

December 3, 2018

Councillor Matt Allard The City of Winnipeg 510 Main Street Winnipeg MB R3B 1B9

Dear Councillor Allard:

Congratulations on your re-election as Councillor for the ward of St. Boniface. Since 2014, you have served the citizens residing in St. Boniface along with additional important roles including Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works, member of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development, and Acting Deputy Mayor.

In these roles, you have demonstrated a willingness to collaborate and work constructively with the community, Council colleagues, and members of the Public Service. Given the experience you have gained, I am honoured that you have accepted to continue as Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works. I am confident that you will serve the citizens well in this role.

This year, Winnipeggers overwhelmingly voted to continue building on the positive momentum and vision that we have started building over the last four years, as we continue to grow towards a city of one million people strong. Winnipeggers also voted for a City Hall that works for the people and their families as well as a City Hall that is accountable, accessible, and innovative.

As Mayor, it is my duty to ensure that members of the Executive Policy Committee (EPC) continue as leaders in collaboration with all members of City Council, the Public Service, and the citizens of Winnipeg. An important part of serving on EPC is demonstrating leadership and collaboration that transcends ward boundaries in the best interest of building a city of which we can all be proud. As such, it is my expectation that your focus as a member of EPC is to meet the priorities of residents across Winnipeg in addition to the priorities of the residents you represent in the St. Boniface ward.

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 expert and strategic advice you may require to meet your responsibilities and obligations as chairperson for your committee.

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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 to support you in your official capacity. Through demonstrated leadership to work collaboratively, hear all sides, and maintain positive relationships with all internal and external stakeholders, I believe we can continue the important work of this Council to build a collective confidence and pride in Winnipeg that is felt across the nation and most importantly, by all Winnipeggers.

Your primary goal as Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works will be to meet the needs of a growing population and economy by rebuilding the city's road network and moving towards an efficient, well-functioning, and safe transit service. Additionally, you are responsible for overseeing the activities conducted by the Winnipeg Public Service's Public Works Department and Transit Department, on behalf of our citizens, to ensure it is undertaken with the public's best interests always at top of mind.

Specifically, you will be expected to work with the Public Service to:

- Lead a historic six-year, \$976 million regional and local road renewal program, including the \$315.9 million Accelerated Regional Street Renewal program;
- Complete the second stage of the Southwest Rapid Transitway;
- Establish an industry working group to:
 - Extend the successful early tendering process for regional roads to include local roads
 - o Improve communication with residents and businesses affected by road construction
 - o Explore 24/7 construction;
- Continue the funding partnership with the provincial government in support of the Municipal Infrastructure Research Chair at the University of Manitoba;
- Continue to find innovative ways to improve snow clearing;
- Continue expanding the City's award-winning Active Transportation network:
- Lead and support the operational review currently underway by Winnipeg Transit, specifically:
 - o Establish a high-frequency network; and
 - o Implement a gradual and phased-in deployment of electric buses.
- Introduce a new low-income bus pass program;
- Install 55 new heated bus shelters and lead on other customer-facing investments by leveraging funding from the new *Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program*;
- Continue leading on transit safety; and
- Implement a bus stop accessibility program.

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Once again, I would like to thank you for accepting the role of Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works. I am confident that you will continue to build on the trust of our citizens as you have done throughout your previous tenure on Council, and I know that your focus on the priorities of Winnipeggers will continue. I also want you to know that you can count on me for continued support in your efforts.

Sincerely,

Brian Bowman, B.A.(Adv.), J.D., CPA(Hon.), CGA(Hon.)

MAYOR

The City of Winnipeg