

Council Chambers  
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.  
Monday, February 13, 2006  
at 6:00 p.m.

## **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**

**PRESENT:** His Worship the Mayor, in the Chair;  
Councillors Alm, Birkmaier, Dubois, Fortosky, Heidt, Hnatyshyn,  
Neault, Paulsen, Penner, and Wyant;  
City Manager Richards;  
City Solicitor Dust;  
General Manager, Corporate Services Bilanski;  
General Manager, Community Services Gauthier;  
A/General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Paulsen;  
General Manager, Infrastructure Services Uzelman;  
A/General Manager, Utility Services Hildebrandt;  
City Clerk Mann; and  
Council Assistant Mitchener

*Councillor Fortosky entered the meeting at 6:05 p.m. during consideration of Clause B2, Administrative Report No. 3-2006.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the minutes of meeting of City Council held on January 23 and 30, 2006, be approved.*

**CARRIED.**

*Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider the reports of the Administration and Committees.*

**CARRIED.**

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

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

*Committee arose.*

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*Councillor Neault, 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:*

**“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 3-2006**

**Section A – COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**A1) The Uniform Building and Accessibility Standards Act  
Appointment of Building Officials  
(File No. CK 4510-1, PL 4510-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the following persons be appointed as Building Officials pursuant to Section 5 of *The Uniform Building and Accessibility Standards Act*: Donald (Ben) Nesbitt, David Hartley, Vernon Marzolf, Kara Fagnou, and David Spence;
  - 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to issue a Certificate of Appointment pursuant to Section 5 of *The Uniform Building and Accessibility Standards Act* for the persons named in the preceding recommendation; and
  - 3) that the list (see Attachment 1) of all Building Official appointments that are still active as at the date of this report be adopted.

*ADOPTED.*

Building Officials are appointed by City Council for the purpose of enforcing *The Uniform Building and Accessibility Standards Act*. Since the last appointments were made, staffing changes have been made, and it is necessary to adjust the list of Building Officials to align with the list maintained by the Provincial Government.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**ATTACHMENT**

1. City of Saskatoon Building Official Appointments

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**A2) Enquiry - Councillor O. Fortosky (November 28, 2005)  
Gordon Howe Bowl  
(File No. CK. 4205-7-2 LS 4206-GO1-2)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the following report be received as information.

**BACKGROUND**

During City Council's November 28, 2005 meeting, Councillor Fortosky made the following enquiry:

“Would the Administration please report on the annual upkeep of Gordon Howe Bowl and the cost of improving the field condition through a productivity loan both through an improved natural surface as well as an artificial surface, and possibly using some of the money spent annually on upkeep.

Would the Administration also report on the cost of upgrading the changing facilities.”

**REPORT**

In 2005 the budgeted operating cost to maintain the Gordon Howe Bowl was \$95,400, summarized as follows:

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|--|----------|
| • Staff compensation                                       | \$40,800 |
| • Equipment and Grounds maintenance                        | \$ 9,900 |
| • Infrastructure Services-Preventative Maintenance charges | \$20,800 |
| • Utilities  | \$17,800 |
| • Telephone, Insurance, Fuel, etc.                         | \$ 6,100 |

Budgeted revenues for 2005 were estimated at \$41,300 consisting of concession revenue (\$3,000) and external rentals (High School Football-\$10,000; Saskatoon Hilltops-\$6,800; and cross-charge to Albert Community Centre-\$21,500).

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On average over 50 football games are played at the facility each season, with the majority of games being played in September and October. This volume of games results in significant field deterioration at the end of each playing season. Every spring, staff re-work sections of the field (power raking and scarifying, aerifying, seeding and topdressing) to ensure the field is ready for the next football season. Ongoing field maintenance during the growing season includes watering, fertilizing, aerifying, and cutting of grass. It is doubtful that any amount of field preparation and maintenance could withstand the current amount of use over a short period of time, and retain good playing conditions throughout the football season.

The cost to install an artificial field at the Bowl is estimated at \$1.5 million. This cost could vary depending on base preparation costs (e.g. site excavation, drainage requirements, fill requirements, etc.). The cost of the turf component is estimated at \$700,000. Your staff is of the opinion that significant savings from the current operating budget would not be realized with the installation of artificial turf. In discussions with the Soccer Centre, it is our understanding that the artificial turf requires ongoing maintenance including the daily pick up and sweeping of debris, and weekly field grooming requiring some additional equipment. It is anticipated that any added maintenance costs associated with the artificial turf would be offset by potential savings in field irrigation and turf maintenance costs.

Incremental costs associated with the installation of artificial turf include field replacement costs. Based on a ten-year life span and a cost of \$700,000, the annual provision required to replace the field turf is calculated at \$70,000 in today's dollars. As mentioned previously, the cost to install an artificial surface is estimated at \$1.5 million. Using current interest rates, the annual loan payments on \$1.5 million over a ten-year period are estimated at \$189,818.

The Service Building located at the Bowl consists of public washrooms, concession, change rooms, ticket booth, and referees room. The building is over 40 years old and serves both the softball (Gordon Howe Fastball Field) and football programs. A current facility assessment indicates the building has been well maintained over the years and is currently included in the Civic Building Comprehensive Maintenance Reserve Program. Recent work, in addition to repainting and ongoing electrical and mechanical maintenance, includes barrier-free washroom upgrades and a new roof.

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The feasibility of renovating and expanding the existing facility to accommodate a larger changing facility, including locker and shower room areas, as well as providing additional concession space is probable. A building extension to the west, matching the existing roof slope and exterior finishes, would serve the program requirements for enhanced change facilities. A north building extension, of the existing concession frontage, would also serve the concession program enhancement. An order of magnitude cost projection, subject to further detailed program requirements, would be approximately \$250,000. It should be noted that the existing service building meets the basic needs for both the football and softball programs.

Your staff have been in contact with the Saskatoon Board of Education, Saskatoon Secondary Schools Athletic Directorate (SSSAD), and the Saskatoon Hilltop Football Club concerning their plans for the 2006 football season.

The Hilltops have indicated that they will be returning to the Gordon Howe Bowl for the 2006 season. Leisure Services staff will be meeting with the organization in the near future to discuss the continued use of the Bowl for Hilltop home games. The Hilltops have had preliminary discussions with the University of Saskatchewan concerning playing their games at Griffiths Stadium and are reviewing all options.

To date, the Administration has not received notice from the Board of Education indicating that they will not be back at the Bowl next year. The SSSAD is currently negotiating with Saskatoon Soccer to play games on the artificial turf fields located adjacent to the new indoor soccer facility. SSSAD has also had discussions with the University concerning the use of Griffiths Stadium. The SSSAD is also exploring having a reduced schedule at the Bowl for the 2006 season. A reduced football schedule would reduce the wear and tear on the field allowing for other activities to be played at the facility.

Your staff will continue to meet with the Saskatoon Hilltops and SSSAD in reviewing their respective program requirements. In addition, staff have met with other users (i.e. flag football, ultimate frisbee) who have expressed an interest in using the facility should more time come available. The Hub City Track Council has also expressed an interest in an outdoor track being located at the Bowl. For hosting international track and field events, natural turf is a requirement for the infield. Staff will be meeting with the Council to explore this option in greater detail.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

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

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**A3) Land-Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department  
For the Period Between January 13, 2006 to February 2, 2006  
(For Information Only)  
(File Nos. PL. 4132, PL. 4115, PL. 4355, PL. 4350, PL. 4300)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Condominium

- Application No.1/06: 326 Herold Road  
Applicant: Jastek Master Builder for Ashcreek Project Inc.  
Legal Description: Lot 9, Block 433, Plan 01SA29464  
Current Zoning: M3  
Neighbourhood: Lakewood Suburban Centre  
Date Received: January 24, 2006
- Application No.2/06: 2221 Adelaide Street East  
Applicant: George, Nicholson, Franko for P.R. Developments  
Legal Description: Parcel B, Plan 101570824  
Current Zoning: M3  
Neighbourhood: Nutana Suburban Centre  
Date Received: January 25, 2006

Development Plan

- Amendment No. 1/06  
Applicant: Preston Crossing  
Legal Description: Preston Crossing Properties Inc.  
Blocks C,D,E,F,G,H,J,K,L, Plans 02SA08290 and 02SA02682  
Current Land Use Designation: DCD3  
Proposed Land Use Designation: Text Amendment and Boundary change to the DCD3  
Neighbourhood: U of S Management Area  
Date Received: January 3, 2006

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- Amendment No. 3/06  
Applicant: 218 Avenue L South and 219 Avenue K South  
City of Saskatoon  
Legal Description: Lots 5-13 and Lots 26-32, Block 7 Plan No. I7774  
Current Land Use Designation: Residential  
Proposed Land Use Designation: Special Area Commercial  
Neighbourhood: Pleasant Hill  
Date Received: January 3, 2006

Discretionary Use

- Application No. D1/06:  
Applicant: 339 Brookdale Crescent  
R & D Fraser Homes Ltd.  
Legal Description: Lot 1, Block 131, Plan 101851433  
Current Zoning: R1A  
Proposed Use: Type II Care Home  
Neighbourhood: Briarwood  
Date Received: January 19, 2006

Rezoning

- Application No. Z4/06:  
Applicant: 218 Avenue L South and 219 Avenue K, South  
City of Saskatoon  
Legal Description: Lots 5-13 and Lots 26-32, Block 7, Plan No. I7774  
Current Zoning: RM3(H)  
Proposed Zoning: B5  
Neighbourhood: Pleasant Hill  
Date Received: January 23, 2006

Subdivision

- Application No. 3/06:  
Applicant: Claypool Drive  
Saskatoon Land Surveyors for Her Majesty the  
Crown  
Legal Description: Part of Parcel A, Plan 73S24023  
Current Zoning: AG  
Neighbourhood: Airport Management Area  
Date Received: January 10, 2006

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- Application No. 4/06: Blairmore Phase III  
Applicant: Saskatoon Land Surveyors for City of Saskatoon  
Legal Description: Part of Parcel L, Part of Parcel Q and all of Parcel P,  
plans not yet registered  
Current Zoning: R2  
Neighbourhood: Blairmore Suburban Centre  
Date Received: January 16, 2006
  
- Application No. 5/06: McKercher Drive/College Drive (Muskeg Lake Cree  
Nation)  
Applicant: Tri-City Surveys Ltd. for The Crown  
Legal Description: Parcel D, Plan 87S40101  
Current Zoning: IL1  
Neighbourhood: Sutherland Industrial  
Date Received: January 16, 2006

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021 (Public Notice Policy), is not required.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 1/06
2. Plan of Proposed Condominium No.2/06
3. Plan of Proposed Development Plan Amendment DPA3/06
4. Plan of Proposed Discretionary Use No. D1/06
5. Plan of Proposed Rezoning No. Z4/06
6. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 3/06
7. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 4/06
8. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 5/06



**A4) Public Information Meeting -  
Marquis Industrial Area Sector Plan and Maple Leaf Foods Project  
(File No.: PL.4134-3, PL.4115-DPA28/05, and PL.4350-Z29/05; CK. 4125-12)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Item 4c) of Hearings.*

**A5) Purchase of Saskatoon Pallet Ltd. Property  
Marquis Industrial  
(File No.: LA-4020-05-22; CK. 4020-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that City Council approve the purchase of the property legally described as Parcel A, Plan 67S10221, Extension 0, SW 22-37-5 W3 (no civic address), from Saskatoon Pallet Ltd. at a purchase price of \$430,000;
- 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary purchase agreements and that His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreements; and
- 3) that this purchase be financed by a withdrawal from the Property Realized Reserve Fund in the amount of \$430,000 plus other legal costs and disbursements.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

In November 2002, City Council endorsed the Marquis Industrial Sector Plan which was designed to serve as a blueprint for industrial development in the north end of Saskatoon. The Plan area is bounded by 60<sup>th</sup> Street and Silverwood Golf Course to the south; Idylwyld Drive to the west; the City limits to the north; and Wanuskewin Road and the riverbank area to the east. This area is comprised of approximately 457 hectares (1,129 acres) of light and heavy industrial land, with approximately 1,039 acres of that being not serviced. Based on the average annual absorption rates over the past five years of 40 gross acres per year, the Marquis Industrial Area represents an industrial land supply for 26 years.

In the middle of this Sector Plan area lies the subject property, completely surrounded by approximately 850 acres of City-owned land. The unique configuration of the privately held 10-acre site (Attachment 1) impacts the design options and timing for the servicing of a significant section of the Marquis Industrial Area. Therefore, in the pursuit of designing the most efficient and marketable development area possible, it is prudent to acquire the subject property and

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incorporate it into the overall plan design. A 1,386 square foot owner-occupied single-family dwelling is located on the property. This dwelling was constructed prior to the annexation of the property into the City limits. The current owner undertook considerable renovations to the dwelling in 1997. Its value as a residence is estimated at \$110,000.

Property Description

Civic Address: N/A  
Legal Address: SW Section 22, Township 37, Range 5, West of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Meridian  
Parcel A; Plan 67S10221, Extension 0  
As described on Certificate of Title 95S36675  
Site Size: 9.993 acres  
Frontage: Approximately 100 feet along Millar Avenue  
Depth: Approximately 2,000 feet (north property line)  
Zoning: IL1 District  
Improvements: 1,386 square foot single-storey, single-family residence constructed in 1966.

Terms and conditions applicable are as follows:

1. Purchase Price:

Purchase price is \$430,000 with a deposit of \$5,000 within five days of approval by City Council.

2. Conditions Precedent:

Approval of City Council by February 13, 2006, authorizing the purchase of the subject property.

3. Legal Costs and Disbursements:

Each party shall be responsible for its own legal costs.

4. Closing Date:

February 28, 2006.

5. Possession Date:

February 28, 2006.

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6. Lease-Back Option:

The Seller has the option to remain rent free as a tenant of the property up until July 30, 2006, at which time vacant possession of the said Lands must be delivered to the Buyer. In exercising this Option, the Seller agrees to the following terms and conditions:

- a) Buyer is to be held harmless in all respects throughout the tenancy period.
- b) The Seller agrees to maintain sufficient personal and third party liability insurance.
- c) Seller is responsible for payment of all utility costs and property taxes.
- d) Written notice to vacate the property must be provided at least one full month in advance if the Seller chooses to vacate the property prior to the July 30, 2006 end date.

If the Seller chooses to exercise this option, the parties will execute a lease agreement incorporating these terms.

The funding source for the purchase of this property is the Property Realized Reserve in the amount of \$430,000 plus legal fees and related disbursements.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Map Showing Subject Property

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**A6) Request For Encroachment Agreement  
905 20<sup>th</sup> Street West  
Lots 2 & 3, Block 2, Plan GP  
(File No. CC 4090-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council recognize the encroachment at 905 20<sup>th</sup> Street West (Lots 2 & 3, Block 2, Plan GP);
  - 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.*

The new owner of the property located at 905 20<sup>th</sup> Street West, has requested to enter into an Encroachment Agreement with the City of Saskatoon. As shown on the attached Real Property Report, the front of the building encroaches onto 20<sup>th</sup> Street West. The encroachment has likely existed since the building was constructed in 1930. The total area of encroachment is approximately 1.10m<sup>2</sup> and will, therefore, be subject to an annual charge of \$50.00.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021 (Public Notice Policy), is not required.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Letter from the Owner, received January 30, 2006
2. Real Property Report dated July 8, 1998

**Section B – CORPORATE SERVICES**

**B1) Incentive Application – Norac Systems International Inc.  
(File No. 3500-13)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the application from Norac Systems International Inc. for a one year, 100% tax abatement on the incremental portion of the 2007 taxes assessed on their new facility at 3702 and 3706 Kinnear Place be approved; and
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to bring forward the appropriate bylaw and agreement.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Attached is a report from Councillor Paulsen, Chair, Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority Inc. (SREDA) Incentives Review Sub-Committee. The report is self-explanatory and provides the required information for City Council to consider the request by Norac Systems International Inc. for a one year, 100% tax abatement.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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**ATTACHMENT**

1. Report – Chair, SREDA Incentives Review Sub-Committee.

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**B2) Incentive Application – JNE Welding Inc.  
(File No. 3500-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the application from JNE Welding Inc. for a five-year tax abatement at 3915 Thatcher Avenue, be approved as follows:  
  
100% in Year 1  
80% in Year 2  
70% in Year 3  
60% in Year 4  
50% in Year 5; and
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to bring forward the appropriate bylaw and agreement.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Attached is a report from Councillor Paulsen, Chair, Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority Inc. (SREDA) Incentives Review Sub-Committee. The report is self-explanatory and provides the required information for City Council to consider the request by JNE Welding Inc. for a five-year tax abatement.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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**ATTACHMENT**

1. Report – Chair, SREDA Incentives Review Sub-Committee.

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**B3) Contract Awards  
September 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005  
(File No. 1000-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

In accordance with Policy C02-003, Purchase of Goods, Services and Work, your Administration is required to report three times a year on the award of contracts and requests for proposals between \$50,000 and \$100,000. The attached report has been prepared detailing the contract awards for the period September 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Contract Award Report September 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005.

**B4) Property Tax Liens – 2005  
(File No. 1920-3)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council instruct the City Solicitor to take the necessary action under the provisions of *The Tax Enforcement Act* with respect to properties with 2005 tax liens.

*ADOPTED.*

**The Tax Enforcement Act**

The purpose of *The Tax Enforcement Act* is to secure payment of tax arrears under the threat of the loss of title to the property. The statute is not intended to provide a vehicle for the acquisition of property by the City. Each property owner (taxpayer) has certain fundamental rights concerning his/her land. The taxpayer must be kept fully aware of the proceedings being taken, and be given a reasonable time frame during which arrangements can be made for payment of the outstanding amount.

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The proceedings under *The Tax Enforcement Act* are scheduled as follows:

1. **Section 10:** Allows the City to register a tax lien against a property where taxes have been due and unpaid after the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December of the year in which the taxes were originally levied.
2. **Section 22 (1):** Where the taxes remain unpaid and the lien has not been withdrawn, the City may apply to Council to commence proceedings to take title after the expiration of six months following the registration of the tax lien at Information Services Corporation – Land Registry. (Previously the Land Titles Office.)
3. **Section 24:** Final application for transfer of title to the City may commence six months after the first application. The City must, at this point in the proceedings, obtain consent of the Provincial Mediation Board to obtain the title. The Board may, subject to certain conditions being met by the taxpayer, put the proceedings on hold, even after this consent is granted.

Your Administration now requests authorization to proceed regarding those properties which became subject to tax liens in 2005.

2005 Tax Liens (Attachment 1)

With respect to the properties listed in Attachment 1, proceeding under *The Act* commenced on February 26, 2005. At that time, the City of Saskatoon, in accordance with *The Act*, published in The StarPhoenix, the legal descriptions of all properties in arrears of property taxes subject to tax liens. The assessed owners were notified of the action being taken and were advised that if the taxes remained unpaid after 60 days following the date of the advertisement, a tax lien would be registered against the property on the official title held in ISC – Land Registry.

The City has made considerable effort to contact the assessed owners of the various properties identified in Attachment 1 to obtain payment or to negotiate reasonable payment schedules. However, as of the date of this report, the City has not received payment from the respective owners and the property tax arrears are still outstanding.

These properties are now subject to first proceedings pursuant to Section 22(1) of *The Act*. This action involves notification by registered mail to: each registered owner; each assessed owner; and all others with an interest set out on the title to the property, that they have 60 days to contest the City's claim.

Pursuant to Section 24, the next stage of *The Act*, six months following service of notices, the City will be in a position to make final application for title for any properties for which the arrears have not been cleared.



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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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**ATTACHMENT**

1. 2005 Property Tax Liens.

**B5) 2006 Capital Budget (2007 – 2010 Capital Plan)  
(File No. 1702-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

At its meeting held on January 23, 2006, City Council approved the 2006 Capital Budget (2007-2010 Capital Plan). Attached, for Council's information, is the final version of that budget which incorporates any changes that were confirmed at that meeting.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**ATTACHMENT**

1. 2006 Capital Budget (2007-2010 Capital Plan).

**Section C – FIRE AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

**C1) Emergency Measures Organization  
Emergency Public Notification  
(File No. 270-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Saskatoon Emergency Measures and the Emergency Planning Committee have been granted the use of Tourism Radio 91.7 FM for the purpose of broadcasting emergency messages to the City of

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Saskatoon and immediate area. This is in addition to our informal agreement with all Saskatoon media outlets to release pertinent information.

The main advantage of this communications tool is the immediate access to broadcasting key messages to the citizens of Saskatoon, directly from the Emergency Operations Centre using any computer and an intranet connection.

The Emergency Planning Committee will apply this low-cost, immediately-available solution for messages such as:

- Situation Updates to City of Saskatoon citizens within an approximate 14 km radius of Saskatoon.
- City of Saskatoon evacuation routes.
- City of Saskatoon shelter-in-place instructions.
- Instructions to City of Saskatoon evacuees prior to leaving their homes or once they arrive at the evacuation sites.
- Issuing calls for City of Saskatoon volunteers (including instructions as to where to gather, what type of work is needed, where to park, what type of ID is needed, etc.).
- Saskatoon Health Region messaging - for example, pandemic related mass immunization clinics, etc.

Over time, as the Emergency Planning Committee becomes more familiar with the capabilities of the 91.7 FM station, and as new technology presents itself, it is likely that the application of this emergency broadcasting tool will change. However, your Administration feels that this station will always be an important aspect of our Emergency Communications Plan.

The success of this tool will ultimately lie with a well-planned strategy. If our citizens know that this tool exists, they will tune in to listen at critical times. In the months ahead, the Communications Branch with the input of the Emergency Planning Committee, will consider the most effective way to introduce this tool to the community.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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**C2) Ice Testing and Pond Usage  
(File No. 2500-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

In November of 1999, Saskatoon Fire and Protective Services along with Leisure Services began a program to test the ice thickness on some of the storm retention ponds on the east side of the city. These ponds included Lakeview, Briarwood and Erindale (now John Avant).

**REPORT**

The City of Saskatoon's Community Development Branch and Erindale/Arbor Creek Community Association will not sanction the use of John Avant Pond for skating under its funding program. Local residents have been clearing the pond for usage as it is a public park and they are doing so at their own discretion. Indications are that there may be underground aquifers causing a weakening of the cap. Other ponds not sanctioned are not currently tested.

Due to certain anomalies detected in John Avant Pond at the outset of the program, only the Lakeview and Briarwood ponds are being supported for skating by the Community Development Branch through its "Rink-on-Pond" grant program. It was established that the ice surface would be tested by Saskatoon Fire and Protective Services in late fall as the ice formed until it reached 8 inches in depth. Testing prior to the Christmas break tends to yield average thicknesses between 12 and 16 inches. All thicknesses are reported via e-mail to an extensive "Ice Testing Distribution List". The Facilities Branch has also erected signs (similar to Attachment 1) indicating "Danger – Keep Off Ice Unsafe" around the ponds. There are approximately 7 around John Avant, 10 to 12 around Lakewood and 10 around Briarwood. These signs are about 18" wide by 24" high, mounted on an 8-foot high regular galvanized steel signpost. They are put up every fall and taken down in the spring.

A snow fence is erected around Lakeview with no access until sufficient ice is present. Once sufficient ice is present, there are openings put into the fence to allow access to the ice surface. All participants are advised that this is a natural ice surface and subject to all the forces of nature and man. These include, but not limited to the following:

- Sunlight, snow cover, wind lift, air temperature
- Aquifers and springs
- Road runoff and salts
- Vandalism

At the present time, there are no plans to increase the scope of the program to include other retention ponds.

Your Administration will continue to monitor the demand for increased Rink-on-Pond interest as new ponds and neighbourhoods are developed.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Sign – “Danger - Keep Off Ice Unsafe”

**Section D – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

**D1) Enquiry – Councillor Heidt (April 4, 2005)  
Automatic Sprinklers in Parks  
(File No. CK. 4205-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Heidt at the meeting of City Council held on April 4, 2005:

“Would the Administration report back on what conditions are in place, for example:

- If it is wet out
- If it is cold out
- How often and how much water

What would the cost be to automate sprinklers in the City to only be on when we have less rain than required to keep our parks green.”

**REPORT**

The Parks Branch has approximately 957 Hectares (Ha) of total park area, of which approximately 526 Ha, or 55%, is irrigated turf area. These turf areas are irrigated by 381 manual, semi automatic, and fully automatic systems. For the purposes of this report, we are dealing with the 231 automatic systems.

The Administration has implemented a process to shut down automatic systems after a substantial rain event of 15 to 25mm. It is the responsibility of the turf maintenance and irrigation program staff to physically drive to each park and shut the controller (timer) down.

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Advancements in technology have afforded the Parks Branch the ability to install rain sensors on fully automated systems only that automatically shut down the park after receiving a set amount of rain (approximately 6.25mm). To date, 32 rain sensors have been installed and will continue to be installed on upgraded and new park systems.

The establishment of turf maintenance watering standards include: consideration for local climatic conditions (amount of average rainfall), soil structure (clay, loam and sandy soils, infiltration/percolation rates of the soils), turfgrass species (Kentucky blues, Fescues, Rye grasses), and Evapotranspiration (ET). Turf Managers utilize all the above information to formulate a watering standard. The ET calculations assist in determining how much supplemental water is required when both drought and normal rainfall conditions occur, to attain and sustain optimum growth for turfgrass plants. Based on the above information, the Administration established the watering standard of one inch (1”) per week, which includes rainfall. Our growing season dictates the watering season, which on average is fourteen (14) weeks.

The Administration is in the process of researching and analyzing available suppliers for a centralized irrigation computer system, along with associated costs. A centralized irrigation system allows for the monitoring and controlling of automatic irrigation systems from one centrally located computer. The Administration intends to submit a justification report in 2006, for consideration of a centralized computer system in 2007.

Further information regarding irrigation standards can be located in the 2006 Edition of the Parks Branch “Technical Standards Manual,” which is approved annually by City Council. For example, the “Irrigation Standard” section includes watering standards, spring start-up program, operating season, and the winterization program.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**D2) Enquiry – Councillor B. Dubois (October 31, 2005)  
Left Hand Turn – Attridge Drive and Central Avenue  
(File No. 6320-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

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**BACKGROUND**

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Dubois at the meeting of City Council held on October 31, 2005:

“Would the Administration please investigate the feasibility of installing a left turn signal at the intersection of Attridge Drive and Central Avenue heading west and turning south onto Central Avenue.”

**REPORT**

In response to this enquiry, an intersection review was completed on November 8, 2005, including site inspection, collection of traffic data, and vehicle delay study to determine the need for improvement to the existing traffic control devices. When evaluating an intersection for the purposes of determining the need for a left-turn phase (arrow), the Administration follows the guidelines outlined in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Canada (MUTCD) – Installation Guidelines for Traffic Control Signals.

Factors such as the left-turn demand, volume of the opposing through traffic, number of vehicles clearing the intersection during the intergreen period or not able to clear during a single cycle length, and collision history are taken into consideration in the warrant analysis. The morning, midday, and afternoon peak traffic flow periods were evaluated, and the afternoon peak was found to have the highest westbound left turn volume: 90 vehicles turning left from Attridge Drive onto Central Avenue. Less than 10% of westbound left turning vehicles were not able to clear the intersection during a single cycle length. The average number of vehicles clearing the intersection during the intergreen period was less than two vehicles per cycle.

Analysis of the above considerations and criteria indicate that a westbound left turn phase is not yet fully warranted. The existing permissive westbound left turn movement is generally sufficient to allow the majority of vehicles to make the left turn throughout most of the day, with no more than two vehicles per cycle having to wait an additional cycle. The delay to those unable to clear the intersection during one cycle occurs only during peak traffic flow periods. It is important to note that the above warrants are based on operational efficiency of the intersection. Analysis from a safety perspective must be included in the evaluation of a left turn arrow.

There have been 96 reported collisions at this intersection over the last five years. Analysis of this data shows that 6 of the 21 left turn collisions involved the westbound left turns. It is difficult to ascertain if an advance left turn arrow would substantially decrease the left turn collisions, as a permissive left turn period would still allow the conflicting movements to occur. However, an arrow will allow the movement to occur without any conflict from opposing traffic, thus reducing the potential for collisions.

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It is anticipated that the development in the Silverspring, Willowgrove, and N.E Development Area will add to the vehicular volumes, and therefore will make the westbound left turn movement more difficult. Concerns that drivers are having trouble obtaining a clear view of the oncoming traffic due to line-of-sight issues is also taken into consideration. Therefore, to proactively deal with the anticipated growth and improve safety at this intersection, an advanced left turn arrow will be installed for the westbound traffic. Identical to operation of the eastbound left turn arrow, the westbound arrow will be actuated by vehicle presence and only when there is a sufficient demand for it. Typically, 4 or more passenger cars need to be queued in the turn lane to bring up the arrow. It is assumed that a lesser demand (2 or 3 vehicles) will be able to turn left on the solid green when adequate gaps appear in the opposing traffic stream or clear the intersection during the amber interval. This improvement will be funded from the Traffic Signal Maintenance operating budget.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**D3) Enquiry – Councillor T. Paulsen (January 23, 2006)  
Provision of Portable Washrooms at Toboggan Hills  
(File No. CK.) 4205-1**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a temporary unheated washroom be provided at one location for six weekends, from February 18 through March 26, 2006; and
  - 2) that Infrastructure Services undertake an evaluation of this service, and provide a report and recommendations in time for consideration during the 2007 Operating Budget.

**BACKGROUND**

Councillor Paulsen made the following enquiry at the meeting of City Council held on January 23, 2006:

“Could the Administration please report on the possibility of putting temporary washrooms at the tobogganing hills for the weekends of February and March. It’s my understanding that the cost will be around \$2,000.00.”

**REPORT**

With regard to the above enquiry, it is possible to rent unheated portable toilets. A portable toilet could be set up in the morning and taken down in the evening at a cost of \$100, or \$200 for a two-day weekend. If the toilets were not removed, the chance of damage from vandalism would be very high. Heated portable toilets are not available due to experience with vandalism.

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On a trial basis, this option could be funded out of Facilities Branch existing operating budget at one location for six weekends, at an approximate cost of \$1,200 - from February 18 through to March 26, 2006. Evaluation would look at utilization, user feedback, and any operational problems such as vandalism. If successful, \$3,500 could be added as an operating impact request for each location requiring ongoing service for four months (December through March) for the 2007 operating budget.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

*IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that a temporary unheated washroom be provided at both the Diefenbaker Park and Archibald Park tobogganing locations for six weekends, from February 18 through March 26, 2006, at a total cost of \$2,400; and*

*2) that Infrastructure Services undertake an evaluation of this service, and provide a report and recommendations in time for consideration during the 2007 Operating Budget.*

**D4) Capital Project 2002 – Circle Drive / College Drive Interchange  
Traffic Noise Attenuation  
(File No. 375-2)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

At its meeting held on January 23, 2006, City Council dealt with Clause D5, Administrative Report No. 2-2006, and resolved:

- “1) that City Council approve a sole source tender to CCI Industries Ltd. for \$350,000.00 plus GST & PST for the supply and delivery of Allan Block Fence Material for Capital Project 2002 – Circle Drive/College Drive Interchange;
- 2) that Capital Project 2002 – Circle Drive/College Drive Interchange be the source of funding;
- 3) that the Administration report back as to when additional blocks will be ordered and why the blocks were not purchased all at one time.”



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**REPORT**

The sole source tender to CCI Industries Ltd. approved as stated above includes the purchase and delivery of all blocks necessary to complete the sound attenuation walls at the College Drive / Circle Drive interchange. With this purchase and the existing inventory, no further blocks will be required for completion of the 2006 sound wall projects.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**D5) School Signing Revisions  
(File No. 6280-3)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the school signing revisions, as set out in the following report, be approved.

*ADOPTED.*

Infrastructure Services has been requested to revise the signing at Silverspring School, Walter Murray Collegiate and Aden Bowman Collegiate.

After careful review, Infrastructure Services has proposed minor revisions to the school signing plan (using the School Signing Guidelines) to address the particular needs of the facility. Infrastructure Services proposes that no stopping signs be placed at Walter Murray Collegiate and Silverspring School. Infrastructure Services is also proposing to extend the 30 km/hr school zone at Aden Bowman Collegiate to include the intersection at Clarence Avenue and Isabella Street. These proposals have been discussed and are supported by each school principal.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Plan No. 210-0021-004r004 – Walter Murray Collegiate
2. Plan No. 212-0061-001r005 – Silverspring School
3. Plan No. 203-0403-003r003 – Aden Bowman Collegiate

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**D6) Appointment of Weed Inspector - 2006  
*The Noxious Weed Act*  
(File No. 4200-2 and 4510-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Mr. Gerald Rees and Mr. Joe Laturus of the Infrastructure Services Department be appointed as the City of Saskatoon's 2006 Weed Inspectors, in accordance with the provisions of *The Noxious Weed Act*.

*ADOPTED.*

Section 7, Article 1 of *The Noxious Weed Act* (Saskatchewan) requires that City Council appoint a weed inspector annually. To carry out this year's program, a weed inspector is required for a six-month period from May 1 to October 31, 2006.

Mr. Gerald Rees, Superintendent, Park Maintenance, and Mr. Joe Laturus, Park Technician I, of Infrastructure Services, Parks Branch are recommended to fulfill this requirement during 2006.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**D7) Appointment of Pest Control Officer – 2006  
*Dutch Elm Disease Control Regulations, The Pest Control Act*  
(File No. 4200-1. 4510-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that Mr. Ian Birse and Mr. Jeff Balone of the Infrastructure Services Department be appointed as the City of Saskatoon's 2006 Pest Control Officers, in accordance with the provisions of *The Pest Control Act*; and
- 2) that the City Clerk notify the Minister of Agriculture and Food as per Article 14 of *The Pest Control Act*.

*ADOPTED.*

Section 13, Article 1 of *The Pest Control Act* (Saskatchewan) requires that City Council appoint one or more Pest Control Officers annually. The function of the Officer is to enforce the Dutch Elm Disease Regulations specified in this Act.

Mr. Ian Birse, Superintendent, Urban Forestry, and Mr. Jeff Balone, Pest Management Supervisor, both of the Infrastructure Services Department, are recommended for appointment to this office for 2006.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**D8) Proposed Disabled Person's Loading Zone  
(File No. 6120-04)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that a Disabled Person's Loading Zone be installed in front of 125 Avenue U South.

*ADOPTED.*

Infrastructure Services has received a request from the owner of the apartment block at 125 Avenue U South for the installation of a Disabled Person's Loading Zone in front of the residence, as shown on Plan No 210-0041-011r001 (Attachment 1). The installation of this Disabled Person's Loading Zone would provide better access to the residents of the apartment, and is therefore being recommended.

The loading zone conforms to City guidelines with respect to Disabled Person's Loading Zones, and no fee is assessed for its installation.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan No. 210-0041-011r001

**D9) Proposed Disabled Person's Loading Zone  
(File No. 6120-04)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that a Disabled Person's Loading Zone be installed in front of 1028 Avenue L South.

*ADOPTED.*

Infrastructure Services has received a request from the resident at 1028 Avenue L South for the installation of a Disabled Person's Loading Zone in front of the residence, as shown on Plan No. 210-0043-009r001 (Attachment 1). The resident has a physical impairment such that direct access to the front of their home is required.

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The loading zone conforms to City guidelines with respect to Disabled Person's Loading Zones, and no fee is assessed for its installation.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan No. Plan No. 210-0043-009r001

**Section E – UTILITY SERVICES**

- E1) Enquiry – Councillor E. Hnatyshyn (December 16, 2005)  
Transformer and Poles  
Back Lane – 700 Block of Eastlake  
(File: CK. 6300-1)**
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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

**BACKGROUND**

At the special meeting of City Council held on December 16, 2005, Councillor E. Hnatyshyn made the following enquiry:

“Would the Administration please report on the feasibility of burying the transformer and poles in the T-shape back lane of the 700 block of Eastlake Avenue.”

The Administration has been in contact with a condominium owner on the 700 block of Eastlake Avenue for the past 12 months regarding Saskatoon Light & Power's replacement of existing poles in the lane with taller poles in order to implement a system upgrade in the area. This upgrade consisted of changing the primary distribution voltage from 4,160 volts to 14,400 volts to allow the Utility to provide reliable electric service in the area for the next 25 to 30 years. The condominium owner, whose unit faces the lane, is disappointed with the view of the taller poles from his living room window. Attached is a letter, dated September 21, 2005, which was sent to the condominium owner. This letter included an estimate for replacing the transformer on the pole with a padmount transformer located at ground level, and burying the high voltage lines. The estimate did not include burying the service lines, SaskTel and Shaw Cable lines, or removing the poles which Councillor Hnatyshyn's enquiry refers.

**REPORT**

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Installing a padmount transformer and burying all of the lines in the T-shape lane of the 700 block of Eastlake Avenue is not feasible. There are several factors that combine to make it impractical and prohibitively expensive to install the facilities underground:

- SaskTel and Shaw Cable also have facilities on the joint use poles in the lane and they would have to agree to bury their facilities.
- The back yards of all the homes that are served overhead from this pole line are fully developed with mature trees, concrete parking pads and patios, garages and decks, making it very difficult and expensive to bury the facilities from the lane to the homes. Restoration of landscaping and walkways, fencing, etc. would make costs very excessive.
- There is no City property adjacent to the lane to locate a padmount transformer, therefore, it would have to be located in the lane and would be subject to continual damage from vehicle traffic, especially garbage trucks, delivery trucks, utility trucks, etc.
- Burying the lines and transformer would complicate the restoration of power should there be a failure of equipment, especially in the winter, as there would be no alternate supply.
- Facilities on all the homes are designed to be supplied from an overhead system, not from an underground system. Major alterations would be required at each home to accept an underground service from Saskatoon Light & Power as well as from SaskTel and Shaw Cable.

In the past, Saskatoon Light & Power has only buried facilities when an owner has requested it if the owner was prepared to pay all the costs, and if burying the facilities did not jeopardize the reliability of electric supply to other customers. Burying electric utility facilities at the City's expense would set a precedent for similar requests in other areas and as such, the Administration is recommending that no action occur in that respect at this location.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Letter dated September 21, 2005

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that consideration of the matter be deferred to the February 27<sup>th</sup> meeting of City Council, and that the condominium owner in question be so advised.*

**Section F – CITY MANAGER**

**F1) River Landing  
Phase II - Contribution Agreement  
(File No. CC. 4130-2)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council authorize His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign the attached contribution agreement.

In 2004, City Council and the Meewasin Valley Authority approved the South Downtown Concept Plan, which sets out the redevelopment framework for River Landing. In December of that year, an announcement was held outlining financial assistance from the provincial government (\$5 million), and the federal government (\$13.7 million) for the redevelopment of River Landing Phase II.

The federal assistance was obtained through the Strategic Infrastructure Fund administered by Infrastructure Canada. The provision of these funds requires the City to sign a contribution agreement that sets out several rules, guidelines, and regulations by which the financial assistance will be provided.

Over the last several months, City and federal officials have been discussing and negotiating various aspects of the contribution agreement. Of particular note, are the federal government's regulations with respect to eligible expenses and its requirement for reimbursement should any asset to which they contribute to be subsequently sold.

As Council is aware, River Landing Phase II includes several parcels of land that will be subsequently sold or leased to private developers for the construction of various residential and commercial developments. Under the federal government's regulations, the City would be required to return 100% of any eligible expenses directly relating to the parcels sold or leased. It has been determined that the only expense directly accruing to the parcels of land to be disposed is the recent soil remediation project. As such, the attached contribution agreement (Attachment 1) deems the remediation costs associated directly to those parcels of land to be ineligible. To ensure the City receives the full \$13.7 million grant, the agreement increases the amount provided to other projects.

It should also be noted that the salaries and cross-charges of civic staff relating to River Landing Phase II have also been deemed to be ineligible.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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**ATTACHMENT**

1. Canada Strategic Infrastructure Fund - Agreement for Saskatoon South Downtown ("River Landing Phase II").

*Item B12 of Communications to Council was brought forward.*

**“B12) Joe Kuchta, dated February 9**

Submitting comments with respect to the River Landing Phase II Contribution Agreement. (File No. CK. 4130-2-5)”

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that City Council authorize His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign the attached contribution agreement.*

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 3-2006**

**Section A – OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**

- A1) **Enquiry – Councillor D. L. Birkmaier (January 9, 2006)**  
**Voters List**  
**(File No. CK. 265-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

The following enquiry was submitted by Councillor Birkmaier at the meeting of City Council held on January 9, 2006:

“Would the City Clerk please report on reintroducing the preparation of a voters list for the fall 2006 Election.”

**BACKGROUND**

Prior to 1973, full Voters Lists were not prepared, but lists of burgesses (property owners) were prepared for money votes. Voters Lists were prepared for elections held in the City between 1973 and 1988. In 1991, Council decided that a Voters List would not be prepared for the 1991 election, and since then there have been no Voters Lists.

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There are no cities in Saskatchewan that currently prepare Voters Lists; however, most major cities in Canada do prepare Voters Lists.

**REPORT**

In the early years of municipal government, the list of people eligible to vote was relatively small, since the only people eligible to vote were male property owners. Now, of course, virtually every adult person is eligible to vote. The Voters List has changed from being a list of the small number of people in the community who were eligible to vote, to being a list of virtually every adult person in the community.

Enumeration

When a Voters List is prepared, there is door-to-door enumeration. It is common for one person in the household to provide the information for all others in the household. Because of this, and due to the informality of the process, it frequently happens that people are enumerated without having been asked any questions to determine their eligibility to vote. (This is why complaints are received every election that you must be a Canadian citizen to vote for the City, whereas you don't have to be for the other elections. In actual fact, you do need to be a Canadian citizen for the other elections, but because the enumeration is done more informally, door-to-door, people are not always aware of this.)

Without a Voters List, citizens are enumerated at the polling station. They are asked all of the pertinent questions to ascertain their eligibility, and are then required to sign a declaration that the information is true. They are also required to declare that they have not already voted in the election.

The amount of time required to enumerate voters at the poll is no longer than that required where a Voters List is utilized.

Integrity of the Voting Process

The main concern that has been occasionally expressed since the Voters List was eliminated is that people could vote at several polls on election day. Indeed there is potential for this illegal act to occur, just as it can occur if there is a Voters List. *The Local Government Election Act* provides that people who are not on the Voters List are able to vote as long as they complete a declaration at the poll. The only way to eliminate this is for the *Act* to stipulate that a person is not eligible to vote unless they are on the Voters List. Due to the impossibility of preparing accurate and up-to-date Voters Lists, this is not a viable option.

One other issue that has been raised in the past is that there is no requirement for citizens to show any identification. The legislation does not allow election officials to require identification, and identification is not required during door-to-door enumeration. If identification were to be



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required, it would need to be applied to everyone, and would cause problems with people forgetting their ID, or not having any. It would also slow the voting process considerably.

It is an offence to vote more than once in an election, or to vote in the name of another person, and the penalty is a fine of up to \$500.00 and/or imprisonment of up to two years. Although several people have expressed concern about the possibility of the above activities occurring, there have been no actual allegations made. If an allegation were to be made, it would be thoroughly investigated.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

In 1988 the cost of enumerating and preparing the Voters List was \$120,000, and the estimated cost for 1991 was \$136,000. To enumerate and prepare a Voters List in 2006, it would likely cost at least \$250,000.

The cost of elections is shared with the two School Boards. Assuming that they agree to pay for their share of the cost of re-instating the Voters List, the cost to the City would be approximately \$125,000 in 2006, and thereafter an annual provision of \$42,000 to the Voting Reserve.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**Section B – OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR**

- B1) The Capital Reserve Amendment Bylaw, 2006  
- Traffic Safety Reserve  
(File No. CK. 1702-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8483.

*ADOPTED.*

City Council at its meeting on January 9, 2006, during consideration of the 2006 Capital Budget, resolved that the City Solicitor be instructed to amend The Capital Reserve Bylaw to establish a Traffic Safety Reserve as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services, dated November 25, 2005. We are pleased to submit Bylaw No. 8483, The Capital Reserve Amendment Bylaw, 2006, for Council's consideration.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8483, The Capital Reserve Amendment Bylaw, 2006.

**REPORT NO. 2-2006 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

Composition of Committee

Councillor D. L. Birkmaier, Chair  
Councillor O. Fortosky  
Councillor E. Hnatyshyn  
Councillor M. Neault  
Councillor G. Wyant

**1. Downtown Housing – The Riverfront – 902 Spadina Crescent East  
(File No. CK. 4130-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the Riverfront application under the Downtown Housing Tax Exemption Program;
  - 2) that City Council direct the Office of the City Treasurer to apply the 5 (five) year tax exemption of the value of the incremental property taxes to this property according to the Downtown Housing Incentives Policy (No. C09-032); and
  - 3) that the five-year exemption start on January 1, 2007.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated January 16, 2006 with respect to an application under the Downtown Housing Tax Exemption Program.

Your Committee has reviewed the above report with the Administration and has received a presentation from Mr. Curtis Zwack, representing Remai Ventures Inc., with respect to their application. Your Committee supports the recommendations of the Administration, as outlined above.

*Items B7 and B13 of Communications to Council were brought forward.*

**“B7) Tara de Ryk, dated February 1**

Submitting comments with respect to the Riverfront and Parkville Manor downtown housing. (File No. CK. 4130-2-5)

**B13) Ellen Remail, President**  
**Remail Ventures Inc., dated February 9**

Submitting comments with respect to the Riverfront Condominiums located at 902 Spadina Crescent East. (File No. CK. 4130-2)”

*IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that City Council approve the Riverfront application under the Downtown Housing Tax Exemption Program;*

*2) that City Council direct the Office of the City Treasurer to apply the 5 (five) year tax exemption of the value of the incremental property taxes to this property according to the Downtown Housing Incentives Policy (No. C09-032); and*

*3) that the five-year exemption start on January 1, 2007.*

**2. Downtown Housing – Parkville Manor – 625 25<sup>th</sup> Street East**  
**(Files CK. 4130-2 and 1965-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1) that City Council approve the Parkville Manor application under the Downtown Housing Tax Abatement Program;

2) that City Council direct the Office of the City Treasurer to apply the five-year, phased-in tax abatement of the value of the incremental property taxes to this property; and

3) that the five-year phased-in abatement start on January 1, 2006, and provide the following abatement:

- Year 1 – 100% abatement;
- Year 2 – 80% abatement;
- Year 3 – 60% abatement;
- Year 4 – 40% abatement; and
- Year 5 – 20% abatement.

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Item A15 of Communications to Council.*

**3. Pedestrian Actuated Signals at McKercher Drive and Avondale Road/Heritage Crescent**  
**(File No. CK. 6150-3)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that a pedestrian actuated traffic signal be installed on the south side of the intersection of McKercher Drive and Avondale Road/Heritage

Crescent as outlined in Attachment 1 to the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated January 12, 2006.

*ADOPTED.*

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the recommendation outlined in the attached report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated January 12, 2006, with respect to the above matter.

**REPORT NO. 2-2006 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Composition of Committee

Councillor G. Penner, Chair  
Councillor T. Alm  
Councillor B. Dubois  
Councillor M. Heidt  
Councillor T. Paulsen

**1. 2006 Tag Days  
(File No. CK. 200-3)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the 2006 Tag Days be approved, as outlined in this report.

*ADOPTED.*

The following is the report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated January 18, 2006, with respect to the above matter:

“All organizations requesting 2006 Tag Days meet the requirements stipulated in the regulations governing Tag Days Policy No. C02-010, and have submitted applications and received approvals by City Council in previous years.

Detailed herewith are the applications received for 2006 Tag Days:

ORGANIZATION

DATE(S) REQUESTED:

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| 1. Aids Saskatoon Inc  | September 9  |
| 2. Kiwanis Club of Saskatoon                                 | September 30 |
| 3. Shinerama Saskatoon – Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation | September 21 |

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| 4. Royal Canadian Legion - Poppy Campaign Fund      | October 28               |
| 5. #107 and #702 Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadrons | April 1 and October 14   |
| 6. Navy League of Canada – Saskatoon Branch         | April 8 and September 23 |
| 7. Save The Children – Canada, Saskatoon Branch     | May 6                    |
| 8. #328 & #2293 Royal Canadian Army Cadets          | May 27                   |
| 9. Saskatoon Lions Band                             | May 13                   |
| 10. Raise a Reader – The Star Phoenix               | September 28             |
| 11. Planned Parenthood Saskatoon Centre             | August 26                |
| 12. Saskatoon Firefighters – Boot Drive             | July 29                  |

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice Pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.”

Your Committee has reviewed this report, and supports the Tag Days as indicated.

**2. Communications to Council**

**From: Katimavik Program Partners  
Fédération des francophones de Saskatoon**  
**Date: December 1, 2005**  
**Subject: Request for Transit Passes**  
**(File No. CK. 1870-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a copy of the above-noted communication, which was considered by City Council at its meeting held on January 9, 2006, and referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.

Your Committee has reviewed this request with representatives of Katimavik Program Partners and the Administration, and has determined that the request would involve \$4,000 in bus passes. The Administration has not budgeted for such funding and the grants program has already been administered for 2006. Unfortunately there is no other source of funding through the City, and the group was encouraged to seek outside funding for this worthy project in our community.

**3. Access Transit Service**  
**Booking Window**  
**(File No. CK. 7305-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that a seven-day advanced booking window be permanently implemented for Access Transit.

*ADOPTED.*

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Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department dated January 16, 2006, with respect to the above-noted matter.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration and supports the recommendation to move to a permanent seven-day advanced booking window for Access Transit.

**4. Landfill Fees and Commercial Garbage Collection Rates – 2006  
and  
2005 Capital Budget  
Capital Project 876 – Regional Waste Management Facility  
Award of Tender – Contract 5-0581 – Cell H Construction  
(File No. CK. 7830-4)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the landfill tipping fees and commercial collection fees be increased as outlined in Attachment 1, Proposed Solid Waste Rates and Fees – 2006;
  - 2) that the provision to the Landfill Replacement Reserve be increased to \$12/tonne effective March 1, 2006; and
  - 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary bylaw amendments for consideration by City Council.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department dated January 20, 2006, on the above matter.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration, and supports the proposed increase in landfill fees and commercial garbage collection rates for 2006.

**5. Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan – Lease Renewal of the Site Located Between The Mendel and 25<sup>th</sup> Street  
(File No. CK. 4225-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the current agreement between the City and Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan Festival Inc., be extended for an additional five years (from May 1, 2006 – August 31, 2010) under the same terms and conditions as the current lease, with the following changes:
    - a) all references to the site as a snow dump be removed;
    - b) the addition of a clause to address the trailer being left on site year round; and
    - c) the addition of a clause identifying Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan as responsible for the property taxes on the trailer in the event that a property tax assessment is applied; and
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate agreement and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the amending agreement under the Corporate Seal.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated January 16, 2006, with respect to the above matter.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration and supports the extension of the lease agreement with Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan for an additional five years, under the terms and conditions outlined in the report.

**6. 2006 Woodlawn Cemetery Revenue Proposal  
(File No. CK. 4080-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the changes to the fees charged for service provided at the Woodlawn Cemetery be approved, effective February 15, 2006; and
  - 2) that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8484

*ADOPTED.*

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Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated January 12, 2006, with respect to the 2006 fees for service provided at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration and supports the proposed changes to the fees, as outlined in the report.

**7. Interchange Levy  
(File No. CK. 4131-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that an Interchange Levy be approved in principle, with implementation to be determined by the Administration in consultation with the developers;
  - 2) that funds generated by the Interchange Levy be placed in a new off-site reserve and utilized to partially fund future interchange construction;
  - 3) that the Administration be directed to update pertinent bylaws and policies required to administer the levy;
  - 4) that any interest earned by funds in this reserve be retained in the reserve in order to offset the cost of construction inflation; and
  - 5) that the interchange grade separation of Highway 11 be reviewed by the Administration with the developers.

*ADOPTED.*

City Council considered Clause 5, Report No. 6, 2004 of the Administration and Finance Committee on the above matter and adopted the following recommendations:

- 1) that approval be granted, in principle, for the creation of an interchange levy to be included in the City's off-site land development charges; and
- 2) that upon consultation with the development community, the Administration report further on a policy and rate structure for the new interchange levy for implementation in 2005.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated January 23, 2006, with respect to the above matter. Your Committee has met with the developers on this matter, and has heard their concerns. City Council has established that all charges relating to the development of new areas should be included in the levies for that development, and



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therefore your Committee supports this new Interchange Levy. The Committee understands, however, that the question of implementation is sensitive, and would like the Administration to work with the developers on the implementation of this levy, which may be different than on the schedule outlined in Table 1.

**REPORT NO. 1-2006 OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Composition of Committee

Councillor G. Wyant, Chair  
Councillor D.L. Birkmaier  
Councillor T. Alm  
Councillor B. Dubois  
Councillor M. Neault

**1. External Audit – Deloitte and Touche  
Request for Additional Fees  
(File No. CK. 1600-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the request for an additional \$4,500 from Deloitte & Touche for external audit services, be approved to cover additional work on implementation of the new Audit and Assurance Standards, as outlined in the attached submission from Deloitte & Touche.

*ADOPTED.*

Your Committee has determined from the external auditor, Deloitte & Touche, that there will be extra work required to implement new Audit and Assurance Standards in the external audit for the year ended December 31, 2005, as required by the audit industry. As will be noted in the Table on Page 12 under “Additional time from change in scope of services”, this extra charge will be \$4,500 (the extra charge of \$2,000 in this category was approved by City Council under Clause 2, Report No. 10-2004 of the Audit Committee on November 1, 2004 and is now included in the base fee).

Your Committee has reviewed this matter with Deloitte & Touche and the Administration, and while the fees continue to increase from the contract price, the scope of the audit has had to increase due to new industry standards. Your Committee therefore recommends approval of this extra charge.

**2. Corporate Audit Plan  
(File No. CK. 1600-3)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the Corporate Audit Plan from September 15, 2004 (effective date of the current Internal Audit Services Contract) to approximately April, 2007 be approved.

*ADOPTED.*

The Terms of Reference for the Audit Committee indicate that part of the function of the Committee, is as follows:

- a) approving the annual and long-term corporate audit plans for internal audits and recommending same to City Council.

Attached is a copy of a report from Robert Prosser & Associates Inc., the internal auditor, which outlines the Corporate Audit Plan to approximately April, 2007. Your Committee has worked with the internal auditor and the Administration to set this schedule of audits so that is manageable by both parties, and submits this information to City Council for approval.

**REPORT NO. 3-2006 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Composition of Committee

His Worship Mayor D. Atchison, Chair  
Councillor T. Alm  
Councillor D.L. Birkmaier  
Councillor B. Dubois  
Councillor O. Fortosky  
Councillor M. Heidt  
Councillor E. Hnatyshyn  
Councillor M. Neault  
Councillor T. Paulsen  
Councillor G. Penner  
Councillor G. Wyant

**1. Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre Corporation (TCU Place)  
Amendment to Articles of Incorporation – Power to Borrow Money  
(File No. CK. 163-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that Option No. 1 be approved regarding the borrowing of money by the Centennial Auditorium, as outlined in the report of the City Solicitor dated January 10, 2006; and
- 2) that His Worship the Mayor, be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon as the sole member of The Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre Corporation, the Special Resolution authorizing the amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of The Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre Corporation respecting the borrowing of money.

*ADOPTED.*

The following is an excerpt from the report of the City Solicitor dated January 10, 2006 with respect to establishing a process for the Centennial Auditorium (TCU Place) to borrow money:

**“BACKGROUND**

At its meeting on March 22, 2004, City Council approved, in principle, a request from the Centennial Auditorium for an expansion to its facility, subject to a final decision on financing. On January 17, 2005, City Council approved a recommendation that the General Manager, Corporate Services, be authorized to borrow up to \$9,645,000 for the planned

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expansion which is estimated to cost approximately \$10,845,000. The difference of \$1,200,000 is to be funded from the civic buildings reserve. The Auditorium will repay the debenture loan using incremental revenues from the new facility.

On August 15, 2005, City Council approved an interim loan to the Centennial Auditorium in an amount up to \$9,645,000 to finance the capital costs for the expansion project during construction. The interim financing is to be used exclusively to pay for the construction of the expansion. The City is advancing funds to the Auditorium on the last day of each month to enable the Auditorium to meet the monthly progress payments owed by the Auditorium to its General Contractor for the expansion. The aggregate amount of the advances cannot exceed \$9,645,000. The Auditorium is paying interest on the cumulative borrowed funds at the rate of 2.5% per annum. Upon completion of the expansion, the City will formally borrow, by way of loan on debentures, the sum of \$9,645,000 to pay for the cost of the expansion. The proceeds of the debenture will be used to repay the deficit in the City's cash balances and short-term investments resulting from the interim financing. The Auditorium will be responsible for the payment of principal and interest in respect of the debentures and will make the payment of annual principal and semi-annual interest to the City at such times and in such amounts as required by the debentures, until the debentures have been fully repaid.

When it becomes time for the City to borrow the money, the City will be required to pass a borrowing bylaw. The bylaw must describe the purpose for which the money is being borrowed. In this case, the purpose will be to loan the proceeds to the Auditorium for the expansion of its facility. The City's fiscal agents and reviewing solicitors will require proof that the Auditorium is authorized to borrow the money from the City.

**REPORT**

In preparing the Interim Financing Agreement, we conducted a review of the Auditorium's Articles of Incorporation. The Articles provide that the Auditorium shall not:

- (i) borrow money upon the credit of the Auditorium;
- (ii) issue, reissue, sell or pledge debt obligations of the Auditorium; and
- (iii) mortgage, hypothecate, pledge or otherwise create a security interest in all or any property of the Auditorium, owned or subsequently acquired, to secure any debt obligation of the Auditorium.

In order for the Auditorium to borrow money from the City to pay for the expansion, it will be necessary to amend the Articles of Incorporation to authorize the borrowing. Assuming that Council does not want to remove the restriction entirely, we would suggest two options for the Committee's consideration:

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Option 1

Amend the Articles of Incorporation to prohibit the Auditorium from borrowing money, except from The City of Saskatoon.

Option 2

Amend the Articles of Incorporation to prohibit the Auditorium from borrowing money, except by special resolution of the members.

Option 1 is self-explanatory. The Auditorium cannot borrow money, except from the City. The Auditorium cannot incur long-term debt except with the City.

Option 2 provides that the Auditorium cannot borrow money, except by special resolution of the members. The City is the only member of the Auditorium corporation. Therefore, the Auditorium cannot borrow money without the prior approval of the City. The only difference with this option is that the Auditorium could, with the City's approval, borrow money from a lender other than the City.

We would request that the Committee recommend a preferred option to City Council for its approval and recommend that the Mayor be authorized to sign the appropriate special resolutions to facilitate the loan to the Auditorium.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.”

Your Committee has reviewed this matter and supports Option 1, being the facility is owned by the City of Saskatoon.

**2. Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association  
Board of Directors  
(File No. CK. 155-5)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council nominate Councillor Donna L. Birkmaier to the Board of Directors of the Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association.

*ADOPTED.*

Councillor Birkmaier is presently a member of the Board of Directors of the Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association, and your Committee is pleased to put forward the above recommendation.

**3. Communications to Council  
From: Sue Delanoy, Executive Director  
Communities for Children  
Date: undated  
Subject: Request for Representation from City Council for  
Board of Directors for Communities for Children  
(File No. CK. 175-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council nominate Councillor Donna L. Birkmaier as its representative on the Board of Directors for Communities for Children.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a copy of the above-noted letter, inviting His Worship the Mayor to become a Board member of the new Board of Directors for Communities for Children. Unfortunately, due to time commitments, His Worship the Mayor is unable to accept this invitation.

**4. Stonegate Retail Proposal  
First Pro Shopping Centre  
(File No. CK. 4125-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that consideration of Item 9b) of Unfinished Business relating to the Stonegate Retail Proposal, be deferred until the February 27, 2006 meeting of City Council.

*ADOPTED.*

A motion dealing with the above is listed on this agenda under "Unfinished Business".

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The Administration and Finance Committee is submitting a recommendation regarding the establishment of an infrastructure levy.

Your Committee recommends that consideration of the motion regarding Stonegate be deferred for a further two weeks, in order to allow Council to consider and vote on the issue of a proposed infrastructure levy.”

*Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

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

**CARRIED.**

*His Worship the Mayor assumed the Chair.*

*The regular order of business was suspended at Item C1 of Communications to Council was brought forward and considered.*

**“C1) Rob Jones, Executive Director  
Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre, dated December 21**

Submitting the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre’s expansion report in response to Councillor Hnatyshyn’s enquiry of November 14, 2005. (A copy of the report is available for viewing in the City Clerk’s Office.) (File No. CK. 620-3)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.”

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the information be received and be referred back to the Executive Director of the Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre to report on the specific additions and deletions to the expansion project.*

**CARRIED.**

*The meeting recessed at 6:57 and reconvened at 7:04 p.m. with His Worship the Mayor in the Chair.*

**PRESENTATIONS**

His Worship the Mayor commenced the 2006 Heritage Awards presentation by thanking the selection judges: Abby King, representing the Interior Designers of Saskatchewan; Dave Anderson, representing the Saskatchewan Association of Architects; Barbara Anderson and Annette Stebner of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee; and Dianne Wilson of the Saskatoon Heritage Society.

His Worship the Mayor presented the following awards:

- Heritage Award for Volunteer Public Service to Margaret Hendry.
- Restoration: Exterior – Public/Commercial – Superintendent’s Residence in the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo; to Bernie Cruikshank, President of the Friends of the Forestry Farm House, to Derek Kindrachuk, the architect, to Stephen Stade of Homestade Construction Ltd., and to Bernard Rutko of Wadena Glass.
- Restoration: Interior and Exterior – Public/Commercial – Buena Vista School at 1306 Lorne Avenue; to Dan Danielson, Chair of the Saskatoon Board of Education, to Keith Henry, the architect, to Lorne Wright of Wright Construction and to Abby King the interior designer.
- Restoration: Interior and Exterior – Public/Commercial – Gustin House at 512 – 10<sup>th</sup> Street East; to Walter Thiessen, Chair of the Gustin Trounce Heritage Committee, to Allan Duddridge, the principal architect, to Harry Dalsgaard of D2 Construction and to Renee Duddridge the interior designer.
- Restoration: Interior – Public/Commercial – the College Building at the University of Saskatchewan; to Colin Tennent, the University of Saskatchewan’s Chief Architect, to Obert Friggstad, the architect, and to Jeff Reichert of Cochran Engineering.
- Restoration: Interior Main Floor and Adaptive Re-Use Second Floor Public/Commercial – the McFarland House at 716 Queen Street; to Deborah Black, the owner, to Wendy Black Kostuk, the interior designer, to Tim Binning, the contractor, and to Len Kostuk, the architectural technologist.
- Adaptive Re-Use – to Stantec Architecture Ltd. at 100 - 75 - 24<sup>th</sup> Street East; to Rory Picklyck, the architect, to Brian Heagy, the building owner and to Ron Duval of Dominion Construction.
- Infill: Private Residence – 833 Temperance Avenue to Verna St. Denis and Richard Katz, the owners, to David Hutton, the designer, to Clayton Underwood, the contractor, and to John Bertolini, the timber framer.



- Heritage Space – Heritage Rose Garden in the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo; to Bernadette Vangool, Grace Berg and Sheila Liota, all of the Saskatchewan Perennial Society, and to Linda Farwell, City of Saskatoon, Parks Branch.
- Adaptive Re-Use Honourable Mention – Elwood Flynn Ltd. at 200 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South; to Will Barry Flynn, on behalf of Elwood Flynn the owner; to Phil Scott, the architect, and to Don Haining, the contractor.

### **HEARINGS**

**4a) Discretionary Use Application D22/05  
Residential Care Home – Type II (10 residents maximum)  
Lot 15, Block 927, Plan 78S15186  
768 Lenore Drive  
(File No. CK. 4355-1)**

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**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider the above-noted discretionary use application.

The City Planner has advised that notification posters have been placed on site and letters have been sent to all adjacent landowners within 75 metres of the site.

Attached is a copy of a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated December 22, 2005 recommending that the application submitted by Simona Marincas to use Lot 15, Block 927, Plan 78S15186 (768 Lenore Drive) for the purpose of a Residential Care Home - Type II for up to ten residents be approved subject to:

- a) the applicant obtaining a development permit and all other relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses; and,
- b) the final plans submitted for the proposed Residential Care Home - Type II being substantially in accordance with those plans submitted in support of this discretionary use application.

Attached is a copy of a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated January 26, 2006 advising the Commission supports the above recommendation.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Tim Steuart, Community Services Department, expressed the Department's support of the Discretionary Use Application.*

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*His Worship the Mayor ascertained that there was no one present in the gallery who wished to address Council on this matter.*

*Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

**CARRIED.**

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT the application submitted by Simona Marincas to use Lot 15, Block 927, Plan 78S15186 (768 Lenore Drive) for the purpose of a Residential Care Home - Type II for up to ten residents be approved subject to:*

- a) the applicant obtaining a development permit and all other relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses; and,*
- b) the final plans submitted for the proposed Residential Care Home - Type II being substantially in accordance with those plans submitted in support of this discretionary use application.*

**CARRIED.**

**4b) Proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment  
B1B Neighbourhood Commercial – Mixed Use Zoning District  
Applicant: City of Saskatoon Land Branch and  
Dundee Development Corporation  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8479  
File No. CK. 4351-1)**

**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8479, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a copy of Clause 1, Report No. 1-2006 of the Municipal Planning Commission which was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on January 9, 2006.

Attached is a copy of the notice which appeared in the local press under dates of January 21, and 28, 2006.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

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*Mr. Tim Steuart, Community Services Department, expressed the Department's support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

*Mr. Jim Zimmer, member, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission's support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

*His Worship the Mayor ascertained that there was no one present in the gallery who wished to address Council on this matter.*

*Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

**CARRIED.**

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8479.*

**CARRIED.**

- 4c) Proposed Development Plan Amendment  
From 'Light Industrial' to 'Heavy Industrial' and  
From 'Phase II' to 'Phase I'  
Proposed Parcels A, B and C in the NW-22-37-5-W3  
71<sup>st</sup> Street and Millar Avenue, Marquis Industrial  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8481  
(File No. CK. 4351-1)**

**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

"The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8481, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a copy of Clause 2, Report No. 1-2006 of the Municipal Planning Commission which was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on January 9, 2006.

Attached is a copy of the notice which appeared in the local press under dates of January 21, and 28, 2006."

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

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*Pursuant to earlier resolution, Clause A4, Administrative Report No. 3-2006 was brought forward.*

**“A4) Public Information Meeting -  
Marquis Industrial Area Sector Plan and Maple Leaf Foods Project  
(File No.: PL.4134-3, PL.4115-DPA28/05, and PL.4350-Z29/05; CK. 4125-12)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

**BACKGROUND**

A public information meeting was arranged by your Administration as part of the consideration for the Marquis Industrial Sector Plan and the Development Plan and Zoning Bylaw amendments to accommodate Maple Leaf Foods' primary pork processing facility.

**REPORT**

This public information meeting was held on Thursday, January 19, 2006, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Brownell School located on Russell Road. Approximately 7,000 meeting notices were delivered to residents of the Silverwood Heights neighborhood, to businesses in the Marquis and Hudson Bay Industrial areas, and to nearby property owners in Corman Park. In addition, a notice of the meeting was placed in the Saskatoon Star Phoenix on January 14, 2006.

Representatives from Maple Leaf Foods were in attendance, as well as staff from the Community Services Department and the Infrastructure Services Department.

Approximately sixty-five individuals attended the meeting. Based on the sign in sheets, about half of the attendees were residents of the Silverwood Heights neighbourhood. The response to both proposals was generally positive. The most common questions raised at the meeting, were traffic impacts and potential odour concerns related to the Maple Leaf Foods' plant. In response, it was noted that the extension of Marquis Drive, including an interchange at Idylwyld Drive, along with planned upgrades to Wanuskewin Road, are expected to adequately address long-term traffic impacts. It was also noted that Maple Leaf Foods has undertaken odour modeling for the proposed plant and it is expected that discernable odours will be minimal. It should also be noted that this plant will be licensed by Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management under the provisions of *The Clean Air Act*.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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Public Notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.”

*Mr. Tim Steuart, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the proposed Development Plan Amendment.*

*Mr. Jim Zimmer, member, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed Development Plan Amendment.*

*Mr. Stu Irvine, President, Mitchell’s Gourmet Foods, provided background information of the current processing plant, expressed the need for a new plant, and asked that Council approve the proposed Development Plan Amendment. He provided Council with a copy of his presentation.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,*

*THAT the submitted correspondence be received.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8481.*

*CARRIED.*

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- 4d) Proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment  
From IL1(H) – General Light Industrial District (Holding)  
To IH – Heavy Industrial District  
Proposed Parcels A, B and C in the NW-22-37-5-W3  
71<sup>st</sup> Street and Millar Avenue, Marquis Industrial  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8482  
(File No. CK. 4351-1)**
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**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8482, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a copy of Clause 2, Report No. 1-2006 of the Municipal Planning Commission which was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on January 9, 2006. (See Attachment 4c)

Attached is a copy of the notice which appeared in the local press under dates of January 21, and 28, 2006.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Tim Steuart, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

*Mr. Jim Zimmer, member, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

*His Worship the Mayor ascertained that there was no one present in the gallery who wished to address Council on this matter.*

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

**CARRIED.**

*Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8482.*

**CARRIED.**

**MATTERS REQUIRING PUBLIC NOTICE**

**5a) Proposed Closure of Right-of-Way  
Portion of Public Right-of-Way adjacent to 2710-2712 Estey Drive  
(File No. CK. 6295-1)**

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**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The following is a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated February 2, 2006:

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8478;
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to take all necessary steps to bring the intended closing forward and to complete the closing; and
  - 3) that upon closing the portion of right-of-way as described in Plan of proposed lane closure prepared by Webb Surveys, it be sold to Doug Ray Brown and Lynn Marie Brown of 2712 Estey Drive for \$1,000, and the remaining portion of public-right-of-way be transferred to Byron Wiebe of 2710 Estey Drive.

**REPORT**

An application has been received from Doug Ray Brown and Lynn Marie Brown of 2712 Estey Drive to close and purchase portion of the public right-of-way walkway as shown on Plan of proposed lane closure (Attachment 1).

In accordance with City Council Policy Number C07-017 – Walkway Closure Fee Assistance, the portion of public right-of-way “A” as outlined in Plan No. 242-0059-001r002 (Attachment 2) will be sold to Doug Ray Brown and Lynn Marie Brown of 2712 Estey Drive for \$1,000. The portion of public right-of-way “B” as outlined in attached Plan No. 242-0059-001r002 will be transferred to Byron Wiebe of 2710 Estey Drive.

The portion of right-of-way adjacent to 2710-2712 Estey Drive has been utilized as a walkway; however, it is not highly utilized. The walkway is two houses away from the intersection of Estey Drive and Hanson Street, thus the closure will not significantly restrict pedestrian movement.

SaskEnergy, SaskTel, Shaw Cable, and Saskatoon Light & Power have facilities within the proposed closure and have granted permission for closure, subject to easements being granted.

Approval for the closing of the portion of public right-of-way has been received from the Minister of Highways (Attachment 3).

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice is required for consideration of this matter, pursuant to Section 3b) of Policy No. C01-021, The Public Notice Policy. The following notice was given:

- Advertised in the *Star Phoenix* and *Sun* on the weekends of February 4/5 and 11/12, 2006 (Attachment 5)
- Posted on City Hall Notice Board on Friday, February 3, 2006
- Posted on City Website on Friday, February 3, 2006
- Flyers distributed to affected parties on February 3, 2006

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Plan of Proposed Lane Closure dated October 18, 2005
2. Plan No. 242-0059-001r002 – Lane Closure Estey Drive to Back Lane
3. Letter from Department of Highways dated November 2, 2005
4. Proposed Bylaw No. 8478
5. Public Notice: Permanent Right-of-Way Closure- Right-of-Way adjacent to 2710-2712 Estey Drive.”

*His Worship the Mayor ascertained that there was no one present in the gallery who wished to address Council on this matter.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, seconded by Councillor Neault,*

- 1) *that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8478;*
- 2) *that the City Solicitor be instructed to take all necessary steps to bring the intended closing forward and to complete the closing; and*
- 3) *that upon closing the portion of right-of-way as described in Plan of proposed lane closure prepared by Webb Surveys, it be sold to Doug Ray Brown and Lynn Marie Brown of 2712 Estey Drive for \$1,000, and the remaining portion of public-right-of-way be transferred to Byron Wiebe of 2710 Estey Drive.*



*CARRIED.*

**COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL**

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

**A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL**

**1) Diane Kanak, A/Secretary to the Board  
Board of Police Commissioners, dated January 25**

Requesting permission for representatives of the Saskatoon Police Service to address Council with respect to Councillor Fortosky's enquiry – Vehicles of Sexual Predators. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that representatives of the Saskatoon Police Service be heard.

**2) Pat Tymchatyn, Vice-President  
Meadowgreen Community Association, dated February 6**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to "Operation Snapshot". (File No. CK. 5000-1)

**3) Peter Kozakavich, Civic Director  
Meadowgreen Community Association, dated February 6**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to "Operation Snapshot". (File No. CK. 5000-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Pat Tymchatyn and Peter Kozakavich be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

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*THAT representatives of the Saskatoon Police Service, Pat Tymchatyn, and Peter Kozakavich be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

*Supt. Broste and Sgt. Debbie Altrogge, Saskatoon Police Service, spoke with respect to the “Operation Snapshot” program.*

*Ms. Pat Tymchatyn, Vice President, Meadowgreen Community Association, expressed concerns with respect to the sexual exploitation of women in the city.*

*Mr. Peter Kozakavitch, Civics Director, Meadowgreen Community Association, expressed his support of a program being implemented similar to the “Operation Snapshot” program.*

*Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the matter be referred back to the Board of Police Commissioners for further discussion.*

*CARRIED.*

**4) John Dalzell, City Facilitator  
National Homelessness Initiative, dated February 3**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the Saskatoon Community Plan for Homelessness and Housing and “Keeping the Plan Alive 2005”. (A copy of the report can be viewed in the City Clerk’s Office.) (File No. CK. 750-6)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that John Dalzell be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT John Dalzell be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

*Mr. John Dalzell, City Facilitator, National Homelessness Initiative, asked that Council endorse the “Keeping the Plan Alive 2005” and post a link to the City’s website.*

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT City Council endorse the “Keeping the Plan Alive 2005” and post a link to the City’s website.*

*CARRIED.*

**5) Kathleen Fathers, dated February 3**

Requesting permission to address Council on various issues. (File No. CK. 150-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Kathleen Fathers be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Kathleen Fathers be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

*Ms. Kathleen Fathers expressed concerns with respect to various issues in the City.*

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**6) Edward Gibney, Chairman  
Saskatoon Centennial Sculpture Symposium, undated**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the Saskatoon Centennial Sculpture Symposium to be held June 19 to July 30, 2006 in Friendship Park. (File No. CK. 205-30)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Items B10 and B11 of Communications to Council be brought forward and that Edward Gibney be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

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*THAT Items B10 and B11 of Communications to Council be brought forward and that Edward Gibney be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

**“B10) Darlene Bessey, Chair  
Citizens’ Centennial Committee, dated February 6**

Expressing support for the Prairie Sculptors’ Association’s application to host the Centennial Sculpture Symposium in Friendship Park from June 19 to July 30, 2006. (File No. CK. 205-30)

**B11) Susan Lamb, Chief Executive Officer  
Meewasin Valley Authority, dated February 7**

Expressing support for the Prairie Sculptors’ Association’s application to host the Centennial Sculpture Symposium in Friendship Park from June 19 to July 30, 2006. (File No. CK. 205-30)”

*Mr. Edward Gibney, Chairman, Saskatoon Centennial Sculpture Symposium, provided information on the Centennial Sculpture Symposium and requested that Council approve the use of Friendship Park for the Symposium from June 19 to July 30, 2006.*

*Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the request to use Friendship Park for the Centennial Sculpture Symposium from June 19 to July 30, 2006, be approved subject to administrative conditions.*

*CARRIED.*

**7) Matt Baraniecki, President  
CUPE 59, dated January 29**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the Automated Meter Reading System. (File No. CK. 1500-1)

**8) Merv Simonot, Shop Steward  
CUPE 47, dated February 6**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the Automated Meter Reading System. (File No. CK. 1500-1)

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**9) Phil Miller, dated February 6**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the Automated Meter Reading System.  
(File No. CK. 1500-1)

**10) Les Mills, dated February 6**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the Automated Meter Reading System.  
(File No. CK. 1500-1)

**11) Ken Mansfield, dated February 6**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the Automated Meter Reading System.  
(File No. CK. 1500-1)

**12) Eldon Wiebe, dated February 6**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the Automated Meter Reading System.  
(File No. CK. 1500-1)

**13) Jim Maddin, dated February 7**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the Automated Meter Reading System.  
(File No. CK. 1500-1)

**14) Rusty Chartier, dated February 7**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the Automated Meter Reading System.  
(File No. CK. 1500-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Matt Baraniecki, Merv Simonot, Phil Miller, Les Mills, Ken Mansfield, Eldon Wiebe, Jim Maddin and Rusty Chartier be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Matt Baraniecki, Merv Simonot, Phil Miller, Les Mills, Ken Mansfield, Eldon Wiebe, Jim Maddin and Rusty Chartier be heard.*

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*CARRIED.*

*Mr. Matt Baraniecki, President, CUPE 59, expressed concerns with respect to the Automated Meter Reading program.*

*Mr. Merv Simonot, Shop Steward, CUPE 47, expressed concerns with respect to the Automated Meter Reading program. He provided Council with a package of information.*

*Mr. Phil Miller, President, CUPE 47, expressed concerns with respect to the Automated Meter Reading program. He provided Council with a copy of related calculations.*

*Mr. Les Mills, Vice President, CUPE 47, expressed concerns with respect to the Automated Meter Reading program.*

*Mr. Ken Mansfield, Secretary, CUPE 47, expressed concerns with respect to the Automated Meter Reading program.*

*Mr. Eldon Wiebe expressed concerns with respect to the Automated Meter Reading program.*

*Mr. Jim Maddin expressed concerns with respect to the Automated Meter Reading program.*

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT the matter be referred to the Administration to meet with the union representatives and report back Council, and include in that report the spending of capital dollars and its effect on taxes.*

*CARRIED.*

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**15) Terry Verbeke, Director  
Parkville Manor, dated February 13**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the Parkville Manor application under the Downtown Housing Tax Abatement Program. (File No. CK. 4130-2)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Clause 2, Report No. 2-2006 of the Planning and Operations Committee be brought forward and that Terry Verbeke be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Clause 2, Report No. 2-2006 of the Planning and Operations Committee be brought forward and that Terry Verbeke be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

**“REPORT NO. 2-2006 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

**2. Downtown Housing – Parkville Manor – 625 25<sup>th</sup> Street East  
(Files CK. 4130-2 and 1965-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the Parkville Manor application under the Downtown Housing Tax Abatement Program;
  - 2) that City Council direct the Office of the City Treasurer to apply the five-year, phased-in tax abatement of the value of the incremental property taxes to this property; and
  - 3) that the five-year phased-in abatement start on January 1, 2006, and provide the following abatement:
    - Year 1 – 100% abatement;
    - Year 2 – 80% abatement;
    - Year 3 – 60% abatement;
    - Year 4 – 40% abatement; and
    - Year 5 – 20% abatement.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated January 16, 2006, with respect to an application under the Downtown Housing Tax Abatement Program.

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Your Committee has received a presentation from the applicant, Mr. Terry Verbeke, representing Parkville Manor, with respect to their application. Your Committee supports the recommendations of the Administration, as outlined above.”

*Mr. Terry Verbeke, Director, Parkville Manor, spoke with respect to the positive effect the program has had on the manor and asked that Council approve the Parkville Manor application under the Downtown Housing Tax Abatement Program.*

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

- 1) that City Council approve the Parkville Manor application under the Downtown Housing Tax Abatement Program;*
- 2) that City Council direct the Office of the City Treasurer to apply the five-year, phased-in tax abatement of the value of the incremental property taxes to this property; and*
- 3) that the five-year phased-in abatement start on January 1, 2006, and provide the following abatement:*
  - Year 1 – 100% abatement;*
  - Year 2 – 80% abatement;*
  - Year 3 – 60% abatement;*
  - Year 4 – 40% abatement; and*
  - Year 5 – 20% abatement.*

*CARRIED.*

**COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL - CONTINUED**

**B. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL**

- 1) Harold Derksen, President – Road Builders and Heavy Construction Association of Saskatchewan, dated January 20**

Enclosing a copy of a brochure entitled “Move on Saskatchewan” and requesting to meet with City Council with respect to transportation. (File No. CK. 150-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the direction of Council issue.



*Moved by Councillor Alm, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,*

*THAT the matter be referred to the Planning and Operations Committee, and that the national highways program be discussed at the same time.*

*CARRIED.*

**2) Ben Elling, Senior Research Lead – ICR Project  
Public Sector Digest Inc., dated December 8**

Submitting information and seeking participation and support with respect to the Public Sector Digest Inc. (File No. CK. 1870-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the direction of Council issue.

*Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the matter be referred to the Administration.*

*CARRIED.*

**3) Betty Anne Latrace-Henderson, President  
Airline Motor Hotels Ltd., dated January 31**

Requesting a similar tax arrangement to the River Landing Hotel and Spa for the Hilton Garden Inn. (File No. CK. 1965-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the direction of Council issue.

*Moved by Councillor Alm, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the matter be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.*

*DEFEATED.*

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,*

*THAT the letter be referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.*

*CARRIED.*

**4) Darlene Bessey, Chair  
Citizens' Centennial Committee, dated January 31**

Requesting permission to fly the Saskatoon Centennial flag in Civic Square during Saskatoon's Centennial year, with an official flag raising ceremony to take place Tuesday, February 28, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. (File No. CK. 205-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the Citizens' Centennial Committee be granted permission to fly the Saskatoon Centennial flag in Civic Square during Saskatoon's Centennial year.

*Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT permission be granted to the Citizens' Centennial Committee to fly the Saskatoon Centennial flag in Civic Square during Saskatoon's Centennial year.*

*CARRIED.*

**5) Arnold Grambo, President  
Hudson Bay Route Association, dated January 12**

Providing an update on the Hudson Bay Route Association, and submitting an invoice in the amount of \$200 for the 2006 Membership Fees. (File No. CK. 155-7)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the 2006 Membership Fee of \$200 for the Hudson Bay Route Association be paid.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the 2006 Membership Fee of \$200 for the Hudson Bay Route Association be paid.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

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*THAT Councillor Donna L. Birkmaier be nominated to sit on the Hudson Bay Route Association Board of Directors for 2006.*

*CARRIED.*

**6) Debby Claude, Market Coordinator  
Saskatoon Farmers' Market, dated January 26**

Expressing appreciation to the City for the use of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, City Hall Square and Lakewood Civic Centre parking lot for the Farmers' Market during the past year. Also requesting use of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street and the Lakewood Civic Centre parking lot for next year's operations starting May 2006. (File No. CK. 205-7)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the request be approved for the Saskatoon Farmers' Market to use 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, City Hall Square and Lakewood Civic Centre parking lot for the Farmers' Market starting May 2006, subject to administrative conditions.

*Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the request be approved for the Saskatoon Farmers' Market to use 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, City Hall Square and Lakewood Civic Centre parking lot for the Farmers' Market starting May 2006, subject to administrative conditions.*

*CARRIED.*

**7) Tara de Ryk, dated February 1**

Submitting comments with respect to the Riverfront and Parkville Manor downtown housing. (File No. CK. 4130-2-5)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 34.*

**8) T.R. Scrace, dated February 3**

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Submitting comments with respect to park damage and vandalism by snow boarders. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the letter be referred to the Administration for appropriate action.

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT the letter be referred to the Administration for appropriate action.*

*CARRIED.*

**9) Norm Campbell, Chief Executive Officer  
Communities in Bloom, dated February 1**

Submitting an invitation to the City of Saskatoon to participate in the 2006 Communities in Bloom Program. (File No. 1870-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the matter be referred to the Administration.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT the City of Saskatoon participate in the 2006 Communities in Bloom program and that the Administration be instructed to work with the Communities in Bloom Committee.*

*CARRIED.*

**10) Darlene Bessey, Chair  
Citizens' Centennial Committee, dated February 6**

Expressing support for the Prairie Sculptors' Association's application to host the Centennial Sculpture Symposium in Friendship Park from June 19 to July 30, 2006. (File No. CK. 205-30)

**11) Susan Lamb, Chief Executive Officer  
Meewasin Valley Authority, dated February 7**

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Expressing support for the Prairie Sculptors' Association's application to host the Centennial Sculpture Symposium in Friendship Park from June 19 to July 30, 2006. (File No. CK. 205-30)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 59.*

**12) Joe Kuchta, dated February 9**

Submitting comments with respect to the River Landing Phase II Contribution Agreement. (File No. CK. 41)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 30.*

**13) Ellen Remai, President  
Remai Ventures Inc., dated February 9**

Submitting comments with respect to the Riverfront Condominiums located at 902 Spadina Crescent East. (File No. CK. 4130-2)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 34.*

**C. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**1) Rob Jones, Executive Director  
Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre, dated December 21**

Submitting the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre's expansion report in response to Councillor Hnatyshyn's enquiry of November 14, 2005. (A copy of the report is available for viewing in the City Clerk's Office.) (File No. CK. 620-3)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 47.*

**2) Diane Kanak, A/Secretary  
The Board of Police Commissioners, dated January 25**

Submitting a copy of a memo dated January 20, 2006, from Police Chief R. Sabo providing information on the E.A.G.L.E. project. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

**3) Laurent Mougeot, Executive Director  
Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association, dated January 9**

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Submitting information on the SUMA board decision to expand policy and communications resources. (File No. CK. 155-3)

**4) Susan Milburn, Chair  
Credit Union Centre Board of Directors, dated January 26**

Submitting the Credit Union Centre Board of Directors annual report. (File No. CK. 175-31)

**5) Joy Rousay, Finance and Personnel Officer  
Tourism Saskatoon, dated January 25**

Submitting the unaudited financial statements for the year 2005 for Tourism Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 1720-1)

**6) Erika Macauley, dated January 18**

Submitting comments with respect to a discounted bus pass. (File No. CK. 7300-1)

**7) Florence Parkinson, dated January 26**

Submitting comments with respect to the red shuttle buses in the city. (File No. CK. 7300-1)

**8) Danielle Henderson, dated January 20**

Submitting comments with respect to animal testing. (File No. CK. 150-1)

**9) Ken Lenhart, dated January 4**

Submitting comments with respect to various issues including River Landing, transit and bridges. (File No. CK. 150-1)

**10) Chantal Ansell, dated January 30**

Expressing concerns with respect to traffic on Preston Avenue and Main Street. (File No. CK. 6250-1)

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**11) Rick Brown, dated January 30**

Submitting comments with respect to the Victoria Bridge. (File No. CK. 6050-8)

**12) Joe Kuchta, dated February 4**

Submitting comments with respect to establishing a veterans museum in the Royal Canadian Legion. (File No. CK. 4130-2)

**13) Ken Wasden, dated February 7**

Submitting comments with respect to snow removal. (File No. CK. 6290-1)

**14) Sharon Laybourne, dated February 1**

Submitting comments with respect to walking facilities in the city. (File No. CK. 150-1)

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

Submitting Notice of Development Appeals Board Hearing regarding property located at 107 La Ronge Road. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

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

Submitting Notice of Development Appeals Board Hearing regarding property located at 115 Grosvenor Avenue. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Hnatyshyn, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT Item C9 be forwarded to the Administration.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Alm, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,*

*THAT, with respect to Item C3, the Administration be instructed to make the appropriate budgetary provision for the increased SUMA membership fee.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,*

*THAT Item C10 be referred to the Traffic Safety Committee.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**D. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION**

**1) Suzanne Crocker  
Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association, dated January 23**

Submitting the Resolution Form as well as the Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association Nomination Form for the upcoming 2006 Annual General Meeting. (File No. CK. 155-5) (Referred to the Executive Committee.)

**2) Dale Gawryluik, dated January 18**

Submitting comments with respect to snow removal. (File No. CK. 6290-1) (Referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.)



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**3) Jay Bridges, January 17**

Requesting that gates be installed at the off-leash dog park located on Glasgow Street and Clarence Avenue. (File No. CK. 152-2) **(Referred to the Administration for a report.)**

**4) John Benesh  
Saskatoon Harvest Fest, dated January 19**

Requesting that zoo admission be waived during the Harvest Fest Celebration to be held September 16, 2006. (File No. CK. 205-1) **(Referred to the Administration for a report.)**

**5) Hollis Brown, January 19**

**Submitting comments with respect to safety in the city. (File No. CK. 5000-1)** (Referred to the Board of Police Commissioners.)

**6) Dennis Woods, dated January 27**

Submitting comments with respect to energy/water conservation. (File No. CK. 375-4) **(Referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.)**

**7) Harvey Granatier, Chief Executive Officer  
Conexus, dated January 24**

Submitting information with respect to the Phase III development at Preston Crossing. (File No. CK. 4125-11) **(Referred to the Administration for appropriate action.)**

**8) Ivan Olynyk, dated January 16**

Submitting comments with respect to traffic problems in the city. (File No. CK. 6320-1) **(Referred to the Traffic Safety Committee.)**

**9) Darrin Kruger, Coordinator  
Dundonald Community Association, dated January 25**

Submitting comments with respect to a youth curfew. (File No. CK. 5000-1) **(Referred to the Board of Police Commissioners.)**

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- 10) Rowena McLellan, President  
McClure Place Residents Association, dated January 31**

Submitting comments with respect to recyclable paper products. (File No. CK. 7380-5) **(Referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.)**

- 11) Sandra Morgan, President & CEO  
Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority, dated February 3**

Advising that the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority is conducting a review of liquor permitting and regulations in Saskatchewan. (File No. CK. 127-1) (A copy of the Review of Liquor Regulation in Saskatchewan Consultation Paper can be viewed in the City Clerk's Office.) **(Referred to the Executive Committee.)**

- 12) Sherry Wallace, Communications Manager  
Western Region and Northern Territories – Statistics Canada, dated February 1**

Submitting comments with respect to the 2006 Census. (File No. CK. 425-1) **(Referred to the Administration.)**

- 13) Carmen Dyck, dated February 1**

Submitting comments with respect to a discounted bus pass. (File No. CK. 7300-1) **(Referred to the Administration.)**

- 14) Lynn LaRose, Executive Director  
Métis Family and Community Justice Services of Saskatchewan, dated February 3**

Submitting a request to meet with the Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Committee in order to provide a presentation on the Métis Family and Community Justice Services. (File No. 225-40) **(Referred to the Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Committee.)**

- 15) Lisa Hildebrandt, Volunteer  
Saskatoon SPCA, dated January 27**

Requesting permission to use Kinsmen Park on July 9, 2006 for the first annual "Pet Day In The Park." (File No. CK. 205-1) **(Referred to the Administration for appropriate action.)**

- 16) P.A.E. Rogers and R.J. Rogers, dated January 30**

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Submitting comments with respect to the “History of Saskatoon” quilt. (File No. CK. 205-30)  
**(Referred to the Executive Committee.)**

**17) Joan Baker, dated February 5**

Submitting comments with respect to the “History of Saskatoon” quilt. (File No. CK. 205-30)  
**(Referred to the Executive Committee.)**

**18) Pat Dudar, dated February 6**

Requesting information with respect to satellite skatepark facilities. (File No. CK. 610-8)  
**(Referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**E. PROCLAMATIONS**

**1) Leo M. Barrett, Vice President  
Saskatoon Stroke Recovery Association, dated January 22**

Requesting Council proclaim May 2006 as Stroke Recovery Awareness Month in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**2) Martin Arndt, Chair Person  
2006 German Days Committee, dated January 27**

Requesting Council proclaim Saturday, September 30 and Sunday, October 1, 2006 as German Days in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**3) Monica Goulet, Coordinator  
Cultural Diversity and Race Relations, dated January 31**

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Requesting that Council proclaim March 2006 as Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Month in Saskatoon and requesting permission to raise the Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Flag in front of City Hall at the opening ceremonies to be held on February 27, 2006 and during the month of March. (File No. CK. 205-5)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve all proclamations as set out in Section E;
  - 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations on behalf of City Council; and
  - 3) that permission be granted to the Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Committee to fly the Cultural Diversity and Race Relations flag in front of City Hall at the opening ceremonies to be held February 27, 2006 and during month of March.

*Moved by Councillor Hnatyshyn, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,*

- 1) that City Council approve all proclamations as set out in Section E;*
- 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations on behalf of City Council; and*
- 3) that permission be granted to the Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Committee to fly the Cultural Diversity and Race Relations flag in front of City Hall at the opening ceremonies to be held February 27, 2006 and during month of March.*

**CARRIED.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 9a) Communications to Council**  
**From: Ruth Robinson**  
**Get on the Bus Coalition**  
**Date: December 6, 2005**  
**Subject: Request for a Discounted Bus Pass**  
**(File No. CK. 7312-1)**

**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“Attached is an excerpt from the minutes of meeting of City Council held on January 9, 2006, at which time Council deferred consideration of the following motion from Councillor Dubois for four weeks time:

‘THAT a task force be established consisting of two City Councillors and Administration to discuss funding opportunities with the Provincial government and that the findings be reported to the Executive Committee.’”

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT consideration of the matter be deferred until after the Administration and Finance Committee has dealt with the matter of an agreement with the Provincial government.*

*CARRIED.*

- 9b) Stonegate Retail Proposal**  
**First Pro Shopping Centre**  
**(File No. CK. 4125-1)**

**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“Attached is an excerpt from the minutes of meeting of City Council held on January 23, 2006, at which time Council deferred consideration of the following recommendation to the February 13, 2006 meeting of City Council:

‘THAT should City Council agree in principle with the funding strategy, the Administration be instructed to negotiate an agreement with First Pro which ensures the City has the funding to pay for the \$5.6M financing of the interchange regardless of the build-out schedule.’

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Please refer to Clause 4, Report No. 3-2006 of the Executive Committee, recommending that consideration of the above motion be deferred until the February 27, 2006 meeting.”

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT consideration of the matter be deferred until the February 27, 2006 meeting of City Council.*

*CARRIED.*

**ENQUIRIES**

**Councillor B. Dubois  
Full Service Recycling Bin Program  
(File No. CK. 7830-5)**

Would the Administration please provide a report of the “Full Service Recycling Bin Program” that was submitted to City Council at the July 2005 meeting. I would appreciate this report within the next four weeks.

**Councillor T. Alm  
Off Leash Dog Parks  
(File No. CK. 152-2)**

Would the Administration please investigate the possibility of installing gates on the entrances into the off leash dog park at Glasgow Street.

**Councillor T. Paulsen  
Status of Interchange - College and Circle  
(File No. CK. 6001-1)**

Can the Administration please report on the status of the interchange at College and Circle including, but not limited to, completion date, penalties to be paid to the City of Saskatoon for missed completion date by the contractor, etc., etc.

**GIVING NOTICE**

Councillor O. Fortosky 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 enter into negotiations to place the runner-up of the destination landmark “Rivercraft” by Jill Anholt and Doug Shearer for placement on phase two of River Landing to be paid for by the contribution agreement between the city, province and federal governments.’”

**INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS**

**Bylaw 8478**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8478, being “The Street Closing Bylaw, 2006 (No. 2)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Bylaw No. 8478 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8478.

CARRIED.

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

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Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8478 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8478 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Bylaw No. 8478 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.

**Bylaw 8479**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8479, being “The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2006 (No. 2)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,



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THAT Bylaw No. 8479 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8479.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8479 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8479 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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THAT Bylaw No. 8479 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.

**Bylaw 8481**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8481, being “The Development Plan Amendment Bylaw, 2006”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Bylaw No. 8481 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8481.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8481 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8481 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Bylaw No. 8481 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.

**Bylaw 8482**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8482, being “The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2006 (No. 3)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Bylaw No. 8482 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8482.

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CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8482 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8482 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Bylaw No. 8482 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.

**Bylaw 8483**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8483, being "The Capital Reserve Amendment Bylaw, 2006", and to give same its first reading.

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CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Bylaw No. 8483 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8483.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8483 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8483 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Bylaw No. 8483 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.

**Bylaw 8484**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8484, being “The Cemeteries Amendment Bylaw, 2006”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Bylaw No. 8484 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8484.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8484 was considered clause by clause and approved.

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Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8484 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Bylaw No. 8484 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.

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*Moved by Councillor Neault,*

*THAT the meeting stand adjourned.*

*CARRIED.*

*The meeting adjourned at 10:07 p.m.*

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*Mayor*

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*City Clerk*