

Council Chambers
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, January 21, 2002
at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor, in the Chair;
Councillors Atchison, Fortosky, Heidt, McCann, Paulsen, Penner,
Sternberg, Swystun and Waygood;
City Manager Richards;
General Manager, Community Services Gauthier;
General Manager, Corporate Services Veltkamp;
General Manager, Infrastructure Services Uzelman;
A/General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Russell;
A/General Manager, Utility Services Hildebrandt;
A/City Solicitor Manning;
City Clerk Mann;
A/Councillors' Assistant Long

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held on January 7, 2002 be approved.

CARRIED.

HEARINGS

- 2a) Proposed Development Plan Amendment
Low Density No Conversions to Office/Institutional
Lots 15 and 16, Block 1, Plan (FF) G3978
117 Avenue P South - Pleasant Hill Neighbourhood
Proposed Bylaw No. 8076
(File No. CK. 4351-1)**

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“Council, at this meeting, is to hear and determine any submissions with respect to the proposed amendments prior to its consideration of Bylaw No. 8076, copy attached.

Attached is a report of the Community Services Department dated November 14, 2001, recommending that the proposed amendments to the City's Development Plan and Zoning Bylaw be approved.

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Also attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated January 14, 2002 advising that the Committee supports the above-noted recommendation, as well as a copy of Notice which appeared in the local press under dates of December 8 and 15, 2001.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, indicated the Department’s support of the proposed bylaw amendment.

Ms. Colleen Yates, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, indicated the Commission’s support of the proposed bylaw amendment.

Moved by Councillor Steernberg, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8076.

CARRIED.

- 2b) Hearings**
Proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment
R2 to M2 District
Lots 15 and 16, Block 1, Plan G3978(FF)
117 Avenue P South - Pleasant Hill Neighbourhood
Applicant: Joe and Hope Laternas
Proposed Bylaw No. 8077
(File No. CK. 4351-1)

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“Council, at this meeting, is to hear and determine any submissions with respect to the proposed amendments prior to its consideration of Bylaw No. 8077, copy attached.

Please refer to Attachments 2a) for a report of the Community Services Department dated November 14, 2001, and a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated January 14, 2002.

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A copy of Notice which appeared in the local press under dates of December 7 and 15, 2001 is attached.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, indicated the Department’s support of the proposed amendment, and pointed out that the rezoning would be by agreement.

Ms. Colleen Yates, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, indicated the Commission’s support of the Department’s recommendations.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Steernberg, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8077.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL

- 1) Mr. Martin Zip
315 Isabella Street East, dated January 9**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to casino gambling. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

RECOMMENDATION: that Martin Zip be heard.

The City Clerk advised that Mr. Zip would not be in attendance.

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**2) Gil Klassen
401 33rd Street West, dated January 14**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to casino gambling. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

RECOMMENDATION: that Gil Klassen be heard.

**3) Ralph and Agnes Nicotine
217 - 27th Street West, dated January 15**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to how gambling has effected First Nations People. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

RECOMMENDATION: that Ralph and Agnes Nicotine be heard.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Gil Klassen and Ralph and Agnes Nicotine be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Gil Klassen, Executive Director, Saskatoon Youth for Christ, provided a presentation in opposition to the expansion of casino gambling in Saskatoon. Mr. Klassen undertook to provide a copy of his presentation.

Mr. Ralph Nicotine and Ms. Agnes Nicotine, 217 27th Street West, spoke with respect to the negative effects of casino gambling on First Nations people.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the information be received and joined to the file.

CARRIED.

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AA. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

**1) Todd Brandt, President and CEO
Tourism Saskatoon, dated December 18**

Submitting Tourism Saskatoon's 2002 Tactical Plan and Operating and Capital Budgets. (File No. CK. 1711-1)

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

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

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

CARRIED.

**2) Jim Fergusson, President and CEO
Saskatoon District Health, dated December 20**

Requesting that Paul Major be appointed to the Special Needs Transportation Advisory Committee as the representative of Saskatoon District Health. (File No. CK. 225-58)

RECOMMENDATION: that Mr. Paul Major be appointed to the Special Needs Transportation Advisory Committee as the representative of Saskatoon District Health.

Moved by Councillor Steernberg, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Mr. Paul Major be appointed to the Special Needs Transportation Advisory Committee as the representative of Saskatoon District Health.

CARRIED.

**3) Steven A. Pedersen, President
Central North American Trade Corridor Association (CNATCA), dated Dec. 10**

Requesting sponsorship of the Central North American Trade Corridor Association in 2002. (File No. CK. 1870-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**4) Terry Beebe
Box 7934, dated January 3**

Submitting a copy of a letter sent to Susannah McNeil, President, City Park Community Association with respect to development in Kinsmen Park. (File No CK. 610-8)

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

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Administration.

CARRIED.

**5) Shane R. Parker
4-255 York Street, Ottawa, dated January 4**

Submitting comments with respect to the current smoking bylaws affecting patrons of pubs and bars in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 185-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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**6) Judy Prociuk, President
Saskatoon Blind Skiers, dated January 7**

Expressing opposition to the proposed construction of a skateboard facility in Kinsmen Park. (File No. CK. 610-8)

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

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Administration.

CARRIED.

**7) Rusty Kurenda
Prairie Pottery, dated January 4**

Submitting comments and concerns with respect to smoking in public places. (File No. CK. 185-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**8) Paul Van Loon, Health Educator
Saskatchewan Lung Association, dated January 7**

Submitting information with respect to the effects of tobacco smoke. (File No. CK. 185-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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**9) Brenda Propp, Office Administrator
SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival, dated January 10**

Requesting permission to extend the Noise Bylaw to 11:00 p.m. in connection with the SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival from June 21 through June 30, 2002. (File No. CK. 185-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted to the SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival to extend the time of the Festival to 11:00 p.m., June 21 through June 30, 2002.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT permission be granted to the SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival to extend the time of the Festival to 11:00 p.m., June 21 through June 30, 2002.

CARRIED.

**10) Brenda Cooke
204-508 Main Street East, dated January 8**

Submitting comments with respect to audible pedestrian signals and requesting an update on the matter. (File No. CK. 6150-3-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Administration to respond to the writer, and that Council be provided with a copy of the response.

CARRIED.

**11) Ray G. Sorsdahl, C.D.
1805-315-5th Avenue North, dated January 10**

Submitting copies of newspaper clippings on various issues. (Clippings are available for viewing in the City Clerk's Office.) (File No. CK. 150-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**12) Collin Merritt, Chair
107 Spitfire Squadron Parents Committee, dated January 8**

Requesting that 107 Spitfire Air Cadets Squadron be granted “Freedom of the City” on June 1, 2002. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the 107 Spitfire Air Cadets Squadron be granted “Freedom of the City” on June 1, 2002, subject to administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the 107 Spitfire Air Cadets Squadron be granted “Freedom of the City” on June 1, 2002, subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

**13) Janice Mann, Secretary
Board of Police Commissioners, dated January 15**

Submitting a copy of a report of the Superintendent, Information and Court Services, dated December 30, 2001, in response to a communication from Barry Woloshyn, Broadway Avenue Pharmacy, with respect to Police response times. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the information be received.

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**14) Brent and Dorothy Fraser
447 Ball Way, dated January 11**

Submitting comments in opposition to a skateboard facility in Kinsmen Park. (File No. CK. 610-8)

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

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Administration.

CARRIED.

**15) Norbert Wasylenko
Rayner Agencies Ltd., dated January 14**

Submitting concerns with respect to the possible closure of Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.

CARRIED.

**16) Anita and Herbert Schuster
225 Adelaide Street East, dated December 31**

Submitting comments with respect to a proposed casino in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

**17) Rev. Paul Matheson, Senior Pastor
First Baptist Church, dated January 3**

Submitting a petition with approximately 48 signatures requesting a plebiscite on the expansion of gambling through the establishment of an additional casino in the City of Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

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**18) William (Bill) Blackman, Major, Divisional Commander
The Salvation Army, dated December 13**

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposal to establish a new casino in Saskatoon, and submitting the Salvation Army's positional statement on the issue. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and joined to the file.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the information be received and joined to the file.

CARRIED.

**19) Joanne Sproule, Secretary
Saskatoon Development Appeals Board, dated January 2**

Submitting notice of Development Appeals Board Hearing for property located at 2202 8th Street East. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

**20) Joanne Sproule, Secretary
Saskatoon Development Appeals Board, dated January 2**

Submitting notice of Development Appeals Board Hearing for property located at 123 Avenue R South. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Steernberg, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the information be received.

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C. PROCLAMATIONS

**1) Colleen Teague
12 Hardy Crescent, dated January 10**

Requesting that Council proclaim the week of February 16 to 22, 2002 as Kinsmen and Kinettes Week in Saskatoon, and that February 20, 2002 be declared Kinsmen and Kinettes Day in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**2) Gary L. Martin, President, The Black American Blues Historical Society of Canada
Black History Month Foundation of Canada, dated January 14**

Requesting that Council proclaim the month of February, 2002 as Black History Month 2002 in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**3) Fran Hill, R.R.T., Home Respiratory Therapy Coordinator
Saskatchewan Lung Association, dated January 15**

Requesting that Council proclaim the week of April 1 to April 7, 2002 as National Sleep Awareness Week in Saskatoon. (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 Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

- 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. 2-2002;

General Manager, Corporate Services Veltkamp presented Section B, Administrative Report No. 2-2002;

General Manager, Infrastructure Services Uzelman presented Section D, Administrative Report No. 2-2002;

City Manager Richards presented Section F, Administrative Report No. 2-2002;

A/City Solicitor Manning presented Section B, Legislative Report No. 2-2002;

Councillor Waygood, Chair, presented Report No. 1-2002 of the Planning and Operations Committee;

Councillor Atchison, Member, presented Report No. 1-2002 of the Administration and Finance Committee;

Councillor Steernberg, Chair, presented Report No. 1-2002 of the Audit Committee; and

His Worship the Mayor, Chair, presented Report No. 1-2002 of the Executive Committee.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

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

- a) Administrative Report No. 2-2002;*
- b) Legislative Report No. 2-2002;*
- c) Report No. 1-2002 of the Planning and Operations Committee;*
- d) Report No. 1-2002 of the Administration and Finance Committee;*
- e) Report No. 1-2002 of the Audit Committee; and*
- f) Report No. 1-2002 of the Executive Committee.*

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

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

Committee arose.

Councillor Penner 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. 2-2002

Section A - COMMUNITY SERVICES

**A1) Municipal Capital Project - Skatepark
(File No. CK. 610-8)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the construction of a skatepark be designated a Municipal Capital Project; and
 - 2) that the Treasurer’s Branch, Corporate Services Department, be authorized and directed to accept donations for this project and to issue appropriate receipts to donors who contribute funds to the project.

ADOPTED.

On December 17, 2001, City Council approved \$325,000 in funding for the construction of an outdoor bike/skateboard park facility. \$25,000 will be financed through fundraising by the Saskatoon Skateboard Corporation. The Saskatoon Skatepark Corporation was established in October, 2001 with its primary function to raise funds for the construction of a skatepark.

The Saskatoon Skatepark Corporation will fund their portion of this project through private donations and fundraising events organized by volunteers of their organization. The Administration is recommending that the Treasurer’s Branch be authorized and directed to accept donations and to issue receipts to donors who contribute funds to this project. Sections 110 and 118 of *The Income Tax Act* provide for the same tax receipts to be issued for gifts to a municipality as for gifts to registered charities. In accepting donations where a receipt is to be issued for tax purposes, it is most important to keep in mind the following Revenue Canada definition:

“A gift for which an official donation receipt may be issued can be defined as a voluntary transfer of property without consideration. There must be donor who

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freely disposes of the property and there must be a donor who receives the property given. In other words, the transfer must be freely made and no right, privilege, material benefit, or advantage may be conferred on the donor or on the person designated as the donor as a consequence of the gift.”

In order that donors may claim their contribution under *The Income Tax Act*, the Saskatoon Skatepark Corporation is requesting that City Council declare the construction of the skatepark a Municipal Project and authorize the City Treasurer to accept donations and issue appropriate receipts to donors.

This project is similar to other projects approved by City Council over the past several years. Such projects include the installation of a play structure in Glacier Park, Nutana Lawn Bowling Clubhouse Expansion, the Saskatoon Soccer Centre, Princess Diana Park, the play equipment in W.J.L. Harvey Park, and the lighting project in Dundonald Park.

**A2) Easement Requirement – SaskPower
University Heights Suburban Centre
Municipal Buffer Strip MB1, Plan 99SA37157
Order No. 20032336
(File No. CK. 4090-3)**

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that City Council grant an easement to SaskPower as outlined on the attached plan; and
- 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal, the appropriate agreement as prepared by the City Solicitor.

ADOPTED.

Carol A. Moore, on behalf of SaskPower’s Land Department, has requested the City’s approval for an easement over part of Municipal Buffer Strip MB1, Plan 99SA37157, as shown outlined on the attached plan. The purpose of this easement is to provide service to the new Saskatoon Co-op Store.

Subdivision No. 18/99 was approved by the General Manager, Community Services Department on May 19, 1999. The proposed easement was not required at the time of subdivision.

The Community Services Department has no objection to the granting of this easement to SaskPower.

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ATTACHMENT

1. MB1, Plan 99SA37157

**A3) Easement Requirement – Shaw Cablesystems
University Heights Suburban Centre
Parcel ‘S’, Plan 99SA07276
(File No. CK 4090-3)**

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that City Council grant an easement to Shaw Cablesystems as outlined on the attached plan; and
- 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal, the appropriate agreement as prepared by the City Solicitor.

ADOPTED.

Sydney Martin, on behalf of Shaw Cablesystems Legal Department, has requested the City's approval for an easement over part of Parcel 'S', Plan 99SA07276, as shown on the attached plan.

The purpose of this easement is to provide service to new construction in the University Heights Suburban Centre. Subdivision No. 7/99 was approved by the General Manager, Community Services Department on March 10, 1999. The proposed easement was not required at the time of subdivision. The Community Services Department has no objection to the granting of this easement to Shaw Cablesystems.

ATTACHMENT

1. Parcel 'S', Plan 99SA07276

**A4) Land-Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department
For the Period Between December 28, 2001 and January 10, 2002
(For Information Only)
(File No. CK. 4000-5)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the following report be received as information.

ADOPTED.

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The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Subdivision

- Application No. 1/02: Preston Avenue Road Allowance (no civic address)
Applicant: George, Nicholson, Franko & Associates
Legal Description: Part of S.E. ¼ 34-36-5-W3M
Current Zoning: AG
Neighbourhood: University of Saskatchewan Management Area
Date Received: January 2, 2002

- Application No. 2/02: 127 Banyan Crescent
Applicant: Jastek Master Builder
Legal Description: Lots 3 and 4, Block 122 in S.W. ¼ 19-36-40, W3M
Current Zoning: RM (Tn)
Neighbourhood: Briarwood
Date Received: January 3, 2002

- Application No. 3/02: 3225 Mountbatten Street
Applicant: Owen and Deborah Fortosky
Legal Description: Lot 1, Block 522, Plan No. 63S19590
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: Montgomery Place
Date Received: January 9, 2002

- Application No. 4/02: 2200 Block 8th Street East (no civic address)
Applicant: Webb Surveys
Legal Description: Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 283; Lots 1-3, 6-9, 15-18, and Lot A (as created by M.T.O. No. 82S33156, Block 284 and Parcels XX and YY, Plan No. 61S17721
Current Zoning: B4
Neighbourhood: Brevoort Park
Date Received: January 9, 2002

- Application No. 5/02: Pawlychenko Lane (no civic address)
Applicant: Tri-City Surveys
Legal Description: Lot 6, Block 433, Plan 01SA29464
Current Zoning: M3
Neighbourhood: Southeast Development Area
Date Received: January 9, 2002

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- Application No. 6/02: 2601/2603 Clarence Avenue South
Applicant: Webster Surveys Ltd.
Legal Description: Lot 1 and Part of Lot 2, Block 300, Plan G921
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: Avalon
Date Received: January 9, 2002

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 1/02
2. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 2/02
3. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 3/02
4. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 4/02
5. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 5/02
6. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 6/02

Section B - CORPORATE SERVICES

- B1) 2002 Capital Budget
2003 – 2006 Capital Plan
Reserve for Capital Expenditures – Minimum Balances
(File No. CK. 1702-1)**
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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

During its December 17, 2001, meeting, City Council, when dealing with Clause 1, Report No. 2-2001 of the Budget Committee, resolved, in part:

- “3) that the Administration be requested to report on the average minimum balance retained in the Reserve for Capital Expenditures over the past five years.”

Historically, your Administration has endeavoured to ensure that a minimum balance of approximately \$500,000 has been retained in the Reserve for Capital Expenditures to provide a source of funding for emergency post-budget capital projects. Funds are accumulated in this reserve based on net capital project under and over-expenditures.

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The average annual balance in this reserve from 1997 through 2001 has been \$668,176.62, \$481,930.81, \$407,739.39, \$457,615.08 and \$438,707.03 respectively. The reserve has reached a low of \$366,950.57 in this time frame. The reserve is either increased or decreased to approximately \$500,000 annually through the administrative capital budget process.

Generally, the reserve is used to fund negative variances for approved projects, or to fund emergency post-budget capital projects.

B2) 2002 Capital Budget (2003-2006 Capital Plan)
(File No. CK. 1702-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

At its meeting held on December 17, 2001, City Council approved the 2002 Capital Budget (2003-2006 Capital Plan). Attached, for Council's information, is the final version of that budget which incorporates the changes which were confirmed at that meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

1. 2002 Capital Budget (2003-2006 Capital Plan)

B3) Light and Water Accounts to be Written-Off
(File No. CK. 1985-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approve the net write-off of 1999/2000 utility accounts.

ADOPTED.

The following is a summary of 1999/2000 utility accounts which are due for write-off. The accounts total \$256,857. After deducting 2001 collections of \$58,767 for previously written-off accounts, the net write-off is \$198,090. A detailed listing of the accounts is available in the City Clerk's Office.

The services of a collection agency have been utilized. Bankrupt and delinquent accounts have, where possible, been charged back to property taxes in attempt to realize payment.

An analysis of accounts recommended for writeoff is as follows:

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19 Commercial Accounts over \$1,000

624913 Saskatchewan Ltd. B 2036 Quebec Ave.	\$5,798
Pacific Linen 103-810 Circle Dr. East	\$5,888
608593 Saskatchewan Ltd. 120 Idylwyld Dr. South	\$5,203
Fitness West Inc. 1250 Ontario Avenue	\$4,519
Taur Sag Enterprises Inc. 901-22 nd Street West	\$4,221
628576 Saskatchewan Ltd. Bsmt, 302 Pacific Avenue	\$3,970
B & T Restoration and Collision Ltd. 212-105 th Street East	\$2,133
621884 Saskatchewan Ltd. 819-2 nd Avenue North	\$2,017
101000150 Saskatchewan Ltd. 709-20 th Street West	\$1,834
Eurasian Design Furniture & Upholstery Ltd. 465-1 st Avenue North	\$1,340
Hoffman Holdings Inc. 1701-8 th Street East	\$4,657
Checkerdome Pub Ltd. 255-3 rd Avenue South	\$4,648
604037 Saskatchewan Ltd. 2-821 Central Avenue	\$2,880
Not Holdings Inc.	

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1215 Central Avenue	\$1,869
Sherry Palmer 101-804 Central Avenue	\$1,541
Jason McBride 213-5 th Avenue North	\$1,488
Gordon Thompson B 539-20 th Street West	\$1,345
Emmanuel Christian Supplies Ltd. 1030 Louise Street	\$1,170
Terrestrial & Aquatic Environmental Managers 5-130 Robin Crescent	\$1,149

Summary

19 Commercial accounts over \$1,000	\$57,674
14 Commercial accounts under \$1,000	\$ 5,619
991 Residential accounts @ \$195.32 average	\$193,564
Total accounts: 1024	\$256,857

The following is a summary of write-offs for the last five years, indicating the ratio of utility write-offs to utility gross revenue:

Year	Gross Amount Of Write-off	Collection of Accounts Previously Written off	Net Amount of Write off	% of Gross Revenue
1996	\$162,368	\$52,469	\$109,899	.08
1997	\$249,166	\$55,000	\$194,166	.15
1998	\$211,792	\$27,484	\$184,308	.14
1999	\$208,427	\$49,355	\$159,072	.13
2000	\$256,857	\$58,767	\$198,090	.16

**B4) 2001 Residential Property Taxes and Utility Charges Survey
Prepared by the City of Edmonton
(Files CK. 1920-1 and 1905-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached, for City Council's information, is a copy of the City of Edmonton's 2001 Residential Property Tax and Utility Charges Survey (Attachment 1). While the City of Saskatoon has always compared favourably in this survey, your Administration continues to caution City Council regarding the weight that is placed on the information that is provided. The survey is Canada-wide and cannot equitably report on differences in funding from senior governments, different methods of funding schools, responsibility in some jurisdictions for social services, etc. Therefore, comparisons should not necessarily be perceived as appropriate benchmarks – even for the extrapolation that we have made later in this report. The information is simply another of many indicators that can be used as a measurement tool, especially within a province or with other provinces that we know have cities with similar responsibilities as Saskatoon.

One of the other concerns your Administration has with the survey is how the various cities calculate the value of the average house that is used for the survey. For example, the City of Saskatoon located houses in various parts of the City that matched the house described in the survey (i.e. from each of the neighbourhoods where such a house might be located). Because such a house has a different assessment value depending on its location, our sample for the survey was the average of the described houses from each of the neighbourhoods. The report, when compared to 2000, reveals differences in some municipalities that can only have resulted from changes in attributes of the sample house – not changes in taxation.

In discussions with the City of Edmonton, we raised our concerns regarding how the assessed value of the sample house might be calculated and asked that for the 2001 survey they include the average tax paid by each citizen of the City. This overcomes differences of how taxes are collected (i.e. property taxes versus business taxes) with the notion that it is the citizens who ultimately pay the taxes, be it on their homes or through the purchase of goods and services. The sample house, being based on potentially subjective criteria, no longer becomes a relevant issue. The only issue might be whether one municipality “exports” its tax burden, by way of external sales of goods and services, at a ratio greater than a comparative city. For the purposes of this report, your Administration is assuming that this is not a material issue.

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Your Administration is pleased that the City of Edmonton included a chart identifying the per capita taxes. This information has been included in Attachment 2. We used information from two tables contained in the Edmonton report. Chart 3A, on page 15, identifies the total property and business taxes per capita for each of the cities. We wanted to extract information for that component of taxation that is the direct responsibility of City Council (some cities do not have school taxes on property). We used the property tax levy from Table 1 on page 10 to calculate the distribution between the municipality and the School Boards for each city included in the survey.

As Council will note, the City of Saskatoon ranks third lowest (out of 18) in municipal property taxes per capita at \$428, with only Medicine Hat and Red Deer averaging lower.

ATTACHMENTS

1. 2001 Residential Property Taxes & Utility Charges Survey – City of Edmonton
2. Municipal Property Taxes per Capita

Section D - INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

**D1) Enquiry – Councillor O. Fortosky (November 5, 2001)
Traffic Congestion – Avenue P and 20th Street West
(File No. CK. 6320-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Fortosky at the meeting of City Council held on November 5, 2001:

“Would Administration please report on the traffic congestion at the corner of Avenue P and 20th Street West, especially in regards to traffic entering and departing the parking lot of St. Mary’s Credit Union.”

Infrastructure Services investigated traffic conditions at the intersection of Avenue P and 20th Street West on Thursday, November 15 and Wednesday, December 12, 2001 during the noon and afternoon peak traffic hours. The investigation consisted of traffic counts and visual observations of the traffic movements/congestion, including the parking lot of St. Mary’s Credit Union. The collision history and existing geometric conditions were also reviewed.

Both Avenue P and 20th Street are classified as arterial roadways. During the afternoon peak hour, typical traffic volume patterns indicate that approximately 1,200 vehicles enter the intersection via 20th Street and 800 vehicles enter via Avenue P. The majority of traffic proceeded straight through the intersection, while the most significant turning movement in the afternoon peak hour was the southbound-to-eastbound left turn with 140 vehicles per hour. St. Paul’s Hospital on the northwest

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corner, Pleasant Hill Plaza on the southwest corner, and St. Mary's Credit Union on the southeast corner generate a considerable amount of traffic activity. The demand for on-street parking is high. In addition, Avenue P South has been designated as a truck route to the industrial area south of 20th Street. From a demand/capacity perspective, the intersection operates at a satisfactory level (Level of Service B). The investigation has shown that there is no unreasonable, excessive delay or queuing along any of the approaches.

The northbound approach and traffic entering and departing the St. Mary's Credit Union parking lot were examined more closely to determine if the parking restriction on the east side of this approach should be extended further south, in order to lengthen the right turn lane. Excessive queuing of northbound through vehicles and blocking of the right turn movement were not observed during the study periods. In fact, the queue rarely extended beyond the "No Parking" sign placed 16.5 metres from the stop bar, and right turning vehicles were able to execute the movement freely. As such, there was no obvious incentive for drivers to shortcut through the Credit Union parking lot to accomplish a right turn, and this movement was not observed during the investigation. This is not to say that this shortcut movement never occurs; rather, it was not observed as being a concern.

It was evident that the St. Mary's Credit Union parking lot creates a considerable amount of traffic, and that motorists entering and departing the parking lot are exclusively the Credit Union's customers. Adequate access/egress is provided both on 20th Street and Avenue P. Despite the high parking turnover, the on-site parking space appeared to be sufficient to accommodate the demand for customer parking.

One traffic-related problem observed at the intersection was frequent parking on Avenue P too close to the southwest corner of 20th Street, as there is currently no signed parking restriction on this side of the street. To address this, Infrastructure Services will install a "No Parking" sign on the southwest corner of Avenue P at a distance of 10 metres from the intersection.

The collision history review has shown that there have been 28 reported collisions at the intersection of Avenue P and 20th Street in 2000, while the average for the past five years is 25 collisions per year. This intersection ranked 7th in 2000 by collision rate. In order to investigate the potential corrective actions and identify appropriate countermeasures, Infrastructure Services will undertake a full operational safety audit of this intersection in 2002.

IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that the information be received; and

2) that at the time the Administration reports on the operational safety audit of the intersection, the report include the feasibility of removing four parking spots located on the street next to the entrance/exit to the Credit Union Parking lot.

**D2) Appointment of Pest Control Officer - 2002
Dutch Elm Disease Control Regulations, *The Pest Control Act*
(File No. CK. 4510-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that Mr. Ian Birse and Mr. Jeff Balone of the Infrastructure Services be appointed as the City of Saskatoon's 2002 Pest Control Officers, in accordance with the provisions of *The Pest Control Act*; and,
 - 2) that the City Clerk notify the Minister of Agriculture and Food as per Article 14 of *The Pest Control Act*.

ADOPTED.

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

Mr. Ian Birse, Superintendent, Urban Forestry, and Mr. Jeff Balone, Pest Control Technician, both of the Infrastructure Services, are recommended for appointment to this office for 2002.

**D3) Appointment of Weed Inspector - 2002
The Noxious Weed Act
(File No. CK. 4510-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:** that Mr. Don Ross of Infrastructure Services be appointed as the City of Saskatoon's 2002 Weed Inspector, in accordance with the provisions of *The Noxious Weed Act*.

ADOPTED.

Section 7, Article 1 of *The Noxious Weed Act* (Saskatchewan) requires that City Council appoint, a weed inspector annually. To carry out this year's program, a weed inspector is required for a six-month period from May 1 to October 31, 2002.

Mr. Don Ross, Superintendent, Horticulture Maintenance, Infrastructure Services is recommended to fulfil this requirement during 2002.

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**D4) Proposed Two Hour Parking Restriction and General Loading Zone
300 Block of Avenue D South
(Files CK. 6145-1 and 6120-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a Two Hour, 09:00 – 18:00, Monday to Saturday, parking restriction be installed on the west side of the 300 block of Avenue D South between 20th Street and the lane; and
 - 2) that a general loading zone be installed on the west side of the 300 block of Avenue D South, between 20th Street and the lane.

ADOPTED.

Infrastructure Services has received a request from the Riversdale Liquor Store to install a loading zone and a two hour, 09:00 – 18:00, Monday to Saturday, parking restriction in front of the business on Avenue D South. Representatives of the Riversdale Liquor Store are concerned that the long-duration parking that is occurring at this location makes it increasingly difficult for their patrons to find a parking spot.

Observations made by Infrastructure Services indicate a need for both a loading zone and a parking restriction to be installed along the west side of the 300 block of Avenue D South, as shown on Plan No. 210-0042-004r002 (Attachment 1). This restriction will encourage vehicle turnover, resulting in increased opportunities to find a parking space. Presently, there are no parking restrictions at this location.

The proposed loading zone conforms to City guidelines with respect to general loading zones, and no fee is assessed for its installation.

ATTACHMENT

1. Plan No. 210-0042-004r002

Section F - CITY MANAGER

**F1) Casino Gaming Public Consultations
(File No. CK. 4110-23)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

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BACKGROUND

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Lenore Swystun at the meeting of City Council held on October 9, 2001:

“Would the Administration please report on how public consultations on casino gaming in Saskatoon may be conducted (including format and cost).”

On October 22, 2001, City Council reviewed a report from Administration (Attachment 1) outlining a proposed public consultation process and corresponding budget. City Council resolved:

“that the information be received and referred to the Administration to meet with the participants to establish dates of public consultation and timelines.”

Following initial discussions with potential participants, Administration reported to City Council at its meeting held November 5, 2001 that the proposal to conduct consultations before the end of November was not feasible due to the short amount of preparation time and the conflicting schedules of some of the potential participants. Council was informed that the matter would be pursued during the first quarter of 2002.

REPORT

The consultation plan remains unchanged from the report received in October with the exception of the following:

- While the specific names or groups have yet to be confirmed, the presentation panel will consist of two gaming proponents and two gaming opponents.
- Administration is preparing for the last week of February and the first week of March, 2002. Specific dates for the four public meetings will be announced later this month.
- In regard to an informational handout for those attending public meetings, the Communications Branch will produce a fact sheet based on a City Solicitor's report that will be tabled with Council in February.
- A brief summary of key points will be produced and tabled with Council.

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ATTACHMENT

1. Administrative Report No. 18-2001, dated October 22, 2001

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the information be received and referred to the Executive Committee for further consideration.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 2-2002

Section B - OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

- B1) Application to Heritage Conservation Program
1020 Spadina Crescent East
(File No. CK. 710-27)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider proposed Bylaw No. 8095.

ADOPTED.

City Council, at its meeting held on August 13, 2001, resolved that Ward and Annette Stebner receive assistance under the Heritage Conservation Program with respect to their rehabilitation project on the residence located at 1020 Spadina Crescent East. The assistance is in the form of a tax abatement to a maximum of \$19,530.00 amortized in equal instalments over ten years.

The Administration has now been advised and has confirmed that the rehabilitation project is complete. Accordingly, this Office has prepared Bylaw No. 8095, The 1020 Spadina Crescent East Heritage Property Assistance Bylaw, 2002, which provides for the abatement and authorizes the Heritage Conservation Program Assistance Agreement attached to the Bylaw. The owners have executed the Agreement.

ATTACHMENT

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8095 with attached Schedule "A".

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**B2) Business Development Incentive Application
direcTel Inc.
(File No. CK. 3500-13)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8094.

ADOPTED.

City Council, at its meeting on April 3, 2000, approved the application by direcTel Inc. for a five year abatement of property taxes on the portion of the property located at 820 51st Street East occupied by direcTel Inc. The property in question is owned by Northstar Innovative Developments Inc. It consists of approximately 130,000 square feet of leasable space. direcTel Inc. leases approximately 12,500 square feet on the first and second floors of the building. Under the terms of the lease, direcTel Inc. is required to pay Northstar Innovative Developments Inc., as an occupancy cost, a proportionate share of the property taxes. The abatement applies only to the taxes levied in relation to the portion of the property occupied by direcTel Inc. The abatement does not apply to the taxes levied on the remainder of the property.

direcTel Inc. has requested that the abatement begin in the 2001 taxation year. SREDA has conducted the usual audit and advises that direcTel Inc. has satisfied all conditions which must be met in order to receive the abatement.

Our Office has prepared the appropriate Business Incentive Agreement, and direcTel Inc. has reviewed the Agreement and is prepared to sign the Agreement once City Council has approved same. We are pleased to submit Bylaw No. 8094 for City Council's consideration. The proposed Agreement is attached as Schedule "A" to the Bylaw.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8094.

REPORT NO. 1-2002 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor K. Waygood, Chair
Councillor O. Fortosky
Councillor M. Heidt
Councillor G. Penner
Councillor L. Swystun

**1. Application for Water Service Boundary Extension
Town of Martensville
(File No. CK. 7781-1)**

- RECOMMENDATIONS:**
- 1) that the request by the Town of Martensville for an extension of the boundaries of its water service area be approved; and
 - 2) that the Saskatchewan Water Corporation be so advised.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the recommendations outlined in the attached report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department dated January 2, 2002, regarding the above application for an extension to the water service boundaries for the Town of Martensville.

**2. Request to Purchase City-Owned Land
Dudley Street Replotting Scheme
Part of Blocks 14 and 15, Registered Plan No. (FT) F5478
And Registered Plan No. 96S39003
Dudley Street and Avenue V South
South West Industrial Area
Titan Holdings Ltd. and 402409 B.C. Ltd.
(File No. CK. 4215-1)**

- RECOMMENDATIONS:**
- 1) that the City-owned land and rights-of-way identified by Plan No. 1 of the Dudley Street Replotting Scheme be sold to Titan Holdings Ltd. and 402409 B.C. Ltd. in accordance with the distribution identified by Plan No. 2 of the Replotting Scheme with the sale agreement to include the following terms:

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- a) the payment of a land purchase cost by Titan in the amount of \$52,750.55, plus GST and by Calco in the amount of \$18,540.61, plus GST;
 - b) the payment of replot costs based on the proportionate share of existing ownerships;
 - c) the payment of direct service costs as identified in the report by Titan in the amount of \$8,714.26 and Calco in the amount of \$11,109.59;
 - d) payment of off-site levies in the event that the lands are resubdivided in the future; and
 - e) the payment of money-in-lieu of municipal reserve by Titan in the amount of \$402.00 and by Calco in the amount of \$102.00.
- 2) that the City Solicitor prepare the appropriate Sale Agreement incorporating the above terms;
 - 3) that the General Manager, Community Services Department, be authorized to serve notice on the registered owners of land identified within the Replot boundary as shown on Plan No. 1 of the Dudley Street Replotting Scheme, in accordance with the requirements for Replotting schemes under Section 162 of *The Planning and Development Act, 1983* and,
 - 4) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documentation under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed and concurs with the recommendations outlined in the attached report of the Community Services Department dated January 7, 2002, regarding the above matter.

REPORT NO. 1-2002 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor P. McCann, Chair
Councillor D. Atchison
Councillor T. Paulsen
Councillor P. Roe
Councillor R. Steernberg

1. 2002 Woodlawn Cemetery Revenue Proposal
(File No. CK. 1720-4)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the changes to the fees charged for service provided at the Woodlawn Cemetery be approved as outlined in the attached report, effective February 1, 2002; and
 - 2) that Bylaw No. 8096, *The Cemeteries Amendment Bylaw* be considered at this meeting.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated January 7, 2002 forwarding information in support of changes to the fees charged for service provided at the Woodlawn Cemetery. During consideration of this matter, your Committee made reference to questions that arose from the Audit of the Woodlawn Cemetery regarding the shortfall that exists in terms of perpetual care funding.

The Comprehensive Audit of 1997 recognized that the Perpetual Care Fund was not sufficient to cover the total cost of maintaining Woodlawn Cemetery. The Auditor provided two options that would address this deficiency:

Option 1: An immediate cash infusion of \$2,013,382 in order to meet the long term perpetual care commitments without future need for annual mill rate support.

Option 2: An increase of \$133,100 in the annual contribution based on the assumption that the City's goal should be complete sufficiency of the Perpetual Care Fund by the year 2035. The source of the funds for the total annual contribution would be a 40 to 45% allocation from grave sales plus interest earned from the Perpetual Care Fund.

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Implementation of these Options would be made possible contingent on another recommendation in the Audit Report; "10.2: That the Administration bring forward a report recommending an appropriate level of taxpayer subsidy for annual perpetual care maintenance." On November 30, 1998 City Council approved the 1999 Revenue Report which in part stated that; "there be no taxpayer support for Woodlawn Cemetery."

In the meantime, your Committee has asked the Administration for a report back on what steps would need to be taken to determine the viability of selling the Woodlawn Cemetery, and in the meantime, supports the change to the fees, as outlined in the attached report.

**2. Request for Government Enquiry
Price of Gasoline
(File No. CK. 277-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

The following motion of Councillor Penner was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on September 10, 2001:

THAT this City Council contact both the federal and provincial levels of government to ask that an enquiry be conducted, commencing as soon as possible, regarding the price of gasoline in Saskatoon which is absolutely out of control and which is forcing our citizens to pay among the highest prices for gasoline of any city in Canada, and which, in my opinion is the result of an apparent attempt to fix the price of gasoline in this city.

Council also referred the matter to the Administration and Finance Committee for appropriate background information and preparation of the necessary documents to go to the two levels of government.

Your Committee has undertaken a review of this matter, including a referral to the Bureau of Competition requesting a copy of their report following investigation of fuel prices in Canada. Attached are copies of the following documents:

- A. Report of City Manager dated November 5, 2001 containing response from Competition Bureau; and
- B. Report of General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated December 10, 2001, regarding fuel purchase practices in other municipalities.

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The response from the Bureau of Competition addresses Councillor Penner's concern, and therefore your Committee did not proceed any further with respect to "obtaining appropriate documents to go to the two levels of government". Your Committee has, however, asked the Administration to look into options regarding blended fuel sources, and whether this type of purchase would be feasible for the City.

Council will need to determine whether/how to proceed further on the above-noted resolution from the September 10, 2001 meeting for an enquiry to the Provincial and Federal Government regarding the price of gasoline in the City.

IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that the information be received; and

2) that the following motion which was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on September 10, 2001, be rescinded:

"THAT this City Council contact both the federal and provincial levels of government to ask that an enquiry be conducted, commencing as soon as possible, regarding the price of gasoline in Saskatoon which is absolutely out of control and which is forcing our citizens to pay among the highest prices for gasoline of any city in Canada, and which, in my opinion is the result of an apparent attempt to fix the price of gasoline in this city."

**3. Amendments to the Capital Reserve Bylaw No. 6774
Dedicated Roadway Reserve, Civic Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve, and Civic Vehicle and Equipment Acquisitions/Disposal Reserve
(File No. CK. 1815-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that all revenue received from Boulevard Leases and Municipal Access Agreements, be allocated to the Dedicated Roadway Reserve as described in the attached report;

2) that the Civic Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve and the Civic Vehicle and Equipment Acquisition/Disposal Reserve be amended to allow for the replacement of small equipment with a unit value of less than \$25,000;

3) that reference to payment of Land Department Administration fees under the Dedicated Roadway Reserve clause of the *Capital Reserve Bylaw - No. 6774* be removed; and

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- 4) that the City Solicitor be instructed to bring forward a report presenting the necessary amendments to *The Capital Reserve Bylaw - No. 6774* for City Council's consideration.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated December 18, 2001 forwarding proposed amendments to the Dedicated Roadway Reserve, the Civic Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve and the Civic Vehicle and Equipment Acquisition/Disposal Reserve. Your Committee has reviewed the proposed changes with the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department, and supports the changes as outlined in the attached report.

**4. Bylaw Amendments
Bylaw No. 6066 and Bylaw No. 7590
(File No. CK. 300-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8075, *The Business License Bylaw, 2002*; and
 - 2) that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8073, *The License Amendment Bylaw, 2002*.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department and General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated November 29, 2001 forwarding a proposal to amalgamate the licensing aspects of Bylaws 6066 - *The License Bylaw* and 7590- *The Business License Bylaw*.

Your Committee has reviewed the proposed changes with the Administration and supports this proposal to amalgamate the licensing aspects of the bylaws.

**5. Municipal Debt Limit
(File No. CK. 1550-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the City of Saskatoon adopt a debt limit equal to 100% of its eligible revenue (as defined in the attached report), or a debt charge limit equal to 25% of eligible revenue, whichever comes first; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to make application to the Saskatchewan Municipal Board for their approval of the proposed debt and debt charge limits.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated December 17, 2001 forwarding a recommendation that the City of Saskatoon adopt a municipal debt limit. Your Committee has reviewed this matter with the General Manager, Corporate Services Department, and after considerable discussion, it was determined that this proposal will assist the City in carrying out its business. The question of whether this would affect the City's credit rating was not a factor in determining whether this proposal should be put forward for approval.

REPORT NO. 1-2002 OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor R. Steernberg, Chair
Councillor D. Atchison
Councillor P. McCann
Councillor P. Roe
Councillor L. Swystun

**1. Urban Forestry Audit Report and Implementation Plan
(File No. CK. 1600-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

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Attached is a copy of the Urban Forestry Audit Report and Implementation Plan. (The Audit Report has been provided to members of Council only - due to its volume.)

Your Committee has reviewed the Audit Report and Implementation Plan with the Administration, and is satisfied with the results of this Audit. Council will note that the Administration has agreed to implement all recommendations of the Audit Report.

REPORT NO. 1-2002 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

His Worship the Mayor, Chair
Councillor D. Atchison
Councillor O. Fortosky
Councillor M. Heidt
Councillor P. McCann
Councillor T. Paulsen
Councillor G. Penner
Councillor P. Roe
Councillor R. Steernberg
Councillor L. Swystun
Councillor K. Waygood

**1. Social Policy Development Round Table
Terms of Reference
(File No. CK. 225-16)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the proposed terms of reference for the Social Policy Development Round Table be approved; and
 - 2) that the Social Policy Development Round Table and the advisory committees (listed in the report) receive a copy of the report for information.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee as reviewed and supports the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department, submitting Terms of Reference for the Social Policy Development Round Table.

**2. Appointment - Advisory Committee on Women's Issues
(File No. CK. 225-48)**

RECOMMENDATION: that Ms. Lea Bue Kattler be appointed to the Advisory Committee on Women's Issues to the end of 2003.

ADOPTED.

There has been a resignation from the Advisory Committee on Women's Issues.

**3. Appointment - Development Appeals Board
(File No. CK. 175-21)**

RECOMMENDATION: that Mr. Dennis Dibski be appointed to the Development Appeals Board to the end of 2004.

ADOPTED.

There is one vacancy on the Development Appeals Board.

**4) Property Offered to the City - Serienko
Pt. LSD 8 Sec. 14-37-5-W.3rd
Approximately 8.7 acres located between
Central Avenue and the Riverbank
(File No. CK. 4020-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the City purchase the following property, and that it be funded from the Property Realized Account: Pt. LSD 8 Sec. 14-37-5-W.3rd.

ADOPTED.

The above-noted property has been offered to the City. The particulars of the property and the offer are as follows:

Legal description: All of that portion of Legal Subdivision 8 which lies to the right bank of the South Saskatchewan River in Section 14, Township 37, Range 5, West of the 3rd Meridian.

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Size and Location: Approximately 8.7 acres with approximately a quarter mile of river frontage. The property is located on the west side of Central Avenue approximately 1.5 miles north of Attridge Drive.

Current Use: Vacant land – the vendors state that to the best of their knowledge the property has never been broken.

Adjacent Ownership: The City owns two-quarter sections of land to the east and northeast, across Central Avenue. The land to the north is owned by the Episcopal Corporation of Saskatoon, and the land to the south is owned by a private individual. All of the adjacent land is vacant.

Zoning: Future Urban Development – to provide for interim land uses where the future use of land or the timing of development is uncertain due to issues of servicing, transitional use or market demand.

Price: The property is being offered at \$99,900.00 plus GST. The vendors would accept \$79,500.00 plus GST.

Attached is a map showing the location of the property.

The property is not required for Land Bank purposes, and it is unsuitable for residential development. However, your Committee supports the purchase of the riverbank property, to remain in its undeveloped state.

**5. Properties Held for Civic Uses and
Paid for From the Property Realized Reserve
(File No. CK. 1600-24)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated December 6, 2001, containing information regarding properties held for civic uses and paid for from the Property Realized Reserve.

**6. New Positions
Manager - Special Projects
Sales and Accounting Coordinator - Land Branch
(File No. CK. 4560-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a new position, reporting to the City Manager, designated Manager Special Projects, be approved;
 - 2) that a new position, designated Sales and Accounting Coordinator Land Branch, Community Services, be approved; and
 - 3) that both positions be funded from the Land Operations Reserve.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee as reviewed and supports the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated January 3, 2002 regarding the above matter.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES

**Councillor G. Penner
Speed Limit - Cartwright Road
(File No. CK. 5300-1)**

The section of Cartwright Road from Clarence Avenue to Lorne Avenue has a speed limit of 50 km/h. Cartwright Road west from Lorne is posted at 60 km/h, as well Lorne Avenue and Clarence Avenue have posted speeds of 60 km/h.

Could I have a report indicating whether it would make sense to post Cartwright Road from Clarence to Lorne at 60 km/h to make it similar to other roads in the area.

**Councillor O. Fortosky
Guidelines - Building Straw Bale Houses
(File No. CK. 301-1)**

Would the Administration please report on establishing guidelines for building straw bale homes to the list of allowable buildings in the City of Saskatoon with reference to other cities that allow such structures, including the City of Regina.

**Councillor O. Fortosky
Speed Limit - 11th Street West between Elevator Road and Circle Drive; and
Pedestrian Crossing Signal - Avenue L and 11th Street West
(Files CK. 5200-5 and 6150-1)**

Would the Administration please report on two previous enquiries - one on the changing of the speed limit on 11th Street West from 60 km/h to 50 km/h as well as a pedestrian crossing light on the corner of Avenue L and 11th Street West.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 8073

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8073, being "The License Amendment Bylaw, 2002" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Bylaw No. 8073 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8073.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8073 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8073 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT Bylaw No. 8073 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

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Bylaw No. 8075

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8075, being “The Business License Bylaw, 2002” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Bylaw No. 8075 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8075.

CARRIED.

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

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8075 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

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

CARRIED.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8075 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Sternberg,

THAT Bylaw No. 8075 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Bylaw No. 8076

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8076, being “The Development Plan Amendment Bylaw, 2002 (No. 1)” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Bylaw No. 8076 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8076.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8076 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8076 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT Bylaw No. 8076 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

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Bylaw No. 8077

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8077, being “The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2002 (No. 1)” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Bylaw No. 8077 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8077.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8077 was considered clause by clause and approved.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8077 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT Bylaw No. 8077 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Bylaw No. 8094

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8094, being "The direcTel Inc. Incentives Bylaw, 2001" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Bylaw No. 8094 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

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The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8094.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8094 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8094 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT Bylaw No. 8094 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

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Bylaw No. 8095

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8095, being “The 1020 Spadina Crescent East Heritage Property Assistance Bylaw, 2002” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Bylaw No. 8095 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8095.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8095 was considered clause by clause and approved.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8095 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT Bylaw No. 8095 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Bylaw No. 8096

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8096, being "The Cemeteries Amendment Bylaw, 2002" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Bylaw No. 8096 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

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The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8096.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8096 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8096 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT Bylaw No. 8096 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

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Moved by Councillor Penner,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk