

Council Chambers
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, February 11, 2002
at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor, in the Chair;
Councillors Atchison, Fortosky, Heidt, McCann, Penner, Roe,
Sternberg, Swystun and Waygood;
City Manager Richards;
General Manager, Community Services Gauthier;
General Manager, Corporate Services Veltkamp;
General Manager, Infrastructure Services Uzelman;
A/General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Russell;
A/General Manager, Utility Services Stolte
City Solicitor Dust;
City Clerk Mann;
A/Councillors' Assistant Long

PRESENTATION

His Worship the Mayor commenced the 2002 Heritage Awards presentation and explained that the Heritage Awards Program is administered by the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee with its partners, the Meewasin Valley Authority and The Partnership. He thanked the judges: Jackie Hoepfner, representing the Interior Designers of Saskatchewan; Dave Anderson, representing the Saskatchewan Association of Architects; Barbara Anderson, representing the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee; Dianne Wilson-Meyer, representing the Saskatoon Heritage Society; and Colleen Yates, representing the Heritage Community-at-Large.

His Worship the Mayor presented the following awards:

- Volunteer Public Service - Joe Zeman.
- Restoration - Exterior - Obert and Connie Friggstad for restoring the original detail of their vintage home.
- Adaptive Re-use - Two projects were chosen in this category:

Gerry Agrey and Derek Kindrachuk for their architectural offices at 619 Main Street, along with Henry Hildebrandt, City of Saskatoon Electric System Branch, owner.

Friends of the Forestry Farm House, Derek Kindrachuk, Architect, Stephen Stade, Homestade Construction Ltd. and Paul Gauthier, City of Saskatoon, for restoring the

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heritage integrity of the Superintendent's Residence. Claire Bullaro accepted on behalf of the Friends of the Forestry Farm House.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held on January 21, 2002 be approved.

CARRIED.

HEARINGS

- 2a) Proposed Street Closure - Portion of Lane
1st Avenue North and 40th Street
Proposed Bylaw No. 8097
(File No. CK. 6295-1)**

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider and determine any submissions and objections to proposed street closing prior to its consideration of Bylaw No. 8097.

Attached is a copy of Clause D1, Administrative Report No. 19-2001 which was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on November 5, 2001.

Council, at its meeting held on November 5, 2001, gave notice of its intention to consider the proposed street closing and instructed the City Solicitor to take further necessary steps in respect of the matter.

The following is a report of the City Solicitor dated January 24, 2002:

‘City Council at its meeting held on November 5, 2001, instructed this Office to proceed with the above closing.

All of the preliminary proceedings in connection with the proposed closing have been taken, and we have secured consents from all those required to give same.

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We are attaching at this time the following:

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8097 to close a portion of the lane at First Avenue North and 40th Street;
2. Photocopy of letter dated December 18, 2001, from the Deputy Minister of Highways and Transportation advising that the Minister grants consent to the Council of The City of Saskatoon to pass the necessary bylaw for said closing;
3. Copy of Notice of Closing with attached drawing which will be advertised in accordance with *The Urban Municipality Act, 1984* on Saturday, January 19, 2002 and Saturday, January 26, 2002. (The City Clerk will report with respect to any petitions to be heard.)

This will confirm that we have completed all required services on the interested parties by registered mail.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Bylaw No. 8097;
2. Photocopy of letter from Deputy Minister of Highways and Transportation dated December 18, 2001; and
3. Photocopy of Notice of Closing.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing and ascertained that there was no one present in the gallery who wished to address Council with respect to the matter.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8097.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

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The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL

**1) Martin Zip
315 Isabella Street East, dated January 31**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to casino gambling. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

**2) Ken Rutherford
1501 23rd Street West, dated January 25**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the issue of casino expansion. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

RECOMMENDATION: that Martin Zip and Ken Rutherford be heard.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT Martin Zip and Ken Rutherford be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Martin Zip, 315 Isabella Street East, spoke with respect to problems associated with gambling, highlighting the links to substance abuse.

Mr. Ken Rutherford, 1501 23rd Street West, spoke against building a new casino in Saskatoon, pointing out some of the problems associated with gambling, and the effects of gambling on First Nations people.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the information be received and joined to the file.

CARRIED.

3) Glenn Gustafson, Executive Director

Saskatchewan Dutch Elm Disease Association, dated January 7

Requesting permission to address Council to review the provincial Dutch Elm Disease (DED) situation and to give some insight into how Saskatoon fits into the overall picture. (File No. CK. 4200-4)

**4) Stephanie Laverty, Acting President
SOS Elms Coalition, dated January 14**

Requesting permission to address Council to review the current status of Dutch Elm Disease (DED) management within the City of Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4200-4)

RECOMMENDATION: that Glenn Gustafson and Stephanie Laverty be heard.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT Glenn Gustafson and Stephanie Laverty be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Glenn Gustafson, Saskatchewan Dutch Elm Disease Association, spoke with respect to the provincial Dutch Elm Disease situation.

Ms. Stephanie Laverty, SOS Elms Coalition, outlined how the community is prepared for Dutch Elm Disease. She pointed out that the primary concern is privately-owned elms and suggested ways the City could help find a solution. These included a tree care cost-share program, public education by City employees, waiving of landfill fees for elm wood, ensuring that disposal of elm wood is done properly and pruning be done correctly by a certified arborist. She asked that Council form a City Tree Advisory Committee. Ms. Laverty provided Council with a copy of her presentation, as well as a copy of the SOS Elms Newsletter for the Winter 2001-02 and a copy of a publication entitled "A Homeowner's Guide to Elm Care and DED Prevention in Saskatoon".

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Planning and Operations Committee.

CARRIED.

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**5) Anndrea Taylor and Carole Penner, Co-Chairs
Sturby Place Tenants Association, dated February 6**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the banning of skateboarding at Sturby Place and surrounding streets. (File No. CK. 610-8)

RECOMMENDATION: that Anndrea Taylor and Carole Penner be heard.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Anndrea Taylor and Carole Penner be heard.

CARRIED.

Ms. Anndrea Taylor and Ms. Carole Penner, Sturby Place Tenants Association, spoke with respect to problems associated with skateboarders around Sturby Place and asked that Council pass a bylaw banning skateboarding at Sturby Place and the surrounding area. They presented Council with a copy of memos sent to the tenants of Sturby Place from the Sturby Place Executive regarding skateboarding rules.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.

CARRIED.

AA. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

**1) Clay Larson, Chair (2002)
Saskatoon Development Appeals Board, dated January 21**

Submitting the Saskatoon Development Appeals Board 2001 Annual Report. (File No. CK.430-30)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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**2) Marilyn J. Braun-Pollon, Director, Provincial Affairs Saskatchewan
Canadian Federation of Independent Business, dated January 22**

Submitting the Canadian Federation of Independent Business' (CFIB) views on the City Mayors' discussions involving increased revenue sharing and the authority to access new revenue sources. (File No. CK. 1920-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

3) His Worship, Mayor James Maddin, dated January 25

Submitting a copy of his response to Ms. Marilyn J. Braun-Pollin, Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB), with respect to her letter dated January 22, 2002 regarding the CFIB's views on the City Mayors' discussions involving increased revenue sharing and the authority to access new revenue sources. (File No. CK. 1920-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**4) Qian (Jan) Yin, Event Coordinator
Saskatoon's Chinese New Year Celebration 2002, dated January 21**

Submitting various requests regarding the 2002 Chinese New Year Celebration to be held on Saturday, February 16, 2002, and requesting that Council proclaim Saturday, February 16, 2002 as the official Saskatoon Chinese New Year's Celebration in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that the requests in connection with the 2002 Chinese New Year Celebration be approved subject to Administrative conditions;

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- 2) that City Council proclaim Saturday, February 16, 2002 as the official Saskatoon Chinese New Year's Celebration in Saskatoon; and
- 3) that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamation on behalf of City Council.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

- 1) *that the requests in connection with the 2002 Chinese New Year Celebration be approved subject to Administrative conditions;*
- 2) *that City Council proclaim Saturday, February 16, 2002 as the official Saskatoon Chinese New Year's Celebration in Saskatoon; and*
- 3) *that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamation on behalf of City Council.*

CARRIED.

5) Wayne Klassen
109 Fisher Crescent, dated January 23

Requesting that Council consider the contracting out of the pickup and drop off of needles in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 3000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and referred to the Administration for consideration.

Moved by Councillor Steernberg, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Administration for consideration.

CARRIED.

6) John M. McCormick and Dan Bichel, Presidents, Ken Foster, Canadian Director
Amalgamated Transit Unions, Local 588 and Local 615, dated January 9

Submitting a copy of a letter sent to the Honourable Lorne Calvert, Premier of Saskatchewan, with respect to issues that are important to the future of transit. (File No. CK. 7300-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**7) Sharon D. Maher, President, Board of Directors
Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium Foundation, dated January 23**

Advising Council of the Annual General Meeting of the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium Foundation Membership to be held on Thursday, February 28, 2002 at 12:00 noon in the Green Room, Centennial Auditorium. (File No. CK. 175-28)

RECOMMENDATION: that the City of Saskatoon, being a member of The Centennial Auditorium Foundation Board of Directors, appoint James Maddin, or in his absence Glen Penner or Lenore Swystun, of The City of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan, as its proxy to vote for it on its behalf at the Annual Meeting of the members of the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium Foundation, to be held on the 28th day of February, 2002, or at any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the City of Saskatoon, being a member of The Centennial Auditorium Foundation Board of Directors, appoint James Maddin, or in his absence Glen Penner or Lenore Swystun, of The City of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan, as its proxy to vote for it on its behalf at the Annual Meeting of the members of the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium Foundation, to be held on the 28th day of February, 2002, or at any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

CARRIED.

**8) Sharon D. Maher, President, Board of Directors
Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium and Convention Centre Corp., dated January 23**

Advising Council of the Annual General Meeting of the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium and Convention Centre Corporation Membership to be held on Thursday, February 28, 2002, at 12:05 p.m. in the Green Room, Centennial Auditorium. (File No. CK. 175-28)

RECOMMENDATION: that the City of Saskatoon, being a member of The Centennial Auditorium and Convention Centre Corporation Board of Directors,

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appoint James Maddin, or in his absence Glen Penner or Lenore Swystun, of The City of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan, as its proxy to vote for it on its behalf at the Annual Meeting of the members of the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium and Convention Centre Corporation to be held on the 28th day of February, 2002, or at any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the City of Saskatoon, being a member of The Centennial Auditorium and Convention Centre Corporation Board of Directors, appoint James Maddin, or in his absence Glen Penner or Lenore Swystun, of The City of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan, as its proxy to vote for it on its behalf at the Annual Meeting of the members of the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium and Convention Centre Corporation to be held on the 28th day of February, 2002, or at any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

CARRIED.

**9) Glenn Michalchuk, CAW Prairie Region Vice-President
Canadian Auto Workers, Local 101, dated January 24**

Submitting information with respect to the elimination of Saskatoon as a safety inspection location for the Canadian Pacific Railway. (File No. CK. 6172-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Administration for a report.

CARRIED.

**10) Heather Larson, Administrator
Broadway Business Improvement District, dated January 24**

Advising Council of the Broadway Business Improvement District Board of Management's support of an on-line payment option for parking tickets. (File No. CK. 6120-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**11) Cy Standing, Board Chair and Sheila Gamble, Chief Executive Officer
Wanuskewin Heritage Park, dated January 25**

Requesting that the City of Saskatoon restore their funding to the Wanuskewin Heritage Park to their original amount of \$240,000, on a \$18,667 per year basis increase for the next three years. (File No. CK. 1870-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and referred to the Budget Committee.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Budget Committee.

CARRIED.

**12) Kelly Patrick, Chair
Saskatoon Skatepark Corporation, dated January 22**

Thanking Council for designating the Skatepark project a Municipal Capital Project. (File No. CK. 610-8)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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**13) Susan Howse
1909 St. Charles Avenue, dated January 17**

Submitting comments with respect to a proposed skateboarding facility in Kinsmen Park. (File No. CK. 610-8)

**14) Nancy, Lisa and Vicky Howse
1909 St. Charles Avenue, dated January 17**

Submitting comments with respect to a proposed skateboarding facility in Kinsmen Park. (File No. CK. 610-8)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and referred to the Administration.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Administration.

CARRIED.

15) Lisa Holst, Universal Church Supplies, and Others, undated

Eight letters requesting that Council oppose the resolution being put forward at the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association (SUMA) Convention which calls for new municipal revenue streams, over and above property taxes and user fees. (File No. CK. 1910-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**16) Arnold Grambo, President
Hudson Bay Route Association, dated January 21**

Submitting information with respect to activities of the Hudson Bay Route Association, membership, and submitting a copy of a letter from the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities with respect to producer cars. (File No. CK. 155-7)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Sternberg,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**17) Dave Dutchak, President
Saskatoon and District Chamber of Commerce, dated January 9**

Thanking City Council on its efforts to reform the property assessment system in the province and submitting a copy of a news release. (File No. CK. 1615-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**18) Joel Teal, Executive Vice President, Land and Housing
Dundee Development Corporation, dated February 5**

Submitting material summarizing the current status of the Willows annexation proposal. (File No. CK. 4131-24)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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19) Charles A. Stolte, Transit Manager, dated January 29

Submitting a copy of a letter addressed to Ms. Griffith with respect to strollers on buses. (File No. CK. 7300-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**20) Heather Larson, Administrator
Broadway Business Improvement District, dated February 4**

Requesting that Council appoint Wendy Rutherford to the Broadway Business Improvement District Board of Management, to replace Elden Haug. (File No. CK. 175-47)

RECOMMENDATION: that Wendy Rutherford be appointed to the Broadway Business Improvement District Board of Management, to replace Elden Haug.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT Wendy Rutherford be appointed to the Broadway Business Improvement District Board of Management, to replace Elden Haug.

CARRIED.

**21) Alex McAlpine and Twyla Gordon, Directors
17th Annual Charity Hockey Tournament, dated February 4**

Submitting various requests regarding the High Voltage Classic charity fund raising event to be held March 16 and 17, 2002. (File No. CK. 205-1).

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RECOMMENDATION: that the requests be approved subject to administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the requests be approved subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

**22) Leonard Foth
127 Spencer Crescent, dated January 21**

Expressing opposition to the construction of a major casino in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

**23) Marvin Harder
1415 Ontario Avenue, dated January 22**

Submitting comments with respect to the effects of gambling. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

**24) Darlene R. Okemaysim, B.A.
3331 33rd Street, dated January 22**

Submitting comments in support of a casino expansion in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

**25) Pastor Harry Strauss, Senior Pastor and Howard Wall, Moderator
Forest Grove Community Church, dated January 22**

Expressing opposition to any further expansion of casino developments and asking that citizens be given the opportunity to express their opinion as to whether or not any casino expansion should take place. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

**26) Carla Schellenberg
400 Gray Avenue, dated January 27**

Expressing opposition to the building of any casino in the Saskatoon district. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

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**27) Bernadette Nelson
203-303 5th Avenue North, dated January**

Expressing concerns with respect to a proposed casino in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

**28) June Kraus
177 - 325 5th Avenue North, dated January**

Expressing concerns with respect to a proposed casino in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

29) Bob Conway, Sutherland Business Association and Others, undated

Forty-four letters and a petition with approximately 1,024 signatures expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**30) Lorraine Ritchie, President
Lorraine's Floral Gallery Ltd., undated**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**31) Roger Pilon
Spectrum Electric Inc., dated January 22**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

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**32) Douglas M. Keats
Western Retail Interiors, dated January 17**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**33) Huw Evans, Owner
Eyecatcher Graphics & Design, dated January 22**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**34) M. Lastowsky, Administration Manager
Agra Foundations Limited, dated January 18**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**35) J.E. Berringer, Plant Manager
Masterfeeds, dated January 22**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**36) Ed Krynowski, General Manager
Haid Construction Ltd., dated January 21**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**37) Ken Andreen
Shaughnessy Appliance Service Ltd., dated January 22**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

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**38) Desiree Tirk
Buttons 'n' Bows, dated January 17**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**39) Sharon L. Heuchert
International Water Supply Ltd., dated January 25**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

40) Jeff's Crestwear & Sports Supplies, undated

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**41) Martin Arndt, President
Mid-North Safety, dated January 29**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**42) Management and Executive
Sutherland Curling Club, dated January 17**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**43) Raymond Verbeke
Golden Touch Carpet, dated January 21**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

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**44) Sharon Verbeke
Sears Catalogue-Sutherland, dated January 21**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**45) Don Horosko
Western Concrete Supply Co. Ltd., dated January 21**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**46) Bob Conway
Conway Construction, dated February 4**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**47) Wilf Gareau, Operations Manager
Boyd Autobody & Glass, dated January 23**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**48) Don Spanier
Apex Holdings Co. Ltd., dated January 28**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**49) Alison Blair
Lardners Trailer Sales Ltd., dated January 26**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed closure of the Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and the writers be advised that a decision will be made at a future meeting and they will be advised of the outcome.

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Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received and the writers be advised that a decision will be made at a future meeting and they will be advised of the outcome.

CARRIED.

**50) Joanne Sproule, Secretary
Saskatoon Development Appeals Board, dated January 30**

Submitting notice of Development Appeals Board hearing for property located at 801 - 7th Avenue North. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

**51) Joanne Sproule, Secretary
Saskatoon Development Appeals Board, dated February 4**

Submitting notice of Development Appeals Board hearing for property located at 2128 Red Deer Road. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**52) Kent Smith-Windsor, Executive Director
Saskatoon and District Chamber of Commerce, dated February 7**

Advising Council that Kent Smith-Windsor of the Saskatoon and District Chamber of Commerce and Shirley Ryan of the North Saskatoon Business Association will be in attendance to answer any questions with respect to the Business License Program - On-Line Business Directory. (File No. CK. 300-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that Clause 6, Report No. 2-2002 of the Administration and Finance Committee be brought forward and considered.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT Clause 6, Report No. 2-2002 of the Administration and Finance Committee be brought forward and considered.

CARRIED.

“REPORT NO. 2-2002 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

**6. Business License Program - On-Line Business Directory
(File No. CK. 300-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the City of Saskatoon enter into an agreement with the Saskatoon and District Chamber of Commerce, the North Saskatoon Business Association, and the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority to facilitate an on-line business directory for all licensed businesses in the City of Saskatoon;
 - 2) that the City of Saskatoon provide \$30,000 to the member organizations for start-up costs in 2002 and an annual contribution of \$12,000 for system maintenance in 2003, 2004, and 2005; and
 - 3) that a \$10 refund be granted on Business License renewals issued between April 1, 2002 and April 1, 2003.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated January 21, 2002 regarding a proposal to facilitate an on-line business directory for all licensed businesses in the City. Your Committee has met with representatives of the Saskatoon and District Chamber of Commerce and the North Saskatoon Business Association and has determined that they support this proposal. It should be noted that this list will include only those businesses who wish to be included in the on-line business directory.”

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

- 1) *that the City of Saskatoon enter into an agreement with the Saskatoon and District Chamber of Commerce, the North Saskatoon Business Association, and the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority to facilitate an on-line business directory for all licensed businesses in the City of Saskatoon;*
- 2) *that the City of Saskatoon provide \$30,000 to the member organizations for start-up costs in 2002 and an annual contribution of \$12,000 for system maintenance in 2003, 2004, and 2005; and*
- 3) *that a \$10 refund be granted on Business License renewals issued between April 1, 2002 and April 1, 2003.*

CARRIED.

**53) Joseph Kuchta
402 Avenue Q North, dated February 11**

Submitting comments with respect to the Administrative Report dealing with Councillor Heidt's enquiry regarding Special Needs Transportation. (File No. CK. 7305-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and considered with Clause E2 of Administrative Report No. 3-2002.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Clause E2 of Administrative Report No. 3-2002 be brought forward and considered

CARRIED.

“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 3-2002

**E2) Enquiry – Councillor M. Heidt (November 19, 2001)
Special Needs Transportation Advisory Committee
(File No. CK.7305-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

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Councillor Heidt made the following enquiry at the meeting of Council on November 19,2001:

“Regarding Special Needs Transportation, I am still receiving calls of ‘I can’t get a trip.’

1. Would the Administration look at implementing the Special Needs Transportation zone buses being utilized for same day service starting at 7am.
2. I have been advised the zone buses are being used for subscription and regular bookings.

If these allegations are indeed correct, how does the Administration pick up the missed or emergencies? And would the Administration provide the policy regarding zone buses.”

The zone service operates in three areas of the city; the North Zone bus covers the area encompassing Lawson Heights Mall, City and Royal University Hospitals, the Field House, and Sutherland. The East Zone bus covers the area encompassing the City and Royal University Hospitals, Field House, Sherbrooke, Market Mall, and the Centre at Circle & 8th. The West Zone bus covers Confederation Mall, Parkridge Centre, St Paul’s and City Hospitals, and downtown. The service operates Monday to Friday between the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Subscription trips cannot be booked on Zone buses, however, passengers may pre book as per the normal booking procedure. Bookings can be booked up to three days in advance. This service was initiated in August 2000 and is on a trial basis. Staff will be reviewing the service during the first half of 2002.

In regards to the buses starting at 7 a.m., this is a budgetary item as the cost increase is approximately \$60,000. This is based on the service operating for 52 weeks at \$38.38 per hour. Not included are any additional charges for dispatching. At this point it is not recommended to change the practice of bookings, or have earlier start times, until the review is completed. Extended hours will be considered during the review.

The SNTS is provided to persons who use the service for normal day-to-day activities. Although we understand that uncontrollable or extraordinary situations do occur from time to time, such as a serious illness or death of someone close where “emergency transportation” is required, the SNTS cannot guarantee emergency or same day service to anyone.

It is the responsibility of the individual to have alternative means available to them, or to be flexible on departure or arrival time, in the event of the unavailability of the trip time they require. When a registered user requires immediate transport they are expected to use any mode of transportation available, as would a non-registered user. In an emergency it is expected the person will use an ambulance, police, taxi, family member, or friend.

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Keeping the above practice in mind, we are continually attempting to assist our passengers whenever the opportunity arises. When someone calls with a non life-threatening situation our staff and contractors attempt to accommodate whenever possible.

Information, with respect to this practice, was presented in a report to the SNTS Advisory Committee at its meeting held on November 19, 2001.”

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

B. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

**1) Ann Coxworth, Program Coordinator
Saskatchewan Environmental Society, dated January 15**

Requesting information with respect to the remediation of petroleum contamination at 8th Street and Clarence. (File No. CK. 375-1) **(Referred to the Administration for a report.)**

**2) Arthur Baalim, Chair, Board of Directors
Saskatoon Crisis Intervention Service, dated January 18**

Requesting funding for the Saskatoon Crisis Intervention Service. (File No. CK. 1870-1) **(Referred to the Budget Committee.)**

**3) Marie Schmidt, Secretary
Woodlawn Memorial (Veterans) Committee, dated January 23**

Requesting a grant in order to build a monument for veterans. (File No. CK. 1870-1) **(Referred to the Budget Committee.)**

**4) Gilles Hébert, Director
Mendel Art Gallery, dated February 4**

Requesting permission to meet with the Administration and Finance Committee to describe the process that the Gallery has undertaken to review the current state of its facilities and to share the possible plan for the current and future needs of the Gallery. (File No. CK. 620-1) **(Referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

C. PROCLAMATIONS

**1) Karen Cherwoniak, March Drive Co-ordinator
The Kidney Foundation of Canada, dated January 15**

Requesting that Council proclaim the month of March, 2002 as Kidney Month in Saskatoon, and requesting permission to raise the Kidney Foundation Flag. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**2) Lorne A. Sully, Manager
City Planning Branch, dated January 16**

Requesting that Council proclaim the month of March, 2002 as Race Relations Month in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**3) Michele Percy, Captain, Public Relations Officer
The Salvation Army, dated January 31**

Requesting that Council proclaim the month of May, 2002 as Salvation Army Month in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that City Council approve all proclamations as set out in Section C;
- 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations on behalf of City Council; and

- 3) that permission be granted to the Kidney Foundation of Canada to raise the Kidney Foundation Flag.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

- 1) *that City Council approve all proclamations as set out in Section C;*
- 2) *that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations on behalf of City Council; and*
- 3) *that permission be granted to the Kidney Foundation of Canada to raise the Kidney Foundation Flag.*

CARRIED.

REPORTS

Councillor Swystun, Member, presented Report No. 1-2002 of the Municipal Planning Commission;

General Manager, Community Services Gauthier presented Section A, Administrative Report No. 3-2002;

General Manager, Corporate Services Veltkamp presented Section B, Administrative Report No. 3-2002;

General Manager, Infrastructure Services Uzelman presented Section D, Administrative Report No. 3-2002;

A/General Manager, Utility Services Stolte presented Section E, Administrative Report No. 3-2002;

City Solicitor Dust presented Section B, Legislative Report No. 3-2002;

Councillor McCann, Chair, presented Report No. 2-2002 of the Administration and Finance Committee;

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Councillor Heidt, Chair, presented Report No. 2-2002 of the Land Bank Committee; and

Councillor Roe, Member, presented Report No. 2-2002 of the Executive Committee.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following reports:

- a) Report No. 1-2002 of the Municipal Planning Commission;*
- b) Administrative Report No. 3-2002;*
- c) Legislative Report No. 3-2002;*
- d) Report No. 2-2002 of the Administration and Finance Committee;*
- e) Report No. 2-2002 of the Land Bank Committee; and*
- f) Report No. 2-2002 of the Executive Committee.*

His Worship the Mayor appointed Councillor Penner as Chair of the Committee of the Whole.

Council went into Committee of the Whole with Councillor Penner in the Chair.

Committee arose.

Councillor Penner Chair of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:

THAT while in Committee of the Whole, the following matters were considered and dealt with as stated:

“REPORT NO. 1-2002 OF THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION”

Composition of Commission

Ms. Colleen Yates, Chair
Mr. John Waddington, Vice-Chair
Mr. Dieter André
Mr. Jack Billinton
Mr. Vern Waldherr
Mr. Don Lloyd
Mr. Jim Zimmer
Ms. Jo-Anne Richter
Mr. Terry Smith
Councillor L. Swystun
Mr. Nelson Wagner
Mr. Lloyd Hedemann
Mr. Michael Chyzowski

**1. Local Area Planning Process
(File No. CK. 4000-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that Local Area Planning become a program and moved to the Operating Budget rather than each Local Area Plan being a project under the Capital Budget and that this change commence with the 2003 budget year.

Over the past few months, your Commission has been presented with the Sutherland, Nutana, Caswell Hill and King George Local Area Plans and put forward recommendations pertaining to those plans. Following review of the Nutana and Caswell Hill Local Area Plans, your Commission discussed the issue of the local area planning process in general and the possibility of incorporating various aspects of specific Local Area Plans to other Local Area Plans to ensure consistency. At that time your Commission had noted that the process provided an opportunity to achieve rapport between the community and the City.

During discussion of the matter, your Commission was advised of budgeting and time constraints involved with the capital budgeting process in relation to the Local Area Plan projects. There was discussion that labeling Local Area Plans as programs rather than projects and moving the budgeting process from capital to operating might address some of the constraints. The Administration was requested to provide a report on the advantages and disadvantages of moving the budgeting process from Capital to Operating. The attached report of the Community Services Department dated November 19, 2001, was submitted to the Commission, in response to this referral. The report was provided as information to the Commission and outlined the Local Area Planning Process in more detail.

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Your Commission discussed this matter further at a meeting in January, 2002, and requested that the Administration bring forward a further presentation at its next meeting with respect to Local Area Plans, to assist the Commission in its review of this matter, and in particular, for new members on the Commission.

At its meeting held on January 22, 2002, the Administration provided an overview of Local Area Plans, including what Local Area Plans are, why they are done, what areas have been targeted, as well as information about the City Planning staff involved in the process. In addition, a summary of the King George Local Area Plan was provided.

Upon further review of this matter, your Commission has identified advantages of funding Local Area Plans as a program under the Operating Budget as opposed to funding projects under the Capital Budget. These advantages include continuity and consistency of staffing and a more flexible timeline, as well as an opportunity for staff to have an ongoing presence in communities through the implementation of the recommendations approved in the plans and monitoring of the implementation.

Your Commission supports the concept of Local Area Planning and the benefits to the City. It provides an opportunity to learn more about each neighbourhood, to bring out the issues that may be of concern to a community and to discuss these issues, and for the community to provide input. Ongoing support for the Local Area Planning Process, through funding as a program under the Operating Budget, would provide the opportunity for the Administration to build on the relationship established with the community through the initial Local Area Plan and to be able to deal with issues as they arise.

Your Commission is, therefore, recommending that Local Area Planning become a program and moved to the Operating Budget rather than each Local Area Plan being a project under the Capital Budget and that this change commence with the 2003 budget year.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be referred to the Planning and Operations Committee for a report.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 3-2002

Section A - COMMUNITY SERVICES

**A1) Local Area Plan Implementation Strategy
File No. CK. 4000-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Administration commence with the Local Area Plan (LAP) implementation strategy;
 - 2) that the City Planning Branch co-ordinate, prepare, and deliver annual progress reports to the Community Associations affected by Local Area Plan implementation; and
 - 3) that City Council receive an annual progress report from Administration.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

Over the course of 2001, the City Planning Branch has completed Local Area Plans for Nutana, King George, and Caswell. These Local Area Plans were adopted, in whole or in part, by City Council in the fall of 2001. Previously City Council adopted the Sutherland LAP in 1999.

Although it has been emphasized with each community that action on the LAP recommendations will occur over the medium to long term, there is an expectation within the community that the Administration will begin pursuing the LAP recommendations through their ongoing work plans, or through special initiatives, in a timely fashion. Furthermore, there is an expectation that the City Planning Branch will report back to each Community Association, on a regular basis, on progress or projected timelines.

Over the course of October and November 2001, a series of meetings were held with various Department Branches to strategize and draft a method for implementing the LAP recommendations. Staff met to discuss the following:

1. Identify which work unit(s) within each Branch will be assigned to pursue (in whole or in part) each of the recommendations or categories of recommendations identified in the Local Area Plan recommendation summary list.
2. Identify a projected timeline for action on the recommendation.

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3. Identify resources over and above the ongoing resource base of the assigned work unit (e.g. special studies/research/capital works), which would be required to pursue a given recommendation.

On December 17, 2001, City Council approved the 2002 Capital Budget. The budget for Local Area Plans (Project No. 1852) included funding to begin implementation of LAP recommendations. With the approval of the 2002 Capital Budget, the Administration will commence with the implementation of LAP Implementation Plan as shown on Attachment 1. Attachment 1 shows a list of the LAP recommendations by neighbourhood, the specific work unit responsible, and a projected start time or priority. Attachment 2 is a summary of all LAP recommendations by neighbourhood.

As new Local Area Plans are adopted over time, they will be incorporated into the LAP Implementation Plan. Resources over and above the operating base will be identified to undertake any new initiatives.

ATTACHMENTS

1. LAP Implementation Report.
2. LAP Summary of Recommendations.

**A2) Easement Requirement – SaskEnergy
Portion of SW 29–36–4 W3M
(File No. CK. 4090-3)**

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that City Council grant an easement to SaskEnergy as outlined on the attached plans; and
- 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal, the appropriate agreement as prepared by the City Solicitor.

ADOPTED.

Laurie White, on behalf of SaskEnergy's Land Services, has requested the City's approval for an easement over part of SW 29–36–4 W3M, as shown on the attached plans. The purpose of this easement is to provide gas service to Custom Lawn Care located on SE 31-36-4 W3M.

The proposed easement is located on City-owned land, but not within the current city limits. The Community Services Department and Infrastructure Department have no objection to the granting of this easement to SaskEnergy.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan showing easement location – SaskEnergy
2. Plan showing easement location in proximity to the city limits of Saskatoon

**A3) Request For Encroachment Agreement
302 – 29th Street West
Lot 7, except the most westerly 25 feet throughout, Block 9, Plan (FK) G 4296
(File No. CK. 4090-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council recognize the encroachment at 302 – 29th Street West (Lot 7, except the most westerly 25 feet throughout, Block 9, Plan (FK) G 4296;
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the appropriate encroachment agreement making provision to collect the applicable fees; and
 - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal and in a form that is satisfactory to the City Solicitor, the agreement with respect to this encroachment.

ADOPTED.

McKercher McKercher & Whitmore, Barristers and Solicitors, on behalf of Don Kuzenko and Cory Bennett, the registered owners of the property located at 302 – 29th Street West, have requested to enter into an Encroachment Agreement with the City of Saskatoon. As shown on the attached Real Property Report, part of the building encroaches onto Avenue C. The total area of encroachment is approximately 0.12 m², and will therefore, be subject to an annual charge of \$50.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Letter from McKercher McKercher & Whitmore, Barristers and Solicitors dated January 10, 2002.
2. Real Property Report dated December 15, 1992.

**A4) Easement Requirement – Shaw Cablesystems
Lakeview Neighbourhood
Parcel EE, Block 101, Plan 81S34002
(File No. CK. 4090-3)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council grant an easement to Shaw Cablesystems as outlined on the attached plan; and
 - 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal, the appropriate agreement as prepared by the City Solicitor.

ADOPTED.

Sydney Martin, Real Estate Assistant, on behalf of Shaw Cablesystems, has requested the City's approval for an easement over Parcel EE, Block 101, Plan 81S34002, as shown on the attached plan. The purpose of this easement is to provide service to the adjacent area. The easement is for the entire walkway.

The Community Services Department has no objection to the granting of this easement to Shaw Cablesystems.

ATTACHMENT

1. Part of Registered Plan 81S34002

**A5) Easement Requirement – Shaw Cablesystems
Arbor Creek Neighbourhood
Municipal Buffer Strip MB5, Plan 86S17945
(File No. CK. 4090-3)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council grant an easement to Shaw Cablesystems as outlined on the attached plan; and
 - 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal, the appropriate agreement as prepared by the City Solicitor.

ADOPTED.

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Sydney Martin, Real Estate Assistant, on behalf of Shaw Cablesystems, has requested the City's approval for an easement over part of Municipal Buffer Strip MB5, Plan 86S17945, as shown on the attached plan. The purpose of this easement is to provide service to the adjacent area.

The Community Services Department has no objection to the granting of this easement to Shaw Cablesystems.

ATTACHMENT

1. Part of Registered Plan 00SA02720

**A6) Easement Requirement – SaskTel
Arbor Creek Neighbourhood
Municipal Buffer Strip MB5, Plan 86S17945
(File No. CK. 4090-3)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council grant an easement to SaskTel as outlined on the attached plan; and
 - 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal, the appropriate agreement as prepared by the City Solicitor.

ADOPTED.

Heather Duncanson, Land Negotiator, on behalf of SaskTel, has requested the City's approval for an easement over part of Municipal Buffer MB5, Plan 86S17945, as shown on the attached plan. The purpose of this easement is to provide service to the adjacent area.

The Community Services Department and Infrastructure Department have no objection to the granting of this easement to SaskTel.

ATTACHMENT

1. Part of Registered Plan 00SA02720

**A7) Land-Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department
For the Period Between January 11 and February 4, 2002
(For Information Only)
(File No. CK. 4000-5)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the following report be received as information.

ADOPTED.

The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Condominium

- Application No. 2/02: 424 Main Street
Applicant: Barry Remai for 569514 Saskatchewan Ltd.
Legal Description: Lots 22-28 incl., Block 59, Plan (Q1) B1858
Current Zoning: RM3
Neighbourhood: Nutana
Date Received: January 16, 2002

Development Plan

- Amendment No. DPA 1/02: 110 Ruth Street East
Applicant: Pro 90 Holdings
Legal Description: Lot 1, Block 639, Plan 69S14829
Current Land Use Designation: Neighbourhood Commercial
Proposed Land Use Designation: District Commercial
Neighbourhood: Avalon
Date Received: January 14, 2002

Discretionary Use

- Application No. D1/02: 615 University Drive
Applicant: Russell Sesula
Legal Description: Lot 8, Block 86, Plan Q
Current Zoning: R2A
Proposed Use: Secondary Suite-Type II
Neighbourhood: Nutana
Date Received: January 25, 2002

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- Application No. D2/02: 202 Lavalee Court
Applicant: Verna Gallant
Legal Description: Lot 58, Block 391, Plan 94S41242
Current Zoning: R1A
Proposed Use: Home Based Business-Type II
Neighbourhood: Lakeridge
Date Received: January 25, 2002

Subdivision

- Application No. 7/02 823 Avenue J North
Applicant: Webster Surveys for Stillers Ventures Inc.
Legal Description: Part Lots 30 and 32 and all of Lot 31, Block 29, Registered Plan G173
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: Westmount
Date Received: January 11, 2002
- Application No. 8/02 U of S Retail Lands (no civic address)
Applicant: Peters Surveys for University of Saskatchewan
Legal Description: Part S.W. ¼ Sec. 2-37-5-W3M
Current Zoning: DCD3
Neighbourhood: U of S Management Area
Date Received: January 14, 2002
- Application No. 9/02: 846/848 Saskatchewan Crescent East
Applicant: Webster Surveys Ltd. for Mari Noonan
Legal Description: Lots 4 and 5, Block 124, Registered Plan G561
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: Nutana
Date Received: January 22, 2002
- Application No. 10/02 123 – 110th Street
Applicant: Alex and Vivan Boyko
Legal Description: Part Lot 27, Block HA, Registered Plan HA
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: Sutherland
Date Received: February 1, 2002

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 2/02
2. Plan of Proposed Discretionary Use No. D1/02

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3. Plan of Proposed Discretionary Use No. D2/02
4. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 7/02
5. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 8/02
6. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 9/02
7. Plan of Proposed Severance No. 10/02

Section B - CORPORATE SERVICES

**B1) Contract Award Report
(File No. CK. 1000-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

City Council, at its meeting held on September 10, 2001, approved the Purchase of Goods, Services and Works Policy. City Council also approved an amendment to the policy which requires that the City Manager report three times a year on the award of contracts and requests for proposals which are between \$50,000 and \$100,000.

In accordance with City Council's direction, the attached report has been prepared detailing the contract awards for the period September 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001.

ATTACHMENT

1. Contract Award Report – September 1, 2001 – December 31, 2001.

**B2) Debenture Issuance
(File No. 1750-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that City Council grant authorization to the General Manager, Corporate Services Department, to accept the terms of a \$17,000,000 debenture sale from the City's fiscal agency, subject to the approval of an appropriate Debenture Bylaw; and,

- 2) that the Administration make the necessary amendments to the Capital Budget for Projects 1520 and 1521 to reflect the

changes in funding.

ADOPTED.

The 2001 and 2002 Capital Budgets identified, as part of the City's funding plans, the need to borrow to finance the construction of two interchanges (Circle Drive/Attridge and Circle Drive/22nd Street). When these budgets were prepared, the Administrative assumption was that borrowing would not occur until both projects were complete (late 2002). In recognition that a material amount of expenditures would be unfunded until the borrowing occurred, the budget included interim financing costs (approximately \$460,000 for 2002). On the funding side, the projects were credited with the down payment approved in the 2001 and 2002 Operating Budgets. These down payments (\$466,000 in 2001; increased to \$960,000 in 2002), plus the base already established in the Operating Budget for the City's contribution to the synchrotron (\$800,000) and a final calculation of actual debt charges in 2003, were to be the basis of future debt repayments.

Your Administration wishes to receive authorization to proceed with the issuance of a debenture in the first quarter of 2002. In our on-going review of market conditions, most indicators reveal interest rates will rise marginally later this year. Given this general consensus, long-term rates could begin to rise over the next few months in anticipation of expected changes in the short-term market. Although it is not your Administration's policy to speculate on interest rate fluctuations, we believe there is an advantage to proceed in this quarter, even though the projects do not require the total proceeds at this point from a cash flow perspective. The Administration proposes a debenture totaling \$17,000,000, with the balance of the borrowing (to be determined after project completion) from internal sources. At the expected date of borrowing, approximately \$9,000,000 would be required to satisfy current cash flows, with the balance required in the second and third quarters of this year.

If there is an underlying assumption that long-term interest rates will increase later in this year, there is a cost associated with borrowing in advance (at long-term rates) and investing excess funds at short-term rates. Just over half of the funds to be borrowed are required this quarter (from a cash flow perspective), requiring your Administration to invest the balance of the funds in short-term investment instruments. The difference in the cost of borrowing in advance (\$204,000), less the return on short-term investments (\$74,000), is \$130,000. On the other hand, every ¼% increase in the borrowing rate adds \$253,000 to debt repayment over the life of the debenture. The present value of this cost is \$188,000. So if interest rates move up even ¼%, the decision to borrow in the first quarter has resulted in a financial gain.

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The decision to borrow in advance does create some budget changes. The most material change is that debt repayment, which is accommodated through the Operating Budget, begins earlier than anticipated. The assumption that the 2001 and 2002 Operating Budget base (totaling \$1,426,000) be applied to the project (to reduce the borrowing requirement) would need to be amended to retain these funds for a 2002 debt repayment. However, this also means that the final payment ten years hence will be ten months earlier, resulting in a corresponding budgetary decrease in 2012.

In addition, it would be appropriate for project expenditures to reflect the \$130,000 opportunity cost. The result is the amortization of this cost over the life of the debenture, as would higher interest costs if interest rates increased and borrowing was delayed to later in the year.

The Capital Budget identified total borrowing requirements of \$18,080,000. Actual expenditures, which are projected to be below budget, plus the budget changes noted above (related to financing the project), result in a total expected borrowing requirement of \$18,027,000. The Administration proposes an external debenture of \$17,000,000. This borrowing strategy recognizes that many of the expenditures are still estimates, that actual interest rates are still not known, and that there is still a possibility of changes to final expenditures (cost savings or unanticipated costs). The Administration proposes to finance the final expenditures with internal borrowing later this year.

As noted earlier in this report, one of the considerations resulting from an early borrowing decision is earlier-than-expected debt repayment. Based on current estimates and the budget amendments suggested in this report, the 2002 debt charge requirement (on \$17,000,000 for 10 months @ 5.5% interest) would be \$1,845,000. This payment would be made from the following identified funding sources:

Source of Funds	Amount of Funds
2001 Operating Budget down payment	\$ 466,000
2002 Operating Budget down payment	960,000
2002 Interest Capitalized on Expenditures (already budgeted)	460,000
Investment Loss on Advanced Borrowing (capitalized)	130,000
Interest Earnings on Advanced Borrowing	<u>74,000</u>
	\$ 2,090,000

The Administration recommends authorization to proceed with a \$17,000,000 debenture issue this quarter, and approval to make the budgetary adjustments noted in this report in order to address the issues resulting from this borrowing strategy. Once approval to proceed has been received, your Administration will enter into discussions with its fiscal agents to determine the most appropriate time to conclude a transaction.

Section D - INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

**D1) Enquiry – Councillor O. Fortosky (February 19, 2001)
Traffic Problems – Avenue W and 18th Street
(File No. CK. 6000-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Councillor Fortosky made the following enquiry at the meeting of City Council held on February 19, 2001:

“Residents of Meadow Green and Pleasant Hill are concerned with the danger of traffic at the intersection of Avenue W and 18th Street.

Would the Administration please report back on the possibility of making the intersection a four-way stop.”

The intersection of Avenue W and 18th Street is a stop-controlled intersection with 18th Street stopping for Avenue W. Avenue W is an arterial street carrying approximately 7,400 vehicles per day while 18th Street is classified as a collector street carrying approximately 6,200 vehicles per day (to the west of Avenue W), as measured in 1999. There have been 37 collisions at this intersection during the five-year period 1996 to 2000. Nineteen of these collisions (51%) were of a right-angle configuration.

The intersection of Avenue W and 18th Street was last reviewed for the installation of a four-way stop in 1997. At that time, the intersection did not meet the warrant requirements of City Policy C07-007 – Use of Stop and Yield Signs for the following reasons:

1. there was not balanced traffic flow on all legs of the intersection;
2. the intersection was not a candidate for interim measures prior to the installation of traffic signals;
3. the number of right-angle collisions per year did not exceed five; and
4. the roadway classifications were not equivalent.

Following the review, it was determined that 18th Street, although classified as a collector street, was operating as an arterial street due to its connection with Clancy Drive at Circle Drive. This resulted in higher than expected traffic volumes at this location.

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In July, 2001 the connection of 18th Street to Circle Drive was removed. This has substantially reduced traffic volumes on 18th Street. Counts taken on 18th Street between Avenue Y and Whitney Avenue in September, 2001 indicate that traffic volumes have been reduced to approximately 1,800 vehicles per day (from 6,200 vehicles per day). Based upon this, it is the recommendation of Infrastructure Services that no changes be made to the traffic control devices at this intersection.

As has been reported previously to City Council, Infrastructure Services has prepared a traffic-monitoring plan for the neighbourhoods surrounding the Circle Drive and 22nd Street interchange project in order to address changes in traffic patterns as a result of this project. Although Infrastructure Services has the ability to forecast traffic volumes on the major road network, traffic volumes and characteristics on minor roadways have not been modelled using computerized methods. Traffic control device alterations to locations where traffic volume changes are anticipated to require immediate action following the opening of the interchange have been addressed as a part of the interchange project. At locations where concern has been expressed, or where it is anticipated that the existing traffic controls are adequate, before-and-after traffic count data will be collected and operational reviews undertaken in order to confirm the adequacy of the traffic controls.

The traffic-monitoring plan includes a review of traffic signal timing based upon measured traffic volumes at eight locations including:

- Circle Drive and Laurier Drive
- Laurier Drive and Confederation Drive
- Confederation Drive and Mall Entrance
- Laurier Drive and Diefenbaker Drive
- Diefenbaker Drive and 22nd Street
- 22nd Street and Whitney Avenue
- 22nd Street and Avenue W
- Avenue W and 20th Street.

In addition, seven stop or yield-controlled intersections will be monitored based upon measured traffic volumes to determine the adequacy of the controls. These locations are:

- Diefenbaker Drive and Fairlight Drive
- Forrester Road and Fairmont Drive
- Forrester Road and Pedygrasse Road
- Clancy Drive and Pedygrasse Road
- Clancy Drive and Fairmont Drive
- Avenue W and 18th Street
- 20th Street and Whitney Avenue.

As well, the intersection of 18th Street and Montreal Avenue / Wardlow Road, which currently has a pedestrian corridor and pedestrian refuge island, will be reviewed regarding the necessity and adequacy of these devices. A further report will be forwarded to City Council upon completion of

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this review should there be a requirement for traffic control changes at any of these locations.

**D2) Enquiry – Councillor D. Atchison (November 19, 2001)
Speed Limit – Circle Drive East from
Circle Drive Bridge to Taylor Street Overpass
(File No. CK. 6001-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Atchison at the meeting of City Council held on November 19, 2001:

“Will the Administration please report back as to when the speed limit on Circle Drive East from the Circle Drive Bridge to the Taylor Street overpass will be raised to 90 km from the current 80 km.”

When considering changes to a speed limit, the practice of Infrastructure Services is to first undertake a traffic-engineering investigation on the street under consideration. A typical investigation includes assessing variables such as existing traffic volumes, speed, roadway characteristics, and number and type of intersections. After collecting and analyzing this data, the speed limit is typically set at or below the speed driven by 85 percent of motorists. This maximum speed limit may be subject to downward revision based upon such factors as collision experience, roadway geometrics, adjacent developments and engineering judgment. It is also a good practice to commission speed studies after extensive road projects, such as the Attridge Drive overpass, are completed and in operation for a period of time (usually six months to one year). This provides sufficient time for representative traffic volumes and speeds to develop.

The maximum speed on Circle Drive East from the Circle Drive Bridge to the Taylor Street overpass is presently set to 80 km/h, as illustrated on the attached Maximum Speed Map (Attachment 1). Infrastructure Services will undertake collection of vehicle speed and volume data on Circle Drive East early in 2002, when warmer weather permits the use of temperature-sensitive traffic counters, to investigate the possibility of raising the 80km/h speed limit to 90km/h on Circle Drive between Circle Drive Bridge and Taylor Street.

This will ensure that the Attridge Drive overpass has been operational for at least six months prior to collecting the data.

ATTACHMENT

1. Maximum Speed Map

**D3) Enquiry – Councillor O. Fortosky (December 17, 2001)
Creation of Bus-Only Lanes – Arterial Roads
(File No. CK. 7310-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Fortosky at the meeting of City Council held on December 17, 2001:

“Would the Administration please report on the creation of bus-only lanes during peak hours on our main arteries.”

The designation of special-use lanes such as bus lanes are normally undertaken to facilitate a particular need such as a reduction in bus trip times or increased transit priority. These decisions are not made lightly and would take into consideration the need of the special use versus the overall demands on the street to provide access and mobility.

Bus-only lanes on urban arterial streets, expressways or freeways are typically implemented to increase the people-moving capacity of the transportation system or to reduce the overall delay to people using the street. As such, the creation of bus-only lanes should satisfy at least one of the following criteria:

1. that the volume of persons traveling on the corridor can be increased; and/or
2. that the overall delay to persons traveling the corridor can be reduced.

Given that a single traffic lane has the capacity to carry 1,200 vehicles per hour and that a transit bus has a seating capacity of 50 persons, there normally needs to be in the order of 24 buses per hour per direction to justify consideration of a special-use designation from a capacity perspective. Roadway capacity is limited in an urban context by intersections rather than roadway lanes. The designation of bus-only lanes would have a more dramatic effect in the reduction of intersection capacity than in the reduction of lane capacity. Additionally, bus-only application is typically only applicable to roadways with a minimum of six or more through lanes of traffic. A cursory review of the City’s arterial, expressway and freeway network identified no streets that would be close to meeting the above criteria and trigger the need for a more extensive evaluation.

Infrastructure Services works closely with the Transit Services Branch to ensure reasonable transit operations on Saskatoon's streets. Procedurally, Transit Services normally contacts Infrastructure Services with an identified concern. This is followed by an investigation of the concern, development of proposed remedies, and the selection of a resolution strategy. Transit Services has been contacted regarding this enquiry and, at the current time, is not experiencing unreasonable delays on extensive portions of arterial streets. When a specific need for bus-only lanes is identified by Transit Services, Infrastructure Services will undertake an evaluation of the proposal.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be referred to the Planning and Operations Committee.

Section E - UTILITY SERVICES

**E1) Enquiry – Councillor P. Roe (January 7, 2002)
Garbage Pickup – Holiday Season
(File No. CK.7830-3)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Councilor P. Roe made the following enquiry at the meeting of Council on January 7, 2002:

“Could the Administration please report on the success or failure of the back lane garbage pick up system over the holiday season (2001). If we are advertising garbage pick up weekly over the holiday period and garbage is not picked up weekly, how can we more appropriately prepare the public for what service level will be available.”

Over the Christmas season additional staff was brought in to address the increased demand on the solid waste system. Staff was increased from 10 to 13, from mid December to mid January, to increase collection frequency in the lanes and have an additional scheduled collection on the front street.

In the first two weeks of December collection frequencies (days between collections) ranged from 7 to 14 days on average. In the week prior to Christmas (beginning on December 17) collection frequency was between 5 to 9 days. In essence an extra collection was done in all lanes citywide.

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Through the weeks starting December 24 and December 31, collection frequency decreased in the lanes. This was due to the three statutory holidays during that time. It was also due to the fact that during this time period, each of the front street areas was given the extra collection for the Christmas holiday period. Collection frequency in the lanes during these two weeks was between 7 to 16 days.

As it is understood that waste production does increase over the holiday season, additional staff were kept on until mid January to increase collection frequency in the lanes and ensure that all the additional holiday waste was picked up. Collection frequency for these weeks was between 5 to 10 days, on average.

Now that all lanes in the City have received at least two, or possibly three, additional collections through the holiday season, staff has been returned to the original number (10 collection operators), and thus collection frequency will also return to normal. Although the mandate is to provide bi-weekly lane collection during the winter months, the frequency has been closer to 11 days and should remain so until spring thaw or the return to weekly collection.

In communications with the public, an attempt is made to be consistent in saying that there is an additional collection over the holiday season. However it is important to avoid the term “weekly” as it can be misleading. Even in the front street areas collection may not be “weekly,” depending upon how the statutory holidays fall and how they correspond with collection schedules. In the lanes, where collection is unscheduled, it can become even more confusing for the public, who are not always aware of when the last pick up occurred, and are only aware that the waste containers are full. During these times of high waste production, it may seem that collection trucks have not been through for many days, when this is not necessarily the case.

For more detail on collection frequencies, please refer to the attached table that shows the average collection date and days between collections by neighbourhood.

ATTACHMENT

1. December Collections 2001

**E2) Enquiry – Councillor M. Heidt (November 19, 2001)
Special Needs Transportation Advisory Committee
(File No. CK.7305-1)**

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 22.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 3-2002

Section B - OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

**B1) The Exhibition Week Residential Parking Program
Amendment Bylaw, 2002
(File No. CK. 205-9-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8093.

ADOPTED.

City Council at its meeting of December 17, 2001 resolved to implement a revised exhibition week parking permit program for the exhibition park area residence and instructed our Office to prepare the necessary bylaw amendment. The purpose of this amendment is to amend The Traffic Bylaw to reflect the increased size of the exhibition week residential parking permit zone.

We are pleased to enclose Bylaw No. 8093 which reflects the necessary changes to The Traffic Bylaw, 1991, No. 7200.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8093 with attached Schedule 13.

**B2) The Capital Reserve Amendment Bylaw, 2002
(File No. CK. 1815-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8098.

ADOPTED.

City Council at its meeting on January 21, 2002, instructed this Office to bring forward the necessary amendments to the Capital Reserve Bylaw:

- (a) to allocate all revenue received from Boulevard Leases and Municipal Access Agreements to the Dedicated Roadway Reserve;
- (b) to allow for the replacement of small equipment with a unit value of less than \$25,000.00 from the Civic Vehicle and Equipment Acquisition/Disposal Reserve and the Civic Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve; and
- (c) to remove the reference to the payment of Land Department Administration Fees

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from the Dedicated Roadway Reserve.

In accordance with Council's instructions, this Office has prepared Bylaw No. 8098, The Capital Reserve Amendment Bylaw, 2002. This Bylaw implements the various amendments approved by Council at its meeting on January 21, 2002.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8098.

**B3) 22nd Street and Avenue B Intersection
(File No. CK. 6320-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider proposed Bylaw No. 8092.

ADOPTED.

City Council, at its meeting held on July 16, 2001, resolved the following:

- “1) that the northbound/southbound through and left turn movements be prohibited on Avenue B at 22nd Street;
- 2) that the median opening on 22nd Street at Avenue B be redesigned to prevent traffic movements referred to in 1);
- 3) that the eastbound left turn bay on 22nd Street at Idylwyld Drive be extended to provide adequate queue storage; and
- 4) that the City Solicitor be requested to undertake appropriate advertising and bring forward the required Bylaw to implement the proposed intersection changes.”

In this regard, we prepared and forward herewith for consideration proposed Bylaw No. 8092, being “The 22nd Street and Avenue B Intersection Traffic Control Bylaw”. The proposed Bylaw authorizes the construction of a centre median on 22nd Street at its intersection with Avenue B.

Notice of City Council's intention to consider the within Bylaw was advertised in the Saskatoon Star Phoenix on January 26, 2002 and February 2, 2002, and notice provided to directly concerned stakeholders by letter dated January 17, 2002.

ATTACHMENT

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8092 with attached Schedule "A".

REPORT NO. 2-2002 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor P. McCann, Chair
Councillor D. Atchison
Councillor T. Paulsen
Councillor P. Roe
Councillor R. Steernberg

1. **2002 Tag Days**
(File No. CK. 200-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the applications for 2002 Tag Days be approved as outlined in this report.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed the following report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated January 18, 2002 and supports the approval of the applications for 2002 Tag Days:

“All organizations requesting 2002 Tag Days meet the requirements stipulated in the regulations governing Tag Days Policy No. 02-010, and have submitted applications and received approvals by City Council in previous years.

Detailed herewith are the applications received for 2002 Tag Days:

ORGANIZATION

DATE(S) REQUESTED:

#107 and #702 Royal Canadian
Air Cadet Squadrons

April 20 &
October 5

Navy League of Canada

April 27 & Sept 21

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Save the Children - Canada	May 4
Royal Canadian Legion - Poppy Campaign Fund	November 2
#328 and #2293 Royal Canadian Army Cadets	May 25
Shinerama Saskatoon (North Sask) Cystic Fibrosis Chapter	September 19
Kiwanis Clubs of Saskatoon	September 28
Aids Saskatoon, Inc.	September 7"

**2. Tax and Assessment Search Fee Changes
(File No. CK. 1720-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve a change in tax and assessment search fees from \$5 to \$7 effective May 1, 2002;
 - 2) that City Council approve a change in Tax Certificate fees from \$10 to \$25 effective May 1, 2002, extending those fees to include Assessment Certificates;
 - 3) that City Council approve an on-line option fee for tax searches at \$5 and Tax Certificates at \$15 effective May 1, 2002; and
 - 4) that City Council approve a change in NSF fees from \$12 to \$20 effective February 1, 2002.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated January 21, 2002 forwarding information and recommendations for an increase to the tax and assessment search fees. Your Committee has considered this matter with the Administration and has asked that in future, the Saskatoon Real Estate Board be advised of impending changes in fees, in order that they can make appropriate decisions regarding the impact on their business. Your Committee supports this change in search fees, Tax Certificate fees and NSF fees.

**3. Request for Proposal for Fiscal Agency Services
(File No. CK. 1790-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the General Manager, Corporate Services Department be authorized to conclude a Fiscal Agency Agreement with RBC Capital Markets (designated as Sole Lead Manager) and CIBC World Markets Inc. (designated as Co-Manager); with a term of five years, commencing February 1, 2002, subject to cancellation by either party upon ninety (90) days notification; and with a provision that the Agreement may be extended by mutual agreement for a period up to five (5) years.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated January 8, 2002 regarding a Fiscal Agency Agreement. Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration and supports the terms and conditions as outlined in the report.

**4. Over-Expenditure - 1997 Capital Project No. 1357
(File No. CK. 1390-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that Capital Project No. 1357 (20-126) be closed and that \$111,187 be withdrawn from the Vehicles and Equipment Replacement Reserve to cover the over-expenditure.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated January 15, 2002 regarding an over-expenditure (over \$100,000) on the capital project involving vehicle and equipment replacement. Your Committee has reviewed this report and has determined that all purchases have been made, and supports the recommendation.

**5. Funds Remaining in the Youth Sports Subsidy Program - 2000-2001
(File No. CK. 1871-11)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

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Your Committee has reviewed the following report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated January 18, 2002 and supports the transfer of funds as outlined in the report:

“BACKGROUND

City of Saskatoon Policy C03-003 (Reserves for Future Expenditures) provides a source of funds for encouraging community groups and organizations to pursue and host major festivals and national and international events as per City Policy No. C03-007 entitled "Special Events". The provision of funds to the Special Events Reserve shall consist of unexpended funds remaining in the operating budget of the City's Youth Sports Subsidy Program, plus any additional amount as authorized by City Council.

Each year the Administration reports to City Council the unexpended funds remaining in the Youth Sports Subsidy Program and recommends this amount be transferred to the Special Events Reserve. At its October 21, 2001, meeting, City Council approved \$13,917 be transferred to the Special Events Reserve established under City Policy C03-003 (Reserves for Future Expenditures).

DISCUSSION

The Saskatoon Figure Skating Club is an eligible organization that receives funding from the Youth Sports Subsidy Program to offset rental costs for use of the A.C.T. Arena. In 2001, the Saskatoon Figure Skating Club experienced a decrease in enrollment, and subsequently, reduced their program hours at the A.C.T. Arena. This reduction in program hours resulted in a decrease in the cost to the Saskatoon Figure Skating Club to lease (rent) the A.C.T. Arena. Consequently, the Youth Sport Subsidy Program has experienced a further under-expenditure of \$10,331 during the 2000-2001 program season. This additional \$10,331 has been transferred to the Special Events Reserve in accordance with City Policy C03-003 (Reserves for Future Expenditures).

OPTIONS

There are no other options.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The \$10,313 being transferred will increase the total funds available in the Special Events Reserve to \$24,248.

6. **Business License Program - On-Line Business Directory**
(File No. CK. 300-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 20.

7. **Development Services Branch 2002 Operating Budget**
Cost Recovery Proposal
(File No. CK. 1704-1)

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that the cost recovery objective for subdivision applications be set at 50% of the costs incurred by the Community Services Department in processing, administering, and regulating activities associated with these applications;
- 2)
 - a) that the Subdivision Bylaw be amended to include the subdivision application fee schedule as outlined in Table 2 of the report; and
 - b) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary amendment to the Subdivision Bylaw for consideration by City Council;
- 3) that the cost recovery objective for rezoning applications, discretionary use applications, and development permit applications be set at 50% of the costs incurred by the Community Services Department in processing, administering, and regulating activities associated with these applications, including a 100% cost recovery objective for advertising expenses;
- 4)
 - a) that the Zoning Bylaw be amended to include the rezoning, discretionary use, and development permit fee schedules as outlined in Tables 3, 4 and 5 of the report;
 - b) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary Bylaw for consideration by City Council;
 - c) that the Community Services Department be instructed to undertake the necessary advertisement; and
 - d) that the Municipal Planning Commission be

requested to report on this matter at the time of the public hearing; and

- 5) that the cost recovery objective of 50% for subdivision applications, rezoning applications, discretionary use applications and development permit applications be reviewed on an annual basis following the 2003 increase, with a view to obtaining a goal of 100% cost recovery by 2008.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated January 14, 2002 (revised February 4, 2002) containing cost recovery proposals for the Community Services Department. Your Committee has reviewed these proposals with the Administration, and has added Recommendation No. 5) in order to target a 100% cost recovery goal by 2008. The 100% goal would be in keeping with the cost recovery goal for various other civic services.

The Committee asked for a revised report on the cost recovery proposal as the Administration had included two separate issues in one report. The other issue on staffing has been referred to the Budget Committee.

REPORT NO. 2-2002 OF THE LAND BANK COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor M. Heidt, Chair
Councillor D. Atchison
Councillor G. Penner
Councillor R. Steernberg
Councillor K. Waygood

- 1. Request to Extend Option to Purchase Agreement for City-owned Property
Lot 5, Block 428, Plan 00SA01739, Auto Mall
Her Majesty The Queen in Right of Canada
(File No. CK. 4215-1)**
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RECOMMENDATION: that the recommendation contained under Clause A7, Administrative Report No. 1-2002 be now adopted as follows:

that the Option to Purchase Agreement dated November 29, 1999 between the City of Saskatoon and Her Majesty The Queen in right of Canada be extended to December 31, 2002, with the condition that the purchase price be \$634,750.00 plus GST, payment of an option fee by Canada in the amount of \$25,390.00 which shall be applied to the Purchase Price if the Option is exercised, payment by Canada in the amount of \$30,235.68 for direct expenses to date as well as projected property tax revenue for 2002.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of Clause A7, Administrative Report No. 1-002 which was considered by City Council at its meeting held on January 7, 2002 and referred to the Land Bank Committee for a report.

Your Committee has determined that this project has received all internal approvals and is awaiting final approval by the Federal Treasury Board before the Option to Purchase Agreement can be completed. All funding has been set aside by the RCMP, it is just a matter of this final stamp of approval. On that basis, the Committee supports this request.

REPORT NO. 2-2002 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

His Worship the Mayor, Chair
Councillor D. Atchison
Councillor O. Fortosky
Councillor M. Heidt
Councillor P. McCann
Councillor T. Paulsen
Councillor G. Penner
Councillor P. Roe
Councillor R. Steernberg
Councillor L. Swystun
Councillor K. Waygood

**1. Advisory Committee - Canada/Saskatchewan Soundstage Facility
(File No. CK. 225-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that Mr. Louis Christ, Manager, Research and Information Services, Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority, be appointed as the City of Saskatoon's representative on the Soundstage Advisory Committee.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of a letter dated January 10, 2002, requesting City Council to appoint a representative to the Soundstage Advisory Committee

**2. Business Development Incentive Application
F:11 Photographic Design Ltd.
(File No. CK. 3500-13)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the application from F:11 Photographic Design Ltd. for a five-year tax abatement on the expanded portion of their business located at 2002 Robin Crescent be approved as follows:

100% in year 1
80% in year 2
70% in year 3
60% in year 4

50% in year 5.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered and supports the attached tax incentive application from F:11 Photographic Design Ltd.

**3. Business Development Incentive Application
Houghton Boston Printers & Lithographers Ltd.
(File No. CK. 3500-13)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the application from Houghton Boston Printers & Lithographers Ltd. for a five-year tax abatement on the expanded portion of their business located at 709 - 43rd Street East and associated with the manufacture of soft cover books and packaging materials be approved as follows:

100% in Year 1
80% in Year 2
70% in Year 3
60% in Year 4
50% in Year 5.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered and supports the attached tax incentive application from Houghton Boston Printers & Lithographers Ltd.

**4. Plebiscite on Development and/or Expansion of Casinos in Saskatoon
and
Public Consultation Process
(File No. CK. 4110-23)**

RECOMMENDATION: that consideration of the matter of a public consultation process, as well as Councillor Fortosky's motion regarding a plebiscite on the development and/or expansion of casinos in Saskatoon, be postponed until after the City has received a proposal for a casino.

BACKGROUND:

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a) Plebiscite

The following motion was made by Councillor Fortosky at City Council's meeting held on September 24, 2001:

“THAT a plebiscite be held, with question, wording and date to be determined by Council, on the development and/or expansion of casinos in Saskatoon.”

City Council deferred consideration of the motion for 60 days. On November 19, 2001, the motion was placed back on the Council agenda. Councillor Fortosky moved the following amendment:

“THAT the motion be amended to read as follows: that a binding bylaw vote be held, with question, wording and date of the vote to be determined by Council, on the development and/or expansion of casinos in Saskatoon.”

City Council did not vote on the amendment or the main motion, but resolved that the matter be deferred until the conclusion of the public consultation process (anticipated to be complete in February, 2002).

b) Public Consultation Process

On October 9, 2001, Councillor Swystun made the following enquiry:

“Would the Administration please report on how public consultations on casino gaming in Saskatoon may be conducted (including format and cost).”

Clause F1, Administrative Report No. 18-2001 was submitted to City Council on October 22, 2001, and it was resolved that the information be received and referred to the Administration to meet with the participants to establish dates of public consultations and timelines.

City Council was advised on November 19, 2001 that the Saskatoon Tribal Council, SIGA, Saskatoon Prairieland Exhibition Corporation and Mr. Sandy Ervin were all prepared to participate in a public consultation process, but asked that the consultations be deferred to February, 2002 at the earliest, for a variety of reasons including ongoing discussions between the parties and/or lack of preparation time.

City Council, at its meeting held on January 21, 2002, considered Clause F1, Administrative Report No. 2-2002, a copy of which is attached, and referred it to the Executive Committee for further consideration.

REPORT

The matter of public consultation has been discussed at City Council and at the Executive Committee. The difficulty has been to determine, in the absence of a revised framework agreement between the Province and SIGA, and in the absence of a casino proposal, the parameters of the consultation. Your Committee has therefore concluded that there would be no benefit in proceeding with public consultations, or with a public vote, until such time as a proposal has been received.

Moved by Councillor Roe,

THAT consideration of the matter of a public consultation process, as well as Councillor Fortosky's motion regarding a plebiscite on the development and/or expansion of casinos in Saskatoon, be postponed until after the City has received a proposal for a casino.

IN AMENDMENT

Moved by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT consideration of the matter of a public consultation process be postponed until after the City has received a proposal for a casino.

*THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND LOST ON A TIE VOTE.
THE MAIN MOTION WAS PUT AND CARRIED.*

**5. Innovative Housing Incentives
Policy No. C09-002
(File No. CK. 750-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that Council approve the compromise proposal described as Option 2 in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department, dated December 10, 2001, as an exception to City of Saskatoon Policy C09-002 (Innovative Housing Incentives), to resolve the difference of interpretation between the City of Saskatoon and the Affordable New Home Development Foundation.

ADOPTED.

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City Council, at its meeting held on February 21, 2000, considered a request by the Affordable New Home Development Foundation Inc. for:

“...a contribution of 5% of the project cost for 50 new housing units that will be purchased by families that comply with the established guidelines for low-income (60% of the average city income), and will be occupied during the year 2000. The funds will be utilized by the Foundation to provide assistance and on-going support to the qualified families in the purchase and operation of their new home.”

City Council resolved, in part:

- 1) that, in accordance with Innovative Housing Incentives Policy No. C09-002, the City of Saskatoon contribute up to \$225,000 from the Social Housing Operating Reserve to the Affordable New Home Development Foundation for 50 units of new housing affordable to low-income families; and
- 2) that payment of funds be contingent with the delivery of housing units to target families;”

In April, 2001, during an audit of the City’s Housing Programs, the Internal Auditor observed that City funds were released to the Affordable New Home Development Foundation in advance of the delivery of housing units, and that the Foundation appeared to be providing assistance to households whose gross annual income exceeded the levels specified in the Innovative Housing Incentives Policy No. C09-002, all contrary to the Foundation’s application and City Council’s approval of February 21, 2000. A copy of Policy No. C09-002 is attached for Council’s information.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department, dated December 10, 2001. Your Committee is satisfied that Option 2 is a reasonable compromise between the City and the Affordable New Home Development Foundation, and will allow the project to proceed, with the completion of an additional 17 units to be occupied by low-income households (annual income of \$34,179 or less) and thereby improving the affordable housing situation in our community.”

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES

**Councillor L. Swystun
Possible Relocation of Statue of Gordie Howe
(File No. CK. 4040-1)**

Would the Administration, in conjunction with the Visual Arts Placement Jury, look into the possibility of moving the statue of Gordie Howe from its present location to another site. Also that Randy Burton be included in this process due to his diligence in bringing this issue forward to the public and doing an informal survey through the StarPhoenix.

**Councillor M. Heidt
Taxation of Casino Agricultural Lands
(File No. CK. 1920-1)**

Recently I put in an enquiry regarding taxation of casinos in other municipalities, and they all paid.

My understanding is that Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority approves all expenditures of the casino operation in Saskatoon.

People at Prairieland Corporation advised us that they have submitted a request in the past to pay taxes in lieu and it wasn't approved by Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority.

Would the Administration please review the three options:

- 1) Start negotiations with SIGA and operators regarding taxes for Emerald Casino;
- 2) The possibility of rezoning land the casino is located on; and
- 3) Taxes in lieu as other government run facilities.

**Councillor R. Steernberg
Report on Fee and Rate Changes
(Files CK. 1720-1 and 1905-1)**

Could the Administration please provide a report with a summary of the fee and rate changes coming into effect for this budget year and identify the impact to capital and operating budgets.

GIVING NOTICE

Councillor Atchison gave the following Notice of Motion:

“TAKE NOTICE THAT at the next regular meeting of City Council I will move the following motion:

THAT the City of Saskatoon set growth rate objectives starting with the year 2002.

THAT those growth rate objectives be for minimum growth in both the commercial sector (based upon the commercial assessment) and the residential growth be based on population.

THAT the City in future years set minimum growth rate objectives in both sectors (commercial and residential).

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 8092

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8092, being “The 22nd Street and Avenue B Intersection Traffic Control Bylaw” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT Bylaw No. 8092 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8092.

CARRIED.

Council went into Committee of the Whole with Councillor Penner in the Chair.

Committee arose.

Councillor Penner, Chair of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8092 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8092 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT Bylaw No. 8092 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

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Bylaw No. 8093

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8093, being “The Exhibition Week Residential Parking Program Amendment Bylaw, 2002” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT Bylaw No. 8093 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8093.

CARRIED.

Council went into Committee of the Whole with Councillor Penner in the Chair.

Committee arose.

Councillor Penner, Chair of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8093 was considered clause by clause and approved.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8093 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT Bylaw No. 8093 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Bylaw No. 8097

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8097, being “A bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to close a portion of a lane at First Avenue North and 40th Street, in the City of Saskatoon.” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT Bylaw No. 8097 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8097.

CARRIED.

Council went into Committee of the Whole with Councillor Penner in the Chair.

Committee arose.

Councillor Penner, Chair of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8097 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8097 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT Bylaw No. 8097 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

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Bylaw No. 8098

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8098, being “The Capital Reserve Amendment Bylaw, 2002” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT Bylaw No. 8098 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8098.

CARRIED.

Council went into Committee of the Whole with Councillor Penner in the Chair.

Committee arose.

Councillor Penner, Chair of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8098 was considered clause by clause and approved.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8098 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT Bylaw No. 8098 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Moved by Councillor Penner,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk