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Councillor Brian Mayes
The City of Winnipeg
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Dear Councillor Mayes:

Since November 2014, you have served Winnipeggers in your important role on Executive Policy Committee (EPC), most recently as the chairperson for the Standing Policy Committee of Water and Waste, Riverbank Management and the Environment (WWRME), and it has been my honour to have the opportunity to work with you to address the priorities of Winnipeggers over the past two years.

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 St. Vital 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 WWRME will be to ensure that work and activities conducted by the Winnipeg Public Service's Water and Waste Department as well as the activities of the Planning, Property and Development Department's Waterways Branch 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 sewer overflows reduction options are accomplished in a fiscally responsible manner as outlined in the Combined Sewer Overflow Master Plan Preliminary Proposal, as required under the Province of Manitoba's Environmental license
- Ensure garbage collection, its processes, and its awarding of contracts is fairly and appropriately conducted and is balanced with service effectiveness and tax-dollar protection
- Ensure a fair engagement is conducted to consider, review and discuss the best and most cost effective opportunities for and organics program if one is desired
- Ensure the Public Service completes transition of coagulant in drinking water treatment from Manganese to significantly reduce or eliminate discoloured water incidents and implement all recommendations of the discoloured water investigation report in 2018
- Improve riverbank stabilization and related investment along the Winnipeg's 106 kilometers of riverfront property along the Red and Assiniboine Rivers
- Explore opportunities to invest in river infrastructure that will be usable regardless of the river levels; expand and develop this infrastructure to have more river paths and allow increased use of the rivers for light impact activity such as canoeing and kayaking
- Ensure the Public Service continues to work toward fiscally responsible options and partnership opportunities to improve the health and quality of our rivers
- In addition to your leadership on EPC, I also wish to commend you on addressing your responsibilities as the Council Liaison for School Boards and Youth Opportunity. In this important role, your primary goal continues to be to work in collaboration with our public service and school boards within the City of Winnipeg to accomplish the following goals:

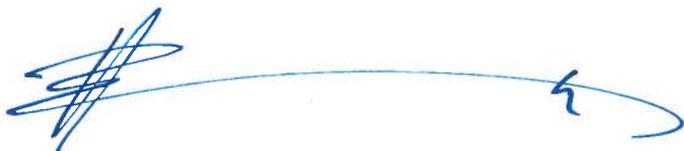
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- Collaborate with school boards/divisions and City to develop opportunities for shared-use agreements for parks and community centre programming opportunities
- Ensure the United@Winnipeg youth work training program meets commitments to build on diversity opportunities and builds relationships cross community
- Work with the public service and school divisions to review and expand current internship and co-op opportunities for talented students within the Winnipeg Public Service

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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