Trail/Settlers Bridge be given the highest priority level, in the Policy maps that form the part of the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies Final Report.*

**Motion No. 23**

**Moved by Councillor Eadie,  
Seconded by Councillor Schreyer,**

*Burrows and Pritchard Amendments*

*WHEREAS Magnus Avenue has a pedestrian corridor traffic control which has been used for decades by pedestrians;*

*AND WHEREAS the proposed green way on Pritchard Avenue from the Red River to Charles Street indicates a crossing at Main Street where there is a signalized intersection at Selkirk Avenue not too far south;*

*AND WHEREAS the proposed greenway along Burrows Avenue east of Main Street is redundant;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies Final Report maps be amended to remove the proposed green way on Burrows Avenue from the Red River to Main Street; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proposed green way on Pritchard Avenue from the Red River to Charles Street be removed from the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies Final Report maps; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies Final Report maps add a proposed green way from the Red River to Charles Street.*

**Motion No. 24**

**Moved by Councillor Eadie,  
Seconded by Councillor Schreyer,**

*Complete Communities Amendment*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies Final Report section on "Strategic Goals, Directions and Actions" subsection "Strategic Direction 4 – Improve Maintenance" have a new key direction "A" added to the existing two key directions as follows:*

*Key Direction 4A: Continue Local Street and Sidewalk Renewal Programs*

*Many of the old neighbourhoods in the City of Winnipeg have failing local roads and sidewalks. These neighbourhoods cannot be considered walkable or age friendly when the sidewalks present many tripping hazards. A great cycling experience begins on the local street in front of one's home.*

**Motion No. 25**

**Moved by Councillor Eadie,  
Seconded by Councillor Schreyer,**

*Jefferson and Hartford Amendments*

*WHEREAS Jefferson Avenue from Main Street to Sinclair Street is a fairly calm street with a major bus route and traffic signals already installed at the regional streets; and*

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*WHEREAS Jefferson Avenue at Main Street does not align for a half a block; and*

*WHEREAS Seven Oaks Avenue east of Main Street does not align with Jefferson Avenue; and*

*WHEREAS Hartford Avenue has a signalized intersection at Main Street; and*

*WHEREAS neighbourhood families have expressed a need for themselves to find a safe way to cross McGregor Street between Jefferson Avenue and Partridge Avenue;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed green way on Jefferson Avenue from Main Street to Sinclair Street be removed from the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies Final Report maps; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proposed green way on Seven Oaks Avenue from Scotia Street to Main Street be removed from the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies Final Reports maps; and*

*BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies Final Reports maps be amended to include a proposed green way on Hartford Avenue from Scotia Street to Sinclair Street.*

**Motion No. 26**

**Moved by Councillor Eadie,**

**Seconded by Councillor Schreyer,**

*Sutherland and Euclid Amendments*

*WHEREAS the proposed green way on Sutherland Avenue makes no sense in addressing pedestrian and cycling needs especially at Main Street for crossing purposes;*

*AND WHEREAS Euclid Avenue has had issues with traffic calming for pedestrians and cyclists for years;*

*AND WHEREAS the active transportation provisions for Annabella Street utilize painted bicycle lanes;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies Final Report Maps be amended to remove the proposed green way on Sutherland Avenue from Higgins Avenue to Yard Street; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Euclid Avenue from Sutherland Avenue to Main Street be defined on the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies Final Report maps as a proposed green way; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies Final Report maps be updated to reflect proposed painted bicycle lanes on Sutherland Avenue from Annabella Street to Euclid Avenue.*

**Motion No. 27**

**Moved by Councillor Eadie,**

**Seconded by Councillor Schreyer,**

*Powers and Salter Amendments*

*WHEREAS the proposed green way on Salter Street from Leila Avenue to Templeton Avenue is an extension of a regional road that is located in the opposite direction on a one way street from the existing Powers Street green way; and*

*WHEREAS families in the Margaret Park Neighbourhood continually express their fear that their kids will get hurt trying to cross Templeton Avenue at a pedestrian only walkway to Sly Drive on the south side of Templeton Avenue on their way to school and to playgrounds; and*

*WHEREAS Weinberg almost lines up with Powers Street on the south side of Leila Avenue and connects to Sly Drive;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies Final Report maps be amended to remove the proposed green way on Salter Street from Leila Avenue to Templeton Avenue; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Weinberg and the extension of Sly Drive from Weinberg to Templeton be added as a proposed green way*

**Madam Speaker:** Madam Clerk, if you could read the motions that we will be dealing with for suspension of the rules.

**Motion No. 3**

**Moved by Councillor Dobson,**

**Seconded by Councillor Schreyer,**

*WHEREAS the Winnipeg Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies suggests that a change to the Snow Clearing Policy be considered and discussed, which could require citizens to clear their own sidewalks;*

*AND WHEREAS the citizens of Winnipeg have expressed their concerns on the possibility of having to shovel the public sidewalks adjacent to their properties;*

*AND WHEREAS the current snow clearing policy provides a service which maintains the condition of our sidewalks in a safe and efficient method which is the foundation of Winnipeg's year round active transportation system;*

*AND WHEREAS requiring citizens to clear the public sidewalks around their homes would be considered a cut in service;*

*AND WHEREAS there are many citizens who are seniors or have an accessibility issue who would have difficulty clearing the extra snow caused by this potential policy change and it could be a hardship and extra expense;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following text not be adopted in the Winnipeg Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies in the Section titled "Strategic Direction 4 - Improve Maintenance" in the sub-heading "Key Direction 4A: Maintain the Sidewalk Network" (Pages 236 to 238), and be removed, namely:*

- “• *Special sidewalks, including all sidewalks along residential streets, existing Priority 2 streets which are not bus routes, and along other existing Priority 1 streets (as stated in the existing policy) which are not part of the proposed Priority 1 Sidewalks category. Special sidewalk facilities should become the responsibility of every owner or occupant of any building abutting the public sidewalk. These sidewalks should be cleared within 24 hours of end of snowfall and should be shovelled to bare pavement. Sand or other de-icing agents should be applied by those responsible for snow clearing to control ice accumulation. It is recommended that the entire width of sidewalk be shovelled, including the curb cut ramp in the case of corner lots. Penalties should be imposed on residents who fail to clear their sidewalk.*

*Requiring residents to clear the residential sidewalks abutting their homes may be something the City considers in the future if it could result in an increase in service level. There are many factors affected by this possible change in policy that have not been investigated at this time.*

*Currently all City sidewalks are cleared to a compacted snow surface, except sidewalks in the Downtown which are generally plowed to a paved surface whenever conditions allow. Residential sidewalks are normally cleared within 5 working days. Work on weekends and holidays are limited. This means that the snow on these sidewalks has been left for several days to a week. By this time the snow accumulation has been packed and hardened, by cold weather, wind, and pedestrian activity, in such a way that removal requires heavy equipment. If the snow was cleared within 24 hours this would not be a significant issue. As a result it would be possible that the snow clearing could be done by hand by the residents.*

*It is possible that funding savings resulting from residents being responsible for clearing residential sidewalks could be used to increase the quality of snow clearing efforts on higher priority sidewalks. For example all sidewalks might be cleared to a paved surface instead of a compacted snow surface. In addition, it could be possible to snow clear some of the designated park pathways that currently are only cleared as a last priority and only when adequate funds are available. However, the administration and enforcement of a policy requiring residents to clear residential sidewalks would have a cost associated with it. This issue requires further study in order to determine its feasibility.*

*There are significant problems related to the idea of residents being responsible for clearing sidewalks abutting their residents. Many residents are physically unable to clear sidewalks or are away from their homes during snow events. In addition, it is reasonable to expect significant opposition to such a radical change in snow clearing policy. If the idea proves to be financially feasible a comprehensive public consultation program would be required in order to determine whether this policy change could be instituted.*

*Develop support programs to encourage resident sidewalk snow removal on residential streets. As noted above, the "Special Sidewalks" category would be the responsibility of the owner or occupant of any building abutting a public sidewalk. Although it is common in most cities across North America to require owners and occupants to clear sidewalks on residential streets, this is a significant change for Winnipeg. As such, the City should develop support programs to encourage resident sidewalk snow removal on residential streets. This could include:*

- *Establishing a snow angels program to support sidewalk clearing for seniors and others with mobility restrictions during the winter. Snow Angels programs are typically reliant on neighbours and volunteers to help neighbours to clear public sidewalks after a snowfall, so seniors and/or those with mobility issues, can still use the sidewalks to run errands, go shopping, and travel around. Snow Angels programs recognize the importance of walking for vulnerable groups, and would be a way to facilitate a safe walking environment year-round in Winnipeg.*
- *Establishing a reporting program for those who are unable to clear their sidewalk, especially for those unable to clear their sidewalk due to health or mobility impairments, or who are on vacation and unable to clear their sidewalks, the City should establish a reporting program on the City's website for residents to notify the City and request support."*

**Motion No. 6**

**Moved by Councillor Wyatt,  
 Seconded by Councillor Schreyer,**

*WHEREAS the Transcona Trail, over 6 kilometres in length, is the backbone of the existing Active Transportation network in the Transcona Ward;*

*AND WHEREAS the neighbourhood has taken great ownership over the Transcona Trail and is actively used on a daily basis, especially in the spring, summer and fall;*

*AND WHEREAS the Transcona Trail currently ends at Regent Avenue, with the major 6 lane arterial of Regent Avenue being a barrier for its planned continuation along the CEMR/CNR Rail corridor thru to Panet Road, and ultimately onto Archibald Street;*

*AND WHEREAS the said future section of the Transcona Trail, namely from Regent Avenue West to Panet Road, will be the main commuter network and connection to Downtown Winnipeg for cyclists;*

*AND WHEREAS this is the planned alignment of the Eastern Rapid Transit Corridor and therefore consistent with past City practice of combining Rapid Transit with improvements in our Active Transportation Network;*

*AND WHEREAS the existing gap in the Transcona Trail, from Regent Avenue West to Panet Road, requires cyclists to take their lives in their own hands, commuting in heavy traffic on Regent Avenue West, from the Transcona Trail to Panet Road;*

*AND WHEREAS the Transcona Trail extension, from Regent Avenue West to Panet Road is presently being considered by the public service, has an estimated cost of approximately \$700,000.00 and is listed in Appendix A as a Moderate/High Priority Bicycle Facility Construction/Improvement Priority (Appendix A, P.311, Bicycle Network Priorities);*

*AND WHEREAS the Appendix A of the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy calls for a New Crossing to be built over Lagimodiere Boulevard, between Ravelston Avenue West and Callsbeck Ave, which are both gravel roads, and both listed as low priorities themselves in the same document;*

*AND WHEREAS the Appendix A completely ignores the need for a new crossing over Regent Avenue at the Transcona Trail, even though the cover 6 km of the Trail is already established from Regent Avenue eastward, and, as stated, the next section of the Transcona Trail, from Regent Avenue West to Panet Road, is considered a moderate/high priority by the Same Appendix A document;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the June 23, 2015 recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy report (Item 4), namely the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy (Appendix A), and the amendments to the Transportation Master Plan (Appendix B), be amended to reflect the following:*

- i) *Deleting the requirement for a New Crossing at Callsbeck Avenue/Ravelston Avenue/Lagimodiere Blvd;*
- ii) *A New Crossing at the western terminus of the existing Transcona Trail over the barrier of Regent Avenue West.*

**Motion No. 7**

**Moved by Councillor Wyatt,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Browaty,**

*WHEREAS the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy states that the Neighbourhood Greenways/ Bicycle Boulevards are the "most common type of facility within the recommended network, along with the off-street pathways."*

*AND WHEREAS the neighbourhood greenways and the protected on street bike lanes represent a change to the right-of-way design, potentially impacting parking, and in the case of neighbourhood greenways, impacting collector streets and their use as collector streets to handle area traffic;*

*AND WHEREAS other than in the downtown, no community based consultations were held in the communities where the majority of the neighbourhood greenways are being recommended;*

*AND WHEREAS the neighbourhood greenways being recommended in the Transcona Ward are extensive and nearly impacting every collector street in the community, namely, all of Kildare Avenue (East and West), all of Ravelston Avenue (East and West), all of Day Street, all of Wayoata Street, all of Redonda Street, all of Ravenhurst Street, all of Devonshire Drive, all of Bournais Drive; all of Concordia Avenue East, and McMeans Avenue East (from Redonda to Kildare East);*

*AND WHEREAS the residents on these said streets have not been directly informed that their street is now going to be earmarked for major changes with the amendment to the City's Transportation Master Plan;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the June 23, 2015 recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy report (Item 4), namely the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy (Appendix A), and the amendments to the Transportation Master Plan (Appendix B), be amended to reflect the following:*

- i) *Kildare Ave East and West, Ravelston Ave East and West, Day St, Wayoata St, Ravenhurst St, Devonshire Dr, Concordia East, and McMeans Ave East (From Redonda to Kildare) be removed from the Neighbourhood Greenway/Bicycle boulevards;*
- ii) *A separate, dedicated 3.5 metre wide multi-use active transportation path on the east boulevard of Wayoata Street, from Pandora Avenue East north to McMeans Avenue East;*
- iii) *That subject to a Public Hearing of Community Committee, a Neighbourhood Greenway pilot project be undertaken on Ravelston Avenue East/West, from Plessis Raod to Wayoata Street, including on half of Park Circle;*
- iv) *A separate dedicated 3.5 metre multi-use active transportation path on the south boulevard of Concordia Avenue East.*

**Motion No. 8**

**Moved by Councillor Wyatt,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Browaty,**

*WHEREAS the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy recommendations and mapping in both Appendix A and Appendix B are inconsistent with developer agreements established by Council;*

*AND WHEREAS there is a direct benefit to ensure developers pay towards building Active Transportation facilities so that their original capital costs are not having to be covered through a City of Winnipeg Capital program;*

*AND WHEREAS the priority rating of low is being indicated in Appendix A for many Developer obligations and this should not be misread by the development community as a change in policy as per their Development Agreements with Council;*

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*AND WHEREAS Council is now being asked to adopt Appendix A and Appendix B as policy;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the June 23, 2015 recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy report (Item 4), namely the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy (Appendix A), and the amendments to the Transportation Master Plan (Appendix B), be amended to establish the policy wording that any existing or future developer agreement, as established by Council, will take precedence over these documents.*

**Clerk:** Motion 9, moved by Councillor Wyatt, seconded by Councillor Eadie.

**Councillor Eadie:** No need to read.

**Clerk:** Yeah, okay.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Are we reading it because of Councillor Eadie's request due to his disability? So you're not...your reason for not having time is...it's a walk on I guess, but I don't think that's why we read it into the record.

**Madam Speaker:** Madam Clerk, if you could continue and if you could read that one into the record as well. Thank you.

**Clerk:** Okay.

**Motion No. 9**  
**Moved by Councillor Wyatt,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Eadie,**

*WHEREAS THE PEDESTRIAN AND Cycling Strategy states that the Neighbourhood Greenways/Bicycle Boulevards are the "most common type of facility within the recommended network, along with the off-street pathways."*

*AND WHEREAS the neighbourhood greenways and the protected on street bike lanes represent a change to the right-of-way design, potentially impacting parking, and in the case of neighbourhood greenways, impacting collector streets and their use as collector streets to handle area traffic;*

*AND WHEREAS other than in the downtown, no community based consultations were held in the communities where the majority of the neighbourhood greenways are being recommended;*

*AND WHEREAS when the City wishes to close a public right-of-way, or create a new right-of-way, a public hearing must be held, and therefore, the same rationale should exist for altering or dramatically changing the design of an existing public right-of-way;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the June 23, 2015 recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy report (Item 4), namely the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy (Appendix A), and the amendments to the Transportation Master Plan (Appendix B), be amended to reflect the following:*

- A. *That the Community Committees be required to conduct a public hearing in order to make a recommendation to Council on the implementation of a Protected On Street Bike Lane, Neighbourhood Greenway/Bicycle Boulevard and that the public hearing be initiated by one of the following:*
- i. *Council;*
  - ii. *Community Committee;*
  - iii. *The Director of Planning, Property and Development and/or the Director of Public Works;*
  - iv. *A Petition submitted to the City of Winnipeg containing more than 50% of signatures from affected homeowners/commercial owners on the assessed frontage along that right-of-way.*

**Motion No. 10**  
**Moved by Councillor Wyatt,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Eadie,**

*WHEREAS the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy has placed highest priority to mainly the downtown Bike facility network (see Page 311, Appendix A);*

*AND WHEREAS this is further reflected on Table 5.1: Overall Bicycle Network Priorities, (P. 310, Appendix A) to where the Northwest Quadrant of the city is listed as 25.2 km of new bike infrastructure as the “Highest Priority”, in other words in the next 0 – 5 years, and is mainly concentrated in the Downtown, yet the Southeast Quadrant is listed as 0 km, the Southwest Quadrant is listed at 1.2 km, and the Northeast Quadrant is listed as 5.8 km, representing a huge inequality in terms of expenditures in new bike infrastructure within the next 5 years;*

*AND WHEREAS huge gaps now exist within the existing Bicycle Network (see Map on Page 74, Appendix A) whereby investments made in the City over the last 10 years have led to a significant improvement in the paved off street path system, but all the quadrants are presently disconnected from one another, including into and with the Downtown;*

*AND WHEREAS any improvements in the Downtown Cycling network should be done concurrently with improving the Bicycle Network outside of the downtown with the great need to overcome the gaps in the existing network and to ensure connectivity exists between the Downtown and the rest of the City;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the June 23, 2015 recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy report (Item 4) be amended equitably divide the 32 km of work planned between the four City Quadrants in a fashion as equitable as possible, for the first five years of the Overall Bicycle Network Priorities (Table 5.1, Page 310, Appendix A), with a special emphasis on the need to create connectivity between the various existing City-wide paved Off Street Path Systems.*

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Madam Clerk. We'll switch off to Mr. Clerk.

**Motion No. 11**

**Moved by Councillor Wyatt,  
Seconded by Councillor Browaty,**

*WHEREAS much has been said about the structural deficit in terms of the growing annual gap within the operating budget between projected revenues and projected expenses;*

*AND WHEREAS the single greatest way to control increasing expenses is to curtail the growth in the size of the public sector;*

*AND WHEREAS once a new Full Time Equivalent (FTE) position is added to the FTE count of the City of Winnipeg, it is difficult to close such positions in the future, and therefore represents a permanent new cost to the way the City does business;*

*AND WHEREAS any new FTE should only be considered in the context of the next budget cycle where it can be determined that funding exists and that any savings by reducing the overall City FTE's could be maximized for operating efficiencies;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the June 23, 2015 recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works with respect to the Pedestrian Cycling Strategies Report (Item 4) be amended by deleting recommendation 2 in its entirety and replace it with the following: “That any full time equivalent (FTE) increase be referred to the 2016 operating budget process.”*

**Motion No. 12**

**Moved by Councillor Wyatt,  
Seconded by Councillor Schreyer,**

*WHEREAS it has been stated that we are only adopting a strategy that represents a guideline;*

*AND WHEREAS the recommendation to Council, in terms of the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies, Appendix B, clearly states that it be “approved”, attached hereto as Appendix B, whereas the City-Wide Long-Term Bicycle Network of the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies supersedes Map 4 – Active Transportation of the Transportation Master Plan”;*

*AND WHEREAS the adoption of policy gives clear direction to the Public Service to implement all the recommendations contained in Appendix A, and not simply a guideline that may or may not be followed;*

*AND WHEREAS the recommendation to Council, in terms of the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies, Appendix B, clearly states that it be “approved, attached hereto as Appendix B, whereas the City-Wide Long-Term Bicycle Network of the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies supersedes Map 4 – Active Transportation of the Transportation Master Plan”;*

AND WHEREAS amending the mapping of the Transportation Master Plan represents a change in that policy document, adopted by Council;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the June 23, 2015 recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works with respect to the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies report (Item 10) be amended by amending recommendation 1 by deleting the word "policy" and replacing it with the word "guideline".

**Motion No. 13**

**Moved by Councillor Wyatt,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Schreyer,**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy document (Appendix A), and the amendments to the Transportation Master Plan document (Appendix B), contained in the June 23, 2015 recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works with respect to the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies report (Item 10), be amended to include the existence of the Disraeli Pedestrian/Cycling Bridge.

**Motion No. 15**

**Moved by Councillor Browaty,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Wyatt,**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy document (Appendix A), and the amendments to the Transportation Master Plan document (Appendix B), contained in the June 23, 2015 recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works with respect to the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies report (Item 4), be amended to reflect the following:

*The addition of a potential overpass from the Chief Peguis Trail active transportation path to the Kilcona Park as well as connection from Harbourview South in the Transcona Ward to Kilcona Park, as identified in the Council-adopted Kilcona Park Master Plan.*

**Motion No. 16**

**Moved by Councillor Browaty,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Wyatt,**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy document (Appendix A), and the amendments to the Transportation Master Plan document (Appendix B), contained in the June 23, 2015 recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works with respect to the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies report (Item 4), be amended to reflect the following:

*The complete urbanization of Henderson Highway from Gilmore Avenue to the City limit with a centre median, concrete sidewalks on both sides of the street, land drainage sewers, separated space for a biking lane and the removal of ditches be prioritized as the highest priority in the North Kildonan Ward.*

**Motion No. 17**

**Moved by Councillor Browaty,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Schreyer,**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy document (Appendix A), and the amendments to the Transportation Master Plan document (Appendix B), contained in the June 23, 2015 recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works with respect to the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies report (Item 4), be amended to reflect the following:

*That the Chief Peguis Active Transportation Path between Gateway Road and Lagimodiere Boulevard be identified as an "existing" pathway.*

**Motion No. 18**

**Moved by Councillor Browaty,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Schreyer,**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy document (Appendix A), and the amendments to the Transportation Master Plan document (Appendix B), contained in the June 23, 2015



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*recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works with respect to the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies report (Item 4), be amended to reflect the following:*

*That the Bunn Creek Trail should be identified as an "existing" pathway.*

**Madam Speaker:** Okay. That concludes the reading of the motions and now we will vote on suspension of the rules, Mr. Clerk, correct? Yes, voting on suspension of the rules. All in favour of suspending the rules to hear the motions that were read into the record please rise.

**A RECORDED VOTE** was taken the result being as follows:

**Yeas**

Councillors Browaty, Dobson, Eadie, Schreyer and Wyatt

**Nays**

His Worship Mayor Bowman, Councillors Allard, Gerbasi, Gillingham, Gilroy, Lukes, Mayes, Morantz, Orlikow, Pagtakhan and Madam Speaker Councillor Sharma

**City Clerk:** The vote Madam Speaker, Yeas 5, Nays 11.

**Madam Speaker:** The motion is lost.

**Councillor Eadie:** Madam Speaker, I rise to move a motion to make automatic referral to those defeated motions to go to Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works to demonstrate that at least it is an open, living, breathing document. Automatic referral of those defeated amendments to Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay. All those favour...thank you. All those in favour of automatic referral of these motions to Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works? Recorded vote is called. If you are in favour of automatic referral to Public Works, please rise.

**Councillor Orlikow:** Point of order. Point of order. I'm sorry. Is it just automatic referral? We don't have to vote on it? Since it's already here so it's automatically referred? I'm just checking.

**Madam Speaker:** We are voting on this motion before us, yes. So if you are in favour, please rise.

**A RECORDED VOTE** was taken the result being as follows:

**Yeas**

Councillors Browaty, Dobson, Eadie, Schreyer and Wyatt

**Nays**

His Worship Mayor Bowman, Councillors Allard, Gerbasi, Gillingham, Gilroy, Lukes, Mayes, Morantz, Orlikow, Pagtakhan and Madam Speaker Councillor Sharma

**City Clerk:** The vote Madam Speaker, Yeas 5, Nays 1.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, motion is lost. We now have Motions No. 1 and 2 in front of us. The movers will be introducing them, but first I will ask Councillor Lukes to introduce the item.

**Councillor Lukes:** So, Item No. 4. Just let me pull it up here. I'm just introducing the motions. I'm just introducing the motions?

**Madam Speaker:** Yes. You are going to introduce the item, Councillor Lukes, and then followed by that, Councillor Gillingham will introduce Motion 1. Councillor Gerbasi will introduce Motion 2 and then each member of Council will have an opportunity to speak to the items and the motions before us concurrently.

**Councillor Lukes:** So I'm going to introduce the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies, Item No. 4 and the motions? Item number...

**Madam Speaker:** No, no. Just introduce the item. The movers will speak to their motions.

**Councillor Lukes:** So I'm introducing Item No. 4.

**Madam Speaker:** Yes, thank you.

**Councillor Lukes:** Done.

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Gillingham to introduce his Motion No. 1 which is seconded by Councillor Lukes.

**Motion No. 1**

**Moved by Councillor Gillingham,  
 Seconded by Councillor Lukes,**

*WHEREAS the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies document is intended to be a high level strategy;*

*AND WHEREAS costing of the strategy is an estimate and intended for guidelines and informational purposes;*

*AND WHEREAS on page xii of the Executive Summary contained in the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies document the following is contained:*

*"The full cost to implement the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies is estimated to be approximately \$334 million over the long-term, approximately 20 years). In addition the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies are estimated to require approximately \$3.7 million in Annual Operating Costs. Increased funding levels for active transportation, as well as identifying partnerships and leveraging other funding sources, will be required to meet these costs."*

*AND WHEREAS notwithstanding the foregoing statements included in the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies document Council requires assurance the understood intent is followed;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Item 4 of the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works dated June 23, 2015 be accepted with the following condition:*

*All costs included in the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies are estimates, no budget allocation is included with the approval of the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies document, and all projects and project costs relating to the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies document will be considered by City Council through the annual budget process.*

**Councillor Gillingham:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, in reading through the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies, I had two main concerns. Namely, first of all, the matter of consultation and the matter of cost. Regarding consultation pages, roman numeral 12 and 108 in the document call for more localized public consultation to be done as part of any attempt to implement elements of the strategy, however, my concern was...remains that there was a need for Council to spell out that area stakeholders including residents, business owners and the local Councillor be engaged in consultation before any new pedestrian or cycling infrastructure is built in their community. But, according to the disposition records on June 23, 2015 and the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works task the office of public engagement to report back with the public engagement policy for pedestrian and cycling annual action plan. This policy is to incorporate best practices for public engagement as identified by the international association for public participation and I am confident that this public engagement policy will with the input of Councillors and once finalized satisfy my concerns with regard to the need for local...thorough localized consultation which brings me to my second concern in regards to the cost. Prior to today's Council meeting, I heard from 19 residents, 19, pardon me, households, 19 households in the St. James-Brooklands-Weston Ward on the Pedestrian Cycling Strategy. Thirteen of those who contacted me asked me to support the document. Six requested that I oppose it. Those who voiced disapproval are opposed because of the potential \$334 million price tag attached to the full implementation of strategies. Many of them point out the fact that our city needs that money to repair, renew our local streets. I agree with them, however, I also recognize the city needs document to set direction for future active transportation infrastructure and therefore as per...nine, page 19 of the document, I view the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies as a supplement to the City's other master planning documents, specifically Our Winnipeg and the transportation master plan. And yes, committed to the full \$334 million still concerns me, which is why I am bringing forward Motion No. 1 that states all costs included in the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies are estimates. No budget allocation is included with the approval of the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies document and all projects and project costs related to the pedestrian and cycling

strategies document will be considered by Council through the annual budget process. This motion, Madam Speaker, endeavours to remove ambiguity as to the immediate budgeting implications attached to this document. Council can choose to implement as much or as little of the strategy as it, we, deem appropriate by making corresponding budgetary decisions on year by year basis and so I ask the Mayor and my Council colleagues to support this motion.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Gerbasi to introduce Motion No. 2.

**Motion No. 2**

**Moved by Councillor Gerbasi,  
Seconded by Councillor Lukes,**

*WHEREAS misinformation referring to the city snow clearing policy has created confusion as to the intent of the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies document;*

*AND WHEREAS this misinformation has led many in the public to believe changes to the city's snow clearing policy are going to be made;*

*AND WHEREAS on page 237 of the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies document the following is contained:*

*"... a comprehensive public consultation program would be required in order to determine whether this policy change could be instituted."*

*AND WHEREAS notwithstanding the foregoing statements included in the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies document, Council requires assurance the understood intent is followed;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Item 4 of the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works dated June 23, 2015 be accepted with the following condition:*

*That a comprehensive public consultation program be mandatory in the future to amend current residential sidewalk snow clearing practices as noted in the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies document.*

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Thank you. And just to be clear, I am only speaking to this motion. I will be rising to speak to the clause and the motions afterwards another point in the debate. And this motion specifically speaks to the issue of the snow clearing policy. There was a lot of confusion and misinformation created by some of the advertising and different things that were said and this motion is really, and one of the whereases, it says on page 237 of the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies, it says a comprehensive public consultation program would be required in order to determine whether this policy change could be instituted. And the motion is really and it's the wording is here such that Council requires assurance that the understood intent is followed. So it's really just reinforcing what is in the document already that we're not going to wake up one morning and the policy will be changed without even knowing about it. There is a comprehensive public consultation process and policy discussion that would have to take place with this idea to even be considered. So the resolves...the resolve is simply that the report be accepted with the following condition, that a comprehensive public consultation program be mandatory in the future to amend current residential sidewalks, snow clearing practices as noted in the document. So nothing could happen without a comprehensive public consultation process and that's really all the motion is saying, it's really just to reassure people because they were told in radio ads that this was just going to happen, that there wasn't going to be any proper process and I just think we need to make that clear for the public. I think they should have the proper information. And you know, the reason it came up in the document was that we actually have a problem with...our snow is not cleared very quickly and it's a...how do people walk down the sidewalk and get where they are going. We don't come to three or four days later to clear it. So there was a discussion that I would expect came from the community and people that wanted to have better lives as pedestrians that wanted to look at different options and this is only an option that was looked at. There are other cities that actually do that and their sidewalks have to be cleared within 24 hours. Now, if I can find a way to, you know, snap our fingers and have our sidewalks cleared within 24 hours, it would be wonderful I think for our pedestrians. I can say, in the Osborne Village, they suffer. They don't have cars, a lot of them and they suffer when those sidewalks are not cleared. So it's a legitimate policy issue to discuss and look at what we can do in Winnipeg, but we're not doing it. We're having the discussion and it's obviously politically something that might not happen because it's very difficult to have that discussion here and it may not happen at all and the report does not dictate it in any way that it's going to happen. So the motion is just to clarify that, that there will be lots and lots of process before anything could ever change and nothing will be sprung on anybody. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Any further speakers on the item? Item No. 4, we can speak to the item as a whole or the two motions that we just heard. Yes. Okay, would anyone like to speak...you will be closing, Councillor Lukes, only.

(Inaudible) I don't believe so. No. It's only when you close I have been told and that's what I thought. I saw some hands up here to speak to the item. Now is the time to speak to Item No. 4, the Pedestrian Cycling Strategy. When you are given your ten minute allotment, you can also speak to Motions No. 1 and 2 at the same time. This is your one opportunity to speak. Councillor Schreyer.

**Councillor Schreyer:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'm feeling quite disillusioned right now in terms of the process. This is a 20 year process but we are giving birth to it right now. It's been in gestation for a couple of years. I guess one can say in terms of a consultation process, which I will not criticize other than to say it's merely incomplete. It's part of some that we all agree it is to continue. But after two years of consultation, it arrived at something that I don't believe that Council believes that all these amendments are not worthy of consideration. I don't believe that for a moment. People took good time and effort and care based on their knowledge, based on consultations, based on trying to do their best in terms of trying to make this document as good as possible and trying to have the best debate we could at this point, today, before it went out to its greater path of consultation. But there are great uncertainties, concerns, possibilities to make this a better document in which more people could have confidence and more confidence in the process. These are the things that I, as well as other Councillors, wanted to consider today. Wanted discussed today and have an open debate today. In terms of the process that brought us here, they saved \$400,000 in two years, okay. But I know as an example, Mark Cohoe of Bike Winnipeg did after my two hours of discussion with him, it could have gone longer but we went for two hours that after two...\$400,000 in two years and communication outreach of, as they say, hundreds of phone calls of information and surveys, my contribution to that budget of my \$700 of taxpayers' money that I allocated was the first time in that process that there is any communication outreach on the budget, of this and the fact that 95 percent of active transportation system, that being our sidewalks, was offered for consideration in terms of the City being...the City abdicating its responsibility, getting rid of its responsibility for the safe and efficient maintenance of 95 percent of our active transportation system. But that wasn't part of the communication process up until this time, up until last week. And that was part of my contribution as we came to this point, to deliberate in our process and the political process before it went from here. And there's concerns all over the place. These 20 odd amendments are just...just an aspect of that, but we know there is going to be more, but we know that they address some fundamental aspects. And it would have been great...it would have been great to have that discussion on the record so that everybody had greater understanding in terms of Council's understanding of this document before it was passed and an understanding of process that was going to take place before this was passed. I don't know what else to say other than to say, this could have been a different document. I could have gone back to my constituents and said, "This is the document with the process of which I have confidence enough in to support" because I really want to. And maybe it's just because I am a new Councillor. Maybe it's because I am a new Councillor, because I have concerns over interpretation that have not been resolved nor cannot be resolved merely by saying, "just go ahead and vote for it", what I am told by a few people, "well, just ignore that part and vote for it", I am told. "just close your eyes over those pages and vote for it." Instead, where there is some form of agreement on consensus that I felt that would make this a better document as we went forward, well, it's not going to happen. We don't have that opportunity today. And it's truly unfortunate. There are so many good ideas that were brought forth today so that everyone could have confidence in this or at least we could have consensus that democracy and process in this chamber took place that we could say we had that...we had that discussion on record in front of people. I've had discussions with people over the last, well, months, weeks. I have really gotten to know this document and I am confident in terms of my contribution up until...to this point, up until this point that my contribution is as worthy as any other Councillor. My understanding of this document I dare say is at least as good as well, no. I suspect there's a few Councillors that understand this document more than I do, that read more than I did. I think there's a few, I would hazard to guess. And I was looking forward to an exciting process of which I could say, well I voted for, which would have been sort of a symbolic support. I do look forward to continuing to be part of this process as we put forth, we enhance, we continue to enhance our active transportation systems in the city. I just think it's going to be harder work, but I'm glad for my contribution to this point. And everything I've said and everything I've done so far, I believe is a projection of what will be taking place in the process as we move forward. And I believe that. I say again for the record, everything I've said and everything I've done regarding this document is a projection of that which will be taking place and on that basis...

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Eadie suspends the rules to add more time. All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

**Councillor Schreyer:** Basically I'm just going to finish up, Madam Speaker. I think I have a sense of what's going to take place in the months and the years to come and I've made my contribution sort of a...as an expression of that and on that basis I stand by it and I stand by my support for making this a better document today. Unfortunately, that wasn't able to take place. But we'll move...we'll continue to move forward which is what it...what will be a...just a more greatly flawed document and it'll just be a harder process for us all. But that's not going to stop me from working with Council, working with the administration, working with my neighbours and the people of Elmwood-East Kildonan and in terms of realizing the best active transportation system that we can achieve together and in the years to come. I truly do wish as an aspect in terms of principles I think of this, the intention I think we all have is that in the first five years of this...this plan we won't have the opportunity...well, we won't have the opportunity, well, we won't have the opportunity today and

how we'll all create that central mechanism which we can make central decisions if we...greater equitable distribution of routes in their first five years because in the first five years, it says in the plan, there'll be none in southeast Winnipeg, two kilometres or so in southeast Winnipeg, 5.8 kilometres in northeast Winnipeg, about 24 kilometres in what they call the north section but all primarily downtown and in terms of building those connectivity in the first five years in this term, at this point, it's not going to happen. My concern is thus as this goes forward in called policy, we will be creating make-work projects as we have other agencies involved, involving us, in trying to make this a better document even though we could've done that today.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Councillor Schreyer. Next is Councillor Mayes.

**Councillor Mayes:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. Much to be said about this item. Was it...was it Shakespeare or John Mellencamp who said, "Don't confuse the problem with the issue, girl. It's perfectly clear." We're confusing the problem and the issue. The problem is the report isn't perfect, the issue is. Doing something more on our bike and pedestrian strategy. Is the document perfect? No, of course, it isn't. Is the...was the consultation perfect? Absolutely, not. I...you know, we have had a lot of people, a lot of rhetoric here both sides. Some of it's been, "Well, Councillors didn't go to the open houses, therefore, they can't criticize". I went to one of the open houses. I raised the point. Why is there a bridge leading through the Canoe Club Golf Course. I was told, "Well, we tried to space them evenly." And it's in the report. I mean so I don't think going to the sessions would've solved all the problems here. So what do we do with this? Do we reject the whole thing? Do we try to amend it so that there's half a bridge because one Councillor wants a bridge at one particular location and the other one doesn't? No, we try to pass this thing and then work it through as a living, breathing document. I think it's important to take a look at what Mark Cohoe said earlier which was "guide but not dictate". And that's I think what we're looking at here. It's a guideline. Now, how do we know that? How do we know it doesn't bind our hands? How do we know it doesn't dictate? Well, here is one example. Because frankly, I intend in the future to raise the issue of what I see is the shortcoming here which is a...doesn't talk about the Seine River and as a warning I will lapse into French here at some point to the regret of all, Madam Speaker, so get our translation staff to work up there. But I think you could say, well, how do we know, how...why aren't we strictly bound by this? Well, the answer is on page 181, 182, It calls for a bridge from the Forks to Université de Saint-Boniface. The problem with that is there is already a bridge for pedestrians to bike from the Forks to University of St. Boniface. So if you take this document literally, you would be tearing down a bridge to put in a new bridge. Obviously, that's not the intent if you check with the staff. They say that's a database problem. We should've said that was existing infrastructure. So I mean, people say to me, "No, no, no, it's absolutely binding. It absolutely dictates." They're wrong. Obviously, we're going to have to apply it with some flexibility. It's meant to be a guide. It's not meant to dictate. The other couple of things I want to point out here are it's an important opportunity. It's an important opportunity to look at our riverbanks again and the...one of...the committee I chair in part is called riverbank management. I think we have to take a look at what this could mean for our riverbanks, the Seine, the Red, the Assiniboine in particular. There's a lot of opportunity here to do something. The Mayor in his election platform said, "The rivers that run through our city are our greatest asset. We should develop this infrastructure to have more river paths and I agree with that and I think that's an opportunity that this presents to look at the two together. We have riverbank stabilization issues at places like Lyndale Drive in Councillor Allard's ward, the Glasgow area in Councillor Gerbasi's ward, River to River Gate, Councillor Luke's ward. And frankly, while I don't agree with that we may need a bridge from the Canoe Club. That is, for me, this is an opening on a debate I've been wanting for years here which is...that is the single biggest riverbank stabilization need we have identified in our budget year after year is the Canoe Club. So I want to use this as a springboard to start that discussion to say, "Look, what can we do? Can we combine this strategy with some of our other Civic needs and I intend to follow up on that as the Chair of the Riverbank Committee. So that...the third thing I want to mention is just a local issue I guess or an issue that I intend to work closely with Councillor Allard, that is the issue of the Seine River, second longest river within the City of Winnipeg boundaries. It's not mentioned in here and some might say, "Well, they are the experts. They are the experts. They didn't mention it". Well, you've got a report here from the year 2000 by...by some experts that calls for five bridges over the Seine River, ...different experts. Actually, it's interesting that some of the Seine experts like our current CAO was on this report in 2000. So I think this is part of the debate, part of the tension that's going to go forward is what to do with these different aspects of the City. So...

***Translation of French spoken:***

**Councillor Mayes:** The Seine River is important for the St. Boniface Ward, the St. Vital Ward, it's important for the entire city of Winnipeg. The paths near the Seine River, on the riverbanks, such as the Gabriel Dufault Pathway in St. Vital Ward, like the Bois-des-Esprits trail in Councillor Allard's ward... it's very important for the citizens of South-East Winnipeg. I think there remains a need for another bridge for pedestrians, for bicycles, on the Seine River, especially given that a bridge over the Red River costs 20 million dollars, while a bridge over the Seine River costs only 1 million dollars. So, I think it is an opportunity for the City, for the South-East, to assist pedestrians and bicycles.

**Councillor Mayes:** So that's probably as much French as anyone wants to hear from me, so I will conclude though by saying I was at a walk last night, I was at a walk sponsored by Save Our Seine, a botany walk along the...along the

Seine River pathways and it was great...it's a great group and I have talked about it many times here, but the walk had the problem that it was so frequently interrupted by people bicycling on the pathway that you kept having to yell out, "bike" just as you used to have to yell out, "car" when you were playing road hockey so my sons got used yelling "bike" and everyone would move. So it just struck me what a great symbol. We build these pathways. People use them. People run on them. People bicycle on them. They're part of our heritage. Let's keep building them. Let's keep building on the strategy whether it's bridges or whether it's pathways. I don't know the exact details in other people's wards, I really don't, but I think this is a good guide. It doesn't dictate. It's a guide so go back to what the Mayor's platform said. The rivers that run through our city are our greatest asset. Let's develop the infrastructure to have more river paths. This is part of that solution. This is part of that strategy. Please support the document. Is it perfect? No. But it is a...is it a guide to take us forward to the future? Yes. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Any further speakers? Councillor Browaty.

**Councillor Browaty:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I am thoroughly frustrated here. As an area Councillor, I feel I haven't had the influence that I need to on a very important long term plan that not affects...not only affects the entire city but also the ward and the residents I represent in North Kildonan. I've never felt I lost as much control over City process where I can't look in the eyes of my constituents and say, "You know what, there is a proposed neighbourhood greenway going down in your street." That could slow traffic right down. We'll spend piles of money that you don't want to spend on things like mini roundabouts potentially, curb bump outs, speed humps, reduce speed limits potentially. It's insane. It's nuts. These streets in some cases don't even have a sidewalk on a single side of the street when they are local collector streets. How does that make any sense whatsoever? We've got a whole raft of considerate, well thought out proposals to fix and make this document better. Not interested. We're going to write them off. They've got bridges where they make no sense in St. Vital we're hearing today. Why aren't we going to consider that even when Council did bring it up over a year ago. No, not interested. Thoroughly disappointing. I think everybody around this Council floor wants to get more involved in active transportation. They want to be able to, you know, go for a walk to get some ice cream to go to a lounge to have a beverage to, you know, enjoy their communities, to go and meet with their people, to get out of the house, to get off the couch. We want to do these things. We want to build a city like that, but...we're not listening to the people at the ground level. \$334 million dollars over 20 years. Is that the right number? Is that too little, is it too much? Why are we putting such a big number out there for such a long term without properly considering these things? We've got a major financial problem here. The City's credit was downgraded yesterday. We've got hundreds of millions of dollars that are being spent on Phase 2 of rapid transit. We've got promises and expectations out there. Why are we setting people's expectations is something I don't think we can deliver on. We've got to have a plan we can have these things, but to say that it's going to be done 20 years and this is, you know, the type of thing we're looking at? Irresponsible. Shame. It's too much. Suggesting...we went through a process towards the end of last Council to be sure where we had an independent group come in and do an audit on our Public Works Department. It pointed out that in other jurisdictions; snow clearing is sometimes the responsibility of the adjoining home owner. Did it suggest like it did for many other things, perhaps this is something that, you know, we could change in the City of Winnipeg? No. It suggests status quo is okay. Council adopted that. How many of you were out, out on the campaign trail saying, "You know what, we'd like to pitch in. We'd like to shovel our sidewalks." How many seniors do you have in your area that are already struggling to keep in their homes? They want to age in place. When you talk about Complete Communities and our community strategy, being able to continue living in your existing area is a key principle of it. This is contrary to that if we're going to consider it. If we really were serious about it, I see there is an amended motion, but it really does nothing. If we are serious about not having residents consider, for not considering it, take it out now. Don't leave it for another day. Right now, we are still wishy-washy on it. It's the one on table. Why are we doing that? It's crazy. I mean we were all elected last fall. All of us were sworn in except Councillor Morantz on November 4. "I, Jeff Browaty do solemnly promise and declare that I will truly, faithfully and impartially to the best of my knowledge and ability execute the office to which I have been elected". You really believe that you are representing all your constituents, maybe Councillor Gerbasi, maybe your ward is a little different. Do you really believe that this is not a biased document in many respects that the residents on these streets have not been properly consulted? It doesn't matter if you're trying to bias to a friend, a family member or a developer or a special interest group in this case. I don't think this represents the vast majority of even cyclists that use bikes in the neighbourhoods today. I still...I used the word earlier, 'hijack'; I still believe today that a bike lobby has hijacked this process. There's still an opportunity to do something that's going to be great for our community, that's going to get more people out of...off their couches and on to streets without going to this extreme. I will not be supporting the amendments or this motion today. I think this could have been a really great, progressive thing for our city. I just believe the document before us today is a failure before we even start. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Councillor Browaty. Next is Councillor Gerbasi.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. As you know, I've consistently supported having a comprehensive plan and a meaningful investment in biking and walking strategies. The transportation master plan of Our Winnipeg, our city plan called for more detailed strategy for walking and cycling infrastructure and that is what is before us today. And I

continue to support this because I believe that the walking and cycling strategy is extremely important for the future of our City, our quality of life, our environmental and fiscal sustainability. Its time has come and I would really hate to see our City lag further behind and fail to reach its potential. The ad campaign and other actions of opponents to this plan are obviously more of a political maneuver than about informing the public. And I would point out that you can't have it both ways, as some former Councillors often used to say in debates, "You can't suck and blow at the same time." If you're trying to stop a plan from proceeding, you're cutting the budget down by to one fifth of the original budget. You're saying we should spend on roads and not spend on active transportation and cycling. You're whipping up public fear unnecessarily. I'm sorry, you can't keep saying you're supportive of active transportation. Let's be honest. You can't have it both ways. Improvement to our ability to walk and bike in Winnipeg is something our citizens want. The report shows that large numbers of people would make the choice to bike more or walk more if they felt safer and comfortable doing so. This brings so many benefits, reducing wear and tear on the roads, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and congestion, not to mention happier and healthier citizens. I think it's sad that this campaign and other efforts have created unnecessary fears and negativity about something that is so positive, hopeful and much needed as a step in our city's development. I'm confident that the majority of Council will not be sidetracked. The report in front of us says very clearly, it should be recognized that the pedestrian cycling strategy is a long term, strategic planning document as such is not intended to address site specific or corridor specific issues. Rather it is intended to represent a package of actions that were implemented over time will help the City achieve its strategic vision. With the extensive consultation required before projects proceed as outlined in the report. Citizens will have a voice in these transportation projects more so than they do now with rode and other City projects. But the ad campaign is only the latest in a series of attempts to put up roadblocks, not necessarily by everybody in this room or anybody in this room, but only the latest in a series of attempts to put up roadblocks to the strategic plan. The first attempt to completely destroy this project was in July of 2013 when Councillor Wyatt happened to be an EPC member and Chair of Finance. Behind closed doors, a secret political decision was made to cancel the contract for the entire AT strategies project. Even though the consultant had already been hired and the work had already begun. Without any Council vote, public announcement or consultation with Councillors, it was stopped in its tracks, not exactly a model of openness. When we discovered that this had happened, there was a huge outcry from the community, the media and some on Council which led to the project being restarted again although the budget was actually cut. The previous Mayor and EPC including the former Finance Chair then kept the project under wraps and at a standstill throughout 2014. Thankfully, under Mayor Bowman's leadership, the report was finally tabled and not long after that process, more things started to happen. Around the time the strategy was tabled, I learned that my downtown ward was targeted with over a hundred letters that were sent to downtown businesses that I represent about the bike lanes. A meeting was called by the Councillor from Transcona to get businesses riled up by fear mongering and providing misleading information about the strategy. Business owners were told exaggerated claims that parking would be stripped away and they wouldn't be consulted. Wisely, the Mayor asked for a report clarifying the consultation process and succeeded in calming down the fears that had been whipped up and the consultation report is in front of us today and it says that significant consultation was done that was adequate and meets current standards. Going forward, there will be comprehensive consultation before projects are built. But that wasn't actually the end of it. And the last time I checked, Fort Rouge-East Fort Garry residents elected one Councillor and they elected one Mayor. They don't get to vote in Transcona. But that didn't stop the East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee from moving a motion cutting out 50 percent of the downtown bike lanes in my ward. It's unfortunate that other elected Councillors were not informed or consulted when they made that decision to take projects out of my ward. That's not the rule of other local Councillors. You know, the world has changed a lot since the 1950s. People want and need these choices. Not everyone can afford a car and many people prefer to have safe accessible alternatives such as walking and biking and taking transit and until recent years almost all infrastructure resources went solely to car oriented projects and these projects often neglected to consider the needs of pedestrians and cyclists. There's been an imbalance and how we have invested and this strategy is a pretty good start in writing that wrong and putting it in perspective, one road project, for example, the Marion Street widening alone is over \$300 million for one project in one place. In contrast, this...in contrast, this strategy covers every part of the city of Winnipeg and provides benefit to every single citizen whatever choice they make about transportation. Supporting active transportation is also good for business. You only need to go by the thriving Sherbrook Street area to see the positive impact of the successful parking protected bike project there. Studies show the benefits to business as people walking and biking carry their wallets with them. But people need to feel safe and more comfortable before they'll make choices to bike or walk or take the bus rather than drive, and that means protected bike lanes and safer intersections among other things. I have permission to share a letter from Josie Loeppky who wrote this to the Councillors who are opposing the strategy. "City Councillors, what is my brain actually worth to you? Five weeks ago, a car hit me as I rode my bike in an unprotected bike lane on Garry Street. I was left with a serious concussion, a large cut on my nose and various bruises. The doctors and nurses told me I was lucky, they'd seen much worse vehicle and cyclist accidents. I consider myself lucky too. However, since this accident, my quality of life has drastically changed. I can't play sports, focus and remember things. I get pounding headaches that start midway through the day and continue into the evening. Yet one of the worst outcomes from this accident is that I am unable to ride my bike. For the past five years, I commuted to and from the university and my job on my bicycle during the summer month. At 26 years old, I never owned a vehicle up until a few weeks ago. When I bike I always use caution, never trusting drivers to understand unprotected bike lanes. I feel drivers and cyclists have always struggled to

share the road in Winnipeg and at the scene of my accident, a number of cyclists stopped to help me. One cyclist revealed that a car already hit her this year. I was taken aback by her frankness and the conscious resignation she and I now understand that as cyclists, our commute is the risk we take, a risk that can cost us our lives. Councillors, I know I'm a stranger to you, but what if I was a cyclist you knew and cared about deeply? Would you still argue against the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy? Would my brain still not be worth more than point four percent of the capital budget to you? I want you to understand that the five minutes I spend riding in the protected lane...extension, please. On Assiniboine Avenue...

**Madam Speaker:** Can we move extension? All in favour. Contrary? Carried.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** ...are the only time I feel safe during my 25 minute ride to and from work. I know I'm just one person, but during the month of May and June, they're estimated 13,789 daily cyclists commuting to and from the downtown area, collectively our limbs, brains and lives are worth 330 million over the next 20 years. I sincerely hope most of us will be around to see this plan come to fruition because I recently learned it's very really possible that some of us won't be. Please reconsider your stance on the Pedestrian and Cyclist Strategy and on your commute home tonight, please watch out for cyclists". And I mention this because safety is a big issue. I'm excited to think of our future, of Winnipeg moving ahead with this strategy which considers all aspects including connectivity, convenience, safety, accessibility and maintenance of infrastructure, improving vibrancy and increasing awareness. And looking back on this debate, I think those who were against going forward with this long term plan for walking and biking improvements will find themselves to have been on the wrong side of history. In conclusion, I'm optimistic that the majority of this Council will recognize and value the years of consultation and comprehensive policy development that has been done to get us to this point and together with solid leadership, commitment and honest dialogue, I believe we can continue to build a more modern, vibrant, happier and safer city and I think I'll just leave it there. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Are there any further speakers on the item? Mr. Mayor.

**Mayor Bowman:** Madam Speaker, through you I want to thank all members of this Council for sharing their voices on this important discussion today. Because the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies are the long term vision, guideline, it is very important for future health as Councillor Gerbasi just pointed out, safety and improved opportunities and quality of life for Winnipeggers. The 2011 transportation master plan, another of the City's long term infrastructure vision documents has the same intent and goals to establish directions on policy, infrastructure and programming for implementing long term vision for active transportation in Winnipeg. In fact, Madam Speaker, as you know, the strategies come as a result of two recommendations from the transportation master plan, one from Section 5.2.1 to develop a city wide pedestrian strategy to support pedestrian activity and connectivity and that will maintain the walking network to address year round pedestrian needs, and two from section 5.2.2 of the TMP to develop a city wide cycling strategy that provides integrated guidance for the City's efforts to support cycling activity and connectivity and to address an all season maintenance strategy for the core cycling network. Note the language, Madam Speaker, to support pedestrian activity that provides integrated guidance for the City's efforts to support cycling activity. Like the transportation master plan, it was never intended to address site specific issues. Rather, its intent is to present a package of actions that when implemented over time will help the City achieve its active transportation vision. These strategies bring together both in one 20 year overview and just like the good Councillor from Transcona warned, members of Council should not pre-judge ideas before they head for Council decision. That was Councillor Wyatt, Madam Speaker, in October of 2013 when a third party report recommended to Council to reduce winter maintenance standards after significant snowfalls. He warned not to pre-judge and it note...also noted it would be premature to start cherry picking what we like and don't like from the report. I'm not certain what has changed for the Councillor, Madam Speaker, though he is certainly allowed as we have seen him do today on the Parmalat decision as every member of this Council is entitled to do so to change his mind on any matter which is the beauty of a strategy document, Madam Speaker. We have a guiding document to help make decisions but we are bound by none and no shovel will hit the ground on any one project until decisions are made by this Council in this Chamber. Even if the Council of the day has changed its opinion on some of the recommendations within this guiding document. Our colleague from Mynarski just had a change of mind as well, Madam Speaker. In May of 2013, Councillor Eadie is on public record accusing one of his current advertising partners on pedestrian and cycling misinformation, Councillor Wyatt, of mounting a political campaign with the intension of influencing Council votes during a plan to sell off City owned golf courses before Council vote had been completed. Again, I don't know what has changed for the Councillor who now seems to believe along with others, it is in the best interest of his residents in Mynarski to purchase ads to influence this vote here today, Madam Speaker. And again, it doesn't really matter why his opinion has changed, but it does give me hope, Madam Speaker. Hope that the good Councillors can change his mind back to support both the will and the right of Council to choose along with the right of Winnipeggers to have their Council explore health and safe pedestrian and cycling options established on a framework, Madam Speaker, would you like me to stop?

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Eadie, what is it?



**Councillor Eadie:** Madam Speaker, I just don't speak...I don't speak like that. Is he saying I said...is that verbatim, what I said? I don't speak like that, Madam Speaker. Can he please answer whether or not that was verbatim from Hansard?

**Madam Speaker:** We'll let the Mayor continue, I was conferring with the Clerk at the moment.

**Mayor Bowman:** I hope that the good Councillor has his mind, back to support the will and the right of Council to choose along with the right of Winnipeggers to have their Council explore healthy and safe pedestrian and cycling options establish on a framework of extensive consultation and Council's final say on everything including budget allocations annually. The Councillor's ads say it's time to look after our streets. Well, Madam Speaker, everyone around this chamber with the exception of Councillor Schreyer and Dobson voted to invest record levels into repairing Winnipeg streets, sidewalks and lanes, \$103.3 million in the 2015 budget that we passed 14-2 in March in this chamber. It's ironic that these two Councillors who are running these very misleading ads that this must either be an either or decision between street renewal or active transportation. Yet, they voted against street investment. It appears they too have since changed their minds. And I hope that they have changed their opinions for good on street renewal, Madam Speaker. I made it my number one commitment during the election last fall and I am deeply proud of the construction that we're all seeing going on. Triple the construction because it's triple the investment from 2012, unprecedented renewal is going on into our city's road infrastructure this year. Through this strategy, one of the recommendations is for sight in planning to include AT projects at the same time that renewal projects occur while streets are being torn up already, a strategic recommendation amongst many. Like all the recommendations contained within this report, Madam Speaker, they are all things "worth taking a look at." I want to thank Councillors Gerbasi and Gillingham and Lukes for their motions today to provide not only clarity to the intent to the recommendations in this strategies document, but for their support for the integrity of their language and recommendations contained in the report. As elected members, we might sometimes forget that we're elected to make decisions and speak on behalf of our citizens and not instead of them. No project that the City has undergone a consultation process as extensive as that undertaken through the development of this pedestrian and cycling strategies document, to modify the language and the recommendations rather than reaffirm their intent would be to send a sign that we don't care about the participation of thousands and thousands and thousands of Winnipeggers. So I want to thank everyone who did participate in our community and everyone who will continue to participate as we continue to move forward and have these important discussions for 20 more years, every year through the actions plans and of course through the budget consultations. And I'd also like to thank every member of this Chamber regardless of your views on this particular issue for your passion on this important matter and I ask and remind Councillors Browaty, Wyatt, Schreyer, Eadie and Dobson, those that are in the chamber right now, that there is still time for them to change their minds and vote for the future of active transportation here in Winnipeg. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Next is Councillor Gilroy followed by Councillor Eadie.

**Councillor Gilroy:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I just want to say that I am in favour of this...the motions that are before us and also for the Pedestrian and Cycling Strategy. Coming on to Council, I think I've had several things before me that I think we've had less conversation about. I feel very strongly about the strategy. I really feel that it's just an overriding document and that as a city Councillor, I will be able to give lots of input moving forward with this document. I also want to talk about the importance of equity in this piece. We forget that. We forget that we have many citizens that do not have vehicles. We forget that many citizens cannot drive vehicles. We also forget the 18.2 percent are under the age of 16 and they can only walk and they can only ride their bikes so they are limited to what they have, the choices that are available to them. I know that on my UN Safety Committee that we are on there talking about places in Mexico City that is developing this kind of strategy to make sure that women feel more safe. The more people that get out in the community, the better, for the first time, they have women in their 60s learning how to ride bikes because it's a way for them to get around the city that's safe. So I think in terms of equity. We're missing that piece. We haven't been doing a good job on that. And this will allow us to make sure that when we are developing new roads and sidewalks and new communities that we are making this a priority. And so, therefore, this is something I feel very, very strongly about. I urge the other members. I know that there's concerns, but I do really think that we're going to have time to have those discussions. I think it's just a guiding documents and not everything I am in favour of in this document, but I will have time to be able to talk about that at this Council. So thank you very much, Madam Chair.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Next is Councillor Eadie followed by Councillor Pagtakhan.

**Councillor Eadie:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I will rise and say that I voted to spend the \$400,000 to come up with this report and Madam Speaker, just so everybody is clear, I don't blow and suck at the same time, what I am trying to tell you is I have a sincere concern about this document, a sincere concern. It's interesting that when it came along, you know, it's 364 pages. The section that's policy are the strategies, directions and actions that will be taken, Madam Speaker, but in a consultation like for example, Sinclair Park which I couldn't attend, I was busy doing something else at that time, which was in my area, I would point out that there is no way you could go to a consultation and cover off all

this stuff and consider all the dynamics related to the maps just in my ward and in the North and West Kildonan where I spent most of my life riding bikes, walking now, taking a bus a whole bit and working as a City Councillor, Madam Speaker, consultation goes on all the time through case work, through consideration. I take a bus, I go out there, I walk, that's what I do. I am up and down Selkirk Avenue and it was great that in the Capital budget, we'll be fixing those sidewalks. If you want to talk about hell and fear, walk down those things. It's almost every day I almost twist my ankle. There are people that are getting hurt and so on. So those...I wanted to just speak about the ad campaigns a bit. You've got 30 seconds for an ad. We didn't spend a lot of money on it but we knew there was people out there that would have great concerns about this stuff and they did...they weren't at these consultations because the way the consultations work is those people who are really interested in the topic, that's who comes to these things, but the day when you start putting these things down like a raised intersection at Hartford and Powers and you don't warn the people there that there's going to be buses still, you know, slow down by eight km/h but hitting a bump at 40 km/h, it's still shaking their house, okay. That's what happened and in dry years, the excuses...while in dry years when that raised bump wasn't there, that house never cracked. It just started happening in the dry year when the raised intersection is there. So all around Winnipeg, there's different conditions and stuff and consultations need to get more minuscule, more down to the earth. There was an amendment in here that would really bring it a little more closer to the ground so that people understand what's happening before it starts to get built, but anyway I digress because, Madam Speaker, it's been said that this is a guide. The master transportation plan is a guide, but it's also a policy and in our motions, No. 1, it says that this...Appendix A is our policy and Appendix A refers to the strategies, directions and actions. There is a lot of dialogue and discussion, words in there, verbal words, talking about...actually; you know what's interesting in there? It talks about how important in neighbourhoods that the streets and the sidewalks are safe for people to walk on. So if you've got bad condition sidewalks, that's not good. So I've got a whole neighbourhood with one green way planned for it, a whole neighbourhood, but in that neighbourhood, there is like...there is tons and tons of just the sidewalks to get you to these special things that they've got on these maps here and there is no reference to those conditions. It talks about improved maintenance and it does talk about improving the sidewalks and stuff but there's no reference. Like, you know, it would have been simple to put it in there, our local street renewal program...programs, actually fix streets so the bikes can ride on them so they are not really bumpy. The sidewalks at the same time get fixed so you can walk to the bus route which might be a green way or might not, but so your sidewalks are safe to get there. We already do a lot of this stuff, but there is no acknowledgment in this document to that at all. I moved a simple amendment to put a sincere, simple amendment to put it in there and it's not in there. You people shut it down. And when I tried to introduce that policy exchange because this document is a policy just like the master transportation plan and every time we try to change one of those, there is a huge issue. It gets crazy and, Madam Speaker, you know damn well about the master transportation plan and how difficult it is to change that policy, very difficult. In here, we're telling our administration to do everything they can to implement the strategies, directions and actions within this document. That is what we are voting on, plus, the two amendments. That is what we are voting on. So I want people to understand that new Councillors here need to understand this. I, you know, I proposed...I, you know, I think...I'm sorry I embarrassed some of my cyclists in my ward who were at the consultations and they came with this, but I think they are feeling a little guilty today because I pointed out that they missed the pedestrian needs on Euclid. For some street that doesn't need a green way and you'll never get a crossing across Main Street there. Nobody is going to do that. Madam Speaker, sincere motions to change the policy even before is adopted in a policy, simple map changes, yes, some of them influenced other people's wards. I did notice that one of the motions I introduced at community committee got favour because somebody could see the benefit for their ward, like, I...I am trying to consider everything. When I propose the amending motions that I did, I considered the need of the pedestrian and cycling needs for the people, Madam Speaker, in your ward and in Councillor Pagtakhan's ward. A sincere...I'm not against it. People keep saying I'm against it. In 140 characters, you cannot define what your position is on this strategic plan on this policy, okay? Neither can you do it in 30 second commercials because I noticed that there's two amending approaches to two commercials that don't fully reflect my opinion. But the reality is, we couldn't afford to run a one hour ad to explain and rationalize. So it sounds like fear mongering. It's not. I'll tell you what. People with disabilities even on the Access Advisory Committee, Madam Speaker, which we sit like the idea because they think it's going to work that residents shovel their sidewalks so that they are in good condition so wheelchairs can use it. But I will point out there's...and this doesn't say they're going to enact it right away, but it does say we are empowering the administration before the amendment comes, we are empowering the administration to implement the strategy, direction and actions. That means to implement and in there okay, I know the amendments are going to lighten and I think that's good. I actually will vote for that amendment because my concern is...but what consultation process is going to get those 90 year old women in my ward to it? We have to shovel their windrows all the time, Madam Speaker.

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Gerbasi moves extension. All in favour. Contrary? Carried.

**Councillor Eadie:** So I have a sincere thing and I will be voting for the amendment for the snow clearing, the budget one, you know, that wasn't my concern, was we are not even reflecting the proper money that we do spend. There was no consideration to this stuff. The routes decided in the Mynarski Ward don't make sense. And I'm telling you there's a honest need, and you want to talk about fear, you talk to those parents who are trying to cross Templeton from a pedestrian walkway just to get across the street and go to school. They've seen their kids almost get hit. You want to

talk about fear. I never said that in my commercial. What I said, that's not fear mongering. This woman who got hit and that lingo, I'm sitting here blind today because I decided to go out one night. You can get hurt anywhere. Every day when I walk in my ward and I cross these busy streets, these stupid constructed places where you've got to walk to an island, it would take my life in...at Disraeli and Main over here just by City Hall. There is no way I would cross there because I'd be putting my life in danger, to die, because I would get hit because it's...you can't navigate it. So to say that I am not sincere, concerning and worrying about the residents of the ward of Mynarski and the citizens of Winnipeg because I am not a parochial person. I voted for Stage 2 Bus Rapid Transit. Most of the people my ward didn't want it, but it's got active transportation. It's good. But I can't vote for this thing because there is a lot of good people that put a lot of stuff in here, but there's errors and what you've told me today, what's happened here today, you told me you are not willing to change the policy even through the regular process that's going to have to happen now. It's not going to happen because you won't trust that...at least I have some knowledge and when you send this to the administration who is already overworked and can't do enough to keep up to the reports, we ask for them. You know, think about it because I'm really upset. I think this document could be really good. I am sincere about it but I can't, in good conscience vote for it because I know important amendments that need to happen to it will not happen.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Councillor Eadie. Next is Councillor Pagtakhan.

**Councillor Pagtakhan:** Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. It's a real privilege and honour, Madam Speaker, to stand here today and speak in favour of the Winnipeg Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies. This is a historic time, Madam Speaker. It's the first time within the history of our City of Winnipeg that we actually have a very comprehensive document, Madam Speaker, that's been created by Winnipeggers, by industry experts and the cycling committee and here we have today in an over 300 page document, Madam Speaker. And it talks, you know, Madam Speaker, six major pillars in this document and when I quickly look at it, Madam Speaker, you can see there's a huge focus on improving safety and accessibility. There's also a huge focus on improving connectivity back in early 1970s, Madam Speaker. Our city, 13 different municipalities came together to form Unicity. This document goes a long way I think in terms of creating that connectivity for our City and to sort of thrusts our City into the future. There is a futurist writer, H.G. Wells and in 1905 he wrote "A Modern Utopia" and he quoted...I'm going to quote him, Madam Speaker, he says, "Cycle tracks will bound in utopia", I'm getting some applause and you know, Winnipeg is our utopia. Winnipeg is heaven on earth and we are here shaping our utopia, Madam Speaker. There is a litany of incredible key directions in here. I really want to thank the work of, you know, the industry professionals especially our cycling advocates and the people who took part, the thousands of folks and hundreds of folks and hundreds of youth and new Canadians who took part in this consultation throughout the entire City of Winnipeg. I want to thank the Mayor for his support, Councillor Lukes for her ongoing support even before she was a city Councillor and this Council, Madam Speaker, for the incredible support that they are providing and the words that I have heard in support today regarding this document. So you know, I'll keep it really short. I also want to thank several of my constituents, Madam Speaker. I got several phone calls. I had received several e-mails and I never received any negative feedback from it. I did receive one person who wrote me, it wasn't in my ward that they weren't in favour of it but resoundingly it was a huge amount of support for this document and support for moving forward on a cycling and pedestrian strategies for our City. I'm excited, Madam Speaker, because there is a lot of new things that we're going to be taking on within our City and as you know, Madam Speaker, I'm really advocating for the Arlington Bridge and when that gets built within our City, I'm looking forward to seeing how we can improve the cycling strategies there, and how we can improve the safety, the connectivity, the, you know, how we can...how we have a physical barrier in our City like rivers and rail roads and how we can cross that in the able, more commerce and connectivity through Pedestrian and Cycling Strategies so that's...that's one thing that really excites me about this document the most. And I can't say so many enough good things about it. So I just...will keep it brief with those comments and state that I am here to support the document and the two amendments that are over here today.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Morantz.

**Councillor Morantz:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I just thought I should rise to express my support for the pedestrian cycling plan. You know, a lot has been made of the fact that this document, it says written in stone and that, you know, once it's passed, it can't be changed. I want to commend the motion that was brought forward with respect to the issue of budgeting and the fact that of course nothing happens in the city unless Council determines that it shows up in the capital budget and that's the way it will be with this plan. But on the issue of policy and codification, I thought I would may be inject a little bit of levity because it reminded me of something that I was talking to some of my colleagues at lunch about. In the original Pirates of the Caribbean movie, there is a scene where Elizabeth Turner who was...is it still politically correct to say, "damsel in distress", I don't know, but anyway, damsel in distress, Elizabeth Turner says to Captain Barbossa, "Wait, you have to take me to shore according to the code of the order of the brother and the pirates code." Barbossa, "First your return to shore was not part of our negotiations nor our agreement so I must do nothing and secondly, you must be a pirate for the pirate's code to apply and you are not. And thirdly, the code is more what you call guidelines than actual rules. Welcome aboard the Black Pearl, Ms. Turner." So anyway, my point is that if the Pirates of the Caribbean can get it right, I'm sure certainly we can as well. Thank you.

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**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Councillor Morantz. Are there any further speakers? Okay, we will...we will be giving Councillor Gerbasi an opportunity to close on Motion 2 if you wish.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Well...

**Madam Speaker:** In reverse order, yes.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Right. Well, it...I pretty much explained it before. It's really just confirming what...that the sidewalk policy is not set in stone. Nothing is going to happen without a major...it's just part of a whole bunch of different ideas thrown out and this motion is really just to reassure people of that, given there was in fact an ad campaign that told people this was going to happen to them and scared people. So I think the public needs to be reassured that nothing like that is going to happen without a fulsome...full Council debate. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Gillingham to close on Motion 1.

**Councillor Gillingham:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. My comments are similar to my colleague's Councillor Gerbasi and that this motion really is somewhat redundant, but it's there for reassurance and to remove ambiguity. So regards to the budget...budgetary implications of this document. So I have no further comments other than that, Madam Speaker. And I welcome the question.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Lukes to close.

**Councillor Lukes:** Well, I had prepared some words, but, you know, so much has been said on the strategy that I think I'm, you know, where to begin? I have been talking about active transportation for 15 years. I have been down here opposing capital budgets. I've been educating at community committee meetings, standing policy committees, EPC, Council meetings. Some of you had to listen to it all for 14 years and I think what we have got in front of us is an amazing document. I think that it is going to take Winnipeg and set us on a direction that will put us in a wonderful place where we will be moving, we will be mobile, and it's for the future. It's for our kids, it's for all ages. I'm...I'm very pleased to second these motions for clarification purposes. It's been quite an eye opener sitting on this side of the table being part of Council. I'm very thrilled to be part of Council and working with my colleagues and understanding perspectives, understanding different forms and methods of communication. And at points, I'm embarrassed. But I am here. I am extremely supportive of this document. I'm very proud of this document and I know that it's not set in stone like nothing is in life. If there is one thing that we can be sure of is there is always going to be change and that's all I'm going to say. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you, Councillor Lukes. We will now vote on the motions in reverse order and then the main item. So, Motion No. 2, I'll call the question. This is the one Councillor Gerbasi moved. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. On to Motion No. 1 which was moved by Councillor Gillingham. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Now, voting on the main item as amended. All in favour? Recorded vote has been called for. All in favour of Item No. 4 as amended, please rise.

**A RECORDED VOTE** was taken the result being as follows:

**Yeas**

His Worship Mayor Bowman, Councillors Allard, Gerbasi, Gillingham, Gilroy, Lukes, Mayes, Morantz, Orlikow, Pagtakhan, Schreyer and Madam Speaker Councillor Sharma

**Nays**

Councillors Browaty, Dobson and Eadie

**City Clerk:** The vote Madam Speaker, Yeas 12, Nays 3.

**Madam Speaker:** Motion...item has passed. Thank you. We'll now move on to By-laws for...oh, we're still on Item 8, one moment.

**Item 8 - Amendment to the Garbage Disposal Fee at 4R Winnipeg Depot (Brady Road Location)**

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Lukes to introduce No. 8.

**Councillor Lukes:** Yes, I'd like to open the floor to Councillor Eadie to ask me questions or to make comments and I'll comment after that.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Councillor Eadie, you stood this down, correct? Yes.

**Councillor Eadie:** Madam Speaker, I did step it down and I'll be voting for the report, but I just wanted to say this is about those 4R Depots that Councillor Browaty talked quite a bit about and actually I was quite excited about and they're are kind of behind in terms of getting built which is too bad according to the plan, but Madam Speaker, what I wanted to reflect here though is, you know, a lot of this dumping is an attitude, "Well, I shouldn't have to spend money. It's garbage or whatever. I should just be able to throw out in the garbage can and whatever it is or beside garbage can and somebody will take it away." So when they do build the I guess you call it, the North District 4R Depot which would be I believe it's Pacific near McPhillips. It's still a bit of a drive and we just had a discussion about those poor people who don't have motor vehicles including myself. If they have a mattress or whatever, they should be calling 311 and doing it properly but they don't want to pay money. That's interesting, but so my concern here though is, so I think when the 4R Depots were proposed, the minimum price for say bringing a mattress or a...whatever to one of these 4R Depots would be \$5. I note here that we are moving it up to \$15 and I just want to caution everybody that these depots will not do what we hope they will do, it's supposed to provide convenience so that you don't have to drive all the way to Brady, so...to get rid of your materials and stuff. So we need to ensure that there is a balance and I know we need to find the money, Councillor Morantz to make sure that we can afford to do these things. But we've got to be careful about the balance. What is that price breaking fee that will...like we want to...what we want to do is make sure nobody is dumping. Make it convenient. Make it so that it is not overly expensive and you will get more, right? Like it's...it's like the more you get, the lower the price, right? Usually, that's how it works, mass marketing. A number of us around the table have had, well, my business was sort of successful till I got into...was successful till I got into politics, but the...many of us have been successful business people. So I just warn...I'll be voting for this, but I just warn you, if it gets too much higher than the minimum \$15, those people who would just drop off that chair or that whatever, they may not be encouraged to do that and they will continue to keep dumping and we can try to catch them, the video cameras are going to help us out in those really problematic areas, but I have to say, it would be nice if nobody dumped crap in our streets, back lanes and in empty lots. So, I will be voting for it. Councillor Lukes, just I caution our administration as we move forward, the price points are very important, thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Any further speakers on the item? Councillor Lukes to close.

**Councillor Lukes:** Thank you, Councillor Eadie. This is a great initiative that we are moving forward with and the first one will be open come this fall. And the goal is to, to reduce and recycle and like with any new project, you know, we have to monitor it, we have to watch it, and keep an eye on how things evolve overall. So thank you for your comments, it's a very good initiative and I know that the department will be monitoring it.

**Madam Speaker:** I will call the question on Item 8. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. We'll now move on to By-laws for Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works. Councillor Lukes.

#### **STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE RENEWAL AND PUBLIC WORKS CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS**

**Councillor Lukes:** I'd like to move that By-law No. 79/2015 be read a first time.

**Madam Speaker:** All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

**Clerk:** By-law No. 79/2015.

**Councillor Lukes:** I'd like to move that By-law No. 79/2015 be read a second time.

**Madam Speaker:** All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

**Clerk:** By-law No. 79/2015.

**Councillor Lukes:** I'd like to move that the rule be suspended and By-law No. 79/2015 be read a third time and that same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

**Madam Speaker:** All in favour? Contrary? Carried. We'll now have Question Period for the Chair. Questions for Councillor Lukes. Councillor Browaty.

**STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE RENEWAL AND PUBLIC WORKS**  
**QUESTION PERIOD**

**Councillor Browaty:** Thank you Madam Speaker. This past March, this Council passed a record amount of money on road repairs. Over a hundred million dollars for the first time is being invested in our, in what I think most Winnipeggers would argue, is our most important infrastructure need. This past Sunday, I was driving around the city in various parts as I had a bunch of errands to run, and construction projects on Henderson Highway, Portage Avenue and Bishop Grandin were sitting idle on Sunday with a forecast for the week showed a substantial probably of rain multiple days this week, yet all those sites had one thing in common. They were sitting vacant. There were lanes out of service but there was no work being done. I thought this Council had directed the department on high-use arterial roadways where lots of trade and commerce go and where a lot of Winnipeggers use, I thought in those cases evening and weekend construction was going to be adopted. Could the Chairwoman let me know what's being done to ensure that sufficient resources are putting in, being done so that work continues on weekends?

**Councillor Lukes:** Thank you Councillor Browaty. So there are bonus and penalty clauses on major projects. There are, where there are anticipated positive business case to offering bonuses. So, the private sector contractors schedule their work accordingly. So if they feel that they can get the job done and they can get it done in the time frame allotted knowing that there is bonus...there's fees or bonuses, they will schedule it accordingly.

**Madam Speaker:** Any further questions? Councillor Browaty, second question.

**Councillor Browaty:** On a new question, we've now adopted a pedestrian and cycling strategy that's now Council policy, and there's a lot of really good stuff in that particular report. One thing that I think we all universally agree on is improving safety for pedestrians and cyclists throughout our network as well as drivers for that matter. We've invested significant money already to this point...

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Browaty, the question please.

**Councillor Browaty:** My question is, is there going to be an opportunity on areas like the Disraeli and along Gateway/Raleigh where we've invested this money to put in high-density, high-quality cycling strategies to move cyclists to a safer space away from the roadways and onto the active transportation amenities. I was on Disraeli on the river crossing, and there's vehicle...and there's bikes on there when they should be on the \$15 million pedestrian bridge. On Gateway we've got the Northeast Pioneers Greenway, yet some cyclists insist on using the road. Can we not bring in rules to ban that?

**Councillor Lukes:** Mr. Browaty, I think you're familiar with this, but the...

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Lukes, through the Chair please. Thank you.

**Councillor Lukes:** Oh sorry.

**Madam Speaker:** You may answer the question through the Chair please.

**Councillor Lukes:** Oh yes right yes. Sorry.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you.

**Councillor Lukes.** It's a long day. Councillor Sharma, I do believe, Madam Speaker, I do believe Councillor Browaty is familiar with this, that the Manitoba Highway Act states that cyclists have legal access to using the roads. It is their choice if they decide to use the road or the active transportation network. The positive fact in the pedestrian and cycling strategy is there is a component where we can do a lot better public communication and awareness, and I think that we will be expanding our communications on use of these facilities, where these facilities are, identifying these facilities, but the bottom line is, cyclists do have a legal right to use the highway and the roads.

**Madam Speaker:** Third question, thank you.

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**Councillor Browaty:** Again, in regards to the public safety for cyclists, would there be an opportunity perhaps to lobby the government, the Provincial Government, to perhaps change that?

**Councillor Lukes:** Madam Chair, if Mr. Browaty chooses to lobby the Provincial Government, he is free to do that.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay we'll come back to you Councillor Browaty. That's three questions.

**Councillor Browaty:** I get two follow-ups.

**Madam Speaker:** That was three questions.

**Councillor Browaty:** That was a no...no it was one question, the second question and then one follow-up to the second question.

**Madam Speaker:** We've always done it as three questions.

**Councillor Browaty:** I specified when I got up the second time this was a new question.

**Madam Speaker:** Hmm. It's not how we've done it before. Mr. Clerk?

**Councillor Browaty:** I get two follow-ups per question.

**Madam Speaker:** Pardon me? Rules, rules today. And one waiting. I'll come right back to you.

**Councillor Browaty:** I won't take too much time.

**Madam Speaker:** It's three questions. I'll come right back to you Councillor Browaty. Yes.

**Councillor Browaty:** Thank you Madam Speaker. My question for the Chair was would she be willing...

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor...We'll come right back to you.

**Councillor Browaty:** Oh you're coming back to me.

**Madam Speaker:** Yes. And there was another hand up. I'm sorry. Yes, Councillor Eadie.

**Councillor Eadie:** Thank you Madam Speaker. We have passed a new policy. I'd like to know Madam Speaker if the Chairperson could explain to me what the process will be to make a very important safety change, and I'm sincere about this Madam Speaker. What is the process that I'm going to use to amend that to deal with what I think is a very important route change that doesn't affect any other routes in anybody else's ward or doesn't affect anything else in the City but does affect and will help the people in the neighbourhood. What is that process that I am to use?

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Lukes?

**Councillor Lukes:** Thank you. Madam Chair, the Office of Public Engagement has set out a goal to develop a policy on public consultation following best practices of the International Association of Public Participation. So, that process will be set into motion. I'm sure it will be drafted up in the very near future and I would like to invite new Council colleagues and Council colleagues that have been here for a while, and I'm going to be working with the Director of Public Works, hopefully that we can do a session come fall so that Councillors can understand the process going forward from an active transportation perspective in how projects are selected and decided upon and the same for roads, because I think the whole movement of deciding on roads and selecting them is maybe not as well understood either. I know myself I'm challenged by that but we will be...I hope that we will be able to have some seminars on that in the fall so people can be brought up to speed.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Second question?

**Councillor Eadie:** Madam Speaker, it's a follow-up, and I do understand the document completely and fully but, so Madam Speaker, I just want to clarify this. So what the Chairperson is saying is they are not going to accept normal policy change processes that we utilize in the City. There will be no respect for those kinds of processes like the amendment I tried to move at Community Committee the other evening. You wouldn't know what that is, but that is a specific change that would actually work better for a neighbourhood to have a greenway.

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Lukes?

**Councillor Lukes:** Just repeat the question again, please.

**Councillor Eadie:** Well, given your first answer, Madam Speaker, given the first answer, I'm led now to believe that this document is not so open, healthy and living and that I can't even move a motion...a motion, somehow through a process to amend the policy document with the map, because the map is now policy, prior to any consultations happening because it actually reflects the real need of the neighbourhood. So am I going to be...are we going to be denied when we move realistic motions Madam Speaker to amend this living, breathing document?

**Councillor Lukes:** No.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, any further questions? I'll get back to Councillor Browaty.

**Councillor Browaty:** Thank you. Sorry. My second follow-up question. In the interest of pedestrian and biking and vehicular safety, is the Chairwoman prepared to advocate on behalf of everyone to perhaps modify the Highway Traffic Act. Would she be willing to champion this issue? Again, recognizing we've spent millions of dollars in many cases, like the \$15 million Disraeli active transportation bridge to move bikes off.

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Lukes?

**Councillor Lukes:** At this point in time, no.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay. Any further questions for the Chair? Okay, seeing none we will move on to the Committee on Alternate Service Delivery.

#### **REPORT OF THE ALTERNATE SERVICE DELIVERY COMMITTEE DATED JANUARY 19, 2015**

##### **Item 3 – Winnipeg Parking Authority SOA – 2015 Business Plan**

**Councillor Browaty:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'd like to, first of all, move Amendment No. 4 be rescinded and 31, sorry, No. 5?

**Madam Speaker:** Is it Motion No. 5? Yes.

**Councillor Browaty:** Motion No. 5, my apology and No. 31 be replaced.

**Motion No. 5**  
**Moved by Councillor Browaty,**  
**Seconded by Councillor Gerbasi,**

*WHEREAS downtown has experienced vigorous renewal and growth over the past few years;*

*AND WHEREAS visitors from outside, and across Winnipeg choose to visit downtown to enjoy world class dining, shopping, and entertainment;*

*AND WHEREAS businesses and residents of downtown will be affected by a restriction on evening parking;*

*AND WHEREAS the needs of residents, businesses, and visitors of downtown need to be balanced;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Recommendation 9 of Item 3 of the Report of the Alternate Services Delivery Committee dated January 19, 2015 be deleted;*

*AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Public Service be directed to present additional options for consideration in the affected area(s) and report back to the Alternate Service Delivery Committee in December of 2015.*

**Madam Speaker:** So there is a motion on the floor to rescind Motion No. 5. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. And Councillor Browaty would like to move Motion No. 31.



**Motion No. 31**

**Moved by Councillor Browaty,  
Seconded by Councillor Gerbasi,**

*WHEREAS downtown has experienced vigorous renewal and growth over the past few years;*

*AND WHEREAS visitors from outside, and across Winnipeg choose to visit downtown to enjoy world class dining, shopping, and entertainment;*

*AND WHEREAS businesses and residents of downtown will be affected by a restriction on evening parking;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Item 3 of the Report of the Alternate Services Delivery Committee dated January 19, 2015 ("Winnipeg Parking Authority SOA – 2015 Business Plan) be amended by deleting Recommendation 9;  
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT that Council rescind Recommendation 2 of the report entitled "Implementation of Demand Based Pricing at On-Street Metered Locations and Updates on Other Improvements to On-Street Parking" approved by Council at its meeting of July 18, 2012;*

*AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Public Service be directed to present additional options for consideration in the affected areas(s) and report back to the Alternate Service Delivery Committee in December of 2015.*

**Councillor Browaty:** Thank you. First of all, this is an introduction of the 2015 business plan for the Winnipeg Parking Authority Special Operating Agency. That's pretty self-explanatory and it was discussed by the ASD Committee back in January. The changes here today reflect the fact that we had considerable feedback from members of the public in regards to what's being proposed in terms of changes to the downtown evening parking piece. Specifically, the previous council had granted authorization to do a 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. two hour paid parking program which was, at that point supported by the Biz but the ASD Committee and Council and a number of others that were consulted on the item had concerns with that particular proposal. ASD and EPC endorsed the plan to go to a two hour paid program, but there was still concerns with some residents from the Fort Garry Ward...Fort Rouge-East Fort Garry Ward which Councillor Gerbasi represents and it's in the area that the proposed changes were being proposed as well as concerns from some of the members of the BIZ community. I know the Parking Authority and the BIZ have done significant consultation with sessions out Convention Centre years ago and meetings with various business interest and business groups but I think there is an opportunity perhaps to see some other proposals that could come forward to this Council as well as an opportunity to consult with the new Council so everyone's brought us up to speed as to what the concerns and issues are so the amending motion puts a halt in any changes to even parking for the time being and that that would come back to the ASD Committee in December. So again, we're...we're moving forward with the 2015 business plan with the removal of any changes to evening parking until further discussion in December.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Any further speakers on the motion? Councillor Browaty, do you wish to close? Okay, I'll call the question. All in favour of Motion No. 31? Contrary? Carried. Yes and the vote is on the clause as amended. Thank you. Call the question again? All in favour? Contrary? Carried. We now will move on to the Governance Committee of Council. Councillor Gerbasi, will you move on my behalf the report dated June 18? There's one item I believe.

**REPORT OF THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL  
DATED JUNE 18, 2015**

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Yes, I'll move the report dated January 19th of...or...sorry, June 18th of the Governance Committee ...the Consent Agenda Item 1.

**Madam Speaker:** Okay, and Councillor Lukes, you wish to speak to it? Thank you.

**Councillor Lukes:** Yes, I'd like to speak to it. This is regarding...

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Wait a minute. I have to introduce it before you can speak to it.

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Gerbasi, would you like to introduce it regarding the...

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Would you read it, Madam Clerk?

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**Item 1 – Ward Name Change – “St. Norbert” to “South Winnipeg-St. Norbert”**

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Yeah, I'll just...it's introduced. I'll just hear from the Councillor.

**Councillor Lukes:** I just wanted to make a comment on it that this is....it is my ward, the St. Norbert Ward which is the second largest ward in the City of Winnipeg and is growing rapidly and it encompasses the Waverley West Communities of Bridgewater forest, Bridgewater Lakes, South Pointe and a part of the east south St. Vital. So during the campaign, of course, many folks didn't believe they lived in the St. Norbert ward and I had to convince them that they do and they need to for me. It was very...a lot of convincing at the door, and I think that the...in consultation with many of the groups in St. Norbert and especially our heritage groups in the actual community of St. Norbert that we've come to the conclusion the South Winnipeg-St. Norbert Ward would be a more appropriate name for the ward tipping our hat to the heritage and history and significance of St. Norbert by retaining St. Norbert in the name. Thank you.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you. Are there any further speakers? Councillor Gerbasi to close. Okay, we'll call the question on Item No. 1. All in favour? Contrary? Carried. We will now have By-laws for Governance.

**GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL  
CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS**

**Councillor Gerbasi:** Madam Speaker, I move that the By-law No. 68/2015 be read a first time.

**Madam Speaker:** All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

**Clerk:** By-law No. 68/2015.

**Madam Speaker:** Councillor Gerbasi on the second reading.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** I move that By-law No. 68/2015 be read a second time.

**Madam Speaker:** All in favour? Contrary? Carried.

**Clerk:** By-law No. 68/2015.

**Councillor Gerbasi:** I move that the rules be suspended and By-law No. 68/2015 be read a third time and that the same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

**Madam Speaker:** All in favour? Contrary? Carried. Mr. Mayor, Councillors, although we are not meeting any committees of council are not meeting till September, I know that we're not going to be engaging in some important community work to over the next few weeks. Each of you, Councillors in your ward, Mr. Mayor you across the City, but I do hope that you take some time to rest and recharge and spend some quality time with your families. Thank you. Councillor Pagtakhan, will you move adjournment? All in favour? Contrary. Carried. Roll call, Madam Clerk.

**ROLL CALL**

**Clerk:** His Worship Mayor Bowman, Councillors Allard, Browaty, Dobson, Eadie, Gerbasi, Gillingham, Gilroy, Lukes, Mayes, Morantz, Orlikow, Pagtakhan, Schreyer, Madam Speaker Councillor Sharma.

**Madam Speaker:** Thank you.

**Council adjourned at 3:50 p.m.**