

Council Chambers
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, June 22, 2009
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, Paulsen
Penner, Pringle, and Wyant;
City Manager Totland;
City Solicitor Dust;
A/General Manager, Corporate Services Tarasoff;
A/General Manager, Community Services Grauer;
General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Bentley;
A/General Manager, Infrastructure Services Sexsmith;
General Manager, Utility Services Jorgenson;
City Clerk Mann; and
Council Assistant Mitchener

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the minutes of meeting of City Council held on June 1, 2009, be approved.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

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

CARRIED.

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

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

Committee arose.

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

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

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“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 12-2009

Section A – COMMUNITY SERVICES

**A1) Land-Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department
For the Period Between May 21 to June 10, 2009
(For Information Only)
(File Nos. CK. 4000-5, PL. 4115, PL. 4300;)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Development Plan

- Amendment No. DPA 6/09: Evergreen Neighbourhood
Applicant: City of Saskatoon Land Branch
Legal Description: Portion of Sections 7-37-4-W3M, 12-37-5-W3M,
and
18-37-4-W3M
Current Land Use Designation: District Commercial
Proposed Land Use Designation: Residential
Neighbourhood: Evergreen
Date Received: May 15, 2009

Subdivision

- Application No. 38/09: 11th Street /Highway 7 west
Applicant: Webster Surveys for City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Proposed Road Closure and Creation of New Parcel
in portions of NE ¼ 22-36-6-W3M, Plan Numbers
61S19301, 61S18916, and 79S11740
Current Zoning: AG and B2
Neighbourhood: Blairmore Development Area
Date Received: May 25, 2009
- Application No. 39/09: 710 Hart Road
Applicant: Digital Mapping Systems for City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Part of Parcel N, Plan 101908964
Current Zoning: M3
Neighbourhood: Blairmore Development Area
Date Received: June 4, 2009

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- Application No. 40/09: 1514 Empress Avenue
Applicant: Larson Surveys for Joanne McCammon
Legal Description: Part of Lot 7, Block 4, Plan G4947
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: North Park
Date Received: June 5, 2009

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of Proposed Development Plan Amendment No. DPA6/09
2. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 38/09
3. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 39/09
4. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 40/09

A2) Naming Report – “Marquis Industrial and Rosewood Street and Park Names” (File No.: CK. 6310-1 and PL 4001-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

The street name plans for the Marquis Industrial area and Rosewood neighbourhood were provided to the Naming Advisory Committee Administrator from the Land Branch (see Attachments 1 and 2).

The Land Branch has requested two names for the Marquis Industrial area and one for the Rosewood neighbourhood from the Names Master List, which are indicated on the attached plans. The names requested are:

- a) Arthur Rose Avenue – Arthur Rose Avenue is located south of Marquis Drive in the Marquis Industrial area and is to be applied to the newly constructed portion of Arthur Rose Avenue that extends north of Marquis Drive – Marquis Industrial;
- b) Munch – to be applied to the Marquis Industrial area park highlighted on Attachment 1 – Marquis Industrial; and
- c) Rosewood Gate North – to be applied to the collector street leading into the Rosewood neighbourhood from Taylor Street East – Rosewood.

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The Land Branch has also made a request for names to be applied to four streets in Marquis Industrial and four streets in Rosewood. His Worship Mayor Donald Atchison has selected eight names from the Names Master List, which are indicated on the attached plans. The names selected comprise:

- a) Day – Harry Day – Past President of the Kinsmen Club, the Saskatoon Construction Association, and Riversdale Country Club; started Days Paints Ltd. in 1919; inducted into the Saskatoon Achievement in Business Excellence (SABEX) Hall of Fame 2001 – Marquis Industrial;
- b) Beavis – Ford, Bob, Barrie, and Dale Beavis – owned and operated the Baldwin Hotel and purchased the Senator Hotel in 1967; initiated the construction of Sherbrooke Nursing Home in 1964, which they owned until 1971 – Marquis Industrial;
- c) Brodsky – Brodsky family – owner of the Blades hockey team; local construction company – Marquis Industrial;
- d) Piggott – James A. Piggott – inducted into the Sports Hall of Fame in 1999; owned Quakers and Blades hockey teams; Mr. Piggott owned and operated the Patricia Hotel for a number of years – Marquis Industrial;
- e) Hastings – Hasting Baker – Barr Colonist Pioneer, 1903; Saskatoon Ferry worker – Rosewood;
- f) Werschner – Edward Werschner – Homesteader, farmed land in Corman Park – Rosewood;
- g) Schumacher – Phillip James Schumacher – once owned the King Edward Hotel – Rosewood; and
- h) Rochelle – Albert G. Rochelle – General Manager of the Prairieland Exhibition – Rosewood

According to City of Saskatoon Policy C09-008 (Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas), all 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 City Council's guidelines for name selection.

His Worship Mayor Donald Atchison notified the Naming Advisory Committee Administrator of the names selected. The selection of His Worship Mayor Donald Atchison was forwarded to the Land Branch and the families have been notified.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Map of Marquis Industrial Street Names
2. Map of Rosewood Street Names

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A3) Request For Encroachment Agreement

104 107th Street West

Portion of Lot 9, All of 10 and Portion of Lot 11, Block 2, all in Plan G122

(File No. CK. 4090-2 and PL 4090-2)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council recognize the encroachment at 104 107th Street West (Portion of Lot 9, All of Lot 10 and Portion of Lot 11, Block 2, all in Plan G122);
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the appropriate Encroachment Agreement making provision to collect the applicable fees; and
 - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal and in a form that is satisfactory to the City Solicitor, the agreement with respect to this encroachment.

ADOPTED.

The owner of the property located at 104 107th Street West, has requested to enter into an Encroachment Agreement with the City of Saskatoon (City). As shown on the attached Real Property Report, part of the detached garage and eaves encroach onto City Property on the side of the lane by a maximum of 0.82 metres. There is currently an Encroachment Agreement in place; however, the property has changed ownership, and the owner has requested a new agreement. The total area of encroachment is approximately 7.1 square metres and will, therefore, be subject to an annual charge of \$50.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Application from the owner, dated May 28, 2009
2. Copy of Real Property Report dated August 10, 1993

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**A4) Erindale Centre Commercial Land – Parcel P
Request for Extension of Option to Purchase
Pillar Development Corp.
(File No. CK. 4215-1 and LA 4220-08-2)**

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that the June 5, 2009 request by Pillar Development Corp. for an extension to the Option to Purchase Agreement dated December 29, 2008, respecting Parcel P, Plan 99SA37157 be approved; and
- 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary amending agreement and that His Worship the Mayor and The City Clerk be authorized to execute the amended agreement.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

A public tender respecting the sale of a commercial parcel of land within the Erindale Centre (Parcel P - 23.3 acres) was conducted over an eight week period ending December 10, 2008. No bids were received and the property was subsequently placed for sale over the counter. The purchase price was \$18,214,038 plus applicable taxes. On December 29, 2008, the Land Branch received a certified cheque in the amount of \$382,494.80 (includes G.S.T.) from Pillar Properties Corp. as payment for a six month Option to Purchase. This non-refundable option fee represents two percent of the purchase price and will be applied to the purchase price if the Option to Purchase is exercised within the option period between December 29, 2008, and June 29, 2009.

REPORT

Pillar Properties Corp. had requested the City to consider a one year extension of the Option to Purchase Agreement from June 29, 2009, to June 29, 2010, with the payment of an additional two percent option fee or alternatively for the City to carry the remaining balance of the purchase price with interest payable to the City equal to the Bond rate until June 29, 2010, or any other arrangements suitable to the City.

Pillar Development Corp.'s request to extend the Option Agreement for one year with an additional non-refundable fee of \$364,280.76 plus G.S.T., or some other alternative, was submitted on the basis that its "goal is to develop the land at the earliest possible time frame, and we continue to work towards that goal. Unfortunately, with the current economic situation and financial tightening of potential businesses, we require an alternative timing plan to ensure a successful and complete development of this large and unique parcel of land."

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Since Pillar Development Corp.'s request was received, it has been announced that the firm of Colliers McClocklin has been retained to assist in the marketing of this property to potential commercial tenants. The attached document titled "University Heights Square – Retail Lease Opportunity" (Attachment 1) forms the basis for their initial offering to potential tenants. The development plan though subject to change, indicates the development of 246,000 sq. ft. of building floor space with a drug store, food store, Home and Garden Centre, four storey hotel, three restaurants, two banks, convenience store and gas bar, and six CRU pads for a variety of business opportunities.

The requested extension and several alternatives were considered as follows.

Alternative 1 – Extend Agreement for One Year

The City could elect to extend the effective date of the current Option to Purchase Agreement and could do so without public notice. This approach had been undertaken by the Land Branch with several recent requests by homebuilders who had entered into Option to Purchase Agreements respecting multi-family lands in both Hampton Village and Willowgrove. Several homebuilders had indicated in mid 2008 they would need more time to consider exercising their Option to Purchase due to tightening credit markets and reduced sale activity for multi-family units under construction or newly completed multi-family units. In these cases our customers were provided the opportunity to extend their option agreements for a three month period provided they paid an additional one percent non-refundable option fee.

If this alternative (extension for one year) was acceptable, to both Pillar Development Corp. and the City, and should Pillar Development Corp. exercise the Option to Purchase, payment of the balance of the purchase would occur June 29, 2010. If the option was not exercised, the City would retain all paid non-refundable option fees.

Your Administration is of the view that if the City wishes to consider extending the option agreement for one year, it should only do so for a minimum additional option fee of four percent amounting to an additional \$728,561.52 plus G.S.T. This is equivalent to two percent for each six month period. It should be noted that extending the agreement a further 12 months does not in itself guarantee a sale of the property. Secondly, the City does not gain any financial value with an extension of the option period if the option is exercised however the purchaser may gain added appreciation of land value during such an extended period.

Alternative 2 – Extend Agreement for Three Months

Alternatively, the City could respond to the request that for consideration of a three month extension of the option period to September 29, 2009, Pillar Development Corp. must agree to pay a monthly interest payment amounting to \$44,578.85 plus G.S.T. for three months, which is based on the City's prime rate of interest currently at three percent for the outstanding purchase price. This would amount to a total payment of \$133,736.55 plus G.S.T. over the three months with payments of \$44,578.85 plus G.S.T. upon the dates of July 2, August 4 and September 1, 2009.

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Alternative 3 – No Change to Current Agreement

Alternatively, the City could decide not to amend the agreement. The implication would be that Pillar Development Corp. would elect either to exercise the option on or before June 29, 2009, or decide to allow their option to expire. In the case of the latter, the City would retain the previously paid option fee. The City could then decide to place the property for sale over the counter under current terms of sale or decide to change its terms and conditions of sale and re-tender the property for sale. In either case (sale over the counter or re-tender) it is unlikely the City would be able to sell the property and obtain proceeds from sale until sometime in 2010.

Preferred Alternative

In summary, your Administration prefers Alternative 2 as it indicates a desire to respond to a current interested party who has demonstrated a willingness to proceed with the development of this property. It also provides the City with an added financial benefit it may not have received otherwise, and it creates an increased probability of success in completing the land sale and receiving full payment in 2009. The City's Land Manager presented this alternative to Pillar Properties Corporation on March 30, 2009.

By letter dated June 5, 2009, Pillar Properties Corp. has indicated its acceptance of the City's offer to extend the Term of the Option to Purchase Agreement by three months to September 29, 2009, and that in consideration of this extension, Pillar Properties will pay monthly payments in the amount of \$44,578.85 plus G.S.T. for each month of the three month extension period.

OPTIONS

The options are as stated in the above section of the report.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Additional monthly payments by Pillar Properties Corporation would be deposited in the City-Owned Property Account 01-4325-152.

STAKEHOLDER INVOLVEMENT

Not required.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION PLAN

Not required.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

No environmental impact.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. University Heights Square – Retail Lease Opportunity
2. June 5, 2009 letter from Basil Waslen, Pillar Properties Corp.

**A5) Denial of Subdivision Application No. 35/09
1201 9th Street East, Varsity View Neighbourhood
(File No. CK. 4300-1 and PL 4300 – 35/09)**

RECOMMENDATION: that Subdivision Application No. 35/09 be denied on the basis that the proposal does not conform to the development standard of the Zoning Bylaw regarding minimum site width for a place of worship.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

During its June 10, 2009 meeting, the Technical Planning Commission considered Subdivision Application Report No. 35/09 from the Community Services Department (Attachment 1) and Resolved:

- “1. that Subdivision Application No. 35/09 be denied on the basis that the proposal does not conform to the development standard of the Zoning Bylaw regarding minimum site width for a place of worship.
2. that the Technical Planning Commission resolve that in the event a development appeal for Subdivision Application No. 35/09 is granted by the Development Appeals Board the Technical Planning Commission grants approval to the Application, subject to the following conditions:
 - a) the payment of \$160.00, being the required approval fee;
 - b) the payment of \$3,880.25, being the required offsite levy charges;
 - c) the Owner/Developer satisfying the requirements of the Infrastructure Services Department, outlined as follows:

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- i) a separate sewer and water connection is required for each individually titled lot. Water and sewer connections may not cross private property lines. The water and sewer connection into the house on proposed Lot 8 currently crosses the property line onto proposed Lot 9. The connection will need to be disconnected at the manhole and a new connection installed such that each of the proposed new lots is serviced independently and on its own property. All connection work must be completed to City of Saskatoon standards and will be at the expense of the Owner/Developer (Daryl Schmidt, Infrastructure Services Department);
- d) the Owner/Developer satisfying the requirements of the Building Standards Branch, outlined as follows:
 - i) the Owner/Developer is to submit an analysis by a licensed Saskatchewan Architect or Engineer, to determine if there is any impact to the National Building Code requirements for spatial separations with respect to the limiting distances from the existing house and church (place of worship) to the new proposed property line, and if so, what corrective measures are being proposed. Any work that is required must be completed under a building permit (Lara DeRosier, Building Standards Branch); and,
- e) the Owner/Developer obtaining a building permit for the removal of the existing garage and completing the work in accordance with the permit (Dwayne Whiteside, Community Services Department)."

REPORT

Subdivision Bylaw No. 6537 delegates approving authority for all proposed subdivisions to the Community Services Department, Development Officer, except in cases where the Development Officer recommends denial of any proposed subdivision. Under the provisions of the Subdivision Bylaw, if the Development Officer concludes that an Application for Subdivision should be denied, the Development Officer shall refer the application to City Council, who shall act as the approving authority with respect to the application.

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Subdivision Application No. 35/09 is being recommended for denial on the basis that the proposal does not conform to the development standard of the Zoning Bylaw regarding minimum site width for a place of worship. The intent of this subdivision application is to create proposed Lot 8 to accommodate an existing one-unit dwelling, and proposed Lot 9 to accommodate an existing place of worship. Proposed Lot 9 does not meet the minimum site width of 22.5 metres required for a place of worship. Proposed Lot 9 is being shown with a site width of 19.82 metres, resulting in a site width deficiency of 2.68 metres. Consequently, the Community Services Department has no option but to recommend that the subdivision be denied.

It is also noted that the proposal does not conform to the Subdivision Bylaw with regard to Section 12 (xiii), which requires, in part, that land being subdivided be suitable with regard to the size and shape of each lot. In this instance, proposed Lot 9 does not meet the minimum site width of 22.5 metres required for a place of worship under the Zoning Bylaw.

Under the provisions of Section 228 of *The Planning and Development Act, 2007*, an applicant for subdivision has the right to appeal to the Development Appeals Board when their application for subdivision has been denied. In order to file an appeal with the Development Appeals Board, the applicant must first apply for the subdivision and subsequently, the subdivision must be denied by City Council.

The applicant has indicated that it is their intention to appeal to the Development Appeals Board once the subdivision application is denied.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

A Public Hearing will be held by the Development Appeals Board within 30 days of the receipt of a Development Appeal Application. Notice will be given to the property owner and the assessed owners of neighbouring properties within a radius of 75 metres from the subject property.

ATTACHMENT

1. Subdivision Application Report No. 35/09 to the Technical Planning Commission from the Community Services Department (File No. PL 4300-35/09)

A6) Proposed Land Exchange Agreement
Between City of Saskatoon and TransGas Ltd.
Part of Parcel A, Plan 101444396 (City) and
Part of Parcel, AA, Plan 101852580 (TransGas Ltd.)
(File No. CK. 4020-1 and LA 4022-09-1)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the portion of city-owned land contained within Parcel A, Plan No. 101444396 which is the subject of the proposed land exchange and granting of easements between the City and TransGas Ltd. be offered for sale to the Meewasin Valley Authority, the University of Saskatchewan, and the Province of Saskatchewan for the sum of \$50,000 plus applicable taxes and all costs attributable for subdivision, title registration and transfer; and
 - 2) that if none of the parties identified in the preceding recommendation are prepared to purchase this property, that the proposed Land Exchange and Granting of Easement Agreement between TransGas Ltd. and the City of Saskatoon be approved subject to the terms and conditions noted in this report.

BACKGROUND

Representatives of TransGas Ltd. have been attempting to obtain a route for a new 16 inch natural gas pipeline into the City of Saskatoon (City) to service the SaskPower Queen Elizabeth (QE) Power Plant expansion project by November 1, 2009. Construction of the gas pipeline must commence in August and design work must commence as soon as possible. The intended pipeline would be constructed through lands owned by the City of Saskatoon (Part of SE 23-36-6 W3M) south of the CN Chappel Yards within an existing 15.24 metre wide easement already containing a 14 inch gas pipeline. This new pipeline would then terminate at the eastern boundary of the city-owned land within a proposed 50 metre by 50 metre parcel that TransGas is proposing to purchase. From this proposed site, the 16 inch pipeline would then travel southerly along the eastern boundary of the city-owned land within a proposed 18 metre wide easement. From there the pipeline would continue travelling southerly across Valley Road and then easterly across lands owned by SaskPower and eventually to the QE Plant. Refer to Attachment No. 1.

Unrelated to the intent of TransGas to construct this pipeline is the City's need to acquire 1.6 acres of land owned by TransGas Ltd on the east side of Dundonald Avenue as indicated on Attachment No. 2. Proposed Parcel XY is required for the future connection of Valley Road to Circle Drive. It should be noted that the City owns Parcel X and has an agreement with SaskPower to acquire Parcel W.

REPORT

The purpose of this report is to obtain City Council's approval of a possible land exchange and granting of all necessary easements and temporary work areas along an existing easement area that would facilitate the expansion of the generating capacity of the QE Power Plant operated by SaskPower. Your Administration recommends that the Land Exchange Agreement and the granting of all necessary easements to facilitate the pipeline installation to service the QE Plant be approved subject to the following terms and conditions:

- a. Conditions Precedent:
 - 1) City Council approval;
 - 2) Offer to purchase extended to MVA Participating Parties being declined by those parties;
 - 3) Approval by TransGas Board;
 - 4) MVA Project approval; and,
 - 5) Subdivision approval of Transmission Line and proposed parcels for exchange between the parties.

- b. Other Terms and Conditions
 - 1) The City to provide consent to easement agreement with TransGas Ltd. along the easterly 18 metres of Parcel A, Plan 101444396;
 - 2) The City to pay for any existing fence relocations along the south east boundary of the TransGas Natural Gas Regulation Station on Parcel AA, Plan 101852580;
 - 3) The City to grant easements for any existing pipelines within proposed Parcel XY. Such easements are to be discharged if the underground pipelines are relocated due to roadway construction;
 - 4) The City to receive title to proposed Parcel XY as shown on Attachment No. 2 in exchange for providing TransGas Ltd. title to proposed 50 x 50 metre site and consent to 18 metre wide easement within Parcel A, Plan 101444396 as shown on Attachment No. 3;
 - 5) The City to provide TransGas to use temporary work space along the north and south limits of existing easements contained within city-owned lands lying to the south of the CN Chappel Yards provided that the site is remediated to the City's satisfaction;
 - 6) TransGas to erect chain link fencing along the entire western boundary of the 18 metre wide easement and around the 50 x 50 metre proposed site;
 - 7) TransGas Ltd. to undertake all necessary subdivisions to facilitate this land exchange and granting of all necessary easements; and,
 - 8) The City to provide TransGas the sum of \$1.00.

The city-owned lands which are the subject of this possible land exchange are within the Conservation Zone of the Meewasin Valley Authority. Section 51(1) of the Meewasin Act states:

“where a participating party wishes to dispose of land owned by it within the Meewasin Valley, it shall provide the other participating parties and the Authority with an opportunity to acquire the land before attempting to dispose of it.”

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In order to satisfy this requirement, your Administration will first offer the property to the other participating parties (Meewasin Valley Authority, University of Saskatchewan and the Province). The parties would have the opportunity to purchase the 50 metre by 50 metre proposed parcel for the sum of \$50,000 plus applicable taxes and all costs attributable to subdivision, registration and transfer. If the offer is accepted by one of the parties, we would provide City Council with the appropriate reports at that time. If the offer is declined by the participating parties, your Administration would, subject to all conditions precedent being satisfied, have the Exchange Agreement and consent to easements expedited and signed by His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk.

If Council agrees with the recommendations contained in this report, TransGas Ltd. would then be in a better position to expedite its design process, and provided that the other participating parties of the Meewasin Valley Authority do not wish to purchase the land, TransGas Ltd would then proceed to obtain all other necessary approvals identified as condition precedent to the Land Exchange Agreement. This exchange will also facilitate the City's intent to construct a future Valley Road connection to Circle Drive.

OPTIONS

There are no reasonable options.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no direct financial impacts with this land exchange.

STAKEHOLDER INVOLVEMENT

Participating parties of the Meewasin Valley Authority will be notified accordingly. TransGas has already contacted the MVA Authority respecting the proposed project.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION PLAN

Not required.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

No impact in so far as the proposed Land Exchange Agreement. TransGas Ltd. will need to obtain all necessary approvals for this transmission line project.

PRIVACY IMPACT

None.

SAFETY [Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)]

Not required for the proposed Land Exchange Agreement.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan Illustrating Proposed TransGas Pipeline Project and proposed 50 x 50 metre site
2. Plan of Proposed Subdivision of Part of Parcel AA, Plan 101852580
3. Individual Ownership Plan for Proposed 50 x 50 metre site and 18 metre wide easement area within Parcel A, Plan 101444396.

- IT WAS RESOLVED:*
- 1) *that the portion of city-owned land contained within Parcel A, Plan No. 101444396 which is the subject of the proposed land exchange and granting of easements between the City and TransGas Ltd. be offered for sale to the Meewasin Valley Authority, the University of Saskatchewan, and the Province of Saskatchewan for the sum of \$50,000 plus applicable taxes and all costs attributable for subdivision, title registration and transfer;*
 - 2) *that if none of the parties identified in the preceding recommendation are prepared to purchase this property, that the proposed Land Exchange and Granting of Easement Agreement between TransGas Ltd. and the City of Saskatoon be approved subject to the terms and conditions noted in this report; and*
 - 3) *that His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement under the corporate seal.*

A7) Nutana Park Development Agreement
(File No. CK. 4205-1 and LS 4215-14)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Nutana Park Development Agreement be approved pending approval by the Saskatoon Public School Trustees; and
 - 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement under the Corporate seal.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

In late Fall 2006, the Community Development Branch consulted the Nutana neighbourhood residents to identify both their park needs and potential solutions to resolving the issue of a park space deficiency in Nutana. On January 24, 2007, a report was presented to and approved by City Council recommending that Administration enter into negotiations with the Saskatoon Public Schools to develop or co-develop the school yards at Victoria School and Nutana Collegiate as neighbourhood park space. The report presented recommendations for the Nutana neighbourhood that included a series of qualitative solutions to what has traditionally been regarded as a quantitative problem. This approach recognizes the fact that a deficit of 9.5 hectares (24 acres) of neighbourhood park space is virtually impossible to overcome. In Nutana's situation, the development of school yard properties in combination with the upgrade of existing parks would go a long way in addressing park programming shortfalls such as the lack of children's open play areas and community sports fields. As well, developing school yards reduces the impact of barriers such as distance and major roadways that some children and families face in accessing what should be standard neighbourhood park space amenities.

The park upgrade will be funded through the Dedicated Lands Account, which is set up under the City of Saskatoon's Capital Reserve Bylaw, and is governed by The Dedicated Land Regulations passed pursuant to *The Planning and Development Act, 2007*. Specifically, the Bylaw provides that funds from the Dedicated Lands Account shall only be used for the purchase of land to be dedicated to public use, such as for additional parks in neighbourhoods that are determined by City Council as having insufficient park land; and for the development of existing dedicated lands as additional parks.

REPORT

The Administration organized an open house for the neighbourhood residents on June 22, 2006, and the residents that attended were clearly in favour of developing the school yards at Nutana and Victoria Schools as public open space. The Saskatoon Public Schools have also agreed, in principle, to move forward with an agreement to upgrade the school property to park-like standards.

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Highlights of this agreement include:

- 1) the City shall be responsible for all costs in relation to planning, construction, and site supervision;
- 2) the City shall be solely responsible for any ongoing maintenance of the improvements or upgrades including the playground structure;
- 3) the naming of both parks will be through a mutually agreeable process; and
- 4) to develop a public asset by improving these school grounds to park like standards to address the most pressing park space needs for the Nutana neighbourhood.

OPTIONS

The only option is not to approve the Agreement as outlined, which would then stop the park upgrade project until such time as a new agreement could be developed.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are sufficient funds within the Dedicated Lands Account. The project was approved through the 2009 Capital Budget process (Project No. 2335).

STAKEHOLDER INVOLVEMENT

Stakeholder involvement has already been undertaken during the conceptual design planning stage. This included the community association, the Saskatoon Public Schools, the residents of the community and community sports groups.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Nutana Park Development Agreement (Draft)

Section B – CORPORATE SERVICES

**B1) Enquiry – Councillor D. Hill (May 20, 2008)
Dogs and Cats in Riverbank Parks
(File No. CK-151-15 and CS 151-6)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The following enquiry was made by Councillor D. Hill at the meeting of City Council held on May 20, 2008:

“Would the Administration please report on changing the Animal Control Bylaw to allow dogs on lead in riverbank parks.”

REPORT

Under Bylaw 7860, which was put in place in 1999, five park areas are currently designated as pet-prohibited: Forestry Farm Park, Kinsmen Park, Rotary Park, Friendship Park and Kiwanis Park (both north and south of the Bessborough Hotel).

Complaints have been received from the general public, including some from customers staying at downtown hotels which allow pets, regarding the prohibition on pets in the downtown parks. Conversely, complaints are also received about pet feces not being picked up by pet owners in these parks.

Your Administration is proposing public consultation be held regarding the desirability of amending Bylaw No. 7860 to allow pets in one or all of the Kiwanis Memorial, Friendship, Rotary Parks and Kinsmen Park. Based on previous experience with public consultations, the process is less successful in the summer months and would be best held in the fall, at the earliest. The cost is expected to be approximately \$2,000 and would be funded from the Animal Services Reserve.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The one-time cost of promoting and holding the necessary public input events will be approximately \$2,000 to be funded from the Animal Services Reserve.

STAKEHOLDER INVOLVEMENT

The public consultation process will include all interested members of the public, together with special event organizers.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION PLAN

The Communication Plan would include:

1. A Public Service Announcement (PSA) to announce the public meetings and input events. News reports are the best method of disseminating such information. To further the broadcast of this message, an announcement will be made on the City webpage and advertisements placed in the StarPhoenix and Sunday Sun on the two weekends prior to the public input events.
2. Email, mail or telephone contact with special event organizers that currently utilize Kiwanis Memorial, Friendship or Rotary Parks to request their input on the proposal.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**B2) Meter Reading Equipment Replacement
Capital Project No. 2411-01
(File Nos. CK. 1000-1, CS1000-1 and CS1550-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the proposal submitted by Itron for the supply of a handheld meter reading system at a total net cost \$153,448.05 be accepted; and,
 - 2) that the Corporate Services Department, Purchasing Services, issue the appropriate purchase order.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The Treasurer's Branch Meter Reading Section attempts to read approximately 476,988 electrical and water meters throughout the city per year. The handheld meter reading system includes the hardware and software for the handheld equipment and a route management software system that interacts between the utility billing system and the handheld computers.

REPORT

City of Saskatoon Purchasing Services recently issued Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 8-1052 with the objective to select the most qualified vendor to supply and install all the related hardware and software for the handheld equipment and a route management software system that interacts between the utility billing system and the handheld computers. Proposals were received from Itron and BadgerMeter, Inc.

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The proposals have been evaluated based on the advertised proposal evaluation criteria (price, references, maintenance, ergonomics, weight, software functionality, and mandatory requirements of extreme weather requirements and the ability to display eight lines on the handheld screen). Based on this evaluation, both proposals met the ability to operate in extreme cold weather. BadgerMeter was eliminated as it was unable to display the eight lines minimum on the handheld screen. This is needed for the safety and efficiency of the meter readers.

OPTIONS

There are no alternatives as the meter reading equipment has reached the end of its useful life and is experiencing breakdowns and requires continuous maintenance.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications with respect to this purchase.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are adequate funds in the approved 2008 Capital Budget Project No. 2411-01 for the purchase of this meter reading computerized handheld system. A breakdown of the costs if indicated below:

Itron	\$146,141.00
G.S.T. @ 5%	7,307.05
P.S.T. @ 5%	<u>7,307.05</u>
Total Cost to the City	\$160,755.10
G.S.T. Rebate (100%)	<u>7,307.05</u>
Net Cost to the City	\$153,448.05

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

B3) Corporate Inventory Status
(File No. CK. 1290-1; CS1290-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

The Inventory and Disposal Services Section of the Corporate Information Services Branch, Corporate Services Department, is responsible for monitoring and reporting on the City of Saskatoon's inventory. The Inventory and Disposal Services Section has authority to prescribe corporate standards, criteria, and guidelines for inventory management in a decentralized stores environment. This decentralized approach allows departments to keep the materials they require while ensuring industry guidelines and generally accepted good inventory management practices, standards, and controls are followed. Attachment No. 1 shows the locations and inventory levels throughout the City. As shown in the chart, the majority of inventory value (82%) is held at Saskatoon Light and Power.

To analyze inventory held, the material is classified into groups that identify what will be used, what is kept for stock out insurance and what is slow moving and inactive. Attachment No. 2 shows the inventory breakdown by store. During 2008, corporate inventory and the percentage of slow moving/inactive inventory decreased. These decreases were primarily due to reduced inventory levels held at Saskatoon Light and Power and the Electronic Shop stores. The following are the major factors that affected the inventory level:

1. The price of copper and steel has levelled off.
2. Capital inventory held at Saskatoon Light and Power and the Electronic Shop was used.

During 2008, the significant changes in overall corporate inventories are:

- Inventory held at year-end decreased 5% to \$8,001,881. (See Attachment No. 3, Corporate Inventory Balances.)
- Material issues decreased 14% to \$7,544,367.
- Inventory turnover decreased from 1.04 to .94.
- Slow moving/inactive inventory decreased 17% to \$4,538,238.

It is expected the overall inventory and slow moving/inactive material will be reduced as the capital projects are completed, although it is recognized that there will always be some amount of this material due to changes/delays of projects, and variances in breakdown and maintenance requirements. Inventory Management and Saskatoon Light and Power have implemented improvements that will gradually improve the overall inventory performance statistics and the level of inactive material. Your Administration will continue to identify and write-off material that is surplus to operations.

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To manage the inventory kept at the decentralized department stores, the Inventory and Disposal Services Section annually reviews the Corporate Guidelines for Management of Inventory with each store. Each departments' stores inventory practices are checked and documented. The Inventory and Disposal Services Section confirms that the Corporate Guidelines for Management of Inventory are being followed and any deviations, because of operational requirements, are covered by approved compensating procedures.

The team approach of working with all departmental stores to implement the inventory management improvements and ensuring that corporate guidelines are followed continues to improve inventory controls and improve efficiencies.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Corporate Inventory Levels.
2. Corporate Inventory Indicators.
3. Corporate Inventory Balances.

**B4) Federal Economic Action Plan - Infrastructure Stimulus
Funding for Projects Announced to Date
(File No. CK. 1860-1 x CK. 1702-1 and CS 1860-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve all capital projects identified in this report;
 - 2) that City Council approve the \$1,005,000 City's share of funding for the Gravel Street Upgrade project be from the Reserve for Capital Expenditures (RCE) which has been made available through the reallocation of funds from the receipt of a provincial grant for fully funded projects;
 - 3) that Administration be authorized to enter into any required Contribution Agreements required to secure funding under the Economic Action Plan;
 - 4) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal, all Contribution Agreements required to secure funding under the Economic Action Plan; and

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- 5) that City Council approve the allocation of \$2,500,000 to the Bridge Major Repair Reserve from the Neighbourhood Land Development fund.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

Federal Economic Action Plan

As part of its 2009 Budget, the Federal Government announced their Economic Action Plan, an economic stimulus package that will provide significant infrastructure funding opportunities for municipalities across Canada. The stimulus package provides municipalities with funding above and beyond what is currently in place with the Building Canada Fund, gas tax revenues and the GST rebate. The key conditions for receiving funding from this stimulus package initiative are that projects must be:

- shovel-ready, need to be built over the next two construction seasons and be completed by March 31, 2011; and,
- incremental, meaning that these projects would not be undertaken in the next two years without new federal funding.

Infrastructure Stimulus Fund

This program is overseen by Infrastructure Canada, and with funding allocation on a per capita basis, the City of Saskatoon will receive approximately \$13.0 million, with all projects being funded two-thirds from the City and one-third from the Federal Government. The focus of this fund is on rehabilitation of existing assets. A number of infrastructure projects have been identified under this category and include:

- Taylor Street Storm Trunk Rehabilitation (Capital Project 2280)
- Preston Avenue Storm Trunk Rehabilitation (Capital Project 2262)
- Water Distribution – Water Main Replacement (Capital Project 1615)
- Curb Replacement/Rehabilitation (Capital Project 2043)
- Sidewalk Preservation (Capital Project 1532)
- Gravel Street Upgrades (Capital Project 2044)
- Expressway Road Preservation (Capital Project 1890)
- Collector Road Preservation (Capital Project 0835)
- Arterial Road Preservation (Capital Project 0836)
- Street Reconstruction (Capital Project 2249)
- Idylwyld Freeway/8th Street Exit Ramp (Capital Project 2247)

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On May 27, 2009, the Federal Government announced the acceptance of \$12.0 million in water projects and \$13.9 million of transportation projects. With this announcement, the City will receive a total of \$8.6 million Federal funding for the projects above. Additional funding announcements are expected soon.

Attachment 1 identifies the project descriptions, and Attachment 2 identifies the project cost and funding details.

OPTIONS

There are no options.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

As indicated above, the City is required to fund two-thirds of the project cost. The City's share of funding is currently in place with the exception of two projects:

- Gravel Street Upgrades (requires funding of \$1.005 million)
- Idylwyld Freeway/8th Street Exit Ramp (requires funding of \$1.085 million)

Your Administration is recommending that the City funding for the Gravel Street Upgrade Project be reallocated from funding previously allocated from RCE to Project 2427, Repair Cosmo Riverbank Failure. This project was approved under the Municipal Economic Enhancement Program, thus freeing up an equivalent amount of funding.

The Idylwyld Freeway/8th Street Exit Ramp would normally be funded from the Bridge Major Repair Reserve. However, this reserve is currently insufficient to fund this project. City Council previously approved in principle \$2.5 million from the Neighbourhood Land Development Fund dividends to fund an anticipated renewal of the Urban Development Agreement. There are currently no plans to renew this agreement. Accordingly, your Administration is recommending that the Bridge Major Repair Reserve receive an equivalent amount of one-time funding from the Neighbourhood Land Development Fund. This will provide a funding source for the Idylwyld Freeway project and additional bridge related projects that have been submitted under other federal funding programs.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Project Descriptions.
2. Funding Details.

**B5) 2009 City of Saskatoon Operating Budget
(File No. CK. 1704-1 and CS 1704-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the attached report be received as information.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

Attached for City Council's information, is a copy of the 2009 City of Saskatoon Operating Budget. This budget reflects all changes made by the Budget Committee and City Council, with final approval at the April 20, 2009, City Council meeting.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. 2009 City of Saskatoon Operating Budget.

**B6) 2008 Financial Reports
(File No. CK. 1895-3; CS1895-3)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the attached reports be received as information.

Attached for City Council's information, is the 2008 City of Saskatoon Annual Report which includes the Audited Consolidated Financial Statements, Trust Fund Financial Statements and Statistical information.

The audited 2008 City of Saskatoon Financial Report has been prepared in accordance with the financial reporting recommendations of the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) of the Institute of Chartered Accountants. The Audit Committee approved the audited financial statements at its meeting on May 6, 2009.

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The City of Saskatoon 2008 year-end results were finalized as a deficit of \$1,242,000. As indicated in previous reports, this deficit is covered through a transfer from the Revenue Stabilization Reserve and a transfer from the Building Standards Permit Inspection Stabilization Reserve.

In addition to the 2008 Financial Report, copies of the following reports are also attached:

2008 City of Saskatoon Public Accounts
2008 Capital Status Report
2008 Saskatoon Public Library Financial Statements
2008 Financial Reports – Superannuation Plans

The Public Accounts document is legislated by *The Cities Act* to be generated each year by municipalities and lists, among other things, salaries of employees and its Boards and Commissions over \$20,000. Included in the salaries figure are all amounts paid to an employee related to employment including severances, overtime and any adjustments. In 2008, a number of CUPE 59 staff received wage adjustments with the implementation of the results from the Job Evaluation Project. These adjustments were for amended salary schedules on impacted positions retroactive to as early as 1997 and are reflected in the salary figures contained within that report.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. 2008 City of Saskatoon Annual Report.
2. 2008 City of Saskatoon Public Accounts.
3. 2008 Capital Status Report.
4. 2008 Saskatoon Public Library Financial Statements.
5. 2008 Financial Reports – Superannuation Plans.

The A/General Manager, Corporate Services Department distributed a revised page for the 2008 City of Saskatoon Public Accounts booklet regarding Councillor remuneration.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the information be received.

B7) Canadian Award for Financial Reporting
(File Nos. CK. 1895-3; x CK. 150-5; CS 1895-3 and 150-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

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REPORT

The Government Finance Officers' Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has awarded the *Canadian Award for Financial Reporting* to the City of Saskatoon for its annual financial report. The *Canadian Award for Financial Reporting* program was established to encourage municipal governments throughout Canada to publish high quality financial reports and to provide peer recognition and technical guidance for officials preparing these reports. Its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

The award was based on the City's submission of its 2007 financial statement. The 2008 financial statements have incorporated the same principles included in the 2007 statement, as well as any recommended improvements made by the review committee. The annual report was judged by an impartial Canadian Review Committee to meet the high standards of the program, including demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" designed to clearly communicate the municipality's financial story and to motivate potential users and user groups to read the report.

The financial statements were prepared by the Comptroller's Branch of Corporate Services, in conjunction with the Annual Report prepared by the Communications Branch of the City Manager's Office.

It is the sixth time the City of Saskatoon has received this award and the second time in as many years.

The GFOA is a non-profit professional association serving 17,300 government finance professionals in the United States and Canada with offices in Chicago, Illinois, and Washington, D.C.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**B8) Internal Borrowing
(File Nos. CK. 1750-1, CS1500-2 and CS1750-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the Loan Agreements which conform to the terms and conditions of the internal financing transactions, and specifically authorizes the following:
 - a) a \$3,700,000 loan from the General Account long-term investment portfolio, amortized over a ten-year term;

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- b) a \$10,000,000 loan from the General Account long-term investment portfolio, amortized over a fifteen-year term;
 - c) an \$8,863,000 loan from the General Account long-term investment portfolio, amortized over a fifteen-year term; and
- 2) that the General Manager, Corporate Services Department, the City Solicitor, and the City Treasurer be instructed to take all such steps as may be necessary to complete the loan transactions.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting held on May 4, 2009, City Council granted authorization to the General Manager, Corporate Services to secure capital financing utilizing internal loans from the General Account long-term investment portfolio.

REPORT

The internal loans, sourced from the General Account long-term investment portfolio, will be structured as follows:

Project Description	Project Number	Loan Principal	Amortization Term	Payment Frequency	Interest Rate
Shaw Centre – Pool & Shared Facility	2160	\$ 3,700,000	10 years	Quarterly	4.50%
		10,000,000	15 years	Quarterly	5.25%
River Landing Phase II	1787	\$ 8,863,000	15 years	Quarterly	5.25%

The internal loans will be dated July 1, 2009, with the first repayment of principal and interest scheduled for October 1, 2009, and quarterly repayments thereafter.

Due to the need for a timely submission of the appropriate documentation to finalize this transaction, the General Manager, Corporate Services Department, requested the City Solicitor to draft the required Loan Agreements for City Council’s consideration. Copies of these agreements will be distributed at the June 22, 2009, Council meeting.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

The City Clerk distributed copies of the loan agreements.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the recommendation of the Administration be adopted.

Section E – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

- E1) Enquiry – Councillor B. Pringle (January 28, 2008)
Traffic Safety – Clarence Avenue South
AND
Enquiry – Councillor B. Pringle (February 17, 2009)
Safety Issues – Clarence Avenue South
AND
Enquiry – Councillor B. Pringle (March 2, 2009)
Speed Limit – Clarence Avenue South
(File No. CK 6320-1 and CK 6250-1)**
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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be receive.

BACKGROUND

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Pringle at the meeting of City Council held on January 28, 2008:

“Would the Administration please assess the increased traffic on Clarence going north and south since the overpass opened, specifically semi-truck traffic in this residential area. Further, could the traffic at Clarence and Cascade be assessed with the view to ensuring that children can cross the road to the schools and the new playground more safely.”

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Pringle at the meeting of City Council held on February 17, 2009:

“I still continue to get many calls regarding pedestrian safety concerns on Clarence Avenue South. Three public meetings have occurred, and we have made important adjustments. Could the Administration please explore installing a crosswalk caution sign similar to the one we have placed on McEwen Avenue in Eastview.”

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Pringle at the meeting of City Council held on March 2, 2009:

“Travelling south on Clarence Avenue, just before the Clarence overpass, the speed increases from 50 to 60 kph. This would be fine except for the merging traffic coming east off Circle Drive going to Stonegate.

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Would the Administration please look at the possibility of reducing this speed and thus keeping the speed limit at 50 kph all the way along Clarence Avenue South.”

REPORT

Clarence Avenue is classified as an arterial roadway and should be expected to operate with 5,000 to 25,000 vehicles per day.

Prior to the opening of the overpass in May 2008, Clarence Avenue was acting as a local connector street, not an arterial roadway, to Grasswood, Casa Rio Estates and the early auto mall development in the CN Industrial Neighbourhood. Residents had become accustomed to lower traffic volumes (4,840 to 5,809 vehicles per day). Beginning in early 2006, traffic increased due to commercial development south of Circle Drive, Stonebridge, the Willows and the expansion of the auto mall. The Clarence Avenue and Circle Drive overpass opened in November 2007. Table 1 below shows the traffic volume history along Clarence Avenue between Circle Drive and Glasgow Street. As indicated, current traffic volumes are within the typical range expected for an arterial roadway.

Table 1 Traffic Volume Counts (ADT) – Clarence Avenue

Year of Study	Traffic Volumes Average Daily Traffic (ADT)			Comments
	Northbound	Southbound	ADT	
July 2000	2,483	2,357	4,840	No development in area
July 2001	3,086	2,723	5,809	No development in area
August 2006	3,824	3,545	7,639	New development and overpass construction
May 2008	4,516	6,238	12,499	Overpass opened

Saskatoon Police Services has been monitoring truck traffic using Clarence Avenue since January 2008. They have reported that many commercial vehicle operators had a reasonable explanation for travelling in the area, and that violators were ticketed. The police will continue to monitor this area.

Pedestrian safety studies were also conducted at the intersections of Clarence Avenue and Cascade Street, Wilson Crescent and Glasgow Street to determine if any pedestrian devices were warranted. Table 2 below summarizes these results.

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Table 2- Pedestrian Count Results

Location	Pedestrian Crossing	Study Date	Comments
Clarence & Glasgow	27	June, 2009	12 adults, 6 elementary and 9 high school crossings. No pedestrian devices warranted.
Clarence & Wilson	110	September, 2008	Pedestrians crossing at both north and south crossing. 60% were elementary crossings. Active Pedestrian Corridor warranted.
Clarence & Cascade	39	April, 2008	70% elementary crossing. No pedestrian devices warranted.

The intersections of Clarence Avenue and Glasgow Street and Clarence Avenue and Cascade Street do not warrant pedestrian devices at this time. However, both locations have been upgraded from standard crossings to zebra crossings, and signing was changed to diamond grade sheeting to enhance the pedestrian crossing. In addition, the intersection of Clarence Avenue and Cascade Street was improved by installing “No Parking” signs on the north side of the intersection to improve visibility at the crosswalk.

The intersection of Clarence Avenue and Wilson Crescent, which serves as walking routes to Churchill Park (east of Clarence Avenue between Haultain Avenue and Clarence Avenue); to George Vanier School (west of Clarence Avenue at Clare Crescent); and to Hugh Cairns School (east of Clarence Avenue on Cairns Avenue), currently operates as a four-way stop. According to the Pedestrian Data collected at this intersection in September, 2008, it does not warrant an active pedestrian corridor. An active pedestrian corridor is a device that uses flashing amber lights to warn motorists that a pedestrian is waiting to cross. It is not a guarantee that traffic will stop for them; therefore it does not provide the same protection as a four-way stop. Therefore, the Administration recommends that the four-way stop remain at this intersection. However, improvements have been made to the intersection. All of the stop signs have been oversized, with high reflective diamond grade material. Also, due to the high traffic volume entering this intersection, the northbound movement will be designated by lane signs for through and left turns. The right-turn movement already has a separate lane. These changes are shown on the attached Plan of Proposed Traffic Layout (Attachment 1).

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The posted speed limit on Clarence Avenue, north of the overpass, is 50 kph. On and south of the overpass the posted speed is 60 kph. The 85th percentile speed (the speed at which 85% of the vehicles are travelling at and below) was measured in June 2008 on Clarence Avenue between Calder and Glasgow Streets, immediately north of the overpass.

The northbound traffic speed measured 59 kph and the southbound traffic measured 63 kph. The northbound traffic speed is a reflection of motorists transitioning from a 60 kph zone to 50 kph zone. An additional speed study, closer to Wilson Crescent will be conducted to determine if motorists are continuing to slow down. If speeding remains an issue, the police will be notified. The southbound speed is a reflection of the transition to a higher speed zone. It is recommended that the 60 kph speed limit on the overpass remain, as the overpass is designed to carry traffic to the commercial zone south of Circle Drive at a higher speed.

Additional area resident concerns were identified at a meeting held on May 13, 2008. These concerns have been addressed by the Administration as follows:

1. The overpass walkway leading north to Glasgow Street abruptly ended, forcing pedestrians to cross Clarence Avenue at this location. A new pedestrian pathway was constructed in 2008 to connect Clarence Avenue to Calder Crescent.
2. The reduction of two lanes to one lane on Clarence Avenue as it approaches Glasgow Street northbound was confusing. The left lane is designated to turn left (westbound) on Glasgow, and the right northbound (through) lane continues to Wilson Crescent. The Administration installed lane signs to direct traffic movement in October, 2008, however, it was reported that motorists were not obeying them. The Administration has, therefore, installed a temporary island at the intersection of Clarence Avenue and Glasgow Street to improve the visibility of the lane change, and to direct motorist to keep to the correct lane. This work was completed in the spring of 2009.
3. Guardrails are missing on the southbound right-turn ramp from Clarence to Circle Drive northbound, and the northbound right turn from Clarence to Circle Drive eastbound. Guardrails will be installed in the summer of 2009.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Plan of Proposed Traffic Layout

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

E2) Memorandum of Understanding
City of Saskatoon and Canadian Pacific Railway
25th Street Extension and Circle Drive Project
(File: CK. 6000-1 and IS 375-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

REPORT

The 25th Street extension and Circle Drive South Project are two major transportation projects currently in the design stage that affect the operation of Canadian Pacific Railway (CP) and require collaboration and active participation by all parties to reach consensus on decisions. The Administration and CP have held a number of meetings concerning the procurement of design approvals and the implementation of road development plans and required construction work.

Prior to committing to fully participate in the process, CP has requested a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City that would permit the design work to commence, followed by the actual finalization of a crossing agreement and start of construction. The objective of the MOU is to provide a common starting point to allow the City and CP to investigate the requirements and address any issues in connection with the two projects which are interrelated.

Some of the key elements of the MOU include:

- Requirement for a joint Risk Assessment within the scope of the 25th Street crossing project, which also includes a number of existing public crossings along this CP railway line. The City is solely responsible for all CP incurred costs during the study period, up to a cumulative maximum of \$250,000. Any costs in excess of this amount will require City approval.
- Inclusion of mitigation measures identified during the Risk Assessment in the scope of the 25th Street Project, including, but not limited to, safety improvements to public crossings, required upgrades to railway equipment, trespassing and train speeds.
- Relocation of the existing CP/Canadian National (CN) track interchange yard from the downtown in order to accommodate the 25th Street extension. To facilitate this relocation, a new connection between the CP and CN lines must be constructed near 11th Street and Dundonald Avenue, as part of the Circle Drive South Project, before the use of current interchange tracks are discontinued.
- CP and the City will work collaboratively to ensure the safe design and timely project implementation, including compliance with railway safety regulations and approvals from Transport Canada.

It should be noted that the MOU lays out the terms of understanding between the two parties and is not a legal binding document. It does not replace any negotiations and terms contained in the Construction Agreement.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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

IT WAS RESOLVED: that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign the Memorandum of Understanding under the corporate seal.

**E3) Lease Agreement
Data Centre - SaskTel - 140 First Avenue North
(File No. CK. 4225-1 and IS-520-09-4)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a ten-year lease with SaskTel for a Data Centre at 140 First Avenue North, with the terms as set out in this report, be approved; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the appropriate agreements for execution by the Mayor and City Clerk under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

In 2002, Prosser and Associates performed an audit on Disaster Recovery and Contingency Planning. In order to address the recommendations in the report, the Corporate Information Services Branch (CIS) recommended splitting the Data Centre, which is currently located on the fourth floor of City Hall, and developing a second Data Centre, with equipment and production divided between the two. This will ensure that, in the case of a disaster at one of the locations, the other will still be able to operate, albeit at a lower level of performance.

In 2004, capital funds were made available to develop a second Data Centre in the Post Office building on 4th Avenue, across the street from City Hall. The City was unable to secure a long-term lease, therefore, a decision was made to look for an alternate location. In 2007, CIS became aware of plans to develop a new Transit Mall on 3rd Avenue and approached the Transit Manager regarding availability of space. In 2008, when the new Transit building was approved for construction, adding a second floor was considered, which would assist in mitigating the City's current space constraints, including potentially using it for the second Data Centre. After working with the architects, it became apparent that construction costs would be too high to build a second floor; therefore, the Administration pursued an alternate purpose built space in the downtown core.

SaskTel has offered to lease space located at 140 First Avenue North to the City of Saskatoon. This space provides the special features required by a Data Centre including air conditioning for equipment; uninterrupted power supply; a backup power generator; fire extinguishers; and security. By leasing this facility from SaskTel, approximately \$500,000 in capital funding will not

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be required in 2010 for the purchase of computer-specific air conditioning; specialized enclosed computer racks; a backup generator; and electrical distribution panels. In addition, approximately \$250,000 for an uninterrupted power supply required for the second Data Centre will no longer be required.

The Administration is recommending that the City enter into a ten-year lease with SaskTel for space located at 140 First Avenue North, to be used as a second Data Centre.

The key terms of the proposed Lease Agreement are:

- a) the lease is for approximately 800 square feet of Data Centre space, beginning on October 1, 2009;
- b) the lease rate for the space is \$258 per square foot per year, including security, mechanical and electrical support, building maintenance, signage, and electrical consumption at current electrical rates up to 20 kW of electrical load; and
- c) the cost of leasing duct and tray estimated at \$1,000 per year;

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Setup costs in the amount of \$40,000 will be funded from Capital Project 1977 - Local Area Network and Data Security, and the CIS Operating Budget.

The space lease, estimated to be \$51,600, plus G.S.T. in 2009, and \$206,400, plus G.S.T. annually, will be funded from the Facilities Branch Operating Budget.

The duct and tray lease, estimated to be \$250, plus G.S.T. in 2009, and \$1,000, plus G.S.T. annually, will be funded from the CIS Operating Budget.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**E4) Hard Surface Weed Control Program
(File: CK. 4200-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

In 2008, City Council approved an increase in the Operating Budget to allow for the implementation of a Hard Surface Weed Control program. The following report is intended to provide Council with an update on the first year of the program, which was a success.

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The first step was to identify priority areas.

It was determined that centre medians and traffic islands were the highest priority, due to the fact that they are located at entranceways into the city, are in high traffic areas, and are located in business districts and on main arterial roadways such as Idylwyld Drive, 22nd Street and Broadway Avenue.

The following is a list of centre median and intersection islands which were maintained:

Spadina Crescent – 25th Street Bridge to 33rd Street
Spadina Crescent Underpass
Confederation Drive
Centennial Drive
Idylwyld Drive – 22nd Street to 39th Street
Idylwyld Drive – 51st Street to 39th Street
22nd Street – Idylwyld Drive to Confederation Drive
Airport Drive
Claypool Drive
Hampton Village - Entrance
Broadway Avenue – 8th Street to 6th Street
8th Street – Clarence Avenue to Preston Avenue
8th Street – Clarence Avenue to Preston Avenue
McOrmond Road
Boychuk Drive
McKercher Road
Attridge Drive
Nelson Road
Taylor Street – Boychuk Road to McKercher Road
Arbour Creek – Entrances
Briarwood – Entrances

Residential streets, gutters and sidewalks were determined to be the second priority, in order to control Siberian elm seeds which germinate and grow quickly in cracks in the asphalt and concrete, damaging sidewalks and roads and affecting pedestrian usage; and to improve visibility at residential intersections and areas adjacent to parks and schools. The following twelve neighbourhoods were maintained in 2008:

Hudson Bay Park
Kelsey/Woodlawn
Mayfair
Pleasant Hill
Westmount
Adelaide/Churchill
Arbour Creek
Avalon

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Exhibition
Holliston
Queen Elizabeth
Varsity View

The third priority included freeway centre medians and exit ramps. A cost saving initiative developed by the program supervisor, in cooperation with Public Works, Transportation and Construction and Design engineers and on-site supervisors, was to coordinate the removal of weeds in conjunction with road closures due to scheduled maintenance. Medians in the following locations were maintained:

Circle Drive West – Idylwyld Drive to 11th Street
Circle Drive South – Ruth Street Exit
51st Street Overpass – Faithful Avenue to the airport service road
Preston Avenue – Attridge to Innovation Place
Attridge Drive – Central Avenue to Circle Drive overpass

One week was spent removing large Siberian elms from the chain-link fences along the Circle Drive freeway and the Idylwyld Drive on/off ramps.

In addition, where possible, staff removed tree grates in the downtown area in order to hand weed the tree wells. Where grates could not be removed, infra-weeders were used. With consistent weeding, these tree wells will eventually require less maintenance. The following locations were maintained in 2008:

19th Street – Avenue B to Avenue C
25th Street – Spadina Crescent to 2nd Avenue
2nd Avenue – 24th Street to 23rd Street
Farmers Market Square
Spadina Crescent – 33rd Street to Duke Street.

The program consisted of two crews of two staff, with each crew assigned to one side of the river. This allowed each team to become familiar with the heavily infested areas in their “districts”. Employing staff for the sole purpose of hard surface weed control has provided the resources required to address immediate concerns, as well as regular maintenance, which will eventually reduce the number of weeds growing on roads, centre medians, residential sidewalks, gutters and tree wells.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Before and After Pictures

**E5) Sound Attenuation - 2009 Construction Locations
(File: CK. 375-2 and IS 375-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that \$10.3 million be reallocated, to fund the 2009 sound attenuation construction locations, from the following reserves, available from receipt of funds under the Municipal Economic Enhancement Program (MEEP), as follows:

- a) \$9 million from the Water and Wastewater Reserve; and
- b) \$1.3 million from the Trunk Sewer Reserve.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

In January 2008, City Council approved a new traffic noise attenuation warrant and priority rating system to identify locations where attenuation is required

During the 2009 Capital Budget deliberations, recommended locations for noise abatement for inclusion in the 2009-2013 Capital Plan, including estimated construction costs and target construction years, were approved contingent upon funding from the federal government under the Building Canada program. While this submission was not approved for funding under the Building Canada Fund, funds are available for reallocation resulting from the receipt of funds under the provincial MEEP.

Three locations were identified for sound attenuation in 2009: One is within approved Capital Project 1466 – Wanuskewin Road - 51st Street to Adilman Drive, which requires noise barriers as part of the scope of the project, while the other two locations were approved within Capital Project 1522 – Traffic Noise Attenuation.

Infrastructure Services retained ACI Acoustical Consultants Inc. to conduct a noise impact assessment and model noise barriers for each location. The purpose of the study was to simulate the performance of sound walls and evaluate different alignment options in order to determine the optimal location and height. Based on those findings, the following is an outline of the scope of project and construction details for each location.

Capital Project 1466 - Wanuskewin Road – 51st Street to Adilman Drive

Capital Project 1466 includes the widening of Wanuskewin Road from 51st Street to the fire station north of Adilman Drive. The mandate is to include traffic noise attenuation measures on the east side of Wanuskewin Road in conjunction with the adjacent roadway construction, as well as on the north side of Lenore Drive from Wanuskewin Road to Russell Road. This location is ranked in the Priority 1 group. The recommended scope of the project and alignment is illustrated in Attachment 1.

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The sound wall along Wanuskewin Road will be constructed on top of the existing earth berm at a recommended height of 2.5 metres. The wall backing Lenore Drive will be 4.0 metres in height in order to achieve the desired noise reduction of at least 5dBA.

The total estimated cost for the construction of sound walls within this project is \$3,700,000.

Capital Project 1522 – Traffic Sound Attenuation:

1. Circle Drive - Highlands Crescent from 7th Street to Taylor Street

Circle Drive – Highlands Crescent from 7th Street to Taylor Street is ranked in the Priority 1 group, with noise level readings measuring in the range of 63dBA. Attachment 2 illustrates the scope of construction and optimal alignment.

It is important to note that the noise modelling indicated that sound walls would have little to no effect on the four storey condominium complex northwest of the interchange of Circle Drive and Taylor Street. Therefore, sound attenuation was not recommended for this section.

The sound walls will be built on top of the earth berms, both east and west of Circle Drive, at a height of 2.5 metres on both sides. It is expected that this will provide acceptable noise mitigation.

The total estimated cost for the construction of sound walls within this project is \$2,300,000.

2. Circle Drive South - Clarence Avenue to Preston Avenue

Circle Drive South, from Clarence Avenue to Preston Avenue is also in the Priority 1 group, with noise level readings measuring in the range of 62dBA. Attachment 3 illustrates the alignment and construction limits.

The existing sound wall west of Clarence Avenue will be extended further to the west to include additional residences on Mendel Crescent. The extent and alignment of the sound wall in this area is constrained by the presence of underground utilities and slough conditions. While the consultant's report recommends a noise barrier to be built further north, along the residential property lines, this alignment was deemed impractical and unfavourable by residents. The wall height of 3.5 metres is expected to yield sound level reductions of less than 5dBA.

To the east of Clarence Avenue, the performance of a noise barrier is improved, with a reduction of more than 5dBA in all locations with a 3.5 metre wall, which is the height of the existing sound wall.

The total estimated cost for the construction of sound walls within this project is \$3,000,000.

The total estimated cost to construct the sound walls at the three locations is approximately \$9,000,000.

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In the fall of 2009, Infrastructure Services will conduct a noise impact assessment and model of sound walls at the following remaining locations which are to be included in the funding received from the MEEP, and which were identified in the Capital Plan for construction of noise barriers in 2010-2011:

- Capital Project 0620 – Boychuk Drive from 8th Street to Briarwood Road and Briarwood Road to Taylor Street; and
- Capital Project 1522 – Circle Drive South from Preston Avenue to Circle Drive.

Following the evaluation of these locations, the Administration will report to Council on the design details, including the proposed alignment, height, expected noise reduction, construction costs, etc.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The following projects were approved under the provincial MEEP, for a total of \$22,011,925 in funding:

- P2427 Repair Cosmo Riverbank Failure
- P1911 Lakewood Fire hall
- P1678 Rerouting Confederation Drive Sewer
- P625 NE Trunk Sewer Systems

As all these projects were fully funded, which has resulted in the availability of an equivalent amount of funds for re-allocation. The reserves impacted include:

- Reserve for Capital Expenditures (\$2.6 million)
- Neighbourhood Land Development Fund (\$4.5 million)
- Water and Wastewater Reserve (\$9 million)
- Trunk Sewer Reserve (\$5.72 million)

Funding previously allocated by City Council includes \$900,000 to backfill the shortfall in the Reserve for Capital Expenditures from expected SaskEnergy revenues; \$750,000 to fund an expansion to the new Access Transit Building Expansion to accommodate a number of regular transit buses; and \$75,000 for public consultation related to the replacement of the existing Mayfair Pool. This leaves a remainder of \$20.3 million for further re-allocation.

The Administration is recommending that \$10.3 million be allocated from this pool of funds to the sound attenuation locations identified within this report.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Lenore Drive and Wanuskewin Road;
2. Circle Drive: Taylor Street to 7th Street;
3. Circle Drive: Mendel Crescent to Preston Avenue; and

Section F – UTILITY SERVICES

**F1) Capital Project #0583
Transit Bus Replacement
(File No. CK. 1402-1 and 1402-16)**

RECOMMENDATION: that funding for Capital Project #0583 – Transit Replacement buses be increased by \$181,394.53 to \$1,781,394.53 funded from the Transit Federal Funding.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

During the 2009 Capital budget process, Council approved Capital Project #0583 - Transit Bus Replacement for the replacement of four conventional buses for a total price of \$1,600,000.

REPORT

Saskatoon Transit is exercising its option to purchase additional units as outlined within the 2005 signed Contract No. 5-0455 between the City of Saskatoon and New Flyer Industries. The contract formula to determine the unit price for buses ordered after the initial 2005 purchase, takes into consideration the Producer Price Index (PPI) since the last purchase, inflation and changes to equipment. In light of the improved Canadian dollar, Saskatoon Transit is continuing its discussions with New Flyer Industries regarding the issue of US Exchange to ensure we receive the lowest possible price for this bus order and future orders.

OPTIONS

Saskatoon Transit can purchase three buses rather than four to keep total cost within the previously approved budgeted amount of \$1,600,000. This option is not a desirable choice for Saskatoon Transit as it deviates from Transit's Bus Replacement Plan and ultimately the goal of reducing the average age of the transit fleet.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

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FINANCIAL

The 2009 price (\$424,141.55) includes:

2007 Base Price	\$384,928.46
PPI Increase	27,348.88
Foreign Exchange Increase	13,769.22
Equipment Changes	<u>(1,905.01)</u>
Net Cost	\$424,141.55
Provincial Sales Tax	<u>21,207.07</u>
Total Unit Price	<u><u>\$445,348.62</u></u>

The total price proposed by the vendor for the four buses is \$1,781,394.53 (including taxes). The additional \$181,394.53 is proposed to be funded from the Transit Federal Funding.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

F2) Post Budget Adjustments

Saskatoon Light & Power

Capital Project #1316: Transmission Line Structure Mitigation Component

Q1A/Q2A Tower 10 Slope Stabilization

(File No. CK. 2010-3 and WT-1703-1)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve post budget adjustment for additional funding in the amount of \$500,000 for Capital Project #1316; and
 - 2) that the total adjustment be funded from the from Saskatoon Light & Power's Electrical Distribution Replacement Reserve in the amount of \$500,000.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

In May of 2008, a landslide occurred adjacent to Saskatoon Light & Power's transmission line tower site #10 along St. Henry Avenue. This initial landslide has the potential to develop further slides and destabilize the tower. Similar work was completed in 1994 to stabilize the riverbank adjacent to transmission line tower sites #8 and #9.

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REPORT

Approved Capital Project #1316 provides for the construction of a toe berm, a drainage system, and landscaping to restore the riverbank. Costs for this work are higher than budgeted and an additional \$500,000 is required to complete the project.

JUSTIFICATION

Damage to this tower would severely affect the electrical supply to downtown Saskatoon and be hazardous to the public.

OPTIONS

No other viable options are available.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Sufficient funds are available from the Saskatoon Light & Power Replacement Reserve, however the longer term sufficiency is still uncertain and under review.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**F3) Saskatoon Light & Power
Capital Project #1282-01: SL&P-Street Lights-Steel Pole Mitigation
(File No. CK. 2000-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

At its meeting held on May 19, 2009, when considering a report from Utility Services Department on painting street light poles, City Council resolved, in part, that the Administration report on the general matter of the cost variances between painting and replacement of street light poles.

The average cost to replace a steel street light pole is \$2,500. The average price to paint a pole is \$290. Depending on the condition of the pole when it is painted, painting the pole is expected to add 10 to 15 years to the life of the pole.

Poles that are badly rusted are not painted but are replaced.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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**F4) Enquiry – Councillor G. Wyant (May 20, 2009)
Primrose Drive Recycling Depot
(File No. CK. 7830-5)**

RECOMMENDATION that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Wyant at the meeting of City Council held on May 19, 2009:

“Would the Administration please report on what remedial measures can be taken to clean up the new recycling area on Primrose Drive. It is generally unsightly from the road and material tends to blow around, which adds to the unpleasantness of the area.”

REPORT

In the spring of 2008 the management of the Mall at Lawson Heights informed the City that the recycling depot located on their property, known as the Lawson Heights Recycling Depot, must be removed. Following that notification the Environmental Services Branch began a site selection process to determine a suitable new location for a recycling depot to service the north end of Saskatoon. After reviewing the feasibility and costs associated with several sites, the partially developed City-owned property located adjacent to the Lawson Civic Centre on Primrose Drive was selected. In the summer of 2008, work began on the new location, and it opened in the fall of 2008. Lighting of the site and seasonal work such as landscaping and painting are being completed in 2009. The new location has many advantages including: its central location, proximity to the Mall and Civic Centre, existing infrastructure, and ideal size. The only significant drawback to the site is its close proximity to the Primrose Lanes Condominiums.

The depot’s central location in Saskatoon’s north end makes it one of the most heavily used recycling depots in the city. Approximately 28% of the cardboard and paper recycled through the residential depot system is collected at the Primrose Drive depot. The high volume of recyclable material captured is beneficial to the municipality and to the community in a number of ways; however, it leads to some undesirable issues such as blowing litter and general unsightliness.

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New Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) standards require 'lines of sight' to be maintained through civic facilities, so the old practice of building a tall solid fence around our recycling depots can no longer be followed. Given this new requirement, beautification of generally unsightly facilities such as recycling depots must be a priority.

The general appearance of the Primrose Drive Recycling Depot will be significantly improved this summer. The City will paint the Primrose Lanes Condominiums' side of the fence to match the condo's colour scheme and the Parks Branch landscaping improvements will include:

- construction of a short fence along the Primrose Drive side of the depot,
- xeriscaping of the grassed area along the front of the depot with perennials, shrubs, and trees that require little water beyond naturally-occurring precipitation,
- planting of spruce trees along the west 4' fence, and
- planting of trees and shrubs behind the south and east welded wire mesh fence.

Blowing litter is an issue at all of our recycling depots. The resources allocated to collect blowing litter by Solid Waste Operations Section, Parks Branch and Cosmopolitan Industries has not been sufficient to keep our depots and surrounding areas clean to a standard acceptable to depot neighbours. To remedy this, Environmental Services has entered into a partnership with Cosmopolitan Industries to provide third-party grounds maintenance at our five primary recycling depots, as well as at the satellite depots located on 11th Street and Circle Drive, and on Central Avenue in Sutherland. The Saskatoon Indian and Metis Friendship Centre's Youth Works program began cleaning our recycling depots on May 12, 2009. Initial feedback from our internal stakeholders and the community is very positive, so we plan to continue with this arrangement.

Environmental Services communicates regularly with the neighbours of the Primrose Drive Recycling Depot, and will continue to do so in the interest of being a good neighbour and a positive addition to the community. All issues relating to the operation and impact of the depot will continue to be addressed as quickly and thoroughly as possible.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

F5) Conversion to 100-gallon Waste Containers (File No. CK. 7830-3 and WT-7830-1)

RECOMMENDATIONS: that the information be received.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with the presentation of the speaker. See Page No. 65.

Section G – CITY MANAGER

**G1) Lake Placid Developments (Saskatchewan) Inc.
Parcel “Y” - River Landing Phase I
Request for Extension - Construction Requirement
(File No. CK. 4129-3 and CC 4130-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the time limit for completion of the Construction Requirement in the Sale Agreement for Parcel “Y”, River Landing Phase I, be extended to June 30, 2010 provided that payment in full for Parcel “Y” is received no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, August 17, 2009;
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft the necessary amendment to the Sale Agreement; and
 - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign the amending agreement.

ADOPTED.

The Sale Agreement between the City and Lake Placid River Landing Inc. for Parcel “Y” in River Landing Phase I contains a Construction Requirement whereby Lake Placid is to complete all excavation required for the development by June 30, 2009.

A letter dated June 15, 2009, (Attachment 1) has been received from the solicitors for Lake Placid Developments (Saskatchewan) Inc. requesting an extension of the time limit for completion of the Construction Requirement to June 30, 2010. The reason for the request is identified in the letter. Lake Placid Developments (Saskatchewan) Inc. is the assignee of the rights of Lake Placid Developments Inc. under the Sale Agreement. The reference in the letter to legislative amendments is changes to *The Condominium Property Act* and *The Land Titles Act, 2000* which were required to allow multiple condominium corporations on the site.

As of the date of this report, payment of the balance due under the Sale Agreement for Parcel “Y” has not been received. Interest is accruing on the balance pursuant to the provisions of the Agreement.

Your Administration supports the request to extend the Construction Requirement to June 30, 2010, subject to payment in full of the balance owing for Parcel “Y” by August 17, 2009. Your Administration acknowledges there have been issues outside the control of Lake Placid that have contributed to the delay in commencement of construction. It is prudent to provide the proponent an extension with conditions to finalize financial arrangements that will complete the transaction. Lake Placid has agreed that August 17, 2009 is reasonable for receipt of the purchase price.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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ATTACHMENT

1. Letter dated June 15, 2009 from McDougall Gauley LLP

LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 9-2009

Section A – OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- A1) **2009 Local Government Elections**
Poll 203
(File No. CK. 265-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the voting location for Poll 203 be changed from St. Mary School to St. George's Senior Citizens' Centre.

ADOPTED.

City Council, at its meeting held on March 30, 2009, approved the list of polling places for the 2009 Local Government Elections. It is recommended that the polling place for Poll 203 be changed from St. Mary School to St. George's Senior Citizens' Centre in order to improve accessibility to voters.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

REPORT NO. 11-2009 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor G. Wyant, Chair
Councillor B. Dubois
Councillor P. Lorje
Councillor C. Clark
Councillor B. Pringle

**1. 2009 Assistance to Community Groups, Cash Grants Program
Social Services Component
(Files CK. 1871-3-1 and LS. 1870-2)**

RECOMMENATION:

- 1) that the grants totalling \$878,761.79 for 2009 under the Social Services Category, Assistance to Community Groups, Cash Grant Program, as outlined in Attachment 1 of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 4, 2009, be approved;
- 2) that the concept of multi-year funding to flagship agencies be approved, in principle; and
- 3) that the Administration report back further on this concept by October 2009.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the attached report of the Social Services Subcommittee dated June 4, 2009, forwarding recommendations for grants under the Social Services Category of the 2009 Assistance to Community Groups, Cash Grants Program. The Subcommittee also recommended that the City consider a process of identifying flagship agencies and providing multi-year funding to these agencies and has asked your Committee to consider recommending approval of this concept, in principle, with further reporting from the Administration by October 2009.

Following review of this matter, your Committee is supporting the recommendations outlined above. Your Committee appreciates the work of the Subcommittee in reviewing and forwarding recommendations with respect to the requests for funding under this program.

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**2. Beekeeping within City Limits
(File No. CK. 151-1)**

RECOMMENATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8776.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with the presentation of the speaker. See Page No. 67.

**3. Community Gardens
(Files CK. CK. 1720-1 x 4205-1 and LS. 4000-9)**

RECOMMENATION: that the principles set as the foundation for community gardens as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 1, 2009, be approved.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 1, 2009, providing information about the review of the process and guidelines for both community gardens and allotment gardens. The Administration was requesting approval of the following principles as the foundation for the community garden program:

- i) Community Collaboration – is the establishment of the community garden;
- ii) Inclusiveness – for any community members that want to participate;
- iii) Community Spirit – working together for the healthy development of a garden and getting to know your neighbours; and
- iv) No transfer of private rights on public lands.

Your Committee has reviewed the matter with the Administration and supports the above principles as the foundation for the community garden program and as the basis for beginning the community consultation process. These principles may be further defined as the consultation process unfolds. Your Committee was advised that the review process is anticipated to be completed prior to December 1, 2009, which is the application deadline for the 2010 gardening season.

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4. Communications to Council

From: Walter Wasyluniuk

Date: April 7, 2009

**Subject: Bylaw Limiting Number of Garage Sales Per Household Per Year
(File No. CK. 185-1)**

RECOMMENATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

City Council, at its meeting held on May 4, 2009, considered the attached letter outlining issues with respect to the bylaw limiting the number of garage sales that can be held per household per year. The matter was referred to the Planning and Operations Committee.

Your Committee has considered this matter and is in agreement with the current provisions of the Zoning Bylaw which allow residents to have up to four garage sales per year.

5. 2009 Prepaid Service Rates (Direct and Offsite)

(File CK. 4216-1)

RECOMMENATION: that the 2009 prepaid service rates, as attached to the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated June 2, 2009, be approved.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated June 2, 2009, with respect to proposed prepaid services rates for 2009.

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

6. Final Report – McNab Park Demonstration Duplex Complex

(Files CK. 4000-9 and PL. 4110-25-5)

RECOMMENATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 25, 2009, with respect to the above demonstration project, which was undertaken to demonstrate that existing housing stock from McNab Park could be renovated and relocated within the city.

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Your Committee has reviewed with the Administration the project undertaken by Innovative Residential Investments, involving the renovation of one duplex unit from McNab Park and included an open house for the public to view the demonstration project over a three month period. The final report from this demonstration project was provided to your Committee.

Your Committee is forwarding the report to City Council for information.

**7. 2008 Saskatoon Municipal Golf Courses Annual Report
(Files CK. 430-34 and LS. 4135-1)**

RECOMMENATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered and is forwarding the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 29, 2009, to City Council for information.

Copies of the 2008 Saskatoon Municipal Golf Courses Annual Report have already been provided to City Council Members. A copy is available for viewing in the City Clerk's Office and on the City's website at www.saskatoon.ca as part of the Council agenda.

**8. 2008 Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo Annual Report
(Files CK. 430-1 and LS. 4206-FO-12)**

RECOMMENATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 15, 2009, with respect to the above matter, and is forwarding the report to City Council as information.

Copies of the 2008 Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo Annual Report have already been provided to City Council Members. A copy is available for viewing in the City Clerk's Office and on the City's website at www.saskatoon.ca as part of the Council agenda.

**9. Request to Install “New Growth” by Leslie Potter and Alicia Popoff
As a Public Art Installation at the Shaw Centre and Declare the
Sculpture at the Shaw Centre a Municipal Project
(Files CK. 4040-1 x 4110-32 and LS. 606-5)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the purchase of the sculpture entitled “New Growth” by Leslie Potter and Alicia Popoff to be located within the Shaw Centre at 130 Bowlt Crescent, as selected by the Visual Arts Placement Jury at its June 1, 2009 meeting, be approved, subject to sufficient donor funding;
 - 2) that the sculpture be designated a Municipal Project, funded by donations;
 - 3) that the Treasurer’s Branch, Corporate Services Department, be authorized and directed to accept donations for “New Growth” and to issue appropriate receipts to donors who contribute funds to the project;
 - 4) that the Office of the City Solicitor prepare the appropriate art agreement between the City of Saskatoon and the Artist; and
 - 5) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 2, 2009, with respect to a proposed public art installation, commissioned by The City of Saskatoon, Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools, and the Saskatoon Public School Division, for the Shaw Centre. Your Committee was advised that the Visual Arts Placement Jury has selected the sculpture entitled “New Growth” by Alicia Popoff and Leslie Potter for this location and that the funding for the purchase would be through donor funding.

Following review of this report with the Administration, your Committee is supporting the above recommendations.

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**10. Phase 2 of PotashCorp Ark Exhibit
(Files CK. 4205-8 and LS. 1701-7-15)**

RECOMMENATION: that in-kind construction work be authorized to start in 2009 for Phase 2 of the PotashCorp Ark Exhibit.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 2, 2009, with respect to the proposed Phase 2 of the PotashCorp Ark Exhibit. As outlined in the report, completion of Phase 2 of the PotashCorp Ark Exhibit has been identified in the Master Plan for the Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo and remains a fundraising priority of the Saskatoon Zoo Foundation. Phase 2 of the exhibit calls for the construction of a seven thousand square foot animal exhibit area to be attached to the first phase of this exhibit and will provide for the flexibility to display two separate animal species or opening the exhibit space to display one species in a larger area.

Following review of this matter with the Administration, your Committee supports the above recommendation.

**11. Immigration Project – Update Report
(Files CK. 100-21, RR. 115-2 and LS. 220-48)**

RECOMMENATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 2, 2009, providing an update on activities undertaken from July 2008 to March 2009 with respect to the immigration project. This involved the continuation of efforts in three key areas, including:

- Implementing a communications and awareness strategy;
- Moving forward a collaborative community connections approach around the issue of recruitment, integration and retention of newcomers to Saskatoon; and
- Working to expand the scope of the response plan to include strategies related to both immigration and migration to Saskatoon.

Copies of the publication “Welcome Home – Saskatoon Immigration Action Plan” were provided to City Council members. This provided a summary of the ideas and recommendations gathered at sector-based community forums that were held to develop strategies that would help ensure Saskatoon is a welcoming place for new immigrants. A copy is available for review in the City Clerk’s Office and on the City’s website at www.saskatoon.ca under “I” for “Immigration”.

Your Committee is forwarding the report to City Council for information.

**12. Blairmore Integrated Facility Operating Agreement
(Files CK. 4110-32 and LS. 606-5)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the Blairmore Integrated Facility Operations Agreement between the City of Saskatoon, Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools, and Saskatoon Public School Division; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate contract and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement under Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 2, 2009, with respect to the proposed operating agreement for the Blairmore Integrated Facility. The Agreement outlines the roles and responsibilities of the City of Saskatoon, Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools, and the Saskatoon Public School Division, to oversee the joint operations of the integrated facility.

Your Committee has reviewed the report with the Administration and supports approval of the Agreement as set out in the June 2, 2009 report of the General Manager, Community Services Department.

**13. Reserve and Rate Sufficiency Review
(File No. CK. 4216-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the parks and recreation levy component rate for 2009 on residential lots not be increased and remain at the 2008 rates:

Neighbourhood	\$176.65
District	\$75.05
Multi-District	<u>\$21.30</u>
Total	\$273.00

- 2) that the Community Centre reserve for 2009 on residential lots not be increased and remain at 2008 rates:

Willowgrove	\$144.60
Hampton Village	\$141.90

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Stonebridge	\$91.75
Rosewood	\$125.42

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 1, 2009, with respect to the parks and recreation levy component rates and the Community Centre reserve rates for 2009.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the above proposed rates.

REPORT NO. 1-2009 OF THE FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION FUND TRUSTEES

Composition of Committee

Mr. David Rumpel, Chair
Mr. Murray Gronsdal, Vice Chair
His Worship the Mayor
Mr. Tim Leier
Mr. Bruce Siemens
Mr. Rob Hogan

**1. Funding Policy
(File No. CK. 1798-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the Funding Policy for the Fire and Protective Services Department Superannuation Plan, which has been approved by the Trustees.

Through the guidance of its internal Governance Document, the Funding Policy was established to help the Trustees identify the ultimate goals and objectives of the Plan and the manner in which benefits will be funded in the future. It also assists with the establishment of an appropriate level of margin that should be included on the balance sheet, along with the order of surplus distribution. Having said this, it is noted that any increase to funding requirements would require the approval of City Council.

The Trustees have had an internal Statement of Investment Policies and Objectives for some time, which is used by the investment managers to ensure their investments are made within the guidelines set by the Trustees and that their portfolio complies with the Policy. This Policy is reviewed on an annual basis to ensure it includes any changes made during the year.

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Together, these documents effectively assist the Trustees in managing their fiduciary responsibilities.

REPORT NO. 3-2009 OF THE LAND BANK COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor M. Heidt, Chair
Councillor D. Hill
Councillor P. Lorje
Councillor G. Penner
Councillor M. Neault

**1. Request to Sell City-Owned Property
Parcel Y, Plan 101954077 (715 Hart Road) and
Parcel Q, Plan 101908964 (107 Hart Road)
Blairmore Suburban Centre
(File No. CK. 4215-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Land Branch Manager be authorized to sell two parcels of land in the Blairmore Suburban Centre to the highest bidders through a public tender process, with reserve bid prices as outlined in the attached report, plus applicable taxes;
 - 2) that if the parcels are not sold through the tender process, they be placed for sale over-the-counter on a first-come, first-served basis;
 - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documentation to complete the sale by public tender; and
 - 4) that the Land Branch Manager be authorized to administer development controls as a condition of sale in accordance with the criteria outlined in the attached report.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 27, 2009 regarding the sale of two parcels of land in the Blairmore Suburban Centre by public tender to the highest bidder.

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Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration, and supports the sale of this property in the Blairmore Suburban Centre, as outlined therein.

2. Option to Purchase – 30 metre x 45 metre parcel
To be subdivided in NW1/4 1-37-6-W3M
(File No. CK. 4215-1)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that approval be granted for the Option to Purchase Agreement that would permit the direct sale of a 30 metre x 45 metre parcel to be subdivided from the northwest corner of NW1/4 1-37-6-W3M to SaskTel for the purpose of constructing a telecommunications tower; (with a non-refundable option fee of \$2,000 and the purchase price for the property set at \$50,000 plus G.S.T.); and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary Agreement and that His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Agreement under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 21, 2009 regarding the sale of a parcel of land in the northwest corner of the City for placement of a telecommunication tower.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration, and supports the proposal, as outlined in the report.

3. Proposed Direct Sale – Lots G & H, Block 214, Plan G826
(File No. CK. 4215-1)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that approval be granted for the direct sale of proposed Parcels G & H, a former railway spurline row located in Block 214, Plan G826 between 38th and 39th Streets and Ontario and Quebec Avenues; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary Sales Agreements and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the Agreements under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

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Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 21, 2009 regarding the direct sale of a former railway spurline located between 38th and 39th Streets and Ontario and Quebec Avenues to two of the adjacent property owners.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration and supports the sale of this property, as outlined therein.”

His Worship the Mayor assumed the Chair.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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

CARRIED.

PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Mr. Alan Wallace, Neighbourhood Planning Section Manager, advised that the City of Saskatoon had received Saskatchewan Municipal Services Excellence Award for the Affordable Housing Business Plan. His Worship the Mayor congratulated the Administration for their work.

HEARINGS

- 7a) Proposed Official Community Plan
(Development Plan and Zoning Bylaw Review)
Proposed Bylaw No. 8769
(File No. CK. 4350-62)**
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REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8769.

Attached are copies of the following:

- Proposed Bylaw No. 8769 (A copy of this Bylaw can be viewed in the City Clerk’s Office or on the City’s website at www.saskatoon.ca on the homepage or click on “p” for “Planning and Development”, then click on “Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw Review”.);
- Report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 21, 2009 outlining all proposed amendments to be incorporated into the new Official Community Plan;

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- Letter dated May 11, 2009 from the Secretary of the Municipal Planning Commission advising the Commission supports all of the changes proposed by the Administration, and is recommending that City Council adopt the new Official Community Plan, as described in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 8, 2009;
- Notice that appeared in the local press under dates of May 16 and May 23, 2009;
- Letters from the following:
 - Mark Bobyn, President, Nutana Community Association, undated;
 - Barry Remai, Vice President, Remai Construction Group Inc., dated June 5, 2009; and
 - Joanne Hritzuk, President, Saskatchewan Home-Based Business Association, dated June 16, 2009.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Tim Steuart, Manager, Development Review Section, Community Services Department, reviewed the proposed Official Community Plan and expressed the Department's support.

Mr. Brad Sylvester, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission's support of the proposed Official Community Plan.

Mr. Randy Pshybelo, Executive Director, Riversdale Business Improvement District, expressed support for the proposed Bylaw and asked that all the Business Improvement Districts be included in the phase two discussions.

Mr. Kevin Hogarth, Hogarth Photography, asked that the Zoning Bylaw reflect that photography studios and home-based photographers have the same rules.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the submitted correspondence and reports be received.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8769.

CARRIED.

**7b) Proposed Zoning Bylaw
(Development Plan and Zoning Bylaw Review)
Proposed Bylaw No. 8770
(File No. CK. 4350-62)**

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8770.

Attached are copies of the following:

- Proposed Bylaw No. 8770 (A copy of this Bylaw can be viewed in the City Clerk’s Office or on the City’s website at www.saskatoon.ca on the homepage or click on “p” for Planning and Development, then click on “Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw Review”);
- Report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 21, 2009 outlining all proposed amendments to be incorporated into the new Zoning Bylaw; (see Attachment to 7a)
- Letter dated May 11, 2009 from the Secretary of the Municipal Planning Commission advising the Commission supports all of the changes proposed by the Administration, and is recommending that City Council adopt the new Zoning Bylaw, as described in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 8, 2009; (see Attachment to 7a)
- Notice that appeared in the local press under dates of May 16 and May 23, 2009; (see Attachment to 7a)
- Letters from the following submitting comments: (see Attachment to 7a)
 - Mark Bobyn, President, Nutana Community Association, undated; and
 - Barry Remai, Vice President, Remai Construction Group Inc., dated June 5, 2009.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Tim Steuart, Manager, Development Review Section, Community Services Department, reviewed the proposed Zoning Bylaw and expressed the Department’s support.

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

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Mr. Kevin Hogarth, Hogarth Photography, asked that photo studios not be considered for home-based businesses.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the submitted correspondence and reports be received.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

- 1) that Council consider Bylaw No. 8770; and*
- 2) that the issue of home-based businesses be referred to the Administration to review and report to the Planning and Operations Committee.*

CARRIED.

MATTERS REQUIRING PUBLIC NOTICE

- 8a) Proposed Closure of Right-of-Way
Walkway between 154 and 156 Redberry Road and
154 and 202 Frobisher Crescent
(File No. CK. 6295-08-15)**

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“City Council, at its meeting held on March 30, 2009, considered the above matter and resolved that the hearing be adjourned until no later than June 2009 and that the matter be referred back to the Administration for further review and consideration under the parameters of the new policy on walkway closures.

The following is a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated June 10, 2009:

“RECOMMENDATION: that the walkway between 154 and 156 Redberry Road and 154 and 202 Frobisher Crescent remain open for public use.

BACKGROUND

The Planning and Operations Committee, at its meeting on June 17, 2008, considered a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department, dated June 4, 2008, regarding a request for closure of the walkway between 154 and 156 Redberry Road and 154 and 202 Frobisher Crescent, and approved the recommendation that the Administration proceed with Public Notice.

At its meeting held on December 15, 2008, City Council considered the proposed walkway closure during Matters Requiring Public Notice, and resolved that consideration of the matter be deferred for six months in order that the applicants can be advised of the new walkway closure policy and asked whether they wish to proceed under the parameters of the new policy.

At its meeting held on March 30, 2009, during Matters Requiring Public Notice, Council was advised that the residents submitting this request have opted to continue with the former policy. Council resolved that the hearing be adjourned until no later than June, 2009, and that the matter be referred back to the Administration for further review and consideration under the parameters of the new policy on walkway closures (Attachment 1).

REPORT

The new policy, C07-017 – Walkway Evaluation and Closure, is structured into the following three stages:

Stage 1 includes a preliminary Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) review of the walkway. If the review indicates that there is vegetation restricting sight lines, graffiti on fences, lack of street lighting, or concerns with vehicles travelling through the walkway, remedial actions will be taken.

Stage 2 includes investigating additional proactive remedial measures to address vandalism or public safety issues that cannot be addressed by any remedial actions undertaken within Stage 1. During this stage, a community meeting will be held to address public safety concerns.

Stage 3 consists of an analysis, using pedestrian routing software, to provide detailed information on the walking routes in the service area to specific destination points, which include commercial development sites, schools, community centres and transit stops. It also assesses all residents within 5-

minute, 10-minute, 15-minute and 20-minute walking route times to these destination points, and identifies if there is an existing alternative route which will provide an equivalent level of service. A walkway closure will be recommended if the impact to the walking time is less than five minutes.

The preliminary CPTED review for the walkway between 154 and 156 Redberry Road and 154 and 202 Frobisher Crescent indicated that there are some well-maintained hedges restricting the view on the Redberry Road side of the walkway; there is lighting from the pedestrian corridor at Redberry Road, and a street light that is offset to the east of the walkway at Frobisher Road; there is evidence of graffiti on the fences; there is some garbage in the walkway; no concerns with vehicles travelling through the walkway were indicated to the Administration; one of the neighbours has chain link fencing, which adds more space to the walkway; there is a stormwater main running through the walkway.

A community meeting was held on May 14, 2009, to inform residents of the walkway issues and to encourage neighborhood patrols and discuss options to improve safety. Over 200 residents within the area that would be affected by closure of the walkway were invited (Attachment 2). Only 10 residents attended the meeting. Saskatoon Police Services and members of Infrastructure Services were present to address concerns regarding public safety. No consensus was reached at the meeting. Attached are comments received from the people who attended the meeting (Attachment 3).

The pedestrian routing program was used to determine the service areas for the 5-minute, 10-minute, 15-minute and 20-minute walking route times. The two destination points used for this walkway included the route to Rochdale Park, which is a link to Lawson Heights School and St. George School; and a link to a number of walkways that lead to Meewasin Park and the South Saskatchewan River.

Closure of the walkway would increase the walking time to Rochdale Park (Lawson Heights School and St. George School) by between one and four minutes in the 5, 10, 15 and 20-minute service area. Pedestrians within the 10-minute service area, who use the walkway as a recreational route to Meewasin Park, would experience an additional five minutes of walking time.

According to Policy C07-017 – Walkway Evaluation and Closure, a walkway closure will be recommended if the impact to the walking time is less than five minutes. This study indicates that closing the walkway will increase the walking times to destination points by approximately five minutes. In addition, the walkway serves as a pedestrian linkage within the neighborhood.

Based on this review, the Administration is recommending that the walkway remain open for public use and that all application and land fees will be refunded to the property owners.

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The Administration will inspect the walkway on a monthly basis and provide the community association, schools and residents in the area with a pamphlet which will include information on graffiti removal, neighbourhood patrols, and the phone numbers for Police Services and who to call for maintenance. Property owners adjacent to the walkway will be advised to report all safety issues related to graffiti, vandalism, theft and noise to the Police Services so that they can monitor the area.

There is a street light on Frobisher Crescent, which is approximately 20 metres east of the walkway. Although it does not provide direct light to the walkway, an additional light will not be considered as City standards stipulate that street lights be placed 45 metres apart. If a street light were to be added to specifically illuminate the walkway, it would be too close to the existing light, causing discomfort to area residents during evening hours.

If the recommendation to keep the walkway open is approved, there will be a three-year waiting period, starting from the date of Council approval, before another application to close the walkway can be made.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Excerpt from the meeting of City Council held on March 30, 2009;
2. Community Meeting Area Catchment Area Plan; and
3. Residents Comments from Meeting of May 14, 2009.”

The City Clerk distributed copies of a letter from Mr. Lloyd Beazley dated June 22, 2009.

Mr. Cal Sexsmith, A/General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department presented the report.

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 Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

- 1) *that the walkway between 154 and 156 Redberry Road and 154 and 202 Frobisher Crescent remain open for public use; and*
- 2) *that should the residents bring forward a request for walkway closure within three-years time, that Council re-consider the issue.*

CARRIED.

**8b) Proposed Closure of Right-of-Way
North-South and both East-West Lanes
West of Saskatchewan Avenue and South of 40th Street West
(File No. CK. 6295-09-6)**

It was noted that due to incorrect advertising the hearing will not go ahead. It will be re-advertised for the July 13, 2009 meeting.

**8c) Intent to Borrow
(File No. CK. 1750-1)**

It was noted that due to incorrect advertising the hearing will not go ahead. It will be re-advertised for the July 13, 2009 meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 12-2009 – continued

**F5) Conversion to 100-gallon Waste Containers
(File No. WT-7830-1; CK. 7830-3)**

RECOMMENDATIONS: that the information be received.

REPORT

On June 1, 2009, City Council considered a report from Utility Services Department regarding a new approach to the conversion of existing neighbourhoods to individual waste containers. All future neighbourhoods to be converted, including Avalon and Queen Elizabeth, will remain with rear lane collection.

One of the recommendations of this report was that Administration develop and report back on a process to allow those neighbourhoods converted to front-street collection since September 2008, to revert in whole or in part to rear-lane collection.

The process that has been developed and implemented is as follows:

1. Administration will review the comments received from the neighbourhood, including e-mails, council correspondence, and feedback from the open houses that were conducted between September of 2008 and May of 2009.
2. Administration will consult with the City Councillor who represents the area to get an understanding of the issues they see in each neighbourhood.
3. If it is felt that there is a clear preference from the neighbourhood, a decision will be made.

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4. If the neighbourhood has mixed views and it is unclear what the majority prefer, a telephone survey will be conducted. Once the survey results have been compiled, the Councillor and Administration will review, consider the configuration of the neighbourhood, and the General Manager of the Utility Services Department will make the decision.

Once a decision has been made for a neighbourhood and the conversion to individual containers has been implemented, if there are areas within a neighbourhood who coordinate themselves and come forward with a proposal to change their own local area of the neighbourhood from the 'neighbourhood normal', be that front-street or lane collection, Administration will consider these requests on a case-by-case basis. Reasonable operational efficiencies must be maintained, so relatively large and contiguous areas will be more likely to be accepted. The local Councillor, and the telephone survey process, will aid this process.

The process outlined above has commenced, and a status of neighbourhood conversions is as follows:

- Hudson Bay Park will be reverted to lane collection (change is currently underway).
- Exhibition will be reverted to lane collection (change is currently underway).
- Mayfair will be surveyed through telephone survey, once the results are in Administration will review and decide.
- Caswell Hill will be surveyed through telephone survey. Only a small portion of Caswell Hill has front-street collection now, most of this neighbourhood is lane collection already. Only the existing front-street area will be surveyed.
- City Park – lane collection, none of the area that was converted before September 2008, will be changed.
- Kelsey-Woodlawn – to remain with collection as-is.

Ongoing changes throughout the City will continue to be made to address street-specific locations where front-street collection is not workable, including portions of 33rd Street and Avenue C North.

OPTIONS

There are many options with respect to garbage collection. A program based on individual containers is felt to be the best overall option for the City, and collection can be in the lane or front-street. There are pros and cons for each, which vary from neighbourhood to neighbourhood.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The telephone survey process is expected to cost less than \$10,000.

COMMUNICATION PLAN

Ongoing Public Service Announcements, updates to the City's web site, and neighbourhood-specific fliers will be used to ensure all homeowners understand what is happening in their neighbourhood.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

The City Clerk submitted copies of a letter from John Pitchford, dated June 19, 2009, requesting permission to address Council.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT John Pitchford be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. John Pitchford, resident of 33rd Street West, asked that his area remain as front-street garbage collection.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the recommendation of the Administration be adopted.

CARRIED.

REPORT NO. 12-2009 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE- cont'd

**2. Beekeeping within City Limits
(File No. CK. 151-1)**

RECOMMENATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8776.

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Your Committee has considered various reports, communications and presentations with respect to issues around beekeeping within city limits. At its November 4, 2008 meeting, your Committee asked the Administration to work with the different groups with a view to establishing some type of guidelines or regulations that would allow beekeeping to continue in the city but would provide for a mechanism to deal with situations where there are issues that need to be addressed. Following this review, the City Solicitor's Office provided a report that presented three options, including the development of general guidelines for beekeepers; a bylaw to regulate beekeeping in a general fashion, similar to that used by the City of Richmond; or a bylaw to impose limits on beekeeping, which would provide the ability to permit a City bylaw investigator to issue an order to remedy.

Your Committee reviewed the options and asked the City Solicitor to draft an amendment to the Animal Control Bylaw that deals with beekeeping in a general fashion, along the lines of the City of Richmond bylaw, for consideration by your Committee prior to forwarding a report to City Council on the matter.

Your Committee has now considered the attached report of the City Solicitor dated May 13, 2009, along with a draft bylaw with respect to requirements for the keeping of bees in the city. Your Committee supports the bylaw, with the following revised wording in Section 21.1:

“21.1 No person keeping bees, or permitting bees to be kept on this or her property, shall fail to adequately maintain the bees such that the bees exhibit unduly defensive behavior toward any other person while that person is on his or her own property or public property.”

Attached, for City Council's consideration, is a copy of Bylaw No. 8776, with respect to this matter.

Also attached, as background information relating to this matter, are the following documents for City Council's information:

- Excerpts from the minutes of meeting of the Committee held on April 28, 2009 and November 4, 2008;
- Reports of the City Solicitor dated April 20, 2009 and October 22, 2008;
- Copies of communications and presentations from Hank Drexler and Audrey Ivanauskas; John Gryszka, Provincial Apiculturist; Lee Genereux, representing Saskatoon Bee Club; David McBride; and Andrei and Tatiana Smolyakov; and
- Article from the Vancouver Sun on beekeeping in Vancouver.

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Item A4) of Communications to Council was brought forward.

“A4) Hank Drexler, dated June 16

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to Bee Keeping Bylaw. (File No. CK. 151-1)”

The City Clerk distributed copies of additional information submitted by Mr. Drexler.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Hank Drexler be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Drexler asked that the City have stronger regulations regarding beehives within City limits and that the City consider a bylaw similar to the City of Richmond.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

- 1) that Council consider Bylaw No. 8776; and*
- 2) that the matter be referred back to the Planning and Operations Committee for further review.*

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

B. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

1) Amber Sandin, dated June 1

Requesting an extension of time where amplified music can be heard under the Noise Bylaw from 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 30, until 2:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 1, 2009, for an outdoor Canada Day party on the deck at The Pat Bar and Nightclub. (File No. CK. 185-9)

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RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted for an extension of time where amplified music can be heard under the Noise Bylaw from 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 30, until 2:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 1, 2009, for an outdoor Canada Day party on the deck at The Pat Bar and Nightclub.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT permission be granted for an extension of time where amplified music can be heard under the Noise Bylaw from 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 30, until 2:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 1, 2009, for an outdoor Canada Day party on the deck at The Pat Bar and Nightclub.

CARRIED.

2) Debbie Murphy, Office & Program Manager, The Partnership, dated June 2

Requesting sole concessionaire rights for the 33rd Annual Experience Downtown Sidewalk Sale to be held July 9 to 11, 2009. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request for sole concessionaire rights for the 33rd Annual Experience Downtown Sidewalk Sale be approved subject to any administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the request for sole concessionaire rights for the 33rd Annual Experience Downtown Sidewalk Sale be approved subject to any administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

3) Geri Marcoux, dated June 5

Requesting an extension of the time under the Noise Bylaw where amplified music can be played in the back yard at 2409 Cairns Avenue for a private event to be held on August 1, 2009, until 10 p.m.

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RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted for an extension of the time under the Noise Bylaw where amplified music can be played in the back yard at 2409 Cairns Avenue for a private event to be held on August 1, 2009, until 10 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT permission be granted for an extension of the time under the Noise Bylaw where amplified music can be played in the back yard at 2409 Cairns Avenue for a private event to be held on August 1, 2009, until 10 p.m.

CARRIED.

4) Carol Reynolds, dated June 17

Commenting on the use of City of Saskatoon logos and crests with respect to candidates running for office during the 2009 Municipal Elections. (File No. CK. 265-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT the letter be referred to the Executive Committee.

CARRIED.

C. INFORMATION ITEMS

1) Michelle Garrecht, dated May 27

Commenting on Dakota Dunes Casino bus. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

2) Sandra Finley, dated May 27

Congratulating City Council for working toward source water protection. (File No. CK. 7900-1)

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3) Cam Lipinski, dated May 28

Commenting on sea containers. (File No. CK. 4000-1)

4) Marie Dunn, dated May 29

Commenting on proposed white water project at the weir. (File No. CK. 4129-1 & 2300-1)

5) Wendy Robson, dated May 31

Commenting on the need for traffic quieting on Clarence Avenue. (File No. CK. 6320-1)

6) Garth Cantrill, dated June 1

Commenting on plans for park area by Nutana Collegiate. (File No. CK. 4205-1)

7) Len Andres, dated June 1

Commenting on front-street garbage pickup. (File No. CK. 7830-3)

8) Tim Fehr, dated June 1

Commenting on front-street garbage pickup. (File No. CK. 7830-3)

9) Dale Godson, dated June 1

Commenting on front-street garbage pickup. (File No. CK. 7830-3)

10) Wilma Gauthier, dated May 27

Commenting on front-street garbage pickup. (File No. CK. 7830-3)

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11) Ruth Laverty, dated June 4

Commenting on front-street garbage pickup. (File No. CK. 7830-3)

12) Deb Higgins, MLA, Moose Jaw Wakamow, dated May 26

Congratulating City Council for receipt of Municipal Award for plan to create affordable housing. (File No. CK. 750-4)

13) Ishmael Daro, dated June 2

Commenting on cycling in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 6000-5)

14) Gary Beeton, dated June 2

Commenting on spray painting done by marathon organizers. (File No. CK. 150-1)

**15) Cordell Neudorf, Chief Medical health Officer,
Saskatoon Health Region, undated**

Providing copy of Saskatoon Health Region's 2008 Health Status Report. (Copy available for viewing in City Clerk's Office.) (File No. CK. 430-1)

16) Donald Sutherland, dated June 2

Commenting on funding for the Good Food Junction Co-operative store. (File No. CK. 4131-28)

17) Kevin Slobodian, dated June 4

Commenting on parking violations at a City park. (File No. CK. 6120-1)

18) Montenna Ryon, dated June 6

Commenting on rental housing in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 750-1)

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19) Geoff Cotton, dated June 7

Commenting on individual garbage containers. (File No. CK. 7830-3)

20) The Hon. James Moore, P.C., M.P., Minister of Canadian Heritage and Official Languages, dated June 3

Congratulating Saskatoon receiving designation as Cultural Capital of Canada. (File No. CK. 1860-1)

21) Glenda Camrud, dated June 8

Commenting on the need to pave Avenue M South. (File No. CK. 6315-1)

22) Kim Gallucci, CEO, TCU Place, dated June 11

Submitting Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre Corporation Annual Disclosure Report for the year ending December 31, 2008.

23) Bob Thompson, dated June 12

Commenting on red light cameras. (File No. CK. 5300-8)

24) Brent Thoma, dated June 14

Inviting Council to the Student Wellness Initiative Toward Community Health (SWITCH). (File No. CK. 247-1)

25) Doug Blackport, dated June 15

Commenting on nuclear issue. (File No. CK. 100-1)

26) Allen Olson, dated June 15

Commenting on dandelions in the city. (File No. CK. 4200-2)

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27) Tristan Baronowsky, dated June 16

Expressing support for May 29, 2010 as the first annual honey bee day. (File No. CK. 205-1)

28) Elsa San Diego & Teresita Barut, Friendship Force International, dated June 15

Providing information on Friendship Force International. (File No. CK. 100-1)

29) Joanne Sproule, Deputy City Clerk, dated June 8

Submitting Notice of Hearing of Development Appeals Board with respect to the property located at 1302 Empress Avenue. (File No. 4205-1)

30) Joanne Sproule, Deputy City Clerk, dated June 16

Submitting Notice of Hearing of Development Appeals Board with respect to the property located at 1211 Idylwyld Drive North. (File No. CK. 4205-1)

31) Joanne Sproule, Deputy City Clerk, dated June 16

Submitting Notice of Hearing of Development Appeals Board with respect to the property located at 1215 Idylwyld Drive North. (File No. CK. 4205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

- 1) that, with respect to Item C21, the letter be referred to the Budget Committee;*
- 2) that, with respect to Item C28, the letter be referred to the Administration for a report; and*
- 3) that the information be received.*

CARRIED.

D. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

1) Jim and Elma Archer, dated May 25

Expressing concern with respect from smoke from back-yard fire pits. (File No. CK. 2500-6)
(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)

2) Grace Kuhn, dated May 27

Commenting on hedges impeding vision and becoming unsightly. (File No. CK. 4400-1)
(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)

3) Charlie Bueckert, dated May 27

Commenting on the height of speed bumps on Monck Avenue in Pacific Heights. (File No. CK. 6320-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

4) James Waldram, dated May 28

Commenting on street cleaning and snow removal issues. (File No. CK. 6315-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

5) Kelly Seabrook, dated May 30

Commenting on the need for garbage cans at Sutherland Beach dog park. (File No. CK. 152-2)
(Referred to Administration for consideration.)

6) Allen Watson, dated June 1

Commenting about difficulties encountered by parked cars in the lane blocking his driveway. (File No. CK. 6120-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

7) Nicholas Danyliuk, dated June 1

Requesting information with respect to waste/recycling proposal. (File No. CK. 7830-5)
(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)

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8) Fern Adamyk, dated June 2

Requesting a bus shelter be placed at Avenue W and 29th Street. (File No. CK. 7311-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration and response to the writer.)**

9) Ayalah Levy, dated June 4

Requesting a bus shelter be placed on Fairmont Drive. (File No. CK. 7311-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

10) Cliff Matthews, undated

Commenting on excessive speed by cyclists on the MVA trail and vandalism of library books. (File No. 150-1) **(Referred to Chief of Police and Director of Libraries for further handling.)**

11) Marlow Dallin, dated June 3

Requesting permission to place drop boxes for Diabetes fund-raising program be placed at City of Saskatoon Recycling Centres. (File No. CK. 150-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

12) Elaine Broughton, dated June 3

Commenting on the need for better signage for detours in construction zones. (File No. CK. 6000-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

13) Gale Diakuw, dated June 4

Commenting on the need for concrete barriers at Circle Drive, Millar Avenue and Warman Road overpass area. (File No. CK. 6320-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

14) Usha Rani, dated June 5

Commenting on transit services. (File No. CK. 7300-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

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15) Kamal Mahajan, dated June 6

Requesting information on what incentives would be available for constructing a Hightech Technology Incubator in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 150-1) **(Referred to Administration for further handling.)**

16) Robert Green, dated June 7

Commenting on speed limits on Circle Drive. (File No. CK. 6320-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

17) Tracy Shepherd, dated June 8

Requesting expedition of the return to back-alley garbage pickup in her area. (File No. CK. 7830-3) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

18) Tyler Wist, dated June 9

Commenting on Green Gym proposal. (File No. CK. 5500-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

19) Jorden Smith, dated June 10

Commenting on Chief Whitecap Off-Leash Dog Park. (File No. CK. 152-2) **(Referred to Administration for further handling.)**

20) Guo Yijun, dated June 12

Commenting on low-income housing. (File No. CK. 750-1) **(Referred to Saskatoon Housing Authority.)**

21) Darryl Heskin, dated June 13

Commenting on ways to control traffic in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 6000-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

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22) Doreen Wilson, dated June 15

Commenting on water issues, dandelions and individual garbage bins. (File Nos. CK. 4200-2 & 7830-3) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

23) Mark Marshall, dated June 16

Commenting and requesting information with respect to power transformer south of Nemeiben Road. (File No. CK. 2000-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

24) Darrel Norman, dated June 16

Commenting on traffic in Silverspring. (File No. CK. 6000-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration).**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

E. PROCLAMATIONS

1) Cathy Sieben, President, The Saskatoon Literacy Coalition, dated May 27

Requesting City Council proclaim September 8, 2009 as International Literacy Day. (File No. CK. 205-5)

2) Heather Anderson, dated June 4

Requesting City Council proclaim October 21, 2009 as Family Business Day. (File No. CK. 205-5)

4) John Hodgins, Canada Games Council, dated June 12

Requesting City Council approve flying the Canada Games flag from August 15 to 29, 2009. (File No. CK. 205-5)

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5) Ian McPhadden and Jackie Robin, Ag-West Bio Inc., dated June 12

Requesting City Council proclaim September 18 to 25, 2009, as Biotech Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve all proclamations as set out in Section E;
 - 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations, in the standard form, on behalf of City Council; and
 - 3) that the request for the flag raising be approved subject to Administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

- 1) that City Council approve all proclamations as set out in Section E;*
- 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations, in the standard form, on behalf of City Council; and*
- 3) that the request for the flag raising be approved subject to Administrative conditions.*

CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES

**Councillor M. Heidt
Highway Entrance Signs – Highways 14 and 7
(File No. CK. 6280-1)**

I understand that the construction schedule for entrance signs for Highways 7 and 14 was delayed indefinitely as a result of the decision to build an entrance sign on the Blairmore pedestrian overpass.

Would the Administration undertake to prepare a report for City Council to re-establish the construction schedule for these two signs in time to have the appropriate timing and amount of funding considered during the 2010 Capital Budget review.

**Councillor D. Hill
Traffic Calming Measures - Avenue C North of 33rd Street
(File No. CK. 6320-1)**

Would the Administration please report on possible solutions to calm traffic volume and speed on Avenue C from 33rd Street North to the railway track line between 39th and 40th Streets.

**Councillor D. Hill
Financing Options - Waterline Replacement Program
(File No. CK. 7920-1)**

Will the Administration please report on various funding or financing options for a replacement program of water lines with lead connections. Specifically the possibility of spreading the costs over a period of 3-5 years on the property tax or local improvement fee.

**Councillor G. Penner
Order of Business – City Council Agenda
(File No. CK. 255-1)**

Could we get a report from the City Clerk indicating why when we deal with Communications we would not deal with “A” first, and allow people who are here in the gallery to be heard rather than to sit and wait and review material that has no impact on them. Can we deal with Communications as they are on the agenda.

REPORT NO. 10-2009 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**1. Amending Agreement – The City of Saskatoon and
Saskatoon Farmers’ Market Co-operative Ltd.
(File No. CK. 4129-22)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Lease and Operating Agreement between the City of Saskatoon and Saskatoon Farmers’ Market Co-operative Ltd. be amended to identify the property taxes payable as outlined in Attachment 1 of the report of the City Manager dated May 20, 2009; and
 - 2) that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the amendment under corporate seal on behalf of the City of Saskatoon.

Your Committee has considered and supports the following report of the City Manager dated May 20, 2009:

“BACKGROUND

City Council at its meeting held on July 17, 2006, approved the Lease and Operating Agreement between the City of Saskatoon and the Saskatoon Farmers’ Market Co-operative Ltd. respecting the Farmers’ Market Building in River Landing. The Agreement assigns direct responsibility to the Farmers’ Market for all operational costs including maintenance, custodial, utilities, security and insurance. In addition, the Agreement requires the organization to pay property taxes and pay into the maintenance reserve.

REPORT

Section 2.00 of the Agreement provides to the Farmers’ Market a *bona fide* estimate of the property taxes, which was estimated to be \$0.80 per square foot or \$904.70 per month. At the time the Agreement was developed, your Administration prepared the property tax estimate based on the cost per square foot, at market rate, for similar properties in the area. Following the completion of the building renovation, the original estimate of taxes was too low.

The Farmers’ Market, in preparing their budget, was of the understanding that the property tax value would remain at the \$0.80 per square foot cost for the entire term of the Agreement. The taxes were assessed for 2008 at \$18,656.31.

The parties are in agreement that Section 2.00 of the Lease and Operating Agreement should be amended to clarify the property taxes to be paid by the Farmers’ Market. Rather than engage in a dispute over the interpretation of the Agreement, the Administration and the Farmers’ Market are suggesting that the property taxes to be paid, be ramped up over the remaining term of the Agreement so as to meet the Farmers’ Market budget constraints and allow the Farmers’ Market to increase their operating budget incrementally. The Amending Agreement (Attachment 1) clarifies the property taxes to be paid by the Farmers’ Market and reflects an incremental ramp up in each year of the term starting in 2009. The Amending Agreement is as follows:

- (i) 2008 tax year: \$10,856.40;
- (ii) 2009 tax year: \$14,356.40; and,
- (iii) 2010 tax year: \$17,856.40.

Commencing in the 2011 tax year, the Farmers Market would pay the then current property taxes without any reduction or abatement.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Amending Agreement City of Saskatoon and Saskatoon Farmers' Market Co-operative Limited dated May 1, 2009.”

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee be adopted.

CARRIED.

2. Proposed Mortgage Flexibility Support Program
(File No. CK. 750-1)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that an amendment to the City of Saskatoon Policy C09-002 (Innovative Housing Incentives) to add the Mortgage Flexibility Support Program be approved, subject to receiving the support of the appropriate officials in the education system; and
 - 2) that the ongoing financing for the Mortgage Flexibility Support Program be the Affordable Housing Reserve.

Your Committee has considered and supports the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 27, 2009, regarding the above matter.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee be adopted.

CARRIED.

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**3. Expression of Interest – Arthur Cook Building, 88 – 24 Street East
(File No. CK. 600-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the General Manager of Community Services be authorized to issue an Expression of Interest for the Arthur Cook Building; and
 - 2) that the General Manager of Community Services report back to City Council with the results of the Expression of Interest and a recommendation for further actions.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 29, 2009, regarding the above matter.”

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee be adopted.

CARRIED.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw 8769

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8769, being “The Official Community Plan Bylaw, 2009”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8769 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

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Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8769.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8769 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8769 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Bylaw No. 8769 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 8770

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8770, being “The Zoning Bylaw, 2009”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8770 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8770.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8770 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

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

CARRIED.

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Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8770 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Bylaw No. 8770 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 8776

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8776, being “The Animal Control Amendment Bylaw, 2009 (No. 2)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8776 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8776.

CARRIED.

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

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Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8776 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8776 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Bylaw No. 8776 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.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL – continued

A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL

1) Murray Scharf, Saskatoon Council on Aging, dated June 10

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to Property Tax Increase Deferral Program and Renovation Tax Abatement for low-income seniors. (File No. CK. 1930-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Murray Scharf be heard.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Murray Scharf be heard.

CARRIED.

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Mr. Murray Scharf, Saskatoon Council on Aging, asked that low-income seniors be considered for property tax increase deferral program and renovation tax abatement.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

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

CARRIED.

2) Clinton Ekdahl, dated May 30 and June 3

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to honey bees and requesting Council proclaim May 29, 2010 as Day of the Honey Bee. (File No. CK. 205-1)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that Clinton Ekdahl be heard and
 - 2) that City Council approve the proclamation as set out above and that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamation, in the standard form, on behalf of City Council.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Clinton Ekdahl be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Clinton Ekdahl asked that Council proclaim May 29, 2010, as Day of the Honey Bee in Saskatoon.

Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

- 1) *that City Council proclaim May 29, 2010, as Day of the Honey Bee in Saskatoon;
and*
- 2) *that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamation in standard form on behalf of City Council.*

CARRIED.

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3) Nowshad Ali, Saskatoon Fireworks Festival, dated June 16

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to 2009 Saskatoon Fireworks Festival.
(File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Nowshad Ali be heard.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Nowshad Ali be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Nowshad Ali, Saskatoon Fire Works Festival, spoke regarding the festival and requested funding from the City in the amount of \$25,000.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration to report to the Executive Committee.

CARRIED.

4) Hank Drexler, dated June 16

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to Bee Keeping Bylaw. (File No. CK. 151-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 67.

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5) Terry Scaddan, Executive Director, The Partnership, dated June 19

The City Clerk distributed copies of a letter from Terry Scaddan, Executive Director, The Partnership, requesting permission to address Council regarding a request for support for The Partnership's Winter Cities Summit proposed for January 2010. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Terry Scaddan be heard.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Terry Scaddan be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Terry Scaddan, Executive Director, The Partnership, advised Council of the Winter Cities Summit proposed for January 2010 and requested funding from the City in the amount of \$25,000.

Moved by Councillor Clark, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration to report to the Executive Committee.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Pringle,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 10:07 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk