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Councillor Markus Chambers  
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Dear Councillor Chambers:

Thank you for agreeing to continue serving Winnipeggers in your role as Acting Deputy Mayor, Chair of the Winnipeg Police Board as well as in your new role as Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Innovation and Economic Development, effective April 5 2022. I greatly appreciate your ongoing leadership in your existing portfolios and that you have accepted this new leadership role.

As part of your work as a member of EPC, I expect that you will maintain an ongoing effort to collaborate with all members of Council, Winnipeggers, members of our Public Service, and members of the Office of Policy and Strategic Initiatives, whose jobs it is to support you with the expert and strategic advice you may require to meet your responsibilities and obligations as chairperson of your committee.

Additionally, you are expected to maintain a professional and healthy relationship with members of our local and national media, as well as with staff from City Administration and Mayor's Office who share a responsibility in supporting you in your official capacity. Through demonstrated leadership - working collaboratively, hearing all sides, and maintaining positive relationships with all internal and external stakeholders - I believe we can continue the important work of this Council and continue to build on the collective confidence and pride in Winnipeg that is felt across the nation and most importantly, by all Winnipeggers.

Even as we continue our COVID-19 recovery efforts, we must continue to be vigilant in safeguarding public health. We must continue to ensure effective delivery of the essential services Winnipeggers rely upon. We must continue doing all that we can to assist those who are stressed financially, just as we did by providing temporary relief on penalties for unpaid property and business taxes. And we must work vigorously and in concert with our federal and provincial partners to implement our plans for economic recovery.

We also face new challenges due to rising inflation and global supply issues, which have an adverse effect on our city budgets. A goal as Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Innovation and Economic Development will be to meet the needs of a growing city while respecting taxpayer dollars.

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Given the challenges we face, your role as Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Innovation and Economic Development is important for our future as a city. I would like to take this opportunity to outline the expectations, both general and specific, which are foundational to your performance of this role.

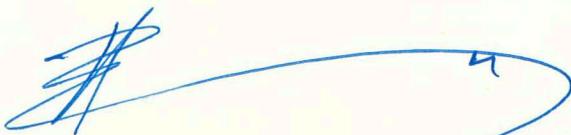
Your primary goal as Chair of Innovation and Economic Development will be to ensure that the work and activities undertaken by the Winnipeg Parking Authority, Golf Services, the Fleet Management Agency, the Animal Services Agency, and our civic departments who work closest with citizens in our 311 division of the Customer Service and Communications Department, are carried out so that the public's best interests are always paramount.

As we move forward in building a stronger Winnipeg for the future, you will be expected to work with the Public Service to:

- Examine where technological improvements can enhance service delivery by the City of Winnipeg during and after the COVID-19 pandemic has passed;
- Continue to support the use of 311 as a tool for residents seeking information regarding COVID-19;
- Examine where technological improvements can help enhance the safety of the work of Council and City of Winnipeg staff; and,
- Work with Economic Development Winnipeg and other stakeholders to identify opportunities for City of Winnipeg investments that grow the property tax base to address the economic uncertainties associated with the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent recovery efforts.

The challenges facing our city have never been greater. But I am confident that Winnipeggers will weather this storm, and that we will emerge a healthier, more prosperous, more inclusive community. Once again Councillor Chambers, thank you for accepting the roles of Acting Deputy Mayor, Chair of the Winnipeg Police Board and, most recently, Chairperson of the Standing Policy Committee on Innovation and Economic Development, as well as for all your contributions to Winnipeg's future.

Sincerely,



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