

Council Chamber
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, November 4, 1991
at 7:00 p.m.

FIRST MEETING OF COUNCIL FOLLOWING THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1991

PRESENT: His Worship Mayor Dayday in the Chair;
Aldermen Birkmaier, Cherneskey, Dyck, Hawthorne, Mann,
McCann, Mostoway, Penner and Thompson;
City Commissioner Irwin;
Director of Planning and Development Pontikes;
Director of Works and Utilities Gustafson;
Director of Finance Richards;
City Solicitor Dust;
City Clerk Mann;
Secretary Sproule

INDUCTION CEREMONIES FOR MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

The City Clerk called the meeting to order and introduced Dr. Michael Tai, who presented a prayer of invocation.

The Honourable Madam Justice Marion Wedge, Justice of the Saskatchewan Court of Queen's Bench, administered the Declaration of Office to His Worship Mayor Henry Dayday and placed on his shoulders the Chain of Office of the Mayor of The City of Saskatoon, and charged him with the duties of the Chief Executive Office of the City.

A prayer for the Mayor and his Office was said by Dr. Michael Tai.

The City Clerk then called forward Aldermen Birkmaier, Cherneskey, Dyck, Hawthorne, Mann, McCann, Mostoway, Penner and Thompson, individually, who took their Declaration of Office before the Mayor, following which His Worship the Mayor charged the Aldermen with the responsibility to employ themselves in their office in a diligent, faithful and impartial manner, and welcomed them as members of City Council.

At the conclusion of the salutations, the Aldermen took their seats and His Worship the Mayor took his seat on the dais. His Worship the Mayor invited the members of the Administration to take their seats within the Bar.

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INAUGURAL ADDRESS

His Worship Mayor Dayday noted that Alderman Waygood was not able to be present at this meeting and will be taking her Declaration of Office at the next regular meeting of City Council.

His Worship the Mayor expressed his appreciation to Madam Justice Wedge and Dr. Tai for their part in the ceremonies.

His Worship Mayor Dayday noted that since a ward system is not in place, the Aldermen, in the past, agreed to an informal ward system. He asked that all returning Aldermen continue to represent the wards they have represented in the past, and that Alderman Birkmaier assume the responsibility for Ward 2 and Alderman McCann assume the responsibility for Ward 5.

Congratulations were expressed by the Mayor to all of the Aldermen who were elected to City Council during the October civic election. A special welcome was expressed to the two new, but experienced, Aldermen -- Donna Birkmaier and Peter McCann. He stated that the Aldermen have committed themselves to serving the citizens of Saskatoon for the next three-year period and that he looked forward to working with all of the Aldermen to give the citizens of Saskatoon the best possible civic government.

His Worship Mayor Dayday stated that even though the economy has been slow during the past few years, the City has been able to move forward and make several positive changes. He indicated that he believed that the economy will begin to improve and greater activity will be seen in the city. As a City, sights should be set on moving forward and providing the best possible service for the future. This means that Council should work with the administration, senior levels of government, local organizations and the public to ensure that together the energies and resources are directed towards maximizing the benefits for the city.

Mayor Dayday noted that, initially, Council will be meeting to approve a Capital Works Budget. Many decisions that are made over the next two months will impact upon 1992. Such projects as the twinning of Circle Drive from 22nd Street to 33rd Street will have a high priority. Early in 1992, Council will be reviewing and approving the Operating Budget. This budget will impact upon the services provided and the level of taxation that will be required to provide these services. He noted that everyone is aware of the financial difficulty that is being experienced by many of the businesses and residents in the city, and it will be incumbent upon Council to look at the feasibility of bringing in a budget that reflects a zero mill rate increase and the impact that this would have on services. He stated that the City has been a very prudent manager of financial resources and should continue as such.

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With the civic election still fresh in everyone's mind, His Worship the Mayor stated that he will be asking the new provincial government to look into reinstating the ward system. There has been a lot of frustration expressed by the voters in terms of the long ballot. It is fortunate that there is a fairly reasonable Aldermanic representation of areas across the city.

Mayor Dayday indicated that the City deals with a multitude of issues on a month-to-month basis and has also embarked upon an open approach to the standing committee meetings so that the public has greater accessibility to Council.

Mayor Dayday stated that each member of City Council has a particular philosophy towards civic politics and politics in general. He noted that, in the past, the use of Council Chambers to perpetuate political philosophies that may have little or nothing to do with Council business has been minimized, and that he believed the people of the city elect Council members to deal with civic issues. Mayor Dayday stated that he hoped that members of City Council would agree and will continue to keep in mind the interest of civic policies and programs as the major purpose.

In conclusion, Mayor Dayday thanked all those present and those watching at home on television, and indicated that he looks forward to working with all the people in the city over the next term.

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Hawthorne,

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 15, 1991, be approved.

CARRIED.

REGULAR MEETINGS OF COUNCIL

REPORT OF CITY CLERK:

"Pursuant to the requirements of *The Urban Municipality Act*, the City Clerk shall provide written notice of the time, date and place of the first meeting of the Council to all members of Council at least 24 hours prior to the meeting, but all subsequent meetings of the Council are to be held on any days that the Council shall determine.

The Council Procedure Bylaw states that regular meetings of Council shall be held on every second Monday in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at the hour of seven o'clock p.m., provided that in the event of a meeting day falling on certain holidays, such meeting shall be held at the same time on the next day which is not one of the days specified as a holiday or so appointed as a holiday or a Sunday.

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It would therefore be in order for Council to confirm the above."

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

THAT the regular meetings of Council be held on every second Monday in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at the hour of seven o'clock p.m., provided that in the event of a meeting day falling on certain holidays, such meeting shall be held at the same time on the next day which is not one of the days specified as a holiday or so appointed as a holiday or a Sunday.

CARRIED.

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

REPORT OF CITY CLERK:

"Sec. 41(4) of *The Urban Municipality Act, 1984*, provides as follows:

'At its first meeting, or as soon as is conveniently possible, and whenever the office becomes vacant, the council shall appoint an alderman as deputy mayor who shall hold office for a term of at least one month, or for any longer period that the council may decide, and until his successor is appointed.'

In the past, Council has appointed the Deputy Mayor on a reverse alphabetical basis with a monthly rotation.

Should Council determine that this procedure is acceptable, and in following the rotation pattern to date, it is recommended:

THAT Alderman M. Hawthorne be appointed as Deputy Mayor for this meeting and for the month of November, 1991; that Alderman B. Dyck be appointed as Deputy Mayor for the month of December, 1991; and that Alderman M. T. Cherneskey, Q.C., be appointed as Deputy Mayor for the month of January, 1992."

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Birkmaier,

THAT Alderman M. Hawthorne be appointed as Deputy Mayor for this meeting and for the month of November, 1991; that Alderman B. Dyck be appointed as Deputy Mayor for the

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month of December, 1991; and that Alderman M. T. Cherneskey, Q.C., be appointed as Deputy Mayor for the month of January, 1992.

CARRIED.

STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

REPORT OF CITY CLERK:

"Quoted below is a letter dated October 30, 1991, from His Worship Mayor Dayday to members of City Council:

'Due to the recent civic election, there is a necessity for us to make selections to the standing committees to the end of the year.

Since there have been only two changes, I would suggest that, subject to their approval, Alderman Donna Birkmaier serve on the Legislation and Finance Committee and Alderman Peter McCann serve on the Planning and Development Committee to the end of 1991.

Appointments to other committees where vacancies now exist can be made at the time when a Committee on Committees meeting is held.

I hope this meets with your approval."

Alderman Birkmaier indicated her desire to serve on the Works and Utilities Committee.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT Alderman Birkmaier be appointed to the Works and Utilities Committee to the end of 1991; and that Alderman McCann be appointed to the Planning and Development Committee to the end of 1991.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

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A. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

**1) Wayne Marr, Director
Saskatchewan Emergency Measures Organization, dated October 21**

Submitting notice of Emergency Measures Awareness Course #132 for Mayors and Elected Officials on December 12 and 13, 1991, at Fort San, Sask. (File No. CK. 4740-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**2) Wayne Marr, Director
Saskatchewan Emergency Measures Organization, dated October 8**

Submitting Notice of General Orientation Course #131 on November 14 and 15, 1991, in Fort San, Sask. (File No. CK. 4740-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**3) Peggy McKercher, Chairman
Meewasin Valley Authority, dated October 24**

Encouraging Council to take the necessary action to stave off the outbreak of Dutch Elm Disease in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4200-4)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be received and considered with Clause 3, Report No.

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32-1991 of the Planning and Development Committee.

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Birkmaier,

THAT the letter be received and considered with Clause 3, Report No. 32-1991 of the Planning and Development Committee.

CARRIED.

**4) Marlene Hall, Secretary
Development Appeals Board, dated October 29**

Submitting Notice of Development Appeals Board Hearing re Freestanding Sign - Alexander's Restaurant, 414 Cumberland Avenue North. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**5) Paul John Mitchell
Vancouver, B.C., dated October, 1991**

Commenting re "Cease & Desist Orders." (File No. CK. 280-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

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Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**6) James W. Knight, Executive Director
ECM, dated October 11**

Advising Council of the World Cities Exchange Conference in Tokyo, November 25 - 30. (Files CK. 277-1 and 155-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Mostoway, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**7) Morley Lehrer, Second Avenue Construction Committee
Downtown Merchants Association, dated October 28**

Requesting permission to address Council re business disruption during Second Avenue reconstruction. (File No. CK. 6315-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Mr. Lehrer be heard.

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Moved by Alderman Thompson, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT Mr. Lehrer be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Morley Lehrer, on behalf of the Downtown Merchants Association, congratulated members of Council on their recent election to Council. Mr. Lehrer pointed out that next spring major infrastructure replacements will take place along two blocks of Second Avenue. He noted that in view of the severe downturn in the economy, the Second Avenue Merchants are concerned about the construction reducing sales and cash flows for three to four months. In light of this, Mr. Lehrer requested consideration of a tax adjustment during the period of construction.

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee to meet with The Partnership.

CARRIED.

**8) Mark W. Swanepoel
West Yorkshire, England, dated October 22**

Commenting re apartheid and sanctions. (File No. CK. 150-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

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THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**9) Pat Tymchatyn, President
Heritage Festival of Saskatoon Inc., dated October 11**

Advising Council of the Heritage Festival of Saskatoon, February 16 - 23, 1992. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Mostoway, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**10) Deryk Taylor
Canada Employment Centre, dated October 24**

Requesting Council to proclaim the week of November 3 - 9, 1991 as "Canada Career Week" in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of November 3 - 9, 1991 as "Canada Career Week" in Saskatoon.

Moved by Alderman Birkmaier, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

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THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of November 3 - 9, 1991 as "Canada Career Week" in Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

**11) Joyce Dalke, President of Saskatoon Chapter
Canadian Foundation for Ileitis and Colitis, dated October 17**

Requesting Council to proclaim the month of November as CFIC month in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of November as CFIC month in Saskatoon.

Moved by Alderman Mostoway, Seconded by Alderman Penner,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of November as CFIC month in Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

**12) Robert C. Prowse, Regional Clerk
The Regional Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth, dated October 18**

Requesting Council's support for a motion relative to proclaiming 1992 as The Year for Canada. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT, subject to confirmation from the federal government with respect to the declaration

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of 1992 as The Year for Canada, His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim 1992 as The Year for Canada.

CARRIED.

- 13) Jill E. Shanks, President
Dolores M. Ebert, Executive Director
Saskatoon Family Service Bureau, dated October 23**

Expressing appreciation for grant received under the Community Initiatives Program. (File No. CK. 1871-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be received.

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Hawthorne,

THAT the letter be received.

CARRIED.

- 14) Tim Steuart, Secretary
District Planning Commission
The R.M. of Corman Park No. 344, dated October 21**

Submitting report of the District Planning Commission dated October 21, 1991. (File No. CK. 175-10)

RECOMMENDATION: that Council consider the report of the District Planning Commission.

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

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THAT Council approve the following recommendation of the District Planning Commission:

"that the City of Saskatoon approve an amendment to the District Planning Agreement to delete the N 1/2 21-37-5-W3 including the adjoining road lying north thereof."

CARRIED.

**15) Laurence Ludlow
Vancouver, B.C., dated October 13**

Commenting re "Constitutional Conceptual Deception". (File No. CK. 150-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**16) Janice Siekawitch, Director of Membership Services
SUMA, dated October 18**

Advising Council of SUMA Regional Meeting in Dinsmore on November 12, 1991. (File No. CK. 155-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Birkmaier, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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**17) Janice Siekawitch, Director of Membership Services
SUMA, dated October 25**

Advising Council of Newly Elected Officials Workshops. (File No. CK. 155-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Hawthorne, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**18) Anne Craggs, Head, Information Services
Saskatoon Public Library, dated October 28**

Submitting copy of the 1991-1992 edition of the Saskatoon Directory of Community Information. (Limited Distribution - Copy available for viewing in the City Clerk's Office). (File No. CK. 368-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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**19) Morris Hounsell, Executive Director
Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre, dated October 31**

Submitting copy of the Centennial Auditorium Foundation quarterly statements for the periods ended June 30, 1991 and September 30, 1991. (File No. CK. 1895-8)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**20) His Worship Mayor Dayday, Chairman
Board of Police Commissioners, dated October 30**

Submitting request from Police Chief Maguire requesting Council to proclaim the week of November 4 to 10, 1991 as "Crime Prevention Week." (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of November 4 - 10, 1991 as "Crime Prevention Week."

Moved by Alderman Birkmaier, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of November 4 - 10, 1991, as "Crime Prevention Week."

CARRIED.

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**21) Rick Sparling, Store Manager
DeFehr Furniture, undated**

Commenting re store hours. (File No. CK. 184-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Alderman Thompson excused himself from discussion and voting on the matter and left the Council Chamber.

Moved by Alderman Hawthorne, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

Alderman Thompson re-entered the Council Chamber.

22) Kate Waygood, Alderman, dated October 31

Extending best wishes to all members of the new City Council. (File No. CK. 255-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be received.

Moved by Alderman Birkmaier, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

THAT the letter be received.

CARRIED.

**23) Melanie Elliott, Executive Director
Saskatoon Regional Zoological Society, dated October 31**

Requesting that the travel grant requests by the Saskatoon Regional Zoological Society be referred

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back to the Legislation and Finance Committee for further consideration. (File No. CK. 1870-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 38-1991 of the Legislation and Finance Committee.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Penner,

THAT the letter be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 38-1991 of the Legislation and Finance Committee.

CARRIED.

**24) Albert Chatsis
Saskatoon Native Handicapped Society, dated November 1**

Commenting re request for a grant and indicating that a representative will be available to discuss the matter. (File No. CK. 1870-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and considered with Clause 2, Report No. 38-1991 of the Legislation and Finance Committee.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Penner,

THAT the information be received and considered with Clause 2, Report No. 38-1991 of the Legislation and Finance Committee.

CARRIED.

B. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

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**1) Bill Rafoss
148 Brown Crescent, dated October 17**

Commenting re state of disrepair of the retaining wall on Victoria Avenue leading onto the 19th Street Bridge. Referred to the Director of Works and Utilities and to the Director of Planning and Development. (Files CK. 6050-1 and 710-1)

**2) Sandra Barber, Administrator
Rural Municipality of Birch Hills, No. 460, dated October 11**

Requesting background information with respect to taxation of Ronald McDonald House. Referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee. (File No. CK. 1620-1)

**3) R. G. Fast, Director
Saskatoon Board of Education, dated October 17**

Commenting re intention to develop additional park space on the property adjacent to Princess Alexandra School. Referred to the Director of Planning and Development. (Files CK. 4020-1 and 4205-1)

**4) Cliff Andrews, President
Lakeview Community Association, dated October 12**

Requesting consideration for a pedestrian crossing light at the intersection of Kingsmere Drive, Wakaw Crescent and Whiteshore Crescent. Referred to the Director of Works and Utilities. (File No. CK. 6150-3)

5) Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation, undated

Submitting 1990 Saskatchewan Traffic Accident Facts. Referred to the Works and Utilities Committee and to the Special Traffic Safety Committee. (Copy available for viewing in the City Clerk's Office) (File No. CK. 430-1)

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- 6) **A. R. Postle, Chairman**
SCAF Board of Directors, dated October 28

Expressing concern re funding for future capital needs. Referred to the City Commissioner for a report. (Files CK. 1711-4 and 620-3)

- 7) **Ms. Mona Daigle**
#4, 236 Avenue H North, dated October 29

Requesting consideration of a six-month bus pass for seniors for the months of October - March. Referred to the Works and Utilities Committee. (File No. CK. 7312-1)

- 8) **Gay Caswell**
320 - 29th Street West, dated October 31

Requesting consideration for the reinstatement of the bookmobile on 18th Street West. Referred to the Library Board. (File No. CK. 298-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the above information be received.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

REPORTS

City Commissioner Irwin submitted Report No. 30-1991 of the City Commissioner;

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Alderman Penner, Member, presented Report No. 32-1991 of the Planning and Development Committee;

Alderman Cherneskey, Chairman, presented Report No. 38-1991 of the Legislation and Finance Committee.

Moved by Alderman Hawthorne, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

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

- a) Report No. 30-1991 of the City Commissioner;*
- b) Report No. 32-1991 of the Planning and Development Committee; and*
- c) Report No. 38-1991 of the Legislation and Finance Committee;*

CARRIED.

His Worship Mayor Dayday appointed Alderman Hawthorne as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole.

Council went into Committee of the Whole with Alderman Hawthorne in the Chair.

Committee arose.

Alderman Hawthorne, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:

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

"REPORT NO. 30-1991 OF THE CITY COMMISSIONER

Section A - Works and Utilities

- A1) Request for a Parking Prohibition
Sahali Court Apartments
717 Victoria Avenue
(File No. CC 6120-2) _____**

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Report of the City Engineer, October 10, 1991:

"The Engineering Department has received a request from the building operator of the Sahali Court Apartment for a parking prohibition to be installed on 10th Street at the side of their property at 717 Victoria Avenue. The reason for the request is to facilitate garbage pick up.

Currently, the garbage pick up is at the rear of the building from a driveway off 10th Street. Tenth Street has a narrow roadway surface and, consequently, the turning movement cannot be made into the driveway if there is a car parked to the east of the driveway. It is proposed to remove one parking space between the lane and the driveway to facilitate this movement. Plan No. G9-11F (S.P.) illustrates the proposed sign installation. There will be no detrimental impact to area parking, as the stall that is being removed is of inadequate length to accommodate full-size vehicles."

RECOMMENDATION: that "No Parking" signs be installed on the north side of 10th Street as shown in Plan No. G9-11F (S.P.)

ADOPTED.

**A2) 1991 Supply of Aggregate
Contract No. 1 - 0008
(File No. CC 1000-4)**

Report of the City Engineer, October 30, 1991:

"City Council at its meeting of April 22, 1991, awarded Contract No. 1-0008C for the supply of street sanding aggregate to Beaudry Construction in the amount of \$178,794.35 including G.S.T., P.S.T., and G.S.T. rebate. The Engineering Department has received a request from Beaudry Construction and Revelstoke Redi-Mix Ltd. to have Beaudry Construction's award contractually assigned to Revelstoke Redi-Mix Ltd. at the unit bid price quoted by Beaudry Construction.

The Engineering Department supports this request since it is expected to ensure timely supply of this material.

It is proposed to implement the assignment by adding the item to Revelstoke Redi-Mix Ltd.'s current Contract 1-0008B for supply of four other types of aggregate. Revelstoke Redi-Mix Ltd. has supplied street sanding aggregate material to the City of Saskatoon last year and in previous years."

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that the contract assignment from Beaudry Construction to Revelstoke Redi-Mix Ltd. be accepted;
- 2) that Contract No. 1-0008B with Revelstoke Redi-Mix Ltd. be

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amended by adding the following item at an estimated cost of \$178,794.35:

Item 8 - 27,000 tonnes of street sanding aggregate to Plant "A"/the City Yards at \$6.40 per tonne; and

- 3) that Contract No. 1-0008C with Beaudry Construction be cancelled.

ADOPTED.

**A3) Proposed Development and Servicing
(Extension) Agreement - The City of Saskatoon
and Boychuk Investments Ltd. - Braeside View
Area of the Briarwood Neighbourhood
(File No. CC 297-22)**

Report of the City Solicitor, October 31, 1991:

"In keeping with the instruction of the Works and Utilities Committee at its meeting held on October 9, 1991, and the direction of the City Engineer, I have prepared and forward herewith proposed form of Development and Servicing (Extension) Agreement as between The City of Saskatoon and Boychuk Investments Ltd. The proposed Agreement pertains to the Braeside View area of the Briarwood Neighbourhood, and has been drawn in the form of an extension to an earlier-concluded master agreement pertaining to this area. The Agreement is in our standard form, except that it contemplates both 1991 and 1992 works, and contains all standard development conditions and requirements."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1) that the proposed form of Development and Servicing (Extension) Agreement as between The City of Saskatoon and Boychuk Investments Ltd. be approved; and
- 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute such Agreement under the corporate seal.

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ADOPTED.

Section B - Planning and Development

**B1) Subdivision Application #24/91
1215 Central Avenue
(File No. CC 4300-2)**

The following subdivision application has been submitted for approval:

Subdivision Application: #24/91
Applicant: Webb Surveys
Legal Description: Part of Parcel L, Plan No. 80-S-23394
Location: 1215 Central Avenue

The October 17, 1991, report of the City Planner concerning this application is attached.

RECOMMENDATION: that Subdivision Application #24/91 be approved, subject to the payment of \$50 being the required approval fee.

ADOPTED.

**B2) Subdivision Application #25/91
Steiger Crescent
For Information Only
(File No. CC 4300-2)**

Subdivision Application: #25/91
Applicant: Webster Surveys Ltd.
Legal Description: Part of Parcel PP, Plan No. 86-S-17947
Location: Steiger Crescent, Erindale
Current Zoning: R.1A
Date Received: October 24, 1991

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The City Planner has received the above-noted application for subdivision which is being processed pursuant to the subdivision regulations and will subsequently be submitted to Council for its consideration.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

**B3) Condition of Property
218 Avenue L North
(File No. CC 4400-1)**

Report of the City Planner, October 31, 1991:

"During its August 26, 1991, meeting, City Council adopted the following recommendations:

- 1) that City Council declare the property at 218 Avenue L North to be a nuisance pursuant to Section 124 of The Urban Municipality Act because in City Council's opinion the buildings are in a ruinous and dilapidated state and as such:
 - a) are dangerous to the public safety or health; and,
 - b) substantially depreciate the value of other land or improvements in the vicinity; and,
- 2) that City Council instruct the City Solicitor to advise the owner and persons having an interest in the land of the date wherein Council will consider the making of an Order to Demolish the house and garage on this site.'

Staff within the Planning Department inspected this property on October 30, 1991, and found the buildings to be in a similar condition to that which was reported earlier to City Council. Photographs of the property, which were taken in August of this year, are available for viewing in the City Clerk's Office."

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the information be received; and
 - 2) that City Council consider, under Item No. 4(a) of Unfinished Business, the matter of an Order of Demolition, as prepared by the City Solicitor, for the house and detached garage at 218 Avenue L North.

ADOPTED.

**B4) Application for Registration of Condominium Plan
Condominium Conversion
3144 Laurier Drive, Confederation Park Family Housing
(Formerly Laurier Village) M.3 Zoning District
(File Nos. CC 4132-1 and 750-1)**

Report of the City Planner, October 25, 1991:

"During its June 3, 1991, meeting, City Council considered Clause B5, Report No. 19-1991 of the City Commissioner. This report provided details on an application for condominium conversion, which had been received from Webb Surveys on behalf of the Saskatchewan Department of Community Services, for a dwelling group at 3144 Laurier Drive (formerly, Laurier Village and recently renamed as West Ridge Village). City Council adopted the recommendation of the City Planner and approved, in principle, the proposed condominium project.

Webb Surveys has now submitted the final condominium plans for the project. The plans indicate the location of the buildings on the site. (There are 16 buildings, 15 of which are for residential occupancy and one of which is a community centre.) The buildings constitute 107 dwelling units and 117 off-street parking spaces will be provided. Renovation of the existing buildings is almost complete and the landscaping will be completed next year. The survey plans have been forwarded to the City Clerk's Office.

Section 8(2)(d) of The Condominium Property Act requires that the local authority shall direct the issuance of the certificate if it is satisfied that:

- a) the conversion will not significantly reduce the availability of rental accommodation in the area;
- b) the conversion will not create significant hardship for any or all of the tenants of the existing premises; and

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- c) the building and the parcel have the physical characteristics considered necessary by the local authority to make the premises suitable for conversion.

The Planning Department advises that, in its opinion, the conversion will not significantly reduce the availability of rental accommodation in the area, nor will the conversion create significant hardship for any or all of the tenants of the existing premises. Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation conducts a semi-annual rental market survey each April and October. The latest April survey indicates that for the westerly part of Saskatoon, the vacancy rate for apartments was 17.5% and for row housing, 19.9%. Even if the vacancy rates have changed since the survey was conducted, the vacancy rate in this part of the City is still high. In addition, the units in this dwelling group were vacant when the renovations were started and thus, the conversion will not create a significant hardship for any or all of the tenants of the existing premises (as there were none). The form of development in this project is also considered suitable for conversion."

The Administration contacted officials of the Provincial Government to determine whether the certificate should be issued to the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation (as indicated in the application and the associated documents) or to the Saskatchewan Department of Community Services. At this time, the City has been requested to issue the Certificate to the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation.

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council authorize the issuance of the Certificate required under Section 8(1)(b) of The Condominium Property Act to the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation; and,
 - 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to prepare and forward the Certificate to the applicant.

ADOPTED.

**B5) Rezoning Applications
Z18/91 - Pleasant Hill Neighbourhood
Z19/91 - 2100 & 2200 Block Gladmer Crescent
Z20/91 - 1800 Block 7th Street East
For Information Only
(File No. CC 4351-1)**

Application: Z18/91
Applicant: Various

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Legal Description: Various
Location: Pleasant Hill Neighbourhood
Current Zoning:
Proposed Zoning: New Zoning Pattern (1991 Core Neighbourhood Study)
Date Received: October 1991

Application: Z19/91
Applicant: Planning Department, City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Parcels F & G, Plan No. G771
Location: 2100 & 2200 Gladmer Crescent (Gladmer Park)
Current Zoning: R.4
Proposed Zoning: RM(Tn)
Date Received: October 1991

Application: Z20/91
Applicant: Planning Department, City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Parcel Z, Plan No. G82
Location: 1800 Block 7th Street East (Edmund Heights)
Current Zoning: R.4
Proposed Zoning: RM(Tn)
Date Received: October 1991

The City Planner has received the above-noted applications for rezoning which are being processed and will subsequently be submitted to City Council for its consideration.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

**B6) Community Bond Corporation Application
Paddlewheel Princess Tours Community Bond Corporation
(File No. CC 3500-12)**

Report of the Economic Development Manager, November 1, 1991:

"Paddlewheel Princess Tours Ltd. is a Saskatchewan company incorporated to establish a riverboat operation in Saskatoon on the South Saskatchewan River and an associated sightseeing bus service

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to serve as a new attraction for tourists, as well as local residents. There will be three full-time positions and forty part-time positions. The Paddlewheel Princess will operate from May through to October.

Paddlewheel Princess Tours Community Bond Corporation is seeking to raise \$1.2 million through the Community Bond Program. The funds will be applied towards financing various capital expenditures which are associated with the project. The City's Administration has reviewed the Paddlewheel Princess Tours Community Bond Corporation's application and finds the documentation to be in accordance with the requirements approved by City Council."

Should Council support the application by Geof Scott, Bill Daneluik, Kent Smith-Windsor, Tim Steuart, Adrie Schutte, George Pinckney, and others to establish Paddlewheel Princess Tours Community Bond Corporation, the following would be the appropriate resolution:

WHEREAS Geof Scott, Bill Daneluik, Kent Smith-Windsor, Tim Steuart, Adrie Schutte, George Pinckney and others resident in the City of Saskatoon desire to incorporate a Community Bond Corporation under The Community Bonds Act (the"Act") with its head office located in the City of Saskatoon;

AND WHEREAS the Act requires that the incorporation be approved by the council of the municipality in which the corporation's head office is to be located;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary that the Mayor or reeve or other designate of such municipality be authorized by such council to be a director of the corporation;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it desirable that the incorporation of the proposed community bond corporation proceed;

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that approval be and the same is hereby given to the application for incorporation by Geof Scott, Bill Daneluik, Kent Smith-Windsor, Tim Steuart, Adrie Schutte, George Pinckney and others of Paddlewheel Princess Tours Community Bond Corporation and that the representative of this municipality on the board of directors of such corporation shall be Kent Smith-Windsor;

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that approval by the City of Saskatoon of the incorporation of Paddlewheel Princess Tours Community Bond Corporation is not, and shall not in any manner be construed as a representation or warranty as to the feasibility or economic viability of the corporation or of the projects or investments contemplated by the corporation, and Council disclaims any liability or responsibility with respect to same.

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RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by His Worship Mayor Dayday,

WHEREAS Geof Scott, Bill Daneluik, Kent Smith-Windsor, Tim Steuart, Adrie Schutte, George Pinckney and others resident in the City of Saskatoon desire to incorporate a Community Bond Corporation under The Community Bonds Act (the "Act") with its head office located in the City of Saskatoon;

AND WHEREAS the Act requires that the incorporation be approved by the council of the municipality in which the corporation's head office is to be located;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary that the Mayor or reeve or other designate of such municipality be authorized by such council to be a director of the corporation;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it desirable that the incorporation of the proposed community bond corporation proceed;

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that approval be and the same is hereby given to the application for incorporation by Geof Scott, Bill Daneluik, Kent Smith-Windsor, Tim Steuart, Adrie Schutte, George Pinckney and others of Paddlewheel Princess Tours Community Bond Corporation and that the representative of this municipality on the board of directors of such corporation shall be Kent Smith-Windsor;

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that approval by the City of Saskatoon of the incorporation of Paddlewheel Princess Tours Community Bond Corporation is not, and shall not in any manner be construed as a representation or warranty as to the feasibility or economic viability of the corporation or of the projects or investments contemplated by the corporation, and Council disclaims any liability or responsibility with respect to same.

CARRIED.

Section C - Finance

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

Report of the Investment Services Manager, October 15, 1991:

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

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

ADOPTED.

**C2) Business Tax Adjustments
September 1991
(File No. CC 1985-2)**

Report of the City Treasurer, September 15, 1991:

"Submitted copy attached is a listing of 1991 Business Tax Adjustments in the total of \$46,197.33 which require Council's approval for write-off.

The listing represents business which have discontinued business at the premises indicated; these accounts are not uncollectible, but require adjustment in keeping with Business Tax Bylaw #6714(12) which states:

'Where a business is commenced after the 31st day of January or is discontinued before the 1st day of December, the Council, shall, upon written request, adjust the amount levied with respect of that business to correspond with the portion of the year during which the business is, or was, carried on; PROVIDED that such request is made before the expiration of one year following the year in respect of which the amount levied is to be adjusted.'

Business tax adjustments are offset by supplementary assessments on new businesses or businesses that relocate, renovate, or enlarge premises.

The distribution of this write-off will be as follows:

City \$19,904.01

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School Boards	24,593.20
Business Improvement Districts	<u>1,700.12</u>
	\$46,197.33"

RECOMMENDATION: that Council approve the 1991 Business Tax write-off in the amount of \$46,197.33 for the reasons detailed on the attached list for the period September 1 to September 30, 1991.

- IT WAS RESOLVED:* 1) that Council approve the 1991 Business Tax write-off in the amount of \$46,197.33 for the reasons detailed on the attached list for the period September 1 to September 30, 1991; and
- 2) that the matter be referred to the Economic Development Board for a retrospective study as to why businesses have been closing.

**C3) Tax Write-Offs
List #3
(File No. CC 1985-4)**

Report of the City Treasurer, October 18, 1991:

"Attached is a list of properties indicating tax adjustments totalling \$6,189.70, for which tax write-off approval is requested by City Council."

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approve of the write-off for the reasons detailed in the list prepared by the City Treasurer, dated October 17, 1991.

ADOPTED.

**C4) Investments
(File No. CC 1790-3)**

Report of the Investment Services Manager, October 25, 1991:

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

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

ADOPTED.

**C5) Trailer Occupant Fees - 1992
(File No. CC 1720-10)**

Report of the City Treasurer, October 28, 1991:

"At its meeting of April 6, 1987, City Council approved the application of the City of Saskatoon's Trailer Occupant License Fees, beginning in 1987, in accordance with a formula utilizing assessed value and the previous year's mill rate. Because of the tax-shifting effects among various sizes of trailers, City Council also agreed that the new assessment-based license fees would be phased in over a three-year period, with full implementation taking place in 1989.

The Trailer Occupant License Fee is a tax on a trailer itself and represents the equivalent of the property tax levy on buildings and improvements. Fully implemented, the formula calculates the fees on the 1961-70 level of assessment (as provided by the Provincial Government). The year-over-year changes in the fees will be equal to (but lagged by one year) changes to Saskatoon's municipal, library and school mill rates. As a result, property owners and trailer owners will, excluding the timing consideration, be treated equally with respect to yearly local government tax/fee adjustments.

The following table identifies the proposed rates for 1992 with 1991 comparables:

Size of Trailer 1992 Monthly (in Sq. Feet)	Number of Trailers	1991 Monthly Fee
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Proposed Fee

Less than 300	5	\$ 11.00	\$ 11.50
300 - 400	6	13.00	13.50
401 - 500	24	16.00	17.00
501 - 600	28	20.50	21.50
601 - 700	50	25.50	26.50
701 - 800	47	30.00	31.50
801 - 900	103	35.00	36.50
901 - 1000	110	39.50	41.00
1001 - 1100	14	43.50	45.50
1101 - 1200	18	47.50	50.00
1201 - 1300	5	52.50	55.00
1301 - 1400	5	56.50	59.00
1401 - 1500	<u>2</u>	61.00	63.50
	417	"	

Report of the City Solicitor, October 29, 1991:

"At the request of the Director of Finance, we have prepared Bylaw No. 7254. The Bylaw provides for the 1992 trailer occupant license fees."

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the proposed Trailer Occupant License Fees for 1992 be approved; and
 - 2) that City Council consider Bylaw No. 7254, at this meeting.

ADOPTED.

- C6) Communications to Council**
From: Gordon Bolton
519 Adilman Drive
Date: August 30 and September 1, 1991
Subject: Commenting re explosion at the Saskatoon Chemical Plant

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(File No. CC 375-1)

At its meeting of September 23, 1991, City Council requested reports from the Provincial Department of the Environment, the Provincial Occupational Health and Safety Branch, and for comments from the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Council on the chlorine leak at the Saskatoon Chemical Plant.

Enclosed for Council's information, is a letter from the Occupational Health and Safety Branch which indicates their formal report is confidential and will not be released.

By attached letter, the Department of the Environment completed their investigation of the incident and indicates the remedial action that they have required of Saskatoon Chemicals. The Department has also requested a copy of any reports prepared by Saskatoon Chemicals on the incident. If these reports are received, they will be forwarded to City Council for information.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the information be received and that a copy of the report be forwarded to Ms. Debi Farrow, President of the Silverwood Heights Community Association.

**C7) Financial Statements - September 30, 1991
(File No. CC 1895-3)**

Report of the City Comptroller, November 1, 1991:

"Attached is the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the nine months ended September 30, 1991. A brief analysis of these statements is included in the Letter of Transmittal on pages 1 to 3 of the report."

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

*IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that the information be received; and
2) that the Administration be requested to bring forward*

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recommendations including alternatives which, if implemented, would provide a reduced year-end projected deficit with a preference to balanced expenditures and revenues by fiscal year 1991.

Section D - Services

D1) Routine Reports Submitted to City Council

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$7,509,332.65 (File No. CC 1530-2)	October 8, 1991	October 16, 1991
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$841,181.78 (File No. CC 1530-2)	October 16, 1991	October 18, 1991
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$2,293,511.68 (File No. CC 1530-2)	October 16, 1991	October 22, 1991
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$849,704.17 (File No. CC 1530-2)	October 22, 1991	October 24, 1991
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$1,434,503.69 (File No. CC 1530-2)	October 22, 1991	October 29, 1991
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$1,003,593.64 (File No. CC 1530-2)	October 29, 1991	October 31, 1991
Business Tax - General License (copy attached) (File No. 435-13)	September 1, 1991	September 30, 1991

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Property Tax Collections
(copy attached)
(File No. CC 435-8)

September 1, 1991

September 30, 1991

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

**D2) Store Hours Petition
(File No. CC 184-2)**

Report of the City Solicitor, October 30, 1991:

"Bylaw No. 7230, which is the bylaw to allow all stores the option of opening on Sunday between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. without restriction, cannot be given third reading by City Council at its November 4, 1991 meeting as planned.

This is because The Urban Municipality Act, 1984 says that the bylaw may **not** be passed `until the expiration of two weeks after the result of the voting has been declared ...'. The purpose of this section is to allow an elector, who may wish to do so, an opportunity to challenge the declared results.

The results of the Store Hours Petition were declared by the Returning Officer on October 30, 1991. The earliest that City Council could pass Bylaw No. 7230 would be November 13, 1991. Therefore, we will be bringing Bylaw No. 7230 to City Council at its meeting on November 18, 1991. In the interim, we will not be enforcing the Sunday closing provisions of the existing bylaw."

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

**D3) 1991 Civic Election
Returning Officer's Declaration of Results
(File No. CC 265-1)**

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Report of the Returning Officer, October 30, 1991:

"Pursuant to Sections 109(2) and 125 of The Local Government Election Act, attached is a copy of the Returning Officer's Declaration of Results for the Offices of Mayor and Aldermen, Board Members of the Saskatoon School Division No. 13, Board Members of the St. Paul's Roman Catholic Separate School Division No. 20 and for Bylaw No. 7230."

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

**D4) Naming of Parks - John Avant
(File No. CC 4206-0)**

Currently, the City of Saskatoon has two policies relating to the naming of streets, buildings and parks, being Policy 09-008 (Naming Saskatoon Parks) and Policy C01-008 (Naming of Streets and Buildings). The Audit Services Department has prepared a draft consolidation of the two policies and this consolidation has been forwarded to the Planning and Development Committee for review.

Under Policy 09-008 (Naming Saskatoon Parks), the Parks and Recreation Board had been delegated the responsibility of recommending names to City Council for naming parks. With the reorganization of civic services to create the Civic Buildings and Grounds Department and the Leisure Services Department, the Parks and Recreation Board is longer in existence. The proposed draft policy will address this issue. However, pending the report from the Planning and Development Committee determining the appropriate mechanism for considering names, the Administration would respectfully request that Council consider naming a park after the former Director of Finance, John Avant.

John Avant began his career with the City of Saskatoon on May 1, 1949, as City Comptroller and retired on April 30, 1979, as Director of Finance after exactly 30 years of service. A chartered accountant by profession, Mr. Avant graduated with great distinction from the College of Commerce in 1942 and then served overseas with the Canadian Army until 1945. He was employed by a local chartered accountant firm until his employment with the City of Saskatoon. In addition to his service to the City of Saskatoon, Mr. Avant was the treasurer of Jubilee Residences for 33 years, treasurer of St. James Anglican Church, and Honourary Bursar for Emmanuel College, University of Saskatchewan. With the advent of computer technology he remained one of the last of a vanishing breed of accountants who could do multiple column addition by running his fingers

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down a column of figures, and was often called upon to correct errors on adding machine tapes.

A quiet and unassuming individual, Mr. Avant was largely responsible for the financial policies that the civic administration still adhere to, which has resulted in the establishment of reserves and the high credit rating that the City of Saskatoon enjoys.

The Administration, therefore, feels that it would be appropriate that the park at the end of the lake in Erindale be named "John Avant Park." A sketch is attached indicating the location of the park proposed to be named after Mr. Avant.

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council name the park area at the eastern end of the lake in Erindale subdivision the "John Avant Park."

ADOPTED.

**D5) Employee and Family Assistance Program
(File No. CC 4690-3)**

The City of Saskatoon Employee and Family Assistance Program has been in existence since January, 1990. Since its introduction, utilization of the program has continually increased. Because of the demand for services, it became obvious by mid-1991 that it could not be sustained at its current level with the existing financial structure. The Board of Directors, consisting of both civic union and management representatives, made the difficult decision to limit the use of the program to existing clients, and to only the most severe new cases. This resulted in the deferring of requests for assistance from civic employees.

The Employee and Family Assistance Program is considered a resounding success by civic unions, City managers, and most importantly, by civic employees. Over 350 civic personnel, both union and management, have used the services. The Board of Directors has considered a variety of options to deal with the resulting financial pressures, including the introduction of user fees, maximum annual payments in the program, and increased employee/employer contributions. After consideration, it was determined that the most appropriate response was to raise the contribution level. Currently each civic employee contributes \$1.00 per pay period, or \$24.00 per year. It is proposed that this amount be increased to \$2.00 per pay period. Since the inception of EFAP in January, 1990, the City of Saskatoon has matched the employees' contributions. The 1991 operating budget identified a cost of \$35,900. Assuming approximately the same number of employees, the proposed 1992 operating budget contribution would therefore be \$71,800.

The proposed employee contribution increase has been approved by most civic bargaining

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units. Any additional contribution by the City of Saskatoon is predicated on the unanimous support of all unions.

RECOMMENDATION: that the Administration be instructed, when preparing the 1992 operating budget estimates to include the sum of \$71,800 for consideration by Council at the 1992 operating budget review.

ADOPTED.

REPORT NO. 32-1991 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Alderman P. Robertson, Chairman
Alderman G. Penner
Alderman K. Waygood

**1. Decision - Development Appeals Board Hearing
611 University Drive
(File No. CK. 4352-1)**

Attached is a copy of Record of Decision of the Development Appeals Board dated October 3, 1991, respecting the above appeal.

Council will note that the Board GRANTED the appeal, provided the two loading zone spaces are clearly marked and the landscaping for the parking station is completed according to the plan approved by City Council.

Pursuant to Council policy in such matters, the Director of Planning and Development is to report to the Planning and Development Committee with recommendations.

Attached is a copy of a report of the Director of Planning and Development dated October 8, 1991, together with a report of the City Planner dated October 8, 1991.

Your Committee has reviewed this matter and

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RECOMMENDS: that the above decision of the Development Appeals Board not be appealed to the Planning Appeals Committee of the Saskatchewan Municipal Board.

ADOPTED.

**2. Saskatoon Fire Department
Fire Safety Issues
(File No. CK. 2500-1)**

City Council considered Clause C3, Report No. 26-1991 of the City Commissioner on the above matter at its meeting held on September 9, 1991 and

"IT WAS RESOLVED (in part): 2) that the matter of Stop Fill Valves on propane tanks be referred to the Planning and Development Committee for further review."

Report of Fire Chief, October 10, 1991:

"On September 4, 1991, City Council approved the Fire Department Amendment Bylaw No. 7241 which contained, in part, Section 9.1 dealing with the prohibition of parking propane fuelled vehicles in any underground and enclosed parking facility attached to a major residential, business and personal services or mercantile occupancy.

At the time City Council approved the Bylaw Amendment, it was resolved that the matter of Stop Fill Valves on propane tanks be referred to the Planning and Development Committee for further review.'

In response to the Resolution, the Fire Chief will demonstrate the Stop Fill Valves to the Planning and Development Committee. In addition, the following points should be considered by the Committee:

- a) The Stop Fill Valves cannot be detected on vehicles so equipped, therefore, enforcement of the Bylaw becomes impossible if they are to be allowed into enclosed public parking areas.
- b) Stop Fill Valves have only been installed on vehicles in Saskatchewan since the

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beginning of 1991.

- c) Stop Fill Valves only provide for protection against purges from overfilling. No protection is provided against releases from possible mechanical damage nor protection from increased intensity from a fire in the vehicle or other source which may impinge on the tank."

Attached, as background information, is a copy of Clause C3, Report No. 26-1991 of the City Commissioner, as referenced above.

Your Committee has met with Fire Chief Hewitt to discuss this matter and

RECOMMENDS: that no further action be taken at the present time with respect to Stop Fill Valves and that this matter be reviewed in 5 years' time.

ADOPTED.

**3. Dutch Elm Disease
(File No. CK. 4200-4)**

Report of General Manager, Civic Buildings and Grounds Department, October 2, 1991:

"Introduction

Dutch Elm Disease (DED) has been identified in a number of areas in Saskatchewan. This disease has the ability to kill thousands of American Elm trees each year. Since a relatively large proportion of Saskatoon's urban forest consists of elm trees, the effect of DED on our community could be devastating.

Currently, the most severe infestations of DED in the province are found in native elm stands in the valleys along the Carrot River and in the vicinity of Cumberland House. To the southeast, there is a severe infestation along the Souris River Valley, south from Estevan to the U. S. border. In each of these areas, thousands of trees have been killed. Smaller infestations of DED are found to the north of Grand Coulee near Regina, in the Town of Shaunavon, and in the Qu'Appelle River Valley near the Manitoba border. Most recently, the existence of DED has been confirmed within Wascana Park in Regina.

Much of the infection has been discovered this year and this seems to suggest that while it

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has not been fully detected, DED appears to be very widely spread throughout the province. It is no longer a question of if the disease will infect Saskatoon's elm trees, but rather of when this will happen (if it hasn't already) and of how prepared our community will be to reduce the damage that DED is capable of doing to elm trees on public and private properties.

How the Disease is Spread

Elm bark beetles are insects which are specifically attracted to American Elm trees. The beetles carry the disease fungus from tree to tree through their breeding and feeding activities. The bark beetle lays its eggs in dead and dying elm wood. It transfers the fungus to the eggs through the egg-laying process.

When a tree becomes infected with the disease, the tree reacts by sealing off the infected portions. Unfortunately, the disease moves so quickly within the tree that the tree eventually seals itself off so completely that water and nutrients are cut off to its crown and the tree dies.

Typically, a tree infected in the spring will first show 'flagging' symptoms. Flagging includes the yellowing of the tree's leaves, accompanied by wilting of the leaves in a few branches. Over the summer, the disease will progress and by autumn, the tree will be completely dead.

The Disease's Implications for Saskatoon

Saskatoon has an estimated 50,000 Elm trees on the City's boulevards, in its public parks and cemeteries, and on residential properties. If left uncontrolled, DED could kill the majority of these trees within a decade. The core neighbourhoods and parks, in particular, would be devastated, since over 60% of trees in these areas are of the elm variety. The collective replacement cost of these trees is estimated at \$25 million.

Since there is no cure for DED, many North American cities which have recognized the implications of this disease have taken action which tries to control its potential for spreading within the community. For example, the City of Winnipeg has implemented strict control measures which have been able to reduce to approximately 2% per year the number of boulevard trees that are being removed as a result of this disease. Without this action, Winnipeg's removal rate would be substantially higher.

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The Elements of a DED Control Program for Saskatoon

A control program in Saskatoon needs to be undertaken through a strategy which emphasizes broadly-based community involvement. The City does not have the resources or sufficient time to tackle this problem alone and therefore, requires the support and assistance of all residents. DED is a community-wide concern because it involves trees on boulevards and parks, as well as in residential yards.

A DED control program in Saskatoon should include both short- and long-term components. The short-term components refer to those activities which involve immediate action, while the long-term components refer to actions that are required when the existence of DED in Saskatoon has been confirmed.

The short-term program includes implementing the following actions:

1. Public Relations

First, the public must be warned not to bring elm firewood into the city. If any elm firewood has been brought into Saskatoon, it should be burned or buried immediately. This message must be brought to the attention of the public through press releases, advertisements, and possibly highway signs.

Second, the public needs to be made aware of the disease's symptoms so that they can help detect the problem or so that action can be taken to remove the infected trees. This can be accomplished through press releases, advertisements, and brochures.

Third, the public must be encouraged to take better care of their American Elm trees. This includes regular watering, pruning, and fertilization.

To date, the Civic Buildings and Grounds Department has placed an advertisement in The Star-Phoenix which advises the public that elm firewood should not be brought into Saskatoon. There is a concern that the timing of this advertisement was not early enough to ensure that the public was sufficiently aware of the need to consider the type of firewood that is being brought into our city. With respect to the other types of public information messages which have been identified in the preceding paragraphs, the Department has not been able to take any action this year because of insufficient budgetary resources.

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2. Pruning

Pruning is critical to the control of DED because it removes the breeding sites for the elm bark beetle and it invigorates the tree's growth. As the Committee is aware, the Civic Buildings and Grounds Department has for several years been requesting additional funding in order to expand the City's very inadequate pruning program. This year, City Council agreed to add \$35,000 to the Department's budget (although its original request was for \$100,000), thereby increasing the pruning frequency from 1,000 to 1,350 trees per year. The program should involve 6,800 trees per year in order to prune our larger trees (i.e. those in excess of 15 feet) at least once every seven years. Therefore, in order to meet acceptable horticultural standards regarding the maintenance of the City-owned trees, substantially more funding will be required for tree pruning.

3. Basal Spraying

An estimated 80% of all elm bark beetles overwinter in the trunk of elm trees. In autumn, they crawl or fly down to the base of the tree, and burrow beneath the bark to hibernate.

Under basal spraying, an insecticide is applied to the lower 1.5 meters of the elm tree. The insecticide has a residual nature such that when the beetle burrows into the bark in the autumn, it will contact the insecticide and die. This treatment needs to be repeated every two years. Currently, the City does not have any funding to undertake basal spraying of Saskatoon's elm trees.

4. Monitoring

This refers to inspecting the trees for the symptoms of Dutch Elm Disease. If infection is suspected, a sample of the tree's branches is taken for laboratory analysis in order to confirm the existence of DED. Currently, the Civic Buildings and Grounds Department completes a single inspection, annually, of all City-owned boulevard and park trees. Now that the threat of DED is only 'hours' away from Saskatoon, monitoring needs to be improved through on-going and more frequent inspections of not only boulevard and park trees, but also elms which are located on private property. Trees where the amount of deadwood exceeds 50% should be tagged for removal because they can act as breeding sites for the elm bark beetle.

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The monitoring should also provide for the inspection of elm firewood in residential areas. These piles can also become breeding sites for the beetle.

The Civic Buildings and Grounds Department's budget is only sufficient to accommodate the annual inspection of boulevard and park trees. A more thorough and more frequent inspection will require additional resources.

A long-term program will also be necessary to control the disease when it infects Saskatoon's tree population. In addition to the four short-term components mentioned above, an ongoing monitoring and removal program will be necessary. In other words, trees with DED symptoms will be sampled and marked. If the lab test verifies the existence of DED, then the tree would be immediately removed. In doing so, the infected elm bark beetles are destroyed, and the tree could not be used as a breeding site in the following year. This continued identification and removal program is necessary to control the spread of the disease.

Unfortunately, a control program for DED is expensive. On the other hand, letting the disease spread, uncontrolled, into the city could have even more expensive implications, if decision is subsequently made to try to stop the disease from destroying all of the community's elm trees.

Province-wide Action Recommended by the Saskatchewan Dutch Elm Disease Committee

A Saskatchewan Dutch Elm Disease Committee has been established which consists of representatives from several municipalities, the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association, and the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities, as well as from the Federal and Saskatchewan Governments. The City of Saskatoon is represented on this Committee by Mr. Dave Domke, Supervisor of Arboriculture in the Civic Buildings and Grounds Department.

This Committee has proposed that a cost-sharing arrangement should be established involving municipalities and the Provincial Government in order to implement an expanded DED control program. This approach is similar to the one which already exists in Manitoba. In this regard, City Council should consider passing a resolution which urges the Saskatchewan Government to establish such a cost-shared program.

The Saskatchewan Dutch Elm Disease Committee is also discussing draft regulations under The Pest Control Act. Provisions are being considered which would allow an appointed inspector to travel onto private property in order to check and sample for DED in elm trees and firewood, as well as to enforce the removal of infected trees and firewood.

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Conclusion

DED is a devastating disease. Its impact on Saskatoon's trees is far greater than, for example, the existence of cankerworms which are currently receiving considerable public attention and action.

DED is a community-wide problem since it involves both City-owned and privately-owned trees. Not controlling DED would result in thousands of dead trees. Since many of these trees are on the City's property, the removal costs would be extremely high. The adoption of control measures would limit the loss of our trees to DED and would enable the replacement our elm trees with those of a different species. The Civic Buildings and Grounds Department intends to incorporate a provision within its 1992 Operating Budget submission to implement the short-term control strategies which have been identified in this report."

Your Committee has met with representatives of the Civic Buildings and Grounds Department and wishes to note that the Saskatchewan Dutch Elm Disease Committee is providing an excellent liaison for municipal officials to monitor the spread of the disease and to coordinate a public education program. In light of the fact that this disease could wipe out all elm trees in the province if left untreated, your Committee has requested that the Administration prepare a long range plan to combat Dutch Elm Disease in the City and include an amount for this Long Range Plan in the 1992 Operating Budget.

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the information be received;
 - 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to advise the Saskatchewan Minister of Parks and Renewable Resources of the City of Saskatoon's concern about the spread of Dutch Elm Disease in Saskatchewan and of the need for the Provincial Government to introduce a cost-shared program with municipalities to implement measures to control the spread of this Disease; and
 - 3) that the Administration be requested to prepare, for City Council's consideration, a draft resolution which the City can sponsor at the next convention of the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association concerning the establishment of a provincial-municipal cost-shared Dutch Elm Disease control program.

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Item No. A.3) of "Communications" was brought forward

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and considered.

- IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that the information be received;*
- 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to advise the Saskatchewan Minister of Parks and Renewable Resources of the City of Saskatoon's concern about the spread of Dutch Elm Disease in Saskatchewan and of the need for the Provincial Government to introduce a cost-shared program with municipalities to implement measures to control the spread of this Disease; and*
- 3) that the Administration be requested to prepare, for City Council's consideration, a draft resolution which the City can sponsor at the next convention of the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association concerning the establishment of a provincial-municipal cost-shared Dutch Elm Disease control program.*

REPORT NO. 38-1991 OF THE LEGISLATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Alderman M.T. Cherneskey, Q.C., Chairman
Alderman P. Mostoway
Alderman M. Thompson

**1. Travel Grant Requests
Saskatoon Regional Zoological Society
(File No. CK. 1870-2)**

Four travel grant requests have been received from the Saskatoon Regional Zoological Society. These requests involve travel to various conferences. Attached are the cover pages of the four applications.

Travel grants have been approved for attendance at specific national or international events, where a team or individual was qualified for such an event. To date, no funding has been approved to attend conferences. The Committee has requested the Administration to develop more specific

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criteria for such requests.

RECOMMENDATION: that the four travel grant requests from The Saskatoon Regional Zoological Society be denied.

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Item No. A.23) of "Communications" was brought forward and considered.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be referred back to Legislation and Finance Committee to meet with the Saskatoon Regional Zoological Society.

**2. 1991 Community Initiatives Program -
Social Services and Cultural Divisions
Saskatoon Native Handicapped Society
(File No. CK. 1870-2)**

City Council, at its meeting held on July 15, 1991, adopted the recommendation of this Committee that applications for funding from the 1991 Community Initiatives Program by the Saskatoon Native Handicapped Society under the Social Services component (\$24,960) and the Cultural component (\$2,500) be denied. Council further resolved that these applications be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

Your Committee met with Mr. Albert Chatsis, President of the Saskatoon Native Handicapped Society to discuss the Society's grant requests.

The following is an excerpt from a report of the Director of Finance dated October 9, 1991:

"This Society had requested \$2,500 to develop a Native Cultural Program and that the City donate permanent office space for the group. Administratively, we have been unable to find suitable space for the group as they wish a permanent home.

Regarding their grant request, the application is incomplete as no membership list is available, no proof of incorporation is attached, and no financial statement is enclosed. As well, there are no other sources of funding and the City's policy requires at least 50% must be raised elsewhere. The Committee has previously dealt with this group and recognizes the difficulty the group has in developing an appropriate business plan on the project. It had been suggested that the group meet with Mr. Les Bird, of our Personnel Services Department, who could assist them in developing a plan to obtain potential funding from the Federal and Provincial Governments. To date, this offer of assistance has not been taken up."

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The Committee also approached the Saskatoon Public Library to determine whether some arrangement could be made to accommodate the Saskatoon Native Handicapped Society by providing on-going rental space for a monthly meeting/artistic workshop with a file cabinet/cupboard available for storage purposes. Attached is a copy of a response received from the Chief Librarian dated September 9, 1991.

RECOMMENDATION: that the request for a grant from the Saskatoon Native Handicapped Society not be approved at this time, but the group be encouraged to contact Mr. Les Bird of the City's Personnel Services Department.

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Item No. A.24) of "Communications" was brought forward and considered.

Moved by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT Mr. Chatsis be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Albert Chatsis, representing the Saskatoon Native Handicapped Society, advised Council that his group now has a membership list.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be referred back to the Legislation and Finance Committee to meet with the Saskatoon Native Handicapped Society.

3. Communications to Council

**From: A.C. McMillin, Commodore RCN Ret'd Chairman
The Canadian Naval Memorial Trust**

Date: September 30, 1991

**Subject: Requesting financial assistance of \$500 per
year to the on-going work of the Trust in the
name of all who served in HMCS Saskatoon**

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Attached is a copy of the above-noted communication which has been forwarded to the Legislation and Finance Committee for consideration.

Your Committee, while recognizing the importance of the work being undertaken by The Canadian Naval Memorial Trust, feels it would be inappropriate to use City funds for this purpose.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED."

Moved by Alderman Hawthorne, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

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

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**4a) HEARING -
Demolition - 218 Avenue L North
Edward and Annie Fraser
(File No. CK. 4400-1)**

REPORT OF CITY CLERK:

"City Council, at its meeting held on August 26, 1991, considered Clause B4, Report No. 25-1991 of the City Commissioner, copy attached, and adopted the following recommendation:

- 1) that City Council declare the property at 218 Avenue L North to be a nuisance pursuant to Section 124 of The Urban Municipality Act because in City Council's opinion the buildings are in a ruinous and dilapidated state and as such:
 - a) are dangerous to the public safety or health; and
 - b) substantially depreciate the value of other land or improvements in the

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vicinity; and,

- 2) that City Council instruct the City Solicitor to advise the owner and persons having an interest in the land of the date wherein Council will consider the making of an order to demolish the house and the garage on this site.'

The City Solicitor has now served the necessary notices on the assessed and/or registered property owners, and Council is to consider the matter of an "Order for Demolition", of the buildings at this site.

A copy of the 'Order for Demolition' for the buildings located at 218 Avenue L North is attached. Council should provide for a return date for the Order in the event that Council is disposed to make the Order.

It should be noted that a report on this matter is also being submitted under Clause B3, Report No. 30-1991 of the City Commissioner."

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Clause B3, Report No. 30-1991 of the City Commissioner was brought forward and considered.

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

Moved by Alderman Dyck, Seconded by Alderman Penner,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Penner,

THAT, because of their ruinous and dilapidated state, City Council declare the buildings (dwelling and garage) located at 218 Avenue L North, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan and more particularly described as:

Lot Thirty-two (32), in Block Nine (9), in the City of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan, in the Dominion of Canada, according to a Plan of Record in the Land Titles Office for the Saskatoon Land Registration District as No. (HJ) K 4652

a nuisance, because in Council's opinion, the buildings are dangerous to the public safety

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and health and substantially depreciate the value of other improvements in the vicinity; and

THAT Edward Fraser and Annie Fraser, the registered and/or assessed owners, be ordered to demolish or remove the said buildings and to fill in any open basement or excavation remaining on the site of the said buildings after the demolition or removal thereof; and to comply with the Order on or before the 31st day of December, 1991.

IN AMENDMENT

Moved by Alderman Dyck, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

THAT the motion be amended by deleting the reference to "comply with the Order on or before the 31st day of December, 1991" and substituting therefor "comply with the Order on or before the 30th day of April, 1992."

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

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 7254

Moved by Alderman Hawthorne, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 7254, being "A Bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to amend Bylaw No. 3688, entitled, 'A bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to provide for the licensing and regulating of trailer camps and the occupants of trailers'", and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Hawthorne, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

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THAT Bylaw No. 7254 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Hawthorne, Seconded by Alderman Birkmaier,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 7254.

CARRIED.

Council went into Committee of the Whole with Alderman Hawthorne in the Chair.

Committee arose.

Alderman Hawthorne, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 7254 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Alderman Hawthorne, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Alderman Hawthorne, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 7254 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Alderman Hawthorne, Seconded by Alderman Penner,

THAT Bylaw No. 7254 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.

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CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Moved by Alderman Hawthorne, Seconded by Alderman Thompson,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk