

Council Chambers
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, May 10, 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, Hill, Lorje, Neault,
Paulsen, Penner, and Pringle;
City Manager Totland;
City Solicitor Dust;
General Manager, Corporate Services Bilanski;
General Manager, Community Services Gauthier;
General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Bentley;
A/General Manager, Infrastructure Services Gutek;
General Manager, Utility Services Jorgenson;
City Clerk Mann; and
Council Assistant Mitchener

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the minutes of meeting of City Council held on April 26, 2010, be approved.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

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

CARRIED.

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

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

Committee arose.

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

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

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“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 8-2010

Section A – COMMUNITY SERVICES

**A1) Land Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department
For the Period Between April 15, 2010 to April 28, 2010
(For Information Only)
(Files CK. 4000-5, PL. 4115, PL. 4350, and PL. 4300)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Official Community Plan

- Amendment No. OCP 13/10: 2200 Airport Drive
Applicant: Kindrachuk Agrey Architects for 310644 Alberta Ltd.
Legal Description: Various
Current Land Use Designation: Transitional
Proposed Land Use Designation: Business Park
Neighbourhood: Airport Business Area
Date Received: April 1, 2010

Rezoning

- Application No. Z14/10: 2200 Airport Drive
Applicant: Kindrachuk Agrey Architecture for 310644 Alberta Ltd.
Legal Description: Various
Current Zoning: R2(H)
Proposed Zoning: IB(H) and IL1(H)
Neighbourhood: Airport Business Area
Date Received: April 1, 2010

Subdivision

- Application No. 22/10: 1319 1st Avenue North
Applicant: Webb Surveys for 101026563 Saskatchewan Ltd.
Legal Description: Lots 10, 11, and 12, Block 4, Plan G27
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: Kelsey Woodlawn
Date Received: April 22, 2010

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of Proposed Official Community Plan Amendment No. OCP13/10
2. Plan of Proposed Rezoning No. Z14/10
3. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 22/10

**A2) Corman Park - Saskatoon Planning District Agreement
(Files CK. 4240-2 and PL. 4240-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8841, The Corman Park - Saskatoon Planning District Bylaw, 2010, being a bylaw to establish the Corman Park - Saskatoon Planning District.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The Rural Municipality (RM) of Corman Park and the City of Saskatoon (City) have established the Saskatoon Planning District (District), which is an area of the RM outside City limits where the two municipalities jointly plan for land use and development. *The Planning and Development Act, 2007* requires municipalities that establish a planning district to enter into an agreement, by bylaw, that defines the planning district and sets out how the district will function. The current District agreement was signed in 2009.

REPORT

The RM Council has passed a resolution that the District be renamed the Corman Park – Saskatoon Planning District, to reflect the partnership relationship of the RM and the City in the District. There are a number of aspects to this partnership relationship. Co-managing land use and development in the District is particularly important to the City for the following reasons:

- 1) it can prevent conflict with land uses and developments within Saskatoon; and
- 2) it ensures that developments that might be incompatible with urban growth are located outside Saskatoon's future growth areas.

It should be recognized that while the RM benefits from an enhanced relationship with the City and a cooperative (rather than competitive) approach to land use and development as a result of the District, it gives up a degree of municipal autonomy because it allows the City to share jurisdiction over land use and development. Also, the District is physically located entirely in the RM, meaning the RM has no reciprocal involvement in the City's land use and development decisions. In light of

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all of this, it would seem fitting that the name of the District reflect the names of both municipalities.

The RM Council would like to rename the District so that the new name can be used in the titles of the new Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw for the District, which are expected to be advertised in late spring 2010 and in place by summer 2010. This name change requires a new District agreement.

The new District agreement, which simply reflects the name change, and the bylaw required to adopt it, are attached (see Attachment 1). If the new District agreement is executed, it will take effect when the required bylaw is approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

OPTIONS

1. City Council may approve the bylaw to adopt the new District agreement (Recommended).
2. City Council may decline to approve the bylaw to adopt the new District agreement. This option is not recommended because it is inconsistent with the partnership relationship of the City and the RM in the District.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications to adopting the proposed new District agreement.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This proposal will not have a financial impact for the City.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Bylaw 8841 – The Corman Park - Saskatoon Planning District Bylaw, 2010

Section B – CORPORATE SERVICES

**B1) City of Saskatoon – Debt
(Files CK. 1750-1, CS. 1750-1 and CS. 1702-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

At its June 9, 2008, meeting, when dealing with Clause 2, Report No. 10-2008 of the Executive Committee, City Council resolved:

“that the Administration be authorized to request an increase to the City’s borrowing limit to accommodate planned borrowing.”

REPORT

With the expectation that the City will be borrowing over the next few years to fund both approved and approved in principle projects, an increase to the current debt limit is required. On December 29, 2009, your Administration submitted an application to the Saskatchewan Municipal Board requesting Board authorization to increase the maximum amount of long-term debt which may be incurred by the City of Saskatoon and be outstanding at any given time.

On March 30, 2010, the Saskatchewan Municipal Board advised Administration that their Local Government Committee established a new debt limit of the City at \$414,000,000. This limit will be in effect until December 31, 2012. In the summer of 2012, the City will be required to submit a request to the Local Government Committee to have the debt limit established for a further period effective January 1, 2013.

The Saskatchewan Municipal Board establishes the debt limit in accordance with the factors set out in subsection 23(2) of *The Municipal Board Act*. Over time, information that the Board relied on in evaluating these factors and in making its decision to establish the debt limit at a certain level may change. Establishing a term expiration date provides the Board the opportunity to exercise its due diligence to determine if the debt limit it established continues to be fiscally sustainable for the municipality. Additionally, financial institutions that rely on the Board’s establishment of the debt limit are reassured by the fact the debt limit is periodically reviewed.

OPTIONS

There are no options.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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**B2) 2010 Property Tax Levy and BID Levies
(Files CK. 1920-1 x 1905-1, CS. 1905-5 and CS. 1704-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the previously approved multi-residential contingency requirement for 2009 appeals established at \$294,000 or 4.33% to be levied over a 3-year period (2009, 2010, and 2011) at the rate of 1.44% per year continue as planned;
 - 2) that the tax shift continue for 2010 as planned and that the City and Library tax rates continue to be adjusted annually to keep the commercial/industrial tax rate at 1.75 times that of residential properties;
 - 3) that City Council consider Bylaw 8837, The Saskatoon Property Tax Bylaw, 2010;
 - 4) that City Council consider Bylaw 8836, The School Divisions Property Tax Bylaw, 2010;
 - 5) that City Council consider Bylaw 8835, The Business Improvement Districts Levy Bylaw, 2010; and
 - 6) that the phase-in of taxes resulting from the 2009 reassessment continue, as planned, for commercial/industrial and multi-residential properties.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

On April 26, 2010, City Council finalized its 2010 budget deliberations, establishing the uniform mill rate requirements for the City and the Public Library. The Provincial budget delivered on March 24, 2010, stated that the education property taxes for 2010 will remain at the 2009 level. A letter from the Minister of Education (Attachment 1) dated April 20, 2010, confirms the education mill rates for 2010.

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Based on these approvals, and other tax policy decisions previously approved by City Council (described in this report), your Administration has prepared the bylaws necessary to implement the 2010 tax levy.

REPORT

The 2010 tax levy includes the budget requirements for each taxing authority including a loss contingency for multi-residential properties and the final year effects of the 10-year tax shift.

Contingency for Assessment Losses

City Council agreed, through its 2009 tax policy decisions, to adjust the levy for potential losses due to assessment appeals in the multi-residential class. The contingency for multi-residential property 2009 appeals was established at \$294,000 to be levied at a rate of 1.44% per year for each of 2009, 2010, and 2011. The contingency reserve currently has a negative balance and there are still some larger multi-residential property appeal decisions outstanding. Therefore, your Administration is recommending that the contingency plan continues as previously approved. The 2010 amount of \$98,000 is included in the uniform mill rate but redistributed through the mill rate factors so that only the multi-residential property class is levied the contingency.

Ten-Year Tax Shift Policy

In 2001, City Council adopted a policy to shift the effective tax rate from commercial and multi-residential properties to residential properties over a ten-year period through the use of mill rate factors. The effective tax rate, or ETR, is calculated by taking the total taxes for a property and dividing it by the assessed value. The goal was to use mill rate factors to adjust the tax rates such that by 2010 the effective tax rate for multi-residential would equal the residential ETR, and the commercial ETR would be 1.75 times that of residential.

The Provincial legislation introduced in 2009 removed the City's ability to use mill rate factors to shift the education portion of the property taxes between various property classes. This means that City Council can only adjust the tax rate for the City and Library portion of property taxes and cannot effect changes to the total tax bill. However, by adjusting the mill rate factors for 2010, the goal of a commercial tax rate at 1.75 times the residential rate and a multi-unit residential tax rate (excluding contingency funding) equal to residential properties has been achieved for the City and Library portion of the taxes.

When the education taxes for 2010 are included, the ETR for multi-residential properties (before contingency) is equal to that of residential properties and 65% of the commercial properties are at 1.75% times that of residential. Due to the tiered structure of the education taxes for commercial properties, the remaining 35% of the commercial properties have a varying effective tax rate depending on the assessed value of each property. The ETR for commercial properties with some portion of their assessments in the second and third tiers ranges from 1.76 to 2.14 times that of residential properties. The average 2010 effective tax rate for all commercial properties is 1.93 times that of residential. In future years, the ETR (on total taxes) could increase or decrease depending upon the changes to the education mill rate.

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Your Administration is recommending that the tax shift continue for 2010 as planned and that we continue to adjust the tax rates of the City and Library annually to keep the commercial tax rate at 1.75 times that of residential properties. This will be accomplished by adjusting the mill rate factors to reflect the changes in the mix of assessment by property class and the impact of natural growth in assessment.

2010 Tax Levy

The following tables, beginning with the 2009 tax levy, build to the 2010 tax levy in dollars and percentage increases by property class based on a single family detached home with a median assessed value of \$167,000. The last column provides effective tax rates (ETRs) for each property class.

Table 1: Residential and Condominium

	2009			2010	% Change		ETR	
	Taxes	Budget	Shift		Taxes	Budget	Shift	2009
Municipal	\$1,164	45	16	\$1,225	3.86%	1.35%		
Library	132	4	2	138	3.25%	1.35%		
Education Tax	1,178	-	-	1,178	0.00%	0.00%		
Total Taxes	\$2,474			\$2,541			1.48%	1.52%
Change per 167,000 assessment		\$49	\$18	\$67				
% increase, 2010 compared to 2009 taxes owing					2.7%			

Table 2: Multi-Unit Residential

	2009				2010	% Change			ETR	
	Taxes	Budget	Shift	Contingency		Taxes	Budget	Shift	Contingency	2009
Municipal	\$1,275	50	(96)	18	\$1,247	3.86%	(7.57)%	1.44		
Library	145	5	(11)	2	141	3.25%	(7.57)%	1.44		
Education Tax	1,178	-	-	-	1,178	0.00%	0.00%			
Total Taxes	\$2,598				2,566				1.56%	1.53%
Change per 167,000 assessment		55	(107)	20	(32)					
% decrease, 2010 compared to 2009 taxes owing						(1.2)%				

The effective tax rate for multi-residential properties in 2010 is 1.52% (which is equal to the residential effective tax rate) before adding the previously approved contingency for assessment losses. Applying the contingency increases the effective tax rate by .01% to 1.53%.

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Table 3: Commercial and Industrial Properties

The following example applies to all commercial/industrial property with fair values up to and including \$499,999 that are to be taxed completely using the first tier commercial education mill rate.

	2009			2010	% Change		ETR	
	Taxes	Budget	Shift		Taxes	Budget	Shift	2009
Municipal	\$2,093	84	(28)	\$2,149	4.02%	(1.35%)		
Library	238	8	(3)	243	3.39%	(1.35%)		
Education Tax	2,046	-	-	2,046	-	-		
Total Taxes	\$4,377			\$4,438			2.63%	2.66%
Change per 167,000 assessment		92	(31)	61				
% increase 2010 compared to 2009 taxes owing				1.5%				

The effective tax rate for 65% (2,000) of commercial properties in 2010 is 2.66%, which is 1.75 times that of residential properties. The ETR for commercial properties with some portion of their assessments in the second and third tiers ranges from 1.76 to 2.14 times that of residential properties. The average effective tax rate for all commercial properties is 1.93 times that of residential.

Bylaw No. 8837 - The Saskatoon Property Tax Bylaw, 2010

Table 4: Uniform Mill Rates

The Saskatoon Property Tax Bylaw, 2010 is attached for consideration (Attachment 2). The Bylaw sets the uniform mill rate and mill rate factors established by the City and the Library. The table below compares the 2010 uniform mill rates required for the City and the Library with the rates for 2009.

Taxing Authority	Uniform Mill Rate	
	2009	2010
City	10.6640	11.0845
Library	1.2133	1.2535
Total	11.8773	12.3380

Table 5: Mill Rate Factors

Mill rate factors are required to distribute the uniform levy between property classes. These factors have been adjusted annually to reflect changes in the mix of assessment by property class and the impact of natural growth in assessment roll. The mill rate factors have also been adjusted for tax shifts and the multi-residential contingency.

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Property Class	2009 Mill Rate Factor	2010 Mill Rate Factor
Residential	.9329	.9456
Condominium	.9329	.9456
Multi-unit Residential	1.0394	.9623
Commercial & Industrial	1.1782	1.1612
Privately-owned light aircraft hanger	.6530	.6619

Bylaw No. 8836 - The School Divisions Property Tax Bylaw, 2010

Table 6: Education Tax Mill Rates

The School Divisions Property Tax Bylaw, 2010 is attached for consideration (Attachment 3). The Bylaw sets the mill rates established by the Province for education taxes which are:

Residential, Condominium, Multi-residential	10.08
Agricultural	7.08
Commercial	
Tier 1 First \$499,999 of taxable assessment	12.25
Tier 2 Next \$5,500,000	15.75
Tier 3 \$6,000,000 and greater	18.55

Bylaw No. 8835 - Business Improvement Districts Bylaw, 2010

On March 22, 2010, City Council approved the budgets submitted by all four Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) and directed the Administration to prepare the 2010 BID Bylaw. The bylaw to establish the levies for each BID is attached for consideration (Attachment 4). These bylaws will raise the funds each BID has requested for 2010.

The Property Tax Phase-In Plan

At its meeting held on February 17, 2009, City Council resolved that the tax shifts resulting from the reassessment (increases and decreases) be phased-in for the residential and condominium property classes over two years (50% in 2009 and 50% in 2010). For these classes of property, the phase-in is complete with the 2010 levy.

For commercial/industrial and multi-residential properties, the phase-in, by agreement with the Saskatoon Combined Business Group, is over a four-year period. The reassessment changes were phased-in at a rate of 15% in 2009. In 2010, an additional 20% will be phased-in with 30% in 2011 and the remaining 35% in 2012.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Letter from the Minister of Education, Province of Saskatchewan
2. Bylaw No. 8837, The Saskatoon Property Tax Bylaw, 2010
3. Bylaw No. 8836, The School Divisions Property Tax Bylaw, 2010
4. Bylaw No. 8835, The Business Improvement Districts Bylaw, 2010

Section C – FIRE AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

**C1) Capital Project 1914
Fire – New Station – West Saskatoon
(File No. CK. 630-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the purchase of land for Fire Station No. 10 in West Saskatoon (Hampton Village) from Dundee Developments, at a cost of \$650,000, plus GST; and
 - 2) that the increase in cost of \$150,000 be funded from the Reserve for Capital Expenditures.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

On December 14, 2009, City Council approved Capital Project 1914 which provides for the construction of a standard fire station in the North-West sector of Saskatoon, complete with a fully-equipped apparatus.

This project also provides for land to be identified in Hampton Village and purchased in 2010. The estimated cost of the land identified in the Capital Project is \$500,000.

REPORT

Negotiations have taken place with the Land Branch and a 1.13 acre parcel of land has been identified in Hampton Village, which faces McClocklin Road. The cost to purchase this land from the developer, Dundee Developments, is \$650,000, plus GST. Your Administration anticipates savings in design costs by constructing a fire hall using the existing plan applied to new Fire Station No. 8 being built in Briarwood/Rosewood.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The City Comptroller's Branch retains a balance of \$500,000 in the Reserve for Capital Expenditures for project over-expenditures and/or post-budget projects requiring a funding source. There are sufficient funds with the Reserve to fund the increase in the cost of the land.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Section E – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

**E1) Enquiry – Councillor B. Pringle (December 14, 2009)
Vehicle and Pedestrian Safety - Uncontrolled Intersections
(Files CK. 5200-1 x 6320-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The following enquiry was made by Councillor B. Pringle at the meeting of City Council held on December 14, 2009:

“Would the Administration please bring a report back to Council as soon as possible on how we can better manage vehicle and pedestrian safety at uncontrolled intersections, as this is a very significant and growing concern within our neighbourhoods; especially with significant increases in traffic volumes.”

REPORT

Uncontrolled intersections are controlled by the “right-of-way” rule which states that when two vehicles approach the intersection at the same time from right angles, the vehicle on the left must yield the right of way to the vehicle on the right.

Some vehicles ignore this rule, approach the intersection too fast, or may have restricted sight lines, such as parked vehicles blocking their view and making it difficult to see approaching vehicles or pedestrians. All of these scenarios have the potential to cause collisions.

The Transportation Branch reviews uncontrolled intersections on a request basis. The most common requests are for additional traffic control; concerns regarding speeding and pedestrian safety; and visibility issues due to parked vehicles. A review usually consists of a traffic condition study, including vehicle speed and pedestrian usage; a review of the historical collision statistics; and a review of the land-use in the surrounding area.

For stop and yield signage to be installed, the conditions outlined in Policy C07-007 - Traffic Control – Use of Stop and Yield Signs (Attachment 1) must be met. For parking signage, the conditions outlined in Policy C07-010 - Parking Restrictions and Parking Prohibitions (Attachment 2) need to be warranted.

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Although pedestrians have the right-of-way at all intersections, many vehicles do not adhere to the rule. Therefore, a number of devices are used to enhance the safety of pedestrians crossing the roadway, ranging from a standard crosswalk, which includes signage and pavement markings, to a pedestrian activated signal. The installation of such devices depends on the pedestrian demand at the intersection.

Traffic calming devices are often used to reduce traffic volumes and speeds in residential neighbourhoods. To determine the need for such devices, traffic studies are conducted to determine the traffic characteristics on the roadway.

The Administration has recently undertaken a pilot project in the City Park neighbourhood to identify the impact of the installation of controls at uncontrolled intersections on a neighbourhood basis. The results are being monitored and, if proven successful, may be implemented in other neighbourhoods in the City. Due to the delay in obtaining data on the collision statistics and the need for an adequate amount of data to determine trends, it is anticipated that a report will not be available until 2013.

It is the Administration's opinion that the processes and policies currently in place adequately address the concerns at uncontrolled intersections within the City of Saskatoon.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Policy C07-007 – Traffic Control – Use of Stop and Yield Signs
2. Policy C07-010 – Parking Restrictions and Parking Prohibitions

E2) Enquiry – Councillor M. Neault (November 16, 2009)
Pedestrian Crosswalk – Centennial Drive and Dickey Crescent
(File No. CK. 6150-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

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BACKGROUND

The following enquiry was made by Councillor M. Neault at the meeting of City Council held on November 16, 2009:

“Could the Administration look at a pedestrian crosswalk at Centennial Drive and Dickey Crescent, directly north of the pedestrian overpass going to the new high schools and the Shaw Centre, not looking at an actuated light, but crosswalk definition.”

REPORT

Currently, both of the intersections of Dickey Crescent and Centennial Drive are controlled by yield signs, giving right-of-way to Centennial Drive. No marked pedestrian controls exist. Dickey Crescent serves as a direct route to the Shaw Centre and Tommy Douglas and Bethlehem High Schools via a pedestrian overpass crossing 22nd Street.

A pedestrian count and traffic count were conducted at the west leg of Dickey Crescent on March 22, 2010, during the peak hours of 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. The count showed that 59 pedestrians (13 children, 42 teenagers and 4 adults) crossed Centennial Drive, and 655 vehicles entered the intersection. Most of the pedestrians were high school students.

A pedestrian count was conducted at the east leg of Dickey Crescent on March 26, 2010, during the peak hours of 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. A traffic count was not conducted due to the similar conditions at the west leg of the crescent. The count showed that 28 pedestrians (11 children, 13 teenagers and 4 adults) crossed Centennial Drive. As with the west leg, most of the pedestrians at this intersection were high school students.

According to the City of Saskatoon’s warrant system, consideration may be given for a standard crosswalk when there is a particular location that is more suited for pedestrian crossings due to street geometry; when it is desirable for pedestrians to be crossing at a key location rather than at many individual locations; and/or the crosswalk is used by children walking to school.

Since the intersections are being used mainly by students as a direct route to school, and it is desirable that they cross at an intersection rather than at any other individual location, such as midblock, the Administration will be installing a standard crosswalk at both of the intersections of Dickey Crescent and Centennial Drive.

A standard crosswalk consists of side-mounted pedestrian crosswalk signage and basic pavement markings, which consist of parallel white lines. It provides information to pedestrians that the location is a legitimate crossing point and that they have the right-of-way over vehicular traffic; while motorists are made aware of the crossing point by the signage.

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FINACIAL IMPACT

The installation of the crosswalks will cost approximately \$500, and will be funded from approved Capital Project 1506 - Traffic Signing Replacement.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**E3) Enquiry – Councillor M. Heidt (June 1, 2009)
Traffic and Pedestrian Safety – McClocklin Road – Hampton Village
(Files CK. 5200-1 x 6320-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The following enquiry was made by Councillor M. Heidt at the meeting of City Council held on June 1, 2009:

“I have been receiving many complaints about conflicts with traffic safety and pedestrians on McClocklin Road in Hampton Village. Would the Administration please look at what could be done where the Westview connector, which joins 37th Street and McClocklin Road’s main school crossing to Caroline Robins School.”

REPORT

The connector that runs between McClocklin Road and 37th Street is an asphalt pathway that joins up with a pathway that leads into Dr. Seager Wheeler Park and to Caroline Robins School. There is a midblock crossing on 37th Street which is currently unmarked.

A pedestrian study was completed on September 16, 2009, during the peak hours of 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., when pedestrian traffic is likely to be the most active. The study indicated that 17 pedestrians used the crossing during these hours.

The section of 37th Street which runs adjacent to Dr. Seager Wheeler Park is classified as a collector roadway with an expected traffic volume of between 8,000 to 10,000 vehicles per day. It is surrounded by residential housing and has a posted speed limit of 50 kph. It is also a transit route.

Since the pathway is a critical link between the Westview and Hampton Village neighbourhoods, and is likely also used by pedestrians and cyclists during non-peak hours, it is the Administration’s

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opinion that the location should be improved for safety reasons.

The crosswalk on 37th Street, adjacent to the park, will be signed as a midblock crossing, with zebra markings. In addition, curb extensions will be installed on the north and south side of 37th Street, which will allow for better visibility of pedestrians and cyclists.

The curb extensions will be installed this spring/summer on a temporary basis, until proven effective.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The installation of the temporary curb extensions, at a cost of approximately \$1,000, will be included within Capital Project 1512 - Neighborhood Traffic Management.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**E4) Enquiry – Councillor B. Pringle (November 30, 2009)
Pedestrian Safety Program – Signage – Children with Disabilities
(File No. CK. 6280-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

BACKGROUND

The following enquiry was made by Councillor B. Pringle at the meeting of City Council held on November 30, 2009:

“A family recently moved here from Regina, locating in Stonebridge, and they have a child with a hearing impairment. They are requesting that we install appropriate signage to advise motorists on either side of Robert H. Freeland Park on Galloway Road to watch out for children who cannot hear the traffic – similar to Regina’s pedestrian safety program for children with disabilities.”

REPORT

The City of Regina’s Hearing or Visually Impaired Sign Program is a request-based program in which parents or guardians may apply for installation of a “Hearing” or “Visually Disabled” sign to be placed in front of their homes. The warning sign is accompanied by a reduced speed limit sign of 30 kilometres per hour (kph). The signs remain in place until the child’s 12th birthday.

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Currently, the City of Saskatoon has no such program, policies, or guidelines in place which regulates the installation of warning signs for children who are deaf/hearing impaired or have a visual disability.

This practice is not standard and not outlined in the manual for uniform traffic control devices for Canada (MUTCD-C). Creating an additional reduced speed limit of 30 kph for children with disabilities is not recommended, as it would increase constriction of traffic mobility and motorists could confuse these locations with the reduced speeds already in place for school zones.

Since the installation of hearing and visual impairment signs with reduced speed zones are not standard practice, Infrastructure Services is not recommending the installation of these signs in conjunction with a 30 kph speed limit. However, in order to bring further attention on the concerns of Robert H. Freeland Park and motorists, "Playground Ahead" warning signs have been placed in advance which are located on both sides of the park on Galloway Road.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be referred to the Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee.

E5) Extension of School Zone on Hart Road
(Files CK. 6280-1 and IS. 6280-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that Council approve to extend the school zone on Bowlt Crescent onto Hart Road, as outlined in Attachment 1.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The Principal of Tommy Douglas Collegiate requested Infrastructure Services to re-examine the school zone area to include Hart Road. There are concerns with vehicle speeds on Hart Road as they approach the school site, and it is perceived that there have been a number of pedestrian accidents. Many students from both Tommy Douglas Collegiate and Bethlehem High School cross Hart Road as a daily route to school. Currently, there is a school zone on Bowlt Crescent. School zones are placed directly in the vicinity of the school site, typically on the roadway fronting the school.

REPORT

In response to the concern identified above, a review of the area was conducted in April 2010.

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Tommy Douglas Collegiate, Bethlehem Catholic High School, as well as the Shaw Leisure Centre are located on Bowlt Crescent. Both east and west legs of Bowlt Crescent intersect with Hart Road. Each intersection is currently controlled by three-way stop signs. Further, there is a mid-block active pedestrian corridor placed east of the intersection of Hart Road and Bowlt Crescent East. An active pedestrian corridor utilizes flashing amber lights, activated by push button, to notify motorists of a pedestrian's intention to cross the street, and acts as a main protected route for students to commute back and forth to school. Although advance warning signs of the corridor do exist, the corridor is located around a curve in street geometry and may be difficult for motorists to identify.

To extend the school zone would assist motorists in being more aware of the corridor decreasing pedestrian accidents.

Since the three crossing points on Hart Road are considered main routes for students to commute to the schools, the Administration is recommending that the school zone be extended onto Hart Road to include these crossing points, as indicated on Plan 210-0082-013r004 (Attachment 1).

OPTIONS

No further options will be considered.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The proposed school zone extension is in accordance with Policy C07-015: Reduced Speed Zones for Schools.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

To install the appropriate signage will cost \$500 and will be taken from Capital Budget 1506-Traffic Signing Upgrades.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Plan 210-0082-013r004

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E6) Appointment of Weed Inspector - 2010
The Noxious Weed Act
(File No. CK. 4200-8)

RECOMMENDATION: that Mr. Dave McKee and Ms. Charity Williams, of the Infrastructure Services Department, be appointed as the City of Saskatoon's 2010 Weed Inspectors, in accordance with the provisions of *The Noxious Weed Act*.

ADOPTED.

Section 7, Article 1 of *The Noxious Weed Act* (Saskatchewan) requires that City Council appoint a weed inspector(s) annually. To carry out this year's program, weed inspectors are required for a six-month period, from May 1 to October 31, 2010.

It is recommended that Mr. Dave McKee, Supervisor, Pest Management, Infrastructure Services Department, Parks Branch; and Ms. Charity Williams, Weed Inspector, Infrastructure Services Department, Parks Branch, be appointed as the City of Saskatoon's 2010 Weed Inspectors to fulfill this requirement.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

E7) Post Budget Approval
Capital Project 1552 – IS – Remote Data Entry
Infrastructure Services Capital Reserve
Remote Data Entry Project
(Files CK. 261-1, x 1702-1, x 1815-1 and IS. 1000-1)

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that a post budget adjustment be approved for Capital Project 1552 – IS - Remote Data Entry, to fund a \$20,000 shortfall for the Remote Data Entry Project, to be funded from the 2011 allocation to the Infrastructure Services Capital Reserve;
- 2) that the sole source proposal submitted by Zybertech Construction Software Services, for the development and implementation of a web-based, remote payroll data entry system, at a total estimated cost of \$46,900, including G.S.T. and P.S.T., and implementation and travel costs estimated at no more than \$7,000, be accepted; and

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- 3) that the Corporate Services Department, Purchasing Services Branch issue the purchase order.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

Approved Capital Project 1552 – IS – Remote Data Entry includes funding in the amount of \$25,000 for the development of a web-based, remote data entry system, in order to increase the efficiency of processing payroll.

The Administration issued a sole source Request for Proposal to Zybertech Construction Software Services to develop and implement the remote payroll data entry application for integration with the City of Saskatoon’s Sage Timberline payroll/job costing system. Zybertech Construction Software Services is the consultant who customized the Timberline system for the City of Saskatoon, therefore, they have the knowledge required to make the improvements.

Zybertech Construction Software Services submitted a proposal to carry out the scope of the project at a cost of \$39,900, including G.S.T. and P.S.T., plus implementation and travel costs estimated at no more than \$7,000, for a total project cost of \$46,900.

The Administration is recommending that the proposal from Zybertech Construction Software Services be accepted, which will result in an overall funding shortfall estimated at \$20,000.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The net cost to the City of Saskatoon for the proposal submitted by Zybertech Construction Software Services is as follows:

Proposal Price	\$ 38,000
G.S.T.	\$ 1,900
SUBTOTAL	\$ 39,900
Less G.S.T. Rebate	\$ 1,900
Net Cost to the City of Saskatoon	\$ 38,000

The overall project cost, based on the proposal from Zybertech Construction Software Services, excluding G.S.T., is as follows:

Proposal Cost	\$ 38,000
Implementation and Travel Costs	\$ 7,000
Total Project Costs	\$ 45,000
Previously Approved Funds	\$ 25,000
Funding Shortfall	\$ 20,000

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The Administration is recommending that the \$20,000 shortfall be funded from the 2011 allocation to the Infrastructure Services Capital Reserve.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**E8) Newsham Recreation Fields – Lighting System Replacement
Purchase Requisition No. 68360
Sole Source Purchase Order
(Files CK. 4205-1 and 4205-1 IS)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the City Manager be authorized to sole source goods and services over \$100,000, to an aggregate total of \$350,000.00, within the 2009 Capital Budget CBCM Project 1135 for the repair of soccer lighting poles.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The lighting systems for the two soccer fields including poles, lights and controlling system are an original 1980 installation. Power is currently supplied by 120 volt single phase service. The current 12 light support poles are cedar wood poles, 10 feet in ground x 60 feet above grade, with the middle set used for both fields. The wood poles were density tested by Saskatoon Light and Power in 2007, with approval for continued use.

As of April 11th, one of the middle poles broke off at ground level in high wind conditions, destroying the 11 lights. Based upon the evident wood rot, a drill core sampling was done a foot below the grade on the remaining poles. The sampling report has shown two more poles need replacement.

Due to the potential failure hazard and subsequent public safety concern, expediency is required to take down the two weakened poles. However this creates insufficient lighting coverage for evening games, starting on May 11th. Leisure Services requires sufficient lighting for night games, however they have postponed the night game schedule to provide a window of opportunity to install a replacement system by the first week in July.

REPORT

In order to meet the required time line and to mitigate the potential public safety concern, we are proposing to sole source purchase Musco Sports Lighting System equipment. Currently, Griffiths Stadium and the SaskTel Soccer Center have this type of system installed. The lighting system has been designed and quoted to us by Musco, at their cost. Their equipment package includes

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poles, piers, cabinets and lighting. The six poles are a combination of concrete pier and metal poles 70 feet in height. The package has a 25 year warranty that includes labour and material costs for failure replacement, and one free complete re-lamp in approximately 5000 hours. The system is controlled via wireless internet communications for Musco monitoring, programming use, and system failure warning.

We plan to engage AIM Electrical Ltd under a current blanket purchase order to install the lighting system. We have engaged Electrical and Geotechnical Consultants to provide site design information.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The categories of the temporary works and repair are as follows:

1. Purchase of Musco Lighting System Package	\$ 136,500.00
2. Construction Installation and Design Consulting and Service Upgrade	\$ 139,500.00
3. Construction Consultant Design and Project Fees	\$ 40,000.00
4. Contingency Costs	\$ 15,000.00
	Sub Total \$ 331,000.00
	GST \$ <u>16,550.00</u>
	\$ 347,550.00

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Section F – UTILITY SERVICES

**F1) 2007 Annual Report – Access Transit
Scheduling of Renal Dialysis Trips
(Files CK. 430-17 and WT. 430-17)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

BACKGROUND

During its meeting held on December 1, 2008, City Council received the 2007 Access Transit Annual Report and resolved, in part:

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- “2) that the Administration report on the projected needs of Access Transit for renal dialysis in 2009, and on whether these trips can be scheduled at other than peak hours; and,
- 3) that the Administration also report on what incentives could be built into the Access Transit system that would alleviate the strain on peak hour service.”

REPORT

The projected increase in demand for dialysis is estimated to increase by approximately 10% per year, according to the Kidney Foundation of Saskatchewan. From 2004 to 2008, Access Transit provided approximately 8,000 trips annually to St. Paul's Hospital. In 2009, Access Transit provided 9,364 trips to clients travelling to renal dialysis treatments. The 10% estimated annual increase by the Kidney Foundation of Saskatchewan appears to be reflected in our ridership.

The scheduled session times for dialysis are 7:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 5:00 p.m. The morning and afternoon peak times do not cause a significant conflict with peak work-commute times as, by and large, dialysis patients are delivered to their destinations just prior to the peak periods. Overall, Access Transit ridership throughout the day is reasonably well balanced.

The City's Administration met on two occasions with Senior Administration from the Saskatoon Health Region in 2009 to discuss the challenges and costs associated with providing accessible transportation for dialysis treatments and Saskatoon Health Region Adult Day Programs. During these discussions, the topic of transportation being an integral part of the Saskatoon Health Region's long-term plan, and the need to work together and develop a comprehensive and coordinated strategy was the focal point of discussions.

During these meetings, Access Transit provided Saskatoon Health Region Senior Administration with the number of trips and the estimated cost (based on the 2008 cost per trip figures). After reviewing a proposal from the City based on a 6-year phased-in funding strategy which would have seen the Health Region fully fund the \$290,000 annual cost of trips associated with dialysis and Adult Day Programs, the Health Region responded with a \$28,000 cheque for 2009 services and a commitment to continue to work together on this issue. The Administration is thankful to the Health Region for this 2009 funding contribution and their commitment to continue to work together.

Incentives that could be built into the Access Transit system to alleviate the strain on peak hour service are limited. Some larger cities give free rides to paratransit customers on conventional transit to help alleviate the strain on peak hour service. However, in Saskatoon the Access Transit and conventional Transit fare structures are parallel. Additionally, the majority of Access Transit customers purchase monthly or annual passes, making the free trip incentive largely redundant.

Some of our present customers utilize both Transit and Access Transit services on occasion. However, their integrated use of Access Transit and conventional transit service is seasonally limited. During winter months, some customers who use mobility devices have great difficulty

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maneuvering on the snow and ice covered roads and sidewalks. In addition, during the bitterly cold spells, battery-operated mobility devices are not reliable, and low-floor buses quite often will not kneel. It is during such times, their only option is to use Access Transit. This becomes quite evident as these are the months when trip request denials for Access Transit are the highest.

Access Transit's Administration will be developing a Ride-Trainer Program. This program will be designed to educate and encourage all current and future Access Transit registered customers to optimize their trip destination needs by using conventional Transit in conjunction with Access Transit.

This program has experienced different levels of success at other paratransit properties in Canada, alleviating some of the pressure on the paratransit service by shifting educated customers to conventional transit service. This creates more capacity on paratransit buses which translates into more accommodated trip requests and fewer denials. Paratransit users benefit by having more travel options and more spontaneity, which translates into a better quality of life. As previously mentioned, due to our climate, this program is subject to seasonal constraints.

Access Transit continues to use taxi cabs at strategic times to assist the current service in an effort to accommodate our customers and keep "denials" to a minimum.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

- IT WAS RESOLVED:* 1) *that the information be received; and*
- 2) *that the report be forwarded to the Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee as information.*

F2) Transit Bus Structural Repairs
Capital Project #0583: Replacement/Refurb Buses
(Files CK. 1402-1 and WT 1402-6)

- RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that Administration proceed with the structural repairs and bus refurbishment of up to 40 buses in 2010 and 2011 on a bus-by-bus basis;
- 2) that in addition to the \$560,000 allocated to bus refurbishment in 2010, an additional \$450,000 be allocated to refurbishments in lieu of the purchase of one of the five replacement buses planned to be purchased in 2010; and,

- 3) that the Administration submit a further report to Council on the impact of this refurbishment strategy on Transit's bus replacement plan, including the medium and long term financial impact to the Transit Vehicle Replacement Reserve.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with the presentation of the speaker. See Page No. 61

**F3) Pre-feasibility Report – Hydropower Station at the Saskatoon Weir
Saskatoon Light & Power
Capital Project 1281: Electrical Supply Options – Generation Alternatives
(File No. CK. 2300-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with the presentation of the speaker. See Page No. 64

Section G – CITY MANAGER

**G1) Communications to Council
From: Sharissa Unger
Saskatoon Lindy Hop Inc.
Date: April 14, 2010
Subject: Request for Extension of Noise Bylaw - Weekly Drop-In
Dance Lesson and Music at River Landing Amphitheatre
(Files CK. 185-9, x CK. 5608-1 and CC. 4130-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the request on behalf of Saskatoon Lindy Hop Inc., to extend the Noise Bylaw to 10:00 p.m. on Tuesday evenings from May 4, 2010 to September 28, 2010 inclusive, be approved.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

City Council, at its meeting held on April 26, 2010, considered the request from Saskatoon Lindy Hop Inc., for extension of the Noise Bylaw for weekly drop-in dance lessons and music at the River Landing Amphitheatre. City Council passed a motion that the matter be referred to the Administration for a report to the May 10, 2010, meeting.

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The River Landing Amphitheatre is a facility that user groups book through the Allocations Office, Leisure Services Branch, Community Services Department. In 2009, 42 events were held at the Amphitheatre between May 1 and October 2. The events included 5 weddings and 37 musical performances.

In 2010 the Leisure Services Branch has already received 84 activity bookings for this facility between May 1 and October 31. Bookings are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. The Amphitheatre is increasing in popularity, due to the location and increased awareness on the part of user groups that it is a free public use facility. User groups fill out a Park Special Event Application which is received at the Leisure Services Branch, Allocations Office. Applications are reviewed by the Leisure Services Branch to ensure the event is a compatible use for the space.

Saskatoon Lindy Hop Inc. is a non-profit group which has requested use of the River Landing Amphitheatre each Tuesday evening, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., from May 4, 2010, to September 28, 2010 inclusive. The non-profit group is offering free swing dance lessons and music, open to the public, at the venue. The music will be amplified during their event. Currently, amplified music is only allowed until 9:00 p.m. on Tuesdays. Your Administration has reviewed the application and recommends approval of the request to extend the Noise Bylaw to 10:00 p.m. on Tuesdays.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 6-2010

Section A – OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

**A1) 2009 Municipal Election
Disclosure of Campaign Contributions and Expenses
(File No. CK. 255-5-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

City Council, at its meeting held on March 27, 2006, passed *Bylaw No. 8491, The Campaign Disclosure and Spending Limits Bylaw, 2006*. The bylaw requires that all candidates for City Council file a Statement of Election Expenses/Contributions with the Returning Officer on or before the first working day of May in the year immediately following the year in which an election is held. The Statement of Election Expenses/Contributions consists of a Statutory Declaration (Schedule A) indicating the total campaign contributions and the total campaign expenses of the candidate, a list (Schedule B) of the contributor names and amount for all contributions exceeding \$250.00 and, for Mayor candidates only, an audited statement of campaign revenues and expenses (Schedule C).

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Section 10 of the *Bylaw* provides that all documents filed with the Returning Officer are public documents and, at any time after the filing deadline (which is May 3, 2010 for the 2009 election), may be inspected at the office of the City Clerk during regular office hours. The *Bylaw* further states that the Returning Officer shall forward to Council and also post in a conspicuous place a report summarizing the campaign contributions and campaign expenses of each candidate, with a notation for any candidate who has exceeded the limit on campaign expenses (i.e. \$100,000 for Mayor candidates and \$10,000 for Councillor candidates), and the names of any candidates who fail to file the required disclosure statements.

Attached is a summary of the disclosures filed to date. It has been posted in the lobby of City Hall and on the City's website.

There were twenty-eight candidates, five of whom failed to file the required disclosures by the May 3rd deadline. One candidate, Vince Hilbert, filed on May 4th. None of the candidates who filed have exceeded the limit on campaign expenses.

The following candidates have failed to file the required disclosure statements by the May 3rd deadline:

Mayor	Roger M. Chernoff Johnny Melenchuk
Ward 2	Doreen Day-Wapass Vincent Hilbert (filed on May 4) Elmer Scheltgen

The following are the penalty provisions of *Bylaw 8491*.

24. (1) Every person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 and, in the case of a continuing offence, to a further fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for each day during which the offence continues.

(2) A conviction for an offence under this Bylaw does not relieve the person convicted from complying with the Bylaw and the convicting judge may, in addition to any fine imposed, order the person to do any act or work, within the time specified by the judge in the order, to comply with the provisions of this Bylaw.

(3) A person to whom an order is directed pursuant to subsection (2), who fails to comply with that order within the time specified by the judge, is guilty of any offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for each day during which the non-compliance continues.

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- (4) If a candidate is the subject of an investigation pursuant to this Bylaw and the candidate is convicted of an offence against this Bylaw based on information obtained pursuant to the investigation, the convicting court may order, in addition to any penalty imposed pursuant to this Bylaw, that the candidate pay all or any costs of the investigation.

City Council, at its meeting held on January 28, 2008, resolved that for all future elections the City Clerk be instructed to prosecute all candidates who are in breach of the Bylaw as of the day after the filing deadline. Accordingly, the matter has been forwarded to the Crown Prosecutor's Office.

There is also provision in the bylaw for handling complaints that candidates have filed false, misleading or incomplete disclosures. Complaints are to be filed with the City Clerk, must be in writing, and must contain the name, mailing address and telephone number of the complainant; the name of the candidate who is the subject of the complaint; the nature of the complaint and the material upon which the complaint is made; and the name, address and telephone number of any person that may have any information that will assist in the investigation of the complaint. Complaints will be forwarded to the Election Disclosure Complaints Officer for investigation. The Election Disclosure Complaints Officer may either dismiss the complaint or uphold the complaint, and the decision is final. If the complaint is upheld, the Election Disclosure Complaints Officer shall send a copy of the decision to the City Clerk with a recommendation that the matter be referred for review as to whether a prosecution is warranted.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Summary of disclosures filed

The City Clerk advised that the matter has been referred to an independent lawyer and not the Crown Prosecutor's Office as indicated in her report.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the information be received.

A2) **2010 Capital Budget**
Capital Project 1883 – Electronic Records Management
Documentum 6.5 Upgrade and Migration
(File No. CK. 267-11)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the consulting services proposal and additional software components from WesternIM, and the purchase of software components from EMC Corporation for the Documentum 6.5 upgrade and additional software licensing, as set out in this report;
 - 2) that the City Manager and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon, under the Corporate Seal, the appropriate contract documents for the WesternIM component, as prepared by the City Solicitor; and
 - 3) that the Purchasing Services Manager be authorized to issue the appropriate purchase order to EMC Corporation for the purchase of software to upgrade to Documentum 6.5, as well as licensing for additional software, subject to available funding following the upgrade.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The City implemented Foremost as an electronic records management system in 2000. Since that time, the system has been fully utilized in the City Clerk's Office and implemented on a limited basis in all other departments. The electronic records management system has undergone changes in ownership and is now called EMC Documentum Records Manager owned by EMC Corporation. WesternIM has provided support and consulting services for this software as a third party service provider.

REPORT

Capital Project 1883 – City Clerk's – Electronic Records Management includes funding for a major upgrade to the Electronic Records Management system and continuation of the implementation of the system throughout the corporation.

The upgrade to Documentum 6.5 is necessary as the current version of the software is no longer supported by the vendor and it no longer has full functionality with the current software used by the City (Microsoft Office 2007®). In addition, continuation of the implementation of the electronic records management system in all departments is essential to manage the continued

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growth of electronic records in the City and to adhere to the Retention and Disposition Schedules pursuant to *The Cities Act*.

The Administration wishes to continue using the existing software as it has addressed our electronic records management needs over the past ten years and with this upgrade, will allow us to continue further implementation.

The Administration is seeking approval to sole source the consulting services and software components to WesternIM at the following costs:

Professional Services	
(Upgrade, Migration and Training)	\$ 84,400
Software Components and Training Materials	<u>\$ 21,800</u>
Subtotal	\$106,200
G.S.T. (5%)	\$ 5,310
P.S.T. (5%)	<u>\$ 5,310</u>
Total Cost to the City	\$116,820
Less G.S.T. Rebate	5,310
Net Cost to the City	<u><u>\$111,510</u></u>

The above quote is based on the Corporate Information Services Branch assisting with the migration. In the event that additional work by WesternIM is required, this additional time will be invoiced at the quoted hourly rate of \$160.

The Administration is also seeking approval to sole source further software licensing to EMC Corporation, estimated as follows:

Upgrade Licensing Components	\$22,000
G.S.T. (5%)	\$ 1,100
P.S.T. (5%)	<u>\$ 1,100</u>
Total Cost to the City	\$24,200
G.S.T. Rebate	<u>\$ 1,100</u>
Net Cost to the City	<u><u>\$23,100</u></u>

In addition, hardware components for the upgrade are estimated between \$60,000 and \$75,000. Those will be ordered through the Corporate Information Services blanket order. Estimates for the professional services and hardware have come in higher than budgeted. The Administration has made necessary adjustments to the project to delay purchase of additional licensing for further implementations to 2011 should the final costs exceed the approved 2010 Capital Budget (\$179,000) and funding remaining in the 2009 Capital Budget (\$30,000). Further budget implications will be reported on as part of the 2011 Capital Budget/2012-2015 Capital Plan.

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POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications. The Corporate Purchasing Policy requires Council approval for sole sources purchases over \$100,000.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**A3) City of Saskatoon Municipal Manual - 2010
(File No. CK. 369-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

I am pleased to present the 2010 City of Saskatoon Municipal Manual for the information of Council. The Manual is available for viewing on the City's website at www.saskatoon.ca, City Clerk's Office, Reports and Publications.

Copies of the municipal manual are available in the City Clerk's Office for a cost of \$5.25, including G.S.T.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. 2010 Municipal Manual

Section B – OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

**B1) Proposed Amendments to Capital Reserve Bylaw 6774
Creation of a Grounds Maintenance Equipment Acquisition Reserve
(Files CK. 1815-1 and IS. 1815-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8838.

ADOPTED.

City Council at its meeting on April 12, 2010, adopted Clause E6, Administrative Report No. 6-2010, which recommended the establishment of a Parks Branch Grounds Maintenance

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Equipment Acquisition Reserve. Our Office was requested to prepare the necessary amendments to The Capital Reserve Bylaw No. 6774 to establish this reserve.

In that regard, we are pleased to submit for Council's consideration The Capital Reserve Amendment Bylaw, 2010.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8838, The Capital Reserve Amendment Bylaw, 2010

**B2) Dogs and Cats in Riverbank Parks
(File No. CK. 151-15, x 4205-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider proposed Bylaw No. 8842.

ADOPTED.

City Council, at its meeting held on April 26, 2010, considered the above matter during its review of the 2010 Operating Budget and resolved that Rotary Park and Friendship Park be removed from the list of parks where pets are prohibited under Bylaw No. 7860, The Animal Control Bylaw, 1999 and that the City Solicitor be instructed to update the bylaw accordingly.

The attached Bylaw removes Rotary Park and Friendship Park from the areas which are designated as prohibited areas for dogs and cats.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8842, The Animal Control Amendment Bylaw, 2010 (No. 2).

REPORT NO. 7-2010 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. 2009 Annual Report – Traffic Safety Committee
(File No. CK. 430-59)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the information be received; and
 - 2) that the general matter of the mandate of the Traffic Safety Committee be referred to the Executive Committee for review.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the Annual Report of the Traffic Safety Committee dated March 29, 2010, outlining the activities undertaken by the Traffic Safety Committee in 2009.

In reviewing the report with the Chair, your Committee has determined that it has been some time since the mandate of the Traffic Safety Committee has been reviewed in terms of dealing with policy matters relating to traffic safety. As such, your Committee is recommending that the general matter of the mandate be referred to the Executive Committee for review.

2. 2009 Leisure Access Program Annual Report
(Files CK. 430-74 x 5500-1 and LS. 1720-8)

- RECOMMENDATION:** that the Agency Card component of the Leisure Access Program be approved as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 6, 2010.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 6, 2010, providing the 2009 Annual Report of the Leisure Access Program.

Your Committee has reviewed the report with the Administration and supports the above recommendation regarding approval of the Agency Card component for the Leisure Access

Program. In discussions with your Committee, it was determined that the Administration will review the feasibility of including the settlement serving agencies in the Agency Card component of the Leisure Access Program.

3. Saskatoon Gang Prevention Strategy – Annual Report
(Files CK. 430-34, x 5400-1 and LS. 430-8)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 19, 2010, with the Administration and is forwarding the report to City Council for information.

Copies of the brochure on the Saskatoon Gang Prevention Strategy have already been provided to City Council members. A copy of the brochure is available on the City's website at www.saskatoon.ca under the City Clerk's Office, "Reports and Publications".

4. Innovative Housing Incentive Application
Mortgage Flexibilities Support Program
50015 Saskatchewan Ltd. – 1718 and 1724 – 22nd Street West
(Files CK. 750-4 and PL. 951-77)

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that funding of 10 percent of the total project cost, estimated at \$120,600, for the construction of six affordable housing units by 50015 Saskatchewan Ltd. be approved under City of Saskatoon Policy C09-002 (Innovative Housing Incentives);
- 2) that these six affordable housing units be designated under the Mortgage Flexibilities Support Program, as defined in Section 3.8 of City of Saskatoon Policy C09-002 (Innovative Housing Incentives); and
- 3) that the Administration report to City Council on the possibility of a more streamlined approval process for those applications that fall within established guidelines and policy under the Innovative Housing Incentives Program.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 15, 2010, with respect to the above application.

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Your Committee has reviewed this matter with the Administration and supports the recommendations relating to the application, as outlined above.

Your Committee is also recommending that the Administration provide a report to City Council on streamlining the approval process for those applications that fall within established guidelines and policy under the Innovative Housing Incentives Program, including the possibility of delegation of authority to the Administration in those instances.

**5. New Rental Construction Land Cost Rebate Program –
JMT Tomas Holdings Ltd. – 110 33rd Street West
(Files CK. 750-4 x 1965-1 and PL. 952-6-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a five-year tax abatement of the incremental taxes be applied to the subject property; and
 - 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 April 15, 2010, with respect to an application for a five-year tax abatement relating to the above project.

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

**6. Central Urban Métis Federation (1993) Inc.
Affordable Rental Units – 116 Avenue P South
(Files CK. 750-4 and PL. 951-80)**

- RECOMMENDATION:** that funding of 10 percent of the total project cost for the renovation of 11 affordable rental units by Central Urban Métis Federation (1993) Inc., totalling \$187,495, from the Affordable Housing Reserve be approved.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 12, 2010, with respect to the above application for funding assistance under the Innovative Housing Incentives Program.

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

**7. New Rental Construction Land Cost Rebate Program
Suncliff Enterprise Ltd. – 1632 and 1638 Avenue B North
(Files CK. 750-4 x 1965-1 and PL. 952-6-4)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the application for funding of \$20,000 for the creation of four semi-detached rental units by Suncliff Enterprises Ltd. be approved;
 - 2) that a five-year tax abatement on the incremental taxes for this project be applied commencing the next taxation year following completion of the project; and
 - 3) that the City Solicitor's Office be instructed to prepare the necessary Incentive Agreement and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the City of Saskatoon.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 16, 2010, regarding the above application.

Your Committee has reviewed the report with the Administration and supports the recommendations from the Administration, as outlined above.

**8. Annual Status Report – Downtown Housing Incentives Program
(Files CK. 430-70 x 1965-1 and PL. 4130-3)**

- RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 16, 2010, with the Administration and is forwarding the report to City Council for information.

9. Capital Project No. 1936 – CY – Pool Site
Award of Professional Consultant Services
(Files CK. 613-7 and LS. 613-5)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the proposal by Stantec Architecture Ltd., to provide full consultant services for the replacement of the Mayfair Pool, for the estimated professional fee of \$382,600.00 (including P.S.T. and G.S.T., solar consulting extra) be approved; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary agreement and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 21, 2010, with respect to the above matter.

10. Enquiry – Councillor G. Wyant (November 30, 2009)
Curb Cuts – Lenore Drive and
Enquiry – Councillor B. Dubois (September 28, 2009)
Accessibility – Rever Road and Attridge Drive; Central Avenue and Attridge Drive
(Files CK. 6150-1, 6220-1 and 5200-1)

- RECOMMENDATION:** that the Administration submit a report to the Budget Committee with an implementation plan for accessibility ramp locations.

ADOPTED.

City Council, at its meeting held on November 30, 2009, received the following enquiry from Councillor Wyant:

“Would the Administration please report on plans and timing for improving access along Lenore Drive for people with disabilities by way of the addition of additional curb cuts from Primrose Drive to Wanuskewin Drive.”

At its meeting held on March 1, 2010, City Council considered Clause E4, Administrative Report No. 3-2010, copy attached, in response to the following enquiry from Councillor Dubois:

“Would the Administration please review the intersection of Rever Road and Attridge Drive and Central Avenue and Attridge Drive, in regards to having a slope to allow wheelchairs, scooters and bikes to be able to cross at these intersections, as opposed to going around the

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cement boulevards through the traffic to cross the street which is extremely dangerous for them.”

City Council referred the matter to your Committee to consider the feasibility of requiring the construction of ramps in all new neighbourhoods.

During review of this matter, your Committee has asked for further clarification of the standards for new neighbourhood. The Administration has submitted the attached revised report from the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated May 10, 2010, to clarify this and to provide further details of the criteria for prioritizing locations.

Your Committee has reviewed the above matters with the Administration and is supporting the recommendation for further reporting to the Budget Committee on an implementation plan for accessibility ramps.

The Final Report on the Implementation of Accessibility Action Plan dated October 2008, as referenced in the above report of the Administration, is available for review on the City’s website www.saskatoon.ca under the City Clerk’s Office, “Reports and Publications”.

**11. Saskatoon Northwest Access Management Study Report
and Access Management Plan
(Files CK. 6000-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Saskatoon Northwest Access Management Study Report be received as information; and
 - 2) that the Access Management Plan be approved in principle.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated April 20, 2010, with respect to the above matter.

A copy of the North West Access Management Study Report is available for viewing in the City Clerk’s Office. Copies of the Saskatoon Northwest Area Highway Access Management drawing are provided for City Council members and a copy is available on the City’s website www.saskatoon.ca as part of this report.

12. Sidewalk Asset Management Status
(File No. CK. 6220-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 21, 2010 with the Administration and is forwarding the report to City Council for information. Your Committee was advised that a further report regarding funding and service level options will be submitted to the Budget Committee for consideration during the 2011 Capital Budget deliberations.

Copies of the colour attachments to the above report are provided to City Council members and a copy is available on the City's website www.saskatoon.ca as part of this report.

13. Woodlawn Cemetery – Assurance Fund and Perpetual Care Fund
(Files CK. 4080-1, x1720-4 and 1704-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the following recommendations be submitted to the Budget Committee for consideration during the 2011 Operating Budget review:

- 1) that a Cemetery Assurance Fund be established, commencing in 2011, with the annual amount of 50% of the 2011 unused prepaid purchases of cemetery services (approximately \$90,000) being funded from the 2011 mill rate;
- 2) that the annual calculated amount to increase the Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund balance (\$114,000 in 2011), be funded from the mill rate, and continue to be funded from the mill rate until the shortfall in the Fund has been remedied; and
- 3) that cemetery fees be increased each year, keeping in mind the impact to market share, until there is no longer a requirement for mill rate funding.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the attached report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated April 20, 2010, with respect to the above matter.

REPORT NO. 9-2010 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

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

**1. 2009 Annual Report – Advisory Committee on Animal Control
(File No. CK. 430-63)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed the attached Annual Report of the Advisory Committee on Animal Control dated April 6, 2010, and is pleased to forward the report to City Council as information.

**2. 2010 Assistance to Community Groups – Cash Grants
Environmental Component
(File No. CK. 1871-10)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the following allocations under the Environmental Component of the Assistance to Community Groups – Cash Grants program, be approved:

- \$800 to Kelsey-Woodlawn Community Association;
- \$1,600 to Varsity View Community Association;
- \$1,600 to Organics Connections; and
- \$1,000 to Road Map Saskatoon.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department, dated April 13, 2010, forwarding recommendations regarding cash grants under the Environmental Component of the 2010 Assistance to Community Groups, Cash Grants Program.

Your Committee has reviewed the report with the Administration and supports the recommended allocations.

**3. Recycling Options
Strategy and Proposed Direction
(File No. CK. 7830-5)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department dated April 27, 2010 providing an update on the processes and sequence of events proposed for community education and engagement in the development of a recycling program.

Your Committee has reviewed the report in detail with Administration and the discussion highlighted a number of suggestions for consideration in terms of timing, consultation processes, utilization of social and print media, and opportunities for input from youth, newcomer groups, business groups and community associations.

In addition, your Committee appreciates that the timeframe to complete all of the steps is tight if the intent is to implement a new program in 2011. In this regard, your Committee has approved flexibility in the timing of Phase I consultation, if necessary, to the third week of June (instead of June 8 and 9). It has also requested that the Administration provide a further report no later than the last meeting in June, which would include details of the Phase II engagement and education process. Finally, the referenced report has also been forwarded to the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee for information and any input to Administration.

REPORT NO. 6-2010 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. Appointment to Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Committee
(File No. CK. 225-40)**

RECOMMENDATION: that Mr. Cort Dogniez be appointed to the Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Committee for 2010, replacing Ms. Evelyn Peters.

ADOPTED.

Ms. Evelyn Peters has resigned from the Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Committee.

**2. Appointment to the Centennial Auditorium and Convention Centre
Board of Directors
(File No. CK. 175-28)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the City's representative be instructed to vote the City's proxy at its next meeting for the appointment of Mr. Paul Jaspar to the Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre Corporation Board of Directors throughout a term expiring at the conclusion of the 2012 Annual General Meeting, replacing Mr. Basil Hughton.

ADOPTED.

Mr. Basil Hughton has resigned from the Centennial Auditorium and Convention Centre Board of Directors."

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His Worship the Mayor assumed the Chair.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

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

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

B. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

1) Tamara Yankovich, Rotary Clubs of Saskatoon, dated March 29

City Council has proclaimed Rotary Week in Saskatoon May 17 to 23, 2010. The Rotary Clubs of Saskatoon is also requesting the City fly its flag during this time.

RECOMMENDATION: that the request by the Rotary Clubs of Saskatoon to fly its flag from May 17 to 23, 2010 be approved subject to any administration conditions.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the request by the Rotary Clubs of Saskatoon to fly its flag from May 17 to 23, 2010 be approved subject to any administration conditions.

CARRIED.

2) Kathy Janzen, Cornerstone Church, dated April 21

Requesting an extension of the time that amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw on Sunday, June 20, 2010, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., in conjunction with a Father's Day Show & Shine Event. (File No. CK. 185-9)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the request for an extension of the time that amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw on Sunday, June 20, 2010, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., in conjunction with a Father's Day Show & Shine Event be granted.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT the request for an extension of the time that amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw on Sunday, June 20, 2010, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., in conjunction with a Father's Day Show & Shine Event be granted.

CARRIED.

3) Ed Onishenko, dated April 21

Requesting permission to set off fireworks at 454 Konihowski Road on June 18, 2010.
(File No. CK. 2500-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration for a report to the May 25th meeting.

CARRIED.

4) Elan Strueby and Dean Potapinski, dated April 23

Commenting on a neighbouring pigeon loft. (File No. CK. 151-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration to report to the Advisory Committee on Animal Control.

CARRIED.

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5) Dorothy Johnstone, Caswell Community Association, dated April 28

Requesting an extension of the time amplified sound can be heard under the Noise Bylaw on Sunday, June 27, 2010, at Ashworth Holmes Park from noon until 5:00 p.m. in conjunction with 9th annual arts festival. (File No. CK. 185-9)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request for an extension of the time that amplified sound can be heard under the Noise Bylaw on Sunday, June 27, 2010, at Ashworth Holmes Park from noon until 5:00 p.m. in conjunction with 9th annual arts festival be granted.

Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the request for an extension of the time that amplified sound can be heard under the Noise Bylaw on Sunday, June 27, 2010, at Ashworth Holmes Park from noon until 5:00 p.m. in conjunction with 9th annual arts festival be granted.

CARRIED.

6) Debby Claude, on behalf of the Saskatoon Farmers' Market and Ideas Inc. dated April 28

Requesting permission to close Sonneschien Way on Saturdays from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m., starting June 12, 2010 and ending October 9, 2010, for the purpose of opening a market. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request to close Sonneschien Way on Saturdays from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m., starting June 12, 2010 and ending October 9, 2010, to open a market be approved subject to any administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration to review with the Farmers' Market long-term lease agreement.

IN REFERRAL

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the matter be referred to Administration for a report.

THE REFERRAL MOTION WAS PUT CARRIED.

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**7) Shellie Mitchener, Chair, Civic Pancake Breakfast Organizing Committee
dated May 4**

Requesting an extension of the time where amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw on Thursday, June 17, 2010 from 6:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on 23rd Street between 3rd and 4th Avenues, in conjunction with the 36th Annual Civic Pancake Breakfast. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request for an extension of the time where amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw on Thursday, June 17, 2010 from 6:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on 23rd Street between 3rd and 4th Avenues, in conjunction with the 36th Annual Civic Pancake Breakfast be approved subject to any administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the request for an extension of the time where amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw on Thursday, June 17, 2010 from 6:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on 23rd Street between 3rd and 4th Avenues, in conjunction with the 36th Annual Civic Pancake Breakfast be approved subject to any administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

**8) Dave Bilanski, 2012 Prairie Regional HOG Rally Coordinator and
Cathy Allen, Redline Harley-Davidson, dated May 4**

Advising City Council of application to HOG Canada for the 2012 Prairie Regional HOG Rally. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Council express its support for the application to host the 2012 Prairie Regional HOG Rally.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Council express its support for the application to host the 2012 Prairie Regional HOG Rally.

CARRIED.

9) Michelle Prytula, Race Director, Saskatoon Mogathon, dated May 4

Requesting an extension of the time where amplified music/announcements can be played under the Noise Bylaw from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on June 26, 2010, in conjunction with the Saskatoon Mogathon. (File No. CK. 185-9) (This is an amendment of the times from a previous request.)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the request for an extension of the time where amplified music/announcements can be played under the Noise Bylaw from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on June 26, 2010, in conjunction with the Saskatoon Mogathon be granted.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the request for an extension of the time where amplified music/announcements can be played under the Noise Bylaw from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on June 26, 2010, in conjunction with the Saskatoon Mogathon be granted.

CARRIED.

The City Clerk distributed copies of the following late letter for Council's consideration:

10) Lewis Casey, Abduxion Productions, dated May 9

Requesting an extension of the time where amplified music can be played in Rotary Park under the Noise Bylaw from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. on May 15, 2010, in conjunction with the second annual Teddy Bear Picnic. (File No. CK. 185-9)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request for an extension of the time where amplified music can be played in Rotary Park under the Noise Bylaw from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. on May 15, 2010, in conjunction with the second annual Teddy Bear Picnic, be granted.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the request for an extension of the time where amplified music can be played in Rotary Park under the Noise Bylaw from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. on May 15, 2010, in conjunction with the second annual Teddy Bear Picnic, be granted.

CARRIED.

C. INFORMATION ITEMS

1) Margaret (Peggy) Durant, dated April 17

Commenting on recycling and over-filled garbage containers. (File No. CK. 7830-5)

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**2) Denise Savoie, MP, Victoria and Jack Layton, MP, Leader, NDP Canada
dated April 14**

Commenting on Bill C-466 respecting green commuter choices for Canadians.
(File No. CK. 127-1)

3) Art Knight and Vincent Varga, Mendel Art Gallery, dated April 15

Submitting 2009 Annual Report. (File No. CK. 430-1)

4) Dale Buschmann, dated April 23

Commenting on sand remaining on city streets. (File No. CK. 6315-3)

5) Doreen Wilson dated April 24

Commenting on civic spending and proposal to allow skating on the river. (File No. CK. 150-1)

6) Cathy Coutu, dated April 26

Supporting the keeping of chickens in back yards in the city. (File No. CK. 151-1)

7) Nancy Allan, dated April 26

Supporting the keeping of chickens in back yards in the city. (File No. CK. 151-1)

8) Michael Graham, dated April 27

Supporting the keeping of chickens in back yards in the city. (File No. CK. 151-1)

9) Glen Ross, dated April 27

Commenting on Council's decision not to allow chickens to be kept in back yards in the City.
(File No. CK. 151-1)

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10) Susan Lukiwski, dated April 29

Supporting the keeping of chickens in back yards in the city. (File No. CK. 151-1)

11) Sheryl McRorie, TCU Place, dated April 28

Submitting 2009 Centennial Auditorium and Convention Centre Corporation Audited Financial Statements. (File No. CK. 1711-4)

12) David Gabruch, Chair, Board of Revision, dated April 20

Submitting 2009 Annual Report of the Saskatoon Board of Revision. (File No. CK. 430-1)

13) Donald Fletcher, dated May 3

Expressing thanks to City Council for proclaiming May 12, 2010, as Fibromyalgia Awareness Day. (File No. CK. 205-5)

14) Joanne Sproule, Deputy City Clerk, dated April 21

Submitting Notice of Hearing of the Development Appeals Board regarding the property located at 902 Temperance Street. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

15) Joanne Sproule, Deputy City Clerk, dated April 26

Submitting Notice of Hearing of the Development Appeals Board regarding the property located at 10 Moore Place. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

16) Joanne Sproule, Deputy City Clerk, dated April 28

Submitting Notice of Hearing of the Development Appeals Board regarding the property located at 806 48th Street East. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

D. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

1) Julie Gregorash, dated April 21

Recounting an incident on a city bus. (File No. CK. 7300-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

2) Samar Das, dated April 21

Commenting on recent apartment rent increases. (File No. CK. 750-1) **(Referred to Office of the Rentalsman to respond to the writer.)**

3) Sandra Finney and Dennis Schaefer, dated April 23

Commenting on safety issues on the riverbank trails. (File No. CK. 6000-5) **(Referred to the Administration for consideration.)**

4) Carmen Delawski, dated April 23

Commenting on the change rooms at Lakewood Civic Centre. (File No. CK. 610-3) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

5) John Dubets, President, King George Community Association Corp. dated April 22

Commenting on Wolf Willow Housing Project. (File No. CK. 4355-1) **(Referred to the Administration for further handling.)**

6) Carl Heinbigner, dated April 26

Commenting on the need for security in the bus mall and offering assistance. (File No. CK. 150-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

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7) Derrick Thomas, dated April 26

Commenting on a parcel of land in Arbor Creek. (File No. CK. 4000-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

8) Shelley Kitzul, dated April 28

Commenting on water main work. (File No. CK. 7820-5) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)** (Copy of response from Administration dated April 29, 2010 is also attached.)

9) Gayle Wagner, dated April 28

Commenting on the odour from the compost pile in Wilson Park. (File No. CK. 375-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

10) Zach McKeown, dated April 28

Requesting if land in parks can be purchased. (File No. CK. 150-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)** Copy of response from Administration dated April 29, 2010, is also attached.

11) Carla Murray, dated April 28

Commenting on proposed restriction of recreational vehicles on personal property. (File No. CK. 6120-1) **(Referred to Administration and Finance Committee to join with the file.)**

12) Sara Mann, dated April 29

Commenting on proposed restriction of recreational vehicles on personal property. (File No. CK. 6120-1) **(Referred to Administration and Finance Committee to join with the file.)**

13) Jackie Lyons, dated April 29

Commenting on proposed restriction of recreational vehicles on personal property. (File No. CK. 6120-1) **(Referred to Administration and Finance Committee to join with the file.)**

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14) Ken Ellis, dated April 29

Commenting on proposed restriction of recreational vehicles on personal property. (File No. CK. 6120-1) **(Referred to Administration and Finance Committee to join with the file.)**

15) Jana Piro, dated April 29

Commenting on proposed restriction of recreational vehicles on personal property. (File No. CK. 6120-1) **(Referred to Administration and Finance Committee to join with the file.)**

16) Gloria Lemon, dated May 2

Commenting on proposed restriction of recreational vehicles on personal property. (File No. CK. 6120-1) **(Referred to Administration and Finance Committee to join with the file.)**

17) Ron Sereda, dated May 2

Commenting on proposed restriction of recreational vehicles on personal property. (File No. CK. 6120-1) **(Referred to Administration and Finance Committee to join with the file.)**

18) Douglas Jamieson, dated April 30

Commenting on recent issue respecting civic parking passes. **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)** (File No. CK. 6121-1)

19) Ken Achs, President, Mid-West Development (2000) Corp., dated April 23

Commenting on the North Downtown. **(Referred to Administration.)** (File No. CK. 4130-4)

20) Gerry Bungay, dated April 30

Enquiring about discounted senior bus passes. (File No. CK. 7300-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

21) Edward Danneberg, dated May 1

Commenting on landfill charges. (File No. CK. 1905-1) **(Referred to Administration for review.)**

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22) Kayla Grant, dated May 1

Commenting on recent closure to pedestrian access on the Traffic Bridge. (File No. CK. 6050-8) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

23) Marlys Rivard, dated May 1

Commenting on proposed Art Gallery of Saskatchewan. (File No. CK. 4129-15) **(Referred to Mendel Art Gallery for further handling.)**

24) Dennis Lees, dated May 1

Commenting on wheelchair access at Preston Crossing. (File No. CK. 6220-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

25) Berny Poirier, dated May 2

Commenting on condition of alley. (File No. CK. 6315-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

26) Jeff Beck, dated May 3

Commenting on condition of alley. (File No. CK. 6315-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

E. PROCLAMATIONS

1) Randy Dove, General Manager, Riders 2010 Centennial, dated April 19

Requesting City Council proclaim September 12 to 19, 2010 as Rider Centennial Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

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- 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 Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

- 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.

MATTERS REQUIRING PUBLIC NOTICE

- 8a) Investment Policy (Policy No. C12-009 – Portfolio Management)
(File No. CS 1790-3)**
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REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The following is a report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated April 26, 2010:

- RECOMMENDATION:** that the proposed revisions to the Investment Policy (Policy No. C12-009 – Portfolio Management), as outlined in this report, be approved.

BACKGROUND

Corporate Investment Policy was developed to provide policy guidelines relating to the investment of civic funds, the composition and responsibilities of the Investment Committee, and the custodial and settlement procedures for securities. More specifically, City Council Policy C12-009, Portfolio Management, was created to address investment eligibility, credit quality ratings, investment limits, and maturity terms.

The Investment Committee has identified a need to update City Council Policy C12-009 to reflect current investment practice, to explore the potential of alternative investments, and to ensure that proper compliance is in place to govern the portfolio management process. In addition, a recent Cash, Debt and Investment Audit conducted by Robert Prosser and Associates Inc. brought forward several recommendations including the following:

“that the Investment Committee review and, where necessary, revise the Portfolio Management Policy on an annual basis to ensure it is consistent with the City’s investment strategy and fits with the current market trends.”

DISCUSSION

The Investment Committee conducted this policy review with the following factors in mind: 1) the capital preservation of the corporation’s investment assets; 2) to ensure that sufficient liquidity exists to offset the day-to-day cash flows of the corporation; and, 3) the ability to enhance portfolio yield. The recommended revisions to corporate investment policy and the rationale for supporting same are detailed below:

POLICY

Section 3 subsection 3.2, b), vi)

This new clause recognizes the fact that several bond issuers are rated by more than one recognized credit rating service. This policy amendment is justified because it provides defined credit rating parameters when selecting bonds for purchase or for liquidation in the event of a credit rating downgrade.

Section 3 subsection 3.2, b) v), subsection 3.3, b), viii), ix)

Existing investment policy includes limitations on the types of bonds eligible for purchase and the maximum percentage amount of bonds that may be purchased for the civic bond portfolio. With respect to corporate bonds, the City may only invest in corporate bonds providing they are assigned a credit rating of “AA” or higher and the total amount of corporate bonds held will not exceed 15% of the bond portfolio.

Revised investment policy allows corporate bonds to represent 25% of the bond portfolio, up from the original 15% allocation. In addition, the City may invest in corporate bonds with a credit rating of “A”; however, the total amount of “A-rated” corporate bonds held will not exceed 12.5% of the bond portfolio. The rationale for incorporating this revision is to enhance portfolio returns as corporate bonds generally trade at significantly higher yields than government bonds. The increased risk exposure can be minimized somewhat by diversifying bond investment among some high quality corporate issuers. Some examples of A-rated corporate issuers are TransCanada Pipelines Ltd., B.C. Gas Inc., and Hydro One Inc.

Section 3 subsection 3.5

This new section introduces defined liquidity parameters for the civic money market portfolio. Short-term investments must represent no less than 15% and no more than 75% of the General Account short-term and long-term portfolios combined. This new

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amendment is consistent with our policy objective to ensure that sufficiently liquidity exists to meet the ongoing financial requirements of the City.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Revised corporate investment policy upon City Council approval.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The adoption of these policy amendments may result in a potential increase in interest revenue accruing to the City. This enhanced return can be attributed to an increased allocation in corporate bonds and the inclusion of A-rated corporate bonds as eligible investments.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

- Advertised in *The StarPhoenix* on Saturday, May 1, and Saturday, May 8, 2010.
- Posted on City Notice board on April 29, 2010.
- Posted on City Website on April 29, 2010.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Policy No. C12-009 – Portfolio Management.
2. Photocopy of Public Notice.”

General Manager, Corporate Services Bilanski presented her 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 Penner, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT the proposed revisions to the Investment Policy (Policy No. C12-009 – Portfolio Management), as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Corporate Services dated April 26, 2010, be approved.

CARRIED.

8b) Proposed Closure of Right-of-Way
East-West Lane Adjacent to 1808 and 1810 Broadway Avenue
(File No. CK. 6295-010-3)

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The following is a report of the A/General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated April 29, 2010:

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council consider Bylaw 8840;
 - 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 the right-of-way, as described in Plan of Proposed Lane Closure prepared by Webster Surveys Ltd. (Attachment 2), that it remain in the name of City of Saskatoon; and
 - 4) that all costs associated with the closing be paid by the applicant, including Solicitors’ fees and disbursements.

REPORT

Infrastructure Services has received a request from the City of Saskatoon, Infrastructure Services, Facilities Branch to close the right-of-way adjacent to 1810 Broadway Avenue. According to the Plan of Proposed Lane Closure, prepared by Webster Survey Ltd., dated December 15, 2009, and attached Plan 240-0052-003r002 (Attachment 1) the proposed lane will be consolidated with 1810 Broadway Avenue and will remain in the name of the City of Saskatoon. The intent of the consolidation is to provide a more promising development opportunity to potential future purchasers of the property.

The site included a dry cleaning business at one time; therefore, it is contaminated and will require clean up, at an estimated cost of \$65,000. As this cost exceeds the value of the land, it will be provided to the Facilities Branch at no cost.

All utilities have approved the closure and require no easements; and approval has been received from the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure (Attachment 3).

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:

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- Advertised in *The StarPhoenix* on the weekends of May 1 and May 8, 2010;
- Posted on the City Hall Notice Board on Thursday, May 1, 2010; and
- Posted on the City of Saskatoon website on Thursday, May 1, 2010.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan No. 240-0052-003r002;
2. Plan of Proposed Lane Closure, dated December 15, 2009;
3. Copy of letter from Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure, dated February 10, 2010;
4. Proposed Bylaw 8840; and
5. Copy of Public Notice.””

A/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 Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

- 1) *that City Council consider Bylaw 8840;*
- 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 the right-of-way, as described in Plan of Proposed Lane Closure prepared by Webster Surveys Ltd. (Attachment 2), it remain in the name of City of Saskatoon; and*
- 4) *that all costs associated with the closing be paid by the applicant, including Solicitors' fees and disbursements.*

CARRIED.

- 8c) Proposed Closure of Right-of-Way
Portion of Lowe Road Lying South of Agra Road and a Portion of McOrmond Road
Lying East of Lowe Road and
Re-designation of Municipal Reserve Land MR1 to Municipal Reserve Land MR1
and MR2
(File No. CK. 6295-1 x CK. 4110-41)**
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REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The following is a report of the A/General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated April 28, 2010:

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council consider Bylaw 8839;
 - 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 the portions of Lowe Road and McOrmond Road, as shown on attached Plan 240-0083-001r001, (Attachment 1), the land be consolidated and retained by the City of Saskatoon for re-subdivision;
 - 4) that Municipal Reserve MR1 be re-designated to Municipal Reserve MR1 and MR2; and
 - 5) that all cost associated with this closure be paid by the applicant.

REPORT

In June 2009, City Council approved the Neighbourhood Concept Plan for the Evergreen Neighbourhood. The first phase of development requires the re-designation of an existing 0.93 ha parcel of Municipal Reserve located in the southeast portion of the proposed plan of subdivision. This development also requires the closure of a portion of Lowe Road lying south of Agra Road, and a portion of McOrmond Road lying east of Lowe Road.

The existing Municipal Reserve parcel was created to meet the required Municipal Reserve dedication for the McOrmond Road extension. This parcel now overlaps an area required for the further extension of McOrmond Road northward, as identified in the Neighbourhood Concept Plan approved by Council as roadway, and needs to be transferred to a site designated as Municipal Reserve in the Plan.

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As indicated in the Plan of Proposed Subdivision, dated June 2009, as prepared Saskatoon Land Surveyors (Attachment 2), it is proposed that the rights-of-way be consolidated and retained by the City of Saskatoon. The intent is to allow for the redevelopment of the area.

The Infrastructure Services Department, Land Development Section is in agreement with the proposal subject to the closure of the rights-of-way being completed.

A letter of approval has been received from the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure (Attachment 3).

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 the weekends of May 1 and May 8, 2010;
- Posted on the City Hall Notice Board on Thursday, April 29, 2010; and
- Posted on the City of Saskatoon website on Thursday, April 29, 2010.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan No. 240-0083-001r001;
2. Plan of Proposed Subdivision;
3. Copy of letter from the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure, dated July 3, 2009;
4. Proposed Bylaw 8839; and
5. Copy of Public Notice.”

A/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 Heidt,

- 1) *that City Council consider Bylaw 8839;*
- 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 the portions of Lowe Road and McOrmond Road, as shown on attached Plan 240-0083-001r001, (Attachment 1), the land be consolidated and retained by the City of Saskatoon for re-subdivision;*

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- 4) *that Municipal Reserve MR1 be re-designated to Municipal Reserve MR1 and MR2; and*
- 5) *that all cost associated with this closure be paid by the applicant.*

CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 8-2010 - CONTINUED

**F2) Transit Bus Structural Repairs
Capital Project #0583: Replacement/Refurb Buses
(Files CK. 1402-1 and WT 1402-6)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that Administration proceed with the structural repairs and bus refurbishment of up to 40 buses in 2010 and 2011 on a bus-by-bus basis;
 - 2) that in addition to the \$560,000 allocated to bus refurbishment in 2010, an additional \$450,000 be allocated to refurbishments in lieu of the purchase of one of the five replacement buses planned to be purchased in 2010; and
 - 3) that the Administration submit a further report to Council on the impact of this refurbishment strategy on Transit's bus replacement plan, including the medium and long term financial impact to the Transit Vehicle Replacement Reserve.

BACKGROUND

Saskatoon Transit has been undertaking an ongoing program to replace and/or refurbish its bus fleet in order to maintain an in-service fleet size of 138 buses. Due to escalating bus purchase prices, Transit increased the number of buses scheduled for complete refurbishment from two per year to seven buses in 2010.

REPORT

While the average age of Saskatoon Transit's bus fleet (14.61 years) is higher than the national average (10.05 years), bus replacement has been proceeding since 2006 based on federal transit funding and the Municipality's Transit Vehicle Replacement Reserve (TVRR). Between 2006 and 2008, Transit purchased a total of forty-nine buses. Transit will receive its 2009 order of seven buses in early 2010, including three articulated buses.

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Transit's current bus replacement plan includes the purchase of forty-eight buses between 2010 and 2013; eighteen of which are funded. There is currently no funding source for the remaining thirty buses expected to be needed. As a result, in the 2010 capital budget process Transit identified the need to pursue refurbishment of buses to complement the replacement strategy. City Council approved Capital Project #583 – Transit Replacement/Refurbish Buses including an estimated allotment of \$560,000 for the refurbishment of seven buses.

The need for significant work on Saskatoon's buses was amplified by a recent audit conducted by SGI. For years, Saskatoon Transit and Saskatchewan Government Insurance (SGI) have cooperatively worked together as part of SGI's regular and ongoing inspection procedures to ensure Transit's fleet of buses meet established mechanical and structural guidelines. In January 2010, SGI's Vehicle Standards and Inspections Branch undertook an unexpected and aggressive audit of older transit buses across Saskatchewan including Saskatoon Transit. This audit specifically focused on the structural integrity of the undercarriage and body condition of transit vehicles.

SGI randomly inspected twenty-six of Transit's buses over a two-day period. Transit's Administration worked alongside SGI inspectors and ensured they were supplied with whatever information they required to conduct a thorough inspection of Transit's fleet. Of the buses inspected, seventeen buses passed inspection, seven buses required minor repairs, and two buses failed inspection. Of the two that failed, required repairs on one unit were immediately addressed by the Maintenance Body Shop staff. The second bus has been temporarily removed from service and scheduled for a structural refurbishment later this year.

While SGI was satisfied with the outcome of this particular inspection, Transit was directed to review its entire fleet of buses to ensure each and every bus met SGI's requirements. Transit focused this review primarily on its older bus contingent between fifteen and twenty-five years of age, and a 1995-1997 series of buses which have demonstrated accelerated structural deterioration. As a result, Transit has identified between thirty and forty buses that require some level of repair.

Based on a local and regional search for a certified heavy equipment repair agency, Saskatoon Transit located the company Big Rig Collision based out of Calgary, Alberta. This company is held in high regard by many western transit agencies including BC Transit who have scheduled two hundred bus repairs with Big Rig Collision; Edmonton Transit who have scheduled the repair of fifty buses per year for the next five years; and Calgary Transit who are scheduling the repair of all of its New Flyer brand of buses with Big Rig Collision. To further ensure Saskatoon Transit's confidence in this repair agency, Transit's Maintenance Manager toured Big Rig Collision's repair facility. Based on this tour and discussion with the president of the Company, Transit commissioned Big Rig Collision to pilot the repair of four of its transit buses. Turn-around times and results have exceeded expectations, as each bus is out-of-service for a four to six week period, and the end-product and costs have been favourable. Buses are structurally reconditioned, fully painted and, at a glance, could be mistaken for a brand new bus.

At a cost per bus of approximately \$30,000, Transit is able to refurbish approximately 15 buses for the same cost as the purchase of one new bus. As a result, Administration is recommending

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reallocation of funding originally intended to purchase one new bus in 2010 and instead allocate this \$450,000 to refurbishments. This process will extend the service life of a bus by 5 to 7 years; \$5,000 per service-life-year is a very attractive option.

Transit intends to continue to use Big Rig Collision and the Transit in-house body-shop throughout 2010 to refurbish a significant number of buses, possibly as many as 40. For buses sent to Big Rig Collision, individual purchase orders will be issued for each bus based on the specific needs of each unit. The range of cost per bus is expected to be between \$20,000 and \$40,000. Local private body shops have demonstrated in the past that they simply are not set up for this type of work, and Transit has contacted these agencies in the past with no success. However, if other agencies do demonstrate interest in undertaking this type of refurbishment work for Transit, Transit will work with other companies in addition to Big Rig Collision and internal forces provided that the service, cost, and product are satisfactory.

Although Transit is excited about the refurbishment success to date, new buses do need to be introduced into the fleet over time. Powertrains and interiors are not updated with this refurbishment plan, and instead are upgraded and maintained as required. Transit is working on revising its long term fleet strategy based on a mix of both refurbishment and replacement. At this time, Transit believes that the refurbishment plan proposed will allow Transit to significantly reduce the long term capital costs associated with fleet management.

OPTIONS

As an alternative, Transit could develop specifications or a Request for Proposal for this work. Big Rig Collision is the only known company in Western Canada capable of this type of work. Administration believes that the bus-to-bus arrangement will result in the most favourable result for Transit as opposed to attempting to put together a contract that covers the individual condition and required work for each bus. In addition, the proposed relationship will also allow Transit to pursue other possible suppliers should they be found or come forward.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications with respect to this purchase.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Due to the varying degrees of repair required for each bus, the cost per unit will fluctuate. The estimated total budget is \$1,010,000 for the refurbishment of 30 – 40 buses. This funding would be sufficient to purchase two new buses. The funding for this Project will include the \$560,000 as previously approved during City Council's 2010 Capital Budget review process, and the recommended reallocation of \$450,000 from Project #0583 - Transit-Replace/Refurb Buses.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

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Item A4) of Communications to Council was brought forward.

“A4) Jamie McKenzie, dated May 3

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to refurbishing of buses versus replacing with low floor buses. (File No. CK. 1402-1)”

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Jamie McKenzie be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Jamie McKenzie indicated that putting reburbished buses in operation affects people with disabilities requiring a low-floor bus. He stated that the report should have been reviewed by the Accessibility Advisory Committee prior to being submitted to City Council.

General Manager, Utility Services Jorgenson addressed the concerns of Mr. McKenzie.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the recommendation of the Administration be adopted.

CARRIED.

**F3) Pre-feasibility Report – Hydropower Station at the Saskatoon Weir
Saskatoon Light & Power
Capital Project 1281: Electrical Supply Options – Generation Alternatives
(File No. CK. 2300-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

BACKGROUND

In 2009, Saskatoon Light & Power commissioned pre-feasibility engineering and baseline environmental studies to gain a clearer understanding of the technical, environmental, and economic implications of a proposed hydropower station at the Saskatoon Weir. Assessments were also completed for a recreational whitewater park as an independent addition to the hydropower station. Final reports were received from the consultant in February 2010.

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REPORT

The pre-feasibility report concludes that a hydropower station can be incorporated into the existing weir, and is both technically feasible and economically viable. Several hydropower development concepts were considered in the study, ranging in capacity from 2.8 to 8.4 megawatts, with annual energy production ranging from 16.5 to 47.5 gigawatt-hours per year. The concepts are presented in the following table:

Hydropower Development	Increase Weir Height	Design Flow (m ³ /sec)	Capacity (MW)	Annual Energy (GWh)	Capital Cost (\$ M)	# of Homes
Concept 1	No Increase	167	2.8	16.5	\$26.3	1650
Concept 2	1 metre	209	5.5	31.2	\$48.8	3120
Concept 3	2 metres	250	8.4	47.5	\$57.9	4750

The required technology for Concept 1 with no increase in the weir height is Very Low Head turbines. More efficient Pit Type turbines can be used with an increase to the available water head as in Concepts 2 and 3. An inflatable rubber bladder or Obermeyer gate is used to increase the weir height while maintaining water level control during high flow conditions.

An environmental baseline study was conducted to identify sensitive species and ecosystems, and to document current ecological conditions. A literature search and review was conducted, and field data collected to identify environmentally-sensitive areas and issues. Environmental components investigated included: hydrology; water and sediment quality; vegetation communities; fish and fish habitat; and wildlife and wildlife habitat.

The pre-feasibility report also concludes that a recreational whitewater park can be easily incorporated into the existing weir, adjacent to the hydropower station on the east side of the South Saskatchewan River. Two concepts for a whitewater park were considered in the study. Both concepts would be improved with additional water head provided through an increase in the weir height. The concepts are presented in the following table, and are illustrated in the conceptual design drawings attached to this report. Capital costs are shown for both a stand-alone whitewater park development (if the hydropower station were not constructed), and for a development adjacent to the hydropower station.

Whitewater Park Development	Park Type	Park Ranking	Capital Cost Stand-alone (\$ M)	Capital Cost Adjacent to Hydropower Station (\$ M)
Concept A	Hardened Bypass Channel Only	National	\$12.0	\$3.0
Concept B	Includes In-Stream Improvement	International	\$12.7	\$6.0

The pre-feasibility study also considered the construction of a pedestrian bridge over the length of the weir to provide pedestrian access from one side of the river to the other. In addition to

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providing a pedestrian crossing isolated from vehicle or rail traffic, the bridge would provide improved access for facility and weir maintenance. The capital cost for a pedestrian bridge is estimated at \$2.8 million. A pedestrian crossing over the weir would make it possible to eliminate or close the existing pedestrian crossing attached to the CP rail bridge.

Saskatoon Light & Power has completed a preliminary economic assessment for several possible development options. The Concept 2 Hydropower Station (5.5 MW capacity with a one metre weir increase) is thought to be the most viable option, considering both economics and environmental impact. Results of the economic assessment are presented in the following table for Concept 2, Stand-Alone Power Station and with a Hydropower Station with a Whitewater Park (Concept B). In this assessment, all revenues are from the power generation only. The City has not made any attempt to address a business case for the whitewater park.

Development	Total Capital Cost	External Funding	Cumulative Net Profit (50-year)	NPV* (30-year) @ 8% IRR	IRR** (Break-Even)	Simple Payback (years)
Stand-Alone Hydropower Station	\$50.8 M	Nil	\$391 M	\$14 M	10.1%	12
Stand-Alone Hydropower Station	\$50.8 M	\$25.4 M	\$440 M	\$39.5 M	17.9%	7
Hydropower Station with Whitewater Park	\$65 M	Nil	\$349 M	-\$0.1	8.0%	14
Hydropower Station with Whitewater Park	\$65 M	\$37.5 M	\$422 M	\$37.4	16.8%	8

* Net Present Value ** Internal Rate of Return

Capital costs presented above include electrical tie-in costs. For the hydropower station with whitewater park development, costs are included for the pedestrian bridge, bank stabilization, and development on the east bank. For two of the scenarios above, 50% external funding (federal and/or provincial) is assumed for the hydropower station, and external funding of \$10 M is assumed for the whitewater park development in the last scenario.

Saskatoon Light & Power will be conducting identified stakeholder meetings and public community engagement meetings in June of 2010. Results of the stakeholder and public meetings will be communicated in a report to the Administration and Finance Committee in August 2010. This report will include a recommendation of whether or not to proceed with the next step.

The next step of the proposed hydropower development would be to conduct a full feasibility study and environmental impact assessment. This would include detailed drawings, refined cost estimates and financial analysis, development and construction schedules, geotechnical and other investigations to determine the upstream and downstream effects of the proposed development, preparation of an environmental impact statement and initiation of the permitting process. The cost to perform this work is estimated at \$2 to \$4 million.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-21, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Concept A
2. Concept B

The City Clerk distributed copies of letters from the following:

- *Elizabeth Philips, dated May 9, 2010, requesting permission to address Council;*
- *Gregg Cochlan, dated May 9, 2010, requesting permission to address Council;*
- *Michael Pirot, dated May 7, 2010, submitting comments;*
- *Honor Kever, dated May 9, 2010, submitting comments;*
- *John Pitchford, dated May 7, 2010, submitting comments; and*
- *Robert Douglas Goldie, dated May 7, 2010; submitting comments.*

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Elizabeth Philips and Gregg Cochlan be heard.

CARRIED.

Ms. Elizabeth Philips, Pelican Watch Group, spoke against the whitewater project, outlining various environmental impact concerns.

Mr. Gregg Cochlan, Whitewater Park Committee, spoke in support of the proposed project.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES

**Councillor G. Penner
Cold Weather Alert
(File No. CK. 270-1)**

Attached is information about a program called “Cold Weather Alert” that exists in a number of cities in Canada. It is a program to assist homeless people during extreme winter weather.

Could I please have a report about the possibility of such a program being introduced in our city.

**Councillor C. Clark
Possible Heritage Designation of Traffic Bridge
(File No. CK. 6050-8, x CK. 710-1)**

At a recent Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee meeting, there was a request made to determine the process and possible benefits of recognizing and designating the Traffic Bridge as a provincial, federal, and/or municipal heritage structure. It is the bridge that united the original communities of Nutana and Riversdale, it is the site of our province’s only marine disaster, and it is the first project that the newly formed provincial government ever took a loan out to complete.

In light of the upcoming study to explore options for the future of the Traffic Bridge, would the Administration please report on the process involved in designating the Traffic Bridge and crossing as a heritage site and if this could help the City to access funding from other levels of government to help in the rehabilitation of the bridge, to help determine the options for the bridge for the future.

**Councillor B. Dubois
Strollers on Buses
(File No. CK. 7300-1)**

Would the Administration please report on the long-term direction of strollers on buses, specifically reporting back on a stroller policy for Saskatoon Transit.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw 8835

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8835, being “The Business Improvement Districts Bylaw, 2010” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8835 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8835.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8835 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8835 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8835 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 8836

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8836, being “The School Division Property Tax Bylaw, 2010” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8836 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8836.

CARRIED.

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

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Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8836 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8836 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8836 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 8837

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8837, being “The Saskatoon Property Tax Bylaw” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8837 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8837.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8837 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8837 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8837 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 8838

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8838, being “The Capital Reserve Amendment Bylaw, 2010” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8838 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8838.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8838 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8838 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8838 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 8839

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8839, being “The Street Closing and Municipal Reserve Redesignation Bylaw, 2010” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8839 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8839.

CARRIED.

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

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Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8839 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8839 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8839 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 8840

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8840, being "The Street Closing Bylaw, 2010 (No. 4)" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8840 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8840.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8840 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8840 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8840 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 8841

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8841, being “The Corman Park – Saskatoon Planning District Bylaw, 2010” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8841 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8841.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8841 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8841 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8841 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 8842

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8842, being “The Animal Control Amendment Bylaw, 2010 (No. 2)” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8842 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8842.

CARRIED.

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

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Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8842 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8842 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8842 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) Larry Waldinger, dated April 27

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to River Landing. (File No. CK. 4129-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that Larry Waldinger be heard.

The City Clerk distributed copies of a letter dated May 10, 2010 from Mr. Waldinger providing further information.

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Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Larry Waldinger be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Larry Waldinger spoke against providing large developers, including Lake Placid, with tax abatements.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

2) Morris Michayluk, dated April 28

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to River Landing. (File No. CK. 4129-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that Morris Michayluk be heard.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Morris Michayluk be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Morris Michayluk, President, Arc Resources, requested an opportunity to put forward a proposal regarding River Landing Parcel Y if opportunity arises.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

3) Paul Van Pul, dated May 3

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to solar power. (File No. CK. 2000-5)

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RECOMMENDATION: that Paul Van Pul be heard.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Paul Van Pul be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Paul Van Pul spoke regarding solar power in the city. He provided Council with a handout of information.

Moved by Councillor Clark, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

4) Jamie McKenzie, dated May 3

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to refurbishing of buses versus replacing with low floor buses. (File No. CK. 1402-1)

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Moved by Councillor Penner,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk