

Council Chambers  
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.  
Monday, June 25, 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, Pringle, and Wyant;  
City Manager Richards;  
City Solicitor Dust;  
General Manager, Corporate Services Bilanski;  
A/General Manager, Community Services Howse;  
General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Bentley;  
A/General Manager, Infrastructure Services Sexsmith;  
A/General Manager, Utility Services Praski;  
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 June 11, 2007, be approved.*

**CARRIED.**

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

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

**CARRIED.**

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

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

*Committee arose.*

*Councillor Wyant, 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:*

**“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 15-2007**

**Section A – COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**A1) Land-Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department  
For the Period Between May 31 and June 13, 2007  
(For Information Only)  
(File Nos. PL. 4132, PL. 4300; CK. 4000-5)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Condominium

- Application No. 12/07: 315 Nelson Road  
Applicant: Webb Surveys for Martino Development Corp.  
Legal Description: Lot 2, Block 436, Plan 01SA04536  
Current Zoning: M3  
Neighbourhood: University Heights Suburban Centre  
Date Received: June 6, 2007
- Application No. 13/07: 115 Acadia Drive  
Applicant: Colliers McClocklin for Mini Mansion Homes Ltd.  
Legal Description: Parcel A, Block F, Plan 75S32246  
Current Zoning: RM4  
Neighbourhood: College Park  
Date Received: June 7, 2007
- Application No.14/07: 521-18<sup>th</sup> Street West  
Applicant: Darrel Epp for Group 10 Properties Inc.  
Legal Description: Lots 21, 22, and 23, Block 34, Plan (CE) E5618  
Current Zoning: R2  
Neighbourhood: Riversdale  
Date Received: June 12, 2007

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Subdivision

- Application No. 37/07: 1119 Avenue K North  
Applicant: Digital Mapping Systems for Richard Ryan  
Legal Description: Lots 35 and 36, Block 6, Plan G173  
Current Zoning: R2  
Neighbourhood: Hudson Bay Park  
Date Received: June 5, 2007
  
- Application No. 38/07: 323/325 Turtle Crescent  
Applicant: Webster Surveys for Greg Nichol  
Legal Description: Lot 61, Block 890, Plan 77S32413  
Current Zoning: R2  
Neighbourhood: Lawson Heights  
Date Received: June 12, 2007

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 12/07.
2. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 13/07.
3. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 14/07.
4. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 37/07.
5. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 38/07.

**A2) Request For Encroachment Agreement**

**424 20<sup>th</sup> Street West**

**Lot 52, Block 13, Plan 00SA15145**

**(File No. CC. 4090-2)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that City Council recognize the encroachment at 424 20<sup>th</sup> Street West (Lot 52, Block 13, Plan 00SA15145);
  
- 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

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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 424 20<sup>th</sup> Street West, has requested to enter into an Encroachment Agreement with the City of Saskatoon. As shown on the attached drawings for the proposed construction, a portion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor balcony will encroach onto City Property on the 20<sup>th</sup> Street West side by 0.60 metres. The total area of encroachment will have to be determined exactly by way of a Real Property Report once the balcony has been constructed, but will be approximately 9.144 m<sup>2</sup> and will, therefore, be subject to an annual charge of \$50.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Letter of request from the owner, received May 29, 2007.
2. Preliminary sketches of the proposed encroachment.

**A3) River Landing Gathercole Arches Installation**  
**(File No. UD-216.30; CK. 4129-5)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the proposal submitted by Tesella Stone Carvers for Design-Build services leading to the construction of the RiverLanding Gathercole Arches installation at a total estimated cost of \$137,700 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.*

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**BACKGROUND**

In 2004 the Gathercole building was demolished and installation of new services began on the site. Items on the façade and inside the building that were of historical value were salvaged and stored, and other items that could be removed and reused were donated to Habitat for Humanity. The salvaged items include masonry units from two entrance arches that are being stored at the City's Nicholson Yards.

The street development of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue from 19<sup>th</sup> Street to Spadina Crescent is scheduled to begin construction in spring 2007. Completion of this work will depend, in part, on the construction of the Persephone Theatre to the west.

**REPORT**

The installation of the Gathercole Arches is part of the River Landing Phase 1 project. The scope of work includes design and reconstruction of a set of two freestanding archways on either side of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue at 19<sup>th</sup> Street, using the stone masonry units salvaged from the Gathercole Building entrance façade.

The Request for Proposals for Design-Build services was issued on 28 February 2007, and the submission deadline was 03 April 2007.

Two proposals were received as follows:

<b>BIDDER</b>	<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>PROJECT COST</b>
Torus Stone Carvers with Mark Bobbin Architect	Proposal A: 2 Archways	\$205,736
	Alternate Proposal A: 1 Archway	\$97,868
	Proposal B: 2 Archways	\$159,218
	Alternate Proposal B: 1 Archway	\$74,609
Tesella Stone Carvers	Proposal 2 Archways	\$137,700

Tesella Stone Carvers proposed the lowest project costs for the requested project scope of two archways at \$137,700, and therefore the Administration recommends that the contract be awarded to them.

There are adequate funds within the River Landing capital project to fund this project.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

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1. Tesella Stone Carvers Proposal Sketch 1.
2. River Landing Gathercole Arches Site Plan.

## A4) **Municipal Enterprise Zone**

**List of Approved Applications – May/June 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 and two core industrial areas of Saskatoon. Among many incentives, the Municipal Enterprise Zone will provide 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 2006, and \$500,000 on February 26, 2007.

## **REPORT**

The following applications were approved by the Adjudication Committee on May 3, 2007, and June 7, 2007:

1. Juniper Integrated Housing Project – 402 to 410 Avenue F South – Juniper Housing Corporation wishes to construct a 43-unit integrated housing development at 402 to 410 Avenue F South in the Riversdale neighbourhood. The project will contain a combination of assisted living units and units for independent seniors and immigrants without children. Juniper Housing has learned that it will not be required to pay off-site levies (\$46,901.86) if the project remains as a rental project. Consequently, the Enterprise Zone will not pay the 75 percent commitment made in September 2006. Juniper Housing has also learned that it will incur direct service charges (\$3,816) and Phase I screening charges (\$4,770). The Enterprise Zone Committee has approved rebates of both of these charges for a total incentive of \$8,586.
2. One Arrow First Nation/Cress Housing Corporation - 137 Avenue P South – One Arrow First Nation is working with its partner, Cress Housing Corporation, to renovate and manage a 15-unit multi-unit residential building at 137 Avenue P South in the Pleasant Hill neighbourhood. The units are targeted toward families with very low incomes (\$10,000 -

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- \$30,000). Total investment in the property is \$942,759. The Enterprise Zone Committee has approved an \$8,000 grant in lieu of taxes (one-year) and a \$50 rebate for a development appeal fee.
3. Phoenix Starter Alternator Repair - 1002 20<sup>th</sup> Street West – Phoenix Starter is constructing an addition to its 1002 20<sup>th</sup> Street West location in the Riversdale neighbourhood. It had initially sought a five-year tax abatement. The City Assessor advised that the incremental tax increase resulting from the addition will be minimal \$286 a year for a total five-year incentive of \$1,430. As a result, the Enterprise Zone Committee decided to approve a grant in lieu of tax abatement (equivalent to one year's current taxes) in the amount of \$1,919.
  4. Blitz Appliance Service and Sales Ltd. - 506 Avenue L South – Blitz Appliance is located in the West Industrial neighbourhood of Saskatoon. It is upgrading the façade materials at its 506 Avenue L South location, as well as landscaping the frontage and walkways. Total investment in the façade and frontage upgrading is estimated between \$6,000 and \$6,500. The Enterprise Zone Committee has approved a façade grant in the amount of \$2,500 to assist in the improvement.
  5. Nestor's Bakery Ltd. - 912 20<sup>th</sup> Street West – Nestor's Bakery is a long-time fixture on 20<sup>th</sup> Street in the Riversdale neighbourhood. It intends to upgrade the façade with a total investment of \$2,200 to go towards repairing and painting the existing finish. The Enterprise Zone Committee has approved a façade grant in the amount of \$2,200 in response to this application.
  6. Floor Covering Direct - 116 Avenue K South – Floor Covering Direct has been operating in their 22<sup>nd</sup> Street location for many years, and in its satellite building at 116 Avenue K South for the past few years. They wish to update the façade of its Avenue K location in the Pleasant Hill neighbourhood to match that of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Street location. The total investment for this project is estimated at \$8,900. The Enterprise Zone Committee has approved a façade grant in the amount of \$2,500 to assist in the improvement.
  7. Floor Covering Direct (second application) – 301B 22<sup>nd</sup> Street West – In addition to the above application, Floor Covering Direct wishes to update the façade of their 22<sup>nd</sup> Street building with new paint on the three visible exterior walls. The total investment for this project is \$3,116. The Enterprise Zone Committee has approved a façade grant in the amount of \$2,500 to assist this enhancement.
  8. SSEV Holdings (Crocus CO-OP) - 106 Avenue B South – Crocus CO-OP provides employment and training opportunities for mentally and physically challenged people. The owner of the building intends to repair and paint/stain the existing siding, stucco, and trim, as well as replace the windows. The total investment for these improvements is \$2,357 of which \$1,512 is eligible for a façade improvement grant (window replacement does not

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qualify for the program). The Enterprise Zone Committee has approved a façade grant in the amount of \$1,512 to cover the eligible expenses.

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 June 11, 2007, there was an estimated \$440,300 remaining in the Municipal Enterprise Zone account, which includes all money spent on completed projects and money committed to be spent on submitted applications. The above applications total \$29,767 in cash rebates and are within the means of the Municipal Enterprise Zone Program.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**A5) Municipal Enterprise Zone  
101079706 Saskatchewan Ltd. (Emerald Park)  
601 Avenue W South; 2309 17<sup>th</sup> Street West; 525, 529, 601 and 605 Avenue X South  
File No.: PL. 4110-34-104; CK. 3500-15**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve a five-year tax abatement of the incremental taxes for the renovation of 60 housing units in six apartment blocks at 601 Avenue W South, 2309 17<sup>th</sup> Street West, and 525, 529, 601 and 605 Avenue X South in the Meadowgreen neighbourhood;
  - 2) that the five-year tax abatement be effective in the next taxation year following completion of the project; and
  - 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary bylaw and agreement.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

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In February 2007, 101079706 Saskatchewan Ltd. (Emerald Park), operating on behalf of Willment Management Group, took ownership of six apartment buildings located at 601 Avenue W South, 2309 17<sup>th</sup> Street West, and 525, 529, 601 and 605 Avenue X South. (See Attachments 1 and 2.) These six buildings comprise 160 housing units located in the Meadowgreen neighbourhood.

Willment Management Group is a rental management company based in Langley, B.C. It specializes in renovation, rezoning, conversion, and property management of apartment buildings.

On June 7, 2007, the Municipal Enterprise Zone Adjudication Committee considered an application from Emerald Park for assistance to renovate the 160 apartment units and common areas in the buildings, as well as landscape the surrounding site. Upon completion of the project, Emerald Park intends to offer the units for sale as condominiums, though it anticipates that a significant portion of the units will continue to be offered as rentals by their new owners.

### **REPORT**

Emerald Park's application for incentives under the Municipal Enterprise Zone was made through the City Planning Branch. A thorough review of the application was conducted, and it has been determined that the project warrants consideration for incentives under the Municipal Enterprise Zone.

All required building and plumbing permit fees will be automatically rebated to the owner of the property upon completion of the project (estimated to be \$8,000.00). A five-year property tax abatement is also being requested. The total value of the tax abatement (increment only) is estimated to be \$114,885 over five years.

The Adjudication Committee considered the merits and value of the development to the Municipal Enterprise Zone. The Adjudication Committee agrees with the City Planning Branch report and recommendation that the development will improve upon existing housing stock in the Meadowgreen neighbourhood and improve conditions on and around the site. This is consistent with the purpose of the Municipal Enterprise Zone policy.

The total value of the automatic incentives is \$8,000.00. City Council approval is not required for this incentive. The Adjudication Committee is recommending that City Council grant the five-year property tax abatement commencing in the next taxation year after completion of the project.

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Summary of incentives pending City Council approval of a five-year incremental tax abatement:

Building and Plumbing Permit Fee Rebates .....	\$ 8,000.00
Five-Year Property Tax Abatement (Increment Only).....	<u>114,885.00</u>
Total Value of Incentives (cash and tax-based).....	\$122,885.00

The City Planning Branch will conduct a follow-up inspection to ensure that the project is completed according to the proposal prior to disbursement of any rebates. The owners of the condominium units will be the beneficiaries of the property tax abatement.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

As of June 11, 2007, there was \$440,300 remaining in the Municipal Enterprise Zone Account. The above application totals \$8,000.00 in cash rebates and is within the means of the Municipal Enterprise Zone Program.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Location Map
2. Site Outline

**A6) Municipal Enterprise Zone  
Saskatchewan Housing Corporation  
126 Avenue W South  
File No.: PL. 4110-34-102; CK. 3500-15**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that City Council approve a five-year tax abatement of the incremental taxes for the acquisition and renovation of a 24-unit apartment block at 126 Avenue W South in the Pleasant Hill neighbourhood;
- 2) that the five-year tax abatement be effective in the next taxation year following completion of the project; and

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- 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary bylaw and agreement.

*ADOPTED.*

## **BACKGROUND**

On March 28, 2007, the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation (SHC) received approval for assistance under the Centenary Affordable Housing Program (CAHP) to direct deliver a 24-unit apartment at 126 Avenue W South.

On June 7, 2007, the Municipal Enterprise Zone Adjudication Committee considered an application from the SHC for assistance to acquire and renovate the 24-unit multiple-unit dwelling at 126 Avenue W South (See Attachment 1). The property is located in the Pleasant Hill neighbourhood. SHC intends to offer the 24 dwelling units as permanent affordable rental units for low income families.

The total cost of the project is estimated to be \$1,080,000. This amount includes \$390,000 in building purchase costs and \$640,000 in renovation costs to bring the building up to code and do cosmetic repairs and upgrades (\$26,667 per unit).

## **REPORT**

Saskatchewan Housing Corporation's application for incentives under the Municipal Enterprise Zone was made through the City Planning Branch. A thorough review of the application was conducted, and it has been determined that the project warrants consideration for incentives under the Municipal Enterprise Zone.

All required building and plumbing permit fees will be automatically rebated to the owner of the property upon completion of the project (estimated at \$3,377.50). SHC has applied for a rebate of the environmental screening charges not to exceed \$1,926.00. A five-year property tax abatement is also being requested. The total value of the tax abatement (increment only) is estimated to be \$19,320.00 over five years.

The Adjudication Committee considered the merits and value of the development to the Municipal Enterprise Zone. The Adjudication Committee agrees with the City Planning Branch report and recommendation that the development will improve upon existing housing stock in the Pleasant Hill neighbourhood, and this is consistent with the purpose of the Municipal Enterprise Zone policy.

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The Adjudication Committee resolved to approve the environmental screening charge rebate for the amount of \$1,926.00. The total value of this incentive, plus the automatic building and plumbing permit fees is \$5,303.50. City Council approval is not required for these incentives. The Adjudication Committee is recommending that City Council grant the five-year property tax abatement commencing in the next taxation year after completion of the project.

Summary of incentives pending City Council approval of a five-year incremental tax abatement:

Building and Plumbing Permit Fee Rebates .....	\$ 3,377.50
Phase I Environmental Screening Charge Rebate .....	1,926.00
Five-Year Property Tax Abatement (Increment Only).....	<u>19,320.00</u>
Total Value of Incentives (cash and tax incentive).....	\$24,623.50

The City Planning Branch will conduct a follow-up inspection to ensure that the project is completed according to the proposal prior to disbursement of any rebates.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The above application was first considered by the Enterprise Zone Committee on June 7, 2007. As of June 11, 2007, there was \$440,300 remaining in the Municipal Enterprise Zone Account. The above application totals \$5,303.50 in cash rebates and is within the means of the Municipal Enterprise Zone Program.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Location Map

**A7) Municipal Enterprise Zone  
City Centre Community Renewal Initiatives – CCCRI  
205 Avenue N South  
File No.: PL. 4110-34-48; CK. 3500-15**

**RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that City Council approve a five-year tax abatement of the incremental taxes for the renovation of a 24-unit apartment block at 205 Avenue N South in the Pleasant Hill neighbourhood;

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- 2) that the five-year tax abatement be effective in the next taxation year following completion of the project; and
- 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary bylaw and agreement.

*ADOPTED.*

## **BACKGROUND**

CCCRI is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving living conditions in the inner city. They were incorporated in 2002 and coordinate the work of 142 volunteers working with City Centre Church, Kidz Club, Freedom House, and Street Force.

On August 11, 2006, the Enterprise Zone Committee approved an application for a grant in lieu of taxes totaling \$15,868.33. This was to assist CCCRI in renovation of a 24-unit apartment block at 205 Avenue N South in the Pleasant Hill neighbourhood (Attachment 1). CCCRI opted for a grant in lieu of taxes because the initial estimate of the incremental tax increase resulting from the renovations was minimal (\$766.12 per year).

On June 7, 2007, the Municipal Enterprise Zone Adjudication Committee considered a revised application from CCCRI for assistance to renovate the 24-unit apartment block at 205 Avenue N South. Upon receipt of a detailed list of renovations, the City Assessor has given a new estimate of the incremental tax increase of \$6,500 per year. As a result of this revised estimate, CCCRI is requesting a five-year tax abatement rather than the previously approved grant in lieu of taxes. CCCRI intends to provide affordable housing to those in most need, focusing on single females with children.

## **REPORT**

CCCRI's application for incentives under the Municipal Enterprise Zone was made through the City Planning Branch. A thorough review of the revised application was conducted, and it has been determined that the project warrants consideration for incentives under the Municipal Enterprise Zone.

All required building and plumbing permit fees will be automatically rebated to the owner of the property upon completion of the project (estimated to be \$2,317.00). Also, Municipal Engineering Branch has advised CCCRI that it must replace part of the main sewer line at an estimated cost of \$8,500. CCCRI requested a rebate of the direct service charges (not to exceed this amount).

CCCRI is requesting a five-year incremental property tax abatement for the project estimated at \$32,500 from City Council.

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The Adjudication Committee considered the merits and value of the development to the Municipal Enterprise Zone. The Adjudication Committee agreed with the City Planning Branch report and recommendation that the development will improve upon existing housing stock in the Pleasant Hill neighbourhood and that this is consistent with the purpose of the Municipal Enterprise Zone policy.

The Adjudication Committee resolved to approve the rebate of direct service charges (\$8,500). The total value of this incentive plus the automatic building and plumbing permit fees is \$10,817. City Council approval is not required for these incentives. The Adjudication Committee is recommending that City Council grant the five-year property tax abatement commencing in the next taxation year after completion of the project.

Summary of incentives pending City Council approval of a five-year incremental tax abatement:

Building and Plumbing Permit Fee Rebates .....	\$ 2,317.00
Direct Service Charges Rebate .....	8,500.00
Five-Year Property Tax Abatement (Increment Only).....	<u>32,500.00</u>
Total Value of Incentives (cash and tax-based).....	\$43,317.00

The City Planning Branch will conduct a follow-up inspection to ensure that the project is completed according to the proposal prior to disbursement of any rebates.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The above application was first considered by the Enterprise Zone Committee on June 7, 2007. As of June 11, 2007, there was \$440,300 remaining in the Municipal Enterprise Zone Account. The above application totals \$10,817.00 in cash rebates and is within the means of the Municipal Enterprise Zone Program.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Location Map

**Section B – CORPORATE SERVICES**

**B1) Corporate Inventory Status**  
**(File No. 1290-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

The Inventory and Disposal Services Section, Corporate Services Department, is responsible for reporting annually to City Council the extent to which both corporate and departmental inventory management objectives are being met and the extent of departmental compliance with generally-accepted inventory management practices. The Inventory and Disposal Services Section has authority to prescribe corporate standards, criteria, and guidelines for inventory management in a decentralized stores environment. This decentralized approach allows departments to keep the materials they require while ensuring industry guidelines and generally accepted good inventory management practices, standards and controls are followed. Attachment No. 1 shows the locations and inventory levels throughout the city. As shown in the chart, the majority of the inventory value (82%) is held at Saskatoon Light and Power.

To analyze inventory held, the material is classified into groups that identify what will be used, what is kept for stock out insurance, and what is slow moving and inactive. Attachment No. 2 shows the inventory breakdown by store. During 2006, corporate inventory and the percentage of slow moving/inactive inventory increased. These increases were primarily due to increased inventory levels held at Saskatoon Light and Power. The following are the major factors that affected the inventory level:

1. Capital Project 1308 was scheduled to be completed over a two-year period, 2006 and 2007, in order for the River Landing development to proceed as planned. All material required for the project was ordered in 2006 to ensure that the project could be completed early in 2007; therefore, more wood poles and distribution transformers were carried over into 2007 than would normally be expected.
2. Due to delivery problems and scheduling problems, some caused by the weather, street lighting in new developments could not be completed; therefore, more steel poles and fixtures were carried over than expected. They will be installed in 2007.
3. Underground cable was purchased for Capital Project 1323 which did not proceed as planned. This cable will be installed in 2007.
4. Material, including underground cable ordered for the downtown underground network system, was not installed. It will be installed in 2007 as the River Landing development proceeds and as development continues in the downtown area.

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5. Due to the amount of Capital work that was required in 2006, some of the maintenance work did not get completed and material has been carried over into 2007.

During 2006, the significant changes in overall corporate inventories are:

- Inventory held at year end increased 13% to \$7,703,818. See Attachment No. 3 Corporate Inventory Balances.
- Material issues increased 1% to \$7,090,980.
- Inventory turnover decreased from .97 to .92.
- Slow moving/inactive inventory increased \$1,252,572 (36%) from 2005.

It is expected the overall inventory and slow moving/inactive material will be reduced as the capital projects are completed, although it is recognized that there will always be some amount of this material due to changes/delays of projects, and variances in breakdown and maintenance requirements. Inventory Management and Saskatoon Light and Power have implemented improvements that will gradually improve the overall inventory performance statistics and the level of inactive material. Improvements during 2006 included tracking and breakdown of inventory held for operating and capital projects, and continuing the use of slow moving and inactive inventory, and identifying write-off material that is surplus to operations.

To manage the inventory kept at the decentralized department stores, the Inventory and Disposal Services Section annually reviews the Corporate Guidelines for Management of Inventory (Attachment No. 4) with each store. The inventory practices at each of these departments are checked and documented. The Inventory and Disposal Services Section confirms that the Corporate Guidelines for Management of Inventory are being followed and any deviations because of operational requirements are covered by approved compensating procedures.

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

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Corporate Inventory Levels.
2. Corporate Inventory Indicators.
3. Corporate Inventory Balances.
4. Corporate Guidelines for Management of Inventory.

**Section C – FIRE AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

**C1) Fire Service Agreements**

**R.M of Blucher No. 343**

**R.M of Dundurn No. 314**

**R.M. of Vanscoy No. 345**

**Village of Vanscoy**

**(File Nos. 290-6, 290-8, 290-15 and 290-17; CK. 2500-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the City of Saskatoon enter into new Fire Service Agreements with the above-mentioned Rural Municipalities and the Village of Vanscoy in accordance with negotiated terms; and,
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate Agreements.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

The City of Saskatoon currently has Fire Service Agreements with each of the above Rural Municipalities and the Village of Vanscoy which have expired. All parties wish to enter into new Agreements based on satisfactorily negotiated terms.

**REPORT**

The Agreement will be modeled after the existing fire service agreements including provision of the following:

- a) Firefighting services;
- b) Dangerous goods response services; and,
- c) Rescue services.

The SFPS Incident Commander in attendance at any incident shall have sole authority to do the following:

- a) Direct response activities at an incident;
- b) Determine if additional resources are required and to call for additional resources from SFPS if additional resources are required; and,
- c) Determine the appropriate point in time to turn control of an incident over to any other attending fire department(s).

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The Agreements shall be in effect for three years and shall commence upon execution of the Agreement. At the end of the term, the agreement shall be automatically extended for a further year unless at least 60 days before the end of the term, either party gives notice terminating the Agreement.

In all cases, the fees for services provided will be as follows:

- a) \$450.00 per hour or part thereof for one pumper engine company, one tanker company and one 4 x 4 company, which will be the apparatus dispatched for the initial response to an incident;
- b) \$450.00 per hour or part thereof for each additional apparatus sent after the initial response; and,
- c) An additional \$450.00 per hour for each pumper unit for fire incidents requiring forces for an extended period and/or if in the complete discretion of Saskatoon Fire and Protective Services, the availability of firefighters and firefighting apparatus requires it. An extended period shall be defined as two hours, or less time if deemed necessary by Saskatoon Fire and Protective Services.

These fees shall be payable by the respective parties within 30 days after receipt of the invoice from the City. The fees for service shall be in effect for the initial term of this Agreement and, thereafter, the rates will be set annually by the parties at least 60 days prior to the end of the term or any anniversary of it.

If any of the parties fail to pay the City as required in their Agreement, the City may give them seven days' notice to end the Agreement and unless the amount owing is paid before the notice runs out, the Agreement shall automatically end and the City's obligations shall cease.

The obligation of the City under the Agreements will be subject to the following conditions:

- a) The availability of firefighters and firefighting equipment; and,
- b) The availability of suitable road access to the location of the emergency.

The decision whether to respond to any emergency is entirely within the discretion of Saskatoon Fire and Protective Services.

Response times may vary depending on location of the incident and road or weather conditions at the time. Delayed response time by the City does not constitute negligence or any other actionable cause against the City.

Each Rural Municipality and the Village of Vanscoy shall purchase and maintain in full force and effect for the duration of their Agreement a public liability insurance policy in an amount of not less than \$5,000,000.00 per occurrence and shall provide proof of the existence of such insurance to the City.

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Modifications to any of the Agreements shall only be made by a written supplemental agreement signed by both parties.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**Section D – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

**D1) Enquiry – Councillor G. Wyant (November 6, 2006)  
Condition of Railway Crossing – 51<sup>st</sup> Street – North of Wanuskewin Road  
(File No. CK. 6170-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Wyant at the meeting of City Council held on November 6, 2006:

“Would the Administration please report on what remedial action can be taken in order to remedy the railway crossing on 51<sup>st</sup> Street, north of Wanuskewin. This is a very rough crossing where cars have to slow to a crawl which has caused a few accidents recently.”

**REPORT**

Last fall the Administration contacted Canadian National Railway (CNR) representatives to determine whether they had any planned maintenance scheduled for the 51<sup>st</sup> Street railway crossing and were advised that no work was scheduled. The Public Works Branch, therefore, planned a milling of the asphalt and placement of a new lift of asphalt to smooth the transition over the railway tracks. Unfortunately, due to the wet fall, the work was deferred to 2007.

The Administration contacted CNR representatives again this spring to follow-up on discussions held last year regarding the 51<sup>st</sup> Street railway crossing, and to determine whether their maintenance plans for the crossing had changed. Initially they were unable to confirm whether they would be undertaking any maintenance at this location, however, they have now informed us that no scheduled upgrades to this railway crossing are planned for this year.

The Public Works Branch will now be scheduling the repair of the asphalt, which is scheduled to be completed by the end of June 2007.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**D2) Enquiry - Councillor P. Lorje (January 8, 2007)  
Parking 300 Block of Ave Q South  
(File No. 6120-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a Disabled Person's Parking Zone and three parking meters be installed on the east block face of the 300 block of Avenue Q South; and
  - 2) that the parking meters offer a maximum two hour time limit, effective from 09:00 to 18:00, Monday to Saturday.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Lorje at the meeting of City Council held on January 9, 2007:

“Will the Administration please report on the matter of parking, and specifically parking turnover in the vicinity of St. Paul's Hospital, with specific reference to the 300 block of Avenue Q South. Is it possible to implement a residential parking permit system for this area, or alternatively, to have this area posted for two hour parking limits during the daytime on weekdays?”

The Administration received further clarification that the basis for the enquiry was prompted from businesses in the area. Business owners who recently moved into a renovated building on the 1600 block of 20<sup>th</sup> Street West have reported congestion of the parking stalls on the 300 block of Avenue Q South, which is adjacent to their property.

The 300 block of Avenue Q South primarily contains residential properties and is in close proximity to St. Paul's Hospital. The north portion of this block is a commercial area with businesses that front 20<sup>th</sup> Street West. The streets around St. Paul's Hospital typically have two-hour parking meters, or are posted with a two-hour parking restriction; however, the 300 block of Avenue Q South has no parking meters or posted parking time limits.

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## REPORT

Residential Parking Programs (RPP) are established in response to area resident complaints about parking. In order to be implemented, an RPP zone must consist of a minimum ten block area and be supported by a petition that has at least a 70 % favourable response rate from area residents. In this location, it has been the local business that expressed concerns about long term parking.

A study of the area determined that the parking stalls adjacent to the businesses on the east block face of the 300 block of Avenue Q South have a vehicle occupancy rate of approximately 96%. The average vehicle occupancy for both sides of the entire block is in the 50% to 60% range. Currently, there is no posted parking restriction on this street, which in turn permits parking for a period of up to 36 hours. The data confirms that the parking stalls adjacent to the businesses are being used for long term parking, which is generally attributed to area employees utilizing the parking stalls.

The Administration has been in contact with the business owners who are experiencing the parking problems. It has been determined that the most effective solution in response to their client's needs is the installation of a Disabled Person's Parking Zone and three parking meters on the east block face of the 300 block of Avenue Q South (Attachment 1). It is felt that just posting this section of Avenue Q South with a signed parking restriction will not be effective in producing the desired parking stall turnover.

As detailed in the attached drawing, the redevelopment of the this section of 20<sup>th</sup> Street West will also require the realignment of the existing parking meters and traffic signs on this block.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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

## ATTACHMENT

1. Plan 21-0041-004r003

**D3) Enquiry – Councillor G. Penner (May 14, 2007)**  
**Dust Palliation – New Residential Developments**  
**(File No. 4110-01; CK. 375-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

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**BACKGROUND**

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Penner at the meeting of City Council held on May 14, 2007:

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

**REPORT**

There is no bylaw that deals directly with the issue of blowing dust in new developments, however, the City of Saskatoon Engineering Department – Development Standards Manual (1989) outlines general guidelines for development in Saskatoon and references that work must be carried out in accordance with the City’s standards to cover or wet down dry materials and rubbish to prevent blowing dust and debris, and to provide dust control for temporary roads as designated by the Engineer. Development and Servicing Agreements entered into between the developers and the City also reference that the work must be carried out in accordance with these standards.

In practice, the control of dust is typically limited to the haul routes of the particular earthwork operation within reason. Operations like topsoil stripping and earthmoving are prone to the creation of dust, and it is infeasible to ‘wet down the field or the cut’ prior to the removal of the topsoil or earth; however, the haul routes are monitored and the requirement for reasonable dust control is enforced.

During the area grading and development of a new subdivision, significant acreage is ‘opened up’, and there is no requirement to control dust on the prepared barren land that is caused by climatic conditions and the characteristics of the native soils.

The Administration believes the current methods and standards are a reasonable balance between the development of our city and the day-to-day quality of life for those living adjacent to developments.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee to review the Development Standards Manual regarding this matter.*

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**D4) Arterial Road - Clarence Avenue  
Capital Project No. 1462  
Property Acquisition  
Portion of Parcel A; Plan 101390655; Extension 46  
File No. LA 4021-06-1; CK. 4020-1**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the purchase of a portion of the property legally described as Parcel A, Extension 46, Plan 101390655, as shown in the attached plan (no civic address), from Dundee Realty Corporation, at a purchase price of \$2,000.00 be approved;
  - 2) that the transfer of \$5,625.00 from the Dedicated Roadways Reserve into Capital Project No. 1462 – Arterial Road - Clarence Avenue to cover disbursements associated with this land purchase be approved;
  - 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary purchase agreement and that His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement under the corporate seal; and
  - 4) that this purchase be funded from the Dedicated Roadways Reserve.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

Capital Project 1462 - Arterial Road – Clarence Avenue was approved as part of the 2006 Capital Budget. This project involves the construction of Clarence Avenue to a four-lane arterial standard from the railway overpass to the proposed Circle Drive overpass (from the new Stonebridge Boulevard through existing Brand Road).

Clarence Avenue will become a Class B arterial, which is a four lane divided cross section, complete with one sidewalk. A Class B arterial is normally constructed inside a 32 metre right-of-way.

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**REPORT**

The right of way (ROW) currently provided on 150 metres of Clarence Avenue from ‘old’ Melville Street to the new Stonebridge Boulevard is currently 24.617 metres – less than the normal 32 metres provided. To accommodate a utility easement and other details, it was previously thought that 24.617 metres would be adequate to provide for the arterial roadway over this 150 metre section.

With the completion of the Clarence Avenue design and alignment, an additional 1.85 metres of property is needed to accommodate a combined sidewalk on the east side of Clarence Avenue on this 150 metre section. In addition, a small triangle portion of property is required to accommodate a ‘right in’ onto the old Melville Street ROW. Attachment 1 illustrates the property required.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan – Clarence Avenue Proposed Property Acquisition – Stonebridge Blvd. to Road Allowance for Proposed Geometric Design.

**D5) Circle Drive South – Property Acquisition**  
**Proposed Purchase of Lands Owned By Canadian National Railway Company**  
**Lot 1, Block 533, Plan 66S18566**  
**Civic Address: 202 Portage Avenue**  
**File No. CK 4000-1**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that the City purchase all of Canadian National Railway Company’s property at 202 Portage Avenue required for the Circle Drive South project for \$645,000.00;
- 2) that the cost of acquisition and related expenses be charged to the Property Realized Reserve, as an interim source of financing; and

- 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary sale agreement based on the terms and conditions outlined in this report, and that His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of City Council.

*ADOPTED.*

### **BACKGROUND**

At its meeting held May 28, 2007, City Council considered Clause 6, Report No. 9-2007 of the Executive Committee and adopted the following recommendation with respect to the Circle Drive, South River Crossing project:

- “3) that the Administration be authorized to negotiate with all land owners identified for the acquisition of the necessary rights-of-way for the construction of this project.”

### **REPORT**

Canadian National Railway Company owns property located at 202 Portage Avenue, which will be required by the City for the Circle Drive South project. The land required for the widening of Circle Drive is illustrated on Attachment No. 1, and contains approximately 0.76 hectares. The property will be purchased in its entirety with remaining lands and buildings disposed of at the completion of the project.

The current lease on the property to Vitran Express Canada Inc. will be assigned to the City of Saskatoon upon closing of the sale. Significant terms of the agreement are as follows:

Lease Term: Five years, ending December 31, 2011  
Lease Rate: \$51,000 per year net  
Cancellation: Upon six months notice by either party

The six-month notice period is adequate for the City's needs with respect to construction scheduling.

The City had obtained an independent market appraisal of the property. Based on this, the Administration recommends acceptance of the proposal, which is subject to approval of City Council on June 25, 2007.

There is at present no Circle Drive South project funding allocated for this purchase. It is recommended that the cost of acquisition and related expenses be charged to the Property Realized Reserve as an interim source of financing for this land acquisition proposal.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Property Acquisition Plan; CN – 202 Portage Ave.

**D6) Award of Contract  
Red Light Camera Enforcement and Violation Processing System  
Supply and Installation  
(File No: CK. 5300-8)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that Trafco Canada be awarded the contract to provide photo enforcement, processing and other services at the intersections of 8<sup>th</sup> Street and Preston Avenue and 51<sup>st</sup> Street and Warman Road; and
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary contract for execution by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

In May, 2005, The City of Saskatoon entered into a five-year contract with Trafco Canada for the provision of photo enforcement, processing and other services to enforce red light violations at the intersection of Avenue C and Circle Drive. The contract states that the City of Saskatoon reserves the right to add other approaches or intersections, but does not stipulate a cost or a term for new intersections, therefore, a new contract covering the two new intersections which were approved by City Council on April 30, 2007 is required.

**REPORT**

Trafco Canada has provided an excellent service with respect to the contract covering the intersection at Avenue C and Circle Drive. They have extensive knowledge of the project conditions and are an expert in the field of photo enforcement. The current system has the ability to add new locations without any changes to administrative and operating procedures.

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The Administration is recommending that a new contract be sole-sourced to Trafco Canada with the following terms to be included:

- 1) Placement of cameras at the 51st Street and Warman Road intersection;
- 2) Placement of cameras at the 8th Street and Preston Avenue intersection;
- 3) The price structure for each intersection shall be \$2,300 per month, plus \$12 per violation. (The fees payable under the Avenue C and Circle Drive contract do not include the monthly fee but have a price per violation of \$25.);
- 4) The term shall be five years from the date of the contract; and
- 5) All other terms shall be similar to the terms found within the Avenue C and Circle Drive contract.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**D7) Proposed Parking Restrictions  
Intersection of Bedford Road and Avenue G  
(File No. 6120-03)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that a “No Parking” restriction be installed at the northeast corner and southwest corner of the intersection of Bedford Road and Avenue G, as outlined on attached Plan No. 210-0013-012r001.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Infrastructure Services has received a concern regarding the safety of traffic movement at the intersection of Bedford Road and Avenue G. Bedford Road Collegiate is on the northwest corner of the intersection. Students from the school park their vehicles at the corners of the intersection, blocking the view of approaching vehicles. To improve safety, the Administration is proposing that a “No Parking” restriction be installed at the northeast corner and southwest corner, to provide motorists with greater visibility.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

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**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan No. 210-0013-012r001

**D8) Proposed Yield Sign Installation  
27<sup>th</sup> Street and Avenue B  
(File No. 6280-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that a yield sign be installed for northbound and southbound vehicles at the intersection of 27<sup>th</sup> Street and Avenue B as shown on attached Plan No. 211-0038-001r002.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Infrastructure Services has completed a review of the intersection of 27<sup>th</sup> Street and Avenue B. Both streets are classified as local roadways and carry a daily traffic volume of approximately 1,000 vehicles per day. The intersection of these roadways is a four-legged intersection and is currently controlled by the right-of-way rule. The five-year collision history reports that there were five collisions at this intersection in which three failed to yield in the northbound direction.

According to Policy No C07-007, Traffic Control – Use of Stop and Yield Signs, a yield sign is warranted at an intersection where a unique problem is found to be susceptible to correction by use of the yield sign. There is a fence on the south east corner of the intersection which is blocking the view of drivers going northbound from seeing vehicles going eastbound on 27<sup>th</sup> Street. Infrastructure Services is proposing a yield sign be installed for northbound and southbound vehicles on Avenue B.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan No. 210-0038-001r002

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**D9) Proposed Yield Sign Installation  
Salisbury Drive and Arnold Street and  
Salisbury Drive and Tucker Crescent  
(File No. 6280-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that yield signs be installed for eastbound vehicles at the intersections of Salisbury Drive and Arnold Street; and Salisbury Drive and Tucker Crescent, as shown on attached Plan 211-0021-001r001.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

Infrastructure Services has completed a review of the intersections of Salisbury Drive and Arnold Street, and Salisbury Drive and Tucker Crescent. Both streets are classified as local roadways and carry a daily traffic volume of approximately 1,000 vehicles per day. The intersections are three-legged intersections and are currently controlled by the right-of-way rule. The five-year collision history reports that there were no collisions at this intersection.

Transit Services has a bus route that uses Salisbury Drive from Early Drive to Taylor Street, including Tucker Crescent and Arnold Street. According to Policy C07-007, Traffic Control – Use of Stop and Yield Signs, a yield sign is warranted if one of the roadways is considered a bus route. The Administration is, therefore, proposing that yield signs be installed for eastbound vehicles at the intersections of Salisbury Drive and Arnold Street; and Salisbury Drive and Tucker Crescent.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan No. 211-0021-001r001

**Section E – UTILITY SERVICES**

**E1) Capital Project 687  
Wastewater Treatment Plant, Asset Replacement  
Primary Sedimentation Basins Equipment  
Post Budget Adjustment and Contract Award  
(File No. 7500-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the existing funding of \$1,201,000 in Project 1225 – Wastewater Treatment Sludge Disposal Facility Replacement be transferred to Project 687 - Wastewater Treatment Asset Replacement;
  - 2) that additional funding of \$450,000 from the Wastewater Collection and Treatment Replacement Reserve be approved for Project 687 - Wastewater Treatment Asset Replacement;
  - 3) that the tender for Primary Sedimentation Basins Equipment Replacement at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, as submitted by Suer and Pollen Mechanical Partnership, in the amount of \$3,360,200.00 including GST, be accepted; and
  - 4) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute appropriate contract documents as prepared by the City Solicitor, under the Corporate Seal.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

The 2007 Capital Budget includes funding of \$1,727,000 in Project 687 for the replacement of existing equipment required for the operation of the primary sedimentation basins at the Wastewater Treatment Plant which includes the following:

- Scum Rakes 3 & 4
- Sludge Cross Collection 3 & 4
- Longitudinal Rakes 1 & 2
- Longitudinal Rakes 3 & 4

In addition to being defined as part of the Wastewater Treatment Asset Replacement capital reserve, this work is also necessary to ensure that the primary sedimentation basins are in a reliable condition and capable of handling the increased grit loading expected to result from the construction phase of the new Grit & Screen Facility - Project 1245. Project 1245 involves the temporary bypassing of the existing screen system causing added stress of the downstream

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treatment processes. To mitigate concerns for potential equipment failure and to reduce the degree of the current on-going maintenance of the primary sedimentation equipment, a more robust form of equipment has been specified. This will serve to lower the risk of system failures over the construction period of Project 1245 and mitigate odours generated during equipment downtime and repair. As a result, this has significantly added to the cost of the project.

Two bids were received and are shown as follows (which include contingency and GST):

<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Total Tender Price</u>
Suer and Pollen Mechanical Partnership	Saskatoon, SK	\$3,360,200.00
SaskCon Repair Services Ltd.	Saskatoon, SK	\$3,794,800.00

The commercial and technical bid evaluation was carried out by Catterall & Wright Consulting Engineers. The low bidder, Suer and Pollen Mechanical Partnership, was recommended for contract award.

The net cost to the City for the low bid submitted by Suer and Pollen Mechanical Partnership is shown below:

Base Price (including PST)	\$3,170,000.00
GST (6%)	<u>\$190,200.00</u>
Total Tender Price	\$3,360,200.00
GST Rebate (6%)	<u>(\$190,200.00)</u>
<b>Net Cost to the City</b>	<b>\$3,170,000.00</b>

The low bid is higher than the available approved funding. Considering the engineering services fee and the various charges already expended, an additional \$1,651,000 in funding is required. This additional funding can be accommodated by reallocating \$1,201,000 of approved funding from Capital Project 1225 WWT – Sludge Disposal Facility Replacement – Deep Cell #7(4B) Asphalt Relining. It is possible to continue with maintenance and repairs of this cell in the short term and to rebudget the complete relining in the future. The remaining funding of \$450,000 can be provided from the Wastewater Collection and Treatment Replacement Reserve.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**E2) 2007 Capital Budget**  
**Capital Project 1236**  
**Wastewater Treatment Plant - UV Disinfection System**  
**Award of Engineering Services and Post Budget Adjustment**  
**(File No. 7990-62-1; CK. 7920-1)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that Earth Tech Canada Inc. be selected to provide all engineering services required for the UV Disinfection system at the Wastewater Treatment Plant;
  - 2) that the proposal for the preliminary and detail design work and engineering services during construction for the UV Disinfection system at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, from Earth Tech Canada Inc., for a total upset fee of \$821,246.00 (including G.S.T. and P.S.T) be accepted;
  - 3) that funding for Capital Project 1236 Wastewater Treatment UV Disinfection System be increased by \$42,000 funded from the Wastewater Treatment Capital Reserve; and
  - 4) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary Engineering Services Agreement for execution by His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk under the Corporate Seal.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

The City of Saskatoon 2007 Capital Budget includes \$734,000 for engineering services concerning an Ultraviolet (UV) Disinfection system at the Wastewater Treatment Plant - Project 1236.

The implementation of an enhanced disinfection system by the year 2010 is required to comply with the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 regulations regarding treated wastewater effluent discharged to the South Saskatchewan River as identified in the Pollution Prevention (P2) Plan. The present practice of effluent disinfection by gas chlorination does not provide adequate reliability to meet the future bacteriological limits defined by environmental legislation. Also, there are expected future restrictions regarding the use of chlorine which will encourage the substitution of chlorine gas with a less toxic disinfection method.

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Based on the recommendations from the Effluent Disinfection Study carried out in June 2000, implementation of the UV System together with the “backup” sodium or calcium hypochlorite system will allow the City to meet the bacteriological limits regulations and provide an adequate disinfection for the discharged effluent.

The engineering services for this project will include preliminary design, detail design, and engineering services during construction. Preliminary design is expected to be completed by October 2007. The preliminary design will include a recommendation for the most suitable UV disinfection system and will provide capital costing information for the construction stage of this project which is scheduled for spring 2008.

In April, 2007, three consulting firms were invited to submit proposals for engineering services for the entire project. Proposals were received from the following firms:

Earth Tech Canada Inc.  
Stantec Consulting

Engineering staff of Utility Services evaluated the submitted proposals. After a systematic evaluation of the submissions was completed, the proposal from Earth Tech Canada Inc. was found to be the most favorable. The proposal also included additional services for the inclusion of a Waste Heat Recovery System which will provide necessary heating/cooling requirements for the new facility. The proposed heat recovery system will eliminate the need for gas boilers, which can significantly reduce greenhouse emission and reduce annual Wastewater Treatment Plant operation costs.

The upset fee for Engineering Services for the project is as follows:

Basic Upset Fee	\$663,000.00
Contingency	\$66,300.00
Waste Heat Recovery Option	<u>\$34,650.00</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$763,950.00</b>
G.S.T. @ 6%	\$45,837.00
P.S.T.(on 30% @ 5%)	<u>\$11,459.00</u>
<b>Contract Amount</b>	<b><u>\$821,246.00</u></b>
G.S.T. Rebate @ 6%	(\$45,837.00)
<b>Net Cost to the City</b>	<b><u>\$775,409.00</u></b>

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Capital Project 1236 requires an additional \$42,000 from the Wastewater Treatment Capital Reserve to provide for the Waste Heat Recovery Option to allow this engineering services proposal to be accepted. There are sufficient funds in the Wastewater Capital Reserve to cover this additional funding.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**E3) Capital Project No. 1245  
Wastewater Treatment Plant, Grit & Screen Facility  
Post Budget Adjustment and Contract Award  
Contract No. 7-0126  
(File No. 7500-1; CK. 7920-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that existing funding of \$1,700,000 from Project No. 1241 Sludge Disposal Pipeline be transferred to Project No. 1245 Grit & Screen Facility;
  - 2) that the tender for the Grit & Screen Facility upgrade at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, as submitted by Graham Construction, in the amount of \$11,718,300 including GST, be accepted; and
  - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the appropriate contract documents as prepared by the City Solicitor, under the Corporate Seal.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

The 2007 Capital Budget includes funding of \$11,382,000 in Project No. 1245 to modify and enhance the Grit & Screen Facility at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The construction of this facility will significantly improve the plant's grit removal efficiency and further reduce the maintenance requirements on down stream process equipment. Improvements to this area also provide a means of continuous removal and dewatering of the grit and screenings, which will greatly reduce the odours generated from this area of the process.

Connected to this project is the construction of a new disposal facility at the City's landfill site for the liquid waste haulers and heavy grit haulers (associated with on-going sewer cleaning, car wash sump cleanouts) dumping. This facility will satisfy a long standing requirement of the City's "Sewer Works" Permit to Operate issued by Saskatchewan Environment.

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Two bids were received and are shown as follows (which include contingency and GST):

<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Total Tender Price</u>
Graham Construction	Saskatoon, SK	\$11,718,300.00
SaskCon Repair Services Ltd.	Saskatoon, SK	\$15,354,000.00

The commercial and technical bid evaluation was carried out by Stantec Consulting Ltd. The low bidder, Graham Construction, was recommended for contract award.

The net cost to the City for the low bid submitted by Graham Construction is shown below:

Base Price (including PST)	\$11,055,000.00
GST (6%)	<u>\$663,300.00</u>
Total Tender Price	\$11,718,300.00
GST Rebate (6%)	<u>(\$663,300.00)</u>
<b>Net Cost to the City</b>	<b>\$11,055,000.00</b>

To provide adequate funding for this contract award, as well as the related project engineering services fees and other associated project costs, an additional \$1,700,000 in funding is required. A summary of major related project costs are as follows:

Lagoon construction to accommodate truck hauled grit	\$900,000
Consulting fees for this project and lagoon design	\$820,000
Temporary plant facilities and material testing during construction	\$150,000

The additional funding can be accommodated by reallocating \$1,700,000 from the 2004 Capital Project No. 1241 Sludge Disposal Pipeline. Project 1241 is nearing completion, and significant cost savings were achieved by salvaging the majority of the existing 14 kilometres of pipeline to the City's Biosolids disposal site with only minor repairs. The original scope of the project was to abandon the existing line and install two new service lines for improved operations, reliability, and redundancy.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**E4) Capital Project 2321 – Access Transit Mobile Data Terminal  
Sole Source Contract**

**(File No. 292-15; CK. 7305-1)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the supply of Access Transit Mobile Data Terminals be awarded to Trapeze Software Incorporated in the amount of \$208,039.53, including P.S.T. and G.S.T.; and
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary contract for execution by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal.

*ADOPTED.*

### **REPORT**

Capital Project 2321-Access Transit Mobile Data Terminals provides funding for the purchase and implementation of Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) software and hardware. MDT's on the Access Transit fleet will improve operational efficiency and reporting accuracy.

Access Transit is currently using Trapeze PASS software to book and schedule customer trips as well as several other functions. Trapeze PASS generates the paper manifests/schedules which are used by the operators. Any changes to a manifest after it has been printed must be made via radio contact between a dispatcher and an operator when it is safe for the operator to pull over and record the new information on the manifest. This is inconvenient and time consuming, and it increases the probability of error. The MDT solution provided by Trapeze will automate this process, displaying manifest updates to operators via in-vehicle touch screens.

The proposed MDTs will enhance dispatching functionality for dispatchers and supervisors by allowing them to monitor exact vehicle locations at all times, and schedule adherence, mileage data, speed, and direction through Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL). The system will also improve operator productivity by enabling more efficient communication with dispatch and providing an easy-to-read manifest display.

Additional operational benefits include:

- Voice and color coded text messaging for road closures/detours, and emergencies that can be sent to select units or the entire fleet.
- Driver log on/log off.
- A "No-show" timer that does not allow a driver to enter a "No-show" until the time has expired.
- Early/late trip notification which greatly assists schedule adherence.
- Wireless software updates eliminating the need to physically board each bus which saves both time and resources.
- Reduction of radio traffic between dispatch and operators thus allowing operators to concentrate more on the road.

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- Automatic collection of critical run performance information such as actual pick-up/drop off times and odometer readings.
- Improved reporting capabilities.
- Enhancing customer service through improved on-time performance and timely notification of delays.
- Turn by turn instructions to assist operators with unfamiliar destination locations.
- PASS-IVR Call-backs, which is an automated telephone system for notifying customers that their vehicle will be arriving soon. This feature will enable riders to prepare for their trip, and in turn save valuable time and increase efficiency of your paratransit service.

The transition to the MDTs will be easy for the staff to adopt as the drivers' MDT screen will appear very similar to their current paper manifest.

The net cost is as follows:

Base Price	\$187,423.00
Plus P.S.T. (5%)	\$ 9,371.15
Plus G.S.T. (6%)	<u>\$ 11,245.38</u>
 Total	 \$208,039.53
 Less G.S.T. Rebate (6%)	 <u>\$ 11,245.38</u>
 <b>Net Cost</b>	 <b>\$196,794.15</b>

**JUSTIFICATION**

At the present time, conventional Transit and Access Transit are in the process of implementing Trapeze OPS and COM software for dispatch, timekeeping and customer complaints/comments reporting. Several other Trapeze systems are already in place. By sole sourcing MDT's through Trapeze, we are not only getting the best value for our dollar, we are also maintaining software consistency. Maintaining a single vendor for the responsibility of our entire solution reduces project risks and resource strain on Access Transit by eliminating the need to employ other third party vendor(s) for consultation and the technical integration of our transit systems. Having just one source also allows for a better intimate knowledge based relationship with Saskatoon Transit, which in turn will expedite processes like updates, service agreements, and repairs. This relationship will also enhance training since Trapeze already has an in-depth knowledge of the entire Saskatoon Transit software system.

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Trapeze will deliver an end-to-end integrated solution to complement the existing Paratransit scheduling and dispatch system (PASS) currently employed by Access Transit. This will also eliminate the need for interfaces, again reducing project costs and risks. Once live, Trapeze will be our sole contact for support. Often, when technical issues arrive, third party vendors can convolute the problem solving process, in turn wasting valuable time and resources. With only one vendor to work with, Access Transit will experience more efficient and timely technical support. A sole source contract will allow Access Transit to begin implementation immediately, realizing many operational cost savings. Trapeze has discounted their licence fees by 60%, in order to provide the preferred solution for Access Transit.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Capital Project 2321-Access Transit Mobile Data Terminals, which was approved in the 2007 Capital budget, has sufficient funding for this project.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**Section F – CITY MANAGER**

**F1) EOI Selection and RFP for River Landing Parcel “Y”  
(File No. CC 4129-1 and SPR 4129-13; CK. 4129-3)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the selection of Lake Placid Investments Inc. and WAM Group GP Inc./Concorde Group Corporation to proceed to the Request for Proposal stage for the development of River Landing Parcel “Y”; and,
  - 2) that City Council approve the attached Request for Proposal for distribution to the selected proponents.

**BACKGROUND**

At its meeting on March 12, 2007, City Council directed the Administration to report on a strategy and options for continuing the development of Parcel “Y”, River Landing Phase I.

On April 16, 2007, Council considered and referred the administrative report and draft EOI to the Executive Committee for further review and report back to the next Council meeting. At its meeting held on April 30, 2007, City Council considered and adopted the recommendations of the Executive Committee:

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- 1) that City Council approve the two-stage process as originally outlined by the Administration;
- 2) that the land use elements be prioritized as prescribed in this report; and,
- 3) that the attached EOI be approved.

### **REPORT**

The Request for Expressions of Interest (Attachment 1) was issued May 1, 2007 with a deadline of June 15, 2007. During this period, the City engaged a local marketing firm to develop the theme, layout, and placement of print advertisements in daily newspapers including:

Saskatoon StarPhoenix (2 insertions)  
Regina Leader Post (2 insertions)  
Vancouver Sun  
Calgary Herald  
Edmonton Journal  
Winnipeg Free Press  
National Post  
Toronto Globe and Mail (2 insertions)

The City also produced and posted a special section on the River Landing website, produced and distributed a sales brochure, and distributed mailouts and emails to prospective developers.

Two submissions were received before the EOI deadline:

- 1) Lake Placid Investments Inc., and;
- 2) WAM Group GP Inc./Concorde Group Corporation

The administrative committee conducted an evaluation based on the evaluation criteria and the information requirements of the EOI. The evaluation has found that both scored sufficiently to proceed to the RFP stage. The review indicated that Lake Placid and WAM/Concorde Group have captured the vision, land-use mix, and scale outlined in the EOI and have demonstrated the appropriate financial capacity.

The administrative committee consisted of City Manager Phil Richards, Corporate Services General Manager Marlys Bilanski, Development Services Branch Manager Randy Grauer, Senior Planner Alan Wallace, Planning Branch Manager Lorne Sully, Land Branch Manager Rick Howse, and Special Projects Manager Chris Dekker. The City Solicitor's Office served as consultants to the review.

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Pending Council approval, each of these two proponents will be invited to submit a proposal under the RFP document (Attachment 2). The RFP outlines the process and information required of the selected proponents to enable the City to choose the submission that best meets the vision for the development of Parcel "Y" in Saskatoon's River Landing.

The RFP is similar to the previous document and requires information to be submitted including detailed drawings that provide a description of the conceptual design of the proposed project, and a written summary of the development.

Rather than an open bid, the RFP requires proponents to agree to a fixed purchase price whose value is based on an appraisal conducted by Suncorp Valuations Ltd. The price has been set at \$4.765 million or approximately \$45 per square foot. The administrative committee felt that a fixed bid allows for greater certainty for both the City and the potential developer, and focuses efforts and capital toward the development proposal.

With the evaluation of the purchase price being a pass or fail, the RFP now outlines a 100-point scoring for the development proposal. The development proposal points are further allocated to evaluate the proposed mix of land uses, vision and quality (design and materials), environmental initiatives, density (amount of development), street orientation and streetscape, consistency with the South Downtown Concept Plan, and other innovations. While the proposals will be displayed for public review and comment, the evaluation will be conducted by the administrative committee based on this allocation.

City Council will consider the committee's recommendations but retains the right, at its discretion, to select the successful proposal. The selected proponent will be required to enter into agreements with the City intended to ensure timely construction of the development in accordance with the proposal.

Administration will issue the RFP within days of City Council approval with a deadline of between eight to ten weeks.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Request for Expressions of Interest, River Landing Parcel "Y", May 1, 2007.
2. Request for Proposals River Landing Parcel "Y".

*Items B8 and B9 of Communications to Council were brought forward.*

**IT WAS RESOLVED:** 1) *that City Council approve the selection of Lake Placid Investments Inc. and WAM Group GP Inc./Concorde Group Corporation to*

*proceed to the Request for Proposal stage for the development of River Landing Parcel "Y";*

- 2) *that City Council approve the attached Request for Proposal for distribution to the selected proponents; and,*
- 3) *that items B8 and B9 of Communications to Council be received as information.*

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 10-2007**

**Section A – OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**

**A1) Council Meeting Schedule – 2008  
(File No. CK. 255-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that City Council meet on the following dates in 2008:

Monday, January 14  
Monday, January 28  
Tuesday, February 19  
Monday, March 3  
Monday, March 17  
Monday, April 7  
Monday, April 21  
Monday, May 5  
Tuesday, May 20  
Monday, June 9  
Monday, June 23  
Monday, July 14  
Monday, August 11  
Tuesday, September 2  
Monday, September 15  
Monday, September 29  
Tuesday, October 14  
Monday, October 27  
Monday, November 17  
Monday, December 1  
Monday, December 15; and

- 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary bylaw amendment to the Council and Committee Procedure Bylaw.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a schedule of recommended Council meeting dates for 2008.

The proposed schedule has City Council meeting every second week, with the exception of breaks due to the SUMA Convention in February, Easter in March, the FCM Convention in May/June, Remembrance Day in November and Christmas in December. Also, as in the past, there is only one meeting scheduled for the months of July and August.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. City Council Meeting Schedule – 2008

**Section B – OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR**

**B1) Increase to Parking Offence Discounted Penalties  
(File No. CK. 6120-09)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8610.

*ADOPTED.*

At City Council's meeting held on May 28, 2007, it was resolved, in part:

- “1) that the discounted penalty of \$6.00 for Notice of Violation in Traffic Bylaw No. 7200 be increased to \$10.00;
- 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare an amendment to Traffic Bylaw No. 7200 to reflect the changes outlined in the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated May 8, 2007;”

Schedule No. 10 of The Traffic Bylaw No. 7200 provides for, among other things, the fines for Notice of Violation Offences. Those parking offences which previously offered a \$6.00 discounted penalty have been amended to reflect an increase in the discounted penalty to \$10.00. The discounted penalty for all other Notice of Violation Offences remain the same. As a consequence of this amendment, the form of the Notice of Violation (Schedule No. 11) also requires an amendment to reflect the new amount.

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In addition, as a result of the implementation of *The Traffic Safety Act*, consequential amendments to the Traffic Bylaw are required to ensure that all references to Provincial Legislation are current. These amendments have also been included.

Attached is Bylaw No. 8610 which reflects these changes to The Traffic Bylaw No. 7200.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8610 with attached Schedules.

**B2) Parking Enforcement, Legislative Amendments and Procedural Changes  
(File No. CK. 5300-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8617.

*ADOPTED.*

At City Council's meeting held on May 28, 2007, it was resolved:

“that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate bylaws required for use of all enforcement tools as provided by Provincial Legislation, for parking enforcement.”

The implementation of the new parking enforcement system is being done in stages.

At this time, two changes are planned effective July 1, 2007. The service of summonses for parking offences will now be served by ordinary mail (as opposed to being served personally) to the vehicle owner's address as shown on the records of the Administrator as defined in *The Traffic Safety Act*. In addition, a late payment charge in the amount of \$40.00 will be added to all tickets issued on or after July 1, 2007 when they are in default. The service of summonses by ordinary mail will apply to tickets issued pre and post July 1, 2007 as will some of the new enforcement tools that are available. However, the addition of the late payment charge will only apply to tickets issued post July 1, 2007 and which are in default, to ensure that everyone is treated the same.

Attached is Bylaw No. 8617 which reflects necessary changes to The Traffic Bylaw No. 7200. Only the addition of the late payment charge requires an amendment. The change in method of service does not.

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Further amendments will be provided to City Council to reflect the legislative amendments as they relate to enforcement mechanisms. We anticipate providing these in the fall once the City's new impound lot is established.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8617.

**B3) The Council and Committee Procedure Amendment Bylaw, 2007  
Terms of Reference for the Audit Committee  
(File No. CK. 1600-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8594 (No. 2).

*ADOPTED.*

City Council at its meeting held on March 12, 2007, adopted a resolution that the terms of reference for the Audit Committee be amended to include several additional responsibilities. Our Office was instructed to amend The Council and Committee Procedure Bylaw, 2003, to include these additional responsibilities. In addition, all references in the Bylaw to special needs transportation are being changed to access transit. We are submitting Bylaw No. 8594 (No. 2), The Council and Committee Procedure Amendment Bylaw, 2007, for Council's consideration.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8594 (No. 2), The Council and Committee Procedure Amendment Bylaw, 2007.

**B4) Provincial Disaster Assistance Program**  
**(File No. 1860-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that The City of Saskatoon apply to Saskatchewan Corrections and Public Safety to be designated an Eligible Assistance Area under the Provincial Disaster Assistance Program (PDAP) which provides financial assistance for restoring essential services and property, both public and private, as a result of substantial damages caused by a severe rainstorm and resultant flooding throughout the City of Saskatoon on Sunday, June 17, 2007.

*ADOPTED.*

As City Council is aware, Saskatoon experienced a very heavy rainfall on June 17, 2007. The storm caused flooding in basements throughout the City. Many homes were damaged because of seepage of rain water into their basement. Some flooding was also caused by sewage backup. We estimate that claims will number between one and two hundred.

The Province of Saskatchewan has a Provincial Disaster Assistance Program which covers uninsurable damage to individual properties caused by a natural disaster. Assistance is not provided where private insurance could have been purchased to cover the claim. This Program also covers damage to municipal property where it exceeds a value of one million dollars. This limit does not apply to individual claims. At this point it appears we have not reached that limit.

In order for individual citizens to receive assistance under the Program, City Council must request by resolution that the City be designated an Eligible Assistance Area. The Province will then decide whether the heavy rainfall event qualifies the City's residents for disaster relief. If the City is designated an Eligible Assistance Area, we will talk to the Province about how to most efficiently get individual seepage claims registered with the Province. Once the Province has the claims, they will adjust the claims and make payments where appropriate.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**B5) Proposed Lease of City Boulevard  
1721 8th Street East  
(File No. CK. 4070-2)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8620.

*ADOPTED.*

City Council at its meeting on April 30, 2007, authorized the lease of a portion of the boulevard at 1721 8th Street East and Circle Drive for an annual fee of \$6,215.16 plus G.S.T. for a term of five years.

The Boulevard Lease Agreement is attached as Schedule "A" to proposed Bylaw No. 8620.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

Proposed Bylaw No. 8620, The Boulevard Lease (1721 8th Street East) Bylaw, 2007.

**REPORT NO. 7-2007 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

Composition of Committee

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

**1. Municipal Heritage Property Designation  
925 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North  
(File No. CK. 710-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that only total eligible project costs incurred after designation be used in the calculation of the tax abatement, under the Heritage Conservation Program;

2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare, advertise, and bring forward a bylaw to designate the property at 925 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North as a Municipal Heritage Property under the

provisions of the *Heritage Property Act*, with such designation limited to the exterior of the building;

- 3) that the owners of 925 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, receive the following assistance from the Heritage Conservation Program under the terms and conditions outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 22, 2007:
  - a) a property tax abatement to a maximum of \$9,935 amortized over ten years commencing in the year following satisfactory completion of the restoration project for the proposed property rehabilitation plan with the source of funding for the abatement being the Heritage Fund; and
  - b) that a maximum of \$1,200 be allocated from the Heritage Fund for the supply and installation of a recognition plaque for the property; and
- 4) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate Agreement regarding the tax abatement.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 22, 2007, with respect to the proposed designation of the property at 925 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North as a Municipal Heritage Property, with such designation limited to the exterior of the building. At the same time, the owners of this property are applying for assistance under the Heritage Conservation Program.

Your Committee was advised that the report was reviewed by the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee at which time it was determined that only expenses incurred after designation were to be considered as eligible expenses. The Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee put forward an additional recommendation to address this issue, as noted in Recommendation 1) above.

Your Committee reviewed with the Administration the eligible expenses, at which time it was noted that the eligible expenditures for the roof replacement would be \$2,800, which would reduce total eligible project costs under the program to \$19,869 and the maximum amount of the property tax abatement to \$9,935. The Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee had indicated its support for the recommendations of the Administration, with the revised maximum amount of \$9,935 for the property tax abatement, as outlined in Recommendation 3) above.

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Following review of this matter, your Committee is supporting the recommendations of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee as outlined above.

**2. Support – Doors Open Event  
(File No. CK. 205-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee be authorized to financially support the continuation of a Doors Open Event in 2008.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a copy of the report of the Chair, Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee dated June 6, 2007, asking that a report be forwarded to City Council recommending that the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee be authorized to financially support the continuation of a Doors Open Event in 2008.

Your Committee has reviewed the report with the Administration, at which time it was determined that \$2,500 from the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee and \$4,000 from the Heritage Reserve funded the Doors Open Event this year, which included the hiring of an event coordinator. In 2005, \$2,000 was added to the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee budget for the purpose of funding this event, with an additional \$500 for the 2007 event. The preliminary figures for attendance this year indicate that the attendance is down slightly from last year, but there were still 8,000 visits to this one day event.

Following review of this matter, your Committee supports the continuation of a Doors Open Event in 2008, as outlined in the above recommendation.

**3. Communication to Council  
From: Ivan Olynyk  
Date: September 19, 2006  
Subject: Use of Cell Phones While Driving  
(File No. CK. 5300-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that a letter be forwarded to the province asking for consideration of an amendment to provincial legislation that would support the ban of the use of cell phones while driving.

*ADOPTED.*

City Council, at its meeting held on October 2, 2006, considered the above letter and presentation and passed a motion that the matter be referred to the Board of Police Commissioners and to the Traffic Safety Committee to report to the Planning and Operations Committee.

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Your Committee considered the following reports and correspondence, copies attached:

- Report of the Chief of Police dated January 16, 2007, which was received as information by the Board of Police Commissioners at its meeting held on February 15, 2007 (Attachment 3a)
- Report of the Traffic Safety Committee dated June 12, 2007 (Attachment 3b).
- Letters and Presentation from Mr. Olynyk (Attachment 3c).

Copies of the background information have already been provided to Council members. A copy of this information is available for viewing in the City Clerk's Office and is available on the City's website as an attachment to this report.

Your Committee has reviewed the above information and has received a further presentation from Mr. Olynyk, indicating his support for a City bylaw restricting the use of cell phones while driving or, in the absence of that, for the City to lobby the provincial and federal governments for such legislation and to begin an education program to address this issue.

Following review of this matter, your Committee supports the recommendation of the Traffic Safety Committee, as outlined above, and is forwarding the recommendation to City Council for consideration.

**4. Local Area Plan Indicators Project  
AND  
Enquiry – Councillor D. Hill (November 20, 2006)  
Local Area Plan Process  
(File No. CK. 4000-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the Administration be instructed to report the results of the Local Area Plan Indicators Project every three years starting in 2009, and recommend, if need be, a list of neighbourhoods that are in need of a Local Area Plan.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 28, 2007, with respect to the above matter.

Your Committee has reviewed the above report with the Administration, during which time it was noted that the Riversdale and City Park Local Area Plans are in progress, with the Westmount and Varsity View neighbourhoods to follow.

The Administration also reviewed the report further with respect to the neighbourhoods that were ranked as a high Local Area Plan priority during preliminary work in developing the Local Area

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Plan Indicators Project. One of these neighbourhoods was the Meadowgreen neighbourhood. In a recent letter from the President of the Meadowgreen Community Association, a request was put forward for a Local Area Plan in that neighbourhood. The Administration advised that the current resources do not provide an opportunity to add more neighbourhoods at this time. Once the indicators are in place and the results of the Local Area Plan Indicators Project are reported, starting in 2009 and every three years following that, further neighbourhoods could be looked at for future Local Area Plans and prioritized accordingly.

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

**5. Capital Project No. 2167 – Review of  
the Development Plan and Zoning Bylaw  
(Files CK. 1702-1, 4350-1 and 4110-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 1, 2007, providing information on the above project.

Your Committee has reviewed this project with the Administration and is forwarding the report to City Council for its information.

**6. Community Development Branch –  
Neighbourhood Services Section Annual Report  
(File No. CK. 430-34)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 6, 2007, with respect to the above matter. Your Committee is forwarding the report to City Council for its information.

**7. 2006 Traffic Characteristics Report  
(File No. CK. 430-34)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the information be received and forwarded to the Traffic Safety Committee for its information; and
  - 2) that the report be forwarded to the Department of Highways and to the Saskatoon MLAs.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated June 7, 2007, forwarding the 2006 Traffic Characteristics Report.

Your Committee has reviewed the report with the Administration and is forwarding the report to City Council as information.

Copies of the 2006 Traffic Characteristics Report have already been provided to City Council Members and are not be recopied at this time. A copy is available for review in the City Clerk's Office and as part of the City Council agenda for this meeting, under the Planning and Operations Committee Report.

**REPORT NO. 9-2007 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**1. Request for Taxicab Fee Increase  
(File No. CK 307-2)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8619 at this meeting.

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Item A3 of Communications to Council.*

**2. Amusement Tax  
(File No. CK. 1910-2)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8618 to amend The Amusement Tax Bylaw, 2000 to exempt cinemas from paying amusement tax; and

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- 2) that the matter of a grant equivalent to amusement tax remitted by Prairieland Park be referred to the 2008 budget review.

City Council, at its meeting held on April 16, 2007 resolved that the issue of amusement tax for theatres be referred back to the Administration and Finance Committee for further discussion.

Your Committee has considered the attached report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated June 1, 2007, and heard a presentation from the Motion Picture Theatre Association of Saskatchewan and Rainbow Cinemas Inc. in support of the elimination of amusement tax from cinemas. Following a review of a number of options put forward, your Committee has determined that cinemas should be exempted from paying amusement tax. In addition, it is being recommended that a grant equivalent to amusement tax remitted by Prairieland Park be considered during the 2008 budget review.

A copy of Bylaw No. 8618 to amend The Amusement Tax Bylaw, 2000 is attached for Council's consideration.

*IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8618 to amend The Amusement Tax Bylaw, 2000 to exempt cinemas from paying amusement tax;*

*YEAS: Councillors Clark, Hill, Lorje, Neault, Penner, and Pringle 6*

*NAYS: His Worship the Mayor, Councillors Dubois, Heidt, Paulsen, and Wyant 5*

*Councillor Neault excused himself from voting on the following due to a conflict of interest and left the Council Chamber.*

- 2) *that a grant equivalent to amusement tax remitted by Prairieland Park be included in the 2008 budget.*

*CARRIED.*

**3. Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo Participation in a National Promotion  
With CAZA and Domino's Pizza  
(File No. CK. 4205-8)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council proclaim July 1 to July 7 as National Conservation Week.

*ADOPTED.*

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Attached is a copy of a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 10, 2007, with respect to the above matter.

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

**4. Municipal Golf Courses – 2006 Year-End Report  
(File No. CK. 430-34 & 4135-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated February 24, 2007, providing the 2006 Year-End Report for the Municipal Golf Courses.

Your Committee has reviewed the report with the Administration and it is now being forwarded to City Council as information.

*His Worship the Mayor assumed the Chair.*

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

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

*CARRIED.*

**HEARINGS**

- 4a) Discretionary Use Application  
Residential Care Home – Type II  
203 Broadbent Avenue (Silverwood Heights Neighbourhood)  
Applicant: Scott Elliott  
(File No. CK. 4355-1)**
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**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider the above-noted discretionary use application.

The City Planner has advised that notification posters have been placed on site and letters have been sent to all adjacent property owners within 75 metres of the site.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 24, 2007 recommending that the application submitted by Scott Elliott requesting permission to use Lot 1, Block 155, Plan 79S45902 (203 Broadbent Avenue) for the purpose of a Residential Care Home - Type II for up to ten residents be approved subject to:

- 1) the applicant obtaining a development permit and all other relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses; and
- 2) the final plans submitted for the proposed Residential Care Home - Type II being substantially in accordance with those plans submitted in support of this Discretionary Use Application.

Attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated May 30, 2007 advising the Commission supports the above-noted recommendation.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Tim Steuart, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the discretionary use application.*

*Mr. Brad Sylvester, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the discretionary use application.*

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

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the application submitted by Scott Elliott requesting permission to use Lot 1, Block 155, Plan 79S45902 (203 Broadbent Avenue) for the purpose of a Residential Care Home - Type II for up to ten residents be approved subject to:*

- 1) the applicant obtaining a development permit and all other relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses; and*
- 2) the final plans submitted for the proposed Residential Care Home - Type II being substantially in accordance with those plans submitted in support of this Discretionary Use Application.*

*CARRIED.*

**4b) Proposed Zoning Bylaw Text Amendment  
Discretionary Use Evaluation Criteria for Nightclubs and Taverns  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8611  
(File No. CK. 4350-1)**

**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8611, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 16, 2007 recommending that the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment concerning discretionary use evaluation criteria for nightclubs and taverns be recommended for approval.

Attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated June 18, 2007 advising the Commission supports the above-noted recommendation.

Attached is a copy of the notice that appeared in the local press under dates of June 16 and 23, 2007.

Attached are copies of the following letters:

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- Mr. Gerhard Freund, dated June 18, 2007;
- Mr. Arthur Slade and Ms. Brenda Baker, dated June 18, 2007;
- Mr. Jason Aebig, Civics Coordinator, Nutana Community Association; dated June 18, 2007;
- Ms. Susan Gilmer and Mr. David Glaze, dated June 18, 2007;
- Ms. Margi Corbett, dated June 17, 2007;
- Ms. Tracy Pytlowany, dated June 17, 2007; and
- Mr. Jim Gruel and Ms. Mona Gruel, dated June 17, 2007.

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Paul Whitenect, Community Services Department, expressed the Department's support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment.*

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

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

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the submitted correspondence be received.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Clark, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8611.*

*CARRIED.*

**MATTERS REQUIRING PUBLIC NOTICE**

**5a) Proposed Closure of Right-of-Way  
Portion of Public Right-of-Way adjacent to  
90 and 94 Galbraith Crescent and 442 and 446 Stone Court  
(File No. 6295-1)**

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**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The following is a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated June 15, 2007:

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8616;
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to take all necessary steps to bring the intended closing forward and to complete the closing; and
  - 3) that upon closing the portion of right-of-way as described on the Plan of Proposed Consolidation prepared by Webb Surveys, it be sold to Patrick Young and Tammi Campbell of 94 Galbraith Crescent for \$1,000.00; and Kent Parsons of 446 Stone Crescent for \$1,000.00.

**REPORT**

An application has been received from Patrick Young and Tammi Campbell of 94 Galbraith Crescent; and Kent Parsons of 446 Stone Crescent to close and purchase a portion of the public right-of-way walkway, as shown on the attached Plan of Proposed Consolidation (Attachment 1).

In accordance with City Council Policy Number C07-017 – Walkway Closure Fee Assistance, the portion of public right-of-way “Lot A” will be sold to Patrick Young and Tammi Campbell of 94 Galbraith Crescent for \$1,000.00; and the portion of public right-of-way “Lot B” will be sold to Kent Parsons of 446 Stone Crescent for \$1,000.00, as outlined in Plan No. 242-0014-002r002 (Attachment 2).

The portion of right-of-way adjacent to 94 Galbraith Crescent and 446 Stone Court has been utilized as a walkway joining Galbraith Crescent to Stone Court. The walkway is not highly utilized. A pedestrian count, conducted on Monday, March 6, 2006 during the peak hours, indicated 19 pedestrians accessed the walkway, including 15 high school students, three elementary students and one adult.

Saskatoon Transit Services requires a service standard of 450 meters of walking distance for one-unit dwellings and town homes. By closing the walkway, potential passengers would have an additional 75 meter walk to a bus stop.

SaskPower, SaskTel, Shaw Cable, SaskEnergy and Infrastructure Services have facilities within the proposed closure, and have granted permission for closure, subject to easements being granted.

Based on Infrastructure Services' count data, there is not a significant number of pedestrians accessing the walkway. The Administration is, therefore, recommending that the walkway be closed.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

- Advertised in *The StarPhoenix* and *Sun* on the weekends of June 16 and 17; and June 23 and 24, 2007 (Attachment 4);
- Posted on City Hall Notice Board on Friday, June 15, 2007;
- Posted on the City of Saskatoon website on Friday, June 15, 2007; and
- Flyers distributed to affected parties on Thursday June 14, 2007.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Plan of Proposed Consolidation dated December 5, 2007;
2. Plan No. 242-0014-002r002;
3. Letter from the Department of Highways dated January 10, 2007;
4. Proposed Bylaw No. 8616; and
5. Copy of Public Notice.'

Attached is a copy of a letter from Janice Speers and Rod Paulson dated June 15, 2007, submitting comments regarding the above matter."

*Mr. Vern Bartlett indicated that he resides adjacent to the walkway, expressed safety concerns regarding night time activity and asked Council to approve the closure.*

*Mr. Patrick Young expressed concerns regarding safety in the walkway and asked Council to approve the closure.*

*Ms. Patty Kalytuk expressed concerns regarding safety in the walkway and asked Council to approve the closure.*

*Mr. Harry Dalke expressed concerns regarding safety in the walkway and asked Council to*

*approve the closure.*

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,*

- 1) *that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8616;*
- 2) *that the City Solicitor be instructed to take all necessary steps to bring the intended closing forward and to complete the closing; and*
- 3) *that upon closing the portion of right-of-way as described on the Plan of Proposed Consolidation prepared by Webb Surveys, it be sold to Patrick Young and Tammi Campbell of 94 Galbraith Crescent for \$1,000.00; and Kent Parsons of 446 Stone Crescent for \$1,000.00.*

*CARRIED.*

### **COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL**

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

#### **A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL**

##### **1) Bernadette Pochylko, dated April 15**

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to Briarwood development. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Clause 6, Report No. 3-2007 of the Land Bank Committee be brought forward, and that Ms. Pochylko be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Clause 6, Report No. 3-2007 of the Land Bank Committee be brought forward, and that Ms. Pochylko be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

### **“REPORT NO. 3-2007 OF THE LAND BANK COMMITTEE**

- 6. Sale of City’s Undivided Interest in Parcel C and D, Plan 96S13323  
Briarwood Neighbourhood  
(Files CK. 4020-1 and 4110-34)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Land Manager be authorized to sell the City's 31.08 percent undivided ownership interest in Parcels C and D, Plan 96S13323, Extension 0 to Boychuk Investments Ltd. at a purchase price of \$337,697.38 plus applicable taxes; and
  - 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documentation to complete the sale.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 23, 2007 regarding the sale of the City's ownership interest in the above sites in the Briarwood Neighbourhood.

Your Committee has reviewed the report with the Administration, as well as a request from Bernadette and Duane Pochylko to purchase a 4 metre wide strip of Parcel C in the Briarwood area, adjacent to their property at 311 Brookmore Crescent. Your Committee was advised that this request cannot be undertaken unilaterally by the City in that the City does not outright own the 4 metres in question. The other two property owners would have to agree to this and they have indicated that they are not prepared to enter into an agreement to sell the 4 metre strip.

Following review of this matter, your Committee supports the recommendations of the Administration, as outlined above."

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

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

- 1) *that the Land Manager be authorized to sell the City's 31.08 percent undivided ownership interest in Parcels C and D, Plan 96S13323, Extension 0 to Boychuk Investments Ltd. at a purchase price of \$337,697.38 plus applicable taxes; and*
- 2) *that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documentation to complete the sale.*

*CARRIED.*

**REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL – CONTINUED**

**2) Alan Thomar, Saskatoon & Region Home Builders' Association, dated June 18**

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to safety regulations on residential construction sites. (File No. CK. 3500-1)

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Alan Thomarat be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Alan Thomarat be heard.*

**CARRIED.**

*Mr. Alan Thomarat, Chief Executive Officer, Saskatoon & Region Home Builders' Association, provided some information on the professional home building industry in Saskatoon and The Occupational Health and Safety Act and asked for the City's support of the position of the Saskatoon & Region Home Builders' Association regarding occupational health and safety. He provided Council with a copy of his presentation.*

*Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT the matter be referred to the Administration to send a letter of support to the Minister of Labour on behalf of The City of Saskatoon indicating its support of the Saskatoon & Region Home Builders' Association's position on occupational health and safety.*

**CARRIED.**

**3) Tony Rosina, Operations Manager, The United Group, dated June 21**

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the proposed taxi fare increase and submitting a revised comparison chart with the correct amounts for the new rate rounded to the nearest dime. (File No. CK. 307-2)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Clause 1, Report No. 9-2007 of the Administration and Finance Committee be brought forward and Tony Rosina be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Clause 1, Report No. 9-2007 of the Administration and Finance Committee be brought forward and Tony Rosina be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

**“REPORT NO. 9-2007 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**1. Request for Taxicab Fee Increase  
(File No. CK 307-2)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8619 at this meeting.

In a letter dated June 5, 2007 to City Council, representatives of the taxicab industry requested an increase in metered taxi fares. As noted in the referenced letter, the fee increase is being requested to meet the rising cost of fuel, maintenance and vehicle replacement, as well as address driver recruitment and retention.

Your Committee has met with representatives of the taxicab industry and supports the taxi meter rate increase as outlined in the attached Rate Increase Request.

For information purposes, your Committee requested that the Administration provide a comparison of the City of Saskatoon’s taxicab fees with those of the City of Regina. The General Manager, Corporate Services Department, has provided the following report:

“The operations of taxicabs, including the fees that they may charge, are regulated in Saskatoon under License Bylaw No. 6066. The last revision to taxicab fees was in August of 2005.

The following lists current City of Saskatoon taxicab fees, proposed City of Saskatoon fees, and current City of Regina taxicab fees.

**City of Saskatoon Current Taxicab Fees:**

Flag (start amount)	\$3.20 for the first 72 metres or portion thereof
Distance Charge	\$0.10 for each additional 72 metres
Clock (waiting time)	\$0.10 every 15 seconds
Hourly Driving	\$35.00 per hour with a 16 km limit - extra kilometres at \$1.39/km
Accessible Taxis	\$15.00 minimum charge

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**City of Saskatoon Proposed Taxicab Fees:**

Flag (start amount)	\$3.50 for the first 66 metres or portion thereof
Distance Charge	\$0.10 for each additional 66 metres
Clock (waiting time)	No change
Hourly Driving	\$40.00 per hour with a 16 km limit - extra kilometres at \$1.52/km
Accessible Taxis	\$17.00 minimum charge

**City of Regina Current Taxicab Fees:**

Flag (start amount)	\$3.00 for the first 120 metres or portion thereof
Distance Charge	\$0.10 for each additional 75 metres
Clock (waiting time)	No charge for the first five minutes, \$0.10 for each additional 12 seconds
Hourly Driving	\$30.00 per hour, up to a travel limit of 10 kms. \$0.80 per km for trips in excess of 10 kms
Accessible Taxis	\$6.00 for first 120 metres or part thereof; \$0.10 for each additional 89 metres or part thereof; \$26.75 per hour up to a limit of 10 kms with a further charge of \$0.80 per km for trips in excess of 10 kms.

The fee structure for taxicabs operating in Regina does differ slightly from Saskatoon. The following table provides a comparison of calculated charges for specific distances traveled:

	City of Saskatoon		City of Regina
	Current Fees	Proposed Fees	Current Fees
<b>1 Kilometre Trip</b>	\$4.49	\$4.92	\$4.17
<b>2 Kilometre Trip</b>	\$5.88	\$6.43	\$5.50
<b>3 Kilometre Trip</b>	\$7.27	\$7.95	\$6.84
<b>4 Kilometre Trip</b>	\$8.66	\$9.46	\$8.17

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<b>5 Kilometre Trip</b>	\$10.04	\$10.98	\$9.50
<b>10 Kilometre Trip</b>	\$16.98	\$18.55	\$16.17
<b>1 hour - 16km</b>	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$34.80

Attached is a copy of Bylaw No. 8619 which provides for an amendment to the License Bylaw to address the above-noted changes, effective July 1, 2007.”

*Mr. Tony Rosina, Operations Manager, United Blueline Taxi, advised Council of the challenge of recruitment and retention of drivers and that the proposed increase would have a positive impact.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT City Council consider Bylaw No. 8619.*

*CARRIED.*

**COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL – CONTINUED**

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

**1) Tom Campbell, Royal Canadian Legion, dated June 6**

Submitting information with respect to a Military Service Recognition Book. (File No. CK. 1870-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the writer be advised that the City does not have a budget for this type of activity.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the letter be referred to the City Manager for further handling.*

*CARRIED.*

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**2) Deborah Perry, dated June 7**

Commenting on proposed development to Chief Whitecap Park with respect to the off-leash dog area. (File No. CK. 152-2)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received and referred to the file, and the writer be advised of the next steps in the process.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the information be received and referred to the file, and the writer be advised of the next steps in the process.*

*CARRIED.*

**3) Debbie Murphy, The Partnership, dated June 15**

Requesting that The Partnership and the Downtown Merchants Association be the sole agents for the allocation of vending and concession locations during the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Second Avenue Sidewalk Sale, July 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007. (File No. CK. 205-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that permission be granted to The Partnership and the Downtown Merchants Association to be the sole agents for the allocation of vending and concession locations during the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Second Avenue Sidewalk Sale, July 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT permission be granted to The Partnership and the Downtown Merchants Association to be the sole agents for the allocation of vending and concession locations during the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Second Avenue Sidewalk Sale, July 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007.*

*CARRIED.*

4) **Debbie Murphy, The Partnership, dated June 19**

Requesting that The Partnership be the sole agents for the allocation of vending and concession locations during the Cruise Sunday Downtown to be held on Sunday, August 26, 2007, downtown. (File No. CK. 205-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that permission be granted to The Partnership to be the sole agents for the allocation of vending and concession locations during the Cruise Sunday Downtown to be held on Sunday, August 26, 2007, downtown.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT permission be granted to The Partnership to be the sole agents for the allocation of vending and concession locations during the Cruise Sunday Downtown to be held on Sunday, August 26, 2007, downtown.*

*CARRIED.*

5) **Debbie Murphy, The Partnership, dated June 19**

Requesting that The Partnership, in conjunction with Art au Jus, be the sole agents for the allocation of vending and concession locations during the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Saskatoon Festival of the Arts to be held on Saturday, August 11, 2007 downtown. (File No. CK. 205-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that permission be granted to The Partnership and Art au Jus be the sole agents for the allocation of vending and concession locations during the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Saskatoon Festival of the Arts to be held on Saturday, August 11, 2007, downtown.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT permission be granted to The Partnership and Art au Jus be the sole agents for the allocation of vending and concession locations during the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Saskatoon Festival of the Arts to be held on Saturday, August 11, 2007, downtown.*

*CARRIED.*

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**6) Gary Smith, dated June 18**

Commenting on the police EAGLE. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received and forwarded to the Board of Police Commissioners.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the information be received and forwarded to the Board of Police Commissioners.*

*CARRIED.*

**7) Terri Rau, Executive Director, Saskatoon Folkfest Incorporated, dated June 7**

Requesting additional assistance in the form of sponsorship from Saskatoon Transit. (File No. CK. 1870-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the direction of Council issue.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Clark,*

*THAT the matter be referred to the Administration to report to the July 16, 2007 meeting of City Council.*

*CARRIED.*

**8) Joe Kuchta, dated June 25**

Submitting comments regarding the EOI selection and RFP for River Landing. (File No. CK. 4129-3)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 38.*

**9) Rob Brown, dated June 25**

Submitting comments regarding the River Landing development. (File No. CK. 4129-3)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 38.*

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**C. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**1) Tyler Ahlgren, dated June 5**

Suggesting promotion of environmental issues at all levels of education. (File No. CK. 230-1)

**2) Tim Lalonde, dated June 9**

Commenting on noise issues. (File No. CK. 375-2)

**3) Frances Farness-Petit, dated June 9**

Commenting on the Galaxy Theatre being exempt from paying entertainment tax. (File No. CK. 1910-2)

**4) Lynne and Art Bresselaar, dated June 12**

Commenting on the Galaxy Theatre being exempt from paying entertainment tax. (File No. CK. 1910-2)

**5) Ryan Fairbrother, dated June 11**

Suggesting the website with respect to the proposed south bridge be updated. (File No. CK. 6050-9)

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**6) Brenda Kraft, dated June 12**

Commenting on proposal to have front yard garbage pick up instead of alley pick up. (File No. CK. 7830-3)

**7) Chriss Gates, Canadian Red Cross, dated June 11**

Expressing gratitude for 2007 Assistance to Community Groups Cash Grants program. (File No. CK. 1871-3)

**8) Susan Cross, dated June 14**

Commenting on TILMA. (File No. CK. 127-1)

**9) Mark Regier, CEO, Prairieland Park, dated June 7**

Submitting Future Development Plan on behalf of Saskatoon Prairieland Park Corporation. (File No. CK. 175-29)

**10) Brian Larmer, dated June 14**

Commenting on road construction. (File No. CK. 6315-1)

**11) Rusty Chartier, dated June 15**

Commenting on environmental issues. (File No. CK. 7830-5)

**12) Blair Desjardins, dated June 15**

Commenting on the recent housing situation. (File No. CK. 750-4)

**13) Gord Steeves, President, FCM, dated May 31**

Providing information on the Municipal Green Building Toolkit. (File No. CK. 155-2)

**14) Brian Borley, dated June 18**

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Commenting on the City's drainage system. (File No. CK. 7820-3)

**15) Mias Santa Ana Pilar, Miss Canada Globe Productions, dated June 18**

Announcing that Melissa Kayter has been acclaimed the title of Miss Teen Saskatchewan 2007 and requesting pledges for her competition in the Miss Teen Canada Globe 2007 National Pageant. (File No. CK. 1870-1)

**16) Joanne Sproule, Deputy Assistant City Clerk, dated June 18**

Providing Notice of Hearing of the Development Appeals Board with respect to the property located at 2525 Munroe Avenue. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

**17) Joanne Sproule, Deputy Assistant City Clerk, dated June 18**

Providing Notice of Hearing of the Development Appeals Board with respect to the property located at 2214 Herman Avenue. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**D. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION**

**1) Dr. Rory McIntosh, Interim DED Provincial Program Coordinator, dated May 10**

Providing information on a cost-share program with respect to managing Dutch elm disease. (File No. CK. 4200-4) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

**2) Ken Yuzik, Saskatoon Radio Cabs and  
Laurie Suppes, United Blueline Taxi, dated June 5**

Requesting taxi meter rate increase. (File No. CK. 307-2) **(Referred to Administration and Finance Committee for further handling.)**

**3) Todd Brandt, Tourism Saskatoon, dated June 5**

Commenting on proposed street artist program. (File No. CK. 3500-1) **(Referred to Administration to report to Planning and Operations Committee.)**

**4) Ellen Reynolds, POLIS Project on Ecological Governance, dated June 6**

Providing information on Thinking Beyond Pipes and Pumps: Top 10 Ways Communities Can Save Water and Money. (File No. CK. 7900-1) **(Referred to Administration for further handling.)**

**5) Linda Gray, dated June 7**

Expressing concern with respect to access to 22<sup>nd</sup> Street from Fairmont Drive. (File No. CK. 6320-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

**6) Warren J. Rutherford, Canadian Pro Boxing Scene, dated June 7**

Requesting the City re-establish a Boxing and Wrestling Commission. (File No. CK. 175-24) **(Referred to City Solicitor for appropriate action.)**

**7) Irving Josephson, dated June 9**

Commenting on having an art gallery at River Landing. (File No. CK. 4130-2) **(Referred to the Administration for consideration.)**

**8) Debbie Wallace, dated June 12**

Expressing wheelchair access concerns and suggesting a handicapped unloading zone at the Galaxy Theatre. (File Nos. CK. 6220-1 & 6145-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

**9) William Love, dated June 12**

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Expressing concern about properties located on the 300 block of Avenues O and N. (File No. CK. 4400-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

**10) Ronald Laroque, dated June 13**

Requesting information regarding the walkway between Borland Place and Smith Road. (File No. CK. 6295-1) **(Referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.)**

**11) Derek McWilliam, dated June 13**

Submitting his resignation from the Traffic Safety Committee. (File No. CK. 225-8) **(Referred to the Executive Committee for further handling.)**

**12) Roger Miller, dated June 13**

Commenting on the need for residential parking permits in the downtown neighbourhood. (File No. CK. 6120-4) **(Referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.)**

**13) Karen Lutzer, dated June 14**

Suggesting the Alice Turner Branch Library be expanded. (File No. CK. 650-1) **(Referred to the Saskatoon Library Board for further handling.)**

**14) Norma Pavely, dated June 14**

Commenting on the removal of barricades on Ravine Drive and Primrose Drive. (File No. CK. 6320-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

**15) John Thomson, dated June 17**

Commenting on the sanitary sewer system in the Dundonald neighbourhood. (File No. CK. 7820-3) **(Referred to the Administration for further handling.)**

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**16) Dwayne Sabulsky, dated June 18**

Suggesting speed bumps on Vancouver Avenue North and commenting on privacy issues. (File No. CK. 6315-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

**17) Guy Kelsey, dated June 18**

Expressing difficulty in finding facilities to play ultimate disc sports. (File No. CK. 4205-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

**18) Lisa Hamp, dated June 12**

Commenting on backyard fire pits. (File No. CK. 2500-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration with the outstanding enquiry.)**

**19) Barry Rudd, dated June 13**

Commenting on backyard fire pits. (File No. CK. 2500-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration with the outstanding enquiry.)**

**20) Mr. and Mrs. Mount, dated June 14**

Commenting on backyard fire pits. (File No. CK. 2500-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration with the outstanding enquiry.)**

**21) Marilyn Walton, dated June 14**

Commenting on backyard fire pits. (File No. CK. 2500-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration with the outstanding enquiry.)**

**22) V. Romancia, dated June 16**

Commenting on backyard fire pits. (File No. CK. 2500-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration with the outstanding enquiry.)**

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**23) James Melnyk, dated June 1**

Suggesting traffic signals on the corner of Lorne Avenue and Ruth Street. (File No. CK. 6250-1)  
**(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

**24) Deb Stangel, dated June 19**

Expressing concern with respect to the Lakewood Suburban Centre neighbourhood. (File No. CK. 4110-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Clark, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT, with respect to Item D8, the letter be referred to the Administration for a report to City Council.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**E. PROCLAMATIONS**

**1) R. Gary Dickson, Saskatchewan Right to Know Committee, dated June 8**

Requesting City Council proclaim the week of October 1 to 5, 2007 as Right to Know Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

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**2) Lisa Nidosky, Saskatoon Health Region, dated June 5**

Requesting City Council to proclaim September 23 to 30, 2007 as Special Care Home Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

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

*Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

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

*CARRIED.*

**REPORT NO. 3-2007 OF THE LAND BANK COMMITTEE**

Composition of Committee

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

1. **Request to Sell City-Owned Property**  
**Lot F, Block 518, Plan 101884215 (110 Shepherd Crescent);**  
**Lot A, Block 520, Plan 101884215 (810 Stensrud Road);**  
**Lot E, Block 518, Plan 101884215 (910 Stensrud Road);**  
**Lot A, Block 527, Plan 101884215 (1010 Stensrud Road);**  
**Block A, Plan 101908133 (342 Trimble Crescent);**  
**Lot D, Block 518, Plan 101884215 (1010 Willowgrove Crescent);**  
**Lot B, Block 520, Plan 101884215 (1115 Willowgrove Crescent);**  
**Lot A, Block 521, Plan 101874764 (210 Willowgrove Lane);**  
**Lot A, Block 519, Plan 101874764 (215 Willowgrove Lane);**  
**Lot A, Block 522, Plan 101884215 (310 Willowgrove Lane); and**  
**Lot C, Block 520, Plan 101884215 (315 Willowgrove Lane).**  
**All in the Willowgrove Neighbourhood**  
**(File No. CK. 4215-1)**
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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Land Branch Manager be authorized to sell 11 multi-family residential parcels in the Willowgrove neighbourhood to the highest bidders through a public tender process, with reserve bid prices as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 31, 2007, plus applicable taxes;
  - 2) that if the lots are not sold through the tender process they be placed for sale over-the-counter on a first-come, first-served basis;
  - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documentation to complete the sales by public tender; and
  - 4) that the Land Branch Manager be authorized to administer development controls as a condition of sale in accordance

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with the criteria outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 31, 2007.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 31, 2007 regarding the proposed sale of the above multi-family residential parcels in the Willowgrove Neighbourhood.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration and supports the sale of these lots as outlined in the above report.

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**2. Request to Sell City-Owned Property**  
**Parcel 5, Block 961, Plan 101907659 (202 McKague Crescent)**  
**Hampton Village Neighbourhood**  
**(File No. CK. 4215-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Land Branch Manager be authorized to sell Parcel 5, Block 961, Plan 101907659 to the highest bidder through a public tender process, with a reserve bid price as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 28, 2007, plus applicable taxes;
  - 2) that if the parcel is not sold through the tender process, it be placed for sale over-the-counter, on a first-come, first-served basis;
  - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documentation to complete the sale by public tender; and

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- 4) that the Land Branch Manager be authorized to administer development controls as a condition of sale in accordance with the criteria outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 28, 2007.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department, dated May 28, 2007 regarding the proposed sale of the above multi-family residential parcel in the Hampton Village Neighbourhood.

Your Committee has reviewed the report with the Administration and supports the proposal to sell this parcel of land, as outlined in the report from the Administration.

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**3. Request to Sell City-Owned Property**

**Marquis Phase III**

**Lots 1, 3 and 5, Block 921, Plan (to be registered)**

**Lots 1 to 8, Block 922, Plan (to be registered)**

**Lot 1, Plan (to be registered)**

**Lots 1 to 4, Block 929, Plan (to be registered)**

**Lots 1 to 3, Block 930, Plan (to be registered)**

**Lots 1 and 2, Block 933, Plan (to be registered), and**

**Lots 1 and 2, Block 934, Plan (to be registered)**

**Millar Avenue and 64<sup>th</sup> Street**

**(Files CK. 4134-2 and 4215-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that the Land Branch Manager be authorized to sell Lots 1, 3 and 5, Block 921, Plan (to be registered), Lots 1 to 8, Block 922, Plan (to be Registered), Lot 1, Plan (to be Registered), Lots 1 to 4, Block 929, Plan (to be registered), Lots 1 to 3, Block 930, Plan (to be registered), Lots 1 and 2, Block 933, Plan (to be registered) and Lots 1 and 2, Block 934, Plan (to be registered) to the highest bidder through a tender process with reserve bid prices based on the price and conditions identified in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 30, 2007;

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- 2) that if the lots are not sold through the tender process they be placed for sale over-the-counter, on a first-come, first-served basis based on the price and conditions identified in the May 30, 2007 report of the General Manager, Community Services Department; and
- 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documentation to complete the sale by public tender.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 30, 2007 regarding the proposed sale of the above property within Phase III of the Marquis Industrial area through a public tender process.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration and supports the sale of these lots as outlined in the attached report.

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**4. Purchase of Additional Land for Land Bank Program  
Future Industrial Lands North of Marquis Industrial Area  
(File No. CK. 4020-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Land Branch Manager be authorized to purchase approximately 152.28 acres of vacant future industrial land from Thomas Haluzan and Darlene Grosiak at a purchase price of \$1,300,000;
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary purchase agreements and that His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreements; and
  - 3) that this purchase be financed by a withdrawal from the Property Realized Reserve Fund in the amount of \$1,300,000 plus other legal costs and disbursements.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 31, 2007 regarding the proposed acquisition of the above property.

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

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**5. University Heights Suburban Centre – Parcel P Subdivision Options  
(File No. CK. 4215-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the direction of Council issue.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 30, 2007, with respect to a proposal for the sale of Parcel 2 in the University Heights Suburban Centre, as shown on Attachment 3 of their report, under Option B, subject to the approval of a rezoning application.

Your Committee reviewed the report with the Administration and is forwarding the above matter to City Council for its consideration. For City Council's information, the following motion was put forward at the Committee meeting and lost on a tie vote:

- 1) that the land be subdivided according to Option B, as shown on Attachment 3 to the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 30, 2007;
- 2) that the Land Branch Manager be authorized to sell, on or after January 1, 2008, proposed Parcel 2 as shown on Attachment 3, under Option B, to the highest bidder through a public tender process, with a reserve bid as stated in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 30, 2007, subject to the approval of the rezoning application;
- 3) that if the parcel is not sold through the tender process, it be placed for sale over-the-counter, on a first-come, first-served basis;
- 4) that the Land Branch Manager be authorized to administer development controls in accordance with the criteria as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 30, 2007; and
- 5) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documentation to complete the sale by public tender.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,*

*THAT the matter be referred to Executive Committee for further discussion.*

*DEFEATED.*

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,*

*THAT the matter be referred back to Land Bank Committee to be reviewed in one-year's time, and that the review include the impact of the retail upon the rest of the city.*

*CARRIED.*

**6. Sale of City's Undivided Interest in Parcel C and D, Plan 96S13323  
Briarwood Neighbourhood  
(Files CK. 4020-1 and 4110-34)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Land Manager be authorized to sell the City's 31.08 percent undivided ownership interest in Parcels C and D, Plan 96S13323, Extension 0 to Boychuk Investments Ltd. at a purchase price of \$337,697.38 plus applicable taxes; and
  - 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documentation to complete the sale.

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 59.*

**REPORT NO. 10-2007 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Composition of Committee

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

**1. Proposed City Mortgage Appeals Board  
(File No. CK. 4110-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a City Mortgage Appeals Board be established in order to hear and make final decisions on all requests for forgiveness of City Mortgage that may arise out of the City's new lot allocation policy;
  - 2) that the following people be appointed to the City Mortgage Appeals Board, to the end of 2009:  
  
Michelle Ouellette  
Connie Tenaski  
Kathie Parry; and
  - 3) that the Administration prepare criteria for forgiveness for the approval of City Council.

City Council, at its meeting held on February 12, 2007, approved a new Lot Allocation Policy. Under that policy lots purchased by individuals are subject to a City-held \$10,000 forgivable mortgage, related to the time to build and residency requirements. Said mortgage is to be forgiven on a monthly basis over a three year period, starting from the authorized occupancy date, and will not be forgiven if the residence is not built within two years from the date the Agreement for Sale is signed.

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There will be situations where there are extenuating circumstances that lead to an individual having to sell the home before the three years has expired, and the City will be requested to forgive the mortgage.

Your Committee is recommending that a City Mortgage Appeals Board be established to adjudicate all requests for forgiveness, and that the individuals listed above be appointed to the Board.

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**2. Impact of Trade, Investment, and Labour Mobility Agreement on Saskatchewan Cities  
(File No. CK. 127-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

At the meeting of City Council held on May 28, 2007, your Committee reported that Saskatoon had agreed to undertake a study on the impact of TILMA on City jurisdiction. The study was to be done in cooperation with other Saskatchewan cities and a trade expert was to be hired to assist in the process.

Your Committee is pleased to report that the Estey Centre for Law and Economics in International Trade, here in Saskatoon, has agreed to participate in the study as the trade experts. The Estey Centre is an independent, interdisciplinary think tank, created to build expertise in international trade, trade policy, law and economics. The Estey Centre team will be led by Dr. William Kerr, Senior Associate of the Centre and Van Vliet, Professor of International Trade at the University of Saskatchewan.

Ms. Merrilee Rasmussen, Q.C. has also agreed to participate in the study as the legislative drafting expert. Ms. Rasmussen is a lawyer in private practice with extensive experience in legislative drafting. In 2002, Ms. Rasmussen drafted the new *Cities Act* on behalf of the Saskatchewan City Mayors.

The study is expected to be completed by year-end.

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**3. City Manager's Contract  
(File No. CK. 4670-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that Section 6(1) of the City Manager's Contract be amended to provide:
  - (a) that the City Manager's salary be increased to \$195,000.00 effective July 1, 2007; and
  - (b) that the City Manager shall, subject to receiving satisfactory performance reviews pursuant to Section 6(3), be entitled to an increment of \$5,000.00 on each of June 30, 2008 and June 30, 2009;
- 2) that Sections 6(2) and 7(b) of the City Manager's Contract be deleted;
- 3) that the City Solicitor prepare the appropriate agreement to implement the above resolutions and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute such agreement on behalf of the City;
- 4) that the City Manager be authorized to implement appropriate salary adjustments for Senior Management, if necessary; and
- 5) that the City Manager be authorized to implement appropriate salary adjustments for members of the Exempt Staff Association during the next two years.

Your Committee has reviewed the salaries of the City Manager and senior management, and has determined that they are substantially lower than market. For example, the salary of the City Manager in Regina is \$187,000, while the salary of the City Manager in Saskatoon, the largest and fastest-growing city in province, is \$165,000. The salary structure for senior management is tied to that of the City Manager and, as such, results in lower salaries paid to all managers. Over the years, this has caused difficulties in recruiting and retaining qualified individuals.

The responsibilities involved in managing any large city are varied and complex, and require a wide range and diversity of knowledge. Moreover the City Manager has increased responsibilities

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in that the City of Saskatoon owns its own electrical utility, and plays a major role as a land developer as a result of its ownership of the Land Bank.

Like any organization or private business, key employee retention is critical to long term health and success. Retaining your best employees ensures customer satisfaction, satisfied coworkers and reporting staff, effective succession planning, and deeply imbedded organizational knowledge.

Your Committee remains vigilant when it comes to the allocation of operating funds. It also recognizes that in order to continue running a large and complex organization, we need to keep and attract skilled, knowledgeable employees in a very competitive market place. Conversely, failing to retain a key employee is costly including training time and investment, lost knowledge, and a costly candidate searches. Various estimates suggest that losing a manager costs an organization up to 100 percent of the salary.

The above recommendation increases the City Manager's salary to \$195,000, but eliminates the existing cost-of-living adjustment provision [i.e. section 6(2) of the contract] and eliminates the existing five days off in lieu of Earned Days Off [i.e. section 7(b) of the contract]. Your committee is confident that the recommendations will bring senior management salaries more in line with the market, improve retention, allow for more efficient recruitment, and ultimately better serve the citizens of Saskatoon.

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**4. Enquiry – Former Councillor D. L. Birkmaier (April 10, 2006)  
Crime and Disorder Strategy  
(File No. CK. 5000-4)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 7, 2007 in response to the above enquiry.

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**5. Transit Audit  
(File No. CK. 7310-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the route changes to Saskatoon Transit, as outlined in the report of the A/General Manager, Utility Services Department dated June 8, 2007, be approved.

Your Committee has considered and supports the attached report of the A/General Manager, Utility Services Department, which contains proposed route changes brought forward as a result of an audit of the new transit system that was introduced on July 2, 2006. A copy of the bus route map can be viewed in the City Clerk's Office.

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**ENQUIRIES**

**Councillor G. Penner  
Speed Bumps – Boychuk Drive  
(File No. CK. 6320-1)**

A recent accident on Boychuk Drive where trucks ran into houses while northbound and missing a left-hand turn where Boychuk turns to the west, has created significant concern to those who live in this area.

Could I have a report about what might be done to help correct this problem - including the use of speed bumps where the speed limit is posted at 30 kph.

**Councillor P. Lorje  
Surface Drainage System – Montgomery Place  
(File No. CK. 7820-1)**

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Will the Administration please provide a report on measures to rectify the condition of the surface drainage system in the neighbourhood of Montgomery Place. Specifically, the ditches themselves in many instances have been filled in; there have been several properties sub-divided with a resulting increased density of development; and there are many examples of under-sized culverts, including, occasionally, no culverts at all. When will a remedial program to improve the surface drainage system in Montgomery Place be implemented?

**Councillor C. Clark  
Implementation - Saskatoon Comprehensive Bicycle Plan  
(File No. CK. 7000-6)**

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Could the Administration please report on the status of the implementation of the recommendations from the Saskatoon Comprehensive Bicycle Plan. Please include discussion of both the Bicycle Facility Network and the Education program, particularly considering the recent discussions about the importance of bicycle safety in relation to the debate about the bicycle helmet bylaw.

**Councillor B. Pringle  
Traffic Flows at Lorne Avenue and Ruth Street  
(File No. CK. 6320-1)**

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Could the Administration please look at the traffic flows at Lorne Avenue and Ruth Street to see if the current “4-way stop system” is the most effective way to ensure smooth traffic flow, especially in the light of greatly increased traffic.

**Councillor B. Pringle  
Sick Bank Program  
(File No. CK. 4630-1)**

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Could the Administration provide Council with information about the City’s “Sick Bank Program”. I would like it to include:

- 1) how the program works;
- 2) how is it funded;
- 3) decision-making process as to how employees are placed on this program;
- 4) the cost of these benefits in the last year;
- 5) number of employees who have benefited; and
- 6) status of this fund today.

**Councillor B. Dubois**  
**Signage – College Drive/Central Avenue**  
**(File No. CK. 6280-1)**

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Would the Administration please look at increasing signage on College Drive going east to Central Avenue, specifically advising of the on-coming intersection at College Drive and Central Avenue. There is not sufficient signage at this time which makes it very unsafe, where fatal accidents have occurred.

**Councillor M. Heidt**  
**Flooding, Sewage Back-up and Seepage**  
**(File No. CK. 7820-2)**

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Council passes a resolution adding a \$3.00 surcharge on each water bill in the city to fund the backflow and sump pumps program.

Would the Administration please look at this program to see if the fund could support or would support helping families who have no insurance because of the chronic flooding every time there is a storm (i.e. Laurier Village) or insurance companies won't insure them because of chronic flooding in the past.

**GIVING NOTICE**

Councillor Lorje gave the following Notice of Motion:

“TAKE NOTICE that at the next regular meeting of City Council, I will move the following motion:

“That a charter type service similar to that provided for Canada Day in 2006 be implemented for service to Diefenbaker Park for Canada Day 2007 and that fares be charged for this service.”

*Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT notice be waived.*

*NOT CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.*

*Councillor Lorje withdrew her Notice of Motion.*

**INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS**

**Bylaw 8594**

Moved by Councillor Wyant, seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8594, being “The Council and Committee Procedure Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No. 2)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant , seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8594 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8594.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8594 was considered clause by clause and approved.

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Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8594 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8594 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

**Bylaw 8610**

Moved by Councillor Wyant, seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8610, being “The Traffic Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No. 4)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant , seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8610 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

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Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8610.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8610 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8610 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8610 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

**Bylaw 8611**

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Moved by Councillor Wyant, seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8611, being "The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No. 12)", and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant , seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8611 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8611.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8611 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

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THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8611 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8611 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

**Bylaw 8616**

Moved by Councillor Wyant, seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8616, being “The Street Closing Bylaw, 2007 (No. 4)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant , seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8616 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8616.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8616 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8616 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8616 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

**Bylaw 8617**

Moved by Councillor Wyant, seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8617, being “The Traffic Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No. 5)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant , seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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THAT Bylaw No. 8617 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8617.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8617 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8617 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8617 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

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**Bylaw 8618**

Moved by Councillor Wyant, seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8618, being “The Amusement Tax Amendment Bylaw, 2007”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant , seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8618 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8618.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8618 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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

CARRIED.

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Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8618 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8618 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

**Bylaw 8619**

Moved by Councillor Wyant, seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8619, being “The LicenseAmendment Bylaw, 2007”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant , seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8619 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8619.

CARRIED.

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Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8619 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8619 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8619 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

**Bylaw 8620**

Moved by Councillor Wyant, seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8620, being "The Boulevard Lease (1721 8<sup>th</sup> Street East) Bylaw, 2007", and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

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The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant , seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8620 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8620.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8620 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8620 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

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THAT Bylaw No. 8620 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.

*Moved by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the meeting stand adjourned.*

CARRIED.

*The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.*

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*Mayor*

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*City Clerk*