

Council Chambers  
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.  
Monday, June 21, 2004  
at 6:00 p.m.

## **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**

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

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held on June 7, 2004 be approved.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,*

*THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider the reports of the Administration and Committees.*

*CARRIED.*

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

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

*Committee arose.*

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*Councillor Neault 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. 12-2004**

**Section A – COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**A1) Municipal Enterprise Zone  
Giant Tiger Discount Store  
105 Avenue F South  
File No.: PL 4110 – 34**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve a five-year tax abatement of the incremental taxes for the construction of discount retail store at 105 Avenue F South in the Riversdale neighbourhood;
  - 2) that the five-year tax abatement be effective in the next taxation year following completion of the project as outlined in Attachment 1 of this report; and
  - 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary bylaw and agreement.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

**Purpose of the Enterprise Zone**

The Enterprise Zone was established by City Council in 2002 to provide financial incentives to encourage more economic development in seven core neighbourhoods and two core industrial areas of Saskatoon. The Enterprise Zone will provide such incentives as rebates for building and plumbing permit fees, rebates for land use fees such as rezoning and discretionary uses, tax abatements for up to five years and grants in lieu of tax abatement. The program is temporary until the funds are spent. Council provided \$500,000 of initial funding for the program in 2002.

**REPORT**

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Description of Project

On June 3, 2004, the Municipal Enterprise Zone Adjudication Committee considered an application from The Northwest Company for a five year tax abatement for the construction of a retail discount store with a food component at 105 Avenue F South.

Please refer to Attachments 1 and 2.

The Northwest Company's application for incentives under the Municipal Enterprise Zone was made through the Riversdale Business Improvement District (BID) office. Riversdale BID conducted a thorough review of the application and has determined that the project warrants consideration for incentives under the Enterprise Zone. The Northwest Company has applied for the following assistance:

	<u>Estimated Value</u>
Land Use Fee Rebate	\$ 6,388.80
• <i>Development Plan Amendment</i>	
• <i>Rezoning</i>	
• <i>Advertising</i>	
Building and Plumbing Permit Fee Rebate	\$10,000.00
<b>Estimated Incentives Charged to Enterprise Zone Account:</b>	<b>\$ 16,388.80</b>

**Property Tax Abatement** - for up to five years on a sliding scale of 100%, 90%, 80%, 70%, and 60%. The estimated value of this incentive is based on an estimated annual property tax of \$28,689.77:

<b>Year 1 (100%):</b>	<b>\$28,689.77</b>
<b>Year 2 (90%):</b>	<b>\$25,820.79</b>
<b>Year 3 (80%):</b>	<b>\$22,951.82</b>
<b>Year 4 (70%):</b>	<b>\$20,082.84</b>
<b>Year 5 (60%):</b>	<b>\$17,213.86</b>
<b>Year 6 (0%):</b>	<b>0</b>

**Total 5 year abatement (foregone revenue):** **\$114,759.08**

**Total Value of All Incentives** **\$131,147.88**

Reasons for Support

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The proposal by The Northwest Company will construct a Discount Retail Store with a significant food component. At least 30% of the floor space will be devoted to food and grocery items. The City of Saskatoon and Riversdale BID have recognized the urgent need for more food and grocery stores within the west side core neighbourhoods for a considerable length of time. The proposed retail development will also re-use a former industrial site on 22<sup>nd</sup> Street which will add a significant retail use along this commercial street.

The project is consistent with the intent of the Enterprise Zone program, and the request for incentives meets the requirements for City of Saskatoon Policy No. A09-031 (Municipal Enterprise Zone).

The Committee has approved Northwest's request for assistance and is recommending that a five-year tax abatement, as shown above, be approved subject to Northwest's completion of the project as outlined in Attachment 1. The Riversdale BID Office will conduct a follow-up inspection to ensure that the project is completed according to the proposal described in Attachment 1.

## Financial Impact

The tax abatement is on the incremental taxes based on property improvements and, as such, is foregone revenue and will not be charged to the Enterprise Zone account. City Council approval is only required for the tax abatement. All other incentives that have been approved by the Adjudication Committee will be charged to the Enterprise Zone account upon completion of the project. The total charges to the Enterprise Zone are listed below:

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| 1. Building and Plumbing Permit Fee Rebate: | \$10,000.00 |
| 2. Land Use Amendment Fees (incl. Ads):     | \$ 6,388.80 |

Total Charges to Enterprise Zone: **\$16,388.80**

Overall, the Enterprise Zone program will provide \$131,147.88 in financial support to The Northwest Company, of which \$16,388.80 will be charged to the Enterprise Zone account.

As of March 30, 2004, there was approximately \$306,000.00 remaining in the Enterprise Zone account.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice, pursuant to Section 3 of the City of Saskatoon Policy C01-021 (Public Notice Policy) is not required.

## ATTACHMENTS

1. Project Proposal from The Northwest Company

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2. Location Plan of 105 Avenue F South.

**A2) Municipal Enterprise Zone  
D'reens Catering Company  
119 Avenue B South  
File No.: PL 4110 – 34**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council provide a grant equivalent to one year of existing property taxes to D'reens Catering Company totaling no more than \$3,185.03; and
  - 2) that the grant be funded from the Enterprise Zone Account.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

Purpose of Enterprise Zone

The Enterprise Zone was established by City Council in 2002 to provide financial incentives to encourage more economic development in seven core neighbourhoods and two core industrial areas of Saskatoon. Among many incentives, the Enterprise Zone will provide rebates for building and plumbing permit fees, rebates for land use fees such as rezoning and discretionary uses, tax abatements for up to five years, and grants in lieu of tax abatement. The program is temporary until the funds are spent. City Council provided \$500,000 of initial funding for the program.

**REPORT**

Description of Project

On June 3, 2004, the Municipal Enterprise Zone Adjudication Committee considered an application from D'reens Catering Company for a cash grant for improvements at 119 Avenue B South to establish a catering and restaurant business at this location.

Please refer to Attachments 1 and 2.

D'reens will move into the property at 119 Avenue B South in July 2004. Her current catering and delivery business, which serves Saskatoon and district, will be expanded to include a fine food shoppe and gourmet take-out (fresh, ready-to-eat entrées, salads, appetizers, and desserts) service along with several tables for dine-in customers.

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The business currently has 3 full-time employees and expects to hire an additional 2 f/t and 3 p/t staff in the coming months as the business expands. D'reens new location is suitable for her business as is.

D'reens' application for incentives under the Municipal Enterprise Zone was made through the Riversdale Business Improvement District (BID) office. Riversdale BID conducted a thorough review of the application by D'reens and has determined that the project warrants consideration for incentives under the Enterprise Zone. D'reens has applied for a one-time cash grant equal to one year of existing property taxes.

### Reasons for Support

The proposal by D'reens will occupy currently vacant space within the Riversdale neighbourhood. The former use of the property was a catering and restaurant business (FUD). The re-use of this property for another food service establishment is very desirable within the Riversdale Business Improvement District area. This is consistent with the intent of the Enterprise Zone program.

During consideration of this application, the Adjudication Committee noted that cash grants equal to one year of existing taxes are listed in the Administrative Policy (Section 3.4) as an Enterprise Zone Incentive. Tax abatements of up to five years on the incremental taxes are also available through the Enterprise Zone. Although some interior alterations will be undertaken, the incremental taxes on interior improvements to this building would be negligible. As a result, the incremental tax abatement did not provide a level of incentive needed to adequately assist with this project. Therefore, a grant is being requested.

The Adjudication Committee is recommending to City Council that a grant be provided which is equivalent to one year of the existing taxes in accordance with policy.

The Committee has approved D'reens request for assistance and is recommending a one-time grant of not more than \$3,185.03, subject to D'reens completion of the project as outlined in Attachment 1. The Riversdale BID Office will conduct a follow-up inspection to ensure that the project is completed according to the proposal described in Attachment 1.

### Financial Impact

As of March 30, 2004, there was \$306,000 remaining in the Enterprise Zone account. This application is requesting approval of a grant totalling \$3,185.03, which is within the means of the Enterprise Zone program.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice, pursuant to Section 3 of the City of Saskatoon Policy C01-021 (Public Notice Policy) is not required.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Project Proposal from D'reens Catering Company
2. Location Plan of 119 Avenue B South.

**A3) Land-Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department  
For the Period Between June 1, 2004 and June 14, 2004  
(For Information Only)  
(File Nos. PL. 4350, 4300)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Rezoning

- Application No. Z17/04: 631 Brand Court  
Applicant: Stor Edge Management Inc.  
Legal Description: Lot 7, Block 428, Plan 00SA12065  
Current Zoning: AM  
Proposed Zoning: IL1  
Neighbourhood: CN Industrial  
Date Received: May 27, 2004

Subdivision

- Application No. 25/04: Clarence Avenue South  
Applicant: Webb Surveys for Twin Dragon Holding Ltd.  
Legal Description: Part of Lot 4, all of Lots 5 & 6, Plan G601  
Current Zoning: IL1(H)

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Neighbourhood: CN Industrial  
Date Received: June 2, 2004

**Subdivision**

- Application No. 26/04: 1118 and 1120 Colony Street  
Applicant: T. Webb Surveys for Bernie Farbacher  
Legal Description: Lot 1, Block 4, Plan G673  
Current Zoning: R2  
Neighbourhood: Varsity View  
Date Received: June 8, 2004

**Subdivision**

- Application No. 27/04: Cartwright Street - Willows  
Applicant: Webster Surveys for Willows Development Corp.  
Legal Description: Bock 103 in N.E. ¼ 9-36-5-W3M  
Current Zoning: DCD4  
Neighbourhood: Direct Control District  
Date Received: June 8, 2004

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Plan of Proposed Rezoning No. Z17/04.
2. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 25/04
3. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 26/04
4. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 27/04

**Section B – CORPORATE SERVICES**

- B1) Canada-Saskatchewan Infrastructure Program  
Capital Project 876, Regional Waste Management Facility  
Agreement between the City of Saskatoon and the Province of Saskatchewan  
(File No. 1860-1)**
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**RECOMMENDATION:** that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement, under the Corporate Seal, between the City of Saskatoon and the Province of Saskatchewan, relating to Capital Project 876, Regional Waste Management Facility.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Attached is the standard form of agreement between the City of Saskatoon and the Province of Saskatchewan relating to the Canada-Saskatchewan Infrastructure Program and Capital Project 876, Regional Waste Management Facility.

The agreement outlines the responsibilities of each party and has been reviewed by the Corporate Services Department, Utility Services Department, and the City Solicitor. The funding to be received under this program and as outlined in this agreement, together with the total eligible contracted project costs, is consistent with the application submitted by the City of Saskatoon, and totals \$2,533,332.

It should be noted that all environmental issues have been reviewed and the mitigating measures will be addressed.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Agreement between the City of Saskatoon and the Province of Saskatchewan (Regional Waste Management Centre Upgrade)

**B2) 2005 Property Value Reassessment  
(File No. 1615-5)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be deferred until after 7:00 p.m.*

**B3) Assessment Reform – Rental Income Approach – Pilot Projects  
(File No. 1615-6)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

This reform has slowly been taking place for a number of years. This next piece of reform, the rental income approach to value and a market value system, is expected to be in place for the 2009 reassessment. Following 2009, it is anticipated that the reassessment cycle will be shortened from the current four years to two years. Shortening the reassessment cycle should help reduce the wide swings in value that currently take place from reassessment to reassessment due to the length of time between them.

Much of the preliminary work heading towards 2009 is currently taking place. It is expected that by the end of 2005, the processes that will be used in 2009 will likely be set. The City of Saskatoon continues to take a lead role in this endeavour and the implementation of pilot projects at this time will help ensure our requirements for the future are met.

SAMA is currently working on pilot projects in the municipalities where they assess properties. At present, it is these pilot projects that may be used for the 2009 reassessment and the rules that will be in place. The six largest cities in this province, however, make up 40% to 50% of the total population of the province and roughly the same percentage of the provincial assessment base. The cities, therefore, have a very large stake in what will take place in 2009 and we must participate in helping to set the rules of assessment that in the end will affect our taxpayers.

The business community supports this approach and have agreed to participate and fund such a pilot project, as well as the ongoing increased operational costs (including staff) incurred due to this assessment reform which, in the end, affects them the most.

There are a number of benefits to the City of Saskatoon entering into this pilot project with the business community. Many of these are immediate and will not only benefit the City of Saskatoon directly, but will also benefit the business community as we move forward.

The following is a list of some of the benefits, both immediate and long term:

- Will help ensure assessment reform requested by and needed by the cities and their business communities comes, in fact, from the experience of the cities.
- Will provide additional time to integrate new approaches that in the end should help ensure public trust in this office and the assessment system overall in Saskatchewan
- Will indicate early on if there is buy-in by the business sector in this City for the income approach and the collection of the necessary data.
- Will allow us to make adjustments, based on feedback, well in advance of producing results for all other property types.

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- Will allow property owners, included in the pilot project, an early viewing of what changes to the system will actually mean. This will help ensure more fair and understandable values and approaches for 2009.
- Will provide this office with early training opportunities and the City with their own experience in collecting and analyzing income data and will ensure the system for the future reflects the needs of this City.

These are simply a few of the positives that would come out of this early start. Some of the additional benefits are immeasurable in helping this office in moving confidently towards 2009. Lack of trust in the assessment system is perhaps the largest obstacle to overcome in the next few years. Starting now will help ensure we have the time to communicate what we are doing and how in the end, it helps each property owner by having a more accurate assessed value on which property taxes are levied.

In the end, what we would be attempting to accomplish are fair and equitable assessed values that property owners understand and feel are as close to market value using mass appraisal techniques that any assessment system can bring, while at the same time allowing for much needed practical experience in this approach by the staff in this office.

For all the reasons noted, your Administration supports this pilot project and appreciates the fact that the project will be financed by levies on commercial properties beginning in 2005. A letter of support from the Saskatoon Combined Business Group is attached (Attachment 1). For the current year, the Combined Business Group has agreed that \$75,000 be withdrawn from the commercial appeal contingency funds already levied against commercial property.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

## **ATTACHMENT**

1. June 10, 2004, letter from the Combined Business Group.

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee to investigate whether a market value assessment system could be implemented by January 1, 2007.*

## **Section D – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

- D1) Proposed Disabled Person's Loading Zone  
(File No. 6145-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that a Disabled Person's Loading Zone be installed in front of 310 Acadia Drive.

*ADOPTED.*

Infrastructure Services has received a request from the resident of 310 Acadia Drive for the installation of a Disabled Person's Loading Zone in front of the residence, as shown on Plan No. 210-0020-010r001 (Attachment 1). The resident has a physical impairment such that direct access to the front of their home is required.

The loading zone conforms to City guidelines with respect to Disabled Person's Loading Zones, and no fee is assessed for its installation.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan No. 210-0020-010r001

**D2) Enquiry – former Councillor P. Roe (August 13, 2001)**  
**Tree Barrier – Condo Development**  
**Clarence Avenue and Calder Crescent**  
**(File No. CK. 4139-4)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Tree barriers or shelterbelts do provide screening and some protection from wind and dust. They do not, however, provide any sound attenuation.

The cost of a typical buffer planting, using containerized trees 40 mm in diameter and 1200 mm in height, is \$70.00 per lineal metre (based on 20 trees per 100 metres). The total length of buffer at this particular location is approximately 570 metres, which results in an estimated cost of \$39,900.00.

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This particular portion of Circle Drive is within the Circle Drive South River Crossing Roadway Plan, as part of the Clarence Avenue and Circle Drive Interchange.

Based on the above information, the Administration recommends putting this proposal in abeyance until the roadway plan is finalized.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**D3) Construction of Portage Avenue Between Edson Street and Melville Street  
Contribution from Adjacent Property Owners  
File No. CK. 301-1**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that the information be received; and
- 2) that \$30,000 be allocated from the Reserve for Capital Expenditures for the City's contribution towards the construction of Portage Avenue between Melville Street and Edson Street.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Over the past number of years, Mr. Merv Rumpel of Pleasure-Way Industries has requested that the City of Saskatoon reconstruct and pave Portage Avenue between Melville Street and Edson Street. This section of road is currently gravel-surfaced and prone to washboarding. In addition, there are concerns with the dust caused by traffic on this street.

An arrangement was made in 2002, in which Pleasure-Way was to fund the majority of costs associated with constructing this road. The arrangement was dissolved, however, since the City was reviewing its policy regarding paving of streets adjacent to developed properties and because the arrangements were not finalized until the end of the construction season.

After reviewing a report from Infrastructure Services on this matter, City Council directed the department to submit a project in the amount of \$500,000 for consideration in the 2005 Capital Budget. This funding would be used to construct storm sewers, curbs, sidewalks, and paved streets at locations where property owners did not construct this infrastructure when the properties were developed.

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The section of Portage Avenue that Mr. Rumpel desires to be paved would be considered eligible for this funding. However, there is no guarantee that this program will be approved in the 2005 budget, nor is there a process in place at this time to determine the sequence or priority of the various streets that may be eligible for this program. It will take many years to construct all of the projects within the City that qualify for this funding.

Mr. Rumpel understands the City's position on this matter (Attachment 1), and has resolved to fund construction of the road in 2004. The Engineer's estimate for constructing and paving this section of Portage Avenue is \$130,000 including all costs. Mr. Rumpel represents other property owners who front this street, and has forwarded a cheque in the amount of \$100,000 in order to have this road construction completed. It is the Administration's recommendation that the difference of \$30,000 be funded from the Reserve for Capital Expenditures.

The work will be coordinated with the reconstruction of Edson Street, and with Project 2042, CN Industrial Road and Drainage Restoration. The work will involve re-grading of ditches, installation of culverts as required, stabilization of the road structure with a cement-based chemical binder, and paving of the surface with high stability hot mix asphalt.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Letter to Merv Rumpel, dated May 14, 2004

**D4) Installation of Traffic Signals at  
8<sup>th</sup> Street East and Boychuk Drive  
And  
Communications to Council  
From: Dan Jones  
Date: May 3, 2004  
Subject: Request for Four-Way Stop  
8<sup>th</sup> Street and Boychuk  
(File No. CK. 6280-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that approval be granted for the installation of traffic signals at the intersection of 8<sup>th</sup> Street East and Boychuk Drive; and

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- 2) that funding of \$80,000 be transferred from the General Prepaid Service Reserves to Capital Project No. 590-19 Briarwood Development, to fund the installation of traffic signals at 8<sup>th</sup> Street East and Boychuk Drive.

## **BACKGROUND**

At its meeting held on May 17, 2004, City Council considered the above-noted letter with respect to a request for a four-way stop at 8<sup>th</sup> Street and Boychuk Drive (Attachment 1). Council passed a motion that the matter be referred to the Administration for a report.

Infrastructure Services, on an annual basis, conducts a review of various intersections throughout the City that have been brought to our attention through complaints from the public, that exhibit a high collision rate, that have geometric deficiencies, or that exhibit other changes in their traffic environment. The intersection of 8<sup>th</sup> Street East and Boychuk Drive is one of these intersections.

## **REPORT**

The intersection of 8<sup>th</sup> Street East and Boychuk Drive is currently controlled by two-way stop signs on Boychuk Drive, hence assigning the right-of-way to 8<sup>th</sup> Street East. 8<sup>th</sup> Street East and Boychuk Drive are both major arterial roadways with this intersection having over 26,500 vehicles entering it daily. The speed limit on the 8<sup>th</sup> Street East and on Boychuk Drive, south of 8<sup>th</sup> Street East, is 60 kph. The speed limit on Boychuk Drive, north of 8<sup>th</sup> Street East, is 50 kph. This intersection has experienced 47 collisions in the past five years.

The proposed signalized intersection will better facilitate the safe and orderly movement of traffic from Boychuk Drive onto 8<sup>th</sup> Street, and reduce the existing vehicular conflict and motorist confusion that is currently occurring. The traffic volumes at this intersection have grown steadily and will continue to do so as development continues in Briarwood, the Lakewood Suburban Centre, and the future neighbourhoods of Brookside and Rosewood. Therefore, it is recommended that traffic signals be installed at this time.

It is proposed that the required \$80,000 in funding for these traffic signals be allocated from the General Prepaid Service Reserves. This funding would be transferred to Capital Project No. 590-19 Briarwood Development, where the actual payment for the installation of the traffic signals would be made. The installation of traffic signals at 8<sup>th</sup> Street East and Boychuk Drive was identified as a requirement of part of the development of the Briarwood Neighbourhood, and therefore funding has been accounted for in the General Prepaid Service Reserves.

The Briarwood Community Association is supportive of this proposal.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Communication from Dan Jones dated May 3, 2004

*IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that approval be granted for the installation of traffic signals at the intersection of 8<sup>th</sup> Street East and Boychuk Drive;*

*2) that funding of \$80,000 be transferred from the General Prepaid Service Reserves to Capital Project No. 590-19 Briarwood Development, to fund the installation of traffic signals at 8<sup>th</sup> Street East and Boychuk Drive; and*

*3) that, in the event that the installation of the traffic signals is not in place by the beginning of the upcoming school year, a four-way stop be installed at 8<sup>th</sup> Street East and Boychuk Drive in the interim.*

**D5) AMAX Agreement Regarding the Use and Sales  
of IBOS Asset Management Software  
(File No. CK. 261-1, 115-4-2)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council authorize His Worship the Mayor to sign an agreement between Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation, Vemax Management Inc., and the City of Saskatoon regarding the long term use of IBOS Asset Management software and the relationship between the three parties.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**



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At its meeting held on May 25, 2004, the Executive Committee resolved that:

“the Administration prepare a report for City Council requesting that His Worship the Mayor sign an agreement between Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation, Vemax Management Inc., and the City of Saskatoon regarding the long term use of IBOS Asset Management software and the relationship between the three parties.”

In 1998, the City entered into a partnership with Saskatchewan Highways and Vemax Management. The three agencies chose to label the partnership “AMAX”. The mandate of the partnership was to design and construct modern Asset Management software systems to replace existing software, which was DOS-based and originally constructed in the 1980’s. The new software would follow the same processes and principles as the original software but would be updated to modern software standards. Saskatchewan Highways and Manitoba Highways funded the majority of the cost of software development. Manitoba Highways wanted to benefit from use of the software but chose not to be a full partner.

The suite of Asset Management software was dubbed IBOS. There is no significance to the letters of the words IBOS or AMAX.

The systems constructed under this partnership are fully functional, and are an integral part of the management of operations in Public Works Branch of the Infrastructure Services Department. The success of the implementation of Asset Management is demonstrated in the results of recent external audits carried out by Robert Prosser and Associates. Every audit of Public Works operating programs over the past 5 years, including Snow and Ice, Paved Streets, Sidewalks, Sweeping, and others, has strongly supported the use of the Maintenance Management System (MMS), which is the primary system that has been developed under this partnership. The MMS is used to plan, organize, and track operational works. For example, the Sidewalk audit report concluded that “there is clear evidence that management is analyzing MMS results and are using these results to plan resource requirements for the following season. We commend management on their efforts to track work accomplishments and related costs, and for their utilization of this data for planning purposes”. The report went on to recommend that management implement controls to ensure the accuracy and completeness of sidewalk maintenance data in the MMS.

When developing the IBOS systems, the AMAX partners agreed to certain terms and conditions of the partnership. These terms and conditions have been compiled in a formal agreement between the parties.

The key benefits to the City are as follows:

1. The City will be able to use all IBOS systems with an unlimited number of user licenses throughout the City. Other departments could implement the software at no cost other than training of staff.

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2. Vemax will supply the City with free support and service of the software. Other agencies who have since purchased the software pay significant support and service fees.
3. The City will benefit from the profits generated by all sales of the software as well as a small portion of the maintenance fees charged to other agencies.
4. The City is entitled to the source code of the software and is guaranteed to remain a partner in AMAX. This effectively guarantees that the City can continue to utilize the software until such a time as a replacement system is deemed to be required. The current software will be used for many years.

The City of Winnipeg has retained Vemax Management to implement a comprehensive Asset Management system including the IBOS software. In addition, a number of IBOS systems are now being utilized by agencies in Australia.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There is no obligation of future funding from the City of Saskatoon. However, Public Works intends to further advance the systems as required on a project-to-project bases, and to re-invest any revenue earned from sales and support of the IBOS systems to further enhance the products.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**D6) 2004 Capital Budget**  
**Project No. 1416-8 & 1400-3**  
**Land Development – Hampton Village Neighbourhood**  
**(File No. 4111-45)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council approve additional funding for the construction of storm pond excavation and area grading in the City-developed area of Hampton Village, Capital Project No. 1416-8 and 1400-3, for a total cost of \$514,000.

*ADOPTED.*

## **REPORT**

The City of Saskatoon will begin residential servicing of the first phase of land within the Hampton Village neighbourhood, including the excavation of the Dundonald Storm Pond.

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Project 1416-8 and 1400-3 were initially approved during the 2004 budget process before a topographical survey could be conducted and a detailed design completed of the Hampton Village neighbourhood. From the detailed design, it has been determined that additional funding will be needed to balance the earth cut and fill quantities required for 2004 construction as approved within the five year Land Development Program. The excavation of the Dundonald Storm Pond is required to facilitate storm drainage within the Hampton neighbourhood. In addition, a design change will allow the inclusion of walkout basements along the lineal park. Walkout basements are not integrated within the prepaid grading rate and this feature is included as a request for funding from the Property Realized Reserve (PRR). This reserve (PRR) has funded walkout basements in 2003 within the Willowgrove neighbourhood.

Infrastructure Services requests that additional funds be approved from the offsite service reserves for the Dundonald Storm Pond, grading funding from the Prepaid Service Reserves for lot development, and Property Realized Reserve funding for the earth construction of walkout basements. The cost details and additional sources of funding for this project are as follows:

<u>Description:</u>	<u>Project No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>Gross Cost Details:</u>		
Trunk Sewers – Hampton Village – Dundonald Upgrade	1416-8	\$119,000
Grading – Hampton Village	1400-3	<u>395,000</u>
		<u>\$514,000</u>
<u>Funding Details:</u>		
Trunk Sewer Reserve – TSR		\$119,000
General Prepaid Service Reserves – GPS		197,000
Property Realized Reserve – PRR		<u>198,000</u>
		<u>\$514,000</u>

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**D7) Enquiry – Councillor T. Alm (May 3, 2004)**  
**Request for Closure of Trident Crescent during**  
**Civic Fireworks Display – July 1**  
**(File No. 6000-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that approval be granted for the temporary closure of Trident Crescent and the back lane on July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, between the hours of 19:00 and 24:00.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Alm at the meeting of City Council held on May 3, 2004:

“Each of the residents on Trident Crescent have signed a petition requesting that the front street as well as the back lane of their crescent be closed/barricaded to general traffic on July 1, in this year, as well as any successive year when Diefenbaker Park is host to the Civic Fire Works Display. The reason for the request is to prevent littering, vandalism and confrontational situations that have previously occurred during this event.

Would Administration please advise Council and the residents on Trident Crescent if we can accommodate their request.”

**REPORT**

Infrastructure Services has reviewed this enquiry and is supportive of this request to temporarily close Trident Crescent and its lane during the hours of 7:00 p.m. to midnight on July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Barricades will be erected, and costs will be absorbed within existing operating budgets.

Infrastructure Services will notify the residents on Trident Crescent if the recommendation is adopted.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**D8) Capital Project No. 1616**  
**Wastewater Sewer Use Policy, Bylaw and Regulatory Framework**  
**Award of Engineering Services**  
**(File No. 7500-5, PW185-2)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the proposal from Associated Engineering (Sask) Ltd. to conduct public consultations and develop new wastewater sewer use policy, bylaw, and regulatory controls at a total upset limit cost of \$361,927.50 including G.S.T. be accepted; and
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary Engineering Services Agreement for execution by the Mayor and City Clerk under the Corporate Seal.

*ADOPTED.*

## **BACKGROUND**

The wastewater collection and treatment system is a highly regulated municipal service requiring a provincial permit to operate. The City of Saskatoon's sanitary sewer system includes 58,000 service connections, 850 kilometers of collection mains, and a primary and secondary treatment plant. Wastewater sewer systems are subject to the discharge of flammable, corrosive, noxious and toxic substances, and grease and gravel. Effective policy, bylaws, and regulatory programs are required to manage both the quality and quantity of sewer discharge to protect sewer workers and the public, the sewer infrastructure, the treatment processes, and the environment.

The City began its review of sewer use regulations and programming in 2002 by participating in a joint project with six other Canadian cities. The objective of this joint project was to identify best practices for managing and regulating sewer discharge. The current consultant service agreement incorporates this earlier work and includes a broad public and stakeholder consultation process to formulate policy, preparation of the technical content of the sewer use bylaw, and identification of program options.

## **REPORT**

There are many factors driving the need for a comprehensive review of the City of Saskatoon's sewer use policy, bylaw, and regulatory programs:

1. The City of Saskatoon's current regulatory approach consists primarily of its Sewer Use Bylaw 5115, which has been in place since 1971.
2. Address changes in provincial legislation from the Urban Municipalities Act to the Cities Act.
3. Address changes to national and provincial environmental legislation (December 2002) and regulatory requirements for municipal sewer operators.

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4. The need to formalize council and administrative policy defining sewage quality and capacity/demand management objectives and align programs with these objectives.
5. The need to define programs for regulating high environmental risk discharges including the industrial, commercial, institutional, and liquid waste haulers sectors and ensure adequate authorization, monitoring, and enforcement processes.
6. Address the high demand for sewer cleaning services and liability associated with service lateral operations, preservation, and wet weather inflow flooding.
7. The Wastewater Utility position under nuisance liability for main and connection blockages and backups.
8. Appropriateness of the sewer rates relative to policy, regulatory approach, and resulting cost of service (rates) by discharge sector as a result of this review.

Revisions to the sewer use policy and bylaw are also outstanding action items from the 1996 Sanitary Sewer Audit.

The project will be carried out with broad participation from stakeholder groups for all wastewater sewer sectors including domestic/residential, commercial and institutional, and industrial. The project will focus on the following areas:

1. General utility goals, objectives, policy, and draft sewer use bylaw.
2. Regulatory approach by discharge sector, including discharge permitting and authorization processes, discharge concentration and/or loading limits, industry codes of practice, and monitoring and enforcement programs.
3. Liquid waste hauler authorization and receiving facility selection.
4. Service lateral cleaning operations, maintenance, and replacement, and wet weather inflow flooding.
5. Cost of service review (rate structure).

The review will also include an organizational review of business units and their role in regulating sewer discharge. There are at least three departments and six branches that currently play a role in programming and regulating the sewer system.

Infrastructure Services issued a request for proposals to conduct public consultations and develop policy, bylaw, and regulatory programs for the wastewater collection and treatment systems. Proposals were received from three consulting firms listed below.

Associated Engineering (Sask) Ltd.  
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan  
(Partnered with Earth Tech Canada Ltd.)

Stantec Consulting Ltd.  
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

CH2M HILL Canada Ltd

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Calgary Alberta  
(Partnered with UMA Engineering Ltd. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan)

After a systematic evaluation of the proposals, staff rated the proposal from Associated Engineering (Sask) Ltd. as being superior from a technical perspective.

The net cost to the City for the proposal submitted by Associated Engineering (Sask.) Ltd. is as follows.

Base Fees	\$	338,250.00
G.S.T.	\$	23,677.50
Total Fees	\$	361,927.50
G.S.T. Rebate	\$	<u>(23,677.50)</u>
Net Cost to City	\$	<u>338,250.00</u>

Sufficient funding is in place to allow for the provision of these engineering and public consultation services to proceed. The review is being funded from Capital Project 1616 Sanitary Sewer Collection Preservation. There is \$400,000 of approved funding allocated in 2002 and 2003.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**D9) School Signing Revisions**  
**(File No. 6280-3)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the proposed school signing revisions, as set out in the following report, be approved; and
  - 2) that the proposed school speed zone request be approved.

*ADOPTED.*

Infrastructure Services has been requested to revise the signing and to install a school speed zone at the following school:

- Ecole Canadienne-Francaise de Saskatoon

Consultations with the principals, representatives of the school board, and a member of Infrastructure Services have resulted in the preparation of new school signing plans (using the School Signing Guidelines) to address the particular need of each facility. The following changes have been reviewed and approved by Infrastructure Services, the school board, and the schools' principals:

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The recommended signing changes are described below and shown on the attached plan:

Ecole Canadienne-Francaise de Saskatoon - Plan No. 212-0053-003r002 (Attachment 1)

The school would like to allow extra time for parents who are dropping off their children at day care, and therefore requested the installation of a '15 MINUTE PARKING ZONE, 08:00 – 17:00, MONDAY-FRIDAY' on the north side of Ecole Canadienne-Francaise de Saskatoon along the south side of 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

A 'DISABLED PERSONS LOADING ZONE' (RB-58G) approximately 6 metres long will be installed on the east side of Albert Avenue, directly in front of the school between the "NO STOPPING ZONE" and the "5 MINUTE PARKING ZONE".

It is recommended that a school speed zone be installed on Clarence Avenue, adjacent to the school's playground between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Street. The proposed location of this school speed zone complies with City Council Policy Reduced Speed Zone for Schools (C07-015).

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan No. 212-0053-003r002

**D10) Proposed Two Hour Parking Restriction  
1200 Block of Ontario Avenue  
(File No. 6120-3)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that a "Two Hour, 09:00 to 18:00, Monday to Friday" parking restriction be implemented on the east side of the 1200 block of Ontario Avenue.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Infrastructure Services has received a request from Fitness Focus of 1240 Ontario Avenue, to install a two hour, 09:00 – 17:00, Monday to Friday parking restriction on the east block face of the 1200 block of Ontario Avenue.



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Presently, customers of Fitness Focus are having difficulty finding available parking in the front of the 1200 block of Ontario Avenue due to long term Kelsey Institute parkers who are utilizing the unrestricted parking currently in place on Ontario Avenue. As a result, a parking restriction is being proposed on the east side of the 1200 block of Ontario Avenue to help generate short term parking opportunities for patrons of 1200 Ontario Avenue.

Infrastructure Services has reviewed the request and recommends that a “Two Hour, 09:00 – 18:00, Monday – Friday” parking restriction be installed shown on Plan No. 210-0030-005r005. (Attachment 1). This restriction will encourage turnover resulting in increased opportunities to find a parking space.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan No. 210-0030-005r005

**D11) Proposed Two Hour Parking Restriction  
200 Block of Avenue B North and 100 Block 23<sup>rd</sup> Street West  
(File No. 6120-3)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a “Two Hour, 09:00 to 18:00, Monday to Friday” parking restriction be implemented on the east side of the 200 block of Avenue B North; and
  - 2) that a “Two-Hour, 09:00 to 18:00, Monday to Friday” parking restriction be implemented on the north side of the 100 block of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street West.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Infrastructure Services has received a request from Mees Holdings Limited, 202 Avenue B North, to install a two hour, 09:00 – 18:00, Monday to Friday parking restriction on the east face of the 200 block of Avenue B North, and to install a two hour, 09:00 – 18:00, Monday to Friday parking restriction on the north block face of the 100 block of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street West.

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Presently, visitors and clients of Mees Holdings Limited are having difficulty finding available parking near their business. As a result, a parking restriction is being proposed on the east side of the 200 block of Avenue B North and the 100 block of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street West to help generate short term parking opportunities for visitors and clients.

Infrastructure Services has reviewed the request and recommends that a “Two Hour, 09:00 – 18:00, Monday – Friday” parking restriction be installed as shown on Plan No. 210-0042-013r001 (Attachment 1) and on Plan No. 210-0042-012r001 (Attachment 2). These restrictions will encourage turnover resulting in increased opportunities to find a parking space.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Plan No. 210-0042-013r001
2. Plan No. 210-0042-012r001

### **D12) Proposed Two Hour Parking Restriction 100 Block of 31<sup>st</sup> Street West (File No. 6120-3)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that a “Two Hour, 09:00 to 18:00, Monday to Friday” parking restriction be implemented on the south side of the 100 block of 31<sup>st</sup> Street West.

*ADOPTED.*

## **REPORT**

Infrastructure Services has received a request from the Saskatoon Convalescent Home, 101 31<sup>st</sup> Street West, to install a two hour, 09:00 – 18:00, Monday to Friday parking restriction on the south block face of the 100 block of 31<sup>st</sup> Street West.

Presently, visitors and family of residents are having difficulty finding available parking in the front of the 100 block of 31<sup>st</sup> Street West due to long-term Kelsey Institute parkers who are utilizing the unrestricted parking currently in place. As a result, a parking restriction is being proposed on the south side of the 100 block of 31<sup>st</sup> Street to help generate short term parking opportunities for visitors.

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Infrastructure Services has reviewed the request and recommends that a “Two Hour, 09:00 – 18:00, Monday – Friday” parking restriction be installed as shown on Plan No. 210-0038-014r001. (Attachment 1). This restriction will encourage turnover resulting in increased opportunities to find a parking space.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan No. 210-0038-014r001

**D13) Proposed Two Hour Parking Restriction  
King Street, 2nd Avenue North to 1st Avenue North  
(File No. 6120-3)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that a “Two Hour, 09:00 to 18:00, Monday to Friday” parking restriction be implemented on the north side of King Street from 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North to 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Infrastructure Services has received a request from Pink Tree, #1 – 701 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North, to install a two hour, 09:00 – 18:00, Monday to Friday parking restriction on the north side of King Street between 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North.

Presently, visitors and clients of Pink Tree are having difficulty finding available parking near their business. As a result, a parking restriction is being proposed on the north side of King Street between 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North to help generate short term parking opportunities for visitors and clients.

Infrastructure Services has reviewed the request and recommends that a “Two Hour, 09:00 – 18:00, Monday – Friday” parking restriction be installed, as shown on Plan No. 210-0039-013r001

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(Attachment 1). These restrictions will encourage turnover resulting in increased opportunities to find a parking space.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan No. 210-0039-013r001

**Section E – UTILITY SERVICES**

**E1) Communications to Council**

**From:** Ted Fortosky, Chairman  
St. Mary's Pastoral Council  
**Date:** Undated  
**Subject:** Request for Street Lighting  
**(File No. CK. 6300-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the request for additional lighting be denied subject to the Police Services Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) Report.

*ADOPTED.*

At its meeting held on May 3, 2004, Council considered a letter requesting street lights on Avenue O between the Rectory and the St. Mary's Church, and in the lane behind the rectory. Council passed a motion that the matter be referred to the Administration for a report.

The City of Saskatoon, Utility Services – Electric System completed an upgrade of the street lighting on Avenue O South between 20<sup>th</sup> Street and 21<sup>st</sup> Street that brought the lighting on the street to the Illuminating Engineering Society (IES) Standard. This standard has been accepted by most North American cities for residential streets. The purpose of street lighting is for public safety on streets and sidewalks but is not intended for security of private property. The Electric System

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does not recommend adding additional street lighting on Avenue O South at this time. St. Mary's Parish may find that with the additional security lighting they are planning to install, additional streetlights are not warranted.

The Electric System has forwarded the request for one lane light behind the Rectory to Police Services for a CPTED Report. If it is confirmed that a light in the lane will reduce the incidents of crime, the Electric System will install it as requested.

Each street light costs approximately \$2,000 to install and adds \$176 to the annual street lighting operating cost funded directly from the mill rate.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**E2) Communication to Council**  
**From: Duc Dinh**  
**Date: January 22, 2004**  
**Subject: Closure of Part of 11<sup>th</sup> Street and Avenue H**  
**Water Treatment Plant**  
**(File No. CK. 7820-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

City Council instructed the Utility Services Department to discuss the matter of the closure of 11th Street and Avenue H and related traffic implications with Mr. Dinh, owner and operator of White's Pharmacy. The following provides a summary of the action taken.

In February of 2004, a meeting was held with Mr. Dinh to further understand his concerns related to the anticipated traffic changes. An explanation of the water treatment expansion was provided, in an effort to clarify why the closure of Ave H and 11th Street, in the vicinity of the Water Treatment Plant, was necessary. It was also communicated at this time that a further traffic study was being conducted and that a community consultation process would be initiated to solicit input from the community on possible traffic rerouting options.

In April of 2004, a further meeting was held with Mr. Dinh to provide him with an update on the process and to inform him that he would be provided with further notification of when the public meetings would be initiated. Businesses and residential home mail outs explaining the expansion

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details, proposed construction timelines, and answering some more of the frequently asked questions were distributed at the end of May. Public Open Houses were held on June 7 and 9 with a total of 59 people attending. A report on the public communication process and related feedback will be provided at a later date.

In summary, although provisions will be made in the traffic design to continue to allow traffic to flow around the new boundaries of the Water Treatment Plant, the interest has been to divert the majority of the traffic from 11th Street to 17th Street and the CNR right-of-way connection to 11th Street. The level of impact, if any, of these changes on Mr. Dinh's business is difficult to assess at this time.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Letter dated January 22, 2004 from Duc Dinh.

### **E3) Transit Strategic Plan Study (File No. CK. 300-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Grant Agreement between the City of Saskatoon and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities for the Transit Strategic Plan be approved;
  - 2) that the Consulting Services Agreement between the City of Saskatoon and IBI Group for the purpose of undertaking the Transit Strategic Plan Study be approved;
  - 3) the City Solicitor be asked to prepare the required documents for execution; and
  - 4) 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 agreements as prepared by the City Solicitor.

*ADOPTED.*

## **BACKGROUND**

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City Council approved, at its meeting of March 24, 2003, that a Strategic Plan Study be undertaken for Saskatoon Transit Services and be funded from the Reserve for Capital Expenditure in the amount of \$120,000.

### **REPORT**

Transit Services submitted and received a grant of \$110,000 for this project from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Green Municipal Enabling Funds program for a total project budget of \$230,000. The additional funding provides the ability to expand the depth and scope of the project to include GHG emission reduction strategies, measurement tools and the development of a decision model for public transit route planning and scheduling.

Transit Services staff commenced an Expression of Interest and Request for Proposal process in January, 2004, looking for a consultant to undertake the study. The Technical Working Group/Selection Committee completed the review and evaluation of qualified RFP submissions on March 15, and selected two consultants to present proposals to the Steering Committee and Technical Working Group/Selection Committee on April 1, 2004.

The consulting firms provided presentations of their proposals and answered questions from the Steering Committee and Technical Working Group members. Consultant presentations and technical proposal submissions were evaluated and scored based on standard proposal evaluation criteria.

IBI Group achieved the highest overall score, demonstrating the greatest degree of experience and technical expertise in long-range transit specific projects and studies. In addition, the consultant clearly demonstrated applications of, and the ability to apply, innovative approaches and solutions to the challenges of delivering an efficient, cost-effective and environmentally sustainable public transit system within the urban environment.

It was anticipated that the final report would be presented to City Council by October 30, 2004, as indicated in the report to the Planning and Operations Committee dated November 25, 2003. Due to the time frames required by FCM to evaluate, approve and announce Transit Services successful grant application, and time frames required for the Expression of Interest and Request for Proposal process, presentations of proposals and final consultant evaluation and selection, the study start date was amended to April, 2004 with a final report provided no later than April, 2005.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

### **ATTACHMENT**

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1. Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Green Municipal Enabling Fund (GMEF) Grant Agreement

**E4) Try The Bus And Save Summer Promotion – “Quality Service Guarantee”  
(File No. CK. 7300-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Fuel prices are currently at the highest level in history and expected to remain there for at least the remainder of the summer. The Administration has been reviewing opportunities to increase ridership by attracting new customers and thereby reducing green house gases, the reliance of mill rate subsidy for Transit Services and improving traffic flows within the City during the rush hours.

The challenge for any public transit system is to offer affordable, reliable and excellent customer service to passengers. Where there are dedicated public transit right-of-ways such as the Toronto subway system, Ottawa with the bus right-of-ways and Calgary with the LRT, commuters have an added benefit in that transit can operate away from the usual rush hour grid lock. Away from the large urban centres, the attractiveness of public transit is not as high. This is a common challenge for all operating systems, especially when the business and strategic plan have not been updated to maintain a perceived satisfactory level of service corresponding with the growth in the city. Early in 2002 Council recognized this, and the City is currently undertaking a Transit Strategic Plan Study designed to assist with current short falls in the system, and to develop a transit plan for the next 10 years.

With the above challenges and the ongoing work that will be done through the strategic plan, the Administration is attempting to provide a transit service in Saskatoon that meets the corporate vision of a better quality of life, and the value of quality service supported by strong teamwork. With the



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vision as the foundation, the Branch is working at developing a heightened awareness of public transit as a daily alternative to the automobile.

*“TRY THE BUS AND SAVE”* is an innovative program developed by the Transit Branch. It is designed to encourage ridership, strengthen the teamwork involved in the delivery of service and offer a “Quality Service Guarantee” to new and current riders. During the summer season taking a walk to the nearest bus stop is an ideal opportunity to get some exercise and save money with the high cost of automobile fuel and parking.

The transit challenge has been developed to operate from July 1, 2004 to August 31, 2004, after which it will be evaluated for its effectiveness. The program has been designed for all regular transit service and does not include Access Transit or special events.

This promotion will be funded within the current Transit budget.

**The key components of the program are:**

**1. Punctual service:** the first objective is to offer a service that is on time and dependable. If a bus does not arrive at every stop within seven minutes of the scheduled pick up time, or is more than three minutes ahead of the posted time, the passenger may apply for a trip refund ticket.

**2. Courteous treatment from all staff, correct Transit information and a smooth ride:** from the time a potential customer calls the Transit Customer Service Centre for information on trip planning and/or schedule information, to boarding the bus, until they arrive at their destination, it is Transit’s goal to focus on making the trip as convenient and stress free as possible. All transit staff are very good at their jobs, however, additional information and training will be provided as a part of this program. The staff focus will be to provide an opportunity and encourage all Transit staff to “shine”. Should this objective not be achieved, the passenger may also apply for a trip refund ticket.

**3. Clean vehicle assurances:** Transit takes a great deal of pride in the maintenance and upkeep of the 113 vehicles in the fleet. If the interior of the vehicle is not clean, they have not met the customers expectations. As such, they may apply for a trip refund ticket.

There are some conditions that apply. The Transit “Quality Service Guarantee” is not applicable in the case of a late bus as a result of detours, labour disruptions, accidents, storms and other forces of nature that are beyond the control of Transit Services.

The over riding goals of this program are to encourage new riders and recognize employees for doing an outstanding job.

Any passenger who believes the Branch did not meet the “Quality Guarantee” will be requested to submit the date, location of the occurrence, time and bus number to the Customer Service Centre, by telephone or email. The matter will be investigated and the

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findings relayed to the customer by mail. Where legitimate complaints are reported, corrective action will be taken and a refund bus ticket will be sent to the customer. There will be a limit of two refunds per person or household during the program period.

**4. Communication Plan:** There will be public service announcements, advertising on buses and on the City web page.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**E5) Transit Branch, Canadian Urban Transit Association  
Recognition Award 2004 – Innovation in the Transit Industry  
(File No. 160-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

The Transit Branch and Science West Inc. have been recognized for Innovation in the Transit industry at the Canadian Urban Transit Association Spring conference. The award was for the establishment of an interactive web site, “Getting Around: A Driving Force for Change.” This award is dedicated to students, educators and the general public worldwide, with a focus on innovation in public transportation. The site can be accessed at [www.science-west.ca](http://www.science-west.ca) and the Quantum Energy Adventure, Action Tools for Change, Brain –O-Meter, Lesson Plans, Case Studies and Educational Briefs can be found there.

The site encourages classrooms to develop and implement projects within the community to increase awareness of public transportation. Students are encouraged to develop a project and register it on the site for others to view.

This project was done in partnership with Transport Canada, The Saskatoon Foundation, Saskatchewan Learning and Environment, dblack Communications, eclecticthink International and UMA Engineering Ltd.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Item A4 of Communications to Council.*

**E6) Saskatchewan Water Corporation  
Proposed Amendments to the Master Water Supply Agreement**

**(File No. CK. 7500-1)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Saskatchewan Water Corporation connection at the 33<sup>rd</sup> Street delivery point be approved;
  - 2) that the Master Water Supply Agreement with Saskatchewan Water Corporation be amended as it applies to the 33<sup>rd</sup> Street Delivery Point, to provide a maximum daily rate of flow of 132 IGPM;
  - 3) that Policy C09-018, “Potable Waterline Connections”, be amended to allow the Saskatchewan Water Corporation to provide treated water to all building sites within the corporate limits of the municipalities as defined in Article V, Section 6b) of the Master Water Supply Agreement, where those sites maintain a sewage disposal system approved by the Saskatoon District Health Board, regardless of whether the building existed on December 2, 1996;
  - 4) that the City Solicitor be instructed to amend the Master Water Supply Agreement with Saskatchewan Water Corporation;
  - 5) that the City Treasurer bill Saskatchewan Water Corporation for the capital levy of \$29,043.63 related to the requested service volume of 132 IGPM at the 33<sup>rd</sup> Street Delivery point and credit the Primary Watermain Reserve Fund; and
  - 6) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of City Council.

**BACKGROUND**

On May 19, 1998, City Council’s Executive Committee resolved that the following conditions were to be met before further connections in the respective municipalities could be made:

- 1) to create ten-year forecasts establishing total volume and points of delivery for the respective rural municipalities;
- 2) to exchange municipal development plans for the respective rural municipalities which include water forecasts prepared by Saskatchewan Water Corporation;
- 3) to define a method of allocating cost sharing of capital costs between the City of Saskatoon and Saskatchewan Water Corporation;
- 4) Saskatchewan Water Corporation was requested to establish a Regional Water Authority; and,

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- 5) the sites receiving treated water are required to maintain a sewage system, which meets Provincial Health Standards.

### DISCUSSION

On June 23, 1999, a report was presented to City Council confirming the sale of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Street waterline, previously used to serve the Duvall Potash site in the early 1960's, to Saskatchewan Water Corporation. A sale agreement was signed, however, recommendations to prepare the related Master Water Supply Agreement amendments and bill for the related capital levies for the connection were not made at this time.

The existing Master Water Supply Agreement with Saskatchewan Water Corporation has been in place since October, 1983. Amendments to the contract volumes, points of service, and connection restrictions, have been made over the past number of years with the latest change being the addition of the Taylor Street and Slimmon Road service point in the fall of 2002. Amendments to the agreement that impact actual contract volumes have capital implications. The associated capital costs are calculated using Policy C03-013, "Water Supply – Capital Contribution – Outside Users" as referenced in Policy C09-018, "Potable Waterline Connections". The Saskatchewan Water Corporation requires approval of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Street service point connection to serve the surrounding development needs.

Policy C03-013, "Water Supply – Capital Contributions – Outside Users" sets out the financial requirements for the Capital Contribution Levy for the 33<sup>rd</sup> Street connection as follows:

- Maximum daily flow rate of 132 IGPM for the 33<sup>rd</sup> Street delivery point;
- An average household peak of 4 IGPM;
- Therefore, this connection is equivalent to 33 average households, or 1650 ft (502.92 metres) of frontage at 50 feet per lot; and
- Levy payable = 502.92 metres x \$57.75 per metre = \$29,043.63.

The 33<sup>rd</sup> Street connection is in accordance with City policies and procedures governing Saskatchewan Water Corporation connections. The impact on the City's water supply is insignificant and no internal upgrades are necessary to ensure continued water supply to the City's customers.

In March of 2002, the R.M. of Corman Park, in cooperation with the Saskatchewan Water Corporation, was considered to have met all of the conditions as defined at the May 19, 1998 Executive Committee meeting of Council and, therefore, all restrictions on connections within the R.M. of Corman Park boundaries had been removed. This allowed any site, regardless of whether it existed on December 2, 1996, to be supplied treated water, provided they continued to maintain a sewage disposal system that met the guidelines of the Saskatoon District Health Board.

At this time, the Saskatchewan Water Corporation is requesting that the December 2, 1996 restriction, previously removed from the R.M. of Corman Park, be removed from the remaining

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R.M.'s of Dundurn, Blucher, Vanscoy, Aberdeen, Rosthern and Great Bend, as defined in Article V, Section 6b) of the Master Water Supply Agreement. The Saskatchewan Water Corporation's connection approvals will continue to be subject to the requirement to have and maintain a sewage disposal system that complies with, and is approved by the Saskatoon District Health Board.

### **JUSTIFICATION**

The City of Saskatoon Administration is satisfied that the majority of the conditions as set out in May, 1998 by the Executive Committee of Council have been met and is recommending that the development date of December 2, 1996 be lifted from the R.M.'s of Dundurn, Blucher, Vanscoy, Aberdeen, Rosthern and Great Bend, as defined in Article V, Section 6b) of the Master Water Supply Agreement. Planning Documents for the Rm's of Aberdeen, Rosthern, Vanscoy Dundurn & Great Bend have yet to be received and, therefore, it is Administration's recommendation that no changes be made to the Master Water Supply Agreement "contract volumes" until such time as these documents have been received. Based on the Saskatchewan Water Corporation's "Saskatoon Area Water Development Plan", the City can deliver an adequate supply of treated water to the service areas as defined within the Master Water Supply Agreement.

Treated water will only be supplied to those sites which have approved sewage disposal sites. An inspection/approval form has been developed in cooperation with Saskatoon District Health, Saskatchewan Water Corporation, and the City of Saskatoon, which must be completed prior to any service connections being made. Saskatchewan Water Corporation maintains a database of all service connections made to their distribution lines.

### **OPTIONS**

That the December 2, 1996 date restriction for service connections in the R.M's of Dundurn, Blucher, Vanscoy, Aberdeen, Rosthern and Great Bend remain in affect.

### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Policy Number C09-018 "Potable Water Line Connections", as per Recommendation No. 3, will require amendments to reflect the removal of the December 2, 1996 date restriction for service connections in the R.M's of Dundurn, Blucher, Vanscoy, Aberdeen, Rosthern and Great Bend, as defined in Article V, Section 6b) of the Master Water Supply Agreement.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The most obvious impact, albeit small, will be increased water utility revenues. The less obvious impact will lie in the economics of satellite community development.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Executive Committee Report, May 19, 1998, Rural Water Connection
2. Sewage Disposal Assessment Form
3. Saskatoon Area Water Development Plan
4. Letter from Saskatchewan Water Corporation – Master Supply Agreement

*IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that the Saskatchewan Water Corporation connection at the 33<sup>rd</sup> Street delivery point be approved;*

*2) that the Master Water Supply Agreement with Saskatchewan Water Corporation be amended as it applies to the 33<sup>rd</sup> Street Delivery Point, to provide a maximum daily rate of flow of 132 IGPM;*

*3) that Policy C09-018, “Potable Waterline Connections”, be amended to allow the Saskatchewan Water Corporation to provide treated water to all building sites within the corporate limits of the municipalities as defined in Article V, Section 6b) of the Master Water Supply Agreement, where those sites maintain a sewage disposal system approved by the Saskatoon District Health Board, regardless of whether the building existed on December 2, 1996;*

*4) that the City Solicitor be instructed to amend the Master Water Supply Agreement with Saskatchewan Water Corporation;*

*5) that the City Treasurer bill Saskatchewan Water Corporation for the capital levy of \$26,428.77 related to the requested service volume of 132 IGPM at the 33<sup>rd</sup> Street Delivery point and credit the Primary Watermain Reserve Fund; and*

*6) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of City Council.*

**SECTION F – CITY MANAGER**

**F1) Proposed Plan of Subdivision, South Downtown  
Dedication of 2nd Avenue Right-of-Way  
Princeton Developments Ltd.  
(File No. CC 4130-2)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that in the event City Council approves the South Downtown Concept Plan 2004:

- 1) the proposed terms and conditions upon which Princeton Developments Ltd. has agreed to dedicate the required road right-of-way, as described herein, be approved; and,
- 2) the Administration be instructed to do all such things as are necessary so as to effect the within described dedication of road right-of-way.

*ADOPTED.*

The land exchange between Princeton Developments Ltd. and the City of Saskatoon that had the City exchanging Block 146 for land in the north industrial area also had Princeton Developments Ltd. acquiring title to Parcel BB, Registered Plan 00SA34182 located adjacent to the Clinkskill Manor immediately south of 19<sup>th</sup> Street from the City (Attachment 1).

The Proposed Plan of Subdivision for the South Downtown (Attachment 2) requires the dedication by Princeton Developments Ltd. of 3,189.69 square metres (.8 acres) of Parcel BB as road right-of-way (Attachment 3).

Your Administration has met with Princeton and negotiated the dedication of the required right-of-way free of charge upon certain conditions:

- (a) the City will assume responsibility for all survey and registration costs;

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- (b) the City will be responsible for all streetscaping and related improvements on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue south of 19<sup>th</sup> Street (Princeton will still be responsible for direct and off-site servicing costs);
- (c) the City will install a service connection to Princeton's proposed new Parcel W;
- (d) the City will remove the currently existing roadway and sidewalk from Princeton's proposed new Parcel W;
- (e) the City will install any necessary curb cuts to proposed new Parcel W; and,
- (f) the electrical easement on the west side of new Parcel W will be reduced in width from 6 metres to 4.5 metres.

Your Administration recommends that in the event City Council approves the South Downtown Concept Plan 2004, the above-noted arrangement with Princeton Developments Ltd. be approved so as to allow the Proposed Plan of Subdivision to proceed.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Existing registered plan.
- 2. Proposed Plan of Subdivision for South Downtown.
- 3. Plan showing dedicated right-of-way.

**F2) Boat Launch  
(File No. CC 4130-2-13)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council instruct the Administration to proceed with the necessary studies and approvals to relocate the boat launch permanently to the east end of Victoria Park for the 2005 boating season; and,
  - 2) that the Administration retain Crosby Hanna and Associates to continue their work on the boat launch.

*ADOPTED.*



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City Council instructed the Administration to proceed with the development of a temporary boat launch as soon as possible. After discussions with the interested parties, the following resolution was adopted:

“that the Kiwanis Lower Terrace be used as a temporary boat launch for the period of one year, renewable annually for a maximum of three years, and that the A. L. Cole site be targeted for a permanent launch site.”

A major concern was that after a period of time, this temporary boat launch would, by precedent, become the permanent boat launch unless steps were taken immediately to develop a new site. A previous study in 1991 has shown Kiwanis to be over-programmed. Regardless, a boat launch would be in conflict with many of the existing uses such as the children’s festivals and musical events. Therefore, all parties agreed that it would be in everyone’s best interest to proceed as soon as possible on the development of a new permanent boat launch for 2005.

In reviewing the various sites, both your Administration and Mr. Gwyn Symmons of CitySpaces Consulting Ltd. have concluded that a site at the east end of Victoria Park, by the Avenue C Substation, is probably the best site to study.

Therefore, your Administration is recommending that the Kiwanis site be used for one year, and that we proceed now to establish a permanent boat launch for 2005.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 12-2004**

**Section B – OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR**

**B1) The Public Notice Policy Amendment Bylaw, 2004  
(File No. CK. 255-2-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8328.

*ADOPTED.*

When *The Cities Act* was implemented on January 1, 2003, Council was required to pass a Public Notice Policy. At that time only the closing of a median opening was included as a matter for which public notice was required under the Policy. However, given the potential impact a median opening can have on a community we felt the Public Notice Policy should be amended to require

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public notice when creating a median opening, as well. Bylaw No. 8328 implements this change to the Public Notice Policy.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8328.

**B2) The Animal Control Amendment Bylaw, 2004 and  
The Dangerous Animals Amendment Bylaw, 2004  
(File No. CK. 151-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Council consider Bylaw No. 8326 and Bylaw No. 8327.

*ADOPTED.*

These Bylaws contain certain amendments that became necessary as a result of Council's decision to change service providers with respect to enforcement of The Animal Control Bylaw and The Dangerous Animals Bylaw. The amendments are largely housekeeping in nature, and are designed to amend the Bylaws to remove references to the SPCA as it relates to the enforcement of the Bylaws.

The Animal Control Amendment Bylaw also provides for:

- a) a new 90 day holding period during which no animal may be euthanised except in cases where a veterinary surgeon approves it or if the Poundkeeper finds that an animal is not suitable for adoption;
- b) an updated Schedule No. 2 of off-leash areas to reflect the new land titles system and the recent purchase of property east of the City; and
- c) a slightly reorganized Schedule No. 7.

Attached hereto, please find Bylaw No. 8326 and Bylaw No. 8327 to be considered by Council.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8326; and
2. Proposed Bylaw No. 8327.”

*Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

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

*CARRIED.*

**PRESENTATION**

Mr. Cal Sexsmith, Municipal Engineering Branch, provided information on the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering and the designation of historic sites that the Society has made in the past. Mr. Jim Kells, Chair, CSCE Saskatoon 2004, provided a brief presentation of the Historic Site Commemorative Plaque on the South Saskatchewan River Weir, that was dedicated as part of the activities associated with the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference of the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering (CSCE).

**HEARINGS**

- 4a) Proposed Discretionary Use Application – Residential Care Home Type II  
Lot 1, Block 443, Plan 101817604  
603 Rutherford Way – Sutherland Neighbourhood  
Applicant: 50015 Saskatchewan Ltd.  
(File No. CK. 4355-1)**
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**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider the above-noted discretionary use application.

The City Planner has advised that the necessary notification poster has been placed on the site and letters have been sent to adjacent land owners within 60 metres of the site.

Attached is a report from the General Manager, Community Services Department, dated May 17, 2004, recommending that the application submitted by 50015 Saskatchewan Ltd.

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requesting permission to use Lot 1, Block 443, Plan 101817604 (603 Rutherford Way) for the purpose of a Residential Care Home-Type II, be approved, subject to the applicant obtaining a development permit and all other relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses prior to the use of this site for the purpose of a Residential Care Home-Type II.

Also attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated June 4, 2004, advising that the Commission supports the above-noted recommendations.

Also attached is a copy of a letter requesting permission to address council dated June 15, 2004, from Vio Hrapchak.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Tim Steuart, Community Services Department, indicated the Department’s support of the proposed Discretionary Use Application.*

*Mr. Jack Billinton, Vice Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, indicated the Commission’s support of the proposed Discretionary Use Application.*

*Mr. Robert Fulford, proponent, spoke about specifically choosing a location on a corner lot with only one property bordering the location and available onsite parking.*

*Mr. Kevin Boychuk, resident of Sutherland, spoke on the issue of density levels and potential traffic and parking concerns.*

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Wyant*

*THAT the submitted correspondence be received.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the application be approved subject to the applicant obtaining a development permit and all other relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses prior to the use of this site for the purpose of a Residential Care Home-Type II.*

*CARRIED.*

- 4b) Proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment  
Proposed Rezoning IL1 to IL1 by Agreement  
Lot 3A, Block 2, Plan 81S26948, Lot 4, Block 2, Plan 79S17444  
122/126 Cardinal Crescent – Airport Business Area  
Applicant: Murlee Holdings Ltd.  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8321  
(File No. CK. 4351-1)**
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**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8321, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department, dated May 10, 2004, recommending that the proposed amendment to the Zoning Bylaw be approved. Also attached is a report dated May 25, 2004, of the Municipal Planning Commission, indicating the Commission’s support of the recommendation.

Also attached is a copy of the notice that appeared in the local press under dates of May 22 and 29, 2004.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Tim Steuart, Community Services Department, indicated the Department’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

*Mr. Jack Billinton, Vice Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, indicated the Commission’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

*Mr. Terry Boucher, spoke in support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

*Mr. Rod Fortune, Leon’s Furniture, gave a brief background on the development planned for 122/126 Cardinal Crescent.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the submitted correspondence be received.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8321.*

*CARRIED.*

### **COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL**

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

**A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL**

**1) Allen Hall, dated May 20**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the special needs transportation service.  
(File No. CK. 7305-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Allen Hall be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Allen Hall be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

*Mr. Allen Hall spoke with respect to the special needs transportation service and thanked the Administration for providing service for evening events held in the City.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

2) **Marianne Hladun, dated June 6**  
**PSAC Prairie Region Council**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to safety at the John G. Diefenbaker Airport. (File No. CK. 2500-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Marianne Hladun be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Marianne Hladun be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

*Ms. Marianne Hladun, PSAC Prairie Region Council, spoke with respect to the termination of the contract of 10 firefighters at the John G. Diefenbaker Airport. She addressed concerns with respect to safety at the John G. Diefenbaker Airport.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

3) **Ellen Quigley, dated May 26**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to bike paths in the City. (File No. CK. 6000-5)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Ellen Quigley be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

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*THAT Ellen Quigley be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

*Ms. Ellen Quigley and Mr. Garrett Richards outlined the importance of bicycle paths in the City and asked when the Comprehensive Bicycle Plan will be implemented.*

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the matter be referred to the Planning and Operations Committee for further review of the recommendations within the Comprehensive Bicycle Plan.*

*CARRIED.*

**4) Dr. Bill Brooks, Executive Director  
Science West Inc., dated June 14**

Requesting permission to address Council along with Mr. Charles Stolte, Manager, Transit Services Branch, to present to the City, a Corporate Innovation Award from the Canadian Urban Transit Association for its involvement in the "Getting Around: A Driving Force for Change" Educational Program. (File No. CK. 205-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Dr. Bill Brooks be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Dr. Bill Brooks be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

*Dr. Bill Brooks, Executive Director, Science West Inc., thanked City Council for the City's contribution to the "Getting Around: A Driving Force for Change" Educational Program and provided Council with a powerpoint presentation outlining the web site for the program. He also presented Mr. Charles Stolte, Transit Branch Manager, with a Sponsorship Certificate for the City's participation in the program.*

*Pursuant to earlier resolution, Clause E5, Administrative Report No. 12-2004 was brought forward and considered.*



*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**5) Gillian Thiessen, B. Comm.  
The da Vinci Project, dated June 16**

Requesting permission to address Council to bring awareness to the da Vinci Project Space Launch from Saskatchewan project and its associated economic potential for the City. (File No. CK. 205-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Gillian Thiessen be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Gillian Thiessen be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

*Ms. Gillian Thiessen and Mr. Corey Bailey, Go Business, Media Relations, Public Relations and Corporate Sponsorship agent for the da Vinci Project in Saskatchewan, provided Council with information on the space launch project and its associated economic potential for the City.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**MATTERS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST**

**7a) South Downtown**

**DCD1 Guidelines  
(File No. CC. 4130-2)**

The following is a report of the City Manager, dated June 16, 2004:

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the information be received;
  - 2) that the DCD1 Guidelines, adopted by City Council on June 7, 2004, be amended as follows:
    - a) that a 5 metre setback, above 8 storeys, along Spadina Crescent where 20 storeys is permitted, be provided;
    - b) that the density be reduced from FSR 5:1 to FSR 4:1 on the hotel/housing and cultural blocks, and the Princeton block;
    - c) that the density be reduced from FSR 5:1 to FSR 3:1 on the blocks designated 14 storeys adjacent to and including the AT&T Building in Southeast Riversdale; and,
    - d) that all landmarks be exempt from any height restrictions.
  - 3) that City Council approve the advertising required to amend the City of Saskatoon Development Plan to implement the above changes to the DCD1 guidelines;
  - 4) that the General Manager of the Community Services Department be requested to prepare the required notices for advertising the proposed amendments;
  - 5) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the required bylaw; and,
  - 6) that, at the time of the public hearing, City Council receive the comments and recommendations of the Municipal Planning Commission.

At the City Council meeting of June 7, 2004, City Council adopted modified DCD1 guidelines for the Gathercole and A. L. Cole sites. In that report, it was indicated that Mr. Gwyn Symmons of CitySpaces Consulting Ltd. would be providing his comments on these guidelines at the City Council meeting of June 21, 2004.

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Mr. Symmons is recommending the following amendments to the DCD1 guidelines, based on his preparation of the final concept plan:

“1) Building Setbacks

We recommend a 5 metre setback above 8 storeys along Spadina Crescent where 20 storeys is permitted. This is additional to the 5 metre setback above 4 storeys already in the DCD1 guidelines.

We believe this will alleviate some of the concerns expressed regarding the 20 stories on this site on the riverfront.

2) Density (a)

We recommend reducing the density from 5:1 to 4:1 on the hotel/housing and cultural blocks, and the Princeton block. The development potential (416,000 square feet) on the hotel/housing block remains adequate in our judgment to be economical and this creates the opportunity for a mix of uses. If the site is developed to its full density, this reduction however creates the opportunity for more flexibility.

3) Density (b)

We recommend reducing the density on the blocks designated 14 storeys adjacent to and including the AT&T Building in Southeast Riversdale from 5:1 to 3:1. This becomes a transition between the higher density on the east side of the bridge and the 2:1 in the balance of Southeast Riversdale. Some concern was expressed at the core neighbourhood meeting regarding the transition in height and density. We believe that a building of 14 storeys remains appropriate here, since this site's location, adjacent to the bridge, is a challenge. Height will help make this site more economically viable, but the reduction in density will open up the site to the neighbourhood.

4) Landmark Height

We have identified the potential for a landmark adjacent to the theatre building. A landmark, when developed, may exceed the 8 storeys permitted on this block.”

Should City Council wish to proceed with any of the above amendments, your Administration can advertise the specific bylaw changes and have the revisions before City Council for a public hearing at the July 19, 2004, meeting.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**7b) South Downtown Concept Plan  
(File No. CC. 4130-2)**

The following is a report of the City Manager, dated June 16, 2004:

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the information be received;
  - 2) that City Council approve the concept plan; and,
  - 3) that the Administration proceed to obtain the necessary Meewasin Valley Authority approvals.

Enclosed for City Council's information are two reports from Mr. Gwyn Symmons of CitySpaces Consulting Ltd. The first report summarizes the public input received from the two open houses, various questions received, input from the website and various meetings held. The overall acceptance rate of the draft concept plan exceeded 80%, with many valid suggestions being made.

From this information Mr. Symmons has prepared his recommendations for the final concept plan, which is attached.

Mr. Symmons will be in attendance on Monday, June 21, 2004 to present both reports to City Council.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. South Downtown Concept Plan Public Input Summary, June 2004
2. South Downtown Concept Plan 2004

Also attached is a letter from Peggy Sarjeant, dated June 21, 2004, requesting permission to address Council.

*Mr. Gwyn Symmons, CitySpaces Consulting Ltd., gave a powerpoint presentation summarizing the South Downtown Concept Plan and suggesting amendments to the DCDI Guidelines.*

*Ms. Peggy Sarjeant, Saskatoon Historical Society, spoke on the historical importance of the riverfront area. She outlined five of the historical elements and asked that Council include them in any further documents so that developers are made aware of them and are encouraged to incorporate them into their proposals. She provided Council with a copy of her presentation.*

DCD1 Guidelines

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,*

- 1) *that the information be received;*

*CARRIED.*

- 2) *that the DCD1 Guidelines, adopted by City Council on June 7, 2004, be amended as follows:*

- a) *that a 5 metre setback, above 8 storeys, along Spadina Crescent where 20 storeys is permitted, be provided;*

*CARRIED.*

- b) *that the density be reduced from FSR 5:1 to FSR 4:1 on the hotel/housing and cultural blocks, the Princeton block, and the MVA site;*

*CARRIED.*

- c) *that the density be reduced from FSR 5:1 to FSR 3:1 on the blocks designated 14 storeys adjacent to and including the AT&T Building in Southeast Riversdale; and,*

*THE MOTION WAS PUT AND LOST ON A TIE VOTE.*

- d) *that all landmarks be exempt from any height restrictions.*

*CARRIED.*

- 3) *that City Council approve the advertising required to amend the City of Saskatoon Development Plan to implement the above changes to the DCD1 guidelines;*

- 4) *that the General Manager of the Community Services Department be requested to prepare the required notices for advertising the proposed amendments;*

- 5) *that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the required bylaw; and,*

- 6) *that, at the time of the public hearing, City Council receive the comments and recommendations of the Municipal Planning Commission.*

*CARRIED.*

*South Downtown Concept Plan*

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,*

- 1) *that the information be received;*
- 2) *that City Council approve the concept plan; and,*
- 3) *that the Administration proceed to obtain the necessary Meewasin Valley Authority approvals.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,*

*THAT Clause B2, Administrative Report No. 12-2004, be brought forward and considered.*

*CARRIED.*

**“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 12-2004**

**B2) 2005 Property Value Reassessment  
(File No. 1615-5)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

**REPORT**

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**Property Revaluation**

Provincial statute in Saskatchewan requires that all properties be reassessed every four years. This four-year cycle of province-wide reassessment began in 1997. A second reassessment was carried out in 2001, and 2005 is the next revaluation year. The core change occurring for 2005 is that properties are being updated from fair values as at June 30, 1998 (which have been in place since 2001) to fair values as at June 30, 2002 (which will be used beginning in 2005).

On a citywide basis, aggregate property values have increased approximately 15%. However, the increases vary by property class. City Council's direction in past reassessments was to begin each reassessment on a 'revenue-neutral' basis at the property class level. In other words, the increase in fair value at the property class level was to be offset by a corresponding reduction in the effective tax rate for that property class. The table below indicates the change in property value by property class and the offsetting change to effective tax rates.

<b>Property Class</b>	<b>2004 Fair Value</b>	<b>2005 Fair Value</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>2004 Tax Rate</b>	<b>2005 Tax Rate</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Residential	5,917,646,500	6,686,940,545	+13%	2.048%	1.812%	-13%
Condominium	841,533,849	925,687,234	+10%	2.048%	1.812%	-13%
Multi-unit Res.	592,408,446	675,345,628	+14%	3.089%	2.710%	-14%
Commercial	1,621,630,616	1,994,605,658	+23%	4.382%	3.563%	-23%
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,973,219,411</b>	<b>10,282,579,065</b>	<b>+15%</b>			

With these changes in place, shifting of taxes will not occur between property classes, and the total revenue required from each property class (assuming the same total revenue requirement for all taxing authorities) is the same as we begin the 2005 process as when we ended the 2004 process.

There will still be tax shifting, however, within each property class. Within the residential property class, for example, values increased by 13% overall. In response, the tax rate for residential properties was decreased 13%. But within this property class, some properties increased in value by more than 13%; others by less. If, for example, a property increased in value by 15%, but the tax rate only decreased by 13%, the result is a shift in taxes to that property. On the other hand, a property that increased in value by 10% will see a tax reduction because the tax rate decreased by 13%. The Administration has completed its initial analysis of this shifting by ward and by neighbourhood. A summary of the preliminary results will be offered during the Council meeting.

The Administration also notes a caution with respect to these values. It is still quite early in the cycle, and our Assessors are continuing to review and refine estimates.

**Tax Policy Issues**

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As noted earlier in the report, City Council's direction has been that during reassessments, taxes will not be shifted between property classes – only within each property class. However, that does not mean that Council will not shift taxes between classes on a planned basis. In 2001, City Council directed that:

- ❑ Multi-unit residential property will be taxed at the residential rate,
- ❑ Commercial property will be taxed at 1.75 times the residential rate,
- ❑ The shifts will be implemented over 10 years, beginning in 2001, and
- ❑ This matter be brought forward for review at the time of the next reassessment.

The table below indicates the ratio of tax levies by property class when the shift was implemented, the target at the end of the shift, progress at the end of four years, and the impact of natural shifting based on 2005 property values.

<b>Property Class</b>	<b>2001 Ratios</b>	<b>Target Ratios</b>	<b>2004 Ratios</b>	<b>2005 Neutral Ratios</b>
Residential	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Condominium	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Multi-unit Res.	1.80	1.00	1.51	1.50
Commercial	2.36	1.75	2.14	1.97

As Council will note, four years of shifting plus the natural change flowing from the 2005 revaluation has made a significant impact to-date. As we move forward, the impact of the planned shift on residential and condominium properties over the next six years will be less than the past four years.

As we continue through the revaluation and prepare for the 2005 tax levy, the Administration will be presenting City Council with reports and recommendations related to a number of tax policy issues, including the phase-in of shifts within property classes from the 2005 revaluation, minimum and base taxes, and appeal contingencies for each property class.

## **COMMUNICATION PLAN**

The Administration has planned a number of communication initiatives for the 2005 reassessment, including the following:

- ✓ Preview letters, indicating 2004 and 2005 fair values, will be sent to each property owner over the next couple of months. In addition to assessed values, this communication will include an overview of reassessment, and will provide property owners with some tax information to help them assess the impact of the assessment changes. One of the purposes of the preview letters to property owners is to allow an opportunity for all parties to review, discuss, and change, where necessary, these preliminary values.
- ✓ A new website application will be available to the public by the end of the month. The website will allow property owners to view many of the attributes of their property, and to view sales information on comparable properties. These two pieces of information are key factors used to determine property values.



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- ✓ Staff from the Assessor's Office plans to meet with various stakeholder groups over the next few months to explain the results of the reassessment. In addition, our staff will speak to any other groups that express an interest in a presentation.

In October, once the Assessor has finalized the preliminary assessment roll for 2005, formal assessment notices will be mailed to all property owners. In addition to 2005 values, these notices will inform property owners of the appeal options available to them if they believe their fair values are incorrect.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

*Mr. Gord Lawson, City Assessor, gave a powerpoint presentation on the 2005 Property Value Reassessment. He provided Council with a copy of his presentation.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**REPORT NO. 7-2004 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Composition of Committee

Councillor G. Penner, Chair  
Councillor B. Dubois  
Councillor M. Heidt  
Councillor T. Paulsen  
Councillor G. Wyant

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**1. Employment Equity Program Annual Monitoring Report  
(File No. CK. 4500-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department, dated May 19, 2004, forwarding the Employment Equity Program Annual Monitoring Report 2002/2003.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with Mr. Gilles Dorval, Employment Equity Consultant, and wishes to express appreciation for the efforts undertaken towards increasing opportunities for employment equity in the corporation.

The Monitoring Report has been provided with limited distribution, and a copy will be available for viewing in the City Clerk's Office.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the information be received*

*CARRIED.*

**2. Communications to Council**  
**From: Chayle Ross**  
**Date: January 9, 2004**  
**Subject: Quint Affordable Housing Program**  
**(File No. CK. 750-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

City Council heard a presentation from Ms. Chayle Ross with respect to problems she has experienced with the home she purchased through Quint Development, at its meeting held on January 19, 2004, and passed a motion that the matter be referred to the Administration to obtain information from Quint Development with respect to the allegations and report back to the Administration and Finance Committee.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Department, dated May 31, 2004, in response to Council's referral.

Your Committee has reviewed this matter, however, there was no response from Ms. Ross to the invitation to meet with the Committee. Attempts to contact Ms. Ross have been unsuccessful. Your Committee therefore provides this report to City Council as information.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**3. 2004 Assistance to Community Groups Cash Grants Program  
Social Services Component  
(File No. CK. 1871-3-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that grants under the Social Services Component of the 2004 Assistance to Community Groups Cash Grants Program, totalling \$410,000, be approved as outlined on Attachment No. 1 under “2004 Recommend” column.

Attached is a copy of the report of the Social Services Subcommittee dated May 18, 2004, forwarding recommendations for grants under the 2004 Assistance to Community Groups Cash Grants Program – Social Services Component.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration and supports the recommendations provided. Your Committee heard an appeal from Tamara’s House and has forwarded this appeal back to the Social Services Subcommittee for consideration of funding under the Contingency Component, as the Committee did not wish to change any of the current recommendations for funding.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT grants under the Social Services Component of the 2004 Assistance to Community Groups Cash Grants Program, totalling \$410,000, be approved as outlined on Attachment No. 1 under “2004 Recommend” column.*

*CARRIED.*

**4. 2004 Assistance to Community Groups – Cash Grants Program  
Environment Component  
(File No. Ck. 1870-2-8)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that grants totalling \$5,000 be approved under the Environment Component of the 2004 Assistance to Community Groups Cash Grants Program, as outlined under the “Recommend 2004” column of the Summary of Applications.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department dated May 15, 2004 forwarding recommendations for allocation of grants under the Environment Component of the 2004 Assistance to Community Groups – Cash Grants Program. Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration and supports the recommendations.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT grants totalling \$5,000 be approved under the Environment Component of the 2004 Assistance to Community Groups Cash Grants Program, as outlined under the “Recommend 2004” column of the Summary of Applications.*

*CARRIED.*

**5. Advisory Committee on Animal Control Membership  
(File No. CK. 151-15)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Saskatoon S.P.C.A. retain one voting member on the Advisory Committee on Animal Control who is a Board member of the Saskatoon S.P.C.A. to represent their humane society activities;
  - 2) that the Executive Director of the Saskatoon S.P.C.A. no longer be a voting member of the Advisory Committee on Animal Control but attend meetings to advise the Committee as a representative of the pound services agency;
  - 3) that the President of the Saskatoon Animal Control Agency attend meetings of the Advisory Committee on Animal Control to advise the Committee as a representative of the animal control enforcement agency;
  - 4) that the Saskatoon Police Service attend meetings of the Advisory Committee on Animal Control but no longer be a voting member;

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- 5) that the membership of the Advisory Committee on Animal Control include two additional representatives from the general public; and
- 6) that the matter of selection of candidates for the two public appointments be referred to the Executive Committee for consideration.

Attached is a copy of the report of the Chair, Advisory Committee on Animal Control dated June 3, 2004 forwarding recommendations for changes in membership status on the Advisory Committee on Animal Control. Your Committee has reviewed this report and supports the proposed changes, noting that the two public appointments will replace the one S.P.C.A. representative and the Saskatoon Police Service representative as voting members.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

- 1) *that the Saskatoon S.P.C.A. retain one voting member on the Advisory Committee on Animal Control who is a Board member of the Saskatoon S.P.C.A. to represent their humane society activities;*
- 2) *that the Executive Director of the Saskatoon S.P.C.A. no longer be a voting member of the Advisory Committee on Animal Control but attend meetings to advise the Committee as a representative of the pound services agency;*
- 3) *that the President of the Saskatoon Animal Control Agency attend meetings of the Advisory Committee on Animal Control to advise the Committee as a representative of the animal control enforcement agency;*
- 4) *that the Saskatoon Police Service attend meetings of the Advisory Committee on Animal Control but no longer be a voting member;*
- 5) *that the membership of the Advisory Committee on Animal Control include two additional representatives from the general public; and*
- 6) *that the matter of selection of candidates for the two public appointments be referred to the Executive Committee for consideration.*

*CARRIED.*

**6. Business License Program – Business Profile – 2003 Annual Report  
(File No. CK. 430-32)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

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Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 17, 2004, forwarding the Business Profile – 2003 Annual Report of the Business License Program.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration and wishes to express appreciation to them for producing a very informative Report. The Committee was advised that a summary version of the Annual Report has been provided to all business in Saskatoon.

The Annual Report has been provided with limited distribution, and a copy will be available for viewing in the City Clerk's Office.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**7. Audited Financial Statement to December 31, 2003  
The Partnership  
(File No. CK. 1711-13)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

According to the Bylaw establishing the Downtown Business Improvement District, the Board is required to submit to City Council annually, its audited Financial Statements for the preceding year.

Attached is a copy of a letter dated March 22, 2004 from Mr. Terry Scaddan, Executive Director, The Partnership, forwarding their Financial Statements for the year ending December 31, 2003.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**8. Board of Revision – Appeals Fees  
(File No. CK. 1720-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that, effective with the 2005 Assessment cycle, Schedule “A” of Bylaw No. 7595, being the Board of Revision Appeal Fees Bylaw, be amended by:

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- i) deleting the \$500 flat fee for condominium, multi-unit residential and commercial properties;
- ii) changing the condominium assessment appeal fee to \$30/unit, similar to residential properties; and
- iii) changing the assessment appeal fees for multi-unit residential property and commercial property as follows:

<b>Total Fair Value Assessment</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Less than \$500,000	\$150
\$500,000 to \$1,000,000	\$500
Greater than \$1,000,000	\$750;

- 2) that Section 4(1) of Bylaw No. 7595, dealing with the establishment of fees, be amended by deleting the reference to Section 251 and Section 251(6) of *The Urban Municipality Act, 1984*, and substituting Section 196 and 198(1)(a) of *The Cities Act*; and
- 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary bylaw amendments for consideration by City Council.

Attached is a copy of the report of the Secretary, Board of Revision dated June 7, 2004 providing recommendations to change the appeal fees for several categories of assessment appeals.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration and supports the proposed changes.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*1) that, effective with the 2005 Assessment cycle, Schedule "A" of Bylaw No. 7595, being the Board of Revision Appeal Fees Bylaw, be amended by:*

- i) deleting the \$500 flat fee for condominium, multi-unit residential and commercial properties;*
- ii) changing the condominium assessment appeal fee to \$30/unit, similar to residential properties; and*
- iii) changing the assessment appeal fees for multi-unit residential property and commercial property as follows:*

<b>Total Fair Value Assessment</b>	<b>Fee</b>
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<i>Less than \$500,000</i>	<i>\$150</i>
<i>\$500,000 to \$1,000,000</i>	<i>\$500</i>
<i>Greater than \$1,000,000</i>	<i>\$750;</i>

- 2) *that Section 4(1) of Bylaw No. 7595, dealing with the establishment of fees, be amended by deleting the reference to Section 251 and Section 251(6) of The Urban Municipality Act, 1984, and substituting Section 196 and 198(1)(a) of The Cities Act; and*
- 3) *that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary bylaw amendments for consideration by City Council.*

*CARRIED.*

**REPORT NO. 10-2004 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Composition of Committee

His Worship Mayor D. Atchison, Chair

Councillor T. Alm

Councillor D.L. Birkmaier

Councillor B. Dubois

Councillor O. Fortosky

Councillor M. Heidt

Councillor E. Hnatyshyn

Councillor M. Neault

Councillor T. Paulsen

Councillor G. Penner

Councillor G. Wyant



**1. Property Taxation**  
**Saskatoon Airport Authority**  
**(File No. CK. 1965-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Province be requested to exempt the Saskatoon Airport Authority from ad valorem property taxation and to establish a formula for payment of a grant-in-lieu; and
  - 2) that the Administration work with the Saskatoon Airport Authority regarding the establishment of a formula for a grant-in-lieu, including a mechanism for the commercial businesses at the Airport to pay full and equal taxes, and report back to Council at the appropriate time.

Your committee has met with representatives of the Saskatoon Airport Authority to discuss their concerns regarding property taxation for airports, in order to deal with the issue of periodic capital improvements, and tax stability from year to year.

Attached is a report of the General Manger, Corporate Services Department, dated April 14, 2004, regarding the matter.

*Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

- 1) *that the Province be requested to exempt the Saskatoon Airport Authority from ad valorem property taxation and to establish a formula for payment of a grant-in-lieu; and*
- 2) *that the Administration work with the Saskatoon Airport Authority regarding the establishment of a formula for a grant-in-lieu, including a mechanism for the commercial businesses at the Airport to pay full and equal taxes, and report back to Council at the appropriate time.*

*CARRIED.*

**2. Employment Contract**  
**City Manager**  
**(File No. CK. 4510-2)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

The City Manager's current contract expires in six months' time, on December 20, 2004. Because the contract is a public document, questions have been raised both internally and by the public as to what Council's intentions are.

This is simply to advise that Council is in the process of negotiating a new contract with the City Manager. When a contract is finalized, it will be brought to Council for approval.

*Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**3. Committee on Economic Growth  
(File No. CK. 225-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the Committee on Economic Growth be disbanded.

The Committee on Economic Growth was established several years ago at the same time as the Social Policy Development Round Table, which has now been disbanded. The Committee is comprised of 26 members and has not met since February 2003.

Your Committee is of the opinion that this committee should be disbanded. Council will continue to work towards economic growth with bodies such as SREDA, The Chamber, and the North Saskatoon Business Association.

*Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the Committee on Economic Growth be disbanded.*

*CARRIED.*

**4. Application – Business Development Incentive  
Delco Automation  
(File No. CK. 1965-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that the application from Delco Automation be approved for a 5-year tax abatement on the expanded portion of 3735 Thatcher Avenue; and
- 2) that the tax abatement be applied to the incremental taxes on a sliding scale of 100% in year 1, 80% in year 2, 70% in year 3, 60% in year 4, 50% in year 5 if Delco Automation

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is the legal owner of the property, and 50% in year 1, 40% in year 2, 30% in year 3, 20% in year 4, and 10% in year 5 if the company leases the property.

Attached is an application received by Delco Automation for a tax abatement for their planned expansion.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports this application.

*Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

- 1) *that the application from Delco Automation be approved for a 5-year tax abatement on the expanded portion of 3735 Thatcher Avenue; and*
- 2) *that the tax abatement be applied to the incremental taxes on a sliding scale of 100% in year 1, 80% in year 2, 70% in year 3, 60% in year 4, 50% in year 5 if Delco Automation is the legal owner of the property, and 50% in year 1, 40% in year 2, 30% in year 3, 20% in year 4, and 10% in year 5 if the company leases the property.*

*CARRIED.*

**5. Application – Business Development Incentive  
Bioriginal Food & Science Corp.  
(File No. CK. 1965-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the application from Bioriginal Food & Science Corp. be approved for a five-year tax abatement on the expanded portion of 103 Melville Street that will be used for their company's operations; and
  - 2) that the tax abatement be applied to the incremental taxes on a sliding scale of 50% in year 1, 40% in year 2, 30% in year 3, 20% in year 4, and 10% in year 5.

Attached is an application received by Bioriginal Food & Science Corp. for a tax abatement for their planned expansion.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports this application.

*Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

- 1) *that the application from Bioriginal Food & Science Corp. be approved for a five-year tax abatement on the expanded portion of 103 Melville Street that will be used for their company's operations; and*
- 2) *that the tax abatement be applied to the incremental taxes on a sliding scale of 50% in year 1, 40% in year 2, 30% in year 3, 20% in year 4, and 10% in year 5.*

*CARRIED.*

**6. Application – Business Development Incentive  
Hitachi Canadian Industries Ltd.  
(File No. CK. 1965-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the application from Hitachi Canadian Industries Ltd. be approved for a one-year tax abatement on the expanded portion of their facility at 835 – 59<sup>th</sup> Street East, and that the tax abatement be applied to 100% of incremental taxes in Year One.

Attached is an application received by Hitachi Canadian Industries Ltd. for a tax abatement for their planned expansion.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports this application.

*Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the application from Hitachi Canadian Industries Ltd. be approved for a one-year tax abatement on the expanded portion of their facility at 835 – 59<sup>th</sup> Street East, and that the tax abatement be applied to 100% of incremental taxes in Year One.*

*CARRIED.*

**7. Press Release  
National Forum on the Economic Growth of Big Cities in Canada  
(File No. CK. 155-2)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

Attached is a press release of the Mayors of the 22 Cities involved in the National Forum on the Economic Growth of Big Cities in Canada, on June 11, 2004.

*Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL - CONTINUED**

**AA. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL**

**1) Debbie Murphy, Office & Program Manager  
The Partnership, dated June 3, 2004**

Requesting permission to close 23<sup>rd</sup> Street from 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenues on Wednesday, August 11, 2004, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in connection with the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Exhibition Media Charity Chili Cook-Off. (File No. CK. 205-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the request be approved subject to administrative conditions.

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the request be approved subject to administrative conditions.*

*CARRIED.*

**2) Wilf Witzaney, dated June 2**

Expressing comments with respect to street naming. (File No. CK. 6310-2)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**3) Deirdre Laliberte, dated June 5**

Suggesting that a ban be placed with respect to scents on public transportation. (File No. CK. 7300-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the matter be referred to the Administration for consideration.

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the matter be referred to the Transit Steering Committee for consideration.*

*CARRIED.*

4) **Diane M. Sawatzky, dated June 6**

Expressing concerns regarding the lack of dress code at the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo. (File No. CK. 150-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

5) **Sylvia Obrigewitsch, President**  
**Gathering Place of the Saskatoon Inner City Inc., dated June 7**

Expressing appreciation for funding received through the Cash Grants Program with the City. (File No. 1871-3)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

6) **Alexandra Badzak, Head of Public and Professional Programs**  
**Mendel Art Gallery, dated June 8**

Requesting City Council to extend the hours under the Noise Bylaw for August 13, 2004, to midnight, on the grounds outside of the Mendel, to accommodate the opening reception to "Flow: A Festival of Art and Ecology" in connection with the Mendel Art Gallery's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and the Meewasin Valley Authority's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that permission be granted to the Mendel Art Gallery to extend the time during which the opening reception to “Flow: A Festival of Art and Ecology” may be conducted on the Mendel Art Gallery’s grounds on August 13, 2004, to midnight.

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT permission be granted, subject to administrative conditions, to the Mendel Art Gallery to extend the time during which the opening reception to “Flow: A Festival of Art and Ecology” may be conducted on the Mendel Art Gallery’s grounds on August 13, 2004, to midnight.*

*CARRIED.*

**7) Albert and Helen Desmarais, dated June 1**

Submitting comments with respect to City property taxes. (File No. CK. 1920-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**8) Jace Moon, June 10**

Expressing concerns with respect to proposed changes to the south freeway and the potential affect it may have on the off-leash area located at Glasgow Avenue. (File No. CK. 152-2)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**9) Kent Smith-Windsor, Executive Director  
The Chamber, June 10**

Encouraging Council to proceed with the proposed principles outlined in the document “Civic Productivity: A Continuous Improvement Model for the City of Saskatoon”, a copy of which has been provided. (File No. CK. 3500-1)

**10) Carmen Hoffman, Research Assistant  
Saskatoon and District Chamber of Commerce, dated June 14**

Providing Council with a letter that was sent from The Saskatoon and District Chamber of Commerce to SaskPower, dated June 14, 2004, with respect to productivity gains. (File No. CK. 3500-1)

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

*Moved by Councillor Alm, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

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

*CARRIED.*

**11) Jenna Phillips, dated June 3**

Expressing concerns with respect to child prostitution and gang related activities and asking what plans Council has to rectify the matters. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the matter be referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,*

*THAT the matter be referred to the Administration and the Board of Police Commissioners.*

*CARRIED.*



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**12) Jeanine Munchinsky, dated June 12**

Expressing concerns with respect to the condition of Attridge Drive and its need for repair. (File No. CK. 6315-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the matter be referred to the Administration for consideration.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner*

*THAT the matter be referred to the Administration for consideration.*

*CARRIED.*

**13) Rita Hirschhorn, dated June 13**

Requesting a skateboarding area be installed in Exhibition Park and submitting concerns with respect to the parking traffic along Saskatchewan Crescent West between Taylor Street and 8<sup>th</sup> Street. (File Nos. 5500-1 and 6000-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the matters be referred to the Administration.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT the matters be referred to the Administration.*

*CARRIED.*

**14) Jason Friesen, dated June 14**

Providing suggestions with respect to river use and tourism. (File No. CK. 150-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

15) **Joseph Kuchta, dated June 14**

Providing comments with respect to the South Downtown Concept Plan. (File No. CK. 4130-2)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

16) **Nick D. Hartle, Owner/Operator**  
**The Odeon Events Centre, dated June 13**

Requesting his letter be submitted to the Administration and Finance Committee to consider providing financial assistance to the Odeon Events Centre for programs to re-vitalize the downtown community. (File No. CK. 1870-1)

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

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the letter be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.*

*CARRIED.*

17) **Bruce Enns, Lead Pastor**  
**Forest Grove Community Church, dated June 9**

Requesting City Council to extend the hours under the Noise Bylaw for the Sunday Celebration Service to be held on September 12, 2004 from 9:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. (File No. CK. 185-9)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that permission be granted to the Forest Grove Community Church to conduct their concert from 9:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 12, 2004.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,*

*THAT permission be granted to the Forest Grove Community Church to conduct their concert from 9:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 12, 2004.*

*CARRIED.*

**18) Laura Martens, dated June 15**

Expressing concerns with respect to chemical use in yards on private property. (File CK 4200-7)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the direction of Council issue.

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the letter be received as information and joined to the outstanding Council enquiry on the matter.*

*CARRIED.*

**19) Bruce Kemp  
Bruce's Cycle Works, dated June 8**

Requesting permission to use the Silverwood Trails for the Saskatchewan Cup #5 Mountain Bike Race to be held on August 1, 2004, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and the Sutherland Beach trails as an alternate site.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the request be approved subject to administrative conditions.

*Moved by Councillor Alm, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the request be approved subject to administrative conditions.*

*CARRIED.*

20) **Glenn Bowman, Chairperson**  
**27<sup>th</sup> Annual Canadian Deaf Curling Championships, dated June 14**

Providing information with respect to a request for funding for the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Canadian Deaf Curling Championship to be held in Saskatoon from April 3 to 9, 2005. (File No. CK. 1870-1)

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

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

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

*CARRIED.*

21) **Susan Sawicki, dated June 15**

Expressing concerns with respect to procedures for paying parking tickets. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

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

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,*

*THAT the information be received and that a letter of apology be sent.*

*CARRIED.*

22) **Bob Gunn, Chair**  
**Great Northern River Roar Inc., dated June 16**

Requesting City Council to extend the hours under the Noise Bylaw for “The River Rocks” event to be held July 14 to 17, 2004, from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. in conjunction with the 2004 Great Northern Riverfest. (File No. CK. 185-9)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that permission be granted to the 2004 Great Northern River Roar Inc. to extend the hours under the Noise Bylaw for “The River Rocks” event to be held July 14 to 17, 2004, from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT permission be granted to the 2004 Great Northern River Roar Inc. to extend the hours under the Noise Bylaw for "The River Rocks" event to be held July 14 to 17, 2004, from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.*

*CARRIED.*

**23) Marlene Hedley, Social Director**  
**Silverwood Heights Community Association, dated June 14**

Requesting approval to temporarily close a portion of Silverwood Road between Silverwood Heights and Sister O'Brien Schools for the purpose of a community street dance to be held September 11, 2004, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the request be approved subject to Administrative conditions.

*Moved by Councillor Alm, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the request be approved subject to Administrative conditions.*

*CARRIED.*

**24) Mike Liefers, Coordinator**  
**North Saskatchewan Riders Inc., undated**

Providing information with respect to the North Saskatchewan Riders Inc., a not-for-profit river user organization. (File No. CK. 5520-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**25) Ryan Philipenko, dated June 16**

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Requesting City Council to extend the hours under the Noise Bylaw for a skateboard competition to be held at the Lion's outdoor skate park, on June 27, 2004, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (File No. CK. 185-9)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that permission be granted to extend the hours under the Noise Bylaw to Ryan Philipenko for a skateboard competition to be held at the Lion's outdoor skate park on June 27, 2004, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT permission be granted to extend the hours under the Noise Bylaw to Ryan Philipenko for a skateboard competition to be held at the Lion's outdoor skate park on June 27, 2004, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.*

*CARRIED.*

**26) Kellie Frey, Finance Chair  
2004 Junior Women's Canadian Fast Pitch Championships, dated June 16**

Submitting information on the 2004 Junior Women's Canadian Fast Pitch Championships to be held August 8 to 15, 2004, at Bob Van Impe Stadium and requesting sponsorship from the City for the national event. (File No. 1870-1)

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

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,*

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

*CARRIED.*

**27) Michael Nemeth, dated June 16**

Submitting comments with respect to the Preston Crossing mall and traffic flow issues in the City. (File No. CK. 4125-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

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**28) His Worship the Mayor, dated June 10**

Requesting that Council pass a resolution approving that the City of Saskatoon cover the costs of bus transportation and the rental of Credit Union Centre, in connection with the annual Remembrance Day Service for the years 2004 to 2014. (File No. CK. 205-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the City of Saskatoon cover the costs of bus transportation and the rental of Credit Union Centre in connection with the annual Remembrance Day Service for the years 2004 to 2014.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the City of Saskatoon cover the costs of bus transportation and the rental of Credit Union Centre in connection with the annual Remembrance Day Service for the years 2004 to 2014.*

*CARRIED.*

**29) Joanne Sproule, Secretary  
Saskatoon Development Appeals Board, dated June 7**

Submitting notice of Development Appeal Board hearing for property located at 3326 – 37<sup>th</sup> Street West. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

**30) Joanne Sproule, Secretary  
Saskatoon Development Appeals Board, dated June 9**

Submitting notice of Development Appeal Board hearing for property located at 1015 McKercher Drive. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

**31) Joanne Sproule, Secretary  
Saskatoon Development Appeals Board, dated June 10**

Submitting notice of Development Appeal Board hearing for property located at 2225 Melrose Avenue. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

32) **Joanne Sproule, Secretary**  
**Saskatoon Development Appeals Board, dated June 16**

Submitting notice of Development Appeal Board hearing for property located at 507 Nixon Crescent. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**B. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION**

1) **Marci Deutscher, dated June 2**

Expressing concerns with respect to the intersection at Boychuk Drive and 8<sup>th</sup> Street. (File No. CK. 6320-1) **(Referred to the Administration and Planning and Operations Committee)**

2) **E.J. (Ted) Llewellyn, June 13**

Expressing concerns with respect to the intersection at Boychuk Drive and 8<sup>th</sup> Street. (File No. CK. 6320-1) **(Referred to the Administration and Planning and Operations Committee)**

3) **Dave Dutchak, President & CEO**  
**M.D. Ambulance Care Ltd., dated June 15**

Providing information on the “Making Saskatoon Heart Safe” program and their mission to increase the number of public facilities that participate in the program. (File No. CK. 3000-1) **(Referred to the Planning and Operations Committee)**

4) **Curtis and Valerie Mooney, dated June 16**

Expressing concerns with respect to the intersection at Boychuk Drive and 8<sup>th</sup> Street. (File No. CK. 6320-1) **(Referred to the Administration and Planning and Operations Committee)**

5) **Sandra Magee, dated June 9**



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Expressing concerns with respect to the intersection at Boychuk Drive and 8<sup>th</sup> Street. (File No. CK. 6320-1) (**Referred to the Administration and Planning and Operations Committee**)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**C. PROCLAMATIONS**

**1) Cindy Paquette, Director of Government Relations  
University of Saskatchewan, dated May 19**

Submitting information on the Canadian Light Source and request on behalf of the Canadian Light Source and the University of Saskatchewan, that Council proclaim the month of October 2004 as Synchrotron Month. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**2) Martha Hollinger  
Saskatchewan Waste Reduction Council, dated June 14**

Requesting that Council proclaim October 18 to 24, 2004, as Waste Reduction Week. (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 Alm, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*1) that City Council approve all proclamations as set out in Section C; and*

*2) that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations on behalf of City Council.*

*CARRIED.*

**ENQUIRIES**

**Councillor O. Fortosky  
Utility Deposits – New Businesses  
(File No. CK. 1550-2)**

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Would the Administration please report on the method and amounts charged to new businesses in regard to deposits for new service. As a business friendly city, some are feeling that utility start-up costs are unreasonable, especially for small businesses.

**Councillor G. Penner  
Increased Train Activity in East College Park  
(File No. CK. 375-2)**

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I have reviewed reports from residents of East College Park, in the area of Western Crescent, that there is increased train activity during the evening and nighttime hours as a result of shunting.

Could I please have a report answering two questions:

- 1) has the shunting increased in the area adjacent to East College Park as a result of the build up of houses and condominiums just north of Highway 5, adjacent to the railway yards?
- 2) Is it possible to construct an earth berm adjacent to East College Park to assist in limiting the noise attenuation?

**Councillor G. Penner  
Bus-Only Lanes  
(File No. CK. 6320-1)**

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Could I have a report on the feasibility of having future roadways constructed to accommodate bus-only lanes.

**Councillor G. Wyant  
Traffic Signals on Wanuskewin Road  
(File No. CK. 6250-1)**

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Would the Administration please report on the installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Adilman Drive and Wanuskewin Road having regard to the significant traffic volumes at that intersection.

**Councillor G. Wyant  
Sound Attenuation - North Side of 51<sup>st</sup> Street  
Between Russell Road and Wanuskewin Road  
(File No. CK. 375-2)**

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Would the Administration please report on whether construction of a sound attenuation wall or similar barrier is being considered along the north side of 51<sup>st</sup> Street between Russell Road and Wanuskewin Road and if not, the timing as to when such consideration may occur.

**Councillor B. Dubois  
Request for Four-way Stop Sign - Cowley Road and Kenderdine Road  
(File No. CK. 6280-1)**

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Would the Administration please report back on the feasibility of installing permanent four-way stop signs at the intersection of Cowley Road and Kenderdine Road.

**INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS**

**Bylaw 8321**

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8321, being “The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2004 (No. 25)” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT Bylaw No. 8321 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

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Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8321.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8321 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8321 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8321 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 8326**

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Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8326, being “The Animal Control Amendment Bylaw, 2004” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT Bylaw No. 8326 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8326.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8326 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

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Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8326 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8326 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 8327**

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8327, being “The Dangerous Animals Amendment Bylaw, 2004” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT Bylaw No. 8327 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8327.

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CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8327 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8327 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8327 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 8328**

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8328, being "The Public Notice Policy Amendment Bylaw, 2004" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

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The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,

THAT Bylaw No. 8328 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8328.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8328 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8328 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.



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Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8328 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

*Moved by Councillor Neault,*

*THAT the meeting stand adjourned.*

*CARRIED.*

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

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Mayor

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City Clerk