

Council Chambers  
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.  
Monday, March 12, 2007  
at 6:00 p.m.

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

**PRESENT:** His Worship the Mayor, in the Chair;  
Councillors Clark, Dubois, Heidt, Hill, Lorje,  
Neault, and Wyant;  
City Manager Richards;  
City Solicitor Dust;  
General Manager, Corporate Services Bilanski;  
General Manager, Community Services Gauthier;  
General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Bentley;  
General Manager, Infrastructure Services Totland;  
City Clerk Mann; and  
Council Assistant Mitchener

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

*THAT the minutes of meeting of City Council held on February 26, 2007, be approved.*

*CARRIED.*

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

*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.*

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





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- Application No. 12/07: Armistice Way  
Applicant: T. Webb Surveys for Landstar Development Corporation and  
Nutana Veterans Housing Limited  
Legal Description: Parcel X, Plan 101860624 & Parcel LL, Plan 80S42925  
Current Zoning: M3  
Neighbourhood: Nutana Suburban Centre  
Date Received: February 28, 2007

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 4/07.
2. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 5/07.
3. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 6/07.
4. Plan of Proposed Discretionary Use No. 3/07
5. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 9/07.
6. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 10/07.
7. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 11/07.
8. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 12/07.

**A2) Juniper Housing Project – 402 - 410 Avenue F South  
Affordable Rental Units  
(File No: CK. 750-4 and PL. 951-36)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council approve funding of ten percent of the total contribution of the Municipal, Provincial, and Federal Government towards the construction of a new 43 unit apartment complex at 402 – 410 Avenue F South totalling \$322,400 from the Affordable Housing Reserve be approved.

*ADOPTED.*

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## **BACKGROUND**

### Project Description

On January 8, 2007, Juniper Housing Corporation received conditional approval from the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation for assistance under the Centenary Affordable Housing Program (CAHP) for a 43 unit affordable apartment complex. Juniper Housing Corporation has therefore applied to the City of Saskatoon for assistance under City of Saskatoon Policy C09-002 (Innovative Housing Incentives) for the municipal contribution.

The application calls for the construction of a new 43 unit apartment building at 402 – 410 Avenue F South in the Riversdale Neighbourhood. (See Attachment 1.) Juniper Housing Corporation will construct the 43 new units for a total investment estimated at \$4,767,742. This project will be comprised of ten assisted living units for seniors with communal kitchens, recreation area, and light housekeeping. The balance of the project will be 33 rental units for independent seniors (55 years and above) and immigrants without children.

Juniper Housing Corporation hopes to begin construction in the spring of 2007, with units being completed in Fall 2007. Juniper Housing Corporation undertook a Community Analysis Study in June 2006, to determine the demand for housing units in the Riversdale area. They have determined that there is a need for both assisted living and independent living for seniors. Juniper Housing Corporation is counting on support from the Centenary Affordable Housing Program and has requested \$2.9 million in assistance. The balance of the investment comes from the City's contribution to CAHP, mortgage financing and owner's equity.

## **REPORT**

The Administration has reviewed the request by the Juniper Housing Corporation. The Administration has determined that the project meets the criteria set out in the City of Saskatoon Policy C09-002 (Innovative Housing Incentives) for the construction of a new apartment complex.

Juniper Housing Corporation is requesting the ten percent CAHP contribution towards the total capital cost of the new apartment.

Juniper Housing Corporation will conduct the screening necessary to show that applicants can afford the dwelling and meet the Maximum Income Limit (MIL) as set out in City of Saskatoon Policy C09-002 (Innovative Housing Incentives).

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As of July 31, 2006, the MIL was set at the following:

- MIL for low income families: \$44,500 per year
- MIL for seniors & singles: \$41,000 per year

Capital Funding

The level of assistance, defined by Section 3.2-a-ii of the City of Saskatoon Policy C09-002, (Innovative Housing Incentives) is:

- “ii) up to ten percent of the total funding contribution made by Municipal, Provincial and/or Federal Government.”

Under the City of Saskatoon Policy C09-002, (Innovative Housing Incentives), the City of Saskatoon may contribute up to ten percent of the total funding contributions from the Provincial and Federal Government. Juniper Housing Corporation has approval, in principle, for a loan under the Centenary Affordable Housing Program (CAHP) totalling \$3,224,000. Therefore, Municipal contribution of this application is \$322,400.

The funding source for the Innovative Housing Incentive Program is the Affordable Housing Reserve. As of January 2007, the City of Saskatoon has estimated that there is a balance of \$2.15 million in the Affordable Housing Reserve. This takes into account previously approved but unspent funds from the reserve, and approved contributions from the Property Realized Reserve for 2007.

Summary

The housing project by Juniper Housing Corporation meets the purpose of the City of Saskatoon Policy C09-002 (Innovative Housing Incentives) and identified needs in the community by increasing the availability of suitable and affordable housing units for low income households. The site Juniper Housing Corporation has chosen has been a vacant site in the Riversdale Neighbourhood for many years.

The proposal also fits within the goals of the City of Saskatoon Housing Business Plan, which states that the City of Saskatoon will support the provision of adequate, safe, and suitable housing conditions for various target groups.

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**OPTIONS**

1. Provide funding of ten percent of the total contribution of the Municipal, Provincial, and Federal Government, totalling \$322,400 towards the housing project at 402-410 Avenue F South.
2. Decline to fund this project. In the event this application is denied, Juniper Housing Corporation will have no choice but to revise the development proposal to fit within its budget and re-apply to the Provincial Government.

Your Administration is recommending Option 1.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Map showing location of 402-410 Avenue F South – Riversdale Neighbourhood
2. Profile Drawings of new 43 unit apartment complex

**A3) Purchase of Sculptures  
Cultural Capitals of Canada Grant Funding  
(File No: CK. 1860-1, LS. 215-13-5, and LS. 5608-8)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the purchase of the sculptures “Unfurled” by Doug Benthem at a cost of \$150,000 and “Musk Ox” by Floyd Wanner at a cost of \$28,760 as outlined in the body of this report and;
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be directed to prepare the appropriate agreements.

*ADOPTED.*

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## BACKGROUND

Saskatoon was designated a Cultural Capital of Canada for 2006 through the Cultural Capitals of Canada program of the Department of Canadian Heritage. The objective of this program is to promote arts and culture in Canadian municipalities, through recognition of excellence and support for special activities that celebrate arts and culture and integrate them into overall community planning. As part of this designation the Department of Canadian Heritage has awarded \$2 million dollars to the City of Saskatoon for a variety of projects including a project to expand the City's public art program through:

- the commissioning of three new pieces to be located in the River Landing development;
- the expansion of the temporary sculpture program;
- the creation of a new sculpture piece in partnership with the Saskatchewan Arts Board;
- creation of murals within the three Business Improvement Districts; and
- the purchase of two sculptures from the existing temporary sculpture inventory.

The budgeted amount for the purchase of the two sculptures from the existing temporary sculpture inventory is \$149,000.

At its June 19, 2006 meeting, the Executive Committee dealt with a report from the Administration with respect to the purchase of sculptures from the existing temporary sculpture inventory and resolved:

“that two sculptures be purchased with Cultural Capital grant funding namely “Unfurled” and “Musk Ox” and that the Administration submit the appropriate report to City Council on this matter.”

## REPORT

The City of Saskatoon has leased the Douglas Bentham sculpture “Unfurled”, currently located at 25th Street and Spadina Avenue, since 2004. This lease expired in December of 2006. Two independent appraisals were obtained on this sculpture to determine the fair market value. The averaged value of “Unfurled” was \$212,500. The Administration has negotiated the purchase of this sculpture from Mr. Bentham for a purchase price of \$150,000. Mr. Bentham has requested a tax receipt for \$62,500, the difference between the average appraised value and the agreed purchase price of \$150,000. The purchase of “Unfurled” is funded through the Cultural Capitals of Canada program funding (\$120,000) and a contribution from The Downtown Partnership (\$30,000). The Downtown Partnership has agreed to contribute \$30,000 (see Attachment 1) toward the purchase price with the following conditions:

- “Unfurled” will remain in the downtown area.
- The Downtown Partnership will be consulted on any change of location.



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- A plaque will be placed on the base indicating The Downtown Partnership's contribution.

The City of Saskatoon has leased the Floyd Wanner sculpture "Musk Ox", currently located at 20th Street and Avenue C, since 1999. The Administration has negotiated the purchase of this sculpture from Mr. Wanner for a purchase price of \$28,760 based on the independent appraised value of \$30,000. The purchase of "Musk Ox" is fully funded through the Cultural Capitals of Canada funding from the Department of Canadian Heritage.

### **OPTIONS**

The option would be to not purchase these sculptures.

### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

As per City policy C10-007 (Visual Arts Placement Policy), the Visual Arts Placement Jury is to adjudicate on the appropriateness and quality of art for placement in open space, civic facilities and other City-owned property. Attached to this report are the Jury's reports with respect to the purchase of "Unfurled" (see Attachment 2) and the purchase of "Musk Ox" (see Attachment 3). The Visual Arts Placement Jury is supportive of the purchase of both of these sculptures.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There is no mill rate impact. The combined purchase price of \$178,760 is fully funded through the \$149,000 allocated in the Cultural Capitals public art project budget and the \$30,000 contribution from The Downtown Partnership.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Letter of commitment from the Downtown Partnership
2. Visual Arts Placement Jury Advisory Committee Report dated January 31, 2007 regarding Purchase of Temporary Sculpture- "Unfurled" by Douglas Bentham
3. Visual Arts Placement Jury Advisory Committee Report dated January 31, 2007 regarding Purchase of Temporary Sculpture- "Musk Ox" by Floyd Wanner

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**A4) Purchase of Chief Whitecap and John Lake Sculpture  
(File No. LS. 215-13-5, and LS. 5608-8; CK. 4040-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council approve the recommendation of the Selection Committee and Visual Arts Placement Jury for the purchase of the sculpture of Chief Whitecap and John Lake by Hans Holtkamp, to be located on the Third Avenue roundabout.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

Saskatoon was designated a Cultural Capital of Canada for 2006. With this designation the City of Saskatoon was awarded a two million dollar grant to be spent on projects carried out in 2006/07.

The objective of the Cultural Capitals of Canada is to promote the arts and culture in Canadian municipalities, through recognition of excellence and support for special activities that celebrate the arts and culture and integrate them into overall community planning.

The designation as Cultural Capital of Canada will enable our community to invest more in arts and culture, increase and improve our cultural services, and strengthen connections with other communities through shared cultural experiences.

The Cultural Capitals of Canada Program funding has allowed the City of Saskatoon to expand and develop new sites for public art. Many public art projects are in the works, the most involved site occurs within River Landing with art installations, interpretive research, tree grate placement, and the Market Square development. Public art within the City will include two art purchases, placement of temporary sculptures, and creation of a sculpture with the Saskatchewan Arts Board and creation of murals with the three Business Improvement Districts.

**REPORT**

As part of the public arts component of the Cultural Capitals program, the Administration in consultation with the Meewasin Valley Authority and the Visual Arts Placement Jury identified the space in the centre of the Third Avenue roundabout as a site suitable for an art installation. Further to this, there was an agreement that with 2007 being the 125 anniversary of the meeting of Chief Whitecap and John Lake in 1882, there was a need to commemorate this meeting. It was the meeting of two individuals from two different cultures; Chief Whitecap, Chief of the Whitecap Dakota people; and John Lake, stockbroker, former Methodist minister and Commissioner of the Temperance Colonization Society which ultimately was the beginning of the settlement of Saskatoon.

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In December 2006, calls for a submission was distributed to invite “Expressions of Interest” to design, fabricate and install a public landmark to celebrate the meeting between Chief Whitecap and John Lake. It is to be installed at the Traffic Bridge, on the Third Avenue roundabout in Saskatoon’s new River Landing development.

As per City Council Policy C10-007 (Visual Arts Placement Policy), the Visual Arts Placement Jury (VAPJ) adjudicates proposed works of art according to specific criteria developed through consultation with experts in the field and makes recommendations to City Council on the purchase of art pieces. Once the call for submissions was closed, the submissions were reviewed by the VAPJ, who short listed the applications to three proposals. The artists who were short listed were then requested to provide the City of Saskatoon with maquettes and further details of their submission.

The VAPJ, at their January 31, 2007 meeting, reviewed the three short listed submissions and the maquettes, and selected the submission from Hans Holtkamp as their preferred choice. On February 1, 2007, the Chair of the VAPJ then presented the short list and the maquettes to an appointed subcommittee referred to as the Selection Committee. The Selection Committee is comprised of representatives from the Whitecap Dakota First Nation, Chair of the VAPJ, the Downtown Partnership, Meewasin Valley Authority (MVA), Community Artist, Urban Design Manager, City of Saskatoon Special Projects Manager, and the City of Saskatoon Arts and Grants Consultant. The Selection Committee also listed the submission from Hans Holtkamp as their preferred choice.

Further to this, since the sculpture will be placed within the MVA’s conservation area, the three maquettes were presented to the MVA at a meeting held on February 2, 2007. The MVA supported the recommendation to select the submission from Hans Holtkamp.

The submission by Hans Holtkamp was selected based on the merit of the central figures. The dynamic portrayal of Chief Whitecap and John Lake is demonstrated by their poses, facial expressions, the level of overall details and the relationship between the two figures.

The Administration conducted a preliminary review of technical issues relating to the short list of applicants. Pending Council’s approval a more detailed analysis will be undertaken to ensure all requirements are met. Civic staff will be working with the artist on technical details surrounding the base component to address issues presented by both the Visual Arts Placement Jury and the Selection Committee.

Final and formal agreements with the artist will need to be completed.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

No policy implications.

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**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The source of funding for this project is the Cultural Capitals of Canada Program, Department of Canadian Heritage, and River Landing Budget Allocation. The Cultural Capitals of Canada will provide \$90,000 and River Landing Budget will cover capital items that are not eligible for Cultural Capitals funding, such as the base and lighting.

Maintenance for the sculpture will be covered under the Public Art Maintenance Budget within the Infrastructure Services Department operating budget.

**COMMUNICATIONS PLAN**

The communication plan will include the plans for the unveiling of the installation.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Advisory Committee Report, Visual Arts Placement Jury, January 31, 2007

**A5) Naming Report – Roadway renaming in Marquis Industrial  
“Mitchelmore Avenue”  
(File No.: PL. 4001-5; CK. 6310-1)**

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

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

On November 28, 2006, City of Saskatoon Land Branch notified the Naming Advisory Committee Administrator, that a new street name was required for a road running from 64<sup>th</sup> Street to 66<sup>th</sup> Street, between Kochar Avenue and Millar Avenue in Marquis Industrial (See Attachment 1). Originally the road was to be called Kochar Crescent, but due to a new lot layout and extending 64<sup>th</sup> Street eastward this would be impractical. Therefore, this roadway requires a new name to be selected from the Names Master list.

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City of Saskatoon Policy No. C09-008 (Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas), requests for street names from the Names Master List will be selected by the Mayor. All of the names on the Names Master List, have been previously screened by the Naming Advisory Committee, and meet Council's guidelines for name selection. The request was made through the Community Services Department to His Worship, Mayor Donald Atchison to choose a name from the Names Master List.

On February 16, 2007, His Worship Mayor Donald Atchison selected "Mitchelmore" as the name of the new road. A proper suffix for the new road was added, creating "Mitchelmore Avenue".

The "Mitchelmore" name was selected in honour of Mr. Harold Mitchelmore. Mr. Mitchelmore was very involved with sports with the Lions Club, Hilltops and Knights of Columbus, and has been honoured with many awards, including being included on the Canadian Track and Field Association's Wall of Fame.

The decision of His Worship Mayor Donald Atchison was forwarded to the applicant and the Mitchelmore family has been notified.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

## **ATTACHMENT**

1. Map indicating location of "Mitchelmore Road".

### **A6) Whitewater Park Proposal (File No: CK 4129-1, LS 5520-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Administration prepare a capital budget submission to proceed with the public consultations as described in this report to determine the level of interest for a whitewater recreation facility in Saskatoon and to identify issues and concerns from neighbours and other stakeholders related to the operation of such a facility at the proposed location (i.e. the weir); and

- 2) that should the above capital budget project be approved by City Council, the information gathered from the above consultations and the technical expertise within our Corporate staff be used to develop a list of design and operational criteria for inclusion in the terms of reference for any preliminary or detailed design plans that may be approved by City Council in the future.

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

**Section B – CORPORATE SERVICES**

**B1) Provision and Maintenance of Digital Multifunctional Office Copiers  
Blanket Order  
(File No. 1100-1; CK. 1005-1)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the proposal submitted by Central Business Equipment Systems for the provision and maintenance of black and white digital multifunctional office copiers, with a maximum total cost of \$214,658.00 including taxes, be accepted;
  - 2) that the proposal submitted by Western Business Machines Office Systems for the provision and maintenance of colour digital multifunctional office copiers, with a maximum total cost of \$110,114.00 including taxes, be accepted; and,
  - 3) that the Corporate Services Department, Purchasing Services, issue the appropriate purchase orders.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

In order to ensure good pricing, good quality equipment and appropriate ongoing maintenance of this equipment, the City of Saskatoon issues, on a two-year basis, a Request for Proposals for office photocopiers. The successful bidders are issued a Blanket Order to allow for the addition and replacement of departmental office copiers, as required, over the next two years and for the maintenance of these units over the next eight years.

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Six firms responded to the Request for Proposals. Each proposal was evaluated against the published evaluation criteria. The proposal for black and white digital multifunctional copiers from Central Business Equipment Systems and the proposal for colour digital copiers from Western Business Machines Office Systems are recommended because they provided the highest overall rankings and the lowest overall costs. Summaries of the proposals are attached.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Summary of Proposals.

**B2) Incentive Applications – NORAC Systems International Inc.  
(File No. 3500-1)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the application from NORAC Systems International Inc. to amend its one-year tax abatement agreement for 3702 and 3706 Kinnear Place to a five-year tax abatement, be approved;
  - 2) that the application from NORAC Systems International Inc. for a five-year tax abatement commencing in 2007, be approved as follows:  
  
100% in Year 1  
80% in Year 2  
70% in Year 3  
60% in Year 4  
50% in Year 5; and,
  - 3) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the appropriate agreement.

*ADOPTED.*

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**REPORT**

Attached is a report from John Cross, Acting Chair, Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority Inc. (SREDA) Board of Directors. The report is self-explanatory and provides the required information for City Council to consider the requests by NORAC Systems International Inc. to amend its tax abatement from one year to five years.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Report – Acting Chair, SREDA Board of Directors.

**B3) Communications to Council**

**From: Kent Smith-Windsor, Executive Director  
The Chamber**  
**Date: November 20, 2006**  
**Subject: Productivity Gains Targets**  
**(File No. 3500-1)**

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

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Item A7 of Communications to Council.*

**B4) Capital Project 1817, Mendel Renovation and Expansion**  
**(File No. 1711-5)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council advance \$200,000 from its \$4,500,000 commitment to bring this project to a “tender ready” status.

**BACKGROUND**

On December 18, 2006, City Council resolved, in part:

“that consideration of Project 1817 (Mendel Art Gallery Renovation and Expansion) in the amount of \$200,000, be deferred until such time as the Administration submits a further report regarding the Mendel.”



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On February 26, 2007, City Council received a report on the projected operating costs for the expansion and confirmed its responsibility to fund future costs estimated at \$802,768. This will be accomplished through a three year phase-in.

**REPORT**

Attached is a copy of the report submitted to the Budget Committee, dated November 20, 2006, identifying a \$200,000 shortfall in bringing this project to a “tender ready” status.

As indicated in the report, funds to be contributed from the Mendel Art Gallery’s Capital Campaign are not available for the design portion of this project, therefore, your Administration is recommending the advancement of funds from its \$4,500,000 allocation.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. November 20, 2006, report from General Manager, Corporate Services to Budget Committee.

*Items B13 to B16 of Communications to Council were brought forward.*

**“B13) Jane Bickis, dated March 7**

Submitting comments with respect to the proposed Mendel Art Gallery renovation. (File No. CK. 620-4)

**B14) Lorelie Sarauer, dated March 7**

Submitting comments with respect to the proposed Mendel Art Gallery renovation. (File No. CK. 620-4)

**B15) Karen Hoiness, dated March 9**

Submitting comments with respect to the proposed Mendel Art Gallery renovation. (File No. CK. 620-4)

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**B16) Goya Ngan, dated March 9**

Submitting comments with respect to the proposed Mendel Art Gallery renovation. (File No. CK. 620-4)”

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that City Council advance \$200,000 from its \$4,500,000 commitment to bring Capital Project 1817, Mendel Renovation and Expansion, to a “tender ready” status.*

**B5) Building Communities Program  
(File No. 1860-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that the attached projects be approved for submission to the province under the Building Communities Program;
- 2) that the \$6,737,000 unconditional provincial Community Shares funding previously allocated to Project 2160, Blairmore Multi-District Park and Civic Centre be reallocated to the following projects, to provide the City with its share of funding:
  - Rink Improvements \$2,250,000
  - Gordon Howe Bowl Upgrades 1,425,000
  - Accessible Playgrounds 787,500
- 3) that the remainder of the Community Shares funding be transferred to the Reserve for Capital Expenditures for allocation during the upcoming Budget Committee review of the deferred 2007 capital projects; and,
- 4) that the current and any additional community projects meeting the program criteria be forwarded to the province for consideration and evaluation under the Building Communities Program.

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Item A3 of Communications to Council.*

**Section C – FIRE AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

**C1) Saskatoon Fire and Protective Services Department  
Community Relations Division  
2006 Annual Report  
(File No. 430-4)**

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

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Saskatoon Fire and Protective Services' Community Relations Division provides an important link between the community and the Department. This Division provides valuable information to the citizens of Saskatoon through presentations on fire safety; needle safety; renters rights, roles and responsibilities; fire hall tours; and special events such as Badge and Shield Week and Fire Prevention Week. Presentations are offered to students, community groups, parenting resource programs, seniors and employee groups. As time allows, Community Relations staff assists with school nutrition programs, attends multicultural events and participates in literacy programs. As well, along with fire crews, they attend many school sporting events. This Division facilitates "Program Firestop" which is an intervention program providing counseling and referral for juveniles suspected of setting fires.

Attached is the 2006 Annual Report outlining the activities of the Community Relations Division.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Saskatoon Fire and Protective Services, Community Relations Division - 2006 Annual Report.

**C2) Capital Project No. 0582**  
**Request for Proposal**  
**Rescue Pumper Fire Apparatus**  
**(File No. 1703)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the proposal submitted by Rocky Mountain Phoenix for the supply of one Rescue Pumper Fire Apparatus, at a total estimated cost of \$501,481.76 including GST, be accepted; and,
  - 2) that the Corporate Services Department, Purchasing Services Branch, issue the appropriate Purchase Order.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Four proposals were received and the analysis is attached for information. Although the proposal submitted by Rocky Mountain Phoenix (Rosenbauer) is not the lowest, Administration has reviewed all the specifications and feels this proposal to be the acceptable one for the following reasons (note - comparison is to Fort Garry's submission):

- Quality and quantity of material used in sub-frame and frame construction is much superior.
- Truck's structural components and design allows for wiring to be protected, as it is hidden in the structural members of the truck framework, not routed underneath the unit.
- The electrical wiring is of a higher gauge and the circuit breaker box is larger, 12 circuits compared to 8 circuits from Fort Garry.
- The breaker box and lights are recessed into structural members of unit, saving compartment space.
- Compartments are larger and all space is completely utilized. Because of their design, Fort Garry loses 2 inches in width, 2 inches in depth, and 10 inches in height per compartment.
- The Rosenbauer truck which has a truck length 22 ½ inches shorter than Fort Garry's meets our specifications.
- Wheel base is 20 ½ inches shorter than Fort Garry's providing a better turning radius.
- Both companies had upgrades over specifications, however, the Rocky Mountain Phoenix proposal had many more upgrades without any associated cost increases.
- All ladders required for unit fit into their designated compartment - the combination ladder will not fit internally in the Fort Garry unit.
- The structural components used in the framework allowed the company to incorporate many innovative ideas into the apparatus such as roll-out and roll-down drawers, slide-out trays, swing-out vertical tool boards, and heavy-duty drop-down door steps that have NO EXPOSED mechanical devices or hinges, all without additional supporting and with no loss of compartment space.

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- Tanks for A and B foam are larger by 5 imperial gallons and are inside the water tank as per specifications - Fort Garry's foam tanks are external.
- Both of these companies utilize a Spartan Chassis, however, only Rocky Mountain Phoenix indicated that Spartan Motors must receive the order by March 15, 2007, or the price increases to \$8,621.00 plus GST.
- Chassis frame and body interface frame rails meet the specifications - those from Fort Garry are half the thickness and use side mounting plates and bolts.
- Additional costs are requested by Fort Garry for adding checker plating to compartment floors for strength, which we specified.
- Structural design and components of the Fort Garry unit do not allow for quick and easy servicing of roll-up doors.
- References given from Fort Garry are only from smaller departments (i.e. Moose Jaw, Swift Current, Melville, Big River First Nations and Clarington, Ontario). The Fort Garry plant is located in Winnipeg but the Winnipeg Fire Department was not included as a reference. We have concerns as to whether the Fort Garry truck will be able to stand up to the call volume we have in our city.

In conclusion, the price, truck construction, design, and concerns of truck reliability favour the purchase of the fire engine from Rocky Mountain Phoenix (Rosenbauer).

The source of funding will be the 2007 Capital Budget – Fire Apparatus Replacement Reserve.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Analysis of Request for Proposal for Rescue Pumper (File 6-1485).

**Section D – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

- D1) Proposed Expansion of the Varsity View Residential Parking Program Boundary  
600, 700 and 800 Blocks of Saskatchewan Crescent East  
(File No. 6120-6; CK. 6120-4-3)**
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**RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that the 600, 700 and 800 blocks of Saskatchewan Crescent East, between 16<sup>th</sup> Street East and Broadway Avenue, be added to the Varsity View Residential Parking Program, with a “Two Hour, 08:00 to 17:00, Monday to Friday” parking restriction; and

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- 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to amend Bylaw 7862, The Residential Parking Program Bylaw, to reflect the changes as outlined in this report.

*ADOPTED.*

### **REPORT**

In an effort to address parking and traffic concerns, residents in Varsity View embarked on the process of collecting signatures to petition for the extension of the Varsity View Residential Parking Program (RPP) zone into the 600, 700 and 800 blocks of Saskatchewan Crescent East. This area is on the fringe of the existing RPP zone and has experienced an increased level of transient parking. The document, which was distributed to area residents in the fall of 2006, was clearly identified as a petition to join the Varsity View RPP zone, which would include Saskatchewan Crescent East, between 16<sup>th</sup> Street East and Broadway Avenue.

The petition resulted in an overall resident support level of 78%. The Administration has evaluated the names and addresses listed on the petition, and have no concerns in relation to support for expansion of the Varsity View RPP on this street. Therefore, the Administration is recommending that the 600, 700 and 800 blocks of Saskatchewan Crescent East, between 16<sup>th</sup> Street East and Broadway Avenue, be added to the existing Varsity View RPP zone, as shown on Plan No. 2006-01 (Attachment 1).

Area residents, the Varsity View and Nutana Community Associations, along with the Broadway Business Improvement District, will be notified if Council approves the expansion of the RPP zone.

### **OPTIONS**

Only implement a “Two Hour, 08:00 to 17:00, Monday to Friday” parking restriction on the 600, 700 & 800 blocks of Saskatchewan Crescent East, between 16<sup>th</sup> Street East and Broadway Avenue, and exclude the identified area from becoming part of the Varsity View Residential Parking Program. This option is not recommended as it would restrict all vehicles, including those of local residents, from parking longer than two hours.

Make no changes to Residential Parking Program Bylaw 7862, or parking on Saskatchewan Crescent East, and exclude the area from becoming part of Varsity View Residential Parking Program. This option is not recommended as local residents will still be exposed to transient parking on Saskatchewan Crescent East, reducing the availability of on-street parking.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

The overall petition results exceed the required resident support level of 70% to establish a Residential Parking Permit Program zone as set out in City Policy C07-014, Residential Parking Permits. The petition results can be deemed to be a clear indication that the majority of area residents wish to join an expanded Varsity View RPP.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The Residential Parking Permit Program is a revenue neutral program, whereby the annual \$25 purchase price of the permit covers the costs to implement, administer and enforce the program. September 1 is the anniversary or renewal date for permits in the Varsity View RPP. Residents in the expanded area would also be charged \$25 per permit. As with the existing program criteria, the annual permit cost is prorated to \$12.50, if it is purchased after March 1.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan No. 2006-01

**D2) Post Budget Adjustment and Tender Award  
Capital Project No. 1404-3 – Land Development – Blairmore Suburban Centre  
Contract 6-0100 – Blairmore Pedestrian Overpass  
(File No. 6005-45; CK. 6150-4)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve additional funding for Capital Project 1404-3 – Land Development – Blairmore Suburban Centre, in the amount of \$980,000, to be funded from the Property Realized Reserve.
  - 2) that the tender submitted by Westridge Construction Ltd. at an total estimated cost of \$1,737,022.00 (including GST and PST) be accepted; and
  - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract documents, as prepared by the City Solicitor, under the Corporate Seal.

*ADOPTED.*

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## REPORT

As part of the development of the Blairmore Suburban Centre, a pedestrian overpass is required over 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, joining the neighbourhood of Pacific Heights with the two new high schools and the civic centre/pool. The pedestrian linkage was identified and mandated in the Blairmore Suburban Centre Concept Plan.

Due to the negative experience in Saskatoon with pedestrian underpasses or 'tunnels', they were not considered as a design option. The last pedestrian underpasses built in Saskatoon were part of the Circle Drive and 22<sup>nd</sup> Street interchange project in 2001/2002.

To connect the pedestrian pathway network with the new high schools and civic centre, the 22<sup>nd</sup> Street overpass must provide adequate clearance for trucks. This results in a pedestrian overpass 36 metres long, 5.4 metres above 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, with sloping approach ramps approximately 40 metres long on each side.

For the 36 metre main span of the overpass that is to be directly over 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, two different designs were tendered. One for a single 36 metre clear span steel bow truss (Option 1); the other for two 18 metre span pre-cast concrete double t-girders (Option 2). Due to National Building Code accessibility requirements, the approach ramps leading up to the main span need to be designed at a fairly gentle slope (maximum 8.3% grade with 2% grade sections approximately every 8 metres). This requirement results in approach spans of considerable length. The total length of the structure is approximately 115 lineal metres.

Several different alignments and combinations of material were investigated for use in the approach ramps in order to meet the physical constraints of the project location. A combination of earth fill embankments and cast in place (CIP) concrete approach ramps was determined to be the least costly alternative. This combination was the alternative taken in the final design and tender.

In order to allow the project to be completed this year, the tender for Contract 6-0100, Blairmore Pedestrian Overpass, was advertised and opened publicly on January 30, 2007. Four tenders were received as follows:

| <u>BIDDER</u>  | <u>OPTION #1 (incl. GST)</u> | <u>OPTION #2 (incl. GST)</u> |
|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Westridge Construction Ltd.<br>Regina, Saskatchewan        | \$1,737,022.00               | \$1,792,884.00               |
| PCL Construction Ltd.<br>Saskatoon, Saskatchewan           | \$1,814,258.90               | \$1,889,341.92               |
| Graham Industrial Services Ltd.<br>Saskatoon, Saskatchewan | \$2,007,110.00               | \$2,014,000.00               |
| SaskCon Repair Services Ltd.                               | \$3,455,000.00               | \$3,402,600.00               |



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The estimate for this work was \$1,060,000 for Options 1 or 2, including a \$100,000 contingency and GST.

The market has provided a cost above estimate of approximately \$700,000 for this overpass construction contract. The total costs for the project are now estimated at \$1.9 million against an existing budget of \$920,000.

The tenders received are 70% more than the budgeted numbers which were based on past cost. The last two pedestrian overpasses constructed in Saskatoon were built in 2001, one crossing 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, east of the Circle Drive/22<sup>nd</sup> Street interchange at a cost of \$400,000 (\$2,150 per metre<sup>2</sup>); and one attached to the CP rail overpass spanning Circle Drive and connecting Sutherland with Preston Crossing at a cost of \$440,000 (\$1,600 per metre<sup>2</sup>). To account for escalating costs and changes over the last six years, \$2,900 per metre<sup>2</sup> was utilized to budget this project. The low tendered price without a contingency or GST is \$4,900 per metre<sup>2</sup>.

The following alternatives were investigated in an attempt to reduce the cost of the project:

1. Maximizing the portions of the earthen ramps and minimizing the CIP concrete portions. Increasing the amount of earthen ramps more than what is currently planned was determined to be unfeasible due to location constraints, utilities and the desire to maintain suitable side slopes. In addition, the embankments would need to be vertically retained at the connection to the overpass which is very expensive.
2. Substituting the CIP concrete portions of the approach ramps with pre-cast sections. This option was estimated to be more expensive due to the uniqueness of each of the ramps.
3. Replacing the CIP portions of the ramps with pre-fabricated steel sections. Although the cost estimates for this option are cheaper than replacing the ramp sections with pre-cast, it was still more expensive than the tendered CIP concrete option.

One option available is to reject all tenders, and re-tender the project when market conditions are deemed more affordable. The Administration does not recommend this course of action as the project was tendered competitively and the market has fairly valued the project. The estimate was reasonably prepared with available information which, unfortunately, did not accurately predict the market. Conversely, the balance of the development has been proceeding reasonably within budget. This is the first significant deviation in almost \$10 million worth of transportation infrastructure constructed. An at grade crossing is not acceptable, and the pedestrian overpass is an approved required component of the Blairmore Suburban Centre Concept Plan.

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Another option would be to build stairwells, eliminating the long access ramps. This option could possibly result in a \$500,000 reduction in project costs. The most recent example of stair access provided to a pedestrian corridor is the Riverworks stairwell at the weir, constructed in 2003 by the Meewasin Valley Authority which provides access to the pedestrian sidewalk attached to the CPR Railway Bridge over the South Saskatchewan River. The Administration does not recommend this option as it would deny access to those whose mobility is challenged.

Westridge Construction Ltd. is the low bidder at \$1,737,022.00, and the Administration is recommending that they be awarded the contract for Option 1 – Pedestrian Overpass, utilizing a 36 metre clear span bow truss.

The net cost to the City for the bid submitted by Westridge Construction Ltd. will be as follows:

|                    |                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Base Tender Amount | \$1,538,700.00        |
| Contingency        | \$ 100,000.00         |
| Subtotal           | \$1,638,700.00        |
| Plus G.S.T.        | \$ 98,322.00          |
| Total Cost         | \$1,737,022.00        |
| Less G.S.T. Rebate | \$98,332.00           |
| Net Cost to City   | <u>\$1,638,700.00</u> |

This tender and the estimated onsite construction management/engineering costs exceed the approved Capital Project budget by \$980,000; therefore, additional funding is required to allow the project to proceed. The Administration is recommending that this additional funding be provided from the Property Realized Reserve. This reserve is sufficient to fund this amount.

Westridge Construction Ltd. has performed work for the City of Saskatoon in the past, and has provided the proper bid bond and consent of surety.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan 104-4201-004r004 Proprietary Steel Bow Truss Bridge Span Option General Arrangement.

**D3) Enquiry - Councillor M. Heidt (June 29, 2005)**  
**Underground Tunnels between 33<sup>rd</sup> Street West and 22<sup>nd</sup> Street West**  
**(File No. CK. 6150-1)**

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

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Item A5 of Communications to Council.*

**D4) Enquiry – Councillor B. Dubois (October 16, 2006)**  
**Feasibility of Installing Left-Turn Arrow**  
**East on 115<sup>th</sup> Street turning North on Central**  
**(File No. CK. 6250-1)**

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

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Dubois at the meeting of City Council held on October 16, 2006:

“Would the Administration please investigate the feasibility of installing a left-turn arrow going east on 115<sup>th</sup> Street and turning north on Central Avenue.”

**REPORT**

The traffic signals at the intersection of 115<sup>th</sup> Street and Central Avenue operate in semi-actuated mode, whereby vehicles and pedestrians are always serviced on Central Avenue regardless of their presence. A green light is only actuated for 115<sup>th</sup> Street when a vehicle is detected by the in-road sensors installed on the east and west approaches to the intersection, or when a pedestrian presses the push button to cross Central Avenue is detected.

The intersection has a westbound to southbound arrow that is activated only when there is sufficient demand for that left-turn movement. Sufficient demand to actuate the arrow typically occurs when the queue reaches four (4) to five (5) car lengths.

Based on the most recent peak hour (occurring between 16:30 and 17:30) traffic counts, the peak demand for eastbound left-turning movements is 44 vehicles per hour. The opposing through-traffic during this time frame consists of approximately 85 vehicles. The relatively low volume of traffic from the east approach should provide enough gaps in its progression to allow drivers to safely turn left on solid green.

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An historical review of collisions over a five year period, from January 2000 to December 2004, showed that 33 collisions involving left-turning vehicles colliding with opposing through traffic were reported. However, further analysis showed that only 2 of the 33 collisions were directly related to the eastbound left-turning movement. This indicates that left-turning movements at this location are not high risk, and that adequate gaps exist in oncoming traffic to allow for safe vehicle progression.

A field inspection to observe the traffic movements and signal phasing at the intersection was completed on October 25, 2006. Significant gaps, large enough to accommodate eastbound left-turns, were observed. Delays in left-turn traffic movement from the east approach are relatively minimal, considering the traffic demands at the other approaches.

As a result of the review of traffic counts, historical collision trends and field inspection observations, the Administration does not recommend the installation of a left-turn arrow on the west approach to the intersection of Central Avenue and 115<sup>th</sup> Street.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

- D5) Enquiry – Former Councillor E. Hnatyshyn (October 2, 2006)  
Traffic Calming Measures on Saskatchewan Crescent between  
Broadway Avenue and Clarence Avenue  
AND  
Enquiry- Councillor G. Wyant (January 22, 2007)  
Traffic Calming – Broadbent Avenue  
(File No. 6320-1; CK. 6315-1)**
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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

The following enquiry was made by former Councillor E. Hnatyshyn at the meeting of City Council held on October 2, 2006:

“Would Administration advise on what traffic calming measures could be introduced on Saskatchewan Crescent between Broadway and Clarence Avenues.”

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The following enquiry was made by Councillor G. Wyant at the meeting of City Council held on January 22, 2007:

“Would the Administration please report on the feasibility of installing traffic calming measures on Broadbent Avenue. The residents have seen a steady increase in vehicles on this road travelling at increased speeds. A small boy in a stroller was hit recently by a car that had lost control.”

**REPORT**

In order to review traffic calming requirements at the above locations, Infrastructure Services will conduct traffic studies as to speed and volume in the spring of 2007. A report will be submitted to City Council with information and recommendations following the Administration’s review and analysis of that data.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**D6) Enquiry – Councillor B. Pringle (February 12, 2007)**  
**Disability Parking Spaces**  
**(File No: CK. 6120-5)**

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

**BACKGROUND**

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Pringle at the meeting of City Council held on February 12, 2007:

“Would the Administration please look at allocating additional disability parking spaces in front of City Hall, for example, adjacent to the front doors.”

**REPORT**

The City of Saskatoon's guidelines for Loading Zones states:

“Disabled Persons Loading Zones are installed upon request, provided that the vehicle to utilize the loading zone has been issued the appropriate disabled person's vehicle identification by the Saskatchewan Abilities Council. Disabled Persons Loading Zones are not installed in the Central Business District (C.B.D.), or outlying commercial areas, as vehicles displaying the disabled person's identification and a City of Saskatoon parking permit may park in a general loading zone for the maximum allowable parking time posted on that block face. The installation of disabled persons loading zones are approved by resolution of City Council.”

Currently, there is one Disabled Persons Loading Zone and two General Loading Zone stalls located in the parking lot behind City Hall. The Disabled Loading Zone is strategically located with barrier free access to enter City Hall (no curbs). Vehicles displaying a Disabled Person's placard can park in the General Loading Zone for the signed time limit. In addition, vehicles with a valid Disabled Person's placards also have an option to purchase a City of Saskatoon parking permit. The permits are sold at City Hall and cost \$25.00 per year. Vehicles displaying a Disabled Person's placard and a City of Saskatoon parking permit are allowed to park at a metered stall on the street beyond the posted metered time limit, for a maximum of 36 hours.

There are two bus stops close to City Hall; one located on 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, north of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street; the other on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, south of 24<sup>th</sup> Street. Access Transit buses are allowed to use the bus stops as a drop off and pick up point for clients.

Vehicles displaying the Disabled Persons placard are well served by existing parking arrangements around City Hall, therefore, no changes are recommended.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that consideration of the matter be deferred to the next meeting of City Council.*

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**D7) Enquiry- Former Councillor D.L. Birkmaier (February 27, 2006)  
Renting of Vehicles  
(File No. CK. 1390-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received

*ADOPTED.*

The following enquiry was made by former Councillor D.L. Birkmaier at the meeting of City Council held on February 27, 2006:

“Would the Administration please review and report on the feasibility of renting vehicle equipment for various departments versus purchasing.”

**REPORT**

The objective of the Vehicle and Equipment Services Section (V&E) is to provide vehicles and equipment required by civic departments in the most cost effective way. Funds are approved through the departments’ operating budgets and are based on rental rates set by V&E, who then provide the units and charge back all operating and capital costs.

Permanent, ongoing requirements are met by purchasing units (generally new), maintaining them to maximize their useful life, and charging back the operating, maintenance, repair and capital depreciation costs. When a unit is near the end of its useful life, a new unit is purchased with funds from the replacement reserve, and the old unit, if still usable, is moved to the seasonal or spare fleet, at which time one of the oldest/poorest seasonal or spare fleet units is disposed of through public auction. The seasonal and spare fleet is retained to meet ongoing seasonal requirements, as temporary replacements when full-time rental units are out of service, and to accommodate some peak unplanned demands.

Vehicles and/or equipment are rented on occasion when there is a need for a short duration (less than six months) and nothing is available in either the seasonal or spare fleet.

An internal audit is currently reviewing how service is being provided by the Vehicle and Equipment Services Section, which will be submitted to City Council in due course.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

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**D8) Enquiry – Former Councillor D.L. Birkmaier (May 23, 2006)  
Condition of 100 Block of Maple Street  
(File No. CK. 6315-1)**

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

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

At the City Council meeting on May 23, 2006, former Councillor Birkmaier submitted the following enquiry:

Maple Street in the 100 block is in poor condition. Most of this street was slurried over the past few years, but the 100 block was not done. When will the Administration plan to address this matter.

**REPORT**

The rehabilitation of City of Saskatoon streets is driven by the results of condition rating studies that evaluate the entire network in three-year cycles. Streets that fall below a certain level of service are scheduled for treatment, if sufficient funding is available. Current funding for roadways is not sufficient to sustain the current level of service, and backlogs are being created.

Work is underway within the Public Works Branch to establish a framework that will allow City Council to determine the service level of each roadway class. The budget for the capital work would then be based on meeting these predefined levels.

The 100 block of Maple Street was treated with an extensive blade level at the end of the 2006 construction season, which corrected the surface profile and the failed sections of the road.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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



**D9) Enquiry – Former Councillor E. Hnatyshyn (October 16, 2006)**  
**Four-Way Stop Signs – Wilson Crescent and Ruth Street**  
**(File No. 6280-1)**

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

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

The following enquiry was made by former Councillor Hnatyshyn at the meeting of City Council held on October 16, 2006:

“Would the Administration please report on the feasibility of a four-way stop at Wilson Crescent and Ruth Street.”

**REPORT**

Ruth Street is a minor arterial roadway and Wilson Crescent/Victoria Avenue are major collector roadways. Infrastructure Services performed a review of the traffic conditions at the intersection of Wilson Crescent and Ruth Street on November 14, 2006. The results of the traffic study indicate that:

- The AM peak hour occurs from 07:30 to 08:30, with a total of 695 vehicles entering the intersection (75% from Ruth Street);
- The off peak hour occurs from 12:30 to 13:30, with a total of 509 vehicles entering the intersection (77% from Ruth Street), and
- The PM peak hour occurs from 16:30 to 17:30, with a total of 837 vehicles entering the intersection (86% from Ruth Street).

Further analysis of the peak hour traffic for the AM, OFF and PM periods indicates that vehicles entering the intersection via Wilson Crescent and/or Victoria Avenue typically experience a delay of less than 10 seconds. A review of the collisions at the intersection indicates that, as per the most recent 5-year collision history (2000 to 2004), an average of 3.4 right angle collisions occur annually. The remainder of the reported collisions were not of a type susceptible to correction by the installation of four-way stop control.

As per Policy No. C07-007 (Traffic Controls – Use of Stop and Yield Signs), the following criteria for the installation of a four-way stop must be met:

- The combined volume of traffic entering the intersection of the five peak hour periods from the minor street (Wilson Crescent) must be at least 35% of the total volume for a four-way stop control;

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- Five or more collisions, of a type susceptible to correction by an all-way stop control, are reported in the last twelve month period;
- The total number of vehicles entering the intersection from all approaches averages at least 600 per hour for the peak hour or the total intersection entering volume exceeds 6,000 per day, and
- The average delay per vehicle to the minor street traffic must be 30 seconds or greater during the peak hour.

As a result of the review of traffic data, collision history and the estimated vehicle delays per approach, the Administration does not recommend the installation of a four-way stop at the intersection of Wilson Crescent and Ruth Street.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**Section E – UTILITY SERVICES**

- E1) Communications to Council**  
**From: W. Randall Rooke, Chairperson**  
**Community Education Committee**  
**Saskatoon Crime Stoppers**  
**Date: April 18, 2005**  
**Subject: Saskatoon Crime Stoppers**  
**Public Awareness Initiatives**  
**(File No. CK. 5000-1)**

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

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

City Council, at its meeting held on December 12, 2005, considered a report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department, in response to a letter from the Chairperson of the Community Education Committee proposing ways in which the City could partner with Saskatoon Crime Stoppers to increase visibility and awareness and advertise their tips number.

Council passed a motion that that the Crime Stoppers logo and tips telephone number be displayed on the outside of every garbage can that is produced for the City in 2006, and that the Administration report back on the effect of this at the end of 2006.

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**REPORT**

In 2006, 1,708 individual roll-out (100 gallon) containers were purchased with the Crime Stoppers Logo printed on them. Approximately 1,230 of these containers were placed in 2006. The conversion in Pleasant Hill, which was completed in September, 2006, required 930 of these containers. Other routine replacements resulted in approximately 300 of the 100 gallon containers being placed in other locations throughout the City. As new 300 gallon containers were not required in 2006, the logo has not been printed on any to date.

The Environmental Services Branch has noticed a reduction in crime involving garbage containers in the Pleasant Hill neighborhood (i.e. burnt containers and vandalism) since the conversion of the area from rear-lane communal containers to individual roll-out containers. This reduction is consistent with previous conversions in other neighborhoods that used containers without the Crime Stoppers Logo.

The Administration is not privy to information regarding all incidents of crime. Crime Stoppers was contacted to determine if there were any calls that resulted from displaying the logo, and they advised that there was no way to determine the success of the program as calls are not tracked or identified based on where the caller got the Crime Stopper's phone number from.

Printing the Crime Stoppers logo on the new containers resulted in an additional cost of approximately \$3,500 (\$2 per container).

Environmental Services will continue to print the Crime Stoppers Logo on new garbage containers.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**E2) 2007 Capital Budget  
Capital Project 1208  
Engineering Services  
Raw Water Intake and Pumping Facility – Water Treatment Plant  
(File No. 7960 -55)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the upset limit of the engineering services agreement with Associated Engineering (Sask) Ltd., for Capital Project 1208 – Raw Water Intake and Pumping Facility – Water Treatment Plant be increased by \$658,905.

*ADOPTED.*

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**BACKGROUND**

The 2007 Capital Budget has approved funding of \$33,308,000 for the new Raw Water Intake and Pumping Facility. Currently, in order to meet high demands, it is necessary to use the intake and low lift pumps located at the Water Treatment Plant in addition to the intake and pumping system located at Queen Elizabeth (QE) Power Station. With the location of several storm water outfalls between those two intakes, the quality of the raw water is potentially at risk. This project will ensure that all raw water intake will occur upstream of the City's storm sewer outfalls. The Water Treatment Plant low lift pumps will then be used as a standby facility only. It will also ensure that present raw water demands and future capacity, in accordance with the City's Future Growth Study, are met.

The project was initiated in 2001 with a feasibility study that identified all reasonable options for the intake location, considering river characteristics, regulatory requirements and future developments. In 2003, the contract for the detail design and engineering services during construction was awarded to Associated Engineering, at a total upset fee of \$941,120. The estimated total project cost at that time was \$14.6 million.

Originally the project's recommended site option was located upstream of the QE Power Station, with a mid-river pier style intake and the pump station on the west bank. Later, due to flow conditions and concerns from regulatory agencies regarding environmental issues (fish habitat), the intake was changed to a wedged style structure on the river bank. However, after further investigation revealed conflicts with the existing Queen Elizabeth intake and the proposed pump house, the decision was made to examine an east side location.

In June 2005, Associated Engineering was commissioned to complete the Alternative Water Treatment Plant Study, which re-evaluated the City's long term approach to water treatment and supply. This study confirmed the location of the intake and pump facility to be on the east bank, situated at the west tip of the man made spur. The intake structure location and the facility capacity has now been designed to supply to the existing and future east side Water Treatment Plants. Consideration of different locations for the intake resulted in a significant increase in the work devoted to the preliminary design.

The final site location also resulted in a need for additional design work of the raw water transmission mains to cross the river to tie into the existing supply line. The expanded pumphouse capacity, which will provide additional redundancy for the whole system, also required an increase in the design work. Additionally, the new concept, due to its prominent location along the east bank, required sufficient attention to architectural and landscaping aspects, which are carefully examined by the Meewasin Valley Authority.

All of these factors increased the original scope and complexity of the design and requirements for additional surveying and geotechnical work.

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The nature of this project demands detailed river modeling in order to obtain environmental approvals for the design. The consultants have to work with the understanding that all requirements from various regulatory agencies (Saskatchewan Environment, Department of Fisheries and Oceans, etc.) regarding the intake location are met. Furthermore, additional requirements for the riverbed model demonstration and the screen modeling were requested to assure proper protection of the fish habitat. Also, the influence of the structure on the river hydraulics and on the QE intake inflow had to be demonstrated. This involved a considerable amount of additional engineering work.

As a result of the changes to the initial project concept and the increased demands from the regulatory agencies, the pre-design and design complexity and scope was significantly expanded. The lengthy design process also had implications for the consultants due to staff salary increases over this period of time.

Based on the above, the consultants are requesting additional project fees of \$584,840 (plus applicable taxes) to complete the design stage of this project.

The net cost to the City for the additional engineering services on this project will be as follows:

|                                       |                            |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Additional Budget Required            | \$584,840.00               |
| Contingency                           | <u>28,095.00</u>           |
| Sub-Total                             | 612,935.00                 |
| <br>                                  |                            |
| PST (on 30% @ 5%)                     | 9,194.00                   |
| GST (@ 6%)                            | <u>36,776.00</u>           |
| <b>Total Addition Budget Required</b> | <b>658,905.00</b>          |
| <br>                                  |                            |
| GST Rebate (6%)                       | <u>(36,776.00)</u>         |
| <b>Net Cost to the City</b>           | <b><u>\$622,129.00</u></b> |

There is sufficient funding in approved Capital Project 1208 – Raw Water Intake and Pumping Facility – Water Treatment Plant to cover the additional cost for the engineering services requested by Associated Engineering (Sask) Ltd., to complete the design stage of the project.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**Section F – CITY MANAGER**

**F1) Reacquisition of Parcel “Y”  
River Landing Phase I  
(File No. CC. 4130-2 & SPR 4129-13; CK. 4129-3)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the letter from Remai Ventures Inc. be received; and,
  - 2) that Administration report to City Council on a strategy and options for continuing the development of Parcel “Y”, River Landing Phase I.

**BACKGROUND**

At its meeting on December 12, 2005, City Council approved the attached Sale Agreement and Incentive Agreement (Attachments 1 & 2) with Remai Ventures Inc. for the sale of Parcel “Y” and the subsequent development of a hotel/spa.

Both parties agreed to a provision in the Sale Agreement that, should the project not proceed, the City could purchase the land back for the original sale price (\$1.6M). On February 27, 2006, your Administration received the attached letter from Remai Ventures Inc. (Attachment 3) indicating that, “due to the rising cost of construction and the difficulty obtaining skilled labour”, they will not be proceeding with this project.

The City Solicitor’s Office has begun the process to re-acquire the land in accordance with the Agreement. Your Administration will report at a later date on a strategy to ensure that the redevelopment does proceed, in a manner that continues to reflect the overall vision for River Landing.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Sale Agreement between Remai Ventures Inc., and the City of Saskatoon, dated December 12, 2005.
2. Incentive Agreement between Remai Ventures Inc., and the City of Saskatoon, dated December 12, 2005.
3. Letter from Remai Ventures Inc., dated February 26, 2007, re: Proposed River Landing Hotel & Spa – Parcel “Y”.

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*Items B9 to B12 of Communications to Council was brought forward.*

**“B9) Rob Brown, dated March 8**

Submitting comments with respect to the River Landing development. (File No. CK. 4129-13)

**B10) Margi Corbett, dated March 9**

Submitting comments with respect to the River Landing development. (File No. CK. 4129-13)

**B11) Joe Kuchta, dated March 9**

Submitting comments with respect to the River Landing development. (File No. CK. 4129-13)

**B12) Graham Klassen, dated March 8**

Submitting comments with respect to the River Landing development. (File No. CK. 4129-13)”

*IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that the letter from Remai Ventures Inc. be received; and,  
2) that Administration report to City Council on a strategy and options for continuing the development of Parcel “Y”, River Landing Phase I.*

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 3-2007**

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

**B1) The Public Notice Policy Amendment  
(File No. CK. 1600-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8590.

*ADOPTED.*

City Council at its meeting on February 12, 2007, received Report No. 1-2007 of the Audit Committee concerning the policy compliance audit with respect to the Public Notice Policy Bylaw No. 8171. Council resolved that the Public Notice Policy Bylaw be amended to explicitly include “internal borrowing” within the public notice process.

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We are pleased to submit for Council's consideration Bylaw No. 8590, The Public Notice Amendment Bylaw, 2007. In accordance with Council's instructions, the proposed Bylaw amends the Public Notice Policy, No. C01-021 to include a definition of a "controlled corporation", and to require that public notice must be given if the City intends to loan money to a non-profit organization or to one of the City's controlled corporations or to a business improvement district established by the City, regardless whether the source of sources of money to be loaned is internal or external. The proposed Bylaw also amends the Policy to require that public notice must be given if the City intends to guarantee the repayment of a loan between a lender and a non-profit organization or one of the City's controlled corporations or a business improvement district established by the City.

The proposed Bylaw has been reviewed by the City's internal auditor, Robert Prosser & Associates Inc., and, in the opinion of the auditor, addresses the recommendations contained in the policy compliance audit.

The Public Notice Policy, No. C01-021 is attached as Schedule "A" to the proposed Bylaw. The proposed changes to the Policy have been bolded for Council's reference.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8590, The Public Notice Policy Amendment Bylaw, 2007.

**B2) Amendments to Bylaw 7200 - The Traffic Bylaw  
Roadway Classification and Speed Limit Changes  
(File No. CK. 6320-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8593.

*ADOPTED.*

At City Council's meeting held on February 12, 2007, it was resolved in part:

"1) that the City Solicitor be instructed to amend Bylaw 7200 - The Traffic Bylaw to change the classification of Circle Drive from the west abutment of the Circle Drive Bridge to the interchange of Highway No. 11 and Highway No. 16 from an expressway to a freeway, and



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- 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to amend Bylaw 7200 - The Traffic Bylaw to reflect the following changes to Schedule No. 4 - Maximum Speeds:
  - a) Remove subsection 6(e): 80 km/hr - Circle Drive from a point 300 metres north of College Drive to a point 300 metres south of College Drive;
  - b) Amend subsection 7(h): 90 km/hr - to include all of Circle Drive from the west abutment of Circle Drive Bridge to the south intersection of Highways No. 11 and 16;
  - c) Amend subsection 4(f): 60 km/hr - to include 22nd Street West from Diefenbaker Drive to Grid No. 684 (the Dalmeny Grid) with the segment of 22nd Street West from Witney Avenue to Diefenbaker Drive;
  - d) Create subsection 6(k): 80 km/hr - for 22nd Street West from Grid No. 684 (the Dalmeny Grid) to a point 800 metres west of Grid No. 684 (the Dalmeny Grid);
  - e) Create subsection 9(a): 100 km/hr - for 22nd Street West (Highway No. 4) from a point 800 metres west of Grid No. 684 (the Dalmeny Grid) to West City Limits;
  - f) Create subsection 4(v): 60 km/hr - for Betts Avenue from 22nd Street West to Hart Road;
  - g) Create subsection 6(l): 80 km/hr - for Betts Avenue (Highway No. 7) from Hart Road to 11th Street West;
  - h) Create subsection 9(b): 100 km/hr - for Betts Avenue (Highway No. 7) from 11th Street West to West City Limits.”

There is no distinction in The Traffic Bylaw between an expressway and a freeway. Accordingly, no Bylaw amendment is required for Resolution No. 1.

We are pleased to enclose Bylaw No. 8593 which enacts the necessary changes to The Traffic Bylaw No. 7200 to implement Resolution No. 2.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8593.

**B3) Zoning Bylaw Text Amendment  
and Required Animal Control Bylaw Amendment  
The Keeping of Animals  
(File No. CK. 4350-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8578.

*ADOPTED.*

At its meeting held on January 22, 2007, City Council resolved:

- “1) that City Council approve the advertising of amendments to the Zoning Bylaw, concerning the keeping of animals, as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated December 27, 2006;
- 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the required bylaw;
- 3) that the General Manager, Community Services Department, be requested to prepare the required notices for advertising the proposed amendment;
- 4) that at the time of the public hearing, City Council consider the Municipal Planning Commission’s recommendation that the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendments, as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated December 27, 2006, be approved; and
- 5) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare and bring forward the necessary amendments to the Animal Control Bylaw, as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated December 27, 2006.”

At its meeting held on February 26, 2007, City Council considered Bylaw No. 8577, The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No. 4), dealing with the keeping of animals. The purpose of the amendment is to allow the City to more effectively regulate the keeping of animals, both livestock and domestic, in all areas of the City, and particularly in residential areas. Bylaw No. 8577 was passed subsequent to the public hearing during Council’s February 26, 2007 meeting.

As a result of the amendments to the Zoning Bylaw, consequential amendments to the Animal Control Bylaw No. 7860 are required to ensure consistency between the two Bylaws. Section 22 of Bylaw No. 7860 prohibits the owning and harboring of exotic and wild animals, as listed in Schedule No. 5. Bylaw No. 7860 is amended to ensure that the animals permitted by the Zoning Bylaw within the city limits are not prohibited by the Animal Control Bylaw.

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We are pleased to enclose Bylaw No. 8578 amending the Animal Control Bylaw to reflect these changes.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8578.

**REPORT NO. 4-2007 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Composition of Committee

Councillor G. Penner, Chair  
Councillor C. Neault  
Councillor D. Hill  
Councillor M. Heidt  
Councillor T. Paulsen

1. **Amusement Tax**  
**(File No. CK. 1910-2)**

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

*ADOPTED.*

Your Committee has reviewed communications/presentations from the following, with respect to the issues involved with the collection of amusement tax for City theatres:

1. From Tom Hutchinson, Magic Lantern Theatres, (letter dated November 13, 2006)
2. From Stuart G. Fraser, President & CEO, Empire Theatres Limited, (letter dated November 15, 2006).
3. Mr. Wilf Runge, Motion Picture Theatre Association of Saskatchewan and Rainbow Cinema Inc. (presentation made at January 29, 2007 meeting).

The matter was subsequently referred to the Administration for a report. Attached are copies of reports of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated February 23, 2007, (Attachment A) and dated January 22, 2007, (Attachment B), in response to questions raised by the Committee as outlined therein. Also attached is a copy of the presentation made by Mr. Wilf Runge at the Administration and Finance Committee meeting (Attachment C).

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Your Committee has reviewed all the issues raised regarding amusement tax, and wishes to forward the matter to the Budget Committee for further consideration and decision on this matter.

**2. Enquiry – Councillor M. Heidt  
Construction Without an Appropriate Building Permit  
(File No. CK. 4125-1)**

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

*ADOPTED.*

City Council considered Clause B2, Legislative Report No. 20-2006 on the above matter at its meeting held on December 18, 2006 at which time a communication was considered from Mr. Cliff Wright, Chairman, Wright Construction Western Inc., requesting to speak on the matter.

Mr. Wright expressed concerns with respect to processing times to obtain a permit and asked Council to instruct the Administration to continue discussions with the industry to come up with a solution that will serve both the City and the construction industry and those who want to invest in the community.

City Council subsequently adopted the following motion on this matter:

that the Administration be requested to provide an interim report to the Administration and Finance Committee regarding the status of improvements to the building permit process, and that construction stakeholders be consulted and given an opportunity to address the Administration and Finance Committee at that time.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated February 16, 2007 which was prepared following the meetings between the Administration and representatives of the construction industry. Your Committee is satisfied that appropriate measures have been taken to address this matter.

**3. W.W. Ashley Park Enhancement Project with Queen Elizabeth Community  
Association  
(File No. CK. 4205-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that W.W. Ashley Park – Queen Elizabeth Community Association Park Enhancement Project be approved for inclusion within the 2007 Capital Budget.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated February 13, 2007 regarding funding for the Park Enhancement Project for W.W. Ashley Park.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration and supports the inclusion of this project in the 2007 Capital Budget.

**4. Enhanced Security Requirements Required for  
On-line Credit Card Payments  
(File No. CK. 1550-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that a capital project totalling \$150,000 be approved to implement the required enhanced security and protection for the City's Data Centre equipment; and
- 2) that this matter be referred to the Budget Committee for consideration during the review of the deferred 2007 capital projects that require funding from the Reserve for Capital Expenditures.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated February 22, 2007 which addresses the requirements that need to be in place in order for the City to continue to offer on-line credit card payments.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration, and recognizes there is no option but to proceed with the required project in order to continue to offer on-line credit card payments for civic programs

**REPORT NO. 1-2007 OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES –  
GENERAL SUPERANNUATION PLAN**

Composition of Board

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Dr. Anthony Whitworth, Chair  
Mr. Matt Baraniecki, Vice-Chair  
Mr. Fred Smith  
Councillor G. Wyant  
Mr. Phil Richards  
Mr. Garry Gross  
Mr. Steve Saunders  
Mr. Len Thiessen

**1. Actuarial Valuation Report as at December 31, 2005  
General Superannuation Plan - Amendment to Contribution Rate  
Aon Consulting Inc.  
(File No. CK. 4730-1)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Actuarial Valuation Report as at December 31, 2005 for the General Superannuation Plan be received as information; and
  - 2) that Bylaw No. 8592 be considered.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a copy of the final Actuarial Valuation Report as at December 31, 2005 which has been prepared by Aon Consulting. This Actuarial Valuation Report has been submitted to the Superintendent of Pensions, as required, by the deadline date of December 31, 2006. As will be noted, the report addresses an increase to the contribution rate for both employer and employees, which was approved during the contract negotiation process.

Also attached is a copy of Bylaw No. 8592 which provides for the appropriate amendments to The General Superannuation Plan Bylaw No. 8669, for the increase in contribution rates, effective April 1, 2007.

**REPORT NO. 5-2007 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Composition of Committee

His Worship Mayor D. Atchison, Chair  
Councillor C. Clark  
Councillor B. Dubois  
Councillor M. Heidt  
Councillor D. Hill  
Councillor P. Lorje  
Councillor M. Neault  
Councillor T. Paulsen  
Councillor G. Penner  
Councillor B. Pringle  
Councillor G. Wyant

**1. Terms of Reference  
Audit Committee  
(File No. CK. 1600-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that the Terms of Reference of the Audit Committee be amended so as to include the following additional responsibilities:
- Review the annual audited financial statements with management and the External Auditor and recommend their approval to City Council;
  - Review significant accounting and reporting issues and understand their impact on the financial statements, including major issues regarding accounting systems and financial statement presentations and significant changes in the selection or application of accounting principles;
  - Review the External Auditor's proposed audit scope and approach, including coordination of audit effort with internal audit;
  - Review with the General Manager of Corporate Services, the External Auditor, and the Internal Auditor, the systems of internal control over financial reporting to assess that they are operating effectively;
  - Review with management and the External Auditor the results of the external audit, including any difficulties encountered such as restrictions on the scope of the External auditor's activities or any access to requested

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information, and any significant disagreements with management;

- Review the External Auditor's management letter and management responses, with the External Auditor and management;
- Ensure that the combined work of the Internal Auditor and External Auditor provides an appropriate level of audit coverage and is effectively coordinated to avoid duplication of effort;
- Comment on the organization's risk management process;
- Through the work of the City's Internal and External Auditors, monitor the organization's systems of internal control over financial reporting, operational effectiveness and efficiency, compliance with laws and regulations, fraud prevention and detection, and safeguarding corporate assets. Understand the scope of the Internal and External Auditors' review of internal controls;
- Ensure that all members of the Audit Committee receive appropriate orientation to understand the Committee's responsibilities, financial and internal control reporting and related processes, audit committee processes, and key relationships;
- Ensure that all members of the Audit Committee receive appropriate orientation on how to read and understand the City's financial statements and related accounting issues;
- Pursuant to the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing, engage the services of a qualified independent reviewer or review team from outside the organization, that is certified by the Institute of Internal Auditors, to undertake an external assessment of the internal audit function every five years;
- Annually review the Committee's mandate to ensure that the Committee continues to be an effective governance instrument; and,

- 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate amendment to *The Council and Committee Procedure Bylaw*.

**ADOPTED.**



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Your Committee has reviewed information provided by the City's internal auditor regarding additional responsibilities that could be undertaken by the Audit Committee and submits the above recommendation.

**2. Appointment to the Access Transit Advisory Committee  
(File No. CK. 225-58)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Ms. Georgie Davis be appointed to the Access Transit Advisory Committee to the end of 2009, to replace Ms. Ilse Frischholz.

*ADOPTED.*

The above appointment is necessary due to the unfortunate passing of Ms. Ilse Frischholz, a member of the Access Transit Advisory Committee since 2003.

**3. Appointment to Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation Board of Directors  
(File No. CK. 175-27)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the City's representative be instructed to vote the City's proxy at the appropriate time for the appointment and reappointment of the following to the Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation Board of Trustees, to the end of 2008:

Jack Hillson (to replace Joan Emigh)  
Brent Klause  
Carol Cisecki  
James Leach  
John Hampton  
Barbara Beavis  
Alexander Sokalski (to replace Murray Hinds)"

*ADOPTED.*

*Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

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

*CARRIED.*

*His Worship the Mayor assumed the Chair.*

**HEARINGS**

- 4a) Proposed Rezoning from R1A to RMTN  
Trimble Crescent and Paton Crescent  
Willowgrove Neighbourhood – R1A Zoning District  
Applicant: City of Saskatoon Land Branch  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8582  
(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. 8582, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a copy of Clause 2, Report No. 2-2007 of the Municipal Planning Commission which was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on February 12, 2007.

Attached is a copy of the notice that appeared in the local press under dates of February 17 and 24, 2007.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment.*

*Mr. Brad Sylvester, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment.*

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

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

**CARRIED.**

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

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8582.*

*CARRIED.*

**4b) Proposed Development Plan Text Amendment  
Applicant: Dundee Development Corporation  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8588  
(File No. CK. 4351-1)**

**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8588, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a copy of a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated January 8, 2007 recommending that the proposed amendment to Section 7.2.2 c) of the City’s Development Plan be approved.

Attached is a copy of a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated January 30, 2007 advising the Commission supports the above-noted recommendation.

Attached is a copy of the notice that appeared in the local press under dates of February 24 and March 3, 2007.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, provided background information and expressed the Department’s support of the proposed Development Plan amendment.*

*Mr. Brad Sylvester, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed Development Plan amendment.*

*Mr. Don Armstrong, Dundee Developments, outlined Dundee’s intentions and asked for Council’s support.*

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

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*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Clark, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8588.*

*CARRIED.*

**4c) Proposed Zoning Bylaw Text Amendment  
Applicant: Dundee Development Corporation  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8587  
(File No. CK. 4351-1)**

**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8587, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a copy of a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated January 8, 2007 recommending that the proposed amendment to 11.3 of the City’s Zoning Bylaw be approved. (See Attachment 4b)

Attached is a copy of a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated January 30, 2007 advising the Commission supports the above-noted recommendation. (See Attachment 4b)

Attached is a copy of the notice that appeared in the local press under dates of February 24 and March 3, 2007.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment.*

*Mr. Brad Sylvester, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment.*

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*Mr. Don Armstrong, Dundee Developments, asked for Council's support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment.*

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

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

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Hill,*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8587.*

*CARRIED.*

**4d) Proposed Development Plan Amendment from 'Residential' to 'Business Park'  
Stonebridge Neighbourhood  
Applicant: Dundee Development Corporation  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8586  
(File No. CK. 4351-1)**

**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

"The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8586, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a copy of a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated January 9, 2007 recommending that the proposed amendment to the City's Development Plan to re-designate Parcel A, Plan No. 101390655, and Parcel B, Plan No. 91-S-02594, both located in the NW-22-37-5-W3, from 'Residential' to 'Business Park' be approved.

Attached is a copy of a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated January 30, 2007, advising the Commission supports the above-noted recommendation.

Attached is a copy of the notice that appeared in the local press under dates of February 24 and March 3, 2007."

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

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*Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, expressed the Department's support of the proposed Development Plan amendment.*

*Mr. Brad Sylvester, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission's support of the proposed Development Plan amendment.*

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

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Clark, Seconded by Councillor Hill,*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8586.*

*CARRIED.*

- 4e) Proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment  
From Future Urban Development District (FUD) to Industrial Business District (IB),  
General Institutional Service District (M3) and District Commercial District (B2)  
Stonebridge Neighbourhood  
Applicant: Dundee Development Corporation  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8589  
(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. 8589, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a copy of a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated January 9, 2007 recommending that the proposed amendments to the City's Zoning Bylaw to rezone Parcel A, Plan No. 101390655, and Parcel B, Plan No. 91-S-02594, both located in the NW-22-37-5-W3 from a Future Urban Development District (FUD) to Industrial Business District (IB), General Institutional Service District (M3), and District Commercial District (B2) be approved. (See Attachment 4d)

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Attached is a copy of a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated January 30, 2007, advising the Commission supports the above-noted recommendation. (See Attachment 4d)

Attached is a copy of the notice that appeared in the local press under dates of February 24 and March 3, 2007.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment.*

*Mr. Brad Sylvester, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment.*

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

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

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8589.*

*CARRIED.*

**MATTERS REQUIRING PUBLIC NOTICE**

**5a) Proposed Intersection Modifications  
Circle Drive Westbound and Warman Road  
Warman Road and Circle Drive Eastbound  
(File No. 6005-43)**

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REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The following is a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated March 5, 2007:

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the permanent intersection modifications, as outlined in this report, at Warman Road and Circle Drive westbound, and Warman Road and Circle Drive eastbound, be approved.

**REPORT**

As part of the Circle Drive corridor, the two intersections of Circle Drive and Warman Road are experiencing increased useage. The following two traffic movements are experiencing poor levels of service:

**1. Circle Drive Westbound Right Turns to Warman Road Northbound**

The westbound to northbound movement is currently experiencing excessive delays during the peak traffic flow periods and including Saturdays. Over 900 vehicles per hour travel westbound on Circle Drive, destined for Warman Road northbound in one lane. These 900 vehicles are currently required to yield the right of way to 1,440 vehicles per hour on three lanes of Warman Road northbound.

**2. Warman Road Southbound Left Turns to Circle Drive Eastbound**

The southbound to eastbound movement is currently provided for with a single left hand turn bay controlled by a traffic signal which provides both a protected phase (flashing arrow) and a permissive phase (left turn on green when there is no oncoming traffic). Currently, this left turn is operating at 96% capacity. Typically, a value of 85% or less is deemed acceptable.

The following modifications to the intersections are proposed:

- Warman Road northbound at Circle Drive will be changed from three (3) through lanes to two (2) through lanes.



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- The curb lane on Warman Road northbound, on the Circle Drive Overpass, will be used exclusively for exiting onto Circle Drive westbound.
- Warman Road southbound to Circle Drive eastbound will be upgraded to a dual left turn with the construction of an additional turn lane. The two Warman Road southbound through lanes will remain unchanged.
- Warman Road northbound to Circle Drive eastbound will change to a yield condition to safely accommodate the new Warman Road southbound dual left turn to Circle Drive eastbound.
- Circle Drive westbound to Warman Road northbound will change to a free flow right turn movement.
- Circle Drive westbound to Warman Road northbound right hand turns will be allowed from the right hand lane of the existing dual left hand turn lanes provided for the westbound to southbound movement during the 'green time' of that phase (no right turns on red alone, rights allowed during green phase).

The modifications will balance the level of service provided to Warman Road northbound traffic, as well as the traffic exiting from Circle Drive westbound and destined for Warman Road northbound.

The modifications will decrease the level of service provided to Warman Road northbound, but increase the level of service to the traffic entering Warman Road northbound from Circle Drive westbound. These modifications will also introduce new merging patterns in the curb lane on Warman Road northbound between the Warman Road exit on Circle Drive and Assiniboine Drive.

The modifications do not change the total capacity of this section of roadway, and delays will still be encountered at peak times, however, overall levels of service will increase and delays will be more balanced between the approaches.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public Notice is required for consideration of this matter, pursuant to Section 5.1 c) of Policy No. C01-021, The Public Notice Policy. The following notice was given:

- Advertised in *The StarPhoenix* and *Sun* on the weekends of March 3 and 4, and March 10 and 11, 2007.
- Posted on City Hall Notice Board on Friday, March 2, 2007.
- Posted on City website on Friday, March 2, 2007.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Sketch Warman-1, Circle Drive Westbound and Warman Road;

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2. Sketch Warman-2, Circle Drive Eastbound and Warman Road; and
3. Copy of Public Notice –Circle Drive and Warman Road Intersection Modifications’

Attached are copies of the following letters:

- Larry and Pat Williams, dated March 3, 2007;
- Richard Altrogge, undated;
- Gerald Penry, dated March 10, 2007;
- Linda and David Brown, dated March 12, 2007;
- Don Greer, dated March 12, 2007; and
- Brad Stratyshuck, Manager, Brad’s Towing Ltd., dated March 12, 2007.’’

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

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

*THAT the permanent intersection modifications, as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated March 5, 2007, at Warman Road and Circle Drive westbound, and Warman Road and Circle Drive eastbound, be approved.*

*CARRIED.*

**COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL**

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

**A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL**

**1) Marlene Hall, Assistant City Clerk, dated February 16**

Requesting permission for Dr. Tom Wolf, member of the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee, to address Council to provide a presentation on the work and role of the Committee.  
(File No. CK. 175-9)

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Dr. Tom Wolf be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT Dr. Tom Wolf be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

*Dr. Tom Wolf, member, Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee, provided information to City Council on the work and role of the Committee.*

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

2) **Sue Barrett, Chairperson, Marr Residence Management Board, dated February 20**

Requesting permission to address City Council to submit the annual report of the Marr Residence Management Board. (File No. CK. 430-60)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Sue Barrett be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT Sue Barrett be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

*Ms. Sue Barrett, Chairperson, Marr Residence Management Board, presented the 2006 annual report of the Marr Residence Management Board.*

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

3) **Laura Margita, PAVED ARTS, dated February 27**

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to the Building Better Communities program. (File No. CK. 1860-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Clause B5 of Administrative Report No. 6-2007 be brought forward and considered, and that Laura Margita be heard.

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

*THAT Clause B5, Administrative Report No. 6-2007 be brought forward and that Laura Margita be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

**“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 6-2007**

**B5) Building Communities Program  
(File No. 1860-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the attached projects be approved for submission to the province under the Building Communities Program;
  - 2) that the \$6,737,000 unconditional provincial Community Shares funding previously allocated to Project 2160, Blairmore Multi-District Park and Civic Centre be reallocated to the following projects, to provide the City with its share of funding:
    - Rink Improvements \$2,250,000
    - Gordon Howe Bowl Upgrades 1,425,000
    - Accessible Playgrounds 787,500
  - 3) that the remainder of the Community Shares funding be transferred to the Reserve for Capital Expenditures for allocation during the upcoming Budget Committee review of the deferred 2007 capital projects; and,
  - 4) that the current and any additional community projects meeting the program criteria be forwarded to the province for consideration and evaluation under the Building Communities Program.

**REPORT**

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The above-noted program was announced in December with the following objectives:

- Ensure that cultural and recreational infrastructure is based on a sustainable regional plan.
- Assist communities in meeting the cultural, social, and recreational needs of provincial residents.
- Assist communities in developing and improving basic cultural and recreational infrastructure that contribute to the region's and the province's economic prosperity.

The program is open to both civic and community projects within two streams, the first for projects where the total cost is in excess of \$10M, the second for projects where the total cost is between \$1M and \$10M. Each project must have a minimum of three partners, and be accompanied by a full business plan including confirmation of funding for operational costs.

While the program has two intake deadlines, April 30, 2007, or April 30, 2008, municipalities can only apply once. Your Administration is targeting the April 30, 2007 deadline.

Your Administration has compiled a list of potential projects for submission under this program (Attachment 1). There are two projects with total costs in excess of \$10M, P2160 Blairmore Suburban Multi-District Park and Civic Centre and P1817 Mendel Art Gallery Expansion. Existing funding for the Blairmore Suburban Multi-District Park and Civic Centre included \$6,737,000 from the unconditional provincial Community Shares Program. Including this project in the Building Communities Program submission will free up these funds. The Mendel Art Gallery expansion will still require confirmation of funding from both the federal government and its capital fundraising campaign.

Your Administration has identified six civic projects with total costs between \$1M and \$10M as follows:

- P901 W.J.L. Harvey Park Upgrade
- P1634 Southeast District Park System
- P1135 Field House Track/Floor Replacement P2106 Rink Improvements
- P2106 Rink Improvements
- P2349 Gordon Howe Bowl Upgrades
- P2354 Accessible Playgrounds

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The first three projects have dedicated reserve funds available to fund the City's share of the cost. The latter three require additional funding, totalling \$4,462,500 (as identified on Attachment 1). The Community Shares Program funding freed up from the Blairmore project is sufficient to provide this funding. It is your Administration's recommendation that the funds be used for this purpose, and that the remaining funds be transferred to the Reserve for Capital Expenditures to assist with funding the remaining 2007 unfunded capital projects to be reviewed at an upcoming Budget Committee meeting.

Your Administration has also included a project for the River Landing Destination Centre. While this project has not been completely defined, your Administration would like to ensure the province understands that the City continues to see this project as a priority, but that further feasibility studies need to be completed.

In addition to the civic projects, the list includes five Saskatoon community projects. As indicated above, the deadline for submission to the province is April 30, 2007. It is acknowledged that there may be additional projects submitted from the Saskatoon community. It is your Administration's recommendation that the projects currently received and any additional projects be forwarded to the province for evaluation.

It should be noted that the attached represents Saskatoon's submission only. There is no guarantee that all projects will be approved.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. List of potential projects for submission under the Building Communities Program.”

*Ms. Laura Margita, 20 Above Holdings, a non-profit organization, provided a PowerPoint presentation to City Council with respect to upgrades of its facility to date. She provided Council with a copy of her presentation.*

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,*

*1) that the attached projects be approved for submission to the province under the Building Communities Program;*

*2) that the \$6,737,000 unconditional provincial Community Shares funding previously*

*allocated to Project 2160, Blairmore Multi-District Park and Civic Centre be reallocated to the following projects, to provide the City with its share of funding:*

- *Rink Improvements*                      \$2,250,000
- *Gordon Howe Bowl Upgrades*        1,425,000
- *Accessible Playgrounds*                787,500

- 3) *that the remainder of the Community Shares funding be transferred to the Reserve for Capital Expenditures for allocation during the upcoming Budget Committee review of the deferred 2007 capital projects; and,*
- 4) *that the current and any additional community projects meeting the program criteria be forwarded to the province for consideration and evaluation under the Building Communities Program.*

*CARRIED.*

**REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL – CONTINUED**

**4) Kent Gray, Whitewater Park Committee, dated March 7**

Requesting permission for Greg Cochlan to address Council with respect to the proposed whitewater park. (File No. CK. 4129-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:**    that Clause A6, Administrative Report No. 6-2007 be brought forward and that Greg Cochlan be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT Clause A6, Administrative Report No. 6-2007 be brought forward and that Greg Cochlan be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

**“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 6-2007**

**A6) Whitewater Park Proposal  
(File No: CK 4129-1, LS 5520-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Administration prepare a capital budget submission to proceed with the public consultations as described in this report to determine the level of interest for a whitewater recreation facility in Saskatoon and to identify issues and concerns from neighbours and other stakeholders related to the operation of such a facility at the proposed location (i.e. the weir); and
  - 2) that should the above capital budget project be approved by City Council, the information gathered from the above consultations and the technical expertise within our Corporate staff be used to develop a list of design and operational criteria for inclusion in the terms of reference for any preliminary or detailed design plans that may be approved by City Council in the future.

**BACKGROUND**

City Council, at its meeting held on November 6, 2006, considered a letter from Mr. Kent Gray, Chairperson of the Saskatoon Whitewater Park Committee. The Committee members presented City Council with a conceptual plan (Attachment 1) for a whitewater park in Saskatoon prepared by Recreation Engineering and Planning from Boulder, Colorado. City Council passed a motion that the matter be referred to the administration to review and report at the appropriate time.

**DISCUSSION**

In November, 2006, an administrative committee was created comprised of Murray Totland, Mark Keller and Paul Gauthier.

On December 4, 2006, your administrative committee held a meeting with members of the Saskatoon Whitewater Park Committee for the purpose of receiving further orientation and background information related to this proposal. We were provided with information related to the “Harvie Passage” weir development project in Calgary and an economic analysis of a similar project in Reno, Nevada.



I also contacted an individual identified on the Harvie Passage web site who has been involved with that project for a number of years. Their project started with a similar pre-feasibility report prepared by a stakeholder group that was subsequently presented to various interest groups and funding agencies. It became the foundation for the next level of consultation and engineering design studies.

## **JUSTIFICATION**

### **What is the interest level?**

The conceptual plan submitted by the Saskatoon Whitewater Park Committee does identify that any modification of the weir in Saskatoon will not be a minor undertaking. The following quote from the report identifies the need for a significant investment to realize this potential recreation facility:

“The width of the river, the consistently high flows and potential flood conditions, in concert with the sandy makeup of the stream bed, will all combine to create conditions which require a great deal of armoring and extensive design process. The scale of the potential dam modification on the South Saskatchewan River is simply larger than any comparable project.”

Consequently, your administration is of the view that significant effort should be undertaken at the initial stage to determine the level of interest for a whitewater recreational facility in this city. This level of interest should be determined in terms of: interest by residents and users from the city of Saskatoon and the immediate trading area; interest by individuals who would choose Saskatoon as a destination centre because of this recreation facility; interest within the business community to create or significantly expand this form of recreation industry; and, general interest by the citizens of Saskatoon to complement our existing parks and public facilities with a whitewater park recreational facility.

### **Being a good neighbour**

Whitewater parks are an emerging trend in North America that provide river related recreation near a population centre and in-stream structures, which are built to create park-and-play boating and water activities. Whitewater parks vary in length from the longest, one mile, to the shortest, one single feature, but all meet the same goal: attracting whitewater users to a single destination, where they can recreate without the logistical issues involved in more traditional, point A to point B river trips.

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Being a good neighbour was one of the objectives incorporate within the Calgary weir improvement project. The objective included the following elements:

- to be compatible and complementary to current and future activities in the area;
- to work closely with all neighbours and stakeholders in a transparent, accountable and constructive manner, throughout planning and construction phases; and
- to resolve and manage access and parking issues in conjunction with the City, project stakeholders, and area neighbours.

Your administration is recommending that consultations with affected neighbours and stakeholders be undertaken as an initial step to exploring the development of a whitewater park recreational facility. This step will ensure a clear understanding of the issues and concerns of these residents. Should City Council move forward to some initial or detailed design stages, it would be expected that these issues and concerns are to be addressed within any proposed designs or plans. The scope of the residents and stakeholders should include: all residents who live in adjoining neighbourhoods, Meewasin Valley Authority, University of Saskatchewan, all residents affected by significant changes in traffic patterns resulting from the development of this facility, all current river users, and all affected emergency response organizations.

**What are we going to build?**

Based on the Calgary experience and conversations within our administrative committee, the next logical step after the above study and consultation would be to proceed to a preliminary functional design study. Your administration proposes that the study include the following components with the associated amount of weighting to be applied to each component:

1. 75% of the effort applied towards design of recreation component options that are feasible at the Saskatoon weir location along with order of magnitude costs of each option.
2. 20% of the effort applied towards an environment and regulatory overview (i.e. who are all the agencies that need to be contacted, what permits and studies can be anticipated, and the projected costs and timeframes associated with these permits and studies). This component is not intended to be a full environmental study at this point.
3. 5% of the effort to be applied to develop the business case to support the anticipated investment in this project.

Based on the Calgary experience, it is anticipated that such a study will cost in the \$100,000 to \$150,000 range.

Upon reviewing the material related to the Calgary project, the terms of reference for such a study include a set of 19 criteria that were developed based on input received from their Technical Advisory Group and their Public Advisory Committee.

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Your administration is recommending that the information in the public interest study and the findings from the consultation with neighbours and stakeholders be used as the basis for developing some of these criteria. Technical expertise from within the Corporation would be used to develop the balance of the list of criteria.

**OPTIONS**

The recommendations in this report will provide City Council with sufficient information to consider prior to approving the next logical step in the development of this facility; namely, a preliminary functional design study. These recommendations will also minimize the initial investment in this potential development, while still moving the concept forward.

The options would be to either: deny funding for these information gathering efforts and ask the proponents to seek alternative sources for this work, or indicate that the city has no further interest in pursuing this proposal.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications with the recommendations proposed in this report.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

It is anticipated that the cost of the public interest study, the consultation with neighbours and stakeholders, and the development of criteria to be incorporated within a potential future functional design study, would run in the order of magnitude of \$35,000.

**COMMUNICATIONS PLAN**

All of the recommendations in this report are aimed at ensuring that there is a good communication base with potentially affected neighbours and stakeholders and with the community at large that demonstrates support for a whitewater recreational facility before proceeding with more detailed planning and investment of taxpayer dollars.

In light of other major consultations being undertaken by the Administration, it is anticipated that the consultations for this project would not commence until fall of 2007.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

Should this proposal proceed to preliminary functional design and detailed design stages, all environmental issues will be explored and addressed at those points in the process.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. A Conceptual Plan for a Whitewater Park in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan”

*Mr. Greg Cochlan, Whitewater Park Committee, advised Council that the Whitewater Park Committee has done a significant amount of public consultation and recommended that a stakeholder group be formed to start working on a preliminary design for consideration during the 2008 Capital Budget.*

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

- 1) *that the Administration prepare a capital budget submission to proceed with the public consultations as described in this report to determine the level of interest for a whitewater recreation facility in Saskatoon and to identify issues and concerns from neighbours and other stakeholders related to the operation of such a facility at the proposed location (i.e. the weir);*
- 2) *that should the above capital budget project be approved by City Council, the information gathered from the above consultations and the technical expertise within our Corporate staff be used to develop a list of design and operational criteria for inclusion in the terms of reference for any preliminary or detailed design plans that may be approved by City Council in the future; and*
- 3) *that the Administration and Whitewater Park Committee work together in setting budget and timing of the preliminary design.*

*CARRIED.*

**REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL – CONTINUED**

- 5) **Deb Edmundson, dated March 12**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the underground tunnels between 33<sup>rd</sup> Street West and 22<sup>nd</sup> Street West. (File No. CK. 6150-1)

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Clause D3, Administrative Report No. 6-2007 be brought forward and that Deb Edmundson be heard.

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

*THAT Clause D3, Administrative Report No. 6-2007 be brought forward and that Deb Edmundson be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

**“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 6-2007**

**D3) Enquiry - Councillor M. Heidt (June 29, 2005)  
Underground Tunnels between 33<sup>rd</sup> Street West and 22<sup>nd</sup> Street West  
(File No. CK. 6150-1)**

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

**BACKGROUND**

Councillor Heidt made the following enquiry at the meeting of City Council held on June 27, 2005:

“Would the Administration please report back on remedies to solve water problems, general clean up schedule and the costs to bring them up to standard with regard to water drainage.”

**REPORT**

Garbage/litter removal in the pedestrian tunnels has increased during the past two years to a minimum of once per week or as requested. A checklist system was established to document current conditions as well as to notify other departments of work required, such as graffiti removal, lighting issues, minor repairs, etc. Results of a casual survey during the summer of 2006, conducted with passers-by, indicated that users have seen an improvement, particularly with respect to graffiti.

The Laurier/Vancouver pedestrian underpass currently has adequate drainage. Due to the nature of the tunnel and the surrounding area, the catch basins tend to freeze up during the early spring months and are slow to thaw. The drainage system can be thawed using the same steam trucks that are used to thaw other catch basins in the city; therefore, steaming of this catch basin will be added to the priority list.

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Drainage in the 29<sup>th</sup> Street pedestrian underpass is an issue. Steaming of the nearby catch basin will be added to our priority list. Modifications were made to an area west of the tunnel in 2005 and 2006 in order to assist water draining between the rail underpass and the road portion of the underpass. The culverts were cleaned, vegetation was cut back and a retaining wall was installed.

If this treatment does not prove to be sufficient to expedite the water through the area, a catch basin and lead could be installed at the south end of the road underpass. Cost for this work is estimated to be approximately \$30,000.00, and would require approval from CN Rail. Installation of an additional catch basin would not guarantee that the underpass would not flood in the spring, as it is in low area that receives runoff from a large area.

Adequate drainage is an issue in the Avenue W pedestrian underpass which is via a catch basin to the south of the structure. The storm sewer leads to an outfall 140 metres away, with a drop of 0.28 metres. The outlet of the storm sewer has a tendency to freeze up during the spring as there is excess material around the outfall. The cost to clean up the area is estimated to be approximately \$1,500.00. There is no guarantee that this will be effective as the whole area is a low spot. Any other improvements would require modifications to the storm sewer system or elevating the roadway (and tunnel) in the area at a significant cost.

A large part of the problem is that the water that flows into the tunnels during high runoff periods freezes, and does not thaw for many weeks due to shading and the ground temperature inside the tunnels. This spring, Infrastructure Services will close these two underpasses for a short period of time, diverting pedestrian traffic to the Laurier underpass or to the interchange at 33rd Street and Circle Drive, until runoff levels subside. A small skid steer will attempt to remove the ice and slush in the underpasses. Based on past years' experience, the closures will be in effect for approximately 10 to 14 days.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

*Ms. Deb Edmundson expressed concerns including drainage, debris, and lighting, with respect to the underground tunnels located at 29<sup>th</sup> Street, Laurier Drive and Vancouver Avenue.*

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

*THAT the matter be referred back to the Administration to further review catch basins and other safety matters of the underground walkway tunnels.*

**CARRIED.**

**REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL – CONTINUED**

6) **Ken Yuzik, General Manager, Saskatoon Radio Cab Ltd., dated March 12**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to a proposed taxi commission. (File No. CK. 175-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Items B4 and B5 of Communications to Council and Item 9a) of Unfinished Business be brought forward and that Ken Yuzik be heard.

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

*THAT Items B4 and B5 of Communications to Council and Item 9a) of Unfinished Business be brought forward and that Ken Yuzik be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

“B4) **Laurie Suppes, General Manager, the united group, dated February 28**

Requesting to address the issue of the possibility of establishing a Taxi Commission. (File No. CK. 175-1)

B5) **Ken Yuzik, General Manager, Saskatoon Radio Cabs Ltd., dated February 28**

Expressing concern about the possibility of establishing a Taxi Commission. (File No. CK. 175-1)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

9a) **Possibility of Establishment of a Taxi Commission**  
**(File No. CK. 307-1)**

Councillor Lorje gave the following notice of motion at the meeting of City Council held on February 12, 2007:

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

“THAT the Administration and Finance Committee consider the possibility of establishing a taxi commission in the City of Saskatoon.”

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City Council, at its meeting held on February 26, 2007, deferred consideration of the matter until the next meeting of City Council.”

*Mr. Ken Yuzik, General Manager, Saskatoon Radio Cabs Ltd., expressed concerns with respect to the City establishing a taxi commission.*

*Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Hill,*

*THAT the Administration and Finance Committee consider the possibility of establishing a taxi commission in the City of Saskatoon.*

*DEFEATED.*

**REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL – CONTINUED**

**7) Kent Smith-Windsor, Executive Director, The Chamber, dated March 12**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to productivity gains. (File No. 3500-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Clause B3, Administrative Report No. 6-2007 be brought forward and that Kent Smith-Windsor be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT Clause B3, Administrative Report No. 6-2007 be brought forward and that Kent Smith-Windsor be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

**“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 6-2007**

**B3) Communications to Council**  
**From: Kent Smith-Windsor, Executive Director**  
**The Chamber**  
**Date: November 20, 2006**  
**Subject: Productivity Gains Targets**  
**(File No. 3500-1)**

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



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**BACKGROUND**

City Council, at its meeting held on Monday, December 4, 2006, considered the above-noted letter with respect to productivity gains targets. Mr. Brian Chalmers, Executive Committee Member of the Greater Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce addressed City Council and requested the City to institute productivity gains targets into the City's budgeting process.

Council passed a motion that the matter be referred to the Administration for a report to City Council.

**REPORT**

In order to determine productivity targets, City Council must first be aware of its current performance. In previous years, your Administration has prepared and tabled annually the City's Performance Measurement Report. The intent of this report was to provide City Council with an annual report monitoring both the results and efficiency of civic services. This report was based on the municipal performance measurement program in place in Ontario and was designed to establish benchmarks against which individual communities could be compared. Concerns were raised around the usefulness of the City's report. The measurements were established as broad to facilitate future benchmarking, however they do not necessarily tie to the City's planned strategic outcomes, therefore do not provide meaningful information. As a result, your Administration recommended that this report be referred to a public Executive Committee meeting for further discussion.

In late 2005, your Administration was advised that as part of the federal government's New Deal for Cities and Communities, municipalities were required to prepare integrated community sustainability plans which would assist them in achieving real, measurable progress towards economic, social, environmental, and cultural sustainability. Your Administration is pursuing this as an alternative to its previous performance measurement model and is looking to develop one process that will provide targets and measures for both the community and municipal services that support sustainability. A further report on this initiative will be forthcoming.

Regardless of the model chosen, it is apparent that the City is lacking in a formal, corporate measurement process integrated with its strategic plan, business plan, and budgeting process. Resources are currently limited. Initially, your Administration was planning to introduce a position within the 2007 Operating Budget to manage the City's performance measurement/sustainability process and to provide a resource to both the City Manager and the General Manager of Corporate Services in the area of business strategy. Due to budgeting constraints, a position will not be requested. However, through the Audit Committee, the City's internal auditor, Robert Prosser & Associates was requested to undertake a process around benchmarking that your Administration can hopefully build upon.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

*Mr. Kent Smith-Windsor, Executive Director, The Chamber, asked that City Council consider productivity gains targets in its budget process and not confuse or join productivity gains with benchmarking. He encouraged modest targets for all members of civic administration.*

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

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL – CONTINUED**

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

**1) Marilyn Lepage, dated February 21**

Requesting Council to consider rent control in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 750-1)

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

*Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Hill,*

*THAT the matter be referred to the Planning and Operations Committee to review thoughtful planned growth to ensure that there will be adequate, affordable housing for the citizens of Saskatoon.*

*CARRIED.*

**2) Judy Koutecky, Administrative Assistant, Mendel Art Gallery, dated February 21**

Advising Council of the Annual General Meeting of the Members of The Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation to be held on Tuesday, March 20, 2007, at 7:00 p.m., at the Saskatoon Club. (File No. CK. 175-27)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the City of Saskatoon, being a member of The Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation, appoint Donald Atchison, or in his absence, Tiffany Paulsen or Gordon Wyant of the City of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan, as its proxy to vote for it on its behalf at the Annual General Meeting of the members of The Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation, to be held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007, or at any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

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

*THAT the City of Saskatoon, being a member of The Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation, appoint Donald Atchison, or in his absence, Tiffany Paulsen or Gordon Wyant of the City of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan, as its proxy to vote for it on its behalf at the Annual General Meeting of the members of The Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation, to be held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007, or at any adjournment or adjournments thereof.*

*CARRIED.*

3) **Kelly Walker, FMG Dragon Boat/Rotary Club of Saskatoon**  
**Nutana Saskatoon Dragon Boat Festival**

Requesting permission to extend the time during which amplified sound can be played until 11:00 p.m. on Friday, July 27<sup>th</sup> and from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2007, in conjunction with the 2007 Rotary Club of Saskatoon Nutana Saskatoon Dragon Boat Festival. (File No. CK. 185-9)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the request to extend the time during which amplified sound can be played until 11:00 p.m. on Friday, July 27<sup>th</sup> and from 8:00 a.m. until 11 p.m. on Saturday, July 28, 2007, in conjunction with the 2007 Dragon Boat Festival.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,*

*THAT the matter be referred to the Administration to review and report back to Council on April 16, 2007.*

*CARRIED.*

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**4) Laurie Suppes, General Manager, the united group, dated February 28**

Requesting to address the issue of the possibility of establishing a Taxi Commission. (File No. CK. 175-1)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 71.*

**5) Ken Yuzik, General Manager, Saskatoon Radio Cabs Ltd., dated February 28**

Expressing concern about the possibility of establishing a Taxi Commission. (File No. CK. 175-1)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 71.*

**6) Paul Fedec, dated March 1**

Expressing concern about speculators buying multiple condominium units. (File No. CK. 4132-1)

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

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

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**7) Vic Dubois, President, Board of Directors, TCU Place, dated February 20**

Submitting notice of the Annual General Meeting of the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium Foundation on Thursday, April 5, 2007 at 12 Noon at TCU Place as well as the Annual General Meeting of the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium and Convention Centre Corporation to be held on the same date, at 12:05 p.m.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the City of Saskatoon, being a member of the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium Foundation Board of Directors, appoint Donald Atchison, or in his absence, Tiffany Paulsen or Glen Penner, of the City of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan, as its proxy to vote for it on its behalf at the Annual General Meeting of the members of the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium Foundation, to be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007, or at any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

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

- 1) *that the City of Saskatoon, being a member of the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium Foundation Board of Directors, appoint Donald Atchison, or in his absence, Tiffany Paulsen or Glen Penner, of the City of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan, as its proxy to vote for it on its behalf at the Annual General Meeting of the members of the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium Foundation, to be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007, or at any adjournment or adjournments thereof; and*
- 2) *that the City of Saskatoon, being a member of The Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre Board of Directors, appoint Donald Atchison, or in his absence Tiffany Paulsen or Glen Penner, of The City of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan, as its proxy to vote for it on its behalf at the Annual Meeting of the members of the Saskatoon Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre Board of Directors, to be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007, or at any adjournment or adjournments thereof.*

*CARRIED.*

**8) Nicholas Dietrick, Director, High Voltage Classic, dated March 5**

Requesting an extension of the time under the Noise Bylaw which amplified music can be played on Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007, until 12:00 Midnight, in conjunction with the High Voltage Classic university road hockey tournament to be held in front of City Hall on March 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

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

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT Council extend the time under the Noise Bylaw which amplified music can be played on Saturday, March 24, 2007, until 12:00 midnight, in conjunction with the High Voltage Classic to be held in front of City Hall on March 24 and 25, 2007.*

*CARRIED.*

**9) Rob Brown, dated March 8**

Submitting comments with respect to the River Landing development. (File No. CK. 4129-13)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 38.*

**10) Margi Corbett, dated March 9**

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Submitting comments with respect to the River Landing development. (File No. CK. 4129-13)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 38.*

**11) Joe Kuchta, dated March 9**

Submitting comments with respect to the River Landing development. (File No. CK. 4129-13)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 38.*

**12) Graham Klassen, dated March 8**

Submitting comments with respect to the River Landing development. (File No. CK. 4129-13)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 38.*

**13) Jane Bickis, dated March 7**

Submitting comments with respect to the proposed Mendel Art Gallery renovation. (File No. CK. 620-4)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 16.*

**14) Lorelie Sarauer, dated March 7**

Submitting comments with respect to the proposed Mendel Art Gallery renovation. (File No. CK. 620-4)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 16.*

**15) Karen Hoiness, dated March 9**

Submitting comments with respect to the proposed Mendel Art Gallery renovation. (File No. CK. 620-4)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 16.*

**16) Goya Ngan, dated March 9**

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Submitting comments with respect to the proposed Mendel Art Gallery renovation. (File No. CK. 620-4)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 16.*

**C. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**1) Len and Charmaine Berrns, dated February 14**

Expressing concern about the design of proposed addition to Oliver Lodge. (File No. CK. 4110-1)

**2) Warner Berrns, dated February 16**

Expressing concern about the design of proposed addition to Oliver Lodge. (File No. CK. 4110-1)

**3) Irene Boychuk, Chair, Board of Directors, Credit Union Centre, dated February 20**

Submitting Annual Report. (File No. CK. 430-1)

**4) John T. Nilson, O.C., Minister of Environment, dated February 20**

Responding to a letter sent on behalf of City Council regarding the transportation of hazardous waste through the city. (File No. CK. 7830-2)

**5) Barb Nankivell, dated February 23**

Submitting a copy of a letter to the editor of the StarPhoenix with respect to the Royal Canadian Legion Building. (File No. CK. 710-1)

**6) William L. Rogers, dated February 24**

Commenting on the proposed demolition of the Royal Canadian Legion Building. (File No. CK. 710-1)

**7) Joe Kuchta, dated March 5**

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Submitting a copy of an excerpt from *Heritage Quarterly Saskatchewan*, concerning the Royal Canadian Legion building. (File No. CK. 710-1)

**8) Raymond D. Lepage, Chair, Board of Revision, dated February 26**

Submitting 2006 Annual Report – Saskatoon Board of Revision. (File No. CK. 430-1)

**9) Elwyn Edward Hopkin, dated February 26**

Suggesting that Council initiate a national/international design competition for proposed new bridges. (File No. CK. 6050-9)

**10) Glenn Stefanko, dated February 27**

Congratulating Council for consideration and cooperation given with respect to the Briarwood School Site Development Plan. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

**11) Diane and Frank Winter, dated February 27**

Commenting on Briarwood School Site Development Plan. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

**12) Annie Meng, dated March 1**

Commenting on Briarwood School Site Development Plan. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

**13) David Faulkner, dated March 2**

Commenting on a system in Brandon where receptacles are provided for dog walkers along walking trails, lighting of the Traffic Bridge and a multi-sports complex as part of the River Landing project. (File No. CK. 150-1)

**14) Janice Crawford, dated March 5**



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Commenting on TILMA (Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement). (File No. CK. 127-1)

**15) The Hon. Warren McCall, Minister of Corrections and Public Safety, dated February 15**

Responding to letter sent on behalf of City Council with respect to youth custody capacity requirements. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

**16) Joanne Sproule, Deputy Assistant City Clerk, dated February 26**

Submitting Notice of Hearing of the Development Appeals Board respecting the property at 1123 Moss Avenue. (File No. CK.4352-1)

**17) Heather Henderson, undated**

Suggesting ways to garner support for the Mendel Art Gallery. (File No. CK. 620-4)

**18) Brenda Sherring, Museums Association of Saskatchewan, dated February 27**

Commenting on proposal to charge admission to the Mendel Art Gallery and Civic Conservatory. (File No. CK. 620-4)

**19) Colin Boyd, dated February 28**

Commenting on proposal to charge admission to the Mendel Art Gallery and Civic Conservatory. (File No. CK. 620-4)

**20) Russ Neufeld, dated March 1**

Commenting on proposal to charge admission to the Mendel Art Gallery and Civic Conservatory. (File No. CK. 620-4)

**21) Terry Fenton, dated March 2**

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Commenting on proposal to charge admission to the Mendel Art Gallery and Civic Conservatory.  
(File No. CK. 620-4)

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

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

*THAT, with respect to Items C1 and C2, the letters be referred to the Administration for a report.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Clark, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT, with respect to Item C4, the Mayor be requested to contact Cameco as to its plans for public consultation.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,*

*THAT, with respect to Item C15, the matter be forwarded to the Mayor's Committee on Neighbourhood Safety and Board of Police Commissioners.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

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

**1) Randy Lawrence, dated February 9**

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Commenting on accessibility issues. (File No. CK. 225-58) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

**2) Neil Miller, dated February 21**

Commenting on parked cars impeding snow removal. (File No. CK. 6290-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

**3) Jennifer Nelson, Manager, Partners for the Saskatchewan River Basin, dated February 23**

Requesting Council's membership and financial support. (File No. CK. 225-64) **(Referred to Administration and Finance Committee for consideration.)**

**4) Dwayne Sabulsky, dated February 25**

Expressing concern with on-going vandalism/graffiti to his property. (File No. CK. 5000-3) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

**5) Janine Shadick, dated February 28**

Requesting to address the Advisory Committee on Animal Control with respect to a new Wildlife Hotline. (File No. CK. 225-9) **(Referred to the Advisory Committee on Animal Control for further handling.)**

**6) Jennifer Evack, dated March 3**

Extending support for laws demanding snow removal from sidewalks. (File No. CK. 6290-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

**7) Susan Bahrey, dated March 5**

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Requesting a letter from the Office of the Mayor recognizing the fundraising efforts for a new playground in Holliston. (File No. CK. 4205-1) **(Referred to the Office of the Mayor for further handling.)**

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

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

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**E. PROCLAMATIONS**

**1) Paulette Haywood, Child Find Saskatchewan, dated February 28**

Requesting that City Council proclaim May as Missing Children's Month. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**2) Matt Baraniecki, President, CUPE Local 59, dated March 1**

Requesting that City Council proclaim April 28<sup>th</sup> as National Day of Mourning and that a flag raising be held in Civic Square, City Hall, on Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.

**3) Stella Spanos, Treasurer, Saskatchewan Coalition for Organ Donor Awareness, dated March 5**

Requesting that City Council proclaim the week of April 22 to 29, 2007, as Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week.

**4) Todd Brandt, 2007 Juno Awards, dated March 5**

Requesting that City Council proclaim March 26 to April 2, 2007, as JUNO Awards Week and that 21<sup>st</sup> Street, between Spadina Crescent and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, be temporarily renamed JUNO Awards Boulevard during that week.

**RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that City Council approve all proclamations as set out in Section E;

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- 2) that permission be granted to CUPE Local 59 to raise their flag at City Hall on Friday, April 27, 2007;
- 3) that 21<sup>st</sup> Street, between Spadina Crescent and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, be temporarily renamed JUNO Awards Boulevard from March 26 to April 2, 2007; and
- 4) that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations on behalf of City Council.

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

- 1) *that City Council approve all proclamations as set out in Section E;*
- 2) *that permission be granted to CUPE Local 59 to raise their flag at City Hall on Friday, April 27, 2007;*
- 3) *that 21<sup>st</sup> Street, between Spadina Crescent and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, be temporarily renamed JUNO Awards Boulevard from March 26 to April 2, 2007; and*
- 4) *that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations on behalf of City Council.*

*CARRIED.*

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**9a) Possibility of Establishment of a Taxi Commission  
(File No. CK. 307-1)**

Councillor Lorje gave the following notice of motion at the meeting of City Council held on February 12, 2007:

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

“THAT the Administration and Finance Committee consider the possibility of establishing a taxi commission in the City of Saskatoon.”

City Council, at its meeting held on February 26, 2007, deferred consideration of the matter until the next meeting of City Council.

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 71.*

**INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS**

**Bylaw 8578**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8578, being “The Animal Control Amendment Bylaw, 2007”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Bylaw No. 8578 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8578.

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. 8578 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

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

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CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8578 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT Bylaw No. 8578 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.

**Bylaw 8582**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8582, being “The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No. 6)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Bylaw No. 8582 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8582.

CARRIED.

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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. 8582 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8582 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT Bylaw No. 8582 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.



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**Bylaw 8586**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8586, being “The Development Plan Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No. 4)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Bylaw No. 8586 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8586.

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. 8586 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8586 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT Bylaw No. 8586 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.

**Bylaw 8587**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8587, being “The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No. 7)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Bylaw No. 8587 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8587.

CARRIED.

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

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Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8587 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8587 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT Bylaw No. 8587 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.

**Bylaw 8588**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8588, being “The Development Plan Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No. 5)”, 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 Heidt,

THAT Bylaw No. 8588 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8588.

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. 8588 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8588 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

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THAT Bylaw No. 8588 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.

**Bylaw 8589**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8589, being “The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No. 8)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Bylaw No. 8589 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8589.

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. 8589 was considered clause by clause and approved.

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Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hill,  
THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,  
THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8589 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Clark,  
THAT Bylaw No. 8589 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.

**Bylaw 8590**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Wyant,  
THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8590, being “The Public Notice  
Policy Amendment Bylaw, 2007”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Heidt,  
THAT Bylaw No. 8590 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

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THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8590.

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. 8590 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8590 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT Bylaw No. 8590 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.

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**Bylaw 8592**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8592, being “The General Superannuation Plan Amendment Bylaw, 2007 ”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Bylaw No. 8592 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8592.

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. 8592 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,



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THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8592 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT Bylaw No. 8592 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.

**Bylaw 8593**

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8593, being “The Traffic Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No. 2)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Bylaw No. 8593 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8593.

CARRIED.

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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. 8593 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8593 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT Bylaw No. 8593 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.

*Moved by Councillor Neault,*

*THAT the meeting stand adjourned.*

*CARRIED.*

*The meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.*

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Mayor

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City Clerk