

Council Chambers
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Wednesday, July 21, 2010
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, Lorje, Neault,
Paulsen, Penner, Pringle, and Wyant;
City Manager Totland;
City Solicitor Dust;
General Manager, Corporate Services Bilanski;
General Manager, Community Services Gauthier;
A/General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Paulsen;
General Manager, Infrastructure Services Gutek;
General Manager, Utility Services Jorgenson;
City Clerk Mann; and
Council Assistant Mitchener

Councillor Penner excused himself from the meeting at 8:15 p.m. following introduction and consideration of bylaws.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the minutes of meeting of the joint meeting held on June 28, 2010, the regular meeting held on June 28, 2010, and the special meeting held on July 2, 2010, be approved.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, 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 Neault as Chair of the Committee of the Whole.

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

Committee arose.

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

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

“Section A – COMMUNITY SERVICES

**A1) Land Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department
For the Period Between June 17, 2010 to July 7, 2010
(For Information Only)
(Files CK. 4000-5, PL. 4132, PL. 4350, and PL. 4300)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Condominium

- Application No. 6/10: 102 to 112 Avenue R North (6 Units – New)
Applicant: T. Webb Surveys for 50015 Saskatchewan Ltd.
Legal Description: Lot 22, Block 2, Plan No. 101387808, and
Lots 9, 10, 11, and 12, Block 2, Plan No. G131
Current Zoning: RM3
Neighbourhood: Mount Royal
Date Received: June 24, 2010

Rezoning

- Application No. Z22/10: 1405 Central Avenue
Applicant: Ashley McGrath
Legal Description: Lot 5, Block 33, Plan 68S15819
Current Zoning: R2
Proposed Zoning: RM1
Neighbourhood: Forest Grove
Date Received: June 18, 2010

Subdivision

- Application No. 43/10: 3610 Kochar Avenue
Applicant: George, Nicholson, Franko & Associates Ltd. for
City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Lots 7 and 8, Block 921, Plan 101947372
Current Zoning: IL1
Neighbourhood: Marquis Industrial
Date Received: July 5, 2010

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 6/10
2. Plan of Proposed Rezoning Z22/10
3. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 43/10

**A2) *The Uniform Building and Accessibility Standards Act*
Appointment of Building Officials
(Files CK. 4510-1, BS. 4510-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that Christine Merkosky, Dan Cherewyk, and Kevin Robertson be appointed as Building Officials, pursuant to Section 5 of *The Uniform Building and Accessibility Standards Act*;
 - 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to issue a Certificate of Appointment, pursuant to Section 5 of *The Uniform Building and Accessibility Standards Act*, for the persons named in the preceding recommendation; and
 - 3) that the list of all Building Official appointments that are still active as at the date of this report be adopted (see Attachment 1).

ADOPTED.

REPORT

Building Officials are appointed by City Council for the purpose of enforcing *The Uniform Building and Accessibility Standards Act*. Since the last appointments were established, staffing changes have been made, and it is necessary to adjust the list of Building Officials to align with the list maintained by the Provincial Government.

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ATTACHMENT

1. City of Saskatoon Building Official Appointments

**A3) Request to Sell City-Owned Property
B3 Commercial Property – Blairmore Suburban Centre
7.59 Acres Facing Betts Avenue
Parcels H, J and K, Plan 101908964
(Files CK. 4215-1, CK. 4110-32 and LA. 4220-08-1**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Land Branch Manager be authorized to sell Parcels H, J and K, Plan 101908964, in the Blairmore Suburban Centre to the highest bidder through a public tender process, with reserve bid prices as outlined in this report, plus applicable taxes;
 - 2) that Parcels H, J and K, Plan 101908964 be offered as a group of three;
 - 3) that Parcels H, J and K, Plan 101908964 be sold without a timeline to build requirement;
 - 4) that if the parcels are not sold through the tender process, they be made available for sale over-the-counter as a group on a first-come, first-served basis; and
 - 5) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documentation to complete the sales by public tender.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with the presentation of the speakers. See Page No. 69.

Section B – CORPORATE SERVICES

**B1) Incentive Application – Alstom Canada Thermal Services
Incentive Application – BHP Billiton
(Files CK. 3500-13 and CS. 3500-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the application from Alstom Canada Thermal Services for a five-year tax abatement at 219 Apex Street, be approved as follows:

100% in Year 1
80% in Year 2
70% in Year 3
60% in Year 4
50% in Year 5;
 - 2) that the application from BHP Billiton for a five-year tax abatement at 130 3rd Avenue South, be approved as follows:

100% in Year 1
100% in Year 2
100% in Year 3
100% in Year 4
100% in Year 5; and
 - 3) that the City Solicitor be instructed to bring forward the appropriate bylaw and agreement.

REPORT

Attached is a report from John Cross, Chair, Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority Inc. (SREDA) Board of Directors. The report is self-explanatory and provides the required information for City Council to consider the request by Alstom Canada Thermal Services and BHP Billiton for a five-year tax abatement.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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ATTACHMENT

1. Report – Chair, SREDA Board of Directors

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General Manager, Corporate Services Department Bilanski advised that she was made aware by representatives of BHP Billiton that they wished to withdraw the request for a tax abatement at this time.

IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that the application from Alstom Canada Thermal Services for a five-year tax abatement at 219 Apex Street, be approved as follows:

*100% in Year 1
80% in Year 2
70% in Year 3
60% in Year 4
50% in Year 5; and*

2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to bring forward the appropriate bylaw and agreement.

**B2) Consultant Study of Taxi Industry in Saskatoon
(Files CK. 307-4 and CS. 307-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting held on August 17, 2009, City Council, when dealing with Clause B3, Administrative Report No. 15-2009, resolved, in part:

“1) that City Council authorize Administration to engage the services of a consultant to undertake a comprehensive study of the taxi industry in Saskatoon.”

Further, at its meeting of November 16, 2009, City Council, resolved, in part:

“1) that the proposal submitted by Tennessee Transportation & Logistics Foundation for the supply of the professional consulting services for the assessment of the taxi industry in Saskatoon, at a total cost of \$50,000 plus G.S.T., be accepted.”

REPORT

As approved by City Council, the objectives of the study, which commenced in January 2010, were to:

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1. Assess the taxi industry, as it currently operates in the City of Saskatoon, including its ability to adequately meet customer service level demand. The study will include consultation with willing participants from the following groups: citizens, taxi industry members, Saskatoon Airport Authority, civic Administration, customers of the taxi industry, and any other affected parties.
2. Assess the feasibility of establishing a Taxi Commission in the City of Saskatoon.
3. Assess the feasibility of deregulating the taxi industry in the City of Saskatoon.

Dr. Ray Mundy has now provided a finalized 'draft' report providing details of the study which he had undertaken. The report includes recommendations and a proposed phased-in implementation plan. In the development of this report, Dr. Mundy and his associates have communicated extensively with members of the taxi industry and other stakeholders. The next step in the project is to make the report available to stakeholders and interested parties. Further, a method of gathering written comments and feedback will be established.

Timeline

The timeline for finalizing the report is as follows:

- July 26 to August 20, 2010: The draft report will be available to the public on the City's website. Also, copies may be picked up at the City Clerk's Office or the Treasurer's Branch at City Hall. Interested parties will be invited to submit written comments and feedback via email, fax, etc.
- August 21 to September 13, 2010: Dr. Mundy will prepare the final report incorporating the gathered comments and feedback.
- September 13, 2010 to September 30, 2010: Administration will complete its review and analysis of the consultant's recommendations and prepare a report for Executive Committee.
- October 4, 2010: The final report and Administration's recommendations will be presented at a public meeting of Executive Committee on October 4, 2010, with Dr. Mundy in attendance.

OPTIONS

Consideration of the consultant's recommendations will require Council to make policy choices about taxi regulation in the City of Saskatoon. Your Administration will submit a final report in full with further details explaining the implications and true impact of the recommendations to Council in the fall of 2010. Council will then have the option to accept all recommendations, accept some of the recommendations or accept none of the recommendations.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Depending on which option Council chooses, the financial impacts could include additional staffing of a field inspector and an office clerk. The Office of the City Clerk may also be impacted

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if an appeal board is created. There could be increased fees to the taxi brokerages, the taxi license plate holders and the taxi drivers.

Your Administration will provide additional information regarding the financial impacts and fees when the final report is submitted in the fall of 2010.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Section E – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

E1) Communication to Council

From: Nancy Carmichael, CHSA Board Member for
Pedestrian Safety Working Group
Date: July 23, 2008
Subject: Requesting Council's Support for a Pedestrian Charter
(File No. CK. 5200-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that a Saskatoon Pedestrian Charter be developed, along with the development of the Pedestrian Master Plan, as set out in the Transportation Demand Management Strategic Plan.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

City Council, at its meeting held on September 2, 2008, considered the attached letter from Nancy Carmichael, Community Health Services (Saskatoon) Association, Board Member for the Pedestrian Safety Working Group (Attachment 1), which was forwarded to the Administration for a report.

The first Pedestrian Charter in North America was adopted by the City of Toronto in 2002 (Attachment 2). The Charter was intended to serve as a reminder to decision-makers, both in the City as well as in the community at large, that walking should be valued as the most sustainable of all forms of travel, and that it has enormous social, environmental and economic benefits.

In addition, the Region of Waterloo and the City of Kitchener (Attachments 3 and 4) both adopted similar Pedestrian Charters in 2005, demonstrating their commitment to an urban environment that encourages walking.

REPORT

The City of Saskatoon has been developing programs to encourage cycling, such as the Downtown

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Bike Friendly (Sharrow) Program; the implementation of bike routes which were identified in the 2003 Bicycle Facility Network Study; and development of bike lanes in new subdivisions. The Transportation Demand Management Strategic Plan (TDM) has identified the need for similar programs for pedestrians, specifically a Pedestrian Master Plan to identify the safest routes to downtown areas, transit routes, schools and parks, and the importance of pedestrian rules and rights in the transportation network.

The basic rule in the “*Traffic Safety Act*” is that vehicles must stop and yield the right-of-way to pedestrians in a crosswalk. Unfortunately, this basic rule of the road is often ignored, causing many people to choose to drive instead of walk.

Saskatoon’s growth has meant that there are many more drivers on the road who need to be made aware that pedestrians have the right-of-way. Therefore, the Administration is recommending that a Pedestrian Charter be designed to identify rights, principles, attributes and actions to make Saskatoon a city in which residents and visitors of all ages and abilities can enjoy walking in a safe, convenient and comfortable urban environment.

The development of the Pedestrian Charter would be in keeping with the City’s goal of improving an active lifestyle and would seek to:

- Create a physical, social, economic, legal and psychological context in which more Saskatoon residents will be encouraged to walk more often and to walk further.
- Promote the personal, social and environmental benefits of walking as a safe, healthy, enjoyable and accessible form of transport, exercise and recreation.
- Encourage the planning, design and development of neighbourhoods in which safe, attractive and convenient walking conditions are provided as a fundamental right.
- Ensure that in the planning of our communities, access to basic amenities and services is not dependent on car ownership, but is always available to those on foot, bicycle, wheelchair and public transport.

A Pedestrian Charter includes a set of six principles related to the value of walking:

- Accessibility
Walking is a free and direct means of accessing local goods, services, community amenities and public transit.
- Equity
Walking is the only mode of travel that is universally affordable, and allows children, youth, and people with specific medical conditions to travel independently.
- Health and Well-Being
Walking is a proven method of promoting personal health and well-being.

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- Environmental Sustainability
Walking relies on human power and has negligible environmental impact.
- Personal and Community Safety
An environment, in which people feel safe and comfortable walking, increases community safety for all.
- Community Cohesion and Vitality
A pedestrian-friendly environment encourages and facilitates social interaction and local economic vitality.

The Administration is recommending that a Saskatoon Pedestrian Charter be developed along with the development of the Pedestrian Master Plan, as set out in the Transportation Demand Management Strategic Plan.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Copy of letter dated July 23, 2008, from Nancy Carmichael, CHSA Board Member for Pedestrian Safety Working Group
2. Copy of City of Toronto Pedestrian Charter
3. Copy of City of Waterloo Pedestrian Charter
4. Copy of City of Kitchener Pedestrian Charter

**E2) Proposed Amendments to Bylaw 7200 – The Traffic Bylaw
Multi-Space Parking Meters
(File No. CK. 6120-3)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary amendments to Bylaw 7200, The Traffic Bylaw, to include the use of multi-space parking meters.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

Infrastructure Services is testing the operation of multi-space parking meters. This type of equipment, commonly referred to as a parking pay station, accepts payment for multiple parking stalls, as opposed to each individual parking stall having its own parking meter. As with traditional, single space meters, multi-space meters rely on each parking stall having a unique

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identification number. Pay stations provide a receipt, showing the expiry time of the parking stall. However, it is not necessary to display the receipt on the dash of the car, as parking enforcement is conducted electronically to determine which stalls have expired time.

The Administration is recommending that Bylaw 7200, The Traffic Bylaw, be modified to include the provision for multi-space parking meters.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**E3) Proposed Closure of Right-of-Way
Portion of Public Right-of-Way adjacent to 934 and 1002 Pezer Crescent
and 130 and 132 Beerling Crescent
(File CK. 6295-08-20)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw 8865 (Attachment1).

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

City Council, at its meeting held on May 19, 2009, during consideration of Matters Requiring Public Notice, considered a request for closure of the walkway adjacent to 934 and 1002 Pezer Crescent and 130 and 132 Beerling Crescent and resolved:

- “1) that the walkway adjacent to 934 and 1002 Pezer Crescent and 130 and 132 Beerling Crescent be closed;
- 2) that upon receipt of the legal land survey documents the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate bylaw for consideration by City Council;
- 3) that upon approval of the bylaw, the City Solicitor be instructed to take all necessary steps to bring the intended closure forward and to complete the closure; and

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- 4) that upon closure of the walkway, the land will be sold to Godwin Pon and Bonnie Li of 132 Beerling Crescent; Dean and Gwen Carter of 130 Beerling Crescent; Larry Drager and Colleen McKay of 1002 Pezer Crescent; and Christine and Allan Thiessen of 934 Pezer Crescent, for \$1000 each.

REPORT

The Administration has now received the Plan of Proposed Consolidation prepared by Webb Surveys, dated August 12, 2009 (Attachment 2).

As shown on Plan 240-0061-003r002 (Attachment 3), Area '1' will be transferred to Godwin Pon and Bonnie Li of 132 Beerling Crescent (Lot 95, Block 369, Plan 97S44390); Area '2' will be transferred to Dean and Gwen Carter of 130 Beerling Crescent (Lot 94, Block 369, Plan 97S44390); Area '3' will be transferred to Colleen McKay of 1002 Pezer Crescent (Lot 78, Block 369, Plan 97S32769); and Area '4' will be transferred to Christine and Allan Thiessen of 934 Pezer Crescent (Lot 77 Block 369 Plan 97S32769).

Infrastructure Services, Saskatoon Light & Power, SaskEnergy and Shaw Cablesystems G.P., have existing facilities with easements within the area and have approved the proposed closure.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Proposed Bylaw 8865
2. Plan of Walkway Closure and Consolidation, dated November 6, 2009
3. Plan 242-0061-003r002

E4) Proposed Amendments to Bylaw 7200, The Traffic Bylaw Speed Limit Changes (File No. CK. 6320-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Bylaw 7200, The Traffic Bylaw, be amended as follows:

- 1) that the speed limit on McOrmond Drive, between Highway 5 and the North City Limits, be lowered from 70 kph to 60 kph;
- 2) that the speed limit on Preston Avenue, between Circle Drive South and Gordon/Hartley Road, be lowered from 60 kph to 50 kph;

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- 3) that the speed limit on Marquis Drive, between Wanuskewin Road and Idylwyld Drive, be established at 60 kph;
- 4) that a speed limit of 60 kph on Claypool Drive, from Airport Drive to the West City Limits, be added to Section 4;
- 5) that Subsection 4 (1) be amended to clarify that the speed limit on Clarence Avenue, from a point 150 metres north of Circle Drive to the South City Limits, is 60 kph; and
- 6) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary bylaw amendments.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

Infrastructure Services periodically reviews existing speed limits on roadways and recommends necessary modifications as needed. Changes to maximum allowed speeds are typically prompted by road reclassification, land use changes, driver behaviour and/or safety concerns. The goal is to establish a reasonable and safe speed limit that is appropriate for a particular roadway based on its design and classification. The posted speed limit should also ensure continuity and reflect the behaviour of the majority of drivers under favourable conditions.

REPORT

McOrmond Drive, North of Highway 5:

Traffic volumes on McOrmond Drive have increased with the completion of the University Heights Suburban Centre and development of the Willowgrove neighbourhood, and are expected to increase further with the completion of the Evergreen neighbourhood. In addition, more vehicles are turning on and off of McOrmond Drive to access the commercial and residential areas. Once a rural street, McOrmond Drive has become a busy residential/commercial street, therefore, it is necessary to ensure that it operates at a suitable and safe speed. The recommended maximum speed reduction to 60 kph from 70 kph is deemed appropriate, considering the adjacent land use/access.

Preston Avenue, South of Circle Drive South:

As a result of the development in the Stonebridge neighbourhood, this section of Preston Avenue has seen a considerable increase in usage. It is no longer a connecting through street and will ultimately lead directly into the heart of the Stonebridge neighbourhood, where considerable activity is expected to take place. Considering the current configuration and roadway conditions, a maximum speed limit of 50 kph is more suitable than the current 60 kph. As part of the planned interchange design and construction, the appropriate speed limit for the overpass will be reassessed and further changes may be recommended at that time, if required.

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Marquis Drive Between Wanuskewin Road and Idylwyld Drive:

This new section of Marquis Drive is currently under construction. The roadway was designed for a posted speed limit of 60 kph, which will provide for safe and efficient operating conditions given the roadway classification and adjacent land use.

Claypool Drive, West of Airport Drive:

It has been discovered that the speed limit on Claypool Drive, from Airport Drive to the West City Limits, is not included in Schedule 4 of Bylaw 7200, even though the maximum 60 kph signs have been installed. Therefore, the Administration is recommending that this be added.

Clarence Avenue, South of Calder Crescent:

This revision to Subsection 4 (1) of the Traffic Bylaw is being recommended to clarify that the 60 kph zone includes the entire Clarence Avenue overpass and extends approximately 150 metres to the north of Circle Drive, and that the speed limit changes to 50 kph on the approach into the residential neighbourhood, just south of Calder Crescent. No actual change to the speed limit, as posted, is being recommended.

OPTIONS

No other options were considered.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Implementation costs are nominal and are provided for in the existing Operating Budget.

**E5) Proposed Expansion of the Exhibition Residential Parking Program Boundary
1900 and 2000 Blocks of St. Henry, St. Charles, and Herman Avenues
(File No. CK. 6120-4-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the 1900 and 2000 blocks of St. Henry, St. Charles and Herman Avenues be added to the Exhibition Residential Parking Program zone; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to amend Bylaw 7200, The Traffic Bylaw, to reflect the changes as outlined in this report.

ADOPTED.

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REPORT

In an effort to address parking and traffic concerns which arise during the Saskatoon Exhibition, residents in the Exhibition neighbourhood embarked on the process of collecting signatures to petition for the extension of the Exhibition Residential Parking Program (RPP) zone into the 1900 and 2000 blocks of St. Henry, St. Charles and Herman Avenues. This area is on the fringe of the existing RPP zone, and has experienced an increased level of transient parking for the duration of the Saskatoon Exhibition.

The petition, which was distributed in June, 2010, resulted in an overall resident support level of 72%. The Administration has evaluated the names and addresses listed on the petition, and have no concerns in relation to support for expansion of the Exhibition RPP on these streets. Therefore, Administration is recommending that the 1900 and 2000 blocks of St. Henry, St. Charles and Herman Avenues (between Isabella Street and Taylor Street), be added to the existing Exhibition RPP zone, as shown on attached Plan 260-0055-001r007 (Attachment 1).

If approved, the residents residing in the expanded RPP zone will receive a notice, along with two parking permits exempting them from the parking restriction during Exhibition week annually. As customary with this annual event, a Public Service Announcement and advertisement in the City Page section of the local newspapers will advise the public of the parking permit program and associated boundaries.

OPTIONS

No other options were considered.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The overall petition results exceed the 70% required resident support to establish a Residential Parking Permit Program zone, as set out in Policy C07-014 - Residential Parking Permits.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are sufficient funds within the Operating Budget to address the limited increase to the program's expenses for the installation of signs and the printing and distribution of parking permits.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Plan 260-0055-001r007

**E6) Enquiry – Councillor M. Neault (October 27, 2008)
Pedestrian Actuated Crosswalk – Confederation Drive and Massey Drive
(File No. CK. 6150-3)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

City Council, at its meeting held on March 1, 2010, considered a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department, in response to an enquiry from Councillor M. Neault requesting that the Administration report on the possibility of installing a pedestrian actuated crosswalk at the intersection of Confederation Drive and Massey Drive (Attachment 1). The report indicated that studies determined that a pedestrian actuated crosswalk was not warranted; however, to improve pedestrian safety, the Administration would install a zebra crosswalk on the north side of the intersection to alert drivers that pedestrians may be crossing. Council resolved the matter be referred back to Administration for further review.

Crosswalk signage was installed in January, 2010, and the painting of the zebra crosswalk is scheduled for this summer.

REPORT

The warrant for an active pedestrian corridor (PC) is determined by points. PC points are calculated based on the type (adult, high school, child, senior/mobility-impaired) and volume of pedestrians; as well as the volume of traffic entering the intersection during peak hours. A minimum of three PC points are required for an active pedestrian corridor to be considered.

Previous studies at the intersection of Confederation Drive and Massey Drive indicated that, due to low volumes of traffic and pedestrians, a pedestrian actuated traffic signal was not warranted. Additionally, an active pedestrian corridor, which utilizes amber flashing beacons, was not considered, since they are not recommended for roadways with five or more lanes of traffic.

The pedestrian and traffic counts, which were conducted on May 1, 2009, have been re-analysed to determine whether an active pedestrian corridor should be installed. Typically, all lanes, including turning bays, are considered traffic lanes when conducting a pedestrian study. In this unique re-analysis, the left-turn bay was not considered as a lane to determine whether it would alter the outcome of the original analysis. The pedestrian and traffic movement count found that 59 pedestrians (29 adults, 9 teenagers, 21 children) and 5,153 vehicles entered the intersection during the peak hours (8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.; 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; and 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.). No delays were observed for pedestrians attempting to cross Confederation Drive.

In both cases (considering Confederation Drive as a four-lane and a five-lane roadway) the intersection yielded only two PC points. In order to yield an additional PC point, there would need

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to be an increase in pedestrian traffic, particularly children and senior/mobility-impaired, as they are weighted the highest, based on the volume of traffic entering the intersection.

Similar calculations and an additional study were conducted on May 11, 2010, in order to measure traffic delay times to determine if traffic signals were warranted at the intersection of Confederation Drive and Massey Drive. Delay studies determine the length of time required for a vehicle to enter and exit an intersection, from the time it enters the queue to the time it is able to make its desired movement. A low delay time indicates several gaps in cross-traffic, which allows vehicles to move freely and pedestrians to cross an intersection safely. Conversely, a high delay time indicates little to no gaps in cross-traffic, thus making it difficult and potentially unsafe for both vehicles and pedestrians to enter the intersection.

The delay study indicated an average delay time of 5 seconds for westbound traffic on Massey Drive making a right turn onto Confederation Drive; and a delay time of 13 seconds for westbound traffic on Massey Drive making a left turn onto Confederation Drive. Results of the delay study indicate adequate crossing time.

Based on the original study, as well as the additional studies conducted, the previous unmarked configuration at the intersection of Confederation Drive and Massey Drive is shown to be providing adequate traffic and pedestrian control, therefore, the Administration does not recommend any further pedestrian crossing upgrades at this time.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Excerpt from the minutes of meeting of City Council held on March 1, 2010

E7) Enquiry – Councillor C. Clark (August 17, 2009)
Public Notice Process
(File CK. 225-2-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The following enquiry was made by Councillor C. Clark at the meeting of City Council held on August 17, 2009:

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“Would the Administration please report on options for revising the Public Notice process for the sale of city right-of-ways or boulevards to include information about the proposed price of the land for sale, the dimensions of the land for sale, and finally to comment on revising the Public Notice period from one week to two weeks.”

REPORT

The public notice process with respect to the sale of City of Saskatoon rights-of-way and boulevards is set out in Policy C01-021 – Public Notice, which includes notice requirements, the methods to be followed and the time for giving notice. These are minimum requirements, and Council has the discretion to require additional notice in specific cases.

Section 4 states:

- “a) notice of the matter shall be published in The StarPhoenix on the two Saturdays immediately prior to the meeting at which Council will initially consider the matter; and
- b) notice of the matter shall be posted at City Hall at least ten days prior to the meeting at which Council will initially consider the matter; and
- c) notice of the matter shall be posted on the City’s website at least ten days prior to the meeting at which Council will initially consider the matter.”

In addition to the general notice requirements listed above, additional notice is given for the permanent closure or blocking of a lane or walkway, which includes mailing a notice to all affected parties by ordinary mail, which is to be postmarked no later than 10 days prior to the Council meeting at which it will be initially considered; or leaving a notice in a mail receptacle at the address of all affected parties at least 10 days prior to the Council meeting at which it will be initially considered.

It should be noted that the notices are given only when Council initially considers the matter. Therefore, no notice is given of any subsequent meetings that the matter will be considered.

There is no stipulation within Policy C01-021 as to providing information in the notice regarding the price or dimensions of the land which will be sold once a right-of-way or boulevard has been closed.

In the case of the closure and sale of boulevards and rights-of-way, other than walkways, the Administration currently includes the price of the land for sale in the public notice, which is based on current market value. Until recently, the dimensions of the property to be sold were also included; however, this practice was discontinued in order to simplify the notice for clarity purposes.

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Public notices for walkways have never included the dimensions. Information regarding the price of the land for sale was included until 2005, when Council adopted Policy C07-017 – Walkway Closure Fee Assistance, which changed the cost to purchase the land from being based on the value of the land, to a set fee of \$1,000 per adjacent property owner acquiring the land.

Council does has the discretion to require additional notice in specific cases, however, it is the Administration’s opinion that no changes are necessary with respect to advertising a closure, as notice is currently being placed in the newspaper the two Saturdays prior to the Council meeting; placed on the website and posted at City Hall two Fridays before the meeting; and mailed or delivered to affected parties two Thursdays before the meeting. In addition, the Administration now makes every effort to ensure that affected parties are advised and consulted with when an application for closure and sale of a right-of-way or boulevard is received. This is done prior to commencing any of the closure procedures.

The Administration does not recommend including the dimensions in the public notice as it becomes difficult to read. The plan provides sufficient information for anyone who wishes to express their objection or support of a closure and sale, and The City of Saskatoon contact name, address and telephone number is included for anyone wishing to obtain additional information, such as dimensions.

It is also the Administration’s opinion that it would not be beneficial to include the true land value in the Public Notices for walkway closures, since there is a standard cost of \$1,000 for each property owner who agrees to purchase a portion of a walkway. Including the true land value could cause confusion to the public as well as the applicant. However, should Council desire, the fee of \$1,000 could be included.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**E8) Enquiry –Councillor P. Lorje (January 22, 2007)
Traffic Calming – 100 and 200 Blocks of Avenue F South
(File No. CK. 6320-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that a traffic calming device known as a directional closure be placed temporarily at the intersection of Avenue F South and 21st Street West, as indicated on attached Plan 250-0042-007r001 (Attachment 1) to restrict all southbound traffic on Avenue F South from entering into the Riversdale Neighbourhood.

ADOPTED.

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BACKGROUND

At its meeting held on April 21, 2008, City Council considered a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department, in response to an enquiry from Councillor Lorje regarding traffic calming measures or traffic control changes that could be implemented on the 100 and 200 blocks of Avenue F South (Attachment 2).

The report recommended that a temporary diverter be installed at the intersection of Avenue F South and 21st Street to reduce traffic volume. A number of residents expressed opposition to the proposed measure. Council resolved that the matter be referred back to the Administration for a further report.

REPORT

Further traffic counts were conducted in 2010 on the 100 and 200 blocks of Avenue F South. A summary of the average daily traffic (ADT) studies are as follows:

Table 1: Avenue F between 22nd and 21st Streets (100 Block)

Date of Study	Northbound	Southbound	Total
June 2006	1,260	1,070	2,330
April 2007	2,151	673	2,824
Jan 2010	1,150	1,360	2,510

Table 2: Avenue F between 20th and 21st Streets (200 Block)

Date of Study	Northbound	Southbound	Total
June 2007	565	870	1,435
Jan 2010	570	880	1,450

The data indicates that the traffic volumes are typical for a local roadway (1,000 to 3,000 per day) in a commercial/residential area, and have remained fairly consistent. However, residents in the area still feel that the traffic volumes are too high, and requested that the Administration review whether there were any other possibilities to reduce traffic volumes on the 100 and 200 blocks of Avenue F South.

Traffic calming devices, such as full closures; directional closures; diverters; right-in and right-out islands and one-way streets are effective in reducing traffic volumes. A full closure is only considered as a last resort, if other measures fail. Because the diverter, which was proposed at the Council meeting on April 21, 2008, received opposition from residents, it is not being reconsidered.

As indicated in attached Plan 250-0042-007r001, the Administration is recommending that a directional closure be installed at the intersection of 21st Street and Avenue F South, which will

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restrict southbound access to the 200 Block of Avenue F while allowing northbound traffic access into the commercial site. Any traffic leaving from the two driveways of the commercial area will be forced to go north on Avenue F to 22nd Street. The traffic signals at 22nd Street and Avenue F will be monitored and readjusted if required.

It is the Administration's opinion that this directional closure is the most effective option to reduce the traffic volume, as it will allow motorists to continue to use the 200 block of Avenue F South in both directions; it will still provide access to both driveways into and out of the commercial site on the 100 block of Avenue F South; it will provide for some additional parking on the west side of the 100 block of Avenue F South; it will reduce the traffic volume on the 200 block and, to a small degree, the 100 block of Avenue F South; and it has the least amount of restricted movements.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The Administration met with the Riversdale Community Association to discuss the options in February 2010. The Community Association expressed support for the directional closure as a means to reduce traffic volumes.

In addition, a survey of the residents living on the 100 and 200 blocks of Avenue F South was conducted in March, 2010, to gauge their support. Of the 37 surveys which were distributed, 9 responses were returned, 7 supporting the restriction and 2 opposing. A copy of the survey letter and responses is attached (Attachment 3).

OPTIONS

The following options were considered:

All-way stop at Avenue F and 21st Street

In order to warrant an all-way stop, Policy C07-007, Traffic Control – Use of Stop and Yield Signs states:

- “i) When five or more collisions are reported in the last twelve month period and are of a type susceptible to correction by an all-way stop control.
- ii) When the total number of vehicles entering the intersection from all approaches averages at least 600 per hour for the peak hour or the total intersection entering volume exceeds 6,000 vehicles per day.
- iii) The average delay per vehicle to the minor street traffic must be 30 seconds or greater during the peak hour.
- iv) As an interim measure to control traffic while arrangements are being made for the installation of traffic signals.”

None of these conditions are present at this intersection.

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Traffic signals at Avenue G and 20th Street

A traffic signal at Avenue G and 20th Street could attract northbound and southbound motorists to use Avenue G instead of Avenue F. This is not recommended as a traffic signal is not warranted at this intersection. Also, Princess Alexandra School's playground area is located on Avenue G; therefore, additional traffic on this roadway is not desirable.

Speed humps on Avenue F

Speed has not been an issue at this location; therefore, this is not a feasible option. In addition, speed humps can cause some noise and vibration issues, which may not be acceptable to the residents.

Remove the signals at Avenue F South and 20th Street

Removal of the signals at Avenue F and 20th Street could reduce the attractiveness for southbound drivers using Avenue F as a route into the neighbourhood. However, it would also result in the removal of the controlled pedestrian crossing at 20th Street.

One-way street southbound on Avenue F between 20th Street to 21st Street

A one-way street would not allow northbound traffic into the commercial area via Avenue F. Motorists travelling northbound would need to find an alternative route to the commercial site, either using Avenue G or Avenue E, adding more traffic to these adjacent streets.

Right-in/right-out island at Avenue F and 21st Street

A right-in/right-out island at Avenue F and 21st Street would reduce southbound traffic on the 200 Block of Avenue F, and possibly reduce traffic on the 100 block because the route would be more difficult, however, motorists would need to use Avenue G as their southbound route from the commercial development, and those travelling northbound would need to use Avenue E and make the right-hand turn at Avenue F.

Full-Closure at Avenue F and 21st Street

This measure would only be used as a last resort. It would have the most traffic impact, and would reduce traffic on the 100 and 200 blocks of Avenue F, however, it would restrict access to the commercial development for residents in the neighbourhood.

It is recommended that the directional closure be installed temporarily. If the traffic calming measure proves effective, subject to funding availability, the Administration will report further, requesting permanent installation, which will require Public Notice.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

If approved, the installation of a temporary directional closure, estimated at \$2,000, will be included in Capital Project 1512 - Neighbourhood Traffic Management, and will be added to the 2010 temporary traffic calming projects.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan No. 250-0042-007r001;
2. Excerpt from the minutes of meeting of City Council held on April 21, 2008; and
3. Survey letter and comments.

**E9) Proposed Lease of City Boulevard
1821 – 8th Street East
(File No. CK. 4070-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the City of Saskatoon enter into a Boulevard Lease Agreement with Kal Tire, to lease 95.87 square metres (1031.94 square feet) of the boulevard located at 1821 – 8th Street East, as shown on attached Plan 240-0049-001r001; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor prepare a bylaw and lease agreement for the proposed Boulevard Lease at 1821 – 8th Street East.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

Infrastructure Services has received an application from Adam Zmudezynski for Kal Tire to lease a City boulevard at 1821 – 8th Street East. They are planning to expand their building and will be using the City boulevard area for parking. The proposed leased area is shown on Plan 240-0049-001r001 (Attachment 1) and is located in a B4 zoning area.

REPORT

The Land Branch has calculated the value of the land adjacent to 1821 – 8th Street East at \$50 per square foot. In order to cancel the lease, 30-day written notice will be required by Infrastructure Services or Kal Tire. A new rate will be determined at the beginning of each renewal period.

The proposed lease will be subject to the following conditions:

1. Fencing or curbing, straight faced or angled, will be installed to prevent vehicle access between the street and the leased area, 1.7 metres from the face of the curb, except at permitted driveways.
2. Access will be only from the adjacent property.

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3. The leased area will be used for parking.
4. No permanent structures will be allowed on the leased area.
5. Upon termination of the lease, the property will be returned to its pre-lease condition.
6. The cost to lease this City right-of-way is determined using 7% of the current land value, plus G.S.T., per year for 95.87 square metres (1031.94 square feet) which is \$3,611.79, plus G.S.T.
7. The applicant maintain general liability insurance in the amount of \$2,000,000, which will name the City as an additional insured.
8. The initial term is for a period of five years.

The applicant has agreed that these conditions are acceptable.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Plan No. 240-0049-001r001

**E10) Post Budget Approval
Capital Project 1405 - Land Development - Evergreen
Evergreen Area Grading Water and Sewer Construction
(Files CK. 4110-41, CK. 1815-1 and IS. 1700-01)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a post budget increase of \$4,849,000 to Capital Project 1405 – Land Development – Evergreen, for the design, engineering and construction of services including area grading, water, sanitary and storm sewer and connections, be approved; and
 - 2) that the \$4,849,000 post budget increase be funded from the Prepaid Service Reserve.

ADOPTED.

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REPORT

Capital Project 1405 – Land Development – Evergreen includes approved funding in 2010 for the construction of area grading and water and sewer services for 295 residential lots and 11 multi-family sites within the Evergreen neighbourhood. In analyzing the level of inventory required to service the building industry in 2011/2012, it was determined that an additional 169 residential lots, including two multi-family parcels, were needed to be constructed this year.

Construction of services includes area grading, water, sanitary and storm sewer and connections. The cost of these services, including design, construction engineering and construction, has been estimated at \$4,849,000.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The Administration is requesting a post budget increase to Capital Project 1405 – Land Development – Evergreen, to be funded from the Prepaid Service Reserves.

A breakdown of the costs and source of funding for these projects are as follows:

Description:	Project No.	Amount
<u>Gross Cost Details:</u>		
Land Development – Evergreen Area Grading	1405-06	\$1,032,000
Land Development – Evergreen Water and Sewer Services	1405-06	3,817,000
Total		<u>\$4,849,000</u>
<u>Financing Details:</u>		
General Prepaid Services – Engineering	1405-06	\$4,849,000
Total		<u>\$4,849,000</u>

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Section F – UTILITY SERVICES

**F1) 2010 Capital Budget
Capital Project #1054-3 – Water Treatment Plant - Asset Replacement
Clarifier #1 Mechanical Replacement
Engineering Services Award
(Files CK. 7920-1 and WT. 7960-103-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the proposal for providing engineering services for the refurbishment of Clarifier #1 at the Water Treatment Plant, from Catterall & Wright Consulting Engineers, for a total upset fee of \$278,475.00 (including G.S.T.) be accepted; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary Engineering Services Agreement for execution by His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

Capital Project #1054 - WTP - Asset Replacement, provides funding to refurbish or replace various Water Treatment Plant assets including equipment and structures that are approaching the end of their useful life or require preventative maintenance to extend their life. Clarifier #1 was constructed in 1962, requires frequent maintenance, and is the least reliable of the four clarifiers. Clarifier #2 received a similar refurbishment in 2003. Sub Project 3, Clarifier #1 Mechanical Replacement, includes replacement of the mechanical and electrical components of Clarifier #1 and changing the enclosure from a square to a circular configuration. The project received funding of \$1,575,000 in the 2010 Capital Budget.

REPORT

A Terms of Reference requesting proposals for engineering services for mechanical and electrical replacement for Clarifier #1 was sent to six engineering consultants. Proposals were received from the following firms:

- Catterall & Wright Consulting Engineers, (Saskatoon, SK)
- GENIVAR Consultants Limited Partnership, (Markham, ON)

The proposal from Catterall & Wright Consulting Engineers was responsive to the Terms of Reference and following an interview was considered most favourable for the project. Catterall & Wright Consulting Engineers are familiar with the Water Treatment Plant and provided engineering services for a similar upgrade to Clarifier #2.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

The upset fee for engineering services for the project, and the net cost to the City would be as follows:

Predesign	\$ 15,000.00
Detailed Design & Tendering	190,000.00
General Services During Construction	15,000.00
Construction Inspection & Review	30,000.00
Contingency	<u>12,500.00</u>
Subtotal	\$262,500.00
P.S.T. (5% of 30% design)	2,850.00
G.S.T. @ 5%	<u>13,125.00</u>
Total Upset Fee	\$278,475.00
G.S.T. Rebate @ 5%	<u>(13,125.00)</u>
Net Cost to the City	<u>\$265,350.00</u>

Capital Project #1054-03 – WTP – Asset Replacement – Clarifier #1 Mechanical Replacement has sufficient funding to cover the costs for these engineering services.

OPTIONS

Administration recommends award of engineering services to Catterall and Wright.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**F2) Landfill Fee Update
(File No. CK. 1905-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

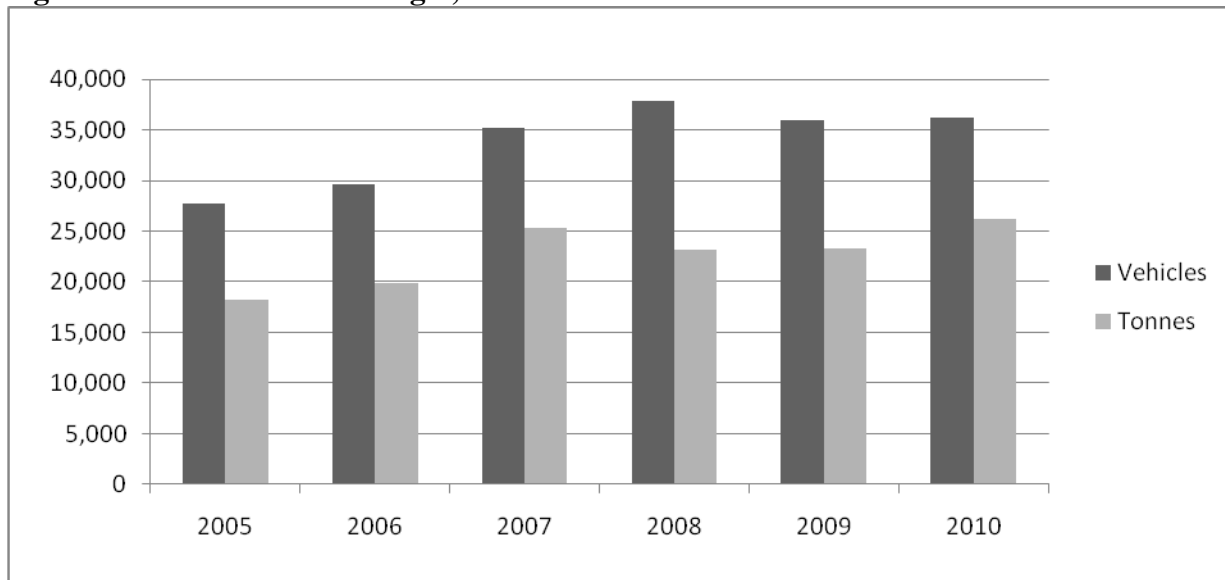
BACKGROUND

At its meeting of March 1, 2010, Council received a report on increases to the landfill fees and resolved, in part, that the Administration report in July on the effects of the revised fees.

REPORT

To determine the impact of the increased landfill rates, the tonnages and number of loads from March 1 to June 30, 2010 were compared to the same period over the past five years. The results are shown in Figure 1. Tonnages in 2010 were higher than any of the previous five years and, with the exception of 2008, vehicles were also the highest over the period; thus it appears that the increase in rates has had no negative effect on usage of the landfill.

Figure 1: Vehicles and Tonnages, March 1 to June 30



There has been no change to the amount of illegal dumping occurring since the rates have increased.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Landfill revenue over the March to June period is higher in 2010 than in previous years. For the four month period in 2009, revenue was \$987,000 and in 2010 it was \$1,589,000.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

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**F3) Capital Project #2095 - Access Transit Bus Replacement
Capital Project #2100 – Access Transit Additional Buses
(File No. CK. 1402-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the tender submitted by Crestline Coach for the supply of four wheelchair lift equipped buses, at a total cost of \$379,363.58 (P.S.T and G.S.T included), be accepted; and
 - 2) that the Corporate Services Department, Purchasing Services Branch, issue the appropriate purchase order.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

Capital Project #2095 – Access Transit Bus Replacement, provides funding for the purchase of two wheelchair lift equipped buses and Capital Project #2100 Access Transit Additional Buses, provides funding for the purchase of two wheelchair lift equipped buses. In 2010, the Access Transit bus replacement plan identified the need to replace its aging fleet. Wheelchair lift equipped buses have an identified lifespan of five years (due to high daily usage, structural integrity, high kilometres, and harsh weather/road conditions). These buses will be used to replace two 2004 buses that are at the end of their life cycle and provide two additional buses to our existing fleet.

REPORT

A Public Tender for the supply of four wheelchair lift equipped buses closed on June 1, 2010 resulting in the following submissions:

Bid Submissions	Tender Bid Per Unit	Met Tendered Specifications	Did Not Meet Tendered Specifications
Crestline Coach Ltd. (Saskatoon, SK)	\$86,192.27	X	
Overland Custom Coach Inc. (Thorndale, ON)			
ECII	\$87,450.00		X
Glavel Titan	\$96,010.00		X
First Bus Centre Inc. (Edmonton, AB)	\$91,780.00		X

The proposals have been evaluated based on the proposal evaluation criteria (bus specifications and price). Based on this evaluation, Crestline Coach from Saskatoon has been selected as the most qualified company that meets the required specifications at the lowest price. Subsequently, Access Transit Administration is recommending accepting the tender submitted by Crestline Coach Ltd, to supply four wheelchair lift equipped buses.

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In the 2010 Capital Budget, Access Transit's plan was to purchase four wheelchair lift equipped buses at an estimated price of \$440,000.00. The actual tender quotation for four buses is \$379,363.58 (including G.S.T. and P.S.T.). The two additional buses also require smart card readers and mobile data terminals at a cost of \$16,280.00.

OPTIONS

Access Transit is not recommending a second option due to the fact that all other bids were higher and did not meet the required specifications as outlined within the Public Tender.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Crestline Coach (4 buses @ \$86,192.27 each)	\$344,769.08
Tire Recycling Fee (4 buses @ \$28.00 each)	112.00
G.S.T @5%	17,238.45
P.S.T @ 5%	<u>17,244.05</u>
Total Sub cost to the City	\$379,363.58
Less Input Tax Credit	<u>(17,238.45)</u>
	\$362,125.13
Mobile Data Terminals (2 buses @ \$4,800.00)	9,600.00
BEA Reader (2 buses @ \$2,600.00)	5,200.00
G.S.T. @ 5% on MDT's and Readers	740.00
P.S.T. @ 5% on MDT's and Readers	<u>740.00</u>
	\$378,405.13
Less Input Tax Credit	<u>(740.00)</u>
Net Cost to the City	<u>\$377,665.13</u>

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

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**F4) Saskatoon Transit – Eco Pass Program Agreement
(Files CK. 7312-1 and WT. 7314-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the Saskatoon Transit Eco Pass Program Agreement as a template for external agencies; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to amend Bylaw No. 8370, The Transit Fares Bylaw, 2004.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting held on April 12, 2010, City Council adopted Clause 4, Report No. 4-2010 (Attachment 1) of the Administration and Finance Committee with respect to the Saskatoon Transit Eco Pass Program and resolved, in part:

- “3) that the Administration prepare Eco Pass Agreement Terms and conditions and submit to Council for approval.”

REPORT

Saskatoon Transit has adopted the best practices in the industry as provided in the report from AECOM in July of 2008 and has worked in cooperation with the Solicitor’s Office to prepare the Saskatoon Transit Eco Pass Program Agreement (Attachment 2).

Saskatoon Transit launched the Eco Pass with civic employees on June 25 and continues to receive interest from other businesses in the community. From the survey results of civic employees, 118 indicated they would participate in the 12 month program. This number represented nearly forty percent (38.6%) of staff who responded to the survey. As reported on April 12, 2010, the intent was to launch the program for civic employees to finalize the organizational details and then prepare the Eco Pass Program Agreement so that we may pursue external agencies.

The agreement introduces what the Eco Pass program is and defines the terms of the agreement. The agreement also clearly indentifies the participating agency’s roles and responsibilities such as the administration of the Eco Pass, promoting and surveying of its employees, terms and conditions, identifies who the agency’s program will be administered by and the obligations and limited liability of the City of Saskatoon. A participating agency may be a single employer or a representative group or association of employers (i.e. “The Partnership” for downtown businesses).

The key points of the agreement are:

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- The participating agency is required to enter into a twelve (12) month term with the City of Saskatoon.
- The participating agency will have a minimum ten (10) employees commit to the program for the term of the agreement.
- The City of Saskatoon agrees to sell the Eco Pass to the participating agency at a discount of 20% and the company must match that discount and sell the Eco Pass to its employees at a minimum of a 40% discount.
- The participating agency will handle the administration and distribution of the program. This will include promoting the pass and assist the City of Saskatoon by participating in surveys to evaluate the success of the program.
- The participating agency will appoint a program coordinator to be the single point of contact for the City of Saskatoon.
- Either party may terminate the agreement with ninety (90) days written notice.

The Saskatoon Transit Eco Pass Program Agreement has been designed as a template agreement for external agencies to participate in the Eco Pass Program. As new agencies apply for the Program, Saskatoon Transit's Marketing Section will survey their employees and evaluate if they qualify to participate in the Program. Upon a successful evaluation, the Eco Pass Program Agreement will be submitted to the Mayor's Office for approval.

As part of the implementation, Saskatoon Transit requires an amendment to Bylaw No. 8370, The Transit Fares Bylaw, 2004. Saskatoon Transit has worked with the Solicitor's Office to develop the requested amendments to the Transit Fares Bylaw, 2004 as follows:

Definitions

- (b.3) "Eco Bus Pass" means a program sponsored by the City of Saskatoon and participating businesses under which employees of either the City of Saskatoon or the participating businesses are eligible for a monthly adult discounted bus pass."

Schedule "A"

II. Special Arrangements

- (D) The rate of an Eco Bus Pass is \$56.80 per month.

The Solicitor's Office has submitted a request to the Province of Saskatchewan to receive an "Order in Council" under "*The Assignment of Wages Act*" which will make it permissible for the City of Saskatoon to offer the Eco Pass as authorized payroll deduction.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-201, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Clause 4, Report No. 4-2010 of the Administration and Finance Committee
2. Saskatoon Transit Eco Pass Program Agreement

**F5) Proposed Bylaw Amendment
Electrical Rates Bylaw No. 8869
Effective August 1, 2010
(Files CK. 1905-6 and WT. 1905-6-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8869.

REPORT

The Saskatchewan Rate Review Panel has recommended that SaskPower rates be increased by an average of 4.5% effective August 1, 2010. Cabinet approval is expected at its meeting scheduled for the week of July 12.

Historically, the City has set its rates for electricity sold within its franchise area so that customer bills would be the same as those paid by SaskPower customers. Failure to do this would result in inequities between similar customers served by the two utilities in Saskatoon.

Once SaskPower has released its rate schedule, Saskatoon Light & Power will prepare the corresponding rate schedule for the Saskatoon Light & Power franchise area. In order to bring the new rates into effect on August 1, 2010, the City Solicitor's Office will prepare an amendment to the Rate Bylaw implementing the required rate changes for Council's consideration at its meeting on July 21, 2010. In addition, customer impacts and impact on the bulk power rate will be provided at the meeting.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8869 (to be distributed prior to meeting)

The City Clerk distributed copies of proposed Bylaw No. 8869.

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

Section G – CITY MANAGER

**G1) School of Architecture
(Files CK. 277-1 and CC. 100-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council declare its support for the establishment of a proposed School of Architecture in Saskatoon; and
 - 2) that City Council authorize the Administration to enter into formal discussions with the University of Saskatchewan regarding a School of Architecture.

REPORT

In late 2008, a task force was established by the Saskatchewan Association of Architects (SAA) to undertake a feasibility review regarding the potential development of a School of Architecture in the province of Saskatchewan. This review concluded that a school was highly feasible and should be pursued. Since that review, some key milestones have occurred to move this concept forward.

For instance, in December 2009, the University of Saskatchewan (U of S) dedicated internal resources to further explore the possibility of establishing a School of Architecture in Saskatoon. On May 19, 2010, the U of S Planning and Priorities Committee endorsed this initiative.

On June 17, 2010, the initiative was shared with University Council. Among other things, the University Council is responsible for overseeing and directing the academic affairs of the U of S, and has the authority to authorize the establishment or disestablishment of any college, department, or institute. Although no official decision on the School of Architecture was made by this group at that time, there is considerable support within this body for proceeding with the initiative.

On June 23, 2010, this initiative was sent to the University's Board of Governors. The Board of Governors is responsible for overseeing and directing all matters with respect to the management; administration; and control of the university's property; revenues; and, financial affairs.

Finally, during the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada Festival held in Saskatoon from June 22 to 26, 2010, the proposal of establishing a School of Architecture at the U of S was supported by this national association.

During its review process, the U of S approached the City of Saskatoon to determine the level and nature of support that the City may be able to provide for this initiative. In particular, the U of S is interested in exploring the possibility of the City providing in-kind contributions in the way of land or facilities to help secure additional support for the establishment of the School of Architecture in Saskatoon.

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To date, the City of Saskatoon has made no formal endorsement or in-kind contribution to the School of Architecture. However, the City of Saskatoon is actively participating in subcommittees established by the U of S to help this process along. For example, Councillors Paulsen, Clark, and Hill, along with a member from the Administration, are members of the Government Relations and Community Engagement Subcommittee.

In order to ensure that the U of S has appropriate levels of local support to pursue this project on a much larger, external scale, it is seeking a formal endorsement from the City of Saskatoon. This endorsement does not require the allocation of resources or in-kind contributions from the City.

This initiative is supported by the Saskatoon and District Chamber of Commerce and the SAA, in addition to other individuals and organizations in Saskatoon.

Mr. Colin Tennent, Associate Vice President and University Architect at the University of Saskatchewan, will be in attendance to address City Council on this initiative.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Mr. Colin Tennent, Associate Vice President and University Architect at the University of Saskatchewan, was in attendance and provided a powerpoint presentation to City Council on this initiative.

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

G2) Property Acquisition

11th Street West and Circle Drive – Parcel “C”, Plan 101428657

Circle Drive South Project

(Files CK. 4020-12, x CK. 6050-9 and CC. 6050-8)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the City purchase a portion of Parcel “C”, Plan 101428657 from North Ridge Development Corporation on the terms and conditions set out in this report; and,
 - 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute all documents necessary to complete the acquisition.

ADOPTED.

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REPORT

The City and North Ridge have been unable to agree on a price for the acquisition of the required property for the Circle Drive South Project. After considerable discussion on the terms of reference of the matter to arbitration, the Administration and North Ridge have agreed to the following terms of acquisition of the property, subject to City Council's approval:

1. The City will acquire approximately 8.71 acres of Parcel "C", as shown on the attached location plan (Attachment 1), to be used for the re-alignment of 11th Street as part of the Circle Drive South Project. The price shall be determined through binding arbitration before a sole arbitrator acting under the principles set out in *The Municipal Expropriation Act*.
2. The City will acquire an additional 2.04 acres in the location shown on the attached location plan. The purpose of this acquisition would be for future municipal reserve for the future development of the remaining portion of Parcel "C". The remaining portion of Parcel "C" is approximately 20.04 acres, prior to the 2.04 acre acquisition, and is zoned RM4. Prior to the negotiations for the Circle Drive South acquisition, there was considerable discussion between the City and North Ridge concerning the development of Parcel "C" for residential use, including future off-site levies. North Ridge has taken the position that, at no time during these discussions, was there a stipulation for the provision of municipal reserve. In order to resolve this difference, it is proposed to acquire the additional 2.04 acres at the per acre price determined by the arbitrator for the acquisition of the roadway lands. Should North Ridge and the City agree that the location of municipal reserve on the 2.04 acres not be feasible based on future subdivision applications made by North Ridge, the parties will use reasonable efforts to adjust the location of such lands through land exchanges or other mechanisms.
3. The levy rates specified under any development and servicing agreement consequential upon future subdivision of the lands retained by North Ridge shall remain at the 2008 rates for any subdivision undertaken within five years of the approval of the initial subdivision undertaken by North Ridge. In return, North Ridge agrees that the previous proposed arrangement regarding off-site levy rates for this land is no longer applicable.
4. As part of the Circle Drive South Project, the City will also be providing:
 - (a) Construction of a sound attenuation wall to normal City standards along the realigned 11th Street;
 - (b) Roadway construction for the extension of Lancaster Boulevard;
 - (c) Modification of the existing 11th Street as required;
 - (d) Payment of survey and ISC registration costs respecting the creation of the realigned 11th Street and the extension of Lancaster Boulevard; and,

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- (e) Seeding and landscaping of all buffer strips.

OPTIONS

If the land acquisition based on the terms set out in this report is not approved, the City's course of action would be to acquire the land through the process set out in *The Municipal Expropriation Act*.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs of property acquisition and items in Part 4 are to be charged to the Circle Drive South Project.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. 11th Street & Circle Drive Location Plan

LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 10-2010

Section A – OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

**A1) Appointment of Election Disclosure Complaints Officer
(File No. CK. 255-5)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that Professor John Courtney be appointed as the Election Disclosure Complaints Officer, pursuant to *The Campaign Disclosure and Spending Limits Bylaw, 2006*;
 - 2) that the Election Disclosure Complaints Officer be paid a retainer of \$1,000 per year plus a stipend of \$400.00 per day (\$200.00 per half day) for each day worked in excess of two days per year;
 - 3) that travel expenses (i.e. transportation, meals, lodging, incidentals and miscellaneous expenses) be paid to the Election Disclosure Complaints Officer at the applicable rates established from time to time for City of Saskatoon staff; and

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- 4) that costs for services which in the opinion of the Election Disclosure Complaints Officer are necessary for the purposes of carrying out his duties be paid by the City within 30 days of the receipt of a properly-itemized invoice.

ADOPTED.

In accordance with *Bylaw No. 8491, The Campaign Disclosure and Spending Limits Bylaw, 2006*, City Council is to appoint an Election Disclosure Complaints Officer to investigate complaints pursuant to the Bylaw. Council is also to establish the remuneration to be paid.

Your Administration is pleased to recommend that John Courtney, Professor Emeritus of Political Studies, University of Saskatchewan and Senior Policy Fellow of the Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy at the University of Saskatchewan, be appointed Election Disclosure Complaints Officer. A brief biography of Professor Courtney is attached.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Biography of Professor Courtney

Section B – OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

**B1) Residential Building Permit Fees - Building Standards Branch
(File No. CK. 1720-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8870.

ADOPTED.

City Council, at its meeting held on June 14, 2010, adopted Clause 11, Report No. 9-2010 of the Planning and Operations Committee, as reproduced below:

- “1) that the method of calculating residential building permit fees be based on a fee per unit area of building type as identified in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department, dated May 25, 2010;
- 2) that the increase in the fee per unit area (dollar per square feet) used to calculate residential building permit fees for 2010 to 2012 inclusive, as described in the Table on Page 3 of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 25, 2010, be approved;

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- 3) that the new building permit fee costing rates become effective August 1, 2010; and
- 4) that the City Solicitor be authorized to amend City of Saskatoon Bylaw No. 7306 (Building Bylaw) to be consistent with the above recommendations.”

The attached Bylaw makes the above-noted amendments. The report of the General Manager of Community Services dated May 25, 2010 is attached for reference.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8870, The Building Amendment Bylaw, 2010
2. Report of the General Manager of Community Services Department dated May 25, 2010

REPORT NO. 11-2010 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. **Innovative Housing Incentive Application - Pleasant Hill Village
Quint Development Corporation and Cress Housing Corporation
315 Avenue N South and 1505/1507 19th Street West
(Files CK. 750-4 and PL. 951-64)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a five-year tax abatement on the incremental property taxes be applied to select units within the subject properties commencing the next taxation year following completion of the project; and

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- 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate agreement and 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 16, 2010, with respect to the above application.

Your Committee has reviewed the report with the Administration and supports the above recommendations.

**2. Referral Fees for Pleasant Hill Village
(Files CK. 4131-31 and PL. 951-22)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approve a referral fee to members of the Pleasant Hill Review Committee as described in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 30, 2010.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 30, 2010, with respect to the above matter.

Your Committee has reviewed the report with the Administration and supports the above recommendation.

**3. New Rental Construction Land Cost Rebate Program
Boulevard Real Estate Equities Ltd. – 895 Confederation Drive
(Files CK. 750-4 and PL. 952-6-9)**

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that the application for funding of \$20,000 received from Boulevard Real Estate Equities Ltd. for the creation of four new rental units at 895 Confederation Drive be approved;
- 2) that a five-year tax abatement of the incremental taxes be applied to the subject property commencing the next taxation year following completion of construction; and

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- 3) that the City Solicitor's Office be requested to prepare the necessary Incentive Agreement, and 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 28, 2010, with respect to the above application.

Your Committee has reviewed the report with the Administration and supports the above recommendations.

4. Varsity View Community Association Request to Declare Installation of Community Garden on the Bishop Murray School Grounds a Municipal Project (Files CK. 4205-1 and LS. 158-VA)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the installation of the Varsity View Community Garden, on Bishop Murray School Grounds, be approved as a Municipal Project, which is a partnership between the Varsity View Community Association and the Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools; and
 - 2) that the Treasurer's Branch, Corporate Services Department, be authorized and directed to accept donations for this project and to issue appropriate receipts to donors who contribute funds to the project.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated July 5, 2010, with respect to the above proposed project.

Your Committee has reviewed the report with the Administration and supports the above recommendations.

**5. Bylaw No. 7200 – The Traffic Bylaw
Extend the Skateboarding Prohibited Restricted Areas
to River Landing Phase II
(Files CK. 5200-4, x 4129-5 and CC. 4130-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare an amendment to Bylaw No. 7200, The Traffic Bylaw, Schedule No. 5, to include River Landing Phase II in the skateboarding prohibited restricted areas.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the City Manager dated July 13, 2010, requesting an amendment to Traffic Bylaw No. 7200 to include River Landing Phase II in the skateboarding prohibited restricted areas.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the proposed bylaw amendment, as outlined above.

**6. Enquiry – Councillor T. Paulsen (February 17, 2009)
Loading and Unloading of RVs
(File No. CK. 6120-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated July 5, 2010, which was submitted in response to a referral of the matter of looking at the feasibility of issuing a “use-of-street” permit to accommodate those RV owners who do not have on-street parking available.

Your Committee reviewed the report with the Administration. The Administration advised that they did not support the “use-of-streets” permits in terms of pedestrian safety concerns, as discussed in the report, and noted that it would be difficult to allow this type of permit only in cul-de-sacs and not on other residential roadways. Enforcement of this is complaint-driven. No bylaw changes are being recommended by the Administration.

Your Committee also received a presentation of this matter from Mr. Ewart, who had requested a temporary permit to be able to park across the sidewalk for 24 hours, five to eight times a year, to unload and load his RV. He advised your Committee that his neighbours do not have a concern with this but he would like to have a permit so that this would be within the bylaw.

Following review of this matter, your Committee is forwarding this report to City Council for information.

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**7. Saskatchewan Crescent Off-Ramp – East End of University Bridge
(Files CK. 6295-1 and IS. 6295-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the Saskatchewan Crescent off-ramp at the east end of the University Bridge remain open and that the Administration work on the final configuration to be as close to the existing footprint as possible.

ADOPTED.

City Council, at its meeting held on June 28, 2010, considered a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated June 16, 2010, recommending that eastbound traffic on the Saskatchewan Crescent off-ramp at the east end of University Bridge be permanently restricted to improve pedestrian access to the University Bridge.

City Council received a number of letters and presentations at the June 28, 2010 meeting opposing the proposed closure. The matter was referred to the Planning and Operations Committee meeting to be held on July 20, 2010.

Your Committee has been advised that the Administration has reviewed its position on the matter and has submitted a further report dated July 12, 2010, copy attached, proposing that the existing Saskatchewan Crescent off-ramp be relocated as outlined in the conceptual plan shown in Attachment 2 to the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated July 12, 2010. Your Committee reviewed the conceptual drawing with the Administration, including issues relating to the riverbank. It was clarified that the intent would be to position the ramp as close to the original footprint as possible.

Your Committee also received further correspondence and presentations with respect to the matter. Your Committee heard from residents in the immediate area off the ramp who would prefer to have the ramp remain closed but did support a second option to have the ramp follow the same footprint as the existing one. There were suggestions for some type of warning system, similar to what is at the bottom of the University Bridge onto Spadina Crescent to advise that pedestrians are crossing at this location, perhaps with additional signage. Your Committee heard further presentations indicating that the majority were in support of re-opening the off-ramp to Saskatchewan Crescent. The preference would be to have the ramp located in the original location to retain the green space and still address any safety concerns identified. Attached are copies of the correspondence received.

Your Committee has considered this matter and is recommending that the Saskatchewan Crescent off-ramp remain open and that the Administration work on the final configuration that would be as close to the existing location as possible, taking into consideration any issues relating to the riverbank, and addressing any pedestrian safety issues.

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**8. University Drive Median Replacement
(Files CK. 6320-1 and IS. 6000-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated July 5, 2010, providing information on the above matter.

Also attached is a letter dated July 15, 2010, from Daryl Labach providing comments on the University Drive Median replacement.

Your Committee has reviewed the above matter with the Administration. Your Committee has also received a presentation and a survey on this matter, copy attached, noting that the majority did support preserving the size of the median on University Drive in that reducing the median and widening the lanes would encourage increased traffic and traffic speeds. Your Committee heard further that while they would prefer to keep the current width, they would support the compromise that was reached to have the median only reduced by 0.8 metres. This compromise was also agreed to by Fire and Protective Services.

Your Committee heard further that the residents would be interested in participating in discussions regarding the pedestrian plan, which will occur in 2011. Other issues were highlighted relating to improvements to the median and sidewalk repairs needed.

Your Committee has reviewed this matter and is forwarding the report and correspondence to City Council for information.

REPORT NO. 3-2010 OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

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

**1. 2009 Municipal Services Benchmark Report
(File No. CK. 1600-3)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated March 19, 2010, forwarding the 2009 Municipal Services Benchmark Report. The Benchmarking Report identifies and quantifies, in detail, the factors contributing to different property tax rates between Saskatoon and the cities of Regina, Winnipeg, Edmonton and Calgary.

Your Committee wishes to note that the Benchmarking Report replaces value-for-money audits which were being performed in order to ensure that programs are achieving desired objectives relating to economy, efficiency and effectiveness. The final results of the benchmarking project provide valuable information regarding the effectiveness and efficiency of programs when compared to other municipalities. Based on the information reported, the Administration can determine whether more detailed analysis of any of the programs is warranted. The benchmarking project will be done on an annual basis.

A presentation on this report will be provided at the meeting.

The 2009 Municipal Benchmarking Report has had limited distribution and is available for review on the City's web site at www.saskatoon.ca under "A" for Audit Reports.

Financial Policy and Strategy Analyst Linda Andal provided a powerpoint presentation regarding the above matter.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the information be received.

REPORT NO. 3-2010 OF THE MUNICIPAL ENTERPRISE ZONE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor D. Hill, Chair
Councillor B. Dubois
Councillor P. Lorje
Mr. R. Grauer
Mr. A. Wallace
Ms. P. Kotasek
Mr. P. Whitenect
Ms. A. Jensen
Mr. R. Pshebylo
Ms. C. Kambeitz
Mr. L. Usiskin

1. **Dove Petroleum Incorporated**
2410 11th Street West
File No.: CK. 3500-15 and PL. 4110-34-169

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve a five-year abatement of the incremental taxes to the property at 2410 11th Street West for the new construction project by Dove Petroleum Inc.;
 - 2) that the five-year tax abatement be effective in the next taxation year following completion of the project; and
 - 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate agreement and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

On June 11, 2010, the Enterprise Zone Adjudication Committee (Adjudication Committee) considered an application for incentives from Dove Petroleum Inc. Dove Petroleum Inc. plans to construct a new 16,000 square foot building on a previously vacant lot at 2410 11th Street West in the Southwest Industrial neighbourhood (see Attachment 1). The company is investing an estimated \$1.7 million dollars in land and construction. The new building will be used for the purpose of operating a truck servicing business and will feature office space, a parts room, and servicing area.

REPORT

Dove Petroleum Inc.'s application for incentives under the Municipal Enterprise Zone was made through the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority (SREDA). A thorough review of the application was conducted, and it was determined that the project warrants consideration for incentives under the Municipal Enterprise Zone.

Dove Petroleum Inc. is applying for a five-year abatement of the incremental property taxes. According to the Office of the City Assessor, the incremental increase in annual property taxes for the property is estimated to be \$24,846 based on the 2009 tax year. The value of this abatement over the five-year period is estimated to be \$124,230.

The Adjudication Committee considered the merits and value of the development to the Municipal Enterprise Zone. The Adjudication Committee agrees with the report from SREDA and its recommendation to approve this application. This development represents a significant investment in the Municipal Enterprise Zone and helps to create new business activity in the city's west end. The application submitted by Dove Petroleum Inc. is consistent with the purpose of City of Saskatoon Policy A09-031 (Municipal Enterprise Zone). The Adjudication Committee is recommending that City Council grant the five-year property tax abatement commencing in the next taxation year after completion of the project.

SREDA will conduct a follow-up inspection to ensure that the project is completed according to the proposal prior to disbursement of any rebates or commencement of the abatement.

OPTIONS

1. City Council may approve the application from Dove Petroleum Inc. (recommended).
2. City Council may decide not to approve the request. This would represent a departure from precedent, which has seen projects in the Municipal Enterprise Zone, with a similar level of expansion and investment, receive approval for a five-year incremental property tax abatement.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The five-year incremental property tax abatement for the project at 2410 11th Street West will not affect the Municipal Enterprise Zone account balance. However, the City of Saskatoon will forgo any increase in tax revenue for the project over the five year period.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Location Map – 2410 11th Street West

REPORT NO. 10-2010 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

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

- 1. 2010 Flood Protection Program
Response to the June 29, 2010 Severe Storm Event
(File No. CK. 7820-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Administration be directed to develop and implement a program to install backwater prevention devices in those homes that experienced sewer backups and basement flooding during the June 29, 2010 storm event;
 - 2) that at the discretion of the Administration, the City reimburse property owners 100% of the cost of installation of backwater prevention devices and weeping tile disconnections from the wastewater collection system to a maximum of \$3,000 per property for those properties that were flooded, were at risk of flooding, or directly contributed to the flooding of other properties from a sanitary sewer trunk surcharge on June 29, 2010;

- 3) that the City fund the backwater prevention reimbursements from the Flood Protection Levy currently being charged at the rate of \$4.50 per water meter;
- 4) that the Administration be directed to prepare a communications plan for immediate release to inform homeowners of the initiation of the 2010 Flood Protection Plan; and
- 5) that the Administration report back to Council with an investigation of the June 29, 2010 event which provides any additional infrastructure projects that may be required to reduce the risk of basement flooding and includes a proposal for funding these projects with the Flood Protection Levy.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered and supports the following report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department:

“BACKGROUND

The June 29, 2010 rain event was one of the most intense rain storms in Saskatoon history. The Diefenbaker Airport recorded 85 millimetres (mm) of rain between 10:00 p.m., June 29 and 1:00 a.m., June 30. Some areas saw less total rainfall during the event.

This rainfall did not translate into a record number of basement flooding occurrences; although substantial damage did occur from surface flooding on streets that overflowed into basements, sanitary sewer backups, and seepage (leaking basements). As of July 8, 2010, 576 homes reported some form of basement flooding. Of these, 247 claims of sewer backup are assumed and 329 claims of surface flooding are assumed. The number of seepage claims is unknown at this time.

The large majority of the sanitary sewer backup claims have been in the Westview and Confederation Drive areas (182), although many sanitary sewer backups have also come from the Forest Grove and Sutherland neighbourhoods (65). The Confederation Drive area refers to the four neighbourhoods (Confederation Park, Confederation SC, Massey Place, and Dundonald) that straddle Confederation Drive. The 2010 Flood Protection Program will target only these areas of the city, as they have suffered from widespread sanitary sewer trunk surcharge; however, if further investigation reveals sanitary sewer trunk surcharge in other areas, the program will be expanded as required.

THE 2005 FLOOD PROTECTION PROGRAM

The 2005 Flood Protection Program (FPP) was designed to provide a means for homeowners to reduce the risk of basement flooding on their property. The program

provided \$2,500 to install backwater devices on basement floor drains and a sump pit to redirect weeping tile flow away from the floor drain. These additions effectively upgraded the household plumbing to the January, 2004 standard. Of the 567 eligible homeowners, 289 (51%) took advantage of the program. A survey conducted by Fast Consulting at the conclusion of the program could find no prevalent reasons for homeowners who did not wish to take advantage of the program. Although this appears to be a low participation rate, it is higher than most similar programs offered by other municipalities.

THE 2007 FLOOD PROTECTION PROGRAM

The 2007 Flood Protection Program was directly modeled after the program provided in 2005, with the following changes:

- All aspects of the 2007 program were handled internally by City Administration without the use of a consultant.
- Additional educational resources for homeowners to help protect from all forms of basement flooding were included.
- A list of licensed contractors who expressed interest in participating in the program was provided.

Of the 325 eligible homeowners, 186 (57%) took advantage of the program. The 2007 program ran successfully with these changes and the 2010 program will be modeled after this program. The reimbursement for the 2010 program will be raised to \$3,000 to reflect an increase in costs since the 2005 and 2007 programs.

Overall, the 2005 and 2007 programs were successful in lowering the risk of basement flooding to participating homeowners. Between 70% to 80% of homeowners, who participated in past programs, did not experience any basement flooding during subsequent severe rain storms despite being located in otherwise flooded areas. Further, a large majority of the homes that did experience a repeated flooding incident had significantly reduced damage as a result of installing a backwater valve.

THE 2010 FLOOD PROTECTION PROGRAM

An estimated 500 homes may be eligible for the 2010 Flood Protection Program. Assuming a 66% participation rate, an estimated \$1,000,000 will be required to fund the program. Any home or property that has already received reimbursement through the 2005 or 2007 Flood Protection Programs will not be allowed to participate in the 2010 program, although homeowners within the designated areas that declined to participate will be offered the program again.

Following a complete investigation of the June 29, 2010 event, the Administration will provide a report to Council regarding any additional protective measures or infrastructure projects that may be required to reduce the risk of basement flooding. This report will

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include information about funding these projects and the 2010 Flood Protection Program with the existing Flood Protection Levy.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

His Worship the Mayor assumed the Chair.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

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

CARRIED.

PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

His Worship the Mayor acknowledged that the City of Saskatoon was recognized by the Canadian Federation of Independent Business for its leadership in implementing and achieving a 10-year plan to reduce its commercial to residential property tax gap to 1.75 in 2010.

HEARINGS

- 7a) Proposed Amendment to Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan
Applicant: Dundee Developments
(File No. CK. 4351-010-8)**
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REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider a proposed amendment to the Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan.

Attached are copies of the following:

- Report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 21, 2010 recommending that the proposed amendments to the Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan, as shown in Attachment 2 to the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 21, 2010, be approved;
- Letter dated July 2, 2010 from the Secretary to the Municipal Planning Commission advising that the Commission supports the above-noted recommendation; and

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- Notice that appeared in the local press under dates of July 10 and 17, 2010.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Planning and Development Manager, Community Services Department, reviewed the proposed amendment to the Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan and expressed the Department's support.

Mr. Kurt Soucy, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission's support of the proposed amendment to the Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan.

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 Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the submitted report and correspondence be received.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the proposed amendments to the Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan, as shown in Attachment 2 to the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 21, 2010, be approved.

CARRIED.

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- 7b) Proposed Rezoning from R1A to R1B and R2
Portion of Blocks 14 and 17, All of Blocks 15, 16 and 19C
As Shown on Plan of Proposed Subdivision of Part of N.W. ¼
Sec. 6, Twp. 37, Rge. 5, W3rdM
Henick Crescent/Lane and Hampton Circle – Hampton Village Neighbourhood
Applicant: Dundee Developments
Proposed Bylaw No. 8866
(File No. CK. 4351-010-8)**
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REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8866.

Attached are copies of the following:

- Proposed Bylaw No. 8866;
- Report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 21, 2010 recommending:
 - 1) that the proposal to rezone a portion of Blocks 14 and 15, as shown on the Plan of Proposed Subdivision of Part of North West Quarter Section 6, Township 37, Range 5, West of the Third Meridian, from an R1A District to an R1B District, be approved;
 - 2) that the proposal to rezone a portion of Blocks 15 and 17, all of Blocks 16 and 19C, as shown on Plan of Proposed Subdivision of Part of North West Quarter Section 6, Township 37, Range 5, West of the Third Meridian, from an R1A District to an R2 District, be approved;
- Letter dated July 2, 2010 from the Secretary to the Municipal Planning Commission advising the Commission supports the above recommendation; and
- Notice that appeared in the local press under dates of July 3 and 10, 2010.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Planning and Development Manager, Community Services Department, reviewed the proposed rezoning and expressed the Department's support.

Mr. Kurt Soucy, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission's support of the proposed rezoning.

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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 Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the submitted report and correspondence be received.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8866.

CARRIED.

MATTERS REQUIRING PUBLIC NOTICE

- 8a) Intent to Borrow**
– Automated Garbage Container Replacement Program
(File Nos. CK. 7830-3, CK. 1750-1, CS. 1702-1 and CS. 1750-1)

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The following is a report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department dated July 8, 2010:

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that funding of \$1.5 million be approved to complete the city-wide automated garbage container replacement program; and
 - 2) that an internally funded loan be approved for \$1.5 million over 10 years at 4.63% subject to a Public Notice Hearing for Borrowing.

REPORT

On August 13, 2007, City Council considered Clause 1, Report No. 13-2007 of the Executive Committee with respect to the Automated Garbage Collection Accelerated Conversion from 300 Gallon Communal Containers to Individual Containers – City Wide (Attachment 1). The report estimated the capital cost of the accelerated conversion initiative at \$2,130,000 subject to budget approvals. The 2008 and 2009 Capital Budgets provided a total of \$500,000 each year for a total of \$1,000,000 in Project #1475 to commence the accelerated conversion initiative, to provide for annual container replacements, and to purchase new leaves and grass containers. The funding for this capital project is the Automated Garbage Container Replacement Reserve (AGCRR) which is funded via operating budget provisions in the Garbage Collection program. These provisions could not fund the full \$2,130,000 cost of the accelerated program over the anticipated two-year period. As a result, the strategy outlined in the 2007 report was to debt finance the difference.

The entire project is expected to be completed at a total cost of \$2,540,000 compared with the 2007 estimate of \$2,130,000. Lane cleanup and tree trimming during the conversion process was completed at the time of container delivery/pick-up and has added some cost to the program. As the conversion to individual bins occurred, it became apparent that the lanes would need to be cleaned to discourage use of the lanes for illegal dumping.

There are 13 full neighborhoods and two partial neighborhoods remaining to be converted. Two are in the process of being converted. These include North Park (780 homes) and Richmond Heights (290 homes).

City Park and North Park require waste collection services in the back alley. Richmond Heights has the potential to have the bins serviced front or back. Due to controversy that initially arose with the conversion process, the Administration is planning to discuss location of the containers with each neighborhood Councillor prior to conversion to individual containers. The Administration will consult with the Councillor for the neighborhood to gain input on feedback received from residents. If the preference is to collect the containers in the lane, a letter will be delivered to each home explaining the conversion process and the timeline for delivery of containers, and conversion will go directly to the lane. If the preference is to have a trial of front street collection, the Administration will advise residents and host an open house to explain a trial process. The process will include:

- Discussion of the advantages and disadvantage of both front and back lane collection.
- Presentation of a survey that will be provided to residents with front street containers at the end of 3 months, 6 months or 12 months (total of 1 survey) as selected by the Councillor. The Administration will propose a 3 month survey but believe some neighbourhoods may prefer the survey after experiencing front street collection during both the summer and the winter months.

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- Results of the survey will be shared with the community by way of a hand-delivered letter that states either (a) the results of the survey indicated that the majority of the residents prefer to move collection to the back lane, please have your container ready for back lane pickup on (specified) date; or (b) the results of the survey indicated that the majority of residents in your area prefer to remain with front street collection and please contact 975-2486 with any issues.

There are approximately 12,666 homes that still require individual containers. The proposed order of conversion to individual containers is as follows:

<u>Neighbourhood</u>	<u># of homes</u>
Greystone	700
Brevoort Park	956
Eastview	1060
Nutana Park	970
Adelaide/Churchill	1200
Holliston	1040
Haultain	1150
Buena Vista	1250
Nutana	1480
Westmount	870
King George	780
Meadow Green	700
Holiday Park	480

The remaining communities could be converted by mid 2011. In order to complete this work the Administration will need to implement the borrowing strategy as originally planned. Debt servicing will be made through the AGCRR over the next 10 years.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The current estimate to complete all remaining conversions is approximately \$1,500,000 in 2010 and 2011 with \$900,000 required for purchase of containers. The total anticipated cost is therefore \$2,540,000.

A loan of \$1.5 million funded from the Property Realized Reserve, repaid over a 10-year period at 4.63%, would require annual payments (principal and interest) of \$190,800 per year. This repayment would be funded from savings to the AGCRR resulting from reduced costs related to less lane cleanup, reduced vandalism, and overall lower cost of container replacements.

The Office of the City Comptroller has reviewed the loan application and is in agreement with the funding amount, terms, and the department's ability to repay the loan within the term period and has confirmed that it meets all other criteria outlined in Policy No. C03-027, Borrowing for Capital Projects. The Investment Committee, through the Investment

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Manager, provided the quoted interest rate at the time of the application of the loan dated April 15, 2010.

City Council is also asked to allow a 10% variance on the borrowing requirements for this project. Any variance greater than 10% of the borrowing amount identified must be reported to City Council.

POLICY IMPACT

The requested loan exceeds the term identified in Policy No. C03-027, Borrowing for Capital Projects. The Policy states that the capital expenditure will be fully repaid by additional operating revenues and/or operating expenditure savings (with or without a service enhancement) within a period that does not exceed five years. The term identified in this loan is 10 years, which is greater than the terms identified in the policy. Therefore this extension requires City Council consideration. The reason for the extended term is due to the program's ability to repay the loan within the 5-year period.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice (Attachment 2) is required for consideration of this matter, pursuant to Section 3e) of Policy No. C01-021, the Public Notice Policy. The following notice was given:

- Advertised in *The StarPhoenix* on July 10 and July 17, 2010 and in *The Saskatoon Sun* on July 11 and July 18, 2010.
- Posted on City Hall Notice Board on July 9, 2010.
- Posted on City Website on July 9, 2010.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Clause 1, Report No. 13-2007 of the Executive Committee - Automated Garbage Collection Accelerated Conversion from 300 Gallon Communal Containers to Individual Containers – City Wide.
2. Photocopy of Public Notice.”

General Manager, Utility Services Jorgenson presented his report.

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

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

- 1) *that funding of \$1.5 million be approved to complete the city-wide automated garbage container replacement program; and*
- 2) *that an internally funded loan be approved for \$1.5 million over 10 years at 4.63% subject to a Public Notice Hearing for Borrowing.*

CARRIED.

**8b) Intent to Borrow - Solar Hot Water Heating for Civic Pools
(File No. CK. 2000-5, CK. 613-1 and WT. 1702-1758-1)**

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The following is a report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department dated July 12, 2010:

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the Solar Hot Water Projects for the Harry Bailey Aquatic Centre and the Lawson Civic Centre as outlined in this report;
 - 2) that an internally funded Green Loan be approved for \$180,050 to be repaid over a 10-year period at a rate of 4.63%;
 - 3) that \$44,000 of funding from the 2009 Surplus be used to finance the remainder of the project;
 - 4) that the work be conditionally awarded to Prairie Alternative Energy Solutions with final award occurring when written confirmation of the grants has been received; and
 - 5) that, once the City has received of written confirmation of the grants, His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon, under the Corporate Seal, the appropriate contract documents as prepared by the City Solicitor.

BACKGROUND

The Energy and Greenhouse Gas Management Plan was adopted by Council in November 2007. Support and promotion of this project will assist in achieving the following goals of this plan:

- Goal #1: Build an Energy Aware Community
- Goal #3: Achieve a Diverse and Environmentally Sustainable Energy System
- Goal #4: Design and Build Green and Smart
- Goal #5: Be Responsible Stewards of Our Resources
- Goal #6: Lead by “Green” Example

Administration has been working to implement actions identified in the plan. The Environmental Services Branch is working in collaboration with the Facilities Branch to reduce the energy and water consumption of civic facilities. Opportunities are being identified to reduce operating costs and greenhouse gas emissions through projects that pay for themselves in a reasonable amount of time (typically less than 10 years).

One of the actions listed in the Greenhouse Gas Management Plan is “Investigate Utilizing Solar Energy for Heating Municipal Swimming Pools”. Administration has determined that solar energy for heating pools is feasible and has identified grants that will pay for over half of the project.

REPORT

A grant source from the Federal Government that will pay approximately 55% of the capital costs to install solar hot water heating equipment has been identified. This grant program ends on December 31, 2010 and there has been no indication that it will be extended.

The City’s indoor pools were reviewed in order to identify which would be the most suitable for a solar panel installation. Based on roof geometry, ability to install solar collectors in a location that would collect the most sun and access to mechanical rooms, the two facilities identified as being the most suitable for installing solar system are Lawson Civic Centre and Harry Bailey Aquatic Centre.

A Request for Proposals (RFP) for design-build of the two solar systems was advertised in *The StarPhoenix* on June 26, 2010. The funding model considered is a combination of a Green Loan and 2009 surplus funding.

Proposals were reviewed by the Environmental Services and Facilities Branches, and Prairie Alternative Energy Solutions (PAES) received the highest score in the review process and had the lowest payback period.

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When the cost of internal borrowing (interest at 4.63%) is included, the projects do not meet the 10 year payback criteria required for the Green Loan program. The economics for the system, however, are favourable from a life-cycle cost analysis as the projects have a positive net present value over their life. Therefore money from the 2009 Surplus will be used to finance a portion of the projects and the majority will be funded using a Green Loan.

There are two grants that are available, one from the Federal Government through Natural Resources Canada and a matching grant through the Province of Saskatchewan. Applications for both facilities were submitted to the granting agencies and the City has received confirmation that review of the applications is nearly complete. Written confirmation of grant amounts should be received before the end of July. Confirmation will be followed by a contribution agreement for the City to execute. Once this document is signed Prairie Alternative Energy Solutions will be officially awarded the work.

The City Comptroller's Office has reviewed the Green Loan application and is in agreement with the funding amount, terms, the department's ability to repay the loan, and has confirmed that it meets the criteria outlined in the Borrowing Policy C03-27. The Investment Committee, through the Investment Manager, produced the quoted interest rate at the time of the application of the loan dated May 3, 2010.

OPTIONS

The City can choose to not install the solar systems and continue to heat the pool water with natural gas burning boilers. The boilers are not high efficiency boilers.

The City can choose to spend the 2009 surplus money on energy efficiency projects that have a shorter payback period than the proposed solar projects. However, if the City is interested in pursuing solar energy projects, the two projects considered are the most cost-effective solar projects identified for the City.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The following table shows the capital budget required to support the project.

	Lawson	Harry Bailey	Both Facilities
Cost of Project Before Grants (Exclusive of GST)	\$274,436	\$223,506	\$497,942
Expected Federal and Provincial Grants	\$152,168	\$121,734	\$273,902
Percentage of Project Paid by Grants	55%	54%	55%
Total Cost Including Grants	\$122,268	\$101,772	\$224,040

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The above table includes the design-build proposal price from Prairie Alternative Energy Solutions and project management by City staff, contingency, design fees, commissioning, and additional costs impacts to the City.

The following table shows the economic performance of the proposed systems.

	Lawson	Harry Bailey	Both Facilities
Expected Annual Utility Savings from Project	\$12,700	\$10,200	\$22,900
Payback Period Based on Utility Savings, No Internal Cost of Borrowing	9.5 Years	9.8 Years	9.4 Years
Payback Period Based on Utility Savings, Including Internal Cost of Borrowing	11.2 Years	11.5 Years	11.0 Years
Net Present Value – Based on Utility Savings and a 25 Year Project Life	\$116,745	\$89,639	\$214,384

The following table shows a breakdown of the funding sources for the project.

	Lawson	Harry Bailey	Both Facilities
Project Costs Including Grants (excluding GST)	\$122,268	\$101,772	\$224,040
Surplus Funding	\$22,416	\$21,576	\$43,992
Green Loan	\$99,852	\$80,196	\$180,048

The Green Loan amount results in a 10 year payback period based on utility savings. This is consistent with Council Policy C03-027.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION PLAN

A preliminary meeting between the Environmental Services Branch and the Community Engagement Consultant and Communications Branch has been held and a public communications plan is in the process of being created. Advertising and public displays will be pursued in order to meet Goal #1 of the Energy and Greenhouse Gas Management Plan, “Build an Energy Aware Community” and Goal #6 “Lead by ‘Green’ Example”.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

If two systems were installed, the annual savings in greenhouse gas emissions will be over 127,000 ekg CO₂ per year.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice (Attachment 1) is required for consideration of this matter, pursuant to Section 3e) of Policy No. C01-021, the Public Notice Policy. The following notice was given:

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- Advertised in *The StarPhoenix* on July 10 and July 17, 2010 and in *The Saskatoon Sun* on July 11 and July 18, 2010;
- Posted on City Hall Notice Board on July 9, 2010; and
- Posted on City Website on July 9, 2010.

ATTACHMENT

1. Photocopy of Public Notice”

General Manager, Utility Services Jorgenson presented his 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 Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

- 1) *that City Council approve the Solar Hot Water Projects for the Harry Bailey Aquatic Centre and the Lawson Civic Centre as outlined in this report;*
- 2) *that an internally funded Green Loan be approved for \$180,050 to be repaid over a 10-year period at a rate of 4.63%;*
- 3) *that \$44,000 of funding from the 2009 Surplus be used to finance the remainder of the project;*
- 4) *that the work be conditionally awarded to Prairie Alternative Energy Solutions with final award occurring when written confirmation of the grants has been received; and*
- 5) *that once the City has received written confirmation of the grants, His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon, under the Corporate Seal, the appropriate contract documents as prepared by the City Solicitor.*

CARRIED.

**8c) Proposed Closure of Right-of-Way
Walkway between 19 and 23 Nash Place and 320 and 324 Fairmont Drive
(File No.: CK. 6295-010-6 and IS. 6295-1)**

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The following is a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated May 6, 2010:

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the walkway adjacent to 19 and 23 Nash Place and 320 and 324 Fairmont Drive be closed;
 - 2) that upon receipt of the legal land survey documents, the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate bylaw for consideration by City Council;
 - 3) that upon approval of the bylaw, the City Solicitor be instructed to take all necessary steps to bring the intended closure forward and to complete the closure; and
 - 4) that upon closure of the walkway, the land be sold to Saskatoon Housing Authority, c/o Ray Neale of 320 and 324 Fairmont Drive; Maureen Nichol of 19 Nash Place; and Phyllis Thomson of 23 Nash Place, for \$1,000 each.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting on December 1, 2008, Council determined that while a new policy was adopted for reviewing requests for walkway closures, outstanding requests would be given the option of proceeding with either the new policy or the former policy. The residents submitting the request for closure of the walkway adjacent to 19 and 23 Nash Place and 320 and 324 Fairmont Drive have opted to proceed with the new policy.

At its meeting on May 18, 2010, the Planning and Operations Committee considered a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Service Department, dated May 6, 2010 (Attachment 1), and approved the recommendation that the Administration proceed with Public Notice for the closure of the walkway right-of-way adjacent to 19 and 23 Nash Place and 320 and 324 Fairmont Drive in the Fairhaven neighborhood.

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REPORT

In order for a walkway to be closed under former Policy C07-017 - Walkway Closure Fee Assistance, which was in effect until December 1, 2008, all fees must be collected before proceeding to Public Notice. The fees have now been received.

Once the closure has been approved, the Administration will proceed with acquiring the legal land survey documents to transfer the title of land. Typically, this process can take between six and eight months and involves acquiring a plan of consolidation and gathering utility consents to verify easements. Once all the documentation has been received, a report will be submitted to City Council to consider the bylaw for closure.

Upon closing the walkway, the land will be sold to Saskatoon Housing Authority, c/o Ray Neale, of 320 and 324 Fairmont Drive; Maureen Nichol of 19 Nash Place; and Phyllis Thomson of 23 Nash Place, as shown in Plan 240-0014-011r002 (Attachment 2), for \$1,000.00 each.

The adjacent property owners will not be allowed to build a structure or alter the right-of-way until title of land has been transferred, however, they will be allowed to close the parcel by installing a temporary fence or extending their existing fence line.

If there are any utilities located on this land parcel, easements will be attached to the title or they will be relocated at the expense of the property owner.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is required for consideration of this matter, pursuant to Section 3d) of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy. The following notice was given:

- Advertised in *The StarPhoenix* on the weekends of July 10 and 17, 2010;
- Posted on the City Hall Notice Board on Friday, July 9, 2010;
- Posted on City of Saskatoon website on Friday, July 9, 2010; and
- Flyers distributed to affected parties on Thursday July 8, 2010.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Excerpt from the minutes of the Planning and Operations Committee dated May 18, 2010;
2. Plan No. 240-0014-011r002; and
3. Copy of Public Notice.”

General Manager, Infrastructure Services Gutek presented his report.

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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 Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

- 1) that the walkway adjacent to 19 and 23 Nash Place and 320 and 324 Fairmont Drive be closed;*
- 2) that upon receipt of the legal land survey documents, the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate bylaw for consideration by City Council;*
- 3) that upon approval of the bylaw, the City Solicitor be instructed to take all necessary steps to bring the intended closure forward and to complete the closure; and*
- 4) that upon closure of the walkway, the land be sold to Saskatoon Housing Authority, c/o Ray Neale of 320 and 324 Fairmont Drive; Maureen Nichol of 19 Nash Place; and Phyllis Thomson of 23 Nash Place, for \$1,000 each.*

CARRIED.

**8d) Proposed Closure of the East-West Lane between
Avenue O South and Avenue N South
(File No.: CK. 6295-010-8, x CK. 4300-2-07-91 and IS. 6295-1)**

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The following is a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated July 9, 2010:

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that Council consider Bylaw 8867;
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to take all necessary steps to bring the intended closure forward and to complete the closure;
 - 3) that upon closure of East-West lane between Avenue O South and Avenue N South, as shown on the Plan of Proposed Subdivision, as prepared by Saskatoon Land Surveyors and Plan 240-0041-005r001 (Attachment 2), the land be consolidated and retained by the City for the development of the Pleasant Hill Revitalization Plan; and

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- 4) that all costs associated with the closure be paid by the applicant.

As part of the Pleasant Hill Revitalization Plan, Phase V, the Land Branch of the Community Services Department has requested closure of the East-West Lane between Avenue O South and Avenue N South, as indicated on the attached Plan of Proposed Subdivision prepared by Saskatoon Land Surveyors, dated January, 2010 (Attachment 1). The intent of the closure is to allow for redevelopment of the area.

All utilities have approved the closure, and the City of Saskatoon, Saskatoon Light & Power, Shaw Cable, SaskEnergy and SaskTel will require easements.

Approval has been received from the Minister of Highways (Attachment 4) for the closure.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is required for consideration of this matter, pursuant to Section 3b) of Policy No. C01-021, The Public Notice Policy. The following notice was given:

- Advertised in The StarPhoenix on July 10 and July 17, 2010;
- Posted on the City Hall Notice Board on Friday, July 9, 2010; and
- Posted on the City of Saskatoon website on Thursday, July 8, 2010.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of Proposed Subdivision;
2. Plan 240-0041-005r001;
3. Proposed Bylaw 8867;
4. Letter from Minister of Highways, dated February 3, 2010; and
5. Copy of Public Notice.”

General Manager, Infrastructure Services Gutek presented his 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 Council consider Bylaw 8867;*
- 2) *that the City Solicitor be instructed to take all necessary steps to bring the intended closure forward and to complete the closure;*

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- 3) *that upon closure of East-West lane between Avenue O South and Avenue N South, as shown on the Plan of Proposed Subdivision, as prepared by Saskatoon Land Surveyors and Plan 240-0041-005r001 (Attachment 2), the land be consolidated and retained by the City for the development of the Pleasant Hill Revitalization Plan; and*
- 4) *that all costs associated with the closure be paid by the applicant.*

CARRIED.

- 8e) Proposed Median Opening
University Heights Square Development
McOrmond Drive
(File: CK. 6320-1 and IS. 6320-2)**

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The following is a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated July 9, 2010:

RECOMMENDATION: that a median opening to accommodate a left turn from McOrmond Drive northbound to westbound into the University Heights Square development be approved.

REPORT

The University Heights Square is a commercial development located on the north side of Attridge Drive and the west side of McOrmond Drive. Preliminary plans include commercial and retail space, as shown in the Site Plan (Attachment 1). Information from the developer indicates that full-build out for this site is expected by spring, 2011.

Pillar Properties Corporation, the developer, requested that Stantec Consulting prepare a Traffic Impact Assessment, and develop site access and traffic control strategies to accommodate the anticipated traffic that will be generated by the development, while mitigating unacceptable impacts on the adjacent driveway network. The Traffic Impact Assessment indicated that improvements are necessary to properly accommodate post development traffic volumes and/or to mitigate traffic impact.

In addition to the originally proposed site accesses from Heal Avenue and Nelson Drive, a mid-block access on McOrmond Drive is being recommended. The mid-block access will provide the development with right-in and right-out movements from McOrmond Drive southbound, and a left-in movement from McOrmond Drive northbound. It will also reduce the volume of left-turn movements at Attridge Drive and McOrmond Drive, thereby improving the efficiency of the signal phasing at the intersection; and will redistribute the traffic from Heal Avenue.

To accommodate the left turn from McOrmond Drive northbound into the development westbound, a median opening, as shown in Attachment 2, is required. According to Policy C07-012 - Median Openings, the adjacent land use must have significant traffic generation characteristics, or other special circumstances such as restricted access/egress; and actual or projected traffic volumes must exceed 150 left turns during the peak traffic hour into the site. According to the Traffic Impact Assessment, approximately 147 left turns into the site are anticipated. Although the expected left turns are slightly less than 150, it is the Administration's opinion that the requirement will be met in the near future. All other conditions of Policy C07-012 have been met.

OPTIONS

Another option would be to make all three of the following improvements to the site to ensure that future traffic that will be generated by the development is addressed:

- Installation of a traffic signal control at Heal Avenue and Ludlow Street;
- Installation of a traffic signal at Heal Avenue and Nelson Drive. Although traffic signals may be warranted at this intersection, traffic should be monitored to determine the actual need; and
- An extension of the northbound left-turn lane at the Attridge Drive and McOrmond Drive intersection from 50 metres to 75 metres to accommodate anticipated queuing.

It is the Administration's opinion that the proposed median opening, which requires only one change, will effectively address any traffic impact from the development.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The proposed median opening will require approximately six existing trees, which are located on the median, to be removed and replanted, and one light standard to be relocated.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All construction costs, removal and replanting of trees, relocation of the light standard, and any other associated costs will be the responsibility of the developer, therefore, there is no financial impact.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is required for consideration of this matter, pursuant to Section 3d) of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy. The following notice was given:

- Advertised in *The StarPhoenix* on July 10 and 17, 2010;
- Posted on the City Hall Notice Board on Friday, July 9, 2010; and
- Posted on City of Saskatoon website on Friday, July 9, 2010.

ATTACHMENTS

1. University Heights Square - Site Plan;
2. Proposed Median Opening Drawing - Plan 250-0069-001r001; and
3. Copy of Public Notice.”

General Manager, Infrastructure Services Gutek presented his 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 Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT a median opening to accommodate a left turn from McOrmond Drive northbound to westbound into the University Heights Square development be approved.

CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 12-2010 – CONTINUED

**A3) Request to Sell City-Owned Property
B3 Commercial Property – Blairmore Suburban Centre
7.59 Acres Facing Betts Avenue
Parcels H, J and K, Plan 101908964
(Files CK. 4215-1, CK. 4110-32 and LA. 4220-08-1**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Land Branch Manager be authorized to sell Parcels H, J and K, Plan 101908964, in the Blairmore Suburban Centre to the highest bidder through a public tender process, with reserve bid prices as outlined in this report, plus applicable taxes;
 - 2) that Parcels H, J and K, Plan 101908964 be offered as a group of three;
 - 3) that Parcels H, J and K, Plan 101908964 be sold without a timeline to build requirement;
 - 4) that if the parcels are not sold through the tender process, they be made available for sale over-the-counter as a group on a first-come, first-served basis; and

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- 5) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documentation to complete the sales by public tender.

BACKGROUND

Development of the Blairmore Suburban Centre began in 2005 and included a Regional Retail site encompassing 30.73 acres, as well as three smaller commercial properties totalling 7.59 acres on the opposite side of Betts Avenue. The Regional Retail site was offered for sale by public tender in September 2006 and was sold to Smart Centres (Saskatoon West Shopping Centres Limited). Development on this site has progressed substantially with the new Wal-Mart Super Centre opening in February of 2010.

In June of 2008, the Land Branch received a request from Smart Centres to purchase the three smaller sites on Betts Avenue. City Council, at its meeting held on August 11, 2008, resolved:

“that the proposed Sale Agreement be approved subject to the conditions noted in the report”.

The purchase price for these three parcels was set at \$5,087,500, which was determined by the average of two independent appraisals conducted in 2008. One of the conditions of sale was a construction requirement on the Regional Retail site for two large format anchor stores by December 1, 2010. Additionally, the Sale Agreement would have required commencement of construction on Parcels H, J and K by December 1, 2011. The City had the right to exercise an option to re-purchase the land at the original sale price less costs incurred by the City including demolition if construction did not commence by December 1, 2011.

A subsequent extension was requested by Smart Centres and granted by City Council revising the Due Diligence Date from December 1, 2008, to March 31, 2009, and then ultimately to June 15, 2009. Recently, a final offer with slightly different terms was made to Smart Centres with a deadline of June 3, 2010. Smart Centres did not notify the City of their intention to proceed with the purchase of this land by this date.

The Land Bank Committee, at its meeting held on June 18, 2010, considered a report outlining options for the sale of three commercial parcels on the east side of Betts Avenue in the Blairmore Suburban Centre. During that meeting the Committee resolved:

“that the Administration prepare a report for submission to City Council regarding the public offering for sale of Parcels H, J and K, Plan 101908964, on Betts Avenue in the Blairmore Suburban Centre, under the following conditions:

- 1) that the three parcels be offered for sale as one unit;
- 2) that the pricing for Parcels H, J and K be approved as follows:
 - a) Parcel H 3.09 acres \$2,355,500
 - b) Parcel J 3.07 acres \$2,340,300

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| c) | Parcel K | 1.44 acres | <u>\$1,097,700</u> |
| | | Total | \$5,793,500 |
- 3) that the lots be sold without a Timeline to Build Requirement; and
4) that letters be sent to all parties who have expressed an interest in this property, notifying them of the public offering.”

The sites are fully serviced and are zoned B3 – Medium Density Arterial Commercial District. The location of the three parcels is shown on Attachment 1.

REPORT

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval from City Council to sell the three commercial parcels on the east side of Betts Avenue (Parcels H, J and K, Plan 101908964) in the Blairmore Suburban Centre by public tender as directed by the Land Bank Committee.

A number of parties have recently expressed an interest in purchasing either one or more of these sites for commercial development. Interest in these sites has increased significantly as development in the area has progressed and as traffic through the area continues to increase. Drive by traffic is very important for a commercial development to succeed. With the interest that has been shown in these sites over the past two months and the number of projects already underway in the area, the Land Branch is now recommending that these sites be made available for sale by public tender.

It is recommended that reserve bid prices be established for these sites. When the sites were previously offered for sale, prices were determined using the average of two independent appraisals. The resulting price for the three sites was based on \$15.37 per square foot (\$669,517 per acre). These appraisals were conducted in 2008 and no longer reflect the current market value for the land due to the rapid growth experienced in the area. Based on unsolicited offers that have been received recently, it is recommended that the reserve bid prices be based on \$17.50 per square foot (\$762,300 per acre). The three reserve bid prices would therefore be:

Parcel H	3.09 acres	Reserve Bid:	\$2,355,500
Parcel J	3.07 acres	Reserve Bid:	\$2,340,300
Parcel K	1.44 acres	<u>Reserve Bid:</u>	<u>\$1,097,700</u>
		Total (all three):	\$5,793,500

It is recommended the public tender does not include a timeline to build requirement. The purchaser would be free to develop the sites on their own timeline as market conditions warrant. There are a number of benefits associated with selling the parcels without a timeline to build requirement, including:

- Having fewer restrictions on bidders will decrease the amount of risk for the developer and thereby increase the amount of money they are willing to bid to buy the land; and

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- Having more freedom to build out the sites based on market conditions may also increase the number of developers willing to take on the project, which may also have a positive effect on bid prices.

The Land Bank Committee is also recommending all three parcels of land be offered for tender together as a group. The benefits of packaging the lots together include:

- The City would receive its full revenue from all parcels faster than if only one or two of the sites are sold and the remaining parcels take longer to sell; and
- There may be better coordination between the sites and a better overall mix of commercial uses resulting in a more comprehensively planned shopping site if one developer is involved in all three parcels.

The tender will be awarded to the highest bidder over the reserve bid price that meets the conditions set out in the tender documents. If there is any uncertainty regarding the bids received, the appropriate reports and recommendations will be provided to City Council.

If these parcels do not sell through the tender process, they will be made available for direct purchase as a group, from the Land Branch.

OPTIONS

The only option would be to not proceed with the sale of the land at this time.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The proceeds from the sale of this land will be deposited into the Property Realized Reserve.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION PLAN

Notice of the public tender will be advertised in The StarPhoenix a minimum of two Saturdays prior to the tender and will be sold pursuant to City Council Policy C09-033 Sale of Serviced City-Owned Lands. The tender will also be posted on the City of Saskatoon Land Branch website.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

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ATTACHMENT

1. Plan of the Blairmore Suburban Centre highlighting the subject sites

Items A2) and A3) of Communications to Council were brought forward:

“A2) Keith Webb, dated July 7

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to proposed tender process in Blairmore neighbourhood. (File No. CK. 4214-1)

A3) Douglas Porozni, dated July 8

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to proposed tender process in Blairmore neighbourhood. (File No. CK. 4214-1)”

The City Clerk distributed copies of a letter from Doug Porozni, Vice President of Development, Ronmor Developers Inc., dated July 21, 2010, submitting comments.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Keith Webb and Douglas Porozni be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Keith Webb, Vice President, Collier McClocklin Real Estate Corp., expressed concerns regarding the proposal to group the three parcels of land, indicating that it is not consistent with the City’s regular process of tendering each parcel individually.

Mr. Douglas Porozni, Vice President of Development, Ronmor Developers Inc., expressed concerns regarding the proposal to group the three parcels of land, indicating that it is not consistent with the City’s regular process of tendering each parcel individually. He suggested splitting the parcels up and using architectural controls to ensure a consistent development.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

1) *that the Land Branch Manager be authorized to sell Parcels H, J and K, Plan 101908964, in the Blairmore Suburban Centre to the highest bidder through a public tender process, with reserve bid prices as outlined in this report, plus applicable taxes;*

2) *that Parcels H, J and K, Plan 101908964 be offered as a group of three;*

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- 3) *that Parcels H, J and K, Plan 101908964 be sold, with the condition that a building permit be taken out on one parcel, with a five-year timeline build requirement for that permit;*
- 4) *that if the parcels are not sold through the tender process, they be made available for sale over-the-counter as a group on a first-come, first-served basis; and*
- 5) *that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documentation to complete the sales by public tender.*

IN REFERRAL

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the matter be referred to In Camera Executive Committee for further review.

THE REFERRAL MOTION WAS PUT AND CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

B. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

1) C. Dowdell, Club Secretary for Australian New Zealand Association of Saskatchewan (ANZAS), dated June 8

Requesting permission to extend the time where amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw until 12 midnight from Thursday, August 19 to Saturday, August 21 in conjunction with Folkfest. (File No. CK. 185-9)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request for an extension to the time where amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw until 12 midnight from Thursday, August 19 to Saturday, August 21 in conjunction with Folkfest, be granted.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the request for an extension to the time where amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw until 12 midnight from Thursday, August 19 to Saturday, August 21 in conjunction with Folkfest, be granted.

CARRIED.

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2) Will Antonishyn, dated July 5

Requesting permission to extend the time where amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw until 10:30 p.m. on July 20 to 23, 2010, in conjunction with Taste of Saskatchewan performances. (File No. CK. 185-9)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request for an extension to the time where amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw until 10:30 p.m. on July 20 to 23, 2010, in conjunction with Taste of Saskatchewan performances be granted.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT the request for an extension to the time where amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw until 10:30 p.m. on July 20 to 23, 2010, in conjunction with Taste of Saskatchewan performances be granted.

CARRIED.

3) Slawko Kindrachuk, Event Chair, Ukrainian Day in the Park, dated July 9

Requesting permission to extend the time where amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw until 11 p.m. on August 28, 2010, for the 10th Annual Ukrainian Day in the Park festivities. (File No. CK. 185-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request for an extension to the time where amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw until 11 p.m. on August 28, 2010, for the 10th Annual Ukrainian Day in the Park festivities be granted.

Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the request for an extension to the time where amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw until 11 p.m. on August 28, 2010, for the 10th Annual Ukrainian Day in the Park festivities be granted.

CARRIED.

4) Sheldon Sommerfeldt, dated July 11

Requesting support for train whistle cessation in Parkridge. (File No. CK. 375-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

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Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the letter be referred to the Administration.

CARRIED.

5) Judy Warick & Heather Arnold, River Run Classic, dated July 14

Requesting permission to extend the time where amplified sound can be heard under the Noise Bylaw from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 15, 2010, in conjunction with the River Run Classic. (File No. CK. 185-9)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request to extend the time where amplified sound can be heard under the Noise Bylaw from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 15, 2010, in conjunction with the River Run Classic be granted.

Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the request to extend the time where amplified sound can be heard under the Noise Bylaw from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 15, 2010, in conjunction with the River Run Classic be granted.

CARRIED.

C. INFORMATION ITEMS

1) Ken Yuzik, General Manager, Comfort Cabs, dated June 21

Commenting on creating Taxi Stands. (File No. CK. 6145-1)

2) Randy Pshebylo, Executive Director, Riversdale Business Improvement District dated June 25

Advising that Mr. Curtis Olson has been appointed to the Board of Management of the RBID to replace Mr. Fred Betker. (File No. CK. 175-49)

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3) Joseph Blatz, dated June 25

Suggesting the Noise Bylaw be amended by including loud vehicle noises such as motorcycles, loud cars and stereos as well as exterior home speakers. (File Nos. CK. 375-2 & 6320-1)

4) E. Bertsch, dated June 20

Commenting on property taxes. (File No. CK. 1930-1)

5) Robin Hamm, dated June 30

Commenting on water use. (File No. CK. 7900-1)

6) Pam Kilgour, Office & Systems Manager, TCU Place, dated June 28

Submitting Annual Disclosure Report for Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre Corporation. (File No. CK. 175-28)

7) Jason Friesen, dated June 28

Commenting on street naming. (File No. CK. 6310-1)

8) Jerrod Dietrich, dated June 28

Commenting on the City of Vancouver proclaiming Social Media Day. (File No. CK. 150-1)

9) Holly Kemp, dated June 29

Commenting on animals being left in vehicles. (File No. CK. 151-1)

10) Jacqueline Pierce, dated June 30

Commenting on dirty city streets. (File No. CK. 6315-1)

11) Darlene Richardson, dated July 9

Commenting on flooding. (File No. CK. 7820-1)

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12) Brian Bell, dated June 25

Commenting on construction/road repairs in Saskatoon. (File Nos. CK. 6315-1 & 4200-1)

13) Dale Nargang, dated July 12

Complimenting city crews on road work and street cleaning. (File No. CK. 150-1)

14) Loraine Sovyn, dated July 10

Commenting on the future of the Traffic Bridge. (File No. CK. 6050-8)

15) Joanne Yanke, dated July 2

Commenting on fluoridation in the water. (File No. CK. 7920-1)

16) Mark Brauer, dated July 12

Commenting on fluoridation in the water. (File No. CK. 7920-1)

**17) Dennis Lemelin, National President, Canadian Union of Postal Workers,
dated June 28**

Commenting on The Canadian Postal Service Charter. (File No. CK. 277-1)

18) Joanne Sproule, Deputy City Clerk, dated July 9

Providing Notice of Hearing of Development Appeals Board with respect to the property located at 1800 Main Street. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

**19) John Baird, P.C., M.P. and Rob Merrifield, P.C., M.P.
Government of Canada, dated July 16, 2010**

Advising of federal approval-in-principle of funding for the Art Gallery of the Saskatchewan. (File No. CK. 4129-15)”

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

D. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

1) The Queen Elizabeth Community Association, dated June 15

Commenting on proposed upgrade to WW Ashley District Park. (File No. CK. 4205-1)
(Referred to Budget Committee for further handling.)

2) Kim Taylor, dated June 25

Commenting on need to educate cyclists and motorists about the rules of the road. (File No. CK. 5300-5-3-
(Referred to Administration for consideration.)

3) Ron Garnett, dated June 25

Commenting on loud motorcycles. (File No. CK. 375-2) **(Referred to City Solicitor to join to the outstanding file on the matter.)**

4) Jason Campeau, dated June 25

Commenting on customer service received from Saskatoon Transit. (File No. CK. 7300-1)
(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)

5) Krista Zwirner, dated June 27

Commenting on damage to fence done by garbage truck and cracked pavement due to elm tree roots. (File Nos. CK. 7830-3 & 7820-2) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

6) Daniel Little, dated June 27

Commenting on the condition of roads in Varsity area. (File No. CK. 6315-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

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7) Warren Wagner, Regional Director, Canadian Diabetes Association, dated June 28

Requesting the City light up a landmark in blue to commemorate World Diabetes Day. (File No. CK. 150-1) **(Referred to City Manager for consideration.)**

8) Allen Mayoh, dated June 29

Commenting on signage on 42nd Street. (File No. CK. 6280-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

9) James Yuel, dated June 29

Commenting on access to Saskatchewan Crescent from University Bridge. (File No. CK. 6295-1) **(Referred to Planning and Operations Committee for further handling.)**

10) Erica Letwinetz, dated June 29

Commenting on the intersection of Preston Avenue and Circle Drive (South). (File No. CK. 6250-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

11) Sandra Liss, dated June 30

Commenting on a detour. (File No. CK. 6315-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

12) Sue Peterson, Volunteer Administrator, Safe Drinking Water Foundation, undated

Commenting on proposed feedlot in RM of Rudy. (File No. CK. 7920-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

13) Dennis Lees, dated July 2

Commenting on difficulties for wheelchairs crossing at Preston Crossing. (File No. CK. 6150-1) **(Referred to Administration for review.)**

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14) John Thomson, dated July 2

Commenting on flooding on Nixon Crescent. (File No. CK. 7820-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

15) Shellie Cooper, dated July 2

Commenting on flooding. (File No. CK. 7820-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

16) Yvonne Turner, dated July 5

Commenting on mud on Blackthorn Crescent. (File No. CK. 150-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

17) Brian Sutherland, dated July 5

Requesting an extension of agreement. (File No. CK. 1920-1) **(Referred to Administration for a report.)**

18) Nowshad Ali, President, Saskatoon Fireworks Festival Inc., dated July 12

Submitting application for funding. (File Nos. CK. 1870-15 & 205-1) **(Referred to Administration for a report.)**

19) Patrick Frost, dated July 12

Commenting on difficulties finding rental accommodation. (File No. CK. 750-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

20) Christine Smillie, Project Co-ordinator, Station 20 West, dated July 14

Requesting contract extension. (File No. CK. 4131-28) **(Referred to Administration for a report.)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

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Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

E. PROCLAMATIONS

1) Peter Dickinson, Canadian Diabetes Association (Saskatchewan) dated July 5

Requesting City Council proclaim November 14, 2010 as World Diabetes Day. (File No. CK. 150-1)

2) Amanda Shea, Saskatchewan Association of Veterinary Technologists (SAVT) dated June 24

Requesting City Council proclaim October 10 to 16, 2010 as National Veterinary Technician week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

3) Heather Anderson, dated July 13

Requesting City Council proclaim October 19, 2010 as Family Business Day. (File No. CK. 205-5)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve all proclamations as set out in Section E; and
 - 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations, in the standard form, on behalf of City Council.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

- 1) *that City Council approve all proclamations as set out in Section E; and*
- 2) *that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations, in the standard form, on behalf of City Council.*

CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES

**Councillor G. Penner
T-Intersection - Acadia Drive and McKercher Drive
(File No. CK. 6330-1)**

Recently, a vehicle proceeding eastbound on Acadia Drive was in a collision with a house on McKercher Drive. This is a T-intersection controlled by a stop sign for eastbound Acadia traffic. Could I have a report indicating whether there are any further measures our traffic section could suggest to help mitigate accidents of this type.

**Councillor B. Pringle
Speed Limit - Clarence Avenue South
(File No. CK. 6320-1)**

For safety reasons, would the Administration please consider reducing the speed limit on Clarence Avenue South from Cope Crescent to Calder Avenue? Considering the merging traffic from Circle Drive and four sets of lights on Clarence Avenue South, I respectfully suggest this decision makes sense in light of the reduced speed decision on Preston Avenue South from 60 km/hr to 50 km/hr.

**Councillor P. Lorje
Panhandling
(File No. CK. 5000-1)**

Will the Administration please review the Panhandling Bylaw with respect to the location restrictions that were removed when the bylaw was amended in 2003? Specifically, restrictions on panhandling within 10 meters of an automated teller machine and within 10 meters of a doorway to a liquor store or beer and wine store were removed since it was felt that such restrictions may be contrary to the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. However, in the light of current experience and apparent increase in panhandling activity at these locations, it appears that a review of these amendments may be warranted. Therefore, will the Administration please review this bylaw and consult with various groups as was done in 2003 to determine if Saskatoon's bylaw has achieved the appropriate balance between Charter of Rights and the protection of the public.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaws 8865

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8865, being “The Street Closing Bylaw, 2010 (No. 6)” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT Bylaw No. 8865 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8865.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8865 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

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Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8865 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Bylaw No. 8865 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 8866

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8866, being “The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2010 (No. 15)” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT Bylaw No. 8866 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8866.

CARRIED.

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

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Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8866 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8866 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Bylaw No. 8866 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 8867

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8867, being "The Street Closing Bylaw, 2010 (No. 7)" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

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Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT Bylaw No. 8867 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8867.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8867 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8867 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Bylaw No. 8867 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 8869

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8869, being “The Electrical Rates Bylaw, 2010” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT Bylaw No. 8869 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8869.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8869 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

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Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8869 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Bylaw No. 8869 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 8870

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8870, being “The Building Amendment Bylaw, 2010” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT Bylaw No. 8870 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8870.

CARRIED.

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

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Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8870 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8870 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Bylaw No. 8870 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) Maxine Tymchen, dated June 29

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to traffic flow in the north end of the city. (File No. CK. 6320-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Maxine Tymchen be heard.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Maxine Tymchen be heard.

CARRIED.

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His Worship the Mayor noted that Ms. Tymchen was not present in the gallery.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

2) Keith Webb, dated July 7

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to proposed tender process in Blairmore neighbourhood. (File No. CK. 4214-1)

3) Douglas Porozni, dated July 8

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to proposed tender process in Blairmore neighbourhood. (File No. CK. 4214-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Clause A3 of Administrative Report No. 12-2010 be considered and that Keith Webb and Douglas Porozni be heard.

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4) Alan Thomarat, CEO, Saskatoon & Region Home Builders' Assoc., dated July 12

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to permit fee increases. (File No. CK. 1720-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Alan Thomarat be heard.

His Worship the Mayor noted that Mr. Thomarat had withdrawn his request to address Council at this time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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5) Peter Cockburn, dated July 12

Submitting petition containing approximately 26 signatures and asking permission to address City Council with respect to ditch and drainage proposal for Montgomery neighbourhood. (File No. CK. 7820-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Peter Cockburn be heard.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Peter Cockburn be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Peter Cockburn, resident in Montgomery Place, expressed concern with respect to the condition and safety of the culverts in the area.

The Administration responded to Mr. Cockburn's concerns.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

6) William Smith, dated July 12

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to concerns regarding City's management. (File No. CK. 150-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that William Smith be heard.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT William Smith be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. William Smith expressed concerns regarding City management.

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Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

7) Ben Chung, Project Supervisor for Canada World Youth, dated July 13

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to Canada World Youth exchange with Nicaragua. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Ben Chung be heard.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Ben Chung be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Ben Chung, Project Supervisor for Canada World Youth, addressed Council regarding the Canada World Youth exchange program with Nicaragua which will take place from December 2010 to March 2011.

Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk