

Council Chamber
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, May 4, 1998
at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: His Worship Mayor Dayday in the Chair:
Councillors Atchison, Birkmaier, Harding, Heidt, Langford, Maddin,
McCann, Roe, Steernberg and Waygood;
A/City Commissioner Richards;
City Solicitor Dust;
City Clerk Mann;
A/City Councillor's Assistant Holmstrom

Moved by Councillor Harding, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held on April 20, 1998 be approved.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

The following communications were received and dealt with as stated:

A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL

**1) Carole Courtney, General Manager
SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival, dated April 17**

Requesting permission to address Council to make a presentation on behalf of the Jazz Festival.
(File No. CK. 150-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that Ms. Courtney be heard.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Ms. Courtney be heard.

CARRIED.

Ms. Carole Courtney, General Manager, SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival, was not in attendance.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**2) Kathy Hickson, Parent Parking Patrol Co-ordinator
John Lake School, dated April 28**

Requesting permission to address Council regarding school zone speed limits in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 5200-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Clause 1, Report 9-1998 of the Planning and Operations Committee be brought forward for consideration and that Ms. Hickson be heard.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Harding,

THAT Clause 1, Report 9-1998 of the Planning and Operations Committee be brought forward for consideration and that Ms. Hickson be heard.

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“REPORT NO. 9-1998 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE”

**1. School Pedestrian Safety Concerns
(School Zone Speed Limits)
(Files CK. 5200-1 and 5300-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the concept of school speed zones not be pursued further; and
 - 2) that fines for parking in “No Parking” and “No Stopping” zones near schools be increased from \$40.00 to \$100.00.

City Council, at its meeting held on January 5, 1998, received letters submitted by various School/Parent Councils requesting implementation of a 40 km per hour speed limit within school zones and referred the matter of the appropriateness of school speed zones in Saskatoon to the Traffic Safety Committee. City Council also requested that all individuals who had written be given an opportunity to address this Committee. A copy of one of the letters received is attached.

Presentations were made by a number of concerned parents to the Traffic Safety Committee on February 10, 1998, as noted in the attached copy of an excerpt from the minutes of meeting of the Traffic Safety Committee held on February 10, 1998. A subcommittee was formed to look at the various options to find the best possible solution in ensuring the safety of children while crossing the street to school. The subcommittee, consisting of Traffic Safety Committee members, the Parking Enforcement Coordinator, the Saskatoon Police Service representative, and representatives of concerned parents, put forward recommendations to be considered further by the Traffic Safety Committee, as outlined in the attached copy of an excerpt from the minutes of meeting of the Traffic Safety Committee held on April 7, 1998.

Your Committee has met with the Chair of the Traffic Safety Committee to discuss the action taken by the Committee with respect to pedestrian safety initiatives, as well as Ms. Kathy Hickson, John Lake School. Ms. Hickson has indicated that while the other options put forward are good, she is concerned about the proposed recommendation not to pursue the concept of school speed zones. Your Committee has been advised that letters were forwarded by the Traffic Safety Committee to:

- the Board of Police Commissioners asking that two officers be re-instated in the School Crossing Guard Program and that a representative of Traffic Safety Committee be provided with the opportunity to address the Board of Police Commissioners regarding this matter;
- the Transportation Department encouraging the Transportation Department to consider traffic calming efforts at school zones if appropriate;

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- the Parking Enforcement Coordinator encouraging the Parking Enforcement Branch of the Transportation Department to target schools as part of its enforcement program and to ensure that this is an ongoing program; and
- the School Boards encouraging them to work with the schools or home and school associations to develop a program for adult crossing guards where the need or demand exists.

Your Committee has considered the recommendations of the Traffic Safety Committee that the concept of school speed zones not be pursued further and that fines for parking in “No Parking” and “No Stopping” zones near schools be increased from \$40.00 to \$100.00 and is submitting these recommendations to City Council for its consideration.”

Ms. Kathy Hickson, Parent Parking Patrol Co-ordinator, John Lake School, expressed concerns regarding traffic safety in school zones and requested that the speed limits be reduced.

Moved by Councillor Harding, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

- 1) *that the concept of school speed zones not be pursued further; and*
- 2) *that fines for parking in “No Parking” and “No Stopping” zones near schools be increased from \$40.00 to \$100.00.*

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Steernberg, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT the Administration provide to the Planning and Operations Committee a statistical analysis from other jurisdictions with respect to traffic calming measures and their effectiveness on speed and accident statistics, for a report to Council.

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COMMUNICATIONS - CONTINUED

**3) Katherine Diener, Vice President
Saskatchewan Alley Cat Allies, dated May 4**

Requesting permission for Dolores LaPlante, President, to address Council regarding the 1998 Assistance to Community Groups: Cash Grants Program, Environmental Component. (File No. CK. 1870-2-4)

RECOMMENDATION: that Clause 2, Report No. 8-1998 of the Administration and Finance Committee be brought forward for consideration and that Ms. LaPlante be heard.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Clause 2, Report No. 8-1998 of the Administration and Finance Committee be brought forward for consideration and that Ms. LaPlante be heard.

CARRIED.

“REPORT NO. 8-1998 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

**2. 1998 Assistance to Community Groups: Cash Grants Program
Environmental Component
(File No. CK. 1870-2-4)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the Environmental Component of the 1998 Assistance to Community Groups: Cash Grants Program be allocated as outlined under the *A&F Recomm.* column of the attached summary report (Appendix 1).

Your Committee has considered the following report of the General Manager, Environmental Services Department, dated March 30, 1998, and supports the allocations as outlined in Appendix 1:

“JUSTIFICATION

Staff in the Environmental Services Department have reviewed the applications received

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under the Environmental Component of the Assistance to Community Groups: Cash Grants Program. Available funding for 1998 is \$5,000, the same level as 1997. The recommendations of the Environmental Services Department staff regarding the allocation of the grant funds are listed in the attached summary sheet (Appendix 1).

OPTIONS

There are no options.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Total grant recommendations of \$5,000 will be funded through the Environmental Component of the Assistance to Community Groups: Cash Grants Program.

ATTACHMENT

1. Assistance to Community Groups: Cash Grants, Environmental Client Profile 1998, Summary Report.”

Ms. Dolores LaPlante, President, Saskatchewan Alley Cat Allies, requested support from Council stating that they were not in direct competition with the S.P.C.A.

Councillor Waygood excused herself from discussion and voting on the matter and left the Council Chamber.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT that the Environmental Component of the 1998 Assistance to Community Groups: Cash Grants Program be allocated as outlined under the A&F Recomm. column of the attached summary report (Appendix 1).

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Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the matter be referred to the Advisory Committee on Animal Control to meet with the Saskatchewan Alley Cat Allies to look at some alternatives or opportunities.

CARRIED.

Councillor Waygood re-entered the Council Chamber.

COMMUNICATIONS - CONTINUED

AA. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

**1) Jim Wasilenko, Chair
Social Housing Advisory Committee, dated April 8**

Submitting a request that Council support the recommendations in Plan Saskatoon in regards to secondary suites. (File No. CK. 4110-10)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**2) Carole Courtney, General Manager
SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival, dated April 13**

Requesting Council to extend the hours under the Noise Bylaw for the Saskatchewan Jazz Festival until 11: 00 p.m. for park events to be held from June 19 to 28, 1998. (File No. CK. 185-9)

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RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted to the Saskatchewan Jazz Festival to extend the time during which concerts may be conducted to 11:00 p.m. on June 19 to 28, 1998.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Maddin,

THAT permission be granted to the Saskatchewan Jazz Festival to extend the time during which concerts may be conducted to 11:00 p.m. on June 19 to 28, 1998.

CARRIED.

**3) Byron Horachek, Chairman
The Partnership, dated April 15**

Requesting Council to approval the appointment of Ms. Georgette Sheridan, of McDougall Ready, to The Partnership Board of Management to replace Ms. Sandi Bergen. (File No. CK. 1680-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that Ms. Georgette Sheridan be appointed to The Partnership Board of Management to replace Ms. Sandi Bergen.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT Ms. Georgette Sheridan be appointed to The Partnership Board of Management to replace Ms. Sandi Bergen.

CARRIED.

**4) Darlene Woloshyn, Administrator
Village of White City, dated April 15**

Submitting a letter of appreciation for the work the Administration and Finance Committee did on the amendment to Section 331(1)(q) of the R.M. Act. (File No. CK. 277-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Langford,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**5) Ruth Ullman, Senior Administrative Assistant
SaskEnergy, dated April 20**

Requesting permission for the temporary street closure of the 400 block of 36th Street on May 27 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for SaskEnergy's 10th Anniversary Celebration. (File No. CK. 205-1)

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

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT the request be approved subject to Administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

**6) Roger Pilon
Spectrum Electric Inc., dated April 26**

Requesting permission for a fireworks shell to be shot to start off the 10th Annual Saskatoon Symphony Beat Beethoven Run and requesting permission for the temporary street closure of University Bridge for several minutes on May 31 at 2:00 p.m. (File No. CK. 205-1)

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

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT the request be denied.

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**7) Phil Meister, Volunteer Operations Chair, 1998 Saskatoon B*A*S*H
Children's Health Foundation of Saskatchewan, dated April 24**

Requesting permission for exclusive concessionaire rights during the event and the temporary street closure of St. Henry Avenue from Ruth Street to Diefenbaker Park entrance from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on May 31 for the First Annual Saskatoon Teddy Bears' B*A*S*H. (File No. CK. 205-1)

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

Moved by Councillor Maddin, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT the request be approved subject to Administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

**8) Greg McKee, Owner
Bike Doctor, undated**

Requesting permission to use park-land adjacent to Silverwood Golf Course to hold a mountain bike event on May 10, 1998. (File No. CK. 105-1)

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

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the request be approved subject to Administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

**9) K. F. McDonough, Director of Education
Saskatoon Catholic Schools, dated April 27**

Requesting Council to approval the appointment of Ms. Nadia Prokopchuk as the Catholic Board of Education's representative to the Race Relations Committee. (File No. CK. 225-40)

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RECOMMENDATION: that Ms. Nadia Prokopchuk be appointed as the representative of the Separate School Board to the Race Relations Committee to the end of 1999.

Moved by Councillor Langford, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT Ms. Nadia Prokopchuk be appointed as the representative of the Separate School Board to the Race Relations Committee to the end of 1999.

CARRIED.

10) Pauline A. Ham
125 - 3065 Preston Avenue South, dated April 24

Submitting an article from the Star Phoenix dated April 23, 1998 regarding a comparison of Regina and Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 150-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

11) Doris Jones
304 - 620 Spadina Crescent East, dated April 27

Submitting comments regarding skateboards, roller blades and bikes in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 5300-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Langford, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the matter be referred to the Traffic Safety Committee for a report.

CARRIED.

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**12) Marlene Hall, Secretary
Development Appeals Board, dated April 24**

Submitting Notice of Development Appeals Board Hearing regarding property at 420 Clarence Avenue South. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

**13) Marlene Hall, Secretary
Development Appeals Board, dated April 24**

Submitting Notice of Development Appeals Board Hearing regarding property at 1819/1821 Avenue D North. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

**14) Marlene Hall, Secretary
Development Appeals Board, dated April 24**

Submitting Notice of Development Appeals Board Hearing regarding property at 1815/1817 Avenue D North. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

**15) Marlene Hall, Secretary
Development Appeals Board, dated April 27**

Submitting Notice of Development Appeals Board Hearing regarding property at 700A and 700B - 33rd Street West. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Langford, Seconded by Councillor Maddin,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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B. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

1) **Wes Nuttall**
230 Thain Way, undated

Submitting comments regarding bicycle safety in Saskatoon. **Referred to the Traffic Safety Committee.** (File No. CK. 5300-1)

2) **Leslie Toni**
1203 Munroe Avenue South, dated April 23

Submitting comments regarding an Animal Control Survey. **Referred to the Advisory Committee on Animal Control.** (File No. CK. 151-1)

3) **Elmer Amendt**
Calabasas, CA, dated April 17

Submitting a letter regarding a request for information under the *Freedom of Information Act*. **Referred to the Administration.** (File No. CK. 416-7/97)

4) **Joyce and Jack Burr**
511 Glasgow Street, dated April 27

Submitting comments regarding the piling of dirt on Glasgow Street. **Referred to the Administration for a report.** (File No. CK. 4400-1)

5) **Clifford Matthews**
703 - 315 - 5th Avenue North, dated April 22

Submitting a petition with approximately 60 signatures regarding the traffic lights at the intersection of 5th Avenue and 25th Street. **Referred to the Administration for a report.** (File No. CK. 6150-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Harding,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

C. PROCLAMATIONS

**1) George O. Thomas, Executive Director
Saskatchewan Deaf and hard of Hearing Services Inc., dated April 22**

Requesting Council to proclaim the month of May, 1998 as Hearing Awareness Month in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**2) Pierre Duplessis, Secretary General
Canadian Red Cross, dated April 27**

Requesting Council to proclaim May 30 to June 7, 1998 as Water Safety Week in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

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

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Langford,

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

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

CARRIED.

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REPORTS

Ms. L. Belloc-Pinder, Member, presented Report No. 7-1998 of the Municipal Planning Commission;

Acting City Commissioner Richards presented Report No. 9-1998 of the City Commissioner;

Councillor Harding, Chair, presented Report No. 9-1998 of the Planning and Operations Committee; and

Councillor Birkmaier, Chair, presented Report No. 8-1998 the Administration and Finance Committee.

Moved by Councillor Langford, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider the following reports:

- a) Report No. 7-1998 of the Municipal Planning Commission;*
- b) Report No. 9-1998 of the City Commissioner;*
- c) Report No. 9-1998 of the Planning and Operations Committee; and*
- d) Report No. 8-1998 of the Administration and Finance Committee;*

CARRIED.

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

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

Committee arose.

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

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

“REPORT NO. 7-1998 OF THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION”

Composition of Commission

Mr. Glen Grismer, Chair
Ms. Ann March, Vice-Chair
Councillor P. Roe (shared position)
Councillor K. Waygood (shared position)
Mr. Ron Mantyka
Mr. Ken Rauch
Ms. Leslie Belloc-Pinder
Mr. Gregory Kitz
Ms. Georgia Bell Woodard
Ms. Lina Eidem
Mr. Paul Kawcuniak
Ms. Sheila Denysiuk
Mr. Nelson Wagner
Mr. Ken McDonough

- 1. Proposed Rezoning - North Industrial Area
Circle Drive, 43rd Street East, Ontario, Quebec and
First Avenues (Refer to Map)
North Industrial Area
ID.4 to ID.1 District
(File No. CK. 4351-1)**

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that City Council approve the advertising respecting the proposal to rezone the lands illustrated on Attachment No. 1 from an ID.4 District to an ID.1 District;
- 2) that the General Manager, Planning and Building Department be requested to prepare the required notice for advertising the proposed amendments;

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- 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the required Bylaws; and
- 4) that at the time of the public hearing City Council consider the Commission's recommendation that the rezoning be approved.

ADOPTED.

Your Commission has reviewed the attached report of the Planning and Building Department dated March 30, 1998, regarding an application by Mr. Leslie Jenson, on behalf of 559999 Sask. Ltd. to rezone Lot 21, Block 380, Plan 59-S-01096 (706 Circle Drive), as well as a proposal by the Planning and Building Department to rezone lots identified on the Land Use Study Area Map (Attachment No. 1) from an ID.4 District to an ID.1 District. Your Commission has also considered the attached addendum to the Transportation Department's comments dated April 21, 1998.

Your Commission is recommending approval of the proposed rezoning. In addition, your Commission has asked that the developer provide the Planning and Building Department with a copy of the environmental assessment that has been provided for 706 Circle Drive and that the Planning and Building Department advise the Commission if there are any concerns.

**2. Development Plan Amendment -
Neighbourhood Commercial to Residential
110 Rever Road
Plan 96-S-22415, Parcel CB
Silverspring Road
Applicant: City of Saskatoon
(File No. CK. 4131-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that City Council approve the advertising respecting the proposal to amend Development Plan Bylaw No. 6771 by changing the designation of the land at 110 Rever Road (Plan 96-S-22415, Parcel CB) from Neighbourhood Commercial to Residential, on the premise that there is a site identified for neighbourhood commercial in this neighbourhood;

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- 2) that the General Manager, Planning and Building Department be requested to prepare the required notice for advertising the proposed amendment;
- 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the required Bylaw; and
- 4) that at the time of the public hearing City Council consider the Commission's recommendation that the proposed amendment to Development Plan Bylaw No. 6771, be approved.

ADOPTED.

Your Commission has reviewed the attached report of the Planning and Building Department dated April 15, 1998, regarding a proposal to amend the Development Plan Bylaw by changing the designation of the land at 110 Rever Road from Neighbourhood Commercial to Residential.

Your Commission was advised by the Planning and Building Department that there is a District Commercial designation in place on Central Avenue which could serve the Silverspring neighbourhood. As noted in earlier submissions to City Council, the position of your Commission is that there should be a Neighbourhood Commercial site designated in every neighbourhood. Your Commission is recommending approval of the amendment on the premise that there is a site identified for neighbourhood commercial in this neighbourhood.

REPORT NO. 9-1998 OF THE CITY COMMISSIONER

Section A - Administration and Finance

A1) Routine Reports Submitted to City Council

RECOMMENDATION: that the following information be received.

ADOPTED.

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<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$1,408,368.33	April 14, 1998	April 20, 1998
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$7,078,760.65	March 26, 1998	April 9, 1998
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$652,336.25	April 16, 1998	April 22, 1998
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$849,216.73	April 21, 1998	April 27, 1998
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$375,114.79 (File No. 1530-2)	April 27, 1998	April 29, 1998

**A2) Investments
(File No. 1790-3)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approved the attached purchases and sales.

ADOPTED.

Report of the A/General Manager, Finance Department, April 22, 1998:

“With the approval of the Investment Committee, the attached list indicates purchases and sales for the City’s various funds.”

ATTACHMENT

1. Schedule of Securities Transactions (April 1 - 17, 1998).

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**A3) Commercial Tax Phase-in - 1998
(File Nos. 1615-2 and 1905-5)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 7754 - The Mill Rate Factors Amendment Bylaw.

ADOPTED.

Report of the A/General Manager, Finance Department, April 27, 1998:

“City Council, at its meeting of April 20, 1998, approved various bylaws to establish the 1998 tax levies for each taxing authority (City, School Boards, and Library). Council may recall that, in 1997, after required levies were established, Council agreed to an increase in the commercial mill rate factor in order to accelerate the phase-in of those properties which were having their taxes reduced.

Discussions with the Saskatoon Combined Business Group have now been completed on this issue for 1998, and it is the wish of that group and the Administration to continue this accelerated phase-in for 1998. The impact of this proposal is that, while approximately 59% of reassessment increases will be phased in this year, over 90% of reassessment decreases will be phased in. The difference between these two percentages is recovered through this higher mill rate factor on the commercial property class.

Bylaw No. 7754 therefore, changes the commercial mill rate factor to 1.3974 for 1998. The change is revenue-neutral to the City.

While tax notices have been prepared on the assumption that this recommendation will be accepted, commercial notices are being withheld pending Council’s direction.”

ATTACHMENT

1. Mill Rate Factors Amendment Bylaw, 1998.

**A4) Donations for the HMCS Saskatoon Commissioning
(File No. 205-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that a project to coordinate a series of events for the commissioning of the HMCS Saskatoon be designated as a municipal project; and,

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- 2) that the Treasurer's Branch of the Finance Department be authorized and directed to accept donations for this project, and to issue appropriate receipts to donors who contribute to the project.

ADOPTED.

Report of the A/General Manager, Finance Department, April 27, 1998:

“The Administration has received a request from the HMCS Saskatoon Commissioning Committee (copy attached), to provide sponsors who contribute to the planned activities related to this ship's commissioning with charitable donation receipts.

Sections 110 and 118 of *The Income Tax Act* provide for the same tax deductions or credits for gifts to a municipality as for gifts or donations to registered charities. In accepting donations where a receipt is to be issued for tax purposes, the following definition must apply:

‘A gift for which an official donation receipt may be issued can be defined as a voluntary transfer of property without consideration. There must be a donor who freely disposes of the property and there must be a donee who receives the property given. In other words, the transfer must be freely made and no right, privilege, material benefit, or advantage may be conferred on the donor or on a person designated by the donor as a consequence of the gift.’

The request for private donations to sponsor activities related to the commissioning of the HMCS Saskatoon does meet the criteria of a gift to the municipality under *The Income Tax Act*. In order to proceed, City Council must declare this as a municipal project and authorize the City Treasurer to accept donations and issue appropriate receipts to donors.”

ATTACHMENT

1. Letter from the HCMS Saskatoon Commissioning Committee.

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Section B - Planning and Operations

**B1) The Naming of Two New North Industrial Neighbourhoods
(File No. PL 4000-3)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that Industrial Neighbourhood No. 112 be named Hudson Bay Industrial; and,
 - 2) that Industrial Neighbourhood No. 113 be named Marquis Industrial.

ADOPTED.

Report of the General Manager, Planning and Building Department, March 30, 1998:

“Under City Council Policy Number C09-008, *Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas:*

‘Upon request from the Planning Department, the Mayor will select the appropriate name for each municipally-owned or controlled facility, street, suburban development area, or neighbourhood (excluding parks) and forward the selection to the Planning Department, which will then direct the recommendation to City Council for approval.’

Please note that the existing Industrial Neighbourhood, number 106 - **North Industrial**, is no longer the most northerly Industrial Neighbourhood. Please refer to the attached map for reference. After consideration, the Planning and Building Department suggest retaining the existing name **North Industrial**. Though this neighbourhood is no longer the most northerly, its name and location are well known.

His Worship the Mayor, upon recommendation from the Planning and Building Department, has selected two names for the two new Industrial Neighbourhoods numbered 112 & 113. Our aim in providing neighbourhood names should be to promote our cultural and natural heritage, to provide a strong basis for future neighbourhood identity, and to minimize confusion.

Explanations for the respective selected names are:

112 - Hudson Bay Industrial. This name fits all criteria. It is derived from the Hudson Bay swale which is a natural feature that runs along the western edge of the neighbourhood. The name evokes this natural heritage and the Hudson Bay company which was the original ‘industrial’ concern in the West. Hudson Bay also evokes images of the north.

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113 - Marquis Industrial. The name Marquis works from both a heritage and a geographic point of view. Marquis evokes our agricultural industrial heritage. Marquis Drive will, in the future, continue from its existing most easterly point on Idylwyld Drive to the future North River Crossing. Therefore, the name Marquis Industrial forms a logical connection to Marquis Drive and will allow for easy identification.”

ATTACHMENT

1. Map of the relevant area.

B2) Communications to Council

**From: Bernie Cruikshank, President
Friends of the Forestry Farm House
Date: March 31, 1998
Subject: Superintendent’s Residence
(File No. 4205-8-4)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 7753.

ADOPTED.

Report of the City Solicitor, April 24, 1998:

“City Council at its meeting on April 20, 1998, resolved that the Superintendent’s Residence at the Forestry Farm be exempted from property taxes under *The Heritage Property Act* for the initial lease period of 10 years. As Council is aware, the Superintendent’s Residence, being property of the municipality, is exempt from taxation. However, if the whole or any portion of any property exempt from taxation is occupied by a person other than the owner, that person is to be assessed and taxed in respect of the property, but the property itself is not so liable.

In order to give effect to Council’s resolution, the occupant of the exempt property must be granted the tax relief. Our office has prepared a bylaw under Section 28 of *The Heritage Property Act* to grant the requested tax relief. The Bylaw grants a 10 year tax exemption to Friends of the Forestry Farm House Incorporated, as the occupant of the residence under a lease with the City. It also grants an exemption to any permitted subtenant occupying all or a portion of the Superintendent’s Residence. The tax exemption granted to the subtenant cannot extend beyond the 10-year exemption initially given to the Friends.”

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ATTACHMENT

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 7753.

**B3) Enquiry - Councillor Langford (January 19, 1998)
Surcharge - Uncovered Garbage
(File No. 7830-3)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the proposed amendment of the Waste Bylaw #5203 as presented in this report; and,
 - 2) that City Council direct the City Solicitor to make the necessary amendments to the Waste Bylaw #5203.

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Langford at the meeting of City Council held on January 19, 1998:

“Due to recent concerns expressed by the Montgomery Community Association, and past concerns of Holiday Park residents regarding garbage strewn along roadways to the landfill, could the Administration please research the appropriateness or possibility of adding a surcharge to ‘uncovered’ garbage being dumped at the landfill.”

Report of the General Manager, Environmental Services Department, April 17, 1998:

“Currently there are provisions in the Waste Bylaw #5203 for controls on how waste is transported through the city:

‘... unless the load is completely enclosed or covered with a securely fastened tarpaulin covering the load in such a manner that it shall be impossible for any part of the load ... to escape.’

With the recent closure of the Spadina Crescent entrance to the landfill, all waste must now be conveyed to the landfill via Dundonald Avenue. Residents of Montgomery Park and Councillor Langford have raised concerns regarding the enforcement of the Bylaw with respect to littering.

The tarpaulin covering is in part to hide the material from public view while it is being transported. The Police have experienced enforcement difficulties, in that tarping of some loads (e.g. soil, tree branches, etc.), was not practical, nor did it address the real concern in transporting a secure load.

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Historically, the enforcement of this provision of the Waste Bylaw has been carried out by Police Services on a seasonal ad hoc basis. The enforcement has been fairly rigidly applied with respect to the tarping provision of the Bylaw. This provision does not, however, consider that some open loads do not contribute to littering (i.e. soil, sand, gravel, or concrete). Also, methods other than tarping are quite often more suitable in securing a load (i.e. the use of straps on lumber). Without a doubt, this lack of flexibility has hampered the efforts of the enforcement personnel and has not been conducive to gaining compliance on the part of the public. Consequently, there needs to be a change in the existing Bylaw text. The proposed amendment would be as follows:

‘No person shall convey, through any street in the city, any refuse of whatever nature except in a properly covered metal receptacle or in a vehicle which is covered with a canvas or tarpaulin, or other suitable covering or tie downs so constructed and arranged as to prevent the contents thereof or any portion thereof from being wind borne or falling on the streets, to protect the contents from flies, and to minimize as much as practicable the escape of any offensive odours. It shall not be necessary that a vehicle carrying solely soil, sand, gravel, or concrete be covered with a canvas or tarpaulin.’

The monetary penalty associated with contravening this provision of the Waste Bylaw will be adjusted so as to be more effective as a deterrent and to be consistent with other laws currently in place (i.e. Traffic Bylaw, etc.). An appropriate adjustment will be determined following discussions with the Solicitor and will be included when the Bylaw is presented for Council’s approval.

With the proposed amendments, the Police will be better able to enforce the Bylaw. However, there needs to be more rigorous enforcement. Consequently, the Solid Waste Management Bylaw Inspector will be periodically stationed at the landfill entrance or scalehouse, to assist in the enforcement of the Bylaw. Open loads will be inspected upon entry to the landfill, and offenders will be issued fines accordingly. This will complement the efforts of the City Police, emphasize the importance of securing the loads, and ensure consistent year-round enforcement.

The current Waste Bylaw and its enforcement are not attaining desired results. The clean up of litter along the roadways from waste loads bound for the landfill is difficult. The recommendation to change the Bylaw and its enforcement supports better control of littering. It demonstrates the efficient use of our existing services and resources, and encourages compliance on the part of the public.

The proposed method of enforcement is more desirable to that of surcharging because:

- it will avoid abuse of the scale attendants who would have to impose the surcharge

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- the scale attendants are often too busy to add surcharging to their responsibilities
- it avoids public relations problems associated with surcharges
- the surcharge could result in collection problems due to delinquent accounts
- a surcharge could result in roadside dumping in the adjacent R.M.

A survey of a number of western cities indicated that only the City of Winnipeg uses a surcharge on unsecured loads, and then only for commercial customers. All of the cities surveyed use either police, bylaw inspectors, and/or the provincial highway traffic officers, to control littering.”

Moved by Councillor Waygood,

THAT the matter be referred back to the Planning and Operations Committee for a thorough review and report on the matter, including the covering of construction waste disposal bins.

CARRIED.

**B4) Easement Requirement
SaskEnergy
Municipal Buffer Strip MB10, Plan 96-S-22415 - Silverspring
(File No. PL 4090-3)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council grant an easement to SaskEnergy as outlined in the attached plan; and,
 - 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, under the corporate seal and in a form that is satisfactory to the City Solicitor, the formal agreements with respect to this easement.

ADOPTED.

Report of the General Manager, Planning and Building Department, April 21, 1998:

“Glenda M. Fidek, on behalf of SaskEnergy’s Land Services Department, has requested the City’s approval for an easement over portion of Municipal Buffer Strip MB10, Plan 96-S-22415 as shown outlined on the attached plan.

The purpose of this easement is for ‘access to the natural gas distribution pipeline to be installed.’

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Subdivision Application #17/96 was approved by City Council on May 21, 1995. The proposed easement was not required at the time of the approval. The Planning and Building Department has no objections to the granting of the easement to SaskEnergy.”

ATTACHMENT

1. Municipal Buffer Strip MB10, Plan 96-S-22415 and location plan of proposed easement.

**B5) Land-Use Applications Received by the Planning and Building Department
For the Period Between April 13, 1998 to April 24, 1998
(For Information Only)
(File Nos. PL 4300, 4350)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the following report be received as information.

ADOPTED.

Report of the General Manager, Planning and Building Department, April 24, 1998.

“The following applications have been received, are being processed, and will subsequently be submitted to City Council for its consideration:

Rezoning

- Application Z14/98: 227 Pinehouse Drive
Applicant: Kindrachuk Agrey Architects Ltd.
Legal Description: Lot 2, Block 911, Plan 79-S-43600
Current Zoning: M.3A
Proposed Zoning: B.2
Date Received: April 14, 1998
- Application Z15/98: 1111-1117 Broadway Avenue
Applicant: Joe Pointe, All-Sask Insurance & Annuity Services Ltd.
Legal Description: Lots 6, 7, 8, 9 & Part of 10, Block 21, Plan G103
Current Zoning: R.2
Proposed Rezoning: M.1
Date Received: April 17, 1998

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- Application Z16/98: Briarwood (No civic address)
Applicant: Webster Surveys Ltd.
Legal Description: Portion of Pcl H, Plan 96-S-13325 Except 96-S-50773 & 97-S-57746
Current Zoning: R.1A
Proposed Rezoning: MRM (Tn).1
Date Received: April 20, 1998

Subdivision

- Application #19/98: Pobran Cres. & Bourgonje Cres. (No Civic Address)
Applicant: Webb Surveys for City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Parcel AA, Plan 96-S-22416
Current Zoning: R.1A
Neighbourhood: Silverspring
Date Received: April 16, 1998
- Application #20/98: 207 Keevil Way
Applicant: Randall Pichler for City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Part of Parcel G, Plan 96-S-55464
Current Zoning: M.2
Neighbourhood: Forest Grove
Date Received: April 17, 1998
- Application #21/98: Beechdale Cr/Pl/Wy
Applicant: Webster Surveys for City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Pcl L, Plan 96-S-13323; Pcl M, Plan 96-S-13326
Current Zoning: R.1A
Neighbourhood: Briarwood
Date Received: April 21, 1998

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of Proposed Subdivision #19/98
2. Plan of Proposed Subdivision #20/98
3. Plan of Proposed Subdivision #21/98

B6) Subdivision Application #16/98

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**Parcel F, C.R. 3926, Clarence Avenue South
(File No. 4300 -16/98)**

RECOMMENDATION: that Subdivision Application #16/98 be approved, subject to:

- a) the payment of \$50.00 being the required approval fee;
- b) the payment of \$8,480.00 being the required money in lieu of municipal reserve;
- c) the owner entering into a Development and Servicing Agreement with the City of Saskatoon; and,
- d) the owner submitting a site plan showing storm sewer drainage of the site and a report detailing the required temporary water and sewer systems to the satisfaction of the General Manager of the Public Works Department.

ADOPTED.

Report of the General Manager, Planning and Building Department, April 23, 1998:

“The following subdivision application has been submitted for approval:

Subdivision Application: #16/98
Applicant: UMA Engineering
Legal Description: Parcel F, Plan CR 3926
Location: Clarence Avenue South.”

ATTACHMENT

1. April 9, 1998 Subdivision Report

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**B7) Subdivision Application #17/98
Preston Avenue
(File No. 4300-17/98)**

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon and through the application of their respective signatures and the Corporate Seal, to execute the Plan with respect to the registration of the right-of-way for the overhead power transmission line and SaskTel fibre optic cable which will be built on property owned by the University of Saskatchewan, near Preston Avenue as described by the attached Proposed Plan of Survey.

ADOPTED.

Report of the General Manager, Planning and Building Department, April 23, 1998:

“The following subdivision application has been submitted for approval:

Subdivision Application: #17/98
Applicant: UMA Engineering for University of Saskatchewan
Legal Description: NW ¼, Section 26; SW ¼ 35-36-5-W3rd
Location: Preston Avenue”

ATTACHMENT

1. April 6, 1998 Subdivision Report

REPORT NO. 9-1998 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor H. Harding, Chair
Councillor D. Atchison
Councillor P. McCann
Councillor P. Roe
Councillor R. Steernberg

**1. School Pedestrian Safety Concerns
(School Zone Speed Limits)
(Files CK. 5200-1 and 5300-1)**

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 2.

**2. Innovative Housing Policy C09-002
(Files CK. 750-0 and CK. 750-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that Innovative Housing Policy C09-002 be revised, as proposed.

Your Committee, at its meeting held on March 31, 1998, considered a report from the Chair of the Social Housing Advisory Committee regarding proposed revisions to the Innovative Housing Policy and referred the matter back to the Committee for a further report to include information about the Provincial programs and clarification of the issue of giving priority to projects in the Core Neighbourhoods. Your Committee raised the issue that there may be other neighbourhoods that should be considered as well.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the following report of the Chair, Social Housing Advisory Committee dated April 20, 1998, which addresses the issues raised by your Committee:

“BACKGROUND

On March 31, 1998, the Planning and Operations Committee considered a report from the Social Housing Advisory Committee regarding proposed revisions to the City's Innovative Housing Policy (C09-002), and resolved:

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‘that the matter be referred back to the Social Housing Advisory Committee for a further report to the Committee.’

The issue of giving priority to projects in the Core Neighbourhoods was raised. It was noted that there may be other neighbourhoods that should be considered as well. It was also determined that it would be appropriate to wait until the Province comes forward with a policy on housing before considering this matter further.

REPORT

SHAC has reviewed its recommendations regarding proposed changes to the Innovative Housing Policy with regard to the geographic focus, and in light of the recent (April 8, 1998) announcement by the Province of the details of its housing programs.

We believe that the Policy as written clearly supports the initiatives being implemented by the Province with regard to social and affordable housing. In particular, the recent creation of a Social Housing Operating Reserve in addition to the Social Housing Capital Reserve is appropriate. The Province will be extending its support for privately held not-for-profit projects like Quint, which, because there would not be any on-going public ownership of the resulting housing stock, would be funded from the Social Housing Operating Reserve. In addition, the Province has announced its intention to expand its social housing portfolio by acquiring and renovating existing rental units. Because these projects would involve on-going public ownership, they would be supported by the Social Housing Capital Reserve.

Regarding geographic targeting of City support, although the Policy is intended to apply to the City as a whole, the previous wording of Section 3.1 - General Eligibility Criteria, implied that only Core Neighbourhoods would be given preference. This was not our intention. We believe that it important to offer guidelines to prospective participants in our programs that reflect our understanding of where support for most innovative housing affordable to low-income households is required. However, other areas of the City cannot be excluded as opportunities arise.

Also, the existing definition of Core Neighbourhoods is being phased out by the Planning and Building Department in favour of developing Local Area Plans for specific neighbourhoods, many of which include the former Core Neighbourhoods.

Therefore, we have amended the wording of Section 3.1 b) of the policy to include reference to Core Neighbourhoods, neighbourhoods that have been identified for future Local Area Plan studies, or other neighbourhoods that may be identified by community

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groups as appropriate for innovative housing projects. A definition of Local Area Plan Neighbourhoods is also provided in Section 2.2.

ATTACHMENTS

- Press Release and program outline, Ministry of Municipal Government (Housing Division) Housing Programs, dated March 19, 1998.
- Revised Proposed Innovative Housing Policy, dated April 14, 1998.”

IT WAS RESOLVED:

- 1) *that Sutherland be included in the definition of “Core Neighbourhood” in Subsection 2.1; and*
- 2) *that the Innovative Housing Policy C09-002 be revised, as proposed.*

**3. Inner City Council of Churches Riversdale Build
(Files CK. 750-1 and PL 226-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the City of Saskatoon contribute up to \$4,250 from the Social Housing Operating Reserve to the Inner City Council of Churches to support the development of a house at 517 Avenue H South in partnership with Saskatoon Habitat for Humanity.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered and concurs with the following report of the Chair, Social Housing Advisory Committee dated April 8, 1998, regarding the above matter:

“EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Inner City Council of Churches is partnering with Saskatoon Habitat for Humanity to build a home at 517 Avenue H South.

This project is in keeping with SHAC’s targets and mandate, and SHAC supports their request for funds.

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DISCUSSION

Saskatoon Habitat for Humanity has built 8 homes in Saskatoon for low-income families, using "sweat equity" contributions from the residents and contributions from the community at large to reduce the cost of development and keep the house affordable. In 1997, Habitat agreed to assist the Inner City Council of Churches to develop a home in the inner city. The Provincial Ministry of Municipal Government (Housing Division) provided a \$9,500 grant to Habitat to purchase a lot at 517 Avenue H South. The remainder of the necessary construction costs will be raised by the Inner City Council of Churches.

Although the final project cost is not known at this time, the funding request estimates a maximum of \$85,000. SHAC's policy is to offer a grant of 5% of total project costs, therefore, we recommend that a maximum of \$4,250 be approved for this project, to be provided from the Social Housing Operating Reserve.

The City's funds will be released upon written notification of final project costs by the Inner City Council of Churches. It is expected that this notification will be available by the end of June, 1998.

JUSTIFICATION

The Inner City Council of Churches/Habitat project proposal meets the terms and conditions for the City's support for social housing.

OPTIONS

No options.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

No impact on policy.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This request is within the current guidelines established for the Social Housing Operating Reserve.

ATTACHMENTS

- information and letter from the Inner City Council of Churches, dated April 2, 1998.”

**4. Provincial Housing Programs
(Files CK. 750-1 and PL 226-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the City of Saskatoon contribute up to \$109,350 from the Social Housing Operating Reserve to support the Neighbourhood Homes Program developed by the Province of Saskatchewan to assist low-income families to participate in home ownership co-operatives; and
 - 2) that the City of Saskatoon contribute up to \$87,500 from the Social Housing Capital Reserve to support the Homes Now Program developed by the Province of Saskatchewan to add to the social housing stock.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the following report of the Chair, Social Housing Advisory Committee dated April 20, 1998:

“EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

With the success of the 1997 pilot projects in innovative housing, including the Quint Housing Co-op, the Provincial Government has introduced an expansion of this program that will enable up to 80 units of low-income affordable housing to be acquired in Saskatoon. - up to 45 units in neighbourhood-based home-ownership co-operatives, and up to 35 units in an expansion of the Saskatoon Housing Authority social housing portfolio.

The nature of the development process - acquiring and renovating existing housing - means that we need to commit to supporting the process. Funds will not be disbursed until actual properties have been identified and appropriate management structures are in place. Therefore, SHAC is recommending that City Council approve the release of funds from the Social Housing Reserves to a maximum upset amount of \$196,850 in support of these programs, with funds to be disbursed by the Administration as projects proceed and meet the requirements of the Innovative Housing Policy.

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DISCUSSION

The Government of Saskatchewan, Ministry of Municipal Government Housing Division (MGHD) announced on March 19, 1998 that they would be spending about \$9 million per year on housing initiatives throughout the province. At the SHAC meeting of April 8, 1998, details of the proposed programs were released.

The two main programs of interest to the City in terms of municipal support are as follows:

Neighbourhood Home Ownership Program

In part based on the success of the pilot program delivered by Quint Development Corporation in 1997, this program will enable low-income families to acquire and renovate existing housing in inner city neighbourhoods, and position them for home ownership by participation in a home-owners cooperative. One-hundred units will be funded throughout the province, with a maximum housing cost of \$45,000, plus access to an additional \$900 renovation grant. It is expected that 40 to 45 units will be allocated to Saskatoon.

The delivery of the program will depend on the prevailing housing market conditions (price and availability of suitable houses) and the ability of community groups to support the development of home-owner cooperatives - in effect developing sub-projects of from 10 to 15 units in various areas of the city. These groups are still to be formally identified, but discussions are already underway with potential partners, including Quint.

The City is being asked to participate by providing grants for 5% of the housing purchase price, plus 20% of the renovation grant portion. The City's funds will be disbursed directly to qualifying community-based groups sponsoring the development of the home-ownership co-ops, in order to assist this vital and necessary part of the process.

The maximum total for City of Saskatoon funding would be \$109,350, based on 5% of the cost of acquiring 45 homes at a maximum of \$45,000 each, for a total of \$101,250 (\$2,250 per unit), plus up to 20% of the 45 renovation grants of \$900 for a total of \$8,100 (\$180 per unit). These funds would be disbursed from the Social Housing Operating Reserve.

SHAC is recommending that, in order to facilitate the development process, City Council approve the release of up to \$109,350 from the Social Housing Operating Reserve, so that as the specific sub-projects develop the funds will be available for disbursement in a timely and appropriate manner.

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Homes Now

An extension of Saskatoon's social housing stock, the Homes Now Program will fund the acquisition of existing rental property, with renovation and eventual management by the Saskatoon Housing Authority (SHA) as part of their rent-g geared to income (RGI) portfolio for tenants.

Like the Neighbourhood Home Ownership Program, this program will be dependant upon housing market conditions and availability of suitable stock at the time of purchase, and in order to facilitate this process, SHAC is recommending that City Council approve a maximum expenditure of \$87,500, based on 5% of the cost of acquiring 35 units at approximately \$50,000 per unit. These funds would be disbursed from the Social Housing Capital Reserve, which was retained in order to assist the development of publicly owned social housing.

Summary

The total maximum expenditure from the Social Housing Reserves would be \$196,850, for a total of 80 units of low-income affordable housing, or approximately \$2,460 per unit.

Funds would not be released until either specific properties are identified for acquisition by the Saskatoon Housing Authority (Homes Now Program), or until an appropriate business and management plan is presented by the community groups supporting the formation of the home-ownership cooperative sub-projects (Neighbourhood Home Ownership). Funds will only be used to acquire and renovate housing units, and expenditures will be monitored by SHAC and the Housing Facilitator.

JUSTIFICATION

The overall program and expected project proposals meet the terms and conditions for the City's support for social housing, as identified in the Innovative Housing Policy (C09-002). The pre-approval of maximum expenditures will assist the development process of these kinds of projects.

OPTIONS

No options

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

No impact on policy.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This request is within the current guidelines established for the Social Housing Reserves.

ATTACHMENTS

- information and letter from the Government of Saskatchewan, Ministry of Municipal Government (Housing Division), dated March 19, 1998.”

Your Committee has also requested the Administration to report further on Administrative conditions and guidelines, taking into account the provincial regulations in place to ensure that there is not an overlap between municipal and provincial controls.

**5. Purchase of Land
(Files CK. 4214-1 and PL 226-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that up to \$14,000 be allocated from the Social Housing Capital Reserve to purchase the lot at 833 - 11th Street West in order to position it for innovative housing in-fill development according to the Social Housing Advisory Committee’s work plan and mandate.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the following report of the Chair, Social Housing Advisory Committee dated April 17, 1998:

“EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

There is an opportunity for SHAC to acquire a building lot issue a proposal call to builders to develop the site as housing affordable to lower-income families. This would enable SHAC to develop mechanisms to demonstrate ways of encouraging innovative housing development to increase the stock of low-income affordable housing, especially in existing neighbourhoods as appropriate in-fill development.

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DISCUSSION

SHAC's workplan, approved by City Council on October 6, 1997, stated that SHAC should explore ways of using the City's land resources to address the need to develop innovative housing affordable to low-income families.

In the course of on-going discussions, an unusual opportunity arose whereby SHAC might acquire a property at a low cost compared to the current market, with the intention of positioning it as a demonstration site for development of housing affordable to a low-income household. The property, located at 833 - 11th St. W., was acquired by the City Solicitor as payment for required repairs to water and sewer connections, at the cost of \$10,000. The Land Manager estimates that the required repairs will cost from \$3,000 to \$4,000. The lot is zoned R2, and has frontage of 25 feet, requiring that a single family, detached dwelling be constructed.

Both the Solicitor and the Land Manager have agreed that they would sell the property to SHAC at their cost, expected to be no higher than \$14,000. In turn, SHAC would develop a proposal call for the property, and sell the land to the successful bidder based on their agreement to meet certain conditions, which would include a cap on the final selling price of the house that is affordable to lower-income households. SHAC will also encourage innovative design responses, for example by making the house reasonably accessible to persons with limited mobility. The purchase by SHAC is necessary in order to balance the Property Realized Reserve.

At this time, it is expected that SHAC would sell the land for a price that takes into account the usual 5% contribution from the Social Housing Reserve. For example, if the final cost of developing this house is \$95,000 (including the land cost of \$14,000), SHAC would sell the land to the successful bidder for \$9,000, with the remaining \$5,000 being considered the 5% grant. A selling price of \$95,000 would be affordable to households earning about \$40,000, or less than 75% of the average household income for the City, and should enable such households to qualify for CMHC mortgage insurance.

This opportunity, while unusual, should be explored as a way of identifying mechanisms whereby the City can have greater impact on the development of affordable housing.

JUSTIFICATION

The innovative partnership that would be formed between the Land Branch, SHAC and partners in the community in order to carry out this development process is in keeping with the mandate established for SHAC in our 1997 Workplan.

OPTIONS

- 1) Support the recommendation and provide the requested funding from the Social Housing Reserve, enabling SHAC to place the land to stimulate innovative, affordable development as per our mandate;
- 2) Decline the recommendation, and request that SHAC review the Policies regarding the City's support for social housing.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

No impact on policy.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This request is within the current guidelines established for the Social Housing Reserves.

ATTACHMENTS

none"

**6. Saskatoon Transit Services - Senior Citizen Bus Passes
(File No. CK. 7312)**

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that the sale of Senior Citizen Bus Passes be offered in yearly, six-month or three-month periods, effective July 1, 1998;
- 2) that the price of Seniors' bus passes be as follows:

One-year - \$148 (July 1 to June 30)
Six-month - \$74 (January 1 to June 30, July 1 to December 31)

Three-month - \$40 (January 1 to March 31, April 1 to June 30, July 1 to September 30, October 1 to December 31);

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- 3) that the one-year and six-month Seniors' bus passes be sold only through Transit's Downtown Customer Services Centre;
- 4) that the three-month Seniors' bus passes be sold at all Transit vendors as well as the Downtown Customer Services Centre; and,
- 5) that the City Solicitor be requested to bring forward the appropriate bylaw amendment.

ADOPTED.

City Council, at its meeting held on April 20, 1998, considered the attached copy of Clause 3, Report No. 7-1998 of the Planning and Operations Committee and referred the matter back to the Planning and Operations Committee for further review.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the following report of the General Manager, Transportation Department dated April 28, 1998, which recommends the retention of the six-month and one-year passes, as well as the introduction of a three-month pass:

“BACKGROUND

On April 14, 1998, the Planning and Operations Committee considered and approved the Transportation Department's report with respect to Senior Citizen Bus Passes. City Council, at its meeting held April 20, 1998, dealt with as stated Clause 3, Report No. 7-1998 of the Planning and Operations Committee:

‘that the matter be referred back to the Planning and Operations Committee for further review.’

Consideration of the concerns raised by City Council and by members of the general public, following submission of the original report to the Planning and Operations Committee, has taken place and Transit is now recommending some adjustments to the original proposal.

DISCUSSION

The intent of the original report regarding the Senior Citizen bus pass program was to respond to many requests received from Transit customers to offer a reduced term pass for those people who either could not afford or did not want to purchase the current minimum

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six-month term for a Senior's bus pass. The introduction of a new three-month term pass will respond to this need.

Maintaining the current six-month and one-year Seniors' bus passes for those who prefer the longer terms, at their current pricing of \$74 and \$148 respectively, will not conflict with the proposed three-month term, and will respond to the majority of the concerns raised regarding the removal of the six-month pass. Due to the fact that replacements and refunds are processed by Transit for the six-month and annual Seniors' bus passes, and the administrative requirement to maintain a customer database of these passes, Transit recommends that these longer-term passes be available only at the Downtown Customer Services Centre.

It is recommended that the new three-month pass be priced at \$40 to cover the extra costs associated with introducing this pass such as printing, distribution, collection, reconciliation, and lost opportunity costs. To facilitate selling this pass at all Transit vendors, it is necessary to treat this pass similar to other adult and high-school passes and not provide a replacement or refund for lost passes. This is due to the fact that Transit will not have a record of the sale of the pass if sold through a vendor.

The effect of these changes will result in the introduction of a new three-month pass for senior citizens who either cannot afford or do not wish to purchase the longer-term Seniors' bus passes. At the same time, the current structure and pricing of the six-month and yearly Senior Citizen bus pass program, for those who prefer the longer terms, will be maintained.

At this time, it is uncertain as to the financial impact that the introduction of three-month passes will have on revenues from Seniors' passes with the six-month passes in place. Transit intends to monitor the sales of all Seniors' passes and, if required, make further recommendations regarding this type of fare."

**7. Installation of New Parking Meters
(File No. CK. 6120-3)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that 23 new metered parking stalls be installed along the south side of 21st Street between Avenue P and Avenue R;
 - 2) that 12 new metered parking stalls be installed along the west side of Avenue P between 20th Street and 21st Street;

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- 3) that 18 new metered parking stalls be installed along the north side of 20th Street between Avenue P and Avenue R;
- 4) that 7 new metered parking stalls be installed along the south side of 20th Street between Avenue P and Avenue Q;
- 5) that 11 new metered parking stalls be installed along the south side of 20th Street between Avenue Q and Avenue R; and
- 6) that the existing parking restrictions be changed to two hour parking, 0900 to 1800, Monday to Saturday.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the following report of the General Manager, Transportation Department dated April 20, 1998:

“BACKGROUND

One of the functions of the Parking Branch is to investigate and recommend new sites for parking meters. The south side of 21st Street between Avenue P and Avenue R, the west side of Avenue P between 20th Street and 21st Street, the north side of 20th Street between Avenue P and Avenue R, the south side of 20th Street between Avenue P and Avenue Q, and the south side of 20th Street between Avenue Q and Avenue R have been identified as new locations for parking meters.

JUSTIFICATION

The locations identified above surround St. Paul's Hospital. St. Paul's Hospital is a high traffic generator and, as such, the demand for on-street parking in the area is at a premium. A parking study was conducted in February of this year to determine the parking situation. The study concluded that there is a need for additional vehicle turnover in the area, and parking meters are the most effective method to achieve this goal.

Twenty-three new metered parking stalls are being proposed along the south side of 21st Street between Avenue P and Avenue R. This results in eight additional parking stalls on this block, as a “No Parking” zone which is no longer required would be converted to metered parking stalls. The current sign restriction on this block is two hour parking, 0900 to 1600, Monday to Friday.

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Twelve new metered parking stalls are being proposed along the west side of Avenue P between 20th Street and 21st Street. This results in the addition of one extra parking stall, as the current parking area is being lengthened. This block currently has a two hour, 0900 to 1600, Monday to Friday parking restriction. This time limit is frequently exceeded and, as such, parking meters are being recommended to improve vehicle turnover. The various offices and businesses across the street from St. Paul's Hospital will also benefit from the installation of the meters, as their customers will have improved parking opportunities.

On the north and south sides of 20th Street between Avenue P and Avenue R, a total of 36 new metered parking stalls are being proposed. This area currently does not have parking restrictions and, as such, vehicles are parked for extended periods of time. The installation of parking meters in this area will dramatically increase vehicle turnover and provide Hospital visitors and nearby business patrons with conveniently located and more readily available parking.

The sixth recommendation addresses the changing of the existing signage to a two hour parking restriction from 0900 to 1800, Monday to Saturday. This restriction is consistent with other two hour meters throughout the City. The proposed signage is also a more appropriate restriction for this area, as the Hospital and nearby businesses would benefit from the additional vehicle turnover provided by having a parking restriction in effect on Saturdays.

The above has been discussed and endorsed by the Parking Committee, the Traffic Planning and Operations Branch, the Transit Branch, St. Paul's Hospital, and the Riversdale Business Improvement District.

OPTIONS

The only option to the proposed recommendation is the status quo. The status quo is not recommended since it does not address the high demand for parking stalls in the vicinity of St. Paul's Hospital.

POLICY IMPLICATION

There are no policy implications resulting from this proposal.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

The approximate revenue generated by the installation of these new meters will be \$71,000 annually.

The increase in parking revenues will be assigned to General Revenues (45%), the Streetscape Reserve (43%), the Parking Operating Reserve (5%), the Parking Capital Reserve (4%), and the three Business Improvement Districts (1% each).”

REPORT NO. 8-1998 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor D.L. Birkmaier, Chair
Councillor M. Heidt
Councillor A. Langford
Councillor J. Maddin
Councillor K. Waygood

1. Communications to Council

**From: Noble Dave Fairlie
Saskatoon Circus Chairman - 1998**
Date: February 20, 1998
**Subject: Request for Exemption from Amusement Tax
Saskatoon Shrine Circus - May 8, 9 and 10, 1998**
(File No. CK. 1965-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request for exemption from amusement tax from the Saskatoon Shrine Circus for the Circus to be held on May 8, 9 and 10, 1998 be approved.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the above-noted communication which was considered and approved by the Committee, as this event qualifies for amusement tax exemption under the Policy, and this exemption has been granted for many years.

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- 2. 1998 Assistance to Community Groups: Cash Grants Program
Environmental Component
(File No. CK. 1870-2-4)**
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DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 5.

- 3. Decision - Grievance Hearing
Amalgamated Transit Union Local 615
Three-Day Suspension - Mark Olson
(File No. 4705-1)**
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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of a letter dated March 20, 1998 from Mr. Dan Bichel, President/Business Agent, Amalgamated Transit Union Local 615, requesting a grievance hearing on behalf of Mark Olson under Article A18, Step Four of the Collective Agreement, regarding a three-day suspension without just cause.

The Committee's decision, after reviewing the evidence presented by both ATU Local 615 and the Management, and without the presence of the employees involved, is to DENY the noted grievance. The Amalgamated Transit Union Local 615 has been advised of this decision."

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

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

CARRIED.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 7753

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 7753, being "*The Forestry Farm Superintendent's Residence Tax Exemption Bylaw, 1998*" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Langford,

THAT Bylaw No. 7753 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 7753.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

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That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 7753 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Maddin,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 7753 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT Bylaw No. 7753 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Bylaw No. 7754

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 7754, being "*The Mill Rate Factors Amendment Bylaw, 1998*" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

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The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Langford,

THAT Bylaw No. 7754 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 7754.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 7754 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

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

CARRIED.

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Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Maddin,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 7754 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT Bylaw No. 7754 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Moved by Councillor McCann,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk