

**Minutes – Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works –  
November 5, 2021**

**REPORTS**

**Item No. 23                      Updated Motor Vehicle Noise Policy**

**STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

The Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works directed the Winnipeg Public Service to report back to the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works at its May 4, 2022 meeting on the following:

1.     Developing a scope of work and cost estimate for an updated Motor Vehicle Noise Policy with recommendations for what is deemed publicly acceptable for daytime and nighttime noise mitigation, and information on enforcement tools and mitigation methods, and include the following in the scope of work:
  - A.     Best practices from other Canadian jurisdictions
  - B.     Consultation with stakeholders, including but not limited to, the Province of Manitoba, the development industry, the Manitoba Trucking Association, and automobile enthusiast groups.

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**DECISION MAKING HISTORY:**

Moved by Councillor Browaty,

That Rule 10(3) of The Procedure By-law No. 50/2007 be suspended in order that the following item, which was received less than four business days preceding the committee meeting, be considered by Committee.

Carried

The Chairperson called Councillor Browaty to the Chair to move the following motion:

Moved by Councillor Allard,

WHEREAS there have been various inquiries over the last year regarding road noise, which covers both background traffic noise, as well as “spot” noise from individual vehicles revving their engines, loud sound systems, etc. which are a source of nuisance for adjacent homes;

AND WHEREAS the City’s documentation on noise policy / sound attenuation, as maintained by Public Works Department, requires updates, as it dates back to the 1980s;

AND WHEREAS attempts by the Public Service to work on this in recent months have not been fruitful in commencing work on this task;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Winnipeg Public Service to be directed to report back to the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works at its May 4, 2022 meeting on the following:

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  - B. Consultation with stakeholders, including but not limited to, the Province of Manitoba, the development industry, the Manitoba Trucking Association, and automobile enthusiast groups.

Carried

Councillor Allard resumed the Chair.