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Councillor Mike Pagtakhan
The City of Winnipeg
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Dear Councillor Pagtakhan:

Since November 2015, you have served Winnipeggers in your important role on Executive Policy Committee (EPC) as Standing Policy Committee Chair on Protection, Community Services and Parks (PCS&P). It has been my honour to have the opportunity to work with you to address the priorities of Winnipeggers over the past two years, and I am pleased you have accepted the opportunity to continue serving in this role.

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. I applaud that you've been recognized by Winnipeggers as an individual whose reelection to Council would be instrumental to making the change our citizens deserve.

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 Point Douglas 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 PCS&P will be to ensure that work and activities conducted by the Community Services Department, and the Parks division of Planning, Property and Development 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:

- Seek opportunities to build on the City's downtown dog park and additional off-leash opportunities in Winnipeg through the ongoing development of the City's Dog park Master Plan
- Ensure the city's pilot project for community volunteer web application is working for members of the city's 63 community centres and amended as required to best suit their needs
- Ensure the city's incentive program to reward those who donate their time and energy to assist in our community centres is meeting the needs of community centres to retain their important volunteer base
- Work with the newly established Mayor's Task Force on Arts Heritage and Culture, as Chair, to ensure museums, arts and important heritage initiatives are considering innovative new ways to build revenue options

In addition to your leadership on EPC, I also wish to commend you on addressing your responsibilities as the Council liaison to Project Management. In this important role, your primary goal continues to be to work in collaboration with our public service and Corporate Finance to:

- Ensure capital project reporting continues in a timely and transparent manner to stakeholders and citizens alike
- Ensure capital project reporting retains public oversight and continued on-time, on budget priorities are attained

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- Work with Corporate Finance to explore options to continually improve communication during complex major capital projects involving multiple departments and leadership and accountability on all Winnipeg major capital projects

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 your focus on the priorities of 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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