

Council Chambers
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, May 14, 2007
at 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

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

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the minutes of meeting of City Council held on April 30, 2007, be approved.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

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

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

Committee arose.

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

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- Application No.: Z6/07 Willowgrove South
Applicant: City of Saskatoon Land Branch
Legal Description: Part Registered Plans 93S45207 and 94S01779
Current Zoning: R1A
Proposed Zoning: R1B
Neighbourhood: Willowgrove South
Date Received: April 23, 2007

Subdivision

- Application No.: 25/07 West Hampton Boulevard
Applicant: Webb Surveys for the City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Lot 16, Block 968; Lot 1, Block 969 and Lot 1, Block 974, all in Plan 101907659
Current Zoning: R1A
Neighbourhood: Hampton Village
Date Received: April 19, 2007
- Application No.: 26/07 203 Taylor Street East
Applicant: Peters Surveys for Troy Stadnick
Legal Description: Lots 39 and 40, Block 38, Plan G229
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: Buena Vista
Date Received: April 23, 2007
- Application No.: 27/07 Korol Crescent/Way/Lane
Applicant: Webster Surveys for Dundee Realty Corp.
Legal Description: Part of the N.W. ¼ Sec. 6-37-5-W3M
Current Zoning: R1A
Neighbourhood: Hampton Village
Date Received: April 27, 2007
- Application No.: 28/07 Clarence Avenue/College Drive
Applicant: Peters Surveys for City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Part of Plan 101911193
Current Zoning: AG
Neighbourhood: U of S Management Area
Date Received: April 27, 2007

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 9/07
2. Plan of Proposed Rezoning No. Z3/07
3. Plan of Proposed Rezoning No. Z6/07
4. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 25/07
5. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 26/07
6. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 2707
7. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 28/07

**A2) Municipal Enterprise Zone
List of Approved Applications – March/April 2007
(File No.: PL. 4110 – 34; CK. 3500-15)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The Municipal Enterprise Zone was established by City Council in 2002 to provide financial incentives to encourage more economic development in seven core neighbourhoods as well as two core industrial areas of Saskatoon. Among some of the incentives, the Municipal Enterprise Zone provides automatic rebates for building, plumbing, sign permit fees, land use fees such as rezoning and discretionary uses, tax abatements for up to five years, and one year grants in lieu of tax abatement. The program is temporary until the funds are spent. City Council provided \$500,000 of initial funding for the program in the Spring of 2002; renewed the program funding with \$500,000 in March of 2006, and recently \$500,000 on February 26, 2007.

REPORT

The following applications were approved by the Adjudication Committee on March 1, 2007, and April 5, 2007:

1. Hot Art Café – 504 - 20th Street West – the application calls for new business and renovation of the existing retail space at 504, 20th Street West in the Riversdale Neighbourhood. Hot Art Café intends to invest \$80,000 in the purchase and renovation of this space and offer an art gallery, cappuccino/espresso bar and small art performances on a two week schedule. The renovations are mainly cosmetic and will not affect the assessed value; therefore, the Enterprise Zone Committee has approved a grant equal to one year's worth of existing property taxes (\$1,056.29) and a façade appearance grant of \$2,500.

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2. Doug's Spoke and Slopes – 225 - 20th Street West – Doug's Spoke and Slopes recently relocated to this location, where they offer recreation equipment retail sales. Doug's Spoke and Slopes wishes to power wash and re-paint the exterior of this property. Estimated total cost is \$2,750. The Enterprise Zone Committee has approved a façade appearance grant of \$2,500.
3. Verve 2 Events - 210 Avenue P South – Verve 2 Events provide event planning, production and development services. They plan to relocate to this location and undertake renovations to open a storefront operation in Pleasant Hill. Total investment in the property and renovations is \$101,500. The Enterprise Zone Committee has approved a grant equal to one years' worth of existing property taxes in the amount of \$2,156.42.
4. Al Anderson's Source for Sports - 202/204 Avenue B South – Al Anderson's Source for Sports is planning to undertake substantial façade renovations to their existing location. The estimated value of the renovations is \$30,000. The plans include purchasing an adjacent property and incorporate it into a new façade. The Enterprise Zone Committee has approved a façade appearance grant of \$2,500 towards this project.

Follow-up inspections will be undertaken at all of the above locations. Only when it is clearly demonstrated that the projects are completed, will the committed funds be provided to the owner/applicant.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

As of April 5, 2007, there was an estimated \$494,160 remaining in the Municipal Enterprise Zone account, which includes all money spent on completed projects and committed to be spent on submitted applications. The above applications total \$10,712.71 and are within the means of the Municipal Enterprise Zone Program.

The Enterprise Zone program is undergoing an audit. The audit draft report is expected to be completed by the end of April 2007. The Administration is also assessing the overall value and impact of the Enterprise Zone Program and will be providing recommendations for changes to the program, in conjunction with the Audit report.

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A3) Request For Encroachment Agreement

1302 20th Street West

Lot 15, Block 27, Plan F5554

(File No. CC 4090-2)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council recognize the encroachment at 1302 20th Street West (Lot 17, Block 27, Plan F5554);
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the appropriate encroachment agreement making provision to collect the applicable fees; and
 - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal and in a form that is satisfactory to the City Solicitor, the agreement with respect to this encroachment.

ADOPTED.

The owner of the property located at 1302 20th Street West, has requested to enter into an Encroachment Agreement with the City of Saskatoon. As shown on the attached Surveyors Certificate, the building with some brick facing and roof overhang encroach onto City Property on 20th Street West by a maximum of 1.2 feet (0.366 m). The total area of encroachment is approximately 33 square feet (0.2 m²) and will, therefore, be subject to an annual charge of \$50. There is currently an Encroachment Agreement in place for this encroaching area, however; the property is changing ownership and a new agreement is being requested in the new owner's name.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Letter from the owner's representative, dated April 20, 2007.
2. Copy of the Surveyors Certificate, dated January 27, 1989.

Section B – CORPORATE SERVICES

**B1) Incentive Application
101089599 Saskatchewan Ltd.
(SJ Irvine Fine Foods Ltd.)
(File No. 3500-13)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the application from 101089599 Saskatchewan Ltd. (SJ Irvine Fine Foods Ltd.) for a five-year tax abatement on the incremental portion of taxes at 827 – 56th Street East, be approved, commencing in 2008 as follows:

100% in Year 1
80% in Year 2
70% in Year 3
60% in Year 4
50% in Year 5; and,
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the appropriate bylaw and agreement.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

Attached is a report from John Cross, Chair, Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority Inc. (SREDA) Board of Directors. The report is self-explanatory and provides the required information for City Council to consider the request by 101089599 Saskatchewan Ltd. (SJ Irvine Fine Foods Ltd.) for a five-year tax abatement.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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ATTACHMENT

1. Report – Chair, SREDA Board of Directors.

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**B2) City of Saskatoon - 2006 Absenteeism Report
(File No. 4500-13; CK. 4630-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

On an annual basis, your Administration provides City Council with a copy of its corporate-wide, short-term absenteeism report. Attached, for Council's review, is the report for the year ended December 31, 2006. Generally, the statistics are similar to past years, with some favourable trends becoming evident. The following summarizes some of the major changes/trends that have been identified in the report:

1. Total hours of absenteeism have decreased by 3,295 hours. This is the fifth year in a row with a decrease.
2. Average hours of absenteeism have remained constant at 57 hours.
3. Average number of incidents was 3.2 per employee.
4. Short-term absenteeism costs, inclusive of any increases due to contractual wage adjustments have increased by \$61,160.
5. 22% of employees had zero incidents of absenteeism during the year.

The emphasis of this report is on short-term absenteeism, the reported results do not reveal the fact that short-term sick leave includes all sick leave accumulated until such time that an employee qualifies for long-term benefits. The statistical data would indicate a significant decrease if employees with long-term illnesses were removed.

The corporation is following the nation-wide trend dealing with an older work force. Fifty-two percent of our employees are over age 45 and the average age of the Corporation has increased to 44 years. Increased injuries and accommodations are being experienced in this age category. The Corporation continues to focus on employee's health and safety through programs such as: Return-to-Work Program, Workplace Wellness Programs, Attendance Support Process for Supervisors and a new Injury Prevention Vision and Principles.

Overall, your Administration is pleased with the 2006 absenteeism statistics and continues to recognize that the employment demographics reveal an increase in the age of the workforce.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. City of Saskatoon 2006 Absenteeism Report.

Section D – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

**D1) Enquiry – Councillor Wyant (December 18, 2006)
Walkway between 218 and 222 Adilman Drive
(File No: CK. 6150-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Wyant at the meeting of City Council held on December 18, 2006:

“Would the Administration please report on the placing of posts at the entrance to the walkway between 218 and 222 Adilman Drive. There have been a number of incidents of cars travelling down the walkway, particularly at night.”

REPORT

Infrastructure Services has investigated the walkway between 218 and 222 Adilman Drive, leading to Neusch Way. It was noted that there appeared to be vehicle tire marks on a portion of the walkway. Bollards will be installed at each end of the walkway to prohibit vehicles from accessing the walkway, as per attached Plan No. 242-0001-003r001

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Plan 242-0001-003r001.

**D2) Enquiry – Former Councillor T. Alm (May 8, 2006)
Traffic Congestion – 20th Street and 4th Avenue
(File CK. 6320-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

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BACKGROUND:

The following enquiry was made by former Councillor T. Alm at the meeting of City Council held on May 8, 2006:

“Would the Administration please investigate the traffic congestion on the corner of 20th Street and 4th Avenue. Traffic moving west on 20th Street is often backed up when the lead vehicle at 4th Avenue wishes to turn south. Perhaps the angle parking on the north side of 20th Street could be converted to parallel parking, thus creating two lanes of traffic.”

REPORT

Infrastructure Services has determined that, at the time of former Councillor Alm’s enquiry, access to the Traffic Bridge via Spadina Crescent was restricted due the reconstruction of the intersection of 3rd Avenue and Spadina Crescent. Traffic which was being detoured from Spadina Crescent to 20th Street caused a temporary increase in the number of westbound to southbound left turns at the intersection of 4th Avenue and 20th Street. Access to 3rd Avenue from Spadina Crescent has now been restored and the intersection of 3rd Avenue and Spadina Crescent is fully functional. No further complaints have been received.

POLICY

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

**D3) Enquiry – Former Councillor D.L. Birkmaier (March 27, 2006)
Use of City Street or Lane for Business Purpose
(File No. 6000-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

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

“Would the Administration please consider drafting a bylaw that would control the use or prohibition of a city street or lane for business purposes?”

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REPORT

Infrastructure Services reviews requests for temporary road closures for special events based on guidelines outlined in Policy No. C07-003 – Temporary Road Closures. Road closures for special events are considered by City Council and, if approved, are sent to the Administration to implement subject to the guidelines in the policy and any other conditions the Administration deems necessary to ensure public safety and the least disruption to normal traffic flows. The primary concern when reviewing such requests is whether the proposed activity and subsequent closure would constitute a significant disruption or hazard to vehicle or pedestrian traffic in the area in question.

Due to the existence of a policy and process regarding the use of city streets for a special events, the Administration does not recommend a bylaw at this time, as the current practice is sufficiently meeting the Administration's needs.

In situations where business owners are utilizing on-street parking for the purpose of storing vehicles for their regular business operations, no action is taken by parking officials as long as the vehicles in question are licensed and abiding by posted parking restrictions. The Administration, therefore, does not recommend an amendment to Traffic Bylaw, 7200.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

D4) Proposed Disabled Person's Parking Zone

(File No. 6120-04; CK. 6145-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that a Disabled Person's Parking Zone be installed in front of 539 Avenue M North.

ADOPTED.

Infrastructure Services has received a request from the resident of 539 Avenue M North for the installation of a Disabled Person's Parking Zone in front of the residence, as shown on Plan No. 210-0013-011r001 (Attachment 1). The resident has a physical impairment such that direct access to the front of their home is required.

The parking zone conforms to City guidelines with respect to Disabled Person's Parking Zones, and no fee is assessed for its installation.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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ATTACHMENT

1. Plan No. 210-0013-011r001

**D5) Proposed Disabled Person's Parking Zone
(File No. 6120-04; CK. 6145-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that a Disabled Person's Parking Zone be installed in front of 1233 Avenue C North.

ADOPTED.

Infrastructure Services has received a request from the resident of 1233 Avenue C North for the installation of a Disabled Person's Parking Zone in front of the residence, as shown on Plan No. 210-0030-017r001 (Attachment 1). The resident has a physical impairment such that direct access to the front of their home is required.

The parking zone conforms to City guidelines with respect to Disabled Person's Parking Zones, and no fee is assessed for its installation.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Plan No. 210-0030-017r001

**D6) Proposed Sale of Parcel of Land
Lot 6, Block 470, Plan 61S20645
2502 Millar Avenue – Apollo Machines
(File No. 6295-1)**

RECOMMENDATIONS: 1) that a parcel of land located within Block 470 of Plan 61S20645, as shown on the attached Plan of Proposed Consolidation as prepared by Webb Surveys (Attachment 1), and also shown as Parcel "A" on Plan 242-0004-002r002 (Attachment 2), be sold to JLS Holdings Ltd. for a total cost of \$37,000, plus G.S.T.

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- 2) that all costs associated with the sale be borne by the applicant; and
- 3) that the City Solicitor be directed to prepare the necessary sale agreement for execution by the City Manager and City Clerk.

ADOPTED.

In August 2006, Infrastructure Services received a request from JLS Holdings Ltd. to purchase a parcel of land adjacent to their business, Apollo Machines, located at 2502 Millar Avenue. The land was obtained by the City during a subdivision approval process as a utility parcel. The parcel was never dedicated as a public right-of-way due to the presence of a deep buried storm sewer. This parcel would be of use only to the two adjacent businesses, as it can only be used for access to their property, or for parking vehicles.

The Administration is recommending that the parcel be sold to JLS Holdings Ltd. for \$37,000. The price was based on an appraisal by the Land Branch and reflects the potential use for the land and the presence of an easement for the storm sewer.

City practice is that the sale of land adjacent to two or more businesses requires that the parcel be sold in its entirety without remnants, and that each adjacent property owner be given an opportunity to purchase a portion of the land. There are two businesses located adjacent to this parcel, as shown in Attachment 2. Apollo Machines is located at 2502 Millar Avenue and Recreation Supply Company is located at 2412 Millar Avenue. Each adjacent business was offered one half of the parcel. Recreation Supply indicated verbally that they were not interested in purchasing the land and that they would not object to JLS Holdings Ltd. purchasing it. Consequently, in October 2006, the entire parcel was offered to JLS Holdings Ltd. with the following conditions:

1. A transmission easement will be required over the entire area for an existing storm sewer.
2. The land may be used for access or as a parking lot; no permanent structure or building can be constructed on this land.
3. Surface drainage from the consolidated parcel shall be contained within the parcel and shall not be directed to adjacent public or private properties. Such drainage shall be collected from the consolidated parcel and conveyed to the City's storm sewer mains using catch basins and storm sewer services.
4. Roof water and surface drainage from the proposed consolidated parcel shall conform to City of Saskatoon Bylaw 5115.

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JLS Holdings Ltd. accepted the offer and all conditions and commenced the consolidation process. In December 2006, Infrastructure Services received a Plan of Proposed Consolidation as prepared by the proponent's surveyor, Webb Surveys. As required under the current process, all plans of consolidation must be reviewed by the Technical Planning Commission prior to being submitted to City Council. The Plan of Proposed Consolidation was subsequently approved by the Technical Planning Commission on April 18, 2007.

Attached is a letter from Recreation Supply, dated April 18, 2007 (Attachment 3), confirming that they have no objection to JLS Holdings Ltd. purchasing the land between 2412 and 2502 Millar Avenue.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of Proposed Consolidation dated December 21, 2006;
2. Plan No. 242-0004-002r002, Parcel 'A' Between 2502 – 2412 Millar Ave; and
3. Letter dated April 17, 2007 from Recreation Supply Company.

**D7) Gravel Street Upgrades – 41st Street
Capital Project 2044 – Gravel Street Upgrades Program
(File No. 6000-13; CK. 6315-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the tender submitted by A.S.L. Paving Ltd., Contract No. 7-0061, at a total estimated cost of \$328,867.59, including G.S.T., be accepted; and,
 - 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract documents, as prepared by the City Solicitor, under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

As part of Capital Project 2044 – Gravel Street Upgrades Program, Contract 7-0061, Gravel Street Upgrade – 41st Street, was tendered for the reconstruction of the existing gravel road on 41st Street between Ontario Avenue and Quebec Avenue to full pavement.

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In order to allow the project to be completed this year, the tender for Contract 7-0061, Gravel Street Upgrade – 41st Street, was advertised and opened publicly on April 19, 2007. Three tenders were received as follows:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>TOTAL TENDER</u> <u>(including G.S.T.)</u>
Central Asphalt & Paving Ltd. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	\$325,515.69
A.S.L. Paving Ltd. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	\$328,867.59
Northern Blacktop Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	\$367,809.40

The Engineer's estimate for this work was \$325,000.00.

Due to the priority that the Administration has placed upon this project, a requirement of the contract was that bidders submit a construction schedule with their tender submission. Central Asphalt & Paving Ltd. is the apparent low bidder at \$325,515.69, however, they did not submit a construction schedule as required and, therefore, their tender is considered invalid.

A.S.L. Paving Ltd., the next apparent lowest bidder at \$328,867.59, has submitted their construction schedule, and meets the contract requirements.

The Administration is recommending that A.S.L. Paving Ltd.'s bid be accepted. The net cost to the City for the bid submitted by A.S.L. Paving Ltd. would be as follows:

Base Tender	\$310,252.44
G.S.T.	<u>\$18,615.15</u>
Total Cost	\$328,867.15
G.S.T. Rebate	<u>\$18,615.15</u>
Net Cost to City	<u>\$310,252.44</u>

A.S.L. Paving Ltd. has performed work for the City of Saskatoon in the past, and has provided the proper bid bond and consent of surety.

There is adequate funding in Capital Project 2044 - Gravel Street Upgrades Program to fund this project.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**D8) Capital Project 901 – Park Upgrading - Neighbourhood
Les Kerr Park Upgrade
(File No. 4205-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the tender submitted by Wilco Landscape Contracting Ltd., for the Les Kerr Park Upgrade, Contract 7-0052, including the optional items noted below, at a total estimated cost of \$1,129,310.91, including P.S.T. and G.S.T., be accepted;
 - 2) that construction of Dutchak Park be deferred to 2008;
 - 3) that \$270,000.00 of the \$406,000.00 allocated to the Dutchak Park project in Capital Project 901 – Park Upgrading - Neighbourhood, be reallocated to fund the completion of the Les Kerr Park upgrade in 2007; and
 - 4) that the City Manager and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract documents as prepared by the City Solicitor, under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

Les Kerr Park in Forest Grove was built in 1985. The community and the City of Saskatoon had identified this park as requiring an upgrade as early as 1996. It was not upgraded at that time due to other parks which were more in need. In 2000, the park underwent a safety audit which identified a number of serious safety issues. It was scheduled for an upgrade in 2000, but again wasn't completed due to other pressing park upgrade priorities. Les Kerr Park has been approved for an upgrade in 2007 in Capital Project 901 - Park Upgrading – Neighbourhood which is funded by the Parks Infrastructure Reserve.

The contract involves the landscape upgrade of Les Kerr Park as well as optional items in the adjacent Forest Grove Elementary School site. The Saskatoon Public School Division is willing to proceed with the optional school site items.

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The Les Kerr Park upgrade project was tendered in March 2007. One bid, from Wilco Landscape Contractors, was received, approximately \$270,000 over budget.

The net cost to the City for the bid submitted by Wilco Landscape Contractors Ltd. is as follows:

Base Price (includes PST)	\$919,271.15
GST (6%)	<u>\$ 55,156.27</u>
Total Tender Price	<u>\$974,427.42</u>
Optional Items Price (includes PST)	\$146,116.50
GST (6%)	<u>\$8,766.99</u>
Optional Items Total Price	<u>\$154,883.49</u>

(Optional Items cover work on the Forest Grove School Site and are wholly funded by the Saskatoon Public School Division)

Total Base Tender, including Optional Items	\$1,129,310.91
Less Public School Board Contribution	\$154,883.49
Less GST Rebate (6%)	<u>\$55,156.27</u>
Net Cost to the City	<u>\$919,271.15</u>

The Administration is recommending award of the tender for Les Kerr Park to Wilco Landscape Contractors Ltd., as it is anticipated further delays will increase construction costs. There is also public expectation for this development to take place, and frustration with the delays to date.

Dutchak Park was also listed in Capital Project 901 - Park Upgrade – Neighbourhood for 2007. This construction is the second part of park upgrade work in the Meadowgreen neighbourhood. Meadowgreen Park was upgraded in 2006 to coincide with the construction of the new W.P. Bate School on the Meadowgreen Park site. The community, therefore, does have access to newly upgraded park space for use until such time as Dutchak Park can be completed.

Dutchak Park will be a 3.04 acre pocket park in the Meadowgreen Neighbourhood on the former W.P. Bate School site. The vacated school is currently being utilized by Fire and Protective Services for training/rescue situations, and is scheduled for demolition later this spring by the Public School Division. At this point there have been no discussions with the Meadowgreen community regarding the deferral of Dutchak Park construction, however, the Community Services Department has informed the community association of the proposed deferral and will discuss it with them at their regular meeting on May 15, 2007.

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Deferral of Dutchak Park construction will allow for the upgrade of Les Kerr Park as it was tendered. A reduction of the scope of work at Les Kerr Park to bring the project within budget is not feasible as the amount of reductions needed would result in a park that does not meet current park development standards and would fall short of the expectations of the community. A reduction of costs in the order of \$270,000 would mean the deletion of substantial park components such as irrigation and lighting.

The Administration is recommending that construction of Dutchak Park be deferred to 2008, and that a portion of the amount budgeted for the project be reallocated to fund the Les Kerr Park project. With this reallocation, there is enough funding available within Capital Project 901 – Park Upgrade – Neighbourhood to award this tender.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Section E – UTILITY SERVICES

E1) 2007 Capital Budget
Capital Project # 1220
Maintenance Facility – Water Treatment Plant
Engineering Services Fee Increase
(File No. 7960 – 67; CK. 7920-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the upset limit of the Engineering Services Agreement with Associated Engineering (Sask) Ltd., for Capital Project No. 1220 Maintenance Facility - Water Treatment Plant, be increased by \$112,112.00.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

As part of the long-term capital improvement plan at the Water Treatment Plant, the 2005 and 2006 Capital Budgets included a provision for the construction of new stores / storage / maintenance facilities at the Water Treatment Plant (Project 1220). The project's scope of work included the design and construction of a new facility adjacent to the existing City of Saskatoon Meter Shop, located at 1101 Spadina Crescent West. The facility is presently under construction and is scheduled to be completed by fall of 2007.

In 2005, the contract for the detailed design and engineering services during the construction was awarded to Associated Engineering for a total contract upset fee of \$292,900.

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The original terms of reference specified the new building as a one-story, non-combustible structure of approximately 1,850 square metres, which will house the maintenance and vehicle storage facility. During the design stage, the concept was changed to include the stores inventory and management operation within the Maintenance Facility Complex, since the area presently occupied by those facilities is considered to be the most suitable location for an expansion of the Water Treatment Plant's filtration capacity.

As a result, the engineering scope of work for the design was substantially altered affecting structural walls, foundations, some architectural and masonry considerations, and a number of mechanical and electrical issues. Also during the design stage, Associated Engineering was requested to carry out an analysis and design for the optional use of ground source heat pumps (GSHP) in place of a conventional heating and cooling system. In addition, to seek a potential saving in the project's construction cost, the consultants examined and designed an alternate building framing system structure. Both designs were used as alternative options during the tender process.

In review, the consultant is requesting a \$72,000 (plus the applicable taxes) budget increase for the services provided outside the original scope during the conceptual, pre-design, detail design, and tendering stages of this project.

Furthermore, general engineering services during construction have also been impacted by the altered method of construction and have resulted in additional engineering effort required to review the cost reduction options presented by the contractor, and to review shop drawings and building layout.

Based on the above, the consultants are now requesting additional funding of \$32,000 (plus the applicable taxes) for engineering services during construction to the completion of this project.

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

Additional Budget detail design, tendering	\$72,000.00
Additional Budget services during construction	<u>\$32,000.00</u>
Sub-Total	\$104,000.00
PST (on 30% @6%)	\$1,872.00
GST (@ 6%)	<u>\$6,240.00</u>
Total Additional Budget Required	\$112,112.00
GST Rebate (6%)	<u>(\$6,240.00)</u>
Net Cost to the City	<u>\$105,872.00</u>

The approved capital project has sufficient funding to cover the additional costs for the engineering services requested by Associated Engineering (Sask) Ltd.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Section F – CITY MANAGER

**F1) Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) -
Big City Mayors' Caucus (BCMC)
Municipal Fiscal Imbalance - 1% Equivalent of GST
(File No. CC. 1500-11 and 155-2-4; CK. 155-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council endorse the draft resolution from BCMC supporting the request for the Government of Canada to share the equivalent of 1% of GST with all communities in Canada.

The Mayors of the largest 22 cities in Canada have established a group under FCM called the Big City Mayors' Caucus (BCMC). This group of Mayors has developed research reports and position papers to address the shortfall of funding that municipalities in Canada face. Over time, this shortfall has become known as the fiscal imbalance or infrastructure deficit.

This group, through FCM, has been successful in obtaining the full GST rebate for all municipalities, the sharing of the federal gas tax and infrastructure funding programs including the Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (MRIF), and the Canada Strategic Infrastructure Fund (CSIF). However, the Mayors believe that to fully address the fiscal imbalance, ongoing, sustainable and predictable funding is required to reduce municipal budgetary shortfalls.

As a result of this funding requirement, a subcommittee of BCMC was formed to evaluate what alternate revenue sources from the federal government would meet the needs of all communities in Canada. The work of the subcommittee created a research paper, which after detailed analysis, recommends that the federal government share the equivalent of 1% of the GST with municipalities. The report does not recommend that the GST be shared with municipalities, but that the federal government, through whatever financial resources it deems to be appropriate, share the equivalent of the GST. The reason for selecting the equivalent of this tax is that it is a tax that grows with the economy, is easily calculated, and will provide an amount (\$5B/year) that would meet municipal financial needs in Canada. On May 3, 2007, BCMC formally released the paper (Attachment 1) supporting this position.

BCMC is asking all City Councils to endorse the proposal by passing the following draft resolution at a City Council meeting. As well, at its annual convention in Calgary in June 2007, FCM will formally ask all its members to endorse this draft resolution.

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“FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING WITH MUNICIPALITIES

WHEREAS Canadian municipalities are looking for an updated fiscal arrangement that will diversify their revenue sources beyond the property tax, which does not respond at the same pace as growth, and provide them with the fiscal capacity to be financially sustainable;

WHEREAS Canadian municipalities generate significant wealth to support the national economy of Canada;

WHEREAS Canadian municipalities are seeking a more equitable distribution of the wealth that is generated in their communities, so that they can remain economically competitive and sustain and enhance the public infrastructure necessary to attract investment;

WHEREAS Canadian municipalities need a permanent share of growth-responsive revenues to assist local governments in addressing many of the challenges they are currently facing, such as: ageing and insufficient infrastructure, growing responsibilities, increasing social and environmental pressures, rapid urbanization and the lack of sufficient financial resources.

WHEREAS in 2003, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities adopted a resolution calling on the federal government to establish revenue-sharing options, beyond sharing of the gas tax revenue, to support municipal responsibilities;

WHEREAS The Government of Canada has acknowledged that it intends to restore fiscal balance among all orders of government;

WHEREAS The Government of Canada continues to record large annual budgetary surpluses;

BE IT RESOLVED that the FCM calls upon the Government of Canada to annually share the equivalent of one cent of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) revenues with Canadian municipalities, which would yield approximately \$5 billion per year for all municipalities in Canada.

FCM Big Cities Mayors' Caucus”

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ATTACHMENT

1. Sharing the Wealth for a Strong and Prosperous Canada: A Proposal to the Government of Canada for Sharing Revenues with Canada's Big Cities (May 3, 2007)

The City Manager distributed revised copies of "Sharing the Wealth for a Strong and Prosperous Canada" report.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the recommendation be adopted.

**F2) Boat Launch
(File No. CC 4130-2-13; CK. 4129-5)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

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

**F3) Appointment – General Manager
Utility Services Department
(File No. CC 4510-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

With the untimely passing of Stew Uzelman, Murray Totland assumed the position of General Manager, Infrastructure Services, transferring from his former position of General Manager of Utility Services. Your Administration, with the assistance of the executive search firm of Ray and Berndston, commenced recruitment to replace Mr. Totland.

We are pleased to announce that Mr. Dorian Wandzura, has accepted the position and will commence work with the City on July 1, 2007.

Mr. Wandzura is a graduate of the University of Saskatchewan, with a B.Sc. (Mechanical Engineering) in 1994. After graduation, he commenced work with the City of Yorkton as Assistant City Engineer. He then moved to Moose Jaw, initially as Assistant City Engineer, then became City Engineer from 1998 to 2002. In 2002, he joined the City of Regina as General Manager, Roadways and Traffic; then transferred to General Manager, Sewer, Water, and Waste Management. In 2006, he became the Acting Director of the Engineering and Public Works Department.

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Mr. Wandzura will be a key addition to the City's senior management team, and with his experience, skills, and leadership, will only strengthen the corporation.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 8-2007

Section A – OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

**A1) 2006 Municipal Election
Disclosure of Campaign Contributions and Expenses
(File No. CK. 255-5-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

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).

Section 10 of the *Bylaw* provides that all documents filed with the Returning Officer are public documents and, at any time after May 1, may be inspected at the office of the City Clerk during regular office hours. Section 10(3) of 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, and the names of any candidates who fail to file the required disclosure statements.

The information contained in the chart on the following page is submitted to City Council in accordance with Section 10(3) of the bylaw. It has also been posted in the lobby of City Hall and on the City's website.

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There were thirty-four candidates, eleven of whom failed to file the required disclosures by the May 1st deadline. Since the deadline, an additional four candidates have filed. None of the candidates who filed have exceeded the limit on campaign expenses.

As of 5:00 p.m. on May 8th, the following candidates have failed to file the required disclosure statements:

Mayor Mark Ewart, Jim Maddin, Ron B. Kocsis (Schedule C only), Johnny Melenchuk, Mark D. Weinmeyer
 Ward 2 Don R. Wilson (Schedule A only)
 Ward 8 Robert P. Schmeiser

Name	Office	Contributions	Expenses	Exceed Limit	Failed To File
Don Atchison	Mayor	\$87,527.97	\$62,666.91	No	
Mark Ewart	Mayor				Yes
Ron B. Kocsis *	Mayor	\$2,429.17	\$2,429.17	No	Schedule C
Jim Maddin	Mayor				Yes
Johnny Melenchuk	Mayor				Yes
Lenore Swystun	Mayor	\$37,858.83	\$57,649.60	No	
Mark D. Weinmeyer	Mayor				Yes
Donna L. Birkmaier	Ward 1	\$3,694.00	\$3,555.10	No	
Darren Hill	Ward 1	\$5,913.00	\$9,717.39	No	
John Dubets	Ward 2	None	\$2,254.63	No	
Brian K. Graham	Ward 2	None	\$40.00	No	
Pat Lorje	Ward 2	\$8,002.00	\$7,962.14	No	
Robert W. Maunder	Ward 2	\$50.00	\$1,608.15	No	
Pamela Nykolaishen	Ward 2	None	\$100.00	No	
David Prokopchuk	Ward 2	\$200.00	\$2,087.08	No	
Pat Tymchatyn	Ward 2	\$300.00	\$3,940.13	No	
Don R. Wilson **	Ward 2				Schedule A
Maurice Neault	Ward 3	\$3,909.00	\$339.25	No	
Myles Heidt	Ward 4	\$5,155.00	\$4,234.15	No	
Sandy Preston	Ward 5	\$505.00	\$3,109.36	No	
Fred Wesolowski	Ward 5	\$756.67	\$1,146.95	No	
Gordon Wyant	Ward 5	\$11,987.99	\$9,197.26	No	
Charlie Clark	Ward 6	\$10,004.95	\$8,906.73	No	
Elaine J. Hnatyshyn	Ward 6	\$10,174.99	\$9,838.43	No	
Chary Rangacharyulu	Ward 6	\$1,000.00	\$7,500.00	No	

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Name	Office	Contributions	Expenses	Exceed Limit	Failed To File
Les Morrison	Ward 7	\$6,985.00	\$6,432.38	No	
Bob Pringle	Ward 7	\$5,932.00	\$6,361.85	No	
Carol Cisecki	Ward 8	\$6,085.22	\$6,085.22	No	
Glen Penner	Ward 8	\$6,170.00	\$4,349.38	No	
Robert P. Schmeiser	Ward 8				Yes
Tiffany M. Paulsen	Ward 9	\$7,789.99	\$7,555.60	No	
Gordon Wenzel	Ward 9	None	\$1,598.43	No	
Patrick Bundrock	Ward 10	\$7,828.19	\$7,828.19	No	
Bev Dubois	Ward 10	\$9,216.50	\$7,926.75	No	

* Mr. Kocsis filed Schedules A, B and C, but Schedule C was not audited. Schedule C was therefore returned to him to be audited, and has not been re-submitted.

** Mr. Wilson filed Schedule B, but did not file Schedule A.

All candidates were advised at the time of the election of the disclosure requirement. In addition, a letter was sent to all candidates on February 5, 2007, reminding them of the requirement. On May 2, 2007 a further letter was sent to the non-compliant candidates, advising that if they do not file their disclosures by May 31, 2007 the Returning Officer will commence discussions with appropriate counsel regarding the prosecution process. Every person who contravenes any provision of the 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.

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, Ms. Janice Baker, for investigation. The Election Disclosure Complaints Officer may either dismiss the complaint or uphold the complaint, and her 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.

Section B – OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

**B1) Proposed Expansion of the Varsity View Residential Parking Program Boundary
600, 700 and 800 Blocks of Saskatchewan Crescent East
(File No. 6120-4-3)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8601.

ADOPTED.

City Council, at its meeting held on March 12, 2007 resolved, in part, to expand the boundaries of the Varsity View Residential Parking Zone found in The Residential Parking Program Bylaw, 1999.

Attached please find proposed Bylaw No. 8601 which contains the necessary changes to The Residential Parking Program Bylaw, 1999.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8601, The Residential Parking Program Amendment Bylaw, 2007.

REPORT NO. 8-2007 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. **Mayors for Peace Organization**
(File No. CK. 150-1)
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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

City Council, at its meeting held on November 30, 2006, received a presentation from Mr. John Parry, requesting that the City join the Mayors for Peace organization. The request was referred to the Office of the Mayor for a report to the Executive Committee.

The matter has now been considered by the Executive Committee. The Committee would be prepared to recommend that the City join Mayors for Peace if its only mandate was the elimination of all nuclear weapons by the year 2020. However it appears that its mandate may expand beyond that to issues relating to the peaceful use of nuclear energy, and for that reason your Committee does not support the City joining Mayors for Peace.

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Item B13 of Communications to Council was brought forward.

“B13) Michael Murphy, Chair, Saskatoon Peace Coalition, dated May 11

Submitting comments regarding the Mayors for Peace Organization. (File No. CK. 277-1)”

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be referred back to the Executive Committee for further discussion.

**2. Parks Hours Bylaw
(File No. CK. 4205-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare a bylaw to limit public use of parks during night time hours and that the Chief of Police be consulted as to the exact hours during which park use should be prohibited.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department and supports the implementation of a bylaw to prohibit night-time use of parks, similar to what is done in other Canadian cities.

**3. Cultural Tourism and Marketing Strategy
(File No. CK. 1860-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 23, 2007, as well as an Executive Summary of a public opinion survey conducted by Fast Consulting. The Cultural Tourism and Marketing Strategy has previously been provided to members of City Council, and a copy is available for viewing in the City Clerk’s Office.

Your Committee is appreciative of the work that Tourism Saskatoon has completed to date and looks forward to the Administration and Tourism Saskatoon working together in carrying out the goals of Strategy 2.”

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His Worship the Mayor assumed the Chair.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

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

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

B. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

1) Dennis Schroll, dated April 28

Commenting on noise issues. (File No. CK. 185-9)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

2) Bob Forward, Saskatchewan British Car Club, dated April 30

Requesting a temporary street closure of the 400 block of 21st Street East on Sunday, July 22nd, 2007, in conjunction with the 7th annual car show known as Brits By the Bus. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request to close the 400 block of 21st Street East on Sunday, July 22, 2007, in conjunction with the 7th annual car show known as Brits By the Bus, be approved subject to administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT the request to close the 400 block of 21st Street East on Sunday, July 22, 2007, in conjunction with the 7th annual car show known as Brits By the Bus, be approved subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

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3) Mike Bodnarchuk, dated May 1

Expressing concern about rental apartments being converted to condominiums. (File No. 750-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the matter of appropriate funding for affordable housing be referred to the Administration to report to the Planning and Operations Committee.

CARRIED.

4) Suzanne Crocker, Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association, dated April 24

Submitting invoice in the amount of \$25,662.03. (File No. CK. 155-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that the invoice in the amount of \$25,662.03 be paid.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the invoice amount of \$25,662.03 be paid.

CARRIED.

5) Kathie Perry, MS Society of Canada – Saskatchewan Division, dated May 3

Requesting that the City of Saskatoon grant permission to have their flag flown in Civic Square on Friday, May 18, 2007. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted to the Multiple Sclerosis Society to fly their flag in Civic Square on Friday, May 18, 2007.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to the Multiple Sclerosis Society to fly its flag in Civic Square on Friday, May 18, 2007.

CARRIED.

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6) Shellie Mitchener, Civic Pancake Breakfast Organizing Committee, dated May 4

Requesting that the hours which amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw, be extended from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 21, 2007, in conjunction with the 33rd Annual Civic Pancake Breakfast. (File Nos. CK 185-9 and 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted to extend the hours which amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw, from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 21, 2007, in conjunction with the 33rd Annual Civic Pancake Breakfast.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT permission be granted to extend the hours which amplified music can be played under the Noise Bylaw, from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 21, 2007, in conjunction with the 33rd Annual Civic Pancake Breakfast.

CARRIED.

7) Barb Selsky, Director of Marketing, Wanuskewin Heritage Park, dated May 7

Requesting an in-kind sponsorship in the amount of \$2000 for bus service to National Aboriginal Day and Pow Wow on June 21 and 22, 2007. (File No. CK. 1870-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT Council support the request for sponsorship in the amount of \$2,000 for bus service to National Aboriginal Day and Pow Wow on June 21 and 22, 2007.

DEFEATED.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT the matter be referred to the Tourism Saskatoon to determine if it falls within criteria under Conventions Saskatoon!

CARRIED.

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8) Carola Brotzel, dated May 2

Commenting on traffic issues on Avenue C North from 33rd Street to Circle Drive. (File No. CK. 6320-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the letter be referred to the Administration for a report to Planning and Operations.

CARRIED.

9) Ron Graham, dated May 7

Commenting on the condition of McOrmond Road between 8th Street and Highway 5. (File No. CK. 6315-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the Administration meet with the RM of Corman Park to discuss the matter.

CARRIED.

10) Brian Graham, Saskatoon Neighbourhoods Advocating Positive Public Policy dated May 7

Expressing concern about contamination with respect to Pleasant Hill Revitalization Project – 300 Block of Avenues N and O/400 Block Avenue O South. (File No. CK. 4000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL

1) Doug Farnsworth, Representing the Four Saskatoon Lions Clubs, dated May 6

Requesting permission to address City Council to present the final payment on the Saskatoon Lions Skate Park. (File No. CK. 610-8)

RECOMMENDATION: that Doug Farnsworth be heard.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Doug Farnsworth be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Doug Farnsworth, Saskatoon Lions Clubs, presented the final payment for the Lions Skatepark to City Council.

Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT the cheque be received with thanks to the Saskatoon Lions Club.

CARRIED.

2) Ilsa Arnesen-Kun, Pleasant Hill Community Association, dated May 8

Requesting permission to address City Council to present a plaque. (File No. CK. 150-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that Ilsa Arnesen-Kun be heard.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Ilsa Arnesen-Kun be heard.

CARRIED.

Ms. Ilsa Arnesen-Kun presented Council with a plaque in appreciation for the Pleasant Hill Revitalization.

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Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the plaque be received.

CARRIED.

3) Chad Berg, dated May 8

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to riverbank use for recreational activities. (File No. CK. 6000-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that Chad Berg be heard.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Chad Berg be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Berg expressed concerns regarding the City-owned property on the riverbank adjacent to Adilman Drive in Silverwood and asked that the area be converted to a bike/snowboard park.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration for a report.

CARRIED.

4) Joel Petty, dated May 8

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to continued clean-up of Silverwood waste lot. (File No. CK. 6000-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that Joel Petty be heard.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Joel Petty be heard.

CARRIED.

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Mr. Petty expressed concerns regarding the City-owned property on the riverbank adjacent to Adilman Drive in Silverwood and asked that the area be converted to a bike/snowboard park.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the matter be joined to the previous referral.

CARRIED.

5) Jerry Helfrich, Kiwanis Club of Saskatoon, dated May 9

Requesting permission to address Council regarding a permanent boat launch in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4129-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that Item B14 of Communications to Council and Clause F2, Administrative Report No. 12-2007 be brought forward and Jerry Helfrich be heard.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Item B14 of Communications to Council and Clause F2, Administrative Report No. 12-2007 be brought forward and that Jerry Helfrich be heard.

CARRIED.

“B14) Marigold and Peter Cribb, dated May 14

Submitting comments regarding a boat launch in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4129-5)

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 12-2007

**F2) Boat Launch
(File No. CC 4130-2-13; CK. 4129-5)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

With the commencement of the construction of River Landing Phase I riverfront in 2004, the permanent boat launch in front of the old Gathercole site had to be abandoned.

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As an interim step, City Council instructed the Administration to locate a temporary launch downstream from the Broadway Bridge “for a period of one year, renewable annually for a maximum of three years, and that the A. L. Cole site be targeted for a permanent boat launch site”, and on June 21, 2004 (Attachment 1) adopted the following resolutions:

- “1) that City Council instruct the Administration to proceed with the necessary studies and approvals to relocate the boat launch permanently to the east end of Victoria Park for the 2005 boating season; and,
- 2) that the Administration retain Crosby Hanna & Associates to continue their work on the boat launch.”

The temporary boat launch was built near the Broadway Bridge, and Crosby Hanna & Associates began the design process for a new boat launch adjacent to Victoria Park. Following input received from community stakeholders, City Council at its meeting on September 7, 2004, rescinded the motion to construct a boat launch at River Landing Phase II and instructed the Administration to examine alternate sites. (Attachment 2)

Administration instructed Crosby Hanna & Associates to do a preliminary design for the upgrade of the present temporary boat launch. (Attachment 3) In consultation with the Kiwanis Park subcommittee, the design included construction of a memorial wall, appropriate tree planting and landscaping to partially upgrade the site and make it fully compatible with the adjacent Kiwanis Memorial Park. (It must be remembered that the temporary site currently has no landscaping whatsoever.) The Kiwanis Club rejected this upgrade, and so City Council instructed the Administration to continue to evaluate alternate sites available.

During 2006, your Administration and the staff of the Meewasin Valley Authority (MVA) proceeded to analyze various alternate sites. The sites evaluated included the area adjacent to the Victoria Park boat house, Gabriel Dumont Park, and Rotary Park. Each one of these sites was rejected for the following reasons:

Victoria Park Boat House

- Creates a conflict between rowers/canoeists and powerboats.
- Part of the river, between the boat house and Victoria Park, is a non-powerboat zone, which leaves a very narrow, and at times, very shallow channel for power boats to use to obtain downstream access to the river. At low current flows, this channel may be impassable for the power boats.

Gabriel Dumont Park

- Although there are advantages to this site, the topography of the bank is too steep to build a proper launch.

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Rotary Park

- This site has many advantages including parking, topography, etc. However, it is in a residential area, and many complaints were received that the park is overused now and, based on this conflict, this site was rejected.

With this analysis, your Administration concluded that the present temporary boat launch is probably the only viable site for a boat launch.

Various studies have been undertaken as the best site for a boat launch, including one done by Calibre Consultants Inc. for the MVA in 1993 (Attachment 4), which came to the same conclusion that if a new boat launch site was to be built, its best location would be downstream from the Broadway Bridge.

With this conclusion, your Administration submitted a capital project to upgrade the temporary boat launch to a permanent boat launch, and City Council approved \$165,000 for this project.

Administration regrets that Council and the Kiwanis Club were not properly informed of this decision. However, your Administration believes that the temporary boat launch location is still the best site for the following reasons:

- 1) Due to the lower topography of the site, it is not visible from Spadina Crescent.
- 2) Due to the topography, there is very limited access to the site from the main Kiwanis Park.
- 3) The site is not landscaped, therefore there is minimal impact by the vehicles.
- 4) As the site is the present location for the Fire Department's water rescue launch, no new access or egress is required.
- 5) The temporary boat launch has operated for nearly three years with no complaints that we are aware of from the public or any park users.
- 6) There appears to be no viable alternate locations.

Present Situation

Our staff and the MVA staff are meeting with the Kiwanis and other stakeholders to deal with outstanding issues, including the parking requirements at this site. Through these discussions your Administration will attempt to mitigate any conflicts between the Kiwanis Park and the boat launch.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Clause F2, Administrative Report No. 12-2004, of City Council meeting of June 21, 2004.
2. Clause F3, Administrative Report No. 15-2004, of City Council meeting of September 7, 2004.
3. Excerpt (including Clause F3, Administrative Report No. 23-2005) of City Council meeting of December 12, 2005.
4. "Powerboat Launch Location Study" prepared for the Meewasin Valley Authority by Calibre Consultants Inc. (June 1993)"

Mr. Helfrich, Kiwanis Club of Saskatoon, expressed opposition to a boat launch being located in the Kiwanis Park.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the location of the temporary boat launch remain in place and that the Administration continue to work with the Kiwanis Club to resolve their issues.

CARRIED.

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

11) Mel McKnight, CBS Outdoor Canada, undated

Requesting to enter into a month-to-month agreement with respect to a billboard near the Broadway Bridge. (File No. CK. 4225-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request for an extension be denied.

12) Ron Ritchie, Partner, ICS Real Estate, dated May 11

Submitting comments regarding the request for extension of licensing agreement regarding signs at the bottom of the Broadway Bridge. (File No. CK. 4225-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be considered with B11 of Communications to Council.

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Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the City enter into a month-to-month agreement with CBS Outdoor Canada.

IN DEFERRAL

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT consideration of the matter be deferred to the May 28 meeting of City Council.

THE DEFERRAL MOTION WAS PUT AND CARRIED.

13) Michael Murphy, Chair, Saskatoon Peace Coalition, dated May 11

Submitting comments regarding the Mayors for Peace Organization. (File No. CK. 277-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be considered with Clause 1, Report No. 8-2007 of the Executive Committee.

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 27.

14) Marigold and Peter Cribb, dated May 14

Submitting comments regarding a boat launch in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4129-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be considered with Item A5 of Communications to Council and Clause F2, Administrative Report No. 12-2007.

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 34.

C. INFORMATION ITEMS

1) Marie Adèle Davis, Executive Director, Canadian Pediatric Society, dated April 18

Expressing concern that Council did not proceed with a proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-6)

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2) Roy Kaufman, dated May 4

Commenting on the recent decision to not make helmet use mandatory. (File No. CK. 7000-6)

3) Hon. Harry Van Mulligan, Minister of Government Relations, dated April 19

Advising that *The Planning and Development Act, 2007*, is now in effect and providing information as to how *The Act* can be accessed. (File No. CK. 127-1)

4) Wendy Whitebear, dated April 27

Providing information regarding a contest to cut greenhouse gas emissions. (File No. CK. 375-4)

5) James Brodie, dated April 27

Commenting on construction issues. (File No. CK. 6000-1)

6) Richard Zimmer, dated April 28

Expressing disappointment regarding increase in property taxes. (File No. CK. 1920-1)

7) Len Breckner, Sutherland Memorial Hall, undated

Forwarding a copy of the Sutherland Memorial Hall financial statements for the year 2006 as well as minutes from the 2006 Annual General Meeting. (File No. CK. 1895-10)

8) Kent Smith-Windsor, Executive Director, The Chamber, dated May 2

Congratulating Council on the recent *Productivity Improvements* report and commenting on the issue. (File No. CK. 3500-1)

9) Joe Kuchta, dated May 8

Commenting about a recent advertisement in the Star Phoenix with respect to River Landing Phase I. (File No. CK. 4129-3)

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10) S. Morin, dated May 8

Commenting on noise coming from bars on Broadway Avenue. (File No. CK. 4000-12)

11) Kelly Patrick, dated May 8

Commenting on the proposal process of the Saskatchewan Art Board. (File No. CK. 4129-3)

12) Joanne Sproule, Deputy Assistant City Clerk, dated April 25

Submitting Notice of Notice of Hearing of the Development Appeals Board with respect to the property located at 30 Anderson Crescent. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

13) Joanne Sproule, Deputy Assistant City Clerk, dated April 30

Submitting Notice of Notice of Hearing of the Development Appeals Board with respect to the property located at 314 2nd Avenue South. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

D. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

1) Mary Ann Schoeppler, dated March 19

Expressing concern about recent encounters with fire inspectors. (File No. CK. 4400-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

2) Les Snelling and Margaret Huffman, Palisades Senior Citizen Home, dated April 27

Requesting that an access ramp be installed at the corner of 23rd Street and Spadina Crescent. (File No. CK. 6150-1) **(Referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.)**

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3) Charles Lau, dated May 1

Enquiring about after-hours licensing in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 300-1 & 184-1) **(Referred to the Administration for appropriate action.)**

4) Annalisa Loster, dated May 2

Expressing concern about efforts made and providing ideas to protect the environment. (File No. CK. 375-4) **(Referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.)**

5) Serena Androsoff, dated May 3

Expressing concern about U-turns occurring at Sturby Place and Arlington Avenue. (File No. CK. 5300-1). **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

6) Joe Abrook, dated May 6

Expressing concern about the brightness of new LED traffic signals. (File Nos. CK. 1860-1 & 6250-1) **(Referred to the Administration for appropriate action.)**

7) Thelma Hofos, dated May 8

Commenting about the proposal to remove the access ramp at 1st Avenue and Idylwyld Drive. (File No. CK. 6320-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT, with respect to Item D6, Councillor Penner be advised of the response.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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E. PROCLAMATIONS

1) Mark Keller, Utility Services Department, dated April 24

Requesting that City Council proclaim the week of May 6 to 12, 2007, as Drinking Water Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

2) Ed Hoffart, St. Paul's Hospital 100th Anniversary Committee, dated April 25

Requesting that City Council proclaim the week of June 10 to 16, 2007, as St. Paul's Hospital Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

3) Pat Harcolt, Saskatoon Council on Aging, dated April 27

Requesting that City Council proclaim the week of May 20 to 26, 2007 as Caregiver Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

4) Julie Richards, Saskatoon Diversity Network, dated April 27

Requesting that City Council proclaim June 9 to 16, 2007 as Pride Week and that permission be granted to hold a flag-raising ceremony in Civic Square on Monday, June 11, 2007, at 10:30 a.m. (File No. CK. 205-5)

5) Felicitas Santos-Vargos, Filipino-Canadian Association of Saskatoon, Inc., dated May 2

Requesting that City Council proclaim June 12, 2007 as Filipino-Canadian Day in Saskatoon and requesting permission to have a flag-raising ceremony at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 10, 2007, in Civic Square. (File No. CK. 205-5)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the flag raisings be approved subject to administrative conditions;
 - 2) that City Council approve the proclamations as set out above; and
 - 3) that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations on behalf of City Council.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

- 1) *that the flag raisings be approved subject to administrative conditions;*
- 2) *that City Council approve the proclamations as set out above; and*
- 3) *that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations on behalf of City Council.*

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 9a) Request to Sell City-Owned Property
Lot 25, Block 433, Plan 101881571 (143 Pawlychenko Lane)
(File No. CK. 4215-1)**

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“City Council, at its meeting held on April 30, 2007, deferred consideration of the above matter to this meeting. The Administration has indicated that it will submit a report to the May 28th meeting of City Council.”

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES

**Councillor G. Penner
Dust Palliation – New Residential Developments
File No. CK. 375-1**

Is there any requirement for developers to keep dust down in new developments. I know that strong winds this spring and a number of new developments have created havoc for many residents due to blowing dust.

**Councillor M. Neault
Speed Humps - Monk Avenue
File No. CK. 6320-1**

Would the Administration look at the possibility of installing speed humps on Monk Avenue similar to the ones on 37th Street.

**Councillor C. Clark
Traffic Concerns
Lorne Avenue and 9th Street
File No. CK. 6295-1**

Would the Administration please investigate the feasibility of closing the entrance to Lorne Avenue at the west end of 9th Street, in particular, closing off traffic heading westbound. Residents on 9th Street have expressed increasing concerns about safety due to speed of traffic and increased accidents on that street, particularly since the installation of traffic lights on 8th Street East and McPherson Avenue.

**Councillor P. Lorje
Affordable Housing
File No. CK. 750-4**

Given the current buoyant economic situation in Saskatoon, apparently occasioned by the Saskatchewan Government's excellent marketing campaign in other provinces, will the Administration report on the possibility of the City increasing its contribution to 10%, with a goal to having the Province increasing its proportional contribution as well so that a possible housing crisis can be averted by increasing the supply of affordable housing stock in the city for both rental and home ownership in all sectors of the city.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw 8601

Moved by Councillor Dubois, seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8601, being "The Residential Parking Program Amendment Bylaw, 2007", and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

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Moved by Councillor Dubois, seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Bylaw No. 8601 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8601.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8601 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8601 read a third time at this meeting.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Bylaw No. 8601 be now read a third time, and 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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Moved by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Mayor

A/City Clerk