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MOTION - CITY RENEWABLE ENERGY

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That the Standing Committee on Environmental Protection, Water and Waste Management recommend that Council:

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- 1. Direct staff to report back to Council by Q2 2022 and:
 - a) Identify at least three suitable roofs at City-owned facilities to increase renewable electricity generation through leasing solar rooftop equipment for net metering;
 - b) Establish a working group with Hydro Ottawa and technical experts by Q2 2022 to explore the potential for enhanced community net metering and further enable distributed energy resources;
- 2. Approve that, as part of the 2023 budget process, Planning Real Estate and Economic Development, Recreation, Culture and Facilities, Infrastructure and Water Services, or Innovative Client Services consider the requirement for one full-time equivalent (FTE) position and funding to develop and implement a distributed energy resource framework;
- 3. Approve that, contingent on sufficient resources, Council direct staff to report back to the Standing Committee on Environmental Protection, Water and Waste Management by Q4 2023 with:
 - a) An evaluation of existing solar PV systems and impact to facilities installed at City owned facilities;

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b) A distributed energy resource framework for city-owned facilities and land including:

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- i. Renewable energy generation (solar and wind);
- ii. Energy storage;
- ii. Demand response;
- iv. Potential policies to install distributed energy resources at City facilities or on City land;
- c) Staff and funding implications to implement and support the distributed energy resource framework.

Councillor Kavanagh thanked Vice-Chair Menard for submitting this Motion on her behalf, and then spoke to provide context. Chair Moffatt also spoke to address public concerns regarding wind power in rural areas. Ms. Andrea Flowers, Section Manager, Climate Change and Resiliency, Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, was also present to respond to questions.

With comments having concluded, the report recommendations were put before the Committee and were 'CARRIED', as presented.

Emailed correspondence was received from Ms Jane Wilson, Chair, Ottawa Wind Concerns. A copy of her email is held on file with the Office of the City Clerk.