

Council Chamber
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, October 24, 1994,
at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

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

Councillor Dyck entered the meeting at 7:02 p.m. during consideration of Item A.4) of "Communications".

His Worship the Mayor and Mr. Dave Rumpel, President of the Firefighters Union, Local 80, presented the 1994/1995 Budz-Guenther Memorial Scholarship to Mr. Anthony Chad, who is a first year student in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Saskatchewan.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,

THAT the minutes of the regular meetings of City Council held on August 29, September 12, September 26 and October 11, 1994, be approved.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

A. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

- 1) Dianne Ellis
114 Tache Crescent, dated October 3**

Submitting comments regarding the recent labour dispute. (File No. CK. 100-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Mostoway, Seconded by Councillor Mann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**2) Fran Mark
123 Tucker Crescent, undated**

Submitting a petition with approximately 42 signatures requesting a refund of city taxes for services not provided during the labour dispute. (File No. CK. 1965-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hawthorne,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**3) Joan Steckhan, Manager, Finance and Administration
Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority, dated October 3**

Requesting that Council approve the appointment of Mr. Bruce Richet to the Board of Directors of the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority to replace Ms. Deb Symes until the end of 1995.

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RECOMMENDATION: that Mr. Bruce Richet be appointed to the Board of Directors of the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority to replace Ms. Deb Symes until the end of 1995.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT Mr. Bruce Richet be appointed to the Board of Directors of the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority to replace Ms. Deb Symes until the end of 1995.

CARRIED.

**4) Pam McKee
Captain's Den, dated September 27**

Submitting a petition with approximately 53 signatures from the merchants at Market Mall requesting that Council declare Boxing Day, December 26, 1994, a civic holiday. (File No. CK. 184-2-6)

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

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Mann,

THAT the matter be referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee.

CARRIED.

**5) Pam McKee
Sheffield and Sons, dated September 27**

Submitting a petition with approximately 73 signatures from the merchants at The Mall at Lawson Heights requesting that City Council declare Boxing Day, December 26, 1994, a civic holiday. (File No. CK. 185-2-6)

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

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Mann,

THAT the matter be referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee.

CARRIED.

**6) Lyn Thompson, Regional Director
Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of Canada, dated September 19**

Requesting Council to proclaim the month of November, 1994 as Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of Canada Month in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of November, 1994 as Chron's and Colitis Foundation of Canada Month in Saskatoon.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of November, 1994 as Chron's and Colitis Foundation of Canada Month in Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

**7) Randy Strueby, Executive Director
Saskatoon Sports Council, dated October 3**

Requesting Council to approve the appointment of Ms. Nancy Burns to replace Ms. Carol Keesey as the Saskatoon Sports Council representative on the Sports Advisory Subcommittee until the end of 1995.

RECOMMENDATION: that Ms. Nancy Burns be appointed to replace Ms. Carol Keesey as the Saskatoon Sports Council representative on the Sports Advisory Subcommittee until the end of 1995.

Moved by Councillor Mann, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

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THAT Ms. Nancy Burns be appointed to replace Ms. Carol Keesey as the Saskatoon Sports Council representative on the Sports Advisory Subcommittee until the end of 1995.

CARRIED.

**8) Paul Haley
The Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Saskatoon, dated October 16**

Requesting Council to proclaim the week of November 6 to 12, 1994 as Unity in Diversity Week in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of November 6 to 12, 1994 as Unity in Diversity Week in Saskatoon.

Moved by Councillor Mostoway, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of November 6 to 12, 1994 as Unity in Diversity Week in Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

**9) Byron Traynor, Executive Director
Boys and Girls Clubs of Saskatoon, dated October 17**

Requesting an exemption from the purchase of a Transient Traders License for the 16th Annual Saskatchewan Artists Show and Sale on November 4, 5 and 6, 1994 at the Western Development Museum. (File No. CK. 316-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request from the Boys and Girls Club of Saskatoon for exemption from the purchase of a Transient Traders License for the 16th Annual Saskatchewan Artists Show and Sale on November 4, 5 and 6, 1994, be approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,

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THAT the request from the Boys and Girls Club of Saskatoon for exemption from the purchase of a Transient Traders License for the 16th Annual Saskatchewan Artists Show and Sale on November 4, 5 and 6, 1994, be approved.

CARRIED.

**10) Ken Wood, General Manager
Saskatchewan Place, dated October 17**

Submitting response to the following enquiry made by Councillor Birkmaier at the meeting of City Council held on November 23, 1987:

"Would the Saskatchewan Place Board of Directors please investigate the feasibility of selling seats in the facility to the municipalities in Saskatchewan?"

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**11) Deputy Premier Ed Tchorzewski
Saskatchewan Provincial Secretary, dated October 14**

Providing information regarding the establishment of a Saskatchewan 90th Anniversary Office to promote, coordinate and facilitate events to recognize the province's 90th Anniversary. (File No. CK. 277-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and forwarded to the Office of His Worship the Mayor.

Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT the information be received and forwarded to the Office of His Worship the Mayor.

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CARRIED.

**12) Stephan Dershko, Chair
Riversdale Business Improvement District, dated October 17**

Expressing appreciation to Council for the approval of funds to cover the projected cost of the 20th Street West Streetscape Project and acknowledging the contribution of time in studying and planning the project made by employees of the City. (File No. CK. 4125-4)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor Hawthorne,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**13) Kevin Weighill, Manager
Canada Employment Centre, dated October 19**

Requesting Council to proclaim the week of October 30 to November 5, 1994 as "Canada Career Week" in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of October 30 to November 5, 1994 as "Canada Career Week" in Saskatoon.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of October 30 to November 5, 1994 as "Canada Career Week" in Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

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**14) Heather Larson, Administrator
Broadway Business Improvement District, dated October 17**

Requesting Council to approve the appointment of Ms. Terri Palmer to the Board of Management of the Broadway Business Improvement District to replace Mr. John Melynk. (File No. CK. 1680-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that Ms. Terri Palmer be appointed to the Board of Management of the Broadway Business Improvement District to replace Mr. John Melynk.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Ms. Terri Palmer be appointed to the Board of Management of the Broadway Business Improvement District to replace Mr. John Melynk.

CARRIED.

**15) Jerry Poroznuk, Director of Sales
Park Town Motor Hotels Ltd., dated October 19**

Requesting provision of civic services for the Park Town Hotel's Trees for Discovery project. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee for a report.

Moved by Councillor Mostoway, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

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

CARRIED.

16) Councillor Donna L. Birkmaier, dated October 17

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Submitting report from the mid-term meeting of Board of Directors of the Yellowhead Highway Association. (File No. CK. 155-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Thompson,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT a letter be forwarded to the Yellowhead Highway Association expressing appreciation for selecting Saskatoon as the location for the 50th Conference of the Association.

CARRIED.

**17) Shaune Rorke, Executive Director
Barry Slowski, Board President
Saskatchewan Adoptive Parents Association, Inc., dated October 14**

Requesting Council to proclaim the month of November, 1994 as Adoption Awareness Month in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of November, 1994 as Adoption Awareness Month in Saskatoon.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Hawthorne,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of November, 1994

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as Adoption Awareness Month in Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

**18) Joan Champ, Chair
Citizens for a Quality South Downtown, dated October 20**

Requesting permission to address Council to provide details about ideas for public consultation and review relating to South Downtown development. (File No. CK. 4139-4-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that a representative of Citizens for a Quality South Downtown be heard.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT a representative of Citizens for a Quality South Downtown be heard.

CARRIED.

Ms. Joan Champ, Chair, Citizens for a Quality South Downtown, addressed Council regarding the necessity for public consultation regarding South Downtown development, highlighted what the Citizens for a Quality South Downtown have done over the last few months and circulated a list of criteria put forth by the Citizens for a Quality South Downtown that could be further developed and used to evaluate projects for the South Downtown property. She noted that the group is urging the citizens of Saskatoon to vote against the Bylaw No. 7436 to authorize The City of Saskatoon to transfer use of the South Downtown Block as a site for casino gambling and a trade and convention centre.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

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

CARRIED.

**19) Delene Carmen, President
Saskatchewan Rett Syndrome Association, dated October 17**

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Requesting Council to proclaim the month of October 1994 as Rett Syndrome Awareness Month in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of October 1994 as Rett Syndrome Awareness Month in Saskatoon.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of October 1994 as Rett Syndrome Awareness Month in Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

**20) Carol Purich, Secretary
The Board of Police Commissioners, dated October 21**

Submitting report from the Chief of Police regarding an enquiry about the attendance of the media at a Police operation briefing and raid on a suspected drug house. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

REPORTS

City Commissioner Irwin submitted Report No. 23-1994 of the City Commissioner and Addendum to Report No. 23-1994 of the City Commissioner;

His Worship the Mayor, Chair, presented Report No. 8-1994 of A Committee of the Whole

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Council; and

His Worship the Mayor, Chair, presented Report No. 9-1994 of A Committee of the Whole Council.

Moved by Councillor Mostoway, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,

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

- a) Report No. 23-1994 of the City Commissioner and Addendum to Report No. 23-1994 of the City Commissioner;*
- b) Report No. 8-1994 of A Committee of the Whole Council; and*
- c) Report No. 9-1994 of A Committee of the Whole Council.*

CARRIED.

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

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

Committee arose.

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

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

"REPORT NO. 23-1994 OF THE CITY COMMISSIONER

Section A - Works and Utilities

**A1) Rebates on Transit Passes
(File No. CC 7312-1) _____**

As a result of the recent labour dispute, operations at Saskatoon Transit were shut down on August 9, 1994. The absence of transit service in the City of Saskatoon has resulted in hardship and inconvenience to our customers over a three-month period. We are also concerned that many of our customers have found other modes of transportation during the labour dispute, and may continue to use those modes of transportation in the future. This would result in a loss in fare

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revenue, which in turn would adversely affect our ability to maintain current levels of service.

In addition, holders of adult and student passes for August 1994, and holders of senior citizen bus passes, have not received full service for their passes. With these two concerns in mind, the Administration is implementing the following:

1. Free regular transit service for the remainder of October 1994. This includes seniors, adults, students and children. Charter service is not included.
2. Adult and student passes for August 1994 may be used for November 1994.
3. For those holders of passes for August 1994 wanting rebates instead, they can either take or mail their August 1994 pass to Saskatoon Transit at 301-24th Street West, on or before October 31, 1994, for a full refund.
4. Holders of senior citizen passes for 1994 will receive a \$25 rebate when they turn in their pass at the end of the year. This will be done in conjunction with the sale of senior citizen passes for 1995.

It is our hope that these considerations will meet the needs of our customers.

RECOMMENDATION: that the above report on rebates for transit passes be received as information.

ADOPTED.

**A2) Secondary Sewage Treatment Upgrade
Thickener, Fermenter and Auxiliary Facilities
Contract 1, No. 4-0383
(File Nos. CC 7800-4 and 670-2)**

Report of the Manager, Water and Pollution Control Department, October 20, 1994:

"The 1994 Sewage Utility Capital Budget includes \$41,043,000 for the construction of the secondary sewage treatment plant expansion. The engineering services required for the design work are being provided by the consortium of Stanley Associates Engineering Ltd./ Cochrane·SNC·Lavalin.

The construction work has been divided into six separate, various-sized, general contracts in order to permit bidding by a relatively wide spectrum of contractors. It is anticipated that this multi-contract construction approach will attract competitive bidding from both small and large

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contractors locally as well as from across Western Canada. The tendering schedule is staggered to allow bidders to be able to assess their position with respect to bidding subsequent tenders as contracts are awarded.

The first two contracts, secondary clarifiers and bioreactor, were awarded to PCL Maxam, A Joint Venture, at a contract price of \$11,369,744 and \$14,787,736 including PST and GST, respectively.

The third tendered contract includes construction of new sub-process facilities as well as modification, retrofit and expansion of the existing facilities in various areas of the Pollution Control Plant, necessary to integrate the new and old processes. The scope of construction work includes:

- Sludge Thickener: 972 square metre building equipped with 3 DAF (dissolved air flotation) process/mechanical units required to concentrate sludge generated in bioreactor prior to the digester application.
- Fermenter: consisting of two complete mix circular tanks (15 metre diameter and 9 metre deep) and pumphouse. The fermentation is a supplementary process resulting in the production of readily biodegradable simple organics that are critical to the proper functioning of the biological phosphorus removal process in the bioreactor.
- Administration Building addition (204 square metres): to accommodate women's facilities, increased operating and maintenance staff, larger control room, and training room.
- Connecting tunnels, approximately 280 metres total length.
- Modification and retrofit in the existing digester pumphouse, maintenance building, primary gallery, headworks and chlorine contact tanks.

Tenders for the construction of the thickener, fermenter and auxiliary facilities were received and opened on October 7, 1994. The bids are summarized as follows:

Contractor	Location	Base Bid (4 Alternatives) including G.S.T. & P.S.T.			
		1	2	3	4
Graham Construction & Engineering (1985) Ltd.	Saskatoon, SK	\$12,548,700	\$12,508,883	\$12,361,451	\$12,321,633
PCL-Maxam, A Joint Venture	Saskatoon, SK	\$13,053,791	\$13,045,231	\$12,866,541	\$12,857,981

The alternatives vary as follows:

1. Exterior building finish is entirely Tyndall stone, thickener bottom scrapers included.

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2. Exterior building finish is a combination of Tyndall stone and metal cladding, thickener bottom scrapers included.
3. Exterior building finish is entirely Tyndall stone, thickener bottom scrapers deleted.
4. Exterior building finish is a combination of Tyndall stone and metal cladding, thickener bottom scrapers deleted.

Consultants are recommending deletion of bottom scraper mechanisms (Alternatives 3 and 4). Provision will be made for future addition of the scrapers if excessive maintenance is required without them.

Alternative 3, which includes total Tyndall stone finish is \$39,818 (\$38,329 including 4% GST Rebate) higher than Alternative 4. Due to the better long-term durability of stone versus metal siding, and relatively small difference in cost, this option is recommended. In addition, the Tyndall stone on the new, above ground structures will maintain the appearance of the existing Pollution Control Plant. The aesthetic aspect of the new expansion is very important considering adjacent residential development and future MVA park to be located at the north-west side of the plant.

The summary of the total purchase cost and appropriate taxes for alternative 3 are as follows:

Base Price (including PST)	\$ 11,552,757.94
GST (7%)	<u>808,693.06</u>
Contract Amount	\$ 12,361,451.00
GST Rebate (4%)	<u>(462,110.32)</u>
Contract Net Cost	\$ 11,899,340.68

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council accept the low bid - Alternative 3 submitted by Graham Construction and Engineering (1985) Ltd., for the construction of the Thickener, Fermenter and Auxiliary Facilities at the Pollution Control Plant, at an estimated cost of \$12,361,451.00, including PST and GST; and,
 - 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract documents, as prepared by the City Solicitor, under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

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**B1) Application for Registration of Condominium Plan
Lot 4, Block 914, Plan No. 82-S-30513
301 Cree Place
(File No. CC 4132-1)**

Report of the City Planner, October 19, 1994:

"An application to register a Condominium Plan for a development on Lot 4, Block 914, Plan No. 82-S-30513 (301 Cree Place), has been received from Joseph A. Remai, on behalf of Remai Construction (1981) Inc. The proposal is for a multiple-unit, brick and stucco, four-storey building, which contains thirty-nine dwelling units, an elevator, and fire-sprinkler system. Sixty-eight parking spaces have been included on the site, thirty-nine of which are located underground.

The proposal has been examined under the provisions of The Zoning Bylaw and it complies with the requirements of this Bylaw in all respects. The site is situated within a M.3 Zoning District.

The development has also been examined under the provisions of The Building Bylaw. If the construction is completed in accordance with the requirements of the approved building permits, the development will meet the requirements of this Bylaw. A copy of the construction plans, together with the requisite surveyor's plans, have been forwarded to the City Clerk's Department for review, if necessary, by the members of City Council.

In view of the above-noted consideration of The Zoning Bylaw and The Building Bylaw, the Planning and Construction Standards Department advises that:

- a) separate occupancy of the units will not contravene the requirements of The Zoning Bylaw;
- b) the approval required under The Zoning Bylaw has been given in relation to the separate occupancy of the units; and,
- c) the buildings and the division of the buildings into units of separate occupancy, as shown on the plans which have been submitted and as constructed, will not interfere with the existing or likely future amenities of the neighbourhood."

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council authorize the issuance of the certificate required under Section 8(1)(b) of *The Condominium Property Act* to Remai Construction (1981) Inc., (2402 Millar Avenue, Saskatoon, S7K 3V2) for the condominium development at 301 Cree Place; and,
 - 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to prepare and forward the Certificate to the applicant.

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ADOPTED.

Section C - Finance

**C1) Notice of Auction Sale
of Used Equipment
(File No. CC 1250-1) _____**

Attached is a copy of a Notice of Auction Sale of Used Equipment for the information of City Council.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Section D - Services

**D1) Assignment of Lease Agreement
Saskatoon Tower Ltd. to Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation
Saskatoon Police Headquarters Building
(File No. CC 290-1) _____**

Report of the City Solicitor, October 19, 1994:

"The City of Saskatoon recently entered into an Assignment of Easement Agreement with Saskatoon Tower Ltd. and Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation ('CMHC') providing for access between the Saskatoon Tower Ltd.'s vehicle parkade and the Saskatoon Police Headquarter's Building by means of a vehicular bridge. CMHC is in possession of the Saskatoon Tower Ltd. property and sought to formalize the arrangements by the Assignment of Easement Agreement.

CMHC now also wishes to formalize the Lease Agreement that was in place between the Saskatoon Tower Ltd. and The City of Saskatoon with respect to the communications site on the roof of the Saskatoon Tower Ltd. which is used by the Saskatoon Police Service. The Lease expired on

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November 30, 1991.

Through discussions between CMHC and the Saskatoon Police Service representatives, it was agreed to change the following provisions of the Lease:

- (a) monthly rent will be increased from \$104.00 to \$112.00;
- (b) electrical payments of \$88.00 per month will be made (this had been ambiguous previously and no payments were formerly made); and
- (c) the term of the lease will be a four-year period commencing December 1, 1991, and expiring November 30, 1995.

The Saskatoon Police Service will continue to budget for items (a) and (b) and be responsible for the payment thereof to CMHC.

The Assignment of Lease and Amendments thereto requires execution by The City of Saskatoon. CMHC has forwarded such Assignment executed by Saskatoon Tower Ltd. and CMHC requesting execution by The City of Saskatoon."

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council authorize His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the Assignment of Lease and Amendments thereto between Saskatoon Tower Ltd. and CMHC.

ADOPTED.

**D2) 1994 Contract Negotiations
Canadian Union of Public Employees
Local Nos. 59, 859, 47; International
Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 319;
Amalgamated Transit Union Local 615; and
Exempt Staff Association
(File No. CC 4720-1)**

Report of the Director of Personnel Services, October 21, 1994:

"Attached is a copy of a report dated October 21, 1994, detailing conditions agreed upon by the bargaining team of the City and the above unions and association.

The report is marked 'Confidential Until Tabled at a Meeting of City Council' and is only distributed to members of City Council. A wider distribution will be effected at 7:00 p.m. on

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Monday, October 24, 1994."

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the proposed changes to the agreements with the various unions and association as outlined above; and,
 - 2) that City Council authorize completion of the revised contracts incorporating all the changes for execution by His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

**D3) A. L. Cole Site
(File No. CC 500-10)**

As City Council was previously advised, the Mayor's Office and the Administration have been discussing the status of the A. L. Cole site with officials of the Saskatchewan Environment Department and SaskPower.

The first two major steps in the clean-up process have been completed with the preparation of an Environmental Audit and the removal of all PCB contamination by SaskPower.

Following a recent meeting between the Honourable Doug Anguish, Minister in Charge of SaskPower, His Worship the Mayor, and the City Commissioner, SaskPower is prepared to finance the demolition and clean-up of the site.

Over the next two months, the Administration will be finalizing with SaskPower officials the details of the demolition; however, the initial expectation of the parties is that the City will supply backfill material for any excavation and to waive any landfill fees for rubble removal from the site. Sufficient high-quality fill material will be available from the sewage treatment plant expansion project. Negotiations as to the supply of utility services including sewer, water, and electricity are underway. Costing of the demolition is not available at this time.

While many details remain to be resolved, the Administration is very pleased with the continuing commitment of SaskPower to the clean-up of the site and is optimistic that an early spring initiation date is possible. When negotiations with SaskPower are completed, a draft memorandum outlining responsibilities of the parties will be forwarded to City Council for its consideration.

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RECOMMENDATION: that the report be received as an interim progress report and that a memorandum of understanding between the City of Saskatoon and SaskPower concerning the demolition of the A. L. Cole site be submitted as soon as possible for City Council's consideration.

ADOPTED.

ADDENDUM TO REPORT NO. 23-1994 OF THE CITY COMMISSIONER

**A3) Capital Project No. 583-8
Purchase of Replacement Buses
(File No. CC 1402-1)**

Report of the Transit Manager, October 4, 1994:

"In July, 1994, the City of Saskatoon invited proposals from transit bus manufacturers for the supply of 12 replacement buses. In light of some uncertainty in the bus manufacturing industry, as well as a possible variation in the type of transit service we would likely be providing in the future, we requested separate bids on the following types of vehicles:

- a) conventional, step-up buses, with the normal accessibility package (i.e. kneeling feature, additional stanchions, etc.);
- b) smaller, 26-foot length, low-floor 'community' buses;
- c) full-length (40-foot) low-floor buses.

All suppliers were informed that we would be considering the purchase of 12 conventional buses, or 12 low-floor buses, or two or three community buses in conjunction with eight or nine full-length low-floor buses, or various combinations of the above.

It had been our hope with this or the 1995 bus replacement program to initiate a pilot barrier-free public transportation project in Saskatoon. Our plan was to utilize the low-floor 'community' buses to service senior citizen residences and connect to full-size low-floor buses in the regular transit service. In this way, customers in wheelchairs, those with some mobility difficulties, and those with no mobility difficulties could travel barrier-free via public transit to and from many of the major destinations in Saskatoon.

Unfortunately, we received only one bid each for the conventional full-length bus (from NovaBus Corporation of Montreal) and the full-length low-floor bus (from New Flyer Industries of Winnipeg) and no bids for the community bus. We considered the barrier-free experiment still

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being attempted with full-length buses, but, as shown below, the cost differential between the conventional bus and the low-floor bus is too prohibitive at this time.

As illustrated below, the purchase price for 12 low-floor buses is \$3,773,992 (\$473,992 over the budget allocation of \$3,300,000), while the purchase price for 12 conventional buses is \$3,231,992 (\$68,008 under the allocated budget).

Manufacturer	<u>Low-Floor Bus</u>	<u>Conventional Bus</u>
	New Flyer Industries Winnipeg, Manitoba	NovaBus Corporation Montreal, Quebec
BASIC PRICE	\$272,000	\$235,550
Registering Farebox	7,612	6,100
Delivery	<u>Included</u>	<u>2,325</u>
Subtotal	\$279,612	\$240,475
GST	19,573	16,833
PST	<u>25,165</u>	<u>21,643</u>
TOTAL per BUS	\$324,350	\$278,951
12 BUS TOTAL	\$3,892,200	\$3,347,412
Tooling	16,000	0
GST Rebate	<u>(134,208)</u>	<u>(115,420)</u>
TOTAL PURCHASE	\$3,773,992	\$3,231,992
DELIVERY DATE	October, 1995	March, 1995

It is noted that we are proposing to purchase registering fareboxes with this order. These fareboxes will automatically count the cash dropped in the farebox and will, therefore, assist the operator in determining that the correct fare has been deposited. In addition, the farebox is designed to accommodate real time passenger counting functions (including passenger/fare classifications). This will be a very important service monitoring tool.

We anticipated that the conventional bus would be less costly than the low-floor bus, but we were unsure of the size of the price differential. Had the price of the low-floor bus been relatively competitive with the conventional bus and had we received a favourable bid for the community bus, we would have been in a position to recommend initiating the barrier-free public transportation service with the 1994 bus purchases. There are other reasons to consider deferring barrier-free transportation service for one more year:

- a) we have just recently been informed that NovaBus has developed and is testing their low-floor bus, and should be in a position to bid on their low-floor bus in 1995; we anticipate this competition may result in a more attractive price for low-floor buses in 1995;

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- b) the purchase of the low-floor bus in only one of several steps in designing barrier-free transportation in Saskatoon. A deferral of one year provides the City time to consider all of the elements required to make the community of Saskatoon barrier free.

On October 4, 1994, NovaBus informed us that their original basic price of \$241,465 (basic bus plus auxiliary heater) which they quoted in their bid could be reduced to the \$235,550 listed above by installing the traditional power train to which we are accustomed. This savings of \$6,920 per bus (taxes included), or \$83,050 for the 12 bus order, can only be realized if the City can commit to purchase by October 25, 1994. After that date, the traditional power train will no longer be available, and the 12 buses will cost \$3,430,447 rather than the \$3,347,412 listed above.

Funding for the purchase of the 12 replacement buses will be through the Transit Vehicle Replacement Reserve as outlined in the attached report."

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council accept the tender submitted by NovaBus Corporation of Montreal, for the supply of 12 conventional full-length transit buses, complete with the full accessibility package and registering farebox, as outlined in the City of Saskatoon specifications, at a total estimated cost of \$3,347,412, GST and PST included; and,
 - 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract documents, as prepared by the City Solicitor, under the Corporate Seal.

- IT WAS RESOLVED:*
- 1) *that City Council accept the bid from NovaBus Corporation for the purchase of six conventional full-length buses, and accept the bid from New Flyer Industries for the purchase of six low-floor buses;*
 - 2) *that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract documents, as prepared by the City Solicitor, under the Corporate Seal; and*
 - 3) *that the matter of the low-floor buses be referred to the Works and Utilities Committee for a report.*

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REPORT NO. 8-1994 OF A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

Composition of Committee

His Worship the Mayor, Chair
Councillor D. L. Birkmaier
Councillor M. T. Cherneskey, Q.C.
Councillor B. Dyck
Councillor M. Hawthorne
Councillor O. Mann
Councillor P. McCann
Councillor P. Mostoway
Councillor G. Penner
Councillor M. Thompson
Councillor K. Waygood

**1. Economic Incentive Application -
Canamino Inc.
(File No. CK. 3500-1)**

Your Committee has considered the following report of the Economic Incentives Subcommittee:

"At a meeting on January 20, 1994, the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority considered a request for a five year property tax abatement from Canamino.

It was noted that when Canamino applied for this incentive that the company was looking at locating in either Saskatoon or Edmonton. In the first stage of the development Canamino will or has invested over \$7 million into building and equipping a plant in Saskatoon.

Canamino will have 18 employees at the start-up of production with an increase of up to 30 employees once the facility is in full production. These jobs will be high paying processing jobs that will create direct and indirect benefits for the city. Canamino is also commercializing technology developed at the POS Pilot Plant which is an example of what the SREDA wants to happen in the region.

The application by Canamino meets or exceeds all the criteria required by the city's policy on business incentives.

The Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority (SREDA) strongly supports the request for the tax abatement.

It is important to note the reason for the delay in submission of the application to the city council. The reason for the delay is that the SREDA was waiting to have the final

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assessment figures on the plant which are used to calculate business and property taxes."

Background information regarding the above application is attached.

The Committee supports this request and therefore requested the City Solicitor to prepare the appropriate bylaw for this meeting. A copy of Bylaw No. 7439 is attached for Council's consideration.

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the following five-year tax abatement to Canamino Inc:

1995 - 100%
1996 - 85%
1997 - 75%
1998 - 50%
1999 - 25%
2000 - 0%; and
 - 2) that City Council consider Bylaw No. 7439 at this meeting.

ADOPTED.

REPORT NO. 9-1994 OF A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

Composition of Committee

His Worship the Mayor, Chair
Councillor D. L. Birkmaier
Councillor M. T. Cherneskey, Q.C.
Councillor B. Dyck
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Councillor O. Mann
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Councillor K. Waygood

**1. Economic Adjustments for Senior Administration
1992, 1993, 1994 and 1995
(File No. CK 4670-4)**

Your Committee has reviewed the matter of economic adjustments for the six positions in the Civic Administration, (being the positions of the City Commissioner, Director of Planning and Development, Director of Works and Utilities, Director of Finance, City Solicitor and Director of Personnel Services), and in light of their traditional relationship with the Exempt Staff Association, submits the following:

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approve for the six positions in the Civic Administration the same economic increases and terms as provided to the Exempt Staff Association for 1992, 1993, 1994 and 1995, that being:

January 1, 1992	-	0 percent
January 1, 1993	-	0 percent
January 1, 1994	-	0 percent
July 1, 1994	-	2.5 percent
January 1, 1995	-	1% benefit package that will be identical to the Exempt Staff package.

ADOPTED."

Moved by Councillor Thompson, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

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

CARRIED.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 7439

Moved by Councillor Thompson, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 7439, being "*Canamino Incentives Bylaw, 1994*" and to give same its first reading.

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CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Thompson, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT Bylaw No. 7439 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Thompson, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 7439.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 7439 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Thompson, Seconded by Councillor Hawthorne,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Thompson, Seconded by Councillor Dyck,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 7439 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Moved by Councillor Thompson, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT Bylaw No. 7439 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 Mann, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk