

Council Chambers
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, January 5, 2004
at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: His Worship Mayor D. Atchison, in the Chair;
Councillors Alm, Birkmaier, Dubois, Fortosky, Heidt, Hnatyshyn,
Neault, Paulsen, Penner and Wyant;
City Manager Richards;
General Manager, Community Services Gauthier;
General Manager, Corporate Services Veltkamp;
General Manager, Infrastructure Services Uzelman;
General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Bentley;
General Manager, Utility Services Hewitt;
City Solicitor Dust;
City Clerk Mann;
Councillors' Assistant Long.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held on December 15, 2003, be approved.

CARRIED.

MATTERS REQUIRING PUBLIC NOTICE

- 3a) Proposed Street and Lane Closure
All Streets and Lanes on Plan G205
Proposed Bylaw No. 8272
(File No. CK. 6295-1)**

Report of the City Clerk:

“The following is a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department, dated December 23, 2003:

‘RECOMMENDATION: 1) that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8272;

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- 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to
 - a) take all necessary steps to bring the intended closing forward, and
 - b) complete the closing and obtain title in the name of the City of Saskatoon, should formal Council assent issue; and
- 3) that upon the City of Saskatoon obtaining title to the portion of street and lane intended to be closed, that it be retained by the City of Saskatoon.

A request has been received from the Community Services Department to close all streets and lanes on Plan G205 as shown on Plan No. 242-0080-001r001 (Attachment 1). It is proposed that the parcel of land that is created be retained by the City of Saskatoon for future subdivision into residential lots. These streets and lanes have never been constructed, and there are no utilities present.

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 December 27/28, 2003 and January 3/4, 2004.
- Posted on City Hall Notice Board on Tuesday, December 23, 2003.
- Posted on City Website on Friday, December 19, 2003.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Closing Plan No. 242-0080-001r001
2. Copy of letter from Department of Highways dated December 19, 2003
3. Proposed Bylaw No. 8272
4. Copy of Public Notice – Permanent Road Closure – Plan G205”

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

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

- 1) *that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8272;*
- 2) *that the City Solicitor be instructed to*
 - a) *take all necessary steps to bring the intended closing forward, and*
 - b) *complete the closing and obtain title in the name of the City of Saskatoon, should formal Council assent issue; and*
- 3) *that upon the City of Saskatoon obtaining title to the portion of street and lane intended to be closed, that it be retained by the City of Saskatoon.*

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL

**1) A.O. (Bert) Munro, P.Eng., General Manager
Associated Engineering, dated December 19**

Requesting permission to address Council in order to present the “Brian Eckel Award of Excellence” to the Manager of the Planning and Design Section, Municipal Engineering Branch, Infrastructure Services Department, for the Southeast Sector Storm Water Management Master Plan Project, which was completed for the City of Saskatoon in 2003. (File No. CK. 4131-12-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Clause D2, Administrative Report No. 1-2004 be brought forward and considered, and that A.O. Munro be heard.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT Clause D2, Administrative Report No. 1-2004 be brought forward and considered and that A.O. Munro be heard.

CARRIED.

“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 1-2004

**D2) Consulting Engineers of Saskatchewan Award of Excellence
Southeast Sector Storm Water Management Master Plan
File No. CK 4131-12-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

BACKGROUND

In 2001, the City awarded a commission to Associated Engineering to develop a storm water master plan for the Southeast Sector. Three options for the management of storm water were developed as a result of extensive public consultation. In the spring of 2003, the preferred option involving the construction of engineered wetlands and naturalization of the storm management system was approved by City Council. Associated Engineering submitted the plan to the Consulting Engineers of Saskatchewan for consideration for an award. At its November 26, 2003 awards banquet, the Southeast Sector Storm Water Management Master Plan received an Award of Excellence in the Environmental Category.

REPORT

The project was certainly a departure from the traditional management of storm water in Saskatoon that has employed the use of highly engineered and rather utilitarian dry and wet storage basins. A need to be more environmentally sensitive was the driving force behind this new approach, so a consultative project with various outside agencies and stakeholders was undertaken. While the project was managed by a technical committee consisting of staff from the Municipal Engineering, Public Works, Parks, and Land Branches, an advisory committee consisting of representatives from the City Planning, Leisure Services, and Development Services Branches; Briarwood and Lakeridge Community Associations; Southeast Sector Developers; Ducks Unlimited; Saskatoon Wildlife Federation; Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee; Saskatoon Nature Society; and the Prairie Institute for Human Ecology was also established and did much of the work in evaluating the options through a series of meetings and workshops.

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The Administration, along with our consultant and the stakeholder groups, believe the project to be a huge success. To quote Mr. Bert Munro of Associated Engineering:

“This award recognizes the courage of the City in bringing a very disparate group of stakeholders together in search of an environmentally acceptable and workable solution to storm water handling for this development sector. It recognized our outside team of Johnson Weichel Resource Management and Crosby Hanna Associates (Community Planners) as well as Associated Engineering for developing the atmosphere that helped the group to a solution that left room for habitat, education, recreation, water quality enhancement, and development while achieving the primary goal of managing the sector storm water and reducing pressure on the downstream system.”

This project has created a very workable and economic management plan which will be implemented as development continues in the Southeast Sector. One of the most significant positives was the creation of a partnership between the City, and Ducks Unlimited and the Saskatoon Wildlife Federation, and will see these two groups contribute both financially and in kind to the development of the wetlands that are the heart of the storm water management system.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Mr. A.O. Munro, Associated Engineering, presented the Mayor with the 2003 Brian Eckel Award of Excellence for the Southeast Sector Storm Water Management Master Plan Project.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL – CONTINUED

2) J. Korobejko, dated December 29

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to property tax notices. (File CK. 1910-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that J. Korobejko be heard.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT J. Korobejko be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. J. Korobejko spoke with respect to his property tax notices.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**3) Peggy Sarjeant, President
Saskatoon Heritage Society, dated December 30**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the Gathercole building and site. (File No. CK. 4130-2-11)

RECOMMENDATION: that Peggy Sarjeant be heard.

**4) Lenore Swystun
Gathercole Initiative Group, dated December 29**

Requesting permission for a representative from the Gathercole Initiative Group to address Council with respect to the Gathercole building and site. (File No. CK. 4130-2-11)

RECOMMENDATION: that a representative of the Gathercole Initiative Group be heard.

5) Brenda Reid, dated January 4

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the Community Development Corporation, South Downtown. (File No. CK. 4130-2)

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RECOMMENDATION: that Item 7a) of Unfinished Business, be brought forward and considered, and that the speakers be heard.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Item 7a) of Unfinished Business be brought forward and considered and that the speakers be heard.

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**“7a) Community Development Corporation
South Downtown
(File No. CK. 4130-2)_____”**

Report of the City Clerk:

‘City Council, at its meeting held on July 14, 2003, adopted the following motion:

‘THAT, if by December 31, 2003, the City of Saskatoon does not have a guaranteed funding commitment in place from each of the Provincial and Federal governments, that the City Clerk be instructed to place the matter of the South Downtown Community Development Corporation (CDC), and the entire development of the Gathercole site on the agenda of the next City Council meeting following December 31, 2003.’”

Ms. Peggy Sarjeant, President, Saskatoon Heritage Society, spoke with respect to Council’s decision to demolish part of the Gathercole building and build a road on the site. She asked that Council reconsider its decision, and meet with the stakeholders to develop a plan for the site.

Ms. Louise Buhler, The Gathercole Initiative Group, requested that Council put a halt on the demolition of the Gathercole building and the construction of a road on the site. She asked that Council meet with stakeholders, the MVA and other cities to develop a plan for the site.

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Ms. Brenda Reid questioned what the master plan for the Gathercole site would be, and what had been done with respect to the formation of a Community Development Corporation.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT a South Downtown Community Development Corporation not be pursued.

IN DEFERRAL

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the matter be deferred until the next Council meeting and that all of the correspondence with the Federal and Provincial governments with respect to the Community Development Corporation be made public.

THE DEFERRAL MOTION WAS PUT AND LOST ON A RECORDED VOTE

Yeas: Councillor Fortosky. 1

Nays: His Worship the Mayor, Councillors Alm, Birkmaier, Dubois, Heidt, Hnatyshyn, Neault, Paulsen, Penner and Wyant. 10

THE MAIN MOTION WAS PUT AND CARRIED ON A RECORDED VOTE

Yeas: His Worship the Mayor, Councillors Alm, Birkmaier, Dubois, Heidt, Hnatyshyn, Neault, Paulsen, Penner and Wyant. 10

Nays: Councillor Fortosky. 1

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The City Clerk advised that a letter had been received from Tim Ryan requesting permission to address Council with respect to Item D4 of Administrative Report No. 1-2004.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Clause D4, Administrative Report No. 1-2004 be brought forward and considered, and that Tim Ryan be heard.

CARRIED.

“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 1-2004

**D4) Proposed Development Plan Amendment
(Arterial Commercial and Residential to Arterial Commercial), and
(Arterial Commercial and Low Density Residential to Arterial Commercial in the
Riversdale Land use Policy Map)
105 Avenue F South – Riversdale Neighbourhood
Applicant: Mitch Molnar, Parliament Holdings Ltd.
Proposed Bylaw No. 8241
(File No. CK 4351-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the intersection design as shown on Plan No. 250-0013-001r001, for the construction of a new signalized intersection at 22nd Street/Avenue F, be approved.

BACKGROUND

This report follows up an informational report that was submitted to the November 3, 2003 meeting of City Council (Attachment 1). That report provided City Council with an update on the progress the Administration was having with resolving the issues surrounding the interconnection of the traffic signals with the Canadian Pacific Railway's (CPR) warning devices at the proposed new intersection of Avenue F/22nd Street, to be constructed as part of the sale agreement for 105 Avenue F South (Giant Tiger development). The Administration is pleased to report that we have now successfully completed our discussions with the CPR and arrived at a design acceptable to both agencies.

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REPORT

Infrastructure Services has had on-going discussions with CPR officials in order to develop an acceptable design for the interconnection of the City's traffic signals with the railway warning devices at the signalized intersection planned for Avenue F/22nd Street. As previously reported, with Avenue F North remaining open, it was posing considerable difficulty in providing safe operating conditions for pedestrians and motorists at the proposed intersection.

A design, as illustrated on Plan No. 250-0013-001r001 (Attachment 2), has now been developed that is acceptable to both Infrastructure Services and the CPR. The solution provides for the construction of a median opening on 22nd Street at Avenue F and installation of traffic signals, with Avenue F North remaining open. Today, Avenue F North has only right-in/right-out access and egress to 22nd Street, and this condition remains in the proposed design. In fact, all access/egress to the properties north of 22nd Street remain unchanged as a result of this construction. Railway gates will be installed at the 22nd Street rail crossing, but not at the Avenue F north rail crossing. The Avenue F North crossing will be controlled by a supplementary traffic signal for southbound movements along Avenue F. The new intersection will provide full eastbound and westbound access/egress to the proposed Giant Tiger site as required as a condition of the sale of the property.

The Administration has retained an independent traffic-engineering consulting firm to conduct a safety audit review of the design, and their conclusion supports this proposal. The Administration is therefore satisfied with the proposed design and, upon City Council's approval, will be submitting a joint application with the CPR to Transport Canada for approval of the proposed works.

The design comes with some additional costs. The CPR will need to modify their rail warning device circuitry at an estimated cost of \$85,000. In addition, Infrastructure Services will have to add additional traffic signal components and construct a new traffic island and curbs, not previously identified, at an estimated cost of \$20,000. Thus, \$105,000 of additional costs will have to be funded by the City and added to the overall development project costs.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Administrative Report No. 17-2003.
2. Plan No. 250-0013-001r001 – Proposed Geometrics Avenue F and 22nd Street.”

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Mr. Tim Ryan advised that he was present representing Cottonwood Developments who own property located north of the property which will be developed on 22nd Street and Avenue F. He provided background information with respect to their concerns regarding the intersection, and requested that City Council instruct the Administration to construct a four-way lighted intersection at Avenue F and 22nd Street for the safety of the residents of the area.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the intersection design as shown on Plan No. 250-0013-001r001, for the construction of a new signalized intersection at 22nd Street/Avenue F, be approved.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL – CONTINUED

AA. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

**1) Tanya Mullis, Executive Director
Broadway Business Improvement District, dated December 19**

Requesting that Mr. Pat McNeil be appointed to the Broadway Business Improvement District Board of Management to replace Ms. Dani van Driel.

RECOMMENDATION: that Mr. Pat McNeil be appointment to the Broadway Business Improvement District Board of Management to replace Ms. Dani van Driel.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT Pat McNeil be appointed to the Broadway Business Improvement District Board of Management to replace Ms. Dani van Driel.

CARRIED.

**2) Maria Luiza Souza Dias, Coordinator
Challenge Day – American Continent, dated December 5**

Inviting the City of Saskatoon to participate in Challenge Day 2004. (File No. CK. 205-5) (Note: promotional material may be viewed in the City Clerk's Office.)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

3) Cliff Whitfield, dated December 9

Submitting comments with respect to a request for bilingual signage leading into and out of the city.
(File No. CK. 6280-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**4) Wilma Mollard, President
The Gardens Condominium Corporation, dated December 9**

Expressing appreciation for Council's support in maintaining the existing development/building standards for the property at 802 Heritage Crescent. (File No. CK. 4132-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the information be received.

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**5) Tim Hearn
Imperial Oil Limited, dated November, 2003**

Submitting a copy of the latest edition of Imperial Oil's corporate citizenship report entitled "A Partner in the Canadian Community". (File No. CK. 425-1) (Note a copy of the report may be viewed in the City Clerk's Office.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the information be received and that a letter be sent to Imperial Oil Limited advising that if they truly believe what they are writing, they would fix the contaminated site located on 19th Street and Avenue K.

CARRIED.

6) Pat Kauk, dated December 10

Requesting that Council pass a bylaw prohibiting the planting of poplar trees within the city limits. (File No. CK. 4139-4)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration to report to the Planning and Operations Committee.

CARRIED.

**7) Jeffrey Mueller, President
Magpie Films Studios, dated December 15**

Requesting assistance as a partner, investor or business associate in Magpie Studios. (File No. CK. 1870-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be referred to the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the matter be referred to the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority.

CARRIED.

8) D.W. Mario, dated December 12

Expressing concerns with respect to the pedestrian crossing on 25th Street and 4th Avenue North. (File No. CK. 6150-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be referred to the Administration for a report.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration for a report.

CARRIED.

9) Chelsey Loehndorf, dated December 16

Submitting comments with respect to a home based business run by Damaris Terleski. (File No. CK. 4355-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be referred to the Planning and Operations Committee.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the letter be referred to the Planning and Operations Committee.

CARRIED.

**10) Arthur Baalim, Chairperson, Board of Directors
Saskatoon Crisis Intervention Service, dated December 15**

Requesting an increase in funding of \$25,000 for the 2004 fiscal year. (File No. CK. 1870-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be referred to the Budget Committee.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT the matter be referred to the Budget Committee.

CARRIED.

11) Helen “Bubs” Coleman and Leslie C. Coleman, undated

Congratulating Constable Larry Lockwood and his colleagues for the work they have done with respect to community policing. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**12) Janice Mann, Secretary
Board of Police Commissioners, dated December 17**

Submitting a copy of the McNab Park Youth Project Year-End Report. (File No. CK. 5500-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the information be received.

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**13) Boyd Clark, Executive Director
Saskatoon SPCA Inc., dated December 12**

Submitting notice that the Saskatoon SPCA will cease to operate the animal pound on behalf of the City of Saskatoon effective June 7, 2004, unless a new agreement can be resolved. (File No. CK. 151-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Alm, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**14) Alice Farness
Renewing Our Community Committee, dated December 21**

Submitting comments with respect to prostitution. (File No. CK. 280-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

15) Karen Lilly, dated December 18

Requesting that Council not reestablish the Advisory Committee on Women's Issues. (File No. CK. 225-48)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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

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16) Tammy E. Gordon-Dirks and Jerry A. Dirks, dated December 21

Submitting comments with respect to a smoking bylaw. (File No. CK. 185-3)

**17) Michael Perley, Director
Ontario Campaign for Action on Tobacco, dated December 22**

Submitting comments with respect to the effects of smoke-free policies on beer sales in the City of Ottawa and the Region of Waterloo, Ontario. (File No. CK. 185-3)

18) Andre Arvinte, dated December 30

Expressing support for a complete ban on smoking in public buildings and restaurants. (File No. CK. 185-3)

19) Dr. David Leswick, dated December 30

Expressing support for a complete ban on smoking in public buildings and restaurants. (File No. CK. 185-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letters be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the letters be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.

CARRIED.

20) Don Kerr, dated December 15

Forwarding a copy of a report received from Heritage Canada regarding the principles which historic cities have signed on the matter of heritage. (File No. CK. 710-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be referred to the Administration for a report.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration for a report.

CARRIED.

21) R.P. Sproule, dated December 21

Expressing concerns regarding traffic, and suggesting the installation of intersection traffic cameras. (File No. CK. 5300-8)

RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be referred to the Board of Police Commissioners.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the matter be referred to the Board of Police Commissioners.

CARRIED.

22) Joseph Kuchta, dated December 21

Requesting that the Council Procedure Bylaw be amended to require Council to record all of its votes. (File No. CK. 255-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**23) Kent Smith-Windsor, Executive Director
Saskatoon and District Chamber of Commerce, dated December 22**

Submitting a copy of a letter dated April 2, 2002, requesting that City Council establish productivity gain targets. (File No. CK. 1920-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be referred to the Executive Committee.

Moved by Councillor Alm, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the matter be referred to the Executive Committee.

CARRIED.

24) Don Funk, dated December 22

Requesting approval to place a statue of Bill Hunter within the City of Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4040-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be referred to the Administration and to the Visual Arts Placement Jury.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration, the Visual Arts Placement Jury and Saskatchewan Place.

CARRIED.

**25) Ramesh D. Mahabir, President
Saskatoon Farmers' Market, dated December 17**

Requesting permission for the Farmer's Market to remain at its current location at 401 Avenue A South until May 8, 2004, and return on October 16, 2004 for the 2004-2005 winter season, and that the City's Christmas decorations be stored at a different location. (File No. CK. 205-7)

RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be referred to the Administration for a report.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration for a report, including the operating costs of the building and how that balances with the revenues from the Farmers' Market.

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26) Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association, undated

Submitting an invoice with respect to the 2004 Municipal Membership to the Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association, and forwarding a copy of the Holiday Edition of Action Report. (File No. CK. 155-5)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the information be received; and
 - 2) that the 2004 Membership fee for the Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association be paid in the amount of \$19,681.10.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

- 1) that the information be received; and*
- 2) that the 2004 Membership fee for the Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association be paid in the amount of \$19,681.10.*

CARRIED.

27) Ernie Bodnar, dated December 30

Expressing concerns with respect to crime in the City. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

- RECOMMENDATION:** that the letter be referred to the Board of Police Commissioners.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the letter be referred to the Board of Police Commissioners.

CARRIED.

**28) Paul Moist, National President
Canadian Union of Public Employees, dated December, 2003**

Forwarding a copy of an analysis prepared by Steven Shrybman on a legal opinion that was commissioned by the Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships entitled, "Guidance for Municipalities". (File No. CK. 150-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

29) Rodney Lozinski, dated December 29

Expressing concerns with respect crime in the area in which his business is located. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be referred to the Board of Police Commissioners.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the letter be referred to the Board of Police Commissioners.

CARRIED.

30) Mary L. Toews, dated December 30

Expressing concerns with respect to litter on streets, sidewalks, lanes, etc. and offering suggestions to help with the problem. (File No. CK. 7830-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be referred to the Administration for a report.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration for a report.

CARRIED.

31) Adam Breker, dated December 30

Requesting financial support in the making of a documentary. (File No. CK. 1870-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be referred to the Administration.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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

CARRIED.

32) Helen E. Adams, dated December 10

Submitting comments with respect to the Gathercole building and use of the site. (File No. CK. 4130-2-11)

**33) Peter Kingsmill
Shearwater Tours, dated December 14**

Submitting comments with respect to the Gathercole debate. (File No. CK. 4130-2-11)

34) Tracy Pytlowany, dated December 21

Submitting comments with respect to the development of the Gathercole site. (File No. CK. 4130-2-11)

35) Dale Jacobson, undated

Submitting comments with respect to the use of the Gathercole building. (File No. CK. 4130-2-11)

36) Crystal Stadnyk, dated December 24

Suggesting that the City bring in a facilitator to help ease the process of decision making when determining the future of the Gathercole site. (File No. CK. 4130-2-11)

37) **Margaret A. Hendry, President**
Saskatchewan Architectural Heritage Society, dated December 30

Requesting that Council delay action on the proposed extension of Second Avenue to the riverbank, until a master plan for the Gathercole site has been agreed upon by stakeholders. (File No. CK. 4130-2-11)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

B. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

1) **J. Korobejko, dated December 16**

Submitting comments with respect to tax notices. (File No. CK. 1920-1) **(Referred to the Administration.)**

2) **Sharon Rodenbush, Watershed and Aquifer Planning**
Saskatchewan Watershed Authority, dated December 11

Submitting information with respect to Watershed Management Planning, South Saskatchewan River Watershed. (File No. CK. 7920-1) **(Referred to the Administration.)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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C. PROCLAMATIONS

**1) Trevor Forrest, Executive Director
The Saskatoon Foundation, dated December 11**

Requesting that Council proclaim January 21, 2004 as Catriona LeMay Doan Day in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**2) Linda Jean Gubbe
SCAT Street Cat Rescue Program Inc., dated December 22**

Requesting that Council proclaim February 24, 2004 as Spay Day and February, 2004 as Spay/Neuter Month in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**3) Eric Yee, Chair, Saskatoon Chinese New Year Celebration Committee and
Randy Pshebylo, President, Riversdale Business Improvement District, undated**

Requesting that Council proclaim January 31, 2004 as the City of Saskatoon's official Chinese New Year Celebration for The Year of the Monkey. (File No. CK. 205-5)

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

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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

CARRIED.

REPORTS

General Manager, Community Services Gauthier presented Section A, Administrative Report No. 1-2004;

General Manager, Corporate Services Veltkamp presented Section B, Administrative Report No. 1-2004;

General Manager, Infrastructure Services Uzelman presented Section D, Administrative Report No. 1-2004;

General Manager, Utility Services Hewitt presented Section E, Administrative Report No. 1-2004; and

City Solicitor Dust presented Section B, Legislative Report No. 1-2004.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

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

- a) Administrative Report No. 1-2004; and*
- b) Legislative Report No. 1-2004.*

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

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

Committee arose.

Councillor Heidt 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. 1-2004

Section A – COMMUNITY SERVICES

**A1) Municipal Heritage Property (416 21st Street)
Proposed Transfer of Ownership
(File No. CK 710-6)**

- RECOMMENDATION:** that upon transfer of the Odd Fellows Hall (416 21st Street) to Charter Ventures:
- 1) that City Council consent to the assignment of the Heritage Conservation Program Assistance Agreement Bylaw No. 8238 to Newton Investments Inc, CTR Industrial Investments Inc. and 101048586 Saskatchewan Ltd., operating as Charter Ventures;
 - 2) that the City Solicitor prepare and/or review the necessary agreements; and
 - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary agreement.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

City Council at its meeting held on October 21, 2002, approved a tax abatement through the Heritage Conservation Program with respect to a rehabilitation project undertaken on the former Odd Fellow’s Hall Building (located at 416 – 21st St E.) which is designated as Municipal Heritage Property. The abatement, to commence in the 2004 taxation year, is to a maximum of \$20,000.00 amortized in equal installments over 10 years following satisfactory completion of the rehabilitation project.

The rehabilitation project has been satisfactorily completed, and the amount expended on the project entitles the owner to the maximum abatement. Accordingly, City Council passed Bylaw No. 8238, The 416 21st Street East Heritage Property Assistance Bylaw, 2003. (The Assistance Agreement forms part of this Bylaw.) The Agreement sets out the amount of the abatement and describes the assistance to be provided to the owner and the conditions that the owner must meet in order to receive the assistance.

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REPORT

Since Charter Developments Ltd. signed the Agreement, the Community Services Department has received correspondence indicating that a change in property ownership will occur effective January 1, 2004 (Attachment 1). The new owner is requesting that the Assistance Agreement be assigned to Charter Ventures, a joint venture consisting of Newton Investments Inc, CTR Industrial Investments Inc., and 101048586 Saskatchewan Ltd.

JUSTIFICATION

The City Solicitor's Office has reviewed the matter of the Agreement being assigned, and find the arrangements to be acceptable.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Letter dated November 18, 2003, to Barb Sprigings, Heritage Coordinator, from Glen Schreuer of Charter Ventures

**A2) Enquiry – Councillor M. Heidt (November 3, 2003)
Development in Older Neighbourhoods
(File No. CK 4110-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the following report be received as information.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Heidt, at the meeting of City Council held on November 3, 2003:

“Would the Administration please look at the architectural design in older neighbourhoods, in relationship to the house built in Mount Royal at 29th Street and Avenue T. The house that was purchased at this address had five garages added and housing put on top of the garages to a height of 18 feet, two feet from the property line. Also the neighbour to the north will never see the sun, and there is lots of snow build up.

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Please provide options to not allow this type of development in the older neighbourhoods.”

REPORT

The issue of new one-unit dwellings on infill lots was examined as part of the comprehensive Zoning Bylaw review in 1998. At that time the Administration examined issues related to site width, site area, building height, and building setbacks. Revised requirements related to these matters were included in the Zoning Bylaw at that time. Issues related to the bulk or volume of a dwelling, site coverage or rear yard setback, in relationship to nearby dwellings were not considered as part of this review.

The Community Services Department has received several enquiries over the past number of months related to similar large infill homes.

The Development Services Branch plans to review this matter in detail as part of its 2004 Work Plan. This review will involve an examination of research in this area as well as zoning requirements in other cities. Consultation will be undertaken with appropriate stakeholders such as Community Associations, the Saskatoon Real Estate Board, and the Saskatoon and Region Homebuilders Association. Following this, the Development Services Branch will report to City Council, through the Municipal Planning Commission, on possible amendments to the Zoning Bylaw.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**A3) Enquiry – Former Councillor L. Swystun (November 4, 2002)
Creation of Comprehensive Community Gardening Program
(File No. CK 1870-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

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BACKGROUND

During City Council's November 4, 2002 meeting, former Councillor Swystun made the following enquiry:

“A number of community associations and residents have been enquiring about doing community gardening (e.g. How about using that vacant lot or what about that back corner or part of a park?) Would the Administration please report on the creation of a city-wide program and policy for a comprehensive community garden program and that we collaborate with CHEP (Child Hunger and Education Program) in this process.”

CHEP first brought community gardening to Saskatoon five years ago. CHEP assists community groups to find land for gardening and with start-up costs including the provision of seeds, tools, and seedlings. They partner with schools and other groups to enable the development of other gardening programs. Most gardens are on privately-owned land, school property, and more recently in City of Saskatoon parks. There are currently about six community gardens in Saskatoon; three associated with CHEP, two administered by the Saskatoon Housing Authority, and one at a senior's housing complex.

At present, the City does not have a comprehensive program for placement of a community garden in a public park. There is a need to consider and anticipate an increasing demand for community gardens in neighbourhoods and, as such, public parks should be considered as an appropriate location for garden sites. This report will present guidelines the Administration will use to identify suitable locations for a community garden program in public parks.

REPORT

The purpose of a community garden is to provide neighbourhood residents with the opportunity to become engaged in a healthy and active recreation activity while growing nutritious food, meeting neighbours, building the community, learning about the growing cycle, beautifying open space, and growing organic food (i.e. without the use of pesticides in a suitable environment). Community gardens are located on suitable land, with access to a viable water source, and add visual diversity to the urban landscape.

A community garden provides an opportunity for a group of people to come together and share their interest in gardening. The main reasons people like to community garden are as follows:

- a) to garden communally, where everyone shares in the work and the harvest
- b) allow those who may not have access to land (i.e. apartments) to have plots to grow food
- c) encourage gardeners to grow crops to donate to a food bank or maximize space for plants that need a quantity of space
- d) to meet new people and make friends

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Financial Assistance

A successful community garden requires access to cultivated garden plots and a source of water. Based on discussions with CHEP, organizations may require some financial assistance to cover initial start up costs for a community garden. The start-up cost covers the cost of providing water access to an existing irrigation line and two (2) site cultivations; one to break ground and another to condition the soil. The start-up cost to provide a water source and site cultivation is approximately \$500, although it may vary depending on the size of the site. Sites without an existing irrigation line may not be approved unless a reasonable alternative source of water supply is identified because the water connection to domestic supply for a park without an existing irrigation system may cost between \$12,000 and \$15,000 (depending on the size of service required).

To provide the opportunity for other community groups to provide a community gardening program in their neighbourhood, the City of Saskatoon will fund the start-up costs through the Park Enhancement Reserve. The purpose of this reserve is to provide a source of funds to finance enhancements in neighborhood, district, multi-district, or special-use parks. The project costs are shared by the City of Saskatoon and the sponsor organization initiating the park enhancement request. The sponsor organization, as their contribution toward the cost share, must assume the responsibility to return the site back to its original condition once the site is no longer required for the Community Garden Program.

Community Gardening Program Guidelines

In the fall of 1999, CHEP addressed City Council to seek support for the Community Garden Program. As a result, during their September 28, 1999 meeting, City Council approved the Parks Branch recommendation “that Community Gardening be allowed as a programmed activity in City of Saskatoon Parks in accordance with the criteria outlined in the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated September 15, 1999.” The general criteria outlined in that report to City Council has evolved and requires updating.

Consequently, your administration has held further discussions with CHEP and Infrastructure Services Parks Branch to develop the guidelines based on a two-step process. First, any interested party must submit a written proposal requesting a community garden be located in a City park and that start-up costs be funded through the Park Enhancement Reserve. In the second step, the City Administration reviews the request and enters into an agreement for a community garden to be located in a City park. The specific guidelines developed by the Administration are as follows:

1. Program Approval Process:
 - 1.1 A written proposal to the Community Services Department, of the City of Saskatoon, outlining location, size, and detailed site plan including: location of the garden plots, placement areas for storage box(es), and description of how the site will be maintained and kept clean. If required, requesting the funding of start-up costs from the Park Enhancement Reserve.

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- 1.2 The Community Services Department will forward the request to the Parks Branch for a site assessment to include: site review and approval, review and approval of the garden site plan, and determination of suitable irrigation outlet at the garden site.
 - 1.3 The Community Services Department ensures that a public consultation is a part of the overall approval process and that support and feedback for the program is obtained.
 - 1.4 The General Manager, Community Services Department, in accordance with the City's Park Development Guidelines (see Attachment 1), will approve the Community Gardening location and any start-up costs to be funded through the Park Enhancement Reserve.
2. Execution of an Agreement:
- 2.1 City of Saskatoon prepares a "Letter of Agreement" outlining the following terms and general conditions:
 - a) level of cleanliness
 - b) preparation and monitoring of site
 - c) responsibilities of participants to include (approval of any changes/improvements to the site, loss or damage associated with the garden, proof of two million liability insurance, approval for any posting of permanent signage, no barriers to general public)
 - d) renewal
 - e) termination
 - f) restoration
 - 2.2 Terms and conditions will be reviewed by City Solicitor's office prior to execution.
 - 2.3 Forward to organization for signatures and approval.
 - 2.4 Letter of Agreement filed with Community Services Department and Parks Branch

JUSTIFICATION

In February 2003, CHEP and a community garden committee in City Park wrote to the Community Services Department requesting assistance with establishing a community garden in the City Park neighbourhood. After assessing various sites, including vacant lots and school grounds, it was determined that a site in Wilson Park provided the best opportunity for a successful community garden. The City agreed to support the community garden in Wilson Park as a pilot project and to set up a process that could be used as a model for other community garden requests. As a result, the guidelines outlined in this report were developed and are supported by CHEP and Infrastructure Services Parks Branch.

Community gardens provide recreational opportunities to members of the public who may not use other kinds of recreational facilities. They also generate a new area of programming through which Community Development can fulfill a mandate – offering not only recreation but also community building and educational services. Community gardens have a strong social component and provide a process that fosters community spirit. Permitting community gardens in parks is in compliance with Park Development Guidelines.

OPTIONS

There are no other options being considered

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The reserve currently has sufficient funds to support community garden requests.

COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

Information on community gardening will be distributed through “Community News” Community Development newsletters to community associations. In addition, City of Saskatoon will inform CHEP and other interested parties regarding this program

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Park Development Guidelines

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**A4) Land-Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department
For the Period Between December 9, 2003 to December 22, 2003
(For Information Only)
(File No. CK. 4000-5)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Condominium

- Application No. 11/03: 325 Keevil Crescent
Applicant: Larson Surveys for Medican Developments Ltd.
Legal Description: Parcel C, Plan 96S55464
Current Zoning: M3
Neighbourhood: University Heights Suburban Centre
Date Received: December 11, 2003

Discretionary Use

- Application No. D 13/03: 247 1st Avenue North
Applicant: Saskatoon Open Door Society Inc.
Legal Description: Lots 11-13 inclusive, Plan Q6
Current Zoning: B6
Proposed Use: Language School and Daycare
Neighbourhood: Central Business District
Date Received: December 15, 2003

Discretionary Use

- Application No. D 14/03: 118 Columbia Drive
Applicant: Grayce Schmitz, River Heights Bed & Breakfast.
Legal Description: Lots 5, Block 603, Plan 66S05653
Current Zoning: R1
Proposed Use: Bed and Breakfast
Neighbourhood: River Heights
Date Received: December 16, 2003

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Subdivision

- Application No.45/03 : 924 Spadina Crescent
Applicant: Webb Surveys for ParkTown Motor Hotels Ltd.
Legal Description: Lots 17, 18 & 19, Block 172, Plan 99SA32572
Current Zoning: M4
Neighbourhood: Central Business District
Date Received: December 10, 2003

Subdivision

- Application No.46/03 2815 Lorne Avenue
Applicant: Webb Surveys for Yanke Group of Companies
Legal Description: Lots 1-6 and 14, Block 531, Plan 65S13572
Current Zoning: IL1
Neighbourhood: CN Industrial
Date Received: December 10, 2003

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. 11/03
2. Plan of Proposed Discretionary Use No. 13/03
3. Plan of Proposed Discretionary Use No. 14/03
4. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 45/03
5. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 46/03

Section B – CORPORATE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

**B1) Corporate Desktop Component Blanket Order
and Warranty Repair of IBM Personal Workstations
(File No. CK. 1100-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that the proposal submitted by Horizon Computer Solutions for the supply of desktop components and warranty repair of IBM Personal System Workstations, with a term of 12 months, or maximum expenditure cost of \$750,000, whichever comes first, be accepted; and,

- 2) that the Corporate Services Department, Purchasing Services, issue the appropriate purchase order.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

In the interest of ensuring quality, as well as promoting corporate standardization and on-site warranty, the City of Saskatoon issues, on an annual basis, a Request for Proposal for its desktop computer needs. The successful bidder is issued a Blanket Order that Departments use to purchase computer equipment based on their specific requirements. The existing blanket order will expire December 31, 2003, so there is a need to issue a new order for the next 12-month period, or to a maximum of \$750,000, whichever occurs first.

Six firms responded to the Request for Proposal. A summary of the proposals is attached. Each bidder is evaluated against the published weighting factors. The highest ranked proposal was submitted by Horizon Computer Solutions.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Summary of Proposals.

Section D – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

D1) Proposed Parking Restrictions Avenue W and 22nd Street (File No. CK. 6120-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that parking restrictions be installed on the west side of the 100 block of Avenue W South and on the east side of the 100 block of Avenue W North, both near the intersection of Avenue W and 22nd Street.

ADOPTED.

Infrastructure Services has received a request from the Meadowgreen Community Association to install a parking restriction on the west side of the 100 block of Avenue W South.

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Currently, the queue of northbound vehicles waiting for the signals at Avenue W and 22nd Street restricts vehicles attempting a southbound left turn into McDonalds. This often blocks the movement of southbound through vehicles along Avenue W. Although the signal modifications at Avenue W and 22nd Street (which includes the installation of a northbound left turn arrow) will assist in reducing the queue, restricting parking in the southbound parking lane will enable vehicles to safely bypass those waiting for the left turn into McDonalds.

Furthermore, the signal modifications at Avenue W and 22nd Street require the restriction of parking on the east side of the 100 block of Avenue W North. The restriction will improve the efficiency of the intersection by allowing two lanes of northbound traffic through the intersection.

Infrastructure Services is therefore recommending that parking restrictions be installed on the west side of the 100 block of Avenue W South and on the east side of the 100 block of Avenue W North, both near the intersection of Avenue W and 22nd Street, as shown on Plan No. 210-0041-010r001 (Attachment 1). These restrictions will improve the efficiency of the intersection of Avenue W and 22nd Street.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Plan No. 210-0041-010r001

**D2) Consulting Engineers of Saskatchewan
Award of Excellence
Southeast Sector Storm Water Management Master Plan
File No. CK 4131-12-1)**

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 3.

**D3) Enquiry – Councillor B. Dubois (December 1, 2003)
Parking Restriction – Kenderdine Road between Kutz Crescent and Buckwold Cove
(File No. CK. 6120-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

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The following enquiry was made by Councillor Dubois at the meeting of City Council held on December 1, 2003:

“Would the Administration please report on the feasibility of restricting parking to one side of Kenderdine Road between Kutz Crescent and Buckwold Cove.”

Infrastructure Service has undertaken an investigation into traffic operation on Kenderdine Road within the Arbor Creek neighbourhood. Kenderdine Road at this location was designed and constructed with a 10 metre road surface that was intended for one traffic lane in each direction with no on-street parking. At locations where on-street parking was anticipated (residential and school frontage), parking lanes have been constructed.

It is Infrastructure Services' practice to only sign No Parking restrictions at locations where parking continues to occur despite it being prohibited by bylaw or design criteria. In order to assure that parking does not occur at this location, Infrastructure Services has installed No Parking signs along the west side of Kenderdine Road between the two legs of Beckett Green. Additional signing will be installed in the future, as necessary, to ensure safe operation of this street.

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

- D4) Proposed Development Plan Amendment
(Arterial Commercial and Residential to Arterial Commercial), and
(Arterial Commercial and Low Density Residential to Arterial Commercial in the
Riversdale Land use Policy Map)
105 Avenue F South – Riversdale Neighbourhood
Applicant: Mitch Molnar, Parliament Holdings Ltd.
Proposed Bylaw No. 8241
(File No. CK 4351-1)**
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DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 9.

Section E – UTILITY SERVICES

- E1) Enquiry – Councillor Wyant (December 15, 2003)
Bus Shelters in McNab Park
(File No. CK. 7311-1)**
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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

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The following enquiry was made by Councillor Wyant at the meeting of City Council held on December 15, 2003:

“Would the Administration report on the installations of bus shelters on those routes servicing the McNab Park area – specifically in that area in the immediate vicinity of that development.”

REPORT

Bus Route 1 services McNab Park. There are four bus stops in the development (see attached figure); only one of these, located at 45th Street and Berney Drive, currently has a shelter. The stops located at Jeremy Dr & Dawn St and at Jeremy & 45th St are suitable for shelters but do not have them. The stop at Jeremy Dr & Carol St is not well suited for a shelter as there is insufficient space between the roadway and the private lot located at this corner.

Shelters are installed only if requested by users and deemed warranted after a standard evaluation process. The evaluation process considers the following: ownership, visibility, relationship to residential property, exposure to weather, type of area services and the number of riders using the stop. If the evaluation deems that a stop is warranted, it will be prioritized in Transit’s shelter placement program.

In late November 2003, Transit received a request for a shelter at either Jeremy Dr & Dawn St or Jeremy Dr & Carol St. Transit will be undertaking its evaluation at these two locations in mid to late January 2004. The evaluation will not occur before then, as it is standard practice to undertake all evaluations when post-secondary educational institutes are operating on their regular schedule. Once this evaluation is complete, transit will be determining whether or not a shelter is warranted and, if so, where it will be placed within the waiting list. New shelters are installed as budget permits.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

E2) Enquiry – Councillor Paulsen (December 15, 2003)
Bus Stop at the Mendel Art Gallery
(File No. CK. 7311-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

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The following enquiry was made by Councillor Paulsen at the meeting of City Council held on December 15, 2003:

“Could the Administration please report on why our transit system does not have a bus stop in front of the Mendel Art Gallery.”

REPORT

There is not bus stop in front of the Mendel Art Gallery because it is not on a bus route. The closest bus stops are approximately 350 meters from the gallery, at the corner of 25th Street and Spadina (Bus routes 4, 6A, 21, and 25) and at the corner of Queen Street and 7th Ave (Bus routes 8 and 16). Both of these locations have stops for buses heading into and out of downtown.

The Saskatoon Shines Attractions shuttle, which operated from June 27 to August 17, 2003 did have a stop by the Mendel Art Gallery; however this was financed by sponsors and was not part of transit’s regular service.

Transit routes are designed to provide bus route proximity to residential, commercial, and industrial areas. The portion of Spadina Crescent between 25th Street and Queen Street is primarily bordered by parks, which are not a high demand generator for transit services.

The Transit Strategic Plan study, which will be undertaken in 2004, will be reviewing all bus routes. Should Council so direct, service to the Mendel Art Gallery could be reviewed as part of this study.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that the information be received; and
2) that transit service to the Mendel Art Gallery be part of the Transit Strategic Plan Study.

E3) Enquiry – Councillor D.L. Birkmaier (December 15, 2003)
Front Street Garbage Pick Up
(File No. CK. 7830-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that information be received.

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The following enquiry was made by Councillor Birkmaier at the meeting of City Council held on December 15, 2003:

“Would the Administration please report on the number and location of residences that still have manual front street garbage pick up.”

DISCUSSION

The City provides manual collection service to approximately 1,125 households. This collection service is provided, with a rear loader collection truck, to homes that are not well suited to automated collection (usually sideloader truck-access problems). The City is in the process of purchasing two tipper systems (approximately \$10,000 each) for both of the rear loaders. The tipper systems will allow for these households to be serviced through a semi-automated collection. Semi-automated collection is a waste collection service that uses 100-gallon individual rollout carts. The collection is on a schedule, and the rearloader truck using the tipper system collects the cart. To use semi-automated collection, residents will place their cart in a designated location, and a labourer will wheel it to the tipper system, empty the cart, and return the cart to the pickup location.

REPORT

The City is planning to convert the residents that receive manual collection to semi-automated collection in early 2004. This conversion will bring the service received by these residents in line with the service provided to the rest of the City. The conversion of manual collection was recommended within the Solid Waste Management Master Plan, and Council endorsed the plan.

The conversion of manual collection will result in the following:

- reduced risk of fires through the location of collection carts to the front street (where possible);
- improved area cleanliness through the use of waste carts;
- promotion of waste minimization through the 100 gallon cart volume; and,
- reduced bylaw infractions through the non-acceptance of inappropriate material.

When the new equipment is installed on the rearloaders, the residents will receive a conversion-information package in the mail. The package will include a letter about the conversion and their cart placement; a brochure about the rearloader conversion; and a front street collection schedule. Cart placement locations will be front street unless it is not possible to service them from this location. Carts will be delivered after the residents have received the information packages.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

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*IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that the information be received; and
2) that the matter of individual garbage container pickups be referred to the Administration for a report.*

LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 1-2004

Section B – OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

**B1) Proposed Lease of City Boulevard
Roofmart Western Ltd. at 837 - 50th Street East
Proposed Bylaw No. 8267
(File No. CK. 4070-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8267.

ADOPTED.

City Council at its meetings of May 5, 2003 and May 12, 2003, considered Administrative Clause D4 and Administrative Report No. 8-2003, and resolved that a lease of a portion of the boulevard on Millar Avenue immediately adjacent to 837 50th Street East be authorized for an annual fee of \$1,261.83 plus G.S.T. for a term of five years.

The consent of the Minister of Highways and Transportation was granted on September 11, 2003. The Minister's consent has no expiry date. Council directed that our Office prepare the appropriate bylaw and agreement

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8267.

**B2) The City Administration Amendment Bylaw, 2003
Delegating Authority to Approve Distribution Line Easements
on City-Owned Property
Proposed Bylaw No. 8246
(File No. CK. 4090-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8246.

ADOPTED.

City Council at its meeting of June 23, 2003 adopted Clause 5, Report No. 9-2003 of the Planning and Operations Committee. That report recommended that the authority to approve the granting of distribution line easements over City-owned lands be delegated to the General Manager of the Infrastructure Services Department or his designate. The Report indicated that the General Manager would approve easements that met the guidelines laid out in The City of Saskatoon Policies C09-025 and A09-025. City Council further indicated that where the General Manager of the Infrastructure Services Department felt that the application for an easement did not meet the criteria set out in the Policies, the easement application should be forwarded to City Council for consideration. This Bylaw gives the effect to the Resolution of City Council by amending The City Administration Bylaw, 2003 to provide for the delegation of authority.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8246”

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

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

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 7a) Community Development Corporation
South Downtown
(File No. CK. 4130-2)**

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 6.

ENQUIRIES

- Councillor D.L. Birkmaier
Review of Council Procedure Bylaw
(File No. CK. 255-2)**

Would the Executive Committee please review City Council's Procedural Bylaw on the next agenda.

- Councillor T. Alm
Transit Services – Western Development Museum
(File No. CK. 7310-1)**

Would the Administration please report on providing city bus transit to the Western Development Museum on a regular schedule.

GIVING NOTICE

Councillor Hnatyshyn gave the following Notice of Motion:

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

“THAT Council correspond with the Province, the University of Saskatchewan and the Meewasin Valley Authority, offering for sale the whole or part of the Gathercole building and site, and requesting a response from each on or before March 1, 2004.””

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the Notice of Motion be waived.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Hnatyshyn, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT Council correspond with the Province, the University of Saskatchewan and the Meewasin Valley Authority, offering for sale the whole or part of the Gathercole building and site, and requesting a response from each on or before March 1, 2004.

THE MOTION WAS PUT AND LOST.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 8246

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8246, being “The City Administration Amendment Bylaw, 2004” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8246 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

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Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8246.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8246 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8246 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT Bylaw No. 8246 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the A/City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

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Bylaw No. 8267

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8267, being “The Boulevard Lease (837 50th Street East) Bylaw, 2003” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8267 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8267.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8267 was considered clause by clause and approved.

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Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8267 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT Bylaw No. 8267 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the A/City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Bylaw No. 8272

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8272, being "The Street Closing Bylaw, 2004 (No. 1)" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8272 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

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The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8272.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8272 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8272 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT Bylaw No. 8272 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the A/City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

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Moved by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk