

Council Chamber
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, January 4, 1993,
at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: His Worship Mayor Dayday in the Chair;
Councillors Penner, Birkmaier, Waygood,
Cherneskey, McCann, Dyck, Mann, Thompson;
City Commissioner Irwin;
Director of Planning and Development Pontikes;
Director of Works and Utilities Gustafson;
Director of Finance Richards;
City Solicitor Dust;
City Clerk Mann;
City Councillors' Assistant Kanak

Councillor Hawthorne entered the meeting at 7:02 p.m. during consideration of Item A.1 of "Communications."

PRESENTATION

His Worship Mayor Dayday and Fire Chief Hewitt presented Leon LaVallie with a Citation for Laudable Conduct for rescuing three children from a burning residence on December 12, 1992.

His Worship Mayor Dayday and Fire Chief Hewitt presented Ray Swayze with a Citation for Laudable Conduct for the rescue of a woman from a potentially life-threatening accident.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the minutes of meeting held on December 21, 1992, be approved.

CARRIED.

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COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

A. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

**1) Duncan S. McKercher, Member
Synergy Today, dated December 18**

Expressing concern re proposed \$0.05 per litre fuel tax. (File No. CK. 277-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Thompson, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Works and Utilities Committee for a report at the next meeting of Council.

CARRIED.

**2) Linda M. Walker, Director of Administration
Yellowhead Highway Association, dated December 15**

Acknowledging receipt of the City of Saskatoon's 1993 membership in the Yellowhead Highway Association. (File No. CK. 155-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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- 3) **Mrs. Dorothy Jean Jantzen, B.Ed.**
16 - 2112 Ste. Cecilia Avenue, dated December 17

Expressing concern re opening of a strip-tease joint in the City. (Files CK. 280-3 and 5000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

- 4) **Dr. Brian L. Graham, Ph.D., Executive Director**
Saskatchewan Lung Association, dated December 10

Requesting Council to proclaim the week of March 14 - 20, 1993 as "Asthma and Allergies Week."
(File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of
March 14 - 20, 1993 as "Asthma and Allergies Week."

Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

*THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of March 14 - 20, 1993
as "Asthma and Allergies Week."*

CARRIED.

- 5) **Tana J. Courchene**
**The Fringe on Broadway Festival and Residents in the Surrounding Area of the
Broadway Business District, undated**

Submitting proposals of residents to lessen the impact of the Fringe on Broadway Festival on the
surrounding residential neighbourhood. (File No. CK. 205-1)

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

- 12) **Wayne Brownlee, Chair**

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Twenty Fifth Street Theatre Centre

Submitting comments re the Fringe Festival. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be received and considered with Item A.5 of "Communications".

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,

THAT the letters be received and referred to the Administration to meet with the two groups and report back to Council.

CARRIED.

**6) Gary Mearns, Chairman
Saskatoon Crime Stoppers, dated December 22**

Requesting Council to proclaim the month of January, 1993 as "Crime Stoppers Month" in the City of Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of January, 1993 as "Crime Stoppers Month" in Saskatoon.

Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor Dyck,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of January, 1993 as "Crime Stoppers Month" in Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

**7) Dr. William A.S. Sarjeant
674 University Drive, dated December 21**

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Expressing concern re private parking lots in the City. (File No. CK. 6120-1)

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

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee for a report.

CARRIED.

8) M.P. Ozeroff
Box 290, Langham, SK, undated

Requesting permission to address Council re farm income situation at the present time. (File No. CK. 277-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Mr. Ozeroff be heard.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,

THAT a representative from the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Richard Jennison, District Representative of Saskatchewan Wheat Pool for the Saskatoon area, commented with respect to the current situation in the farming community. Mr. Jennison invited City Council to show support for farmers by attending a farm rally on January 26, 1993, at 1:00 p.m. at Saskatchewan Place. He indicated that the intent of the farm rally is to draw the attention of the federal and provincial politicians to the serious and critical state of the farm economy in this province.

Moved by Councillor Dyck, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Saskatoon City Council go on record in support of the farmers of Saskatchewan in

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their efforts to obtain a reasonable price for their grain on the world markets;

THAT as an interim measure City Council supports the farmers in their efforts to obtain additional financial support from senior governments; and

THAT the resolutions of Council be made known to the Chamber of Commerce, the North Saskatoon Business Association, the three Business Improvement Districts and that these organizations be invited to join the City in support of the farming situation and in attending the rally on January 26, 1993.

IN AMENDMENT

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Dyck,

AND THAT the matter be referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee to meet with the Economic Development Authority to further formulate recommendations to Council on this matter.

*THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND CARRIED.
THE MOTION AS AMENDED WAS PUT AND CARRIED.*

**9) Gary Loy
46 Stephenson Crescent, dated December 28**

Expressing appreciation to City Council for declaring Boxing Day a civic holiday. (File No. CK. 184-2-6)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**10) David M. Kapeluck, President
Silverspring Community Association, dated December 29**

Requesting permission to address Council re Silverspring Neighbourhood and Saskatoon Natural

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Grasslands Management Plan. (Files CK. 4131-10 and 4131-7)

RECOMMENDATION: that Mr. Kapeluck be heard.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT Mr. Kapeluck be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. David Kapeluck, President, Silverspring Community Association, expressed appreciation to Council on behalf of the Silverspring residents for including the construction of the neighbourhood park in Silverspring in the 1993 Capital Budget. He expressed concerns with respect to any delay in a management plan for the grasslands in the neighbourhood and the effects this delay will have on the Silverspring neighbourhood. Mr. Kapeluck encouraged the City to go ahead with one of the proposed management plans.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

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

CARRIED.

**11) Cecilia Forsyth
9 Webb Crescent, dated December 28**

Requesting permission to address Council re report of the Political/Legal Subcommittee of the Focus Group on Women's Issues in the Community. (File No. CK. 225-45)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and considered with Report No. 2-1993 of the Focus Group on Women's Issues in the Community.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT Report No. 2 of the Focus Group on Women's Issues in the Community be brought forward and considered.

CARRIED.

REPORT NO. 2 OF THE FOCUS GROUP ON WOMEN'S ISSUES IN THE COMMUNITY

Composition of Political/Legal Subcommittee

Rhonda Gough, Presenter
Gerda R. Bloemraad
Kerry O'Shea
Carol Lees
Lois Lamon
Cecilia Forsyth
Betty Townsend
Councillor Donna L. Birkmaier
Councillor Kate Waygood

In addition to the people listed above, the following people also participated in the Political/Legal Subcommittee of the Focus Group on Women's Issues in the Community:

Catherine Blackburn
Maggie King
Arlene Rey

The Political/Legal Subcommittee was asked to examine political and legal issues, mentoring, and pay equity as they affect women in the City of Saskatoon, with particular attention to removing barriers which prevent women from participating in a meaningful way in civic life.

Meetings of the Political/Legal Subcommittee were held bi-weekly through the summer, and weekly beginning in September and continuing to the present.

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The Subcommittee began its process by:

- Seeking clarification from City personnel regarding:
 - a) selection, function, duties, and responsibilities of boards, commissions, and committees; and
 - b) Affirmative Action policy and practises of the City of Saskatoon;
- Meeting with an employment consultant to discuss determination of job qualifications.
- Meeting with a representative of Working for Women to determine how volunteer/home management experience may be evaluated.
- Meeting with Judith Martin, Director of the Saskatoon Community Clinic, (presently Regional Director, Department of Social Services), to discuss family-friendly work environments.
- Meeting with representatives of the First Nations community to discuss their needs.

Following City Council's approval on October 13, 1992 of the Focus Group's interim recommendations regarding gender equity on Boards, Commissions and Committees, a listing of all Boards, Commissions, and Committees for the City of Saskatoon, and a covering letter describing the application process for appointment was distributed to members of the Focus Group and to community women's organizations in order to encourage women to apply for positions for 1993. A copy of this material is attached as Appendix A.

Draft recommendations, attached as Appendix B, were then prepared and distributed to 23 women's organizations in the City of Saskatoon, to all Community Associations, and to members of the Focus Group as a whole, with a request for feedback. A list of the organizations to which the recommendations were sent is attached as Appendix C. Responses were received from Working For Women, Avalon Community Association, Business and Professional Women's Club of Saskatoon, Ron Wall, Home Manager's Advocacy, Leslie Belloc-Pinder, Nutana Community Association, Canadian Federation of University Women, R.E.A.L. Women (Saskatchewan Chapter), and Saskatchewan Action Committee on the Status of Women. Their responses are summarized as Appendix D.

Through our process of soliciting community response, the Focus Group is confident that the following recommendations represent the views of a majority of the women of Saskatoon.

1. **ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ISSUES**

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The feedback obtained from women in the community indicated that, in order to ensure that women are able to participate at levels consistent with their capabilities and willingness to be involved, it is necessary that a means be developed to evaluate the progress being made in appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees and in City hirings. These tracking processes could include information such as the number and gender of the applicants, types of qualifications required, whether the applicants met or exceeded the qualifications and the primary reason why the successful applicant received the position/appointment.

The Focus Group feels that it is important that the City be a role model in the matter of women's issues - that there be a public perception that an effort is being made by the City to treat women fairly.

- RECOMMENDATION:
- 1) that an Advisory Committee on Women's Issues be established to observe, monitor and report on implementation of recommendations made by the Focus Group on Women's Issues in the Community; and
 - 2) that the Advisory Committee on Women's Issues be comprised of five members, both male and female, include one member of City Council and four members of the general public, meet once a month, report directly to City Council, and be provided with secretarial services.

2. **PRACTICE THE THREE R'S (RECOGNIZE NON-TRADITIONAL EXPERIENCE, REMOVE BARRIERS, AND RECRUIT)**

One issue consistently put forward to the Focus Group by women of the community was the difficulty of achieving recognition for skills developed through years of working in the home and in the volunteer labour force. This is seen as a major stumbling block to successful entry into other fields of endeavour.

One of the subtle barriers to women's equal participation is the fact that there are words in common usage that exclude women. Our language is flexible enough that there is no need to continue using these words. For example, Webster's University Dictionary defines "Chair" as "one presiding over

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a meeting", thereby making it unnecessary to use the term "Chairman". Similarly the word "staffing" should be substituted for "manpower".

Women with children incur costs to volunteer to serve on Boards, Commissions and Committees. Transportation can also be a barrier. These barriers need to be removed so that women can participate.

The Focus Group on Women's Issues in the Community would like to commend City Council for recently adopting the following policies which are consistent with these recommendations:

- The provision of gender-neutral terminology in Council through use of the title "Councillor" in place of "Alderman".
- A commitment that appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees be truly representative of the population of women and men of the City of Saskatoon.
- The adoption of a policy requiring all agencies and organizations submitting names for appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees to provide names of both a woman and man for each position.
- A commitment to achieve gender equity on all Boards, Commissions and Committees by January 1, 1996.

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the City of Saskatoon develop a method of identifying and valuing the experience gained by women through home management and volunteer work, to be applied when hiring and making appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees;
 - 2) that a trained professional present an educational session on identifying and valuing the work that women do at home, and that this session be provided for:
 - members of City Council;
 - Personnel (including members of Personnel Services and department management) engaged in hiring for the City of Saskatoon;
 - all civic personnel; and
 - outside employment agencies and consultants who recruit candidates for City management positions;

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- 3) that all City documents and communications be gender neutral;
- 4) that all civic departments subscribe to gender equity as laid out in the Affirmative Action Plan of the City of Saskatoon;
- 5) that the City of Saskatoon sponsor a public information session each Fall prior to publication of the list of vacancies to be filled on Boards, Commissions and Committees, that the information session be well advertised in all forms of media, and that the information to be presented include:
 - List of Boards, Commissions and Committees;
 - Outline of duties and responsibilities;
 - Number of appointments to be made;
 - Information on how positions are advertised;
 - Information on how to apply; and
- 6) that a stipend be available on request for the purpose of family care and/or transportation costs for members of City Council, Boards, Commissions and Committees to attend meetings.

3. **THE CITY OF SASKATOON AS A FAMILY-FRIENDLY EMPLOYER**

Within the workplace there are things that can be done to make life easier for people while they raise their children - policies and practices which reflect concern and respect for employees who are also parents. For example, there are a small number of employees who have job-sharing arrangements but there seems to be reluctance in some areas to support this concept. Departments that are currently experiencing job-sharing could share their knowledge and experience with other departments which are not familiar with this practice.

The setting aside of a small area in the lobby of City Hall with a few toys for children to play with while their parents are standing in line paying bills or establishing accounts would also show the City to be family-friendly.

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RECOMMENDATION: that the City of Saskatoon become a Family-Friendly Employer by:

- 1) providing job-sharing in all departments, including supervisory positions;
- 2) providing flexible hours for employees on a department-by-department basis;
- 3) exploring the need for childcare for employees, Council members and members of Boards, Commissions and Committees;
- 4) providing extended and flexible maternity and paternity leaves; and
- 5) providing a stipend for family care and/or transportation costs on request for staff and members of City Council to attend after-hours meetings.

4. **PAY EQUITY**

There are seven provinces and territories that have legislation requiring pay equity in their Human Rights Acts, and of those, five have Pay Equity Acts. In all provinces except Alberta and Saskatchewan there is legislation or an agreement in process on pay equity.

Again, the Focus Group feels that it is important for the City to be a municipal model in this very important issue.

Attached are copies of the following documents:

- Position Paper of the Pay Equity Coalition of Saskatchewan (Appendix E)
- Report of the Pay Equity Conference prepared by The Saskatchewan Association of

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Women and the Law (Appendix F)

- Discussion Paper of the Pay Equity Coalition of Saskatchewan, March 1992 (Appendix G)

RECOMMENDATION: that the City of Saskatoon ensure pay equity for women by:

- 1) adopting pay equity for women employed by the City of Saskatoon; and
- 2) petitioning the Province of Saskatchewan to legislate pay equity for women.

Rhonda Gough presented the report of the Focus Group and answered questions of Council. It was noted that supplementary information relating to the report had been submitted to Council members at the beginning of the meeting.

Moved by Councillor Mann, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,

THAT Ms. Cecilia Forsyth be heard.

CARRIED.

Ms. Cecilia Forsyth, a member of the Political/Legal Subcommittee, reviewed her submitted letter expressing her opposition to the recommendations regarding the establishment of an Advisory Committee on Women's Issues and the concept of Pay Equity, and expressing concern that the recommendations are not truly representative of the majority of women in the City of Saskatoon.

Councillor Birkmaier requested, and the Focus Group on Women's Issues agreed, that her name be deleted from the list of members of the Political/Legal Subcommittee.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the information be received and that the report of the Focus Group on Women's Issues in the Community, the supplementary information submitted by the Focus Group, and the letter from Cecilia Forsyth be referred to the Personnel and Organization Committee for review of the implications to the City of the recommendations.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

**12) Wayne Brownlee, Chair
Twenty Fifth Street Theatre Centre**

Submitting comments re the Fringe Festival. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be received and considered with Item A.5 of "Communications."

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 4.

**FCM Forum
November - December 1992
Re National Symposium: Urban Safety
and Crime Prevention
(File No. CK. 247-1)**

Councillor Waygood tabled a copy of the November-December 1992 Issue of FCM Forum and brought Council's attention to an article dealing with the National Symposium: Urban Safety and Crime Prevention and the enclosed opinion card. The article was written by Kim Campbell, Justice Minister, asking for input from communities on what would be the four key issues relating to Urban Safety and Crime Prevention in their community. Councillor Waygood suggested that the article be referred to the January 13 general meeting of the Focus Group on Women's Issues.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the article and opinion card dealing with the National Symposium on Urban Safety

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and Crime Prevention be referred to the January 13, 1993 general meeting of the Focus Group on Women's Issues and to the Administration for a report.

CARRIED.

B. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

**1) G. A. (Jerry) Demeria
Centaur Products Saskatchewan Inc., dated December 18**

Submitting comments re Saskatoon Soccer Facility Floor. Referred to the Planning and Development Committee. (File No. CK. 610-1)

**2) Viviane Swann, Resolutions Policy Analyst
FCM, dated December 7**

Inviting submissions of resolutions for March 1993 Meeting of the National Board of Directors of FCM's 1993 Annual Conference. Referred to the Planning and Development, Legislation and Finance and Works and Utilities Committees. (File No. CK. 155-2-2)

**3) Robert Liefers, Board of Directors
Saskatoon Family Service Bureau, dated December 21**

Requesting a rebate of property tax on the building owned by the Saskatoon Family Service Bureau, located at 443 Second Avenue North. Referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee. (File No. CK. 1965-1)

**4) Robert R. de Cotret, The Secretary of State of Canada and
Minister Responsible for the Status of Persons with Disabilities, undated**

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Inviting applications for the Five-Star Community Awards. Referred to the Administration. (File No. CK. 150-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

REPORTS

City Commissioner Irwin submitted Report No. 1-1993 of the City Commissioner;

City Commissioner Irwin submitted Addendum to Report No. 1-1993 of the City Commissioner;

Councillor Cherneskey, Chair, presented Report No. 1-1993 of the Legislation and Finance Committee; and

Ms. Rhonda Gough, Member, presented Report No. 2 of the Focus Group on Women's Issues in the Community.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Mann,

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

a) Report No. 1-1993 of the City Commissioner;

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- b) *Addendum to Report No. 1-1993 of the City Commissioner;*
- c) *Report No. 1-1993 of the Legislation and Finance Committee; and*
- d) *Report No. 2 of the Focus Group on Women's Issues in the Community.*

CARRIED.

His Worship Mayor Dayday appointed Councillor Waygood as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole.

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

Committee arose.

Councillor Waygood, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:

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

"REPORT NO. 1-1993 OF THE CITY COMMISSIONER

Section A - Works and Utilities

**A1) Proposed Stop Sign Installation
Central Place at Central Avenue
(File No. CC 6280-1)**

Report of the City Engineer, December 14, 1992:

"It has been brought to the Engineering Department's attention that a stop sign does not exist on Central Place at Central Avenue. Central Avenue is a major arterial roadway and as such, under Policy #07-007 'Traffic Control - Use of Stop and Yield', a westbound stop sign is required at the intersection to properly assign right-of-way."

RECOMMENDATION: that a stop sign be installed on Central Place at Central Avenue as indicated on attached Plan N7-2M (S.P.).

ADOPTED.

A2) School Signing Replacement - Saint Marguerite School

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(File No. CC 6280-1)

Report of the City Engineer, December 23, 1992:

"The Engineering Department has received a request from Saskatoon Catholic Schools to review the signing at Saint Marguerite School. The review has been completed and it is proposed that the signing be replaced and modified as it is not consistent with present standards.

The investigation procedure for this school included:

- the preparation of a plan of the existing signing; and,
- a site meeting between representatives of the Engineering Department, the School Board, the Principal of Saint Marguerite School and the Traffic Section of the Saskatoon Police Service.

Based on the results of this investigation, a new school signing plan was formulated using the School Signing Guidelines and considering the needs of this particular school.

The signing required to improve pedestrian and traffic safety at this school is indicated on Plan No. AA9-1A (S.S.) and is described briefly below. The signing changes will affect the north and south sides of McCormack Road between Wrigley Crescent and Smith Road.

The recommended signing installations are as follows:

- Installation of a 'No Parking' restriction across the driveway entering the school parking lot.
- Installation of a 'Handicapped Person's Loading Zone' at the wheelchair accessible entrance (front doors of the school).
- Installation of a '5-Minute Parking, 0800-1700, M-F' restriction between the 'No Parking' restriction and the Handicapped Person's Loading Zone.
- Retaining the 'No Stopping' restriction through the pedestrian corridor on both sides of McCormack Road.

Other signing changes appear on the plan, however, all of these changes involve the replacement of damaged or deteriorated signs and posts or the relocation and removal of signs to reduce the visual clutter.

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It should be noted that the students do not use the front doors of the school as their entrance, with the exception of the handicapped students. Their main entrance is on the west side of the building.

All of the above changes have been reviewed and approved by the Saskatoon Police Service and the Public School Board, and conform to present City policy with respect to school signing."

RECOMMENDATION: that the signing changes at Saint Marguerite School, as shown on attached Plan No. AA9-1A (S.S.), be approved.

ADOPTED.

Section B - Planning and Development

**B1) Subdivision Application #30/92
Edmonton Avenue
For Information Only
(File No. CC 4090-1)**

Subdivision Application: #30/92
Applicant: City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Plan No. D6-10SL
Location: Edmonton Avenue
Date Received: December 17, 1992

The Acting General Manager of the Planning Department has received the above-noted application for subdivision which is being processed pursuant to the Subdivision Regulations and which will subsequently be submitted to City Council for its consideration.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Section C - Finance

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**C1) Investments
(File No. CC 1790-3)**

Report of the Investment Services Manager, December 21, 1992:

"With the approval of the Investment Committee, the attached list indicates purchases and sales for the City's various funds."

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approve the above purchases and sales.

ADOPTED.

**C2) 1993 Preliminary Property Assessment Roll
(File No. CC 1620-1)**

Report of the City Assessor, December 22, 1992:

"I am attaching a summary statement of the 1993 Preliminary Property Assessment Roll as at January 1, 1993. This statement shows the net taxable assessment to be 1,142,283,690, being a .745% increase over the 1992 amount of 1,133,840,140. The assessments as stated are subject to Board of Revision action.

I am also attaching a comparative statement of the last six years' assessment totals of the City denoting taxable and percentage increases in assessments.

Attached also is the 1993 breakdown of school support for limited companies, corporations without share capital and private ownership other than corporations.

The assessment notices will be mailed on January 5, 1993, with the last date of appeal being January 25, 1993."

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Section D - Services

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D1) Routine Reports Submitted to City Council

SUBJECT	FROM	TO
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$2,190,209.55 (File No. CC 1530-2)	December 15, 1992	December 22, 1992

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

ADDENDUM TO REPORT NO. 1-1993 OF THE CITY COMMISSIONER

**A3) Proposed Bylaw No. 7335 to amend
Electrical Rates Bylaw No. 2685
- Increase in Rates
(File No. CC. 1905-3)**

Report of the Manager, Electrical Distribution Department, December 29, 1992:

"The proposed Bylaw No. 7335, a bylaw to amend the electric rates charged by The City of Saskatoon, has been prepared for consideration by City Council. The rate changes covered by this bylaw would result in an average rate increase of four (4) percent and would be applicable to all electrical use on and after January 4, 1993.

The proposed rate changes are in response to increased costs of electricity supply from the Saskatchewan Power Corporation. On January 1, 1993, the City's Electric Utility will pay an additional 4.05 percent on all bulk power purchased from the Saskatchewan Power Grid. This increase in the bulk power rates charged to the City is coincident with rate increases announced by SaskPower for all its retail customers throughout the Province, including its surrounding Saskatoon service area. SaskPower has advised that the rate increases on a provincial level have been necessitated by the full-year impact of bringing their Shand Power Station on line, and adjustments to SaskPower's debt responsibility related to the separation of the gas utility and creation of SaskEnergy. These two factors will add \$95 million to SaskPower's expenses in 1993. SaskPower had previously indicated that small annual rate increases would be necessary over a three to four year period commencing in 1992.

The most recent electrical rate increases by the City took place in early 1989 and early 1992. Under the currently proposed rate changes the average monthly bill for a residential consumer will rise by

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about \$2.11, while the average monthly bill for a small commercial customer in General Service II (up to 15kva load) will be about \$5.00. Some minor adjustments are being made to the rates for City-owned Street Lighting to more closely reflect the costs of service for individual fixture types and will result in an average increase of two (2) percent."

Report of the City Solicitor, December 23, 1992:

"In keeping with the instruction of the Manager of the Electrical Distribution Department, we have prepared and forward herewith proposed Bylaw No. 7335, being `A bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to amend Bylaw No. 2685 entitled, "A bylaw to regulate the sale of electric light and power in the City of Saskatoon and fixing the rates and deposits therefor"."

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider proposed Bylaw No. 7335 at this meeting.

ADOPTED.

**D2) Schedule of City Council Meetings
February - 1993
(File No. CC 255-1) _____**

The SUMA Convention will be held in Saskatoon from Sunday, January 31 to Wednesday, February 3, 1993.

In the past, City Council has not held a meeting during the SUMA Convention. It is therefore recommended that the meeting of Monday, February 1, 1993, be moved to Monday, February 8, 1993.

The next regular meeting will be on Monday, February 15, 1993.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that the regular Council meeting on Monday, February 1, 1993, be moved to Monday, February 8, 1993; and
- 2) that the City Clerk be instructed to advertise the above-noted date change.

ADOPTED.

REPORT NO. 1-1993 OF THE LEGISLATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor M.T. Cherneskey, Q.C., Chair
Councillor M. Thompson

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Councillor P. Mostoway

**1. Business Tax Levy and Discount for 1993
(Files CK. 1915-1 & 1625-1)**

Report of City Assessor, December 11, 1992:

"The 1993 Business Assessment Roll is now being prepared and will be completed by early February 1993.

I would respectfully request that City Council determine the 1993 Business Tax Levy and Discount.

The present levy of 14.5% with a discount of 5% (if paid within 30 days of mailing) has been in effect for the years 1987 to 1992 inclusive."

Your Committee has reviewed this matter and

RECOMMENDS: that the Business Levy be 14.5% for 1993, with a 5% discount if the full amount is paid within 30 days of mailing the Business Tax Notice.

ADOPTED.

**2. FCM Membership Renewal - 1993
(File No. CK. 155-2)**

Attached is a copy of Invoice No. 1872 from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities respecting Membership Renewal for the City of Saskatoon for the period April 1, 1993 to March 31, 1994 in the amount of \$17,861.57. The 1992 Membership cost was \$18,829.95.

Council will note that there has been a decrease in the per capita fee from 10.6 cents to 9.6 cents.

Your Committee has considered this matter and

RECOMMENDS: that the payment of the FCM membership for the period April 1, 1993 to March 31, 1994 in the amount of \$17,861.57 be approved.

ADOPTED.

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REPORT NO. 2 OF THE FOCUS GROUP ON WOMEN'S ISSUES IN THE COMMUNITY

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 8."

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

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

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 6a) **Communications to City Council**
From: Rnold H. Smith, President
R.H. Smith Holdings Ltd.
Date: October 19, 1992
Subject: Expressing concern re sign regulations
(Files CK. 4350-13 and 312-1)

REPORT OF CITY CLERK:

"Attached is a copy of Clause 7, Report No. 29-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee which was submitted to City Council at its meeting held on December 21, 1992. As a result of a request from Mr. Rnold H. Smith, Council deferred consideration of the matter to this meeting.

Attached is a copy of letter dated December 28, 1992 from Rnold H. Smith."

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Thompson,

THAT the letter be received and that the matter be referred to the Planning and Development Committee.

CARRIED.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 7335

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 7335, being "*A bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to amend Bylaw No. 2685 entitled, 'A bylaw to regulate the sale of electric light and power in the City of Saskatoon and fixing the rates and deposits therefor'*" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Thompson,

THAT Bylaw No. 7335 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 7335.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

Councillor Waygood, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 7335 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 7335 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Mann,

THAT Bylaw No. 7335 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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Mayor

City Clerk