

**Agenda – Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works –  
September 12, 2019**

**REPORTS**

**Item No. 39                      Review of Motor Vehicle Noise Policies  
(Waverley West Ward)**

**COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

On July 2, 2019, the Assiniboia Community Committee recommended to the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works that the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to conduct a cross-jurisdictional review of motor vehicles noise policies and guidelines and conduct a comprehensive update of the City of Winnipeg’s Motor Vehicles Noise Policies and Guidelines.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On July 2, 2019, the Assiniboia Community Committee passed the following motion:

WHEREAS according to the United Nations, 54 per cent of the world's population today lives in urban areas, a proportion that is expected to increase to 66 per cent by 2050;

AND WHEREAS urbanization, economic growth and motorized transport are some of the driving forces for environmental noise exposure and health effects;

AND WHEREAS according to the Conference Board of Canada, Winnipeg's growth is expected to reach 1 million residents by 2040;

AND WHEREAS a recent World Health Organization on noise pollution concludes noise is "not only an environmental nuisance but also a threat to public health";

AND WHEREAS the most current City of Winnipeg Motor Vehicles Noise and Policy Guidelines is 35 years old;

AND WHEREAS the Public Service is currently conducting a sound study for effective measurement of noise levels and photo noise enforcement;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works be requested to direct the Winnipeg Public Service to conduct a cross-jurisdictional review of motor vehicles noise policies and guidelines and conduct a comprehensive update of the City of Winnipeg's Motor Vehicle Noise Policies and Guidelines.