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Councillor Marty Morantz  
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Dear Councillor Morantz:

Since November 2014, you have served Winnipeggers in your important role on Executive Policy Committee (EPC) as the chairperson on the Standing Policy Committee Chair of Finance leading on important fiscal issues and overseeing three city budgets during difficult financial times. It has been my honour to have the opportunity to work with you to address the priorities of Winnipeggers, and I am pleased you have accepted the appointment of Chair of the Standing Policy Committee of Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works (IRPW).

In 2014, Winnipeggers voted for the largest turnover of Winnipeg City Council in decades, entrusting in each of us as their chosen elected representatives, a mandate for positive change. So far, we have made significant positive changes at City Hall that began with you and I, along with all of our EPC colleagues, proactively reducing our salaries resulting in savings of \$400,000 to taxpayers. As Mayor, it is my duty to ensure that members of Executive Policy Committee continue as leaders in collaboration with all members of City Council, the Public Service and the citizens of Winnipeg. It is my expectation that your exceptional efforts and demonstrated leadership on civic matters under your purview will continue over the coming months. I also expect that your focus as a member of EPC is to meet the priorities of citizens across Winnipeg along with the priorities of the residents you represent in the Charleswood-Tuxedo-Whyte Ridge 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 Winnipeg 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 members of City and Mayor's Office communications professionals who share a responsibility to support you with communications activities conducted in your official EPC capacity. Through demonstrated leadership to work collaboratively, hear all sides, and maintain positive relationships with all internal and external stakeholders, I believe we will bring together this Council and this City 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 IRPW will be to ensure that work and activities conducted by the Winnipeg Public Service's Public Works Department as well as the activities of the Transit Department, on behalf of our citizens, 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:

- Ensure bus rapid transit development with a priority on ensuring accountability for the construction and completion of Phase II of the SouthWest Rapid Transitway, the Eastern Rapid Transit Corridor study and ultimately keep Winnipeg on track to complete all bus rapid transit routes by 2030
- Lead record infrastructure renewal (repairs, maintenance, investments in new and existing city-wide local/regional, sidewalks lanes, bridges, under/overpasses) and active transportation (pedestrian and cycling) strategies
- Improve procurement processes to approve a portion of the planned infrastructure projects two years in advance, instead of year-to-year to allow stakeholders the ability to plan better for upcoming projects and construction seasons
- Continue to explore more opportunities to tender more projects when possible and to tender infrastructure projects early
- Develop a framework for reviewing infrastructure activity every two years and reporting on it in a public and transparent manner
- Ensure studies and updated opportunities are presented to Council regarding Council approved priorities under the Building Canada Fund including:
  - Waverley underpass
  - Marion Street widening and underpass
  - Chief Peguis Trail extension from Main to Route 90
  - Kenaston Boulevard widening
- Review and implement improved investment opportunities for Winnipeg Public Transit (bus fleet, routes in new areas of growth, transit improvements) including dedicated transit routes to major tourist destinations

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- Review and research innovative snow clearing opportunities with a view to finding savings, efficiencies, and improvements
- Review and implement street cleaning innovations with a view to finding savings, efficiencies, and improvements

I am confident you will continue to build on the trust of our citizens as you have done throughout the past two years, and I know that over the coming year your focus on the priorities of all Winnipeggers and high standards of conduct will continue. I also hope you know that you can count on me for continued support in your efforts as well.

Yours sincerely,



Brian Bowman  
MAYOR



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