City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask. Monday, May 11, 1992, at 7:00 p.m.

#### MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

**PRESENT:** His Worship Mayor Dayday in the Chair;

Aldermen Penner, Mostoway, Thompson, Waygood, Birkmaier,

McCann, Mann, Dyck and Cherneskey;

City Commissioner Irwin;

Director of Planning and Development Pontikes;

Director of Works and Utilities Gustafson;

Director of Finance Richards:

City Solicitor Dust; City Clerk Mann; Secretary Sproule

Alderman Thompson rose on a point of order and presented His Worship Mayor Dayday with the Tisask Tourism Destination Saskatchewan Award to Saskatchewan Place, which he received on behalf of the Saskatchewan Place Board of Directors.

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT the Minutes of the regular meeting held on Monday, April 27, 1992 and the minutes of the Special Meeting of City Council held on Monday, May 4, 1992, be approved.

CARRIED.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL**

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

#### A. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

# 1) Marlene Hall, Secretary <u>Development Appeals Board, dated April 24</u>

Submitting Notice of Development Appeals Board Hearing re attached garage - 382 Balsam Crescent. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

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

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

*THAT the information be received.* 

CARRIED.

## 2) Mrs. Lynn Stark 1817 Cameron Avenue, dated April 23

Commenting re sale of land in the 300 Block of Taylor Street East for the purpose of building an ambulance station. (File No. CK. 4215-1)

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

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

*THAT the information be received.* 

CARRIED.

# 3) Marlene Hall, Secretary <u>Development Appeals Board, dated April 30</u>

Submitting Notice of Development Appeals Board hearing re proposed addition to attached garage - 3401 Harrington Street. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

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

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Birkmaier,

*THAT the information be received.* 

CARRIED.

# 4) Kent Smith-Windsor, Chair, Hosting Committee Player's Ltd. Powerboat Championships, dated May 1

Requesting permission to address Council re placement of banners on city light poles for the Player's Ltd. Powerboat Championships. (File No. CK. 205-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Mr. Smith-Windsor be heard.

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Birkmaier,

THAT Mr. Smith-Windsor be heard.

#### CARRIED.

Mr. Kent Smith-Windsor, Chair, Hosting Committee for the Player's Ltd. Powerboat Championships provided Council with a sample of the banner that Player's Ltd. have used for their powerboat championships. He noted that Player's Ltd. are prepared to fund the installation and removal of the hardware and banners, if necessary.

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

THAT approval be granted for the installation of the Player's Ltd. Powerboat Championship banners, and that the details for the installation of the banners be referred to the Administration for discussion with The Partnership.

CARRIED.

# 5) The Hon. Dwain M. Lingenfelter, Minister-In-Charge Saskatchewan Power Corporation, dated April 30

Responding to communication re Saskatoon's support to meet future energy requirements. (Files CK. 100-3 and 277-1)

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

Moved by Alderman Mostoway, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

## 6) Emmanuel Bertsch 2515 Jarvis Drive, dated May 1

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

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

Moved by Alderman Mostoway, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

*THAT the information be received.* 

CARRIED.

## 7) Hugh Fraser Strathfleet Pipes and Drums, dated April 30

Requesting reconsideration of CIP grant application. (File No. CK. 1871-2)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the letter be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No.

11-1992 of the Legislation and Finance Committee.

Moved by Alderman Mostoway, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT the letter be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 11-1992 of the Legislation and Finance Committee.

CARRIED.

### 8) Edna Meakes 205 - 718 - 9th Street East, dated May 4

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

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

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

*THAT the information be received.* 

CARRIED.

# 9) Lori Isinger, Chair Saskatoon Public Library Board, dated May 1

Submitting copy of correspondence to the Minister of Community Services re impact of cutbacks in provincial funding on the Saskatoon Public Library. (Files CK. 1860-1 and 1711-5)

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

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Waygood,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

10) Marlene Hall, Secretary

Development Appeals Board, dated May 5

Submitting Notice of Development Appeals Board hearing re front property line - 126 Ward Road. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

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

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

# 11) Paul D. Van Loon, Chairperson Sakatchewan Interagency Council on Smoking and Health, dated May 4

Requesting the City to limit the use of large festival banners advertising tobacco products. (Files CK. 366-1, 205-1 and 312-1)

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

Moved by Alderman Mostoway, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

*THAT the information be received.* 

CARRIED.

# 12) Carol Purich, Secretary The Board of Police Commissioners, dated April 23

Submitting report re Auxiliary Policing. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

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

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

# 13) Tom Molloy, Chairman Meewasin Foundation Inc., dated April 29

Requesting Council to waive the Noise Bylaw to allow music in Bessborough Gardens until 1:00 a.m. on the evening of June 13, 1992 for a dinner and dance. (File No. CK. 185-9)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the provisions of the Noise Bylaw be waived on Saturday, June 13, 1992, to allow musicians to play in the Bessborough Gardens

until 1:00 a.m. for the Meewasin Foundation dinner and dance.

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

THAT permission be granted to the Meewasin Foundation Inc. to extend the time during which musicians play to 1:00 a.m. for their dinner and dance in the Bessborough Gardens on the evening of Saturday, June 13, 1992.

CARRIED.

## 14) Michael Couros, President Saskatoon Folkfest Incorporated, dated May 5

Requesting Council to declare August 16 - 22, 1992 as Folkfest Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim August 16 - 22, 1992 as Folkfest Week.

Moved by Alderman Birkmaier, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim August 16 - 22, 1992 as Folkfest Week.

CARRIED.

#### 15) His Worship Mayor Dayday, dated May 5

Expressing appreciation to members of Council and the Administration for attending a workshop on Strategic Management. (File No. CK. 247-1)

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

Moved by Alderman Waygood, Seconded by Alderman Birkmaier,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

# 16) Fran Dickin, President, Board of Directors Saskatoon Lions Band, dated May 6

Requesting reconsideration of grant application. (File No. CK. 1871-2)

# 17) Richard Cassidy, President Saskatoon Nordic Ski Club, dated May 6

Requesting reconsideration of grant application. (File No. CK. 1871-5)

# 18) Grant Currie, President Saskatoon Jazz Society, dated May 5

Requesting permission to address Council re 1992 Assistance to Community Groups. (File No. CK. 1871-2)

# 21) Dawn Martin, General Manager Nightcap Productions, dated May 7

Requesting permission to address Council re funding under the Assistance to Community Groups program. (File No. CK. 1871-2)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the letter be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 11-1992 of the Legislation and Finance Committee.

# 22) Bob Porat, President Saskatoon Water Ski Club, dated May 9

Requesting reconsideration of 1992 Assistance for Community Groups application. (File No. CK. 1871-5)

# 25) Mona Chappell, Chairman Saskatchewan Jazz Festival, dated May 6

Requesting permission to address Council re 1992 Assistance for Community Groups. (File No. CK. 1871-2)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the letters be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 11-1992 of the Legislation and Finance Committee.

Moved by Alderman Birkmaier, Seconded by Alderman Thompson,

THAT the letters be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 11-1992 of the Legislation and Finance Committee.

CARRIED.

# 19) Gus Vandepolder, President <u>Tourism Saskatoon, dated April 29</u>

Requesting Council to proclaim June 1 - 7, 1992 as Saskatoon Tourism Awareness Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim June 1 - 7, 1992 as Saskatoon Tourism Awareness Week.

Moved by Alderman Birkmaier, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim June 1 - 7, 1992 as Saskatoon Tourism Awareness Week.

#### CARRIED.

## 20) E. G. Glendinning 65 Clark Crescent, dated May 6

Commenting re proposed Forestry Farm entry fee and civic matters. (Files CK. 1720-3, 4130-6 and 150-1)

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

Moved by Alderman McCann, Seconded by Alderman Waygood,

THAT the information be received.

#### CARRIED.

## 21) Dawn Martin, General Manager Nightcap Productions, dated May 7

Requesting permission to address Council re funding under the Assistance to Community Groups program. (File No. CK. 1871-2)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 9.

#### **22)** Bob Porat, President

#### Saskatoon Water Ski Club, dated May 9

Requesting reconsideration of 1992 Assistance for Community Groups application. (File No. CK. 1871-5)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 9.

# 23) Dan Bichel, President/Business Agent Amalgamated Transit Union Local 615, dated May 6

Advising Council of labour relations between the Transit Union and Personnel Services. (File No. CK. 4720-2)

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

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

THAT the information be received.

#### *IN AMENDMENT*

Moved by Alderman Thompson, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

AND THAT the letter be referred to the Personnel and Organization Committee for a report.

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND CARRIED. THE MOTION AS AMENDED WAS PUT AND CARRIED.

#### 24. **Melanie Elliott**

#### Saskatoon Regional Zoological Society, undated

Requesting Council to proclaim June 1 - 7, 1992, as "Waste Free Week" in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim June 1 - 7, 1992 as "Waste Free Week" in Saskatoon.

Moved by Alderman Dyck, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim June 1-7, 1992 as "Waste Free Week" in Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

### 25) Mona Chappell, Chairman Saskatchewan Jazz Festival, dated May 6

Requesting permission to address Council re 1992 Assistance for Community Groups. (File No. CK. 1871-2)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 9.

# 26) John Gerstmar, Resource Development Coordinator Meewasin Valley Authority, dated May 8

Submitting approval re subdivision application by the City of Saskatoon for the Silverspring Neighbourhood, subject to an acceptable management plan. (File No. CK. 4131-5)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 4-1992 of the Municipal Planning Commission.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

THAT the information be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 4-1992 of the Municipal Planning Commission.

CARRIED.

#### 27) Marie Ediger 13 McAskill Crescent, undated

Commenting re proposed entrance fee to the Forestry Farm. (Files CK. 4205-8 and 1720-3)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the letter be received and considered with Clause 5, Report No. 10-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Penner,

THAT the letter be received and considered with Clause 5, Report No. 10-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee.

CARRIED.

#### B. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

## 1) Michael Williams, President Saskatoon Natural History Society, dated April 23

Commenting re implementation of an educational/interpretive program for Silverspring Prairie. Referred to the Administration. (File No. CK. 4131-10)

## 2) Wenda Atkinson, Orientation and Mobility Services North Saskatchewan District, CNIB, dated April 24

Expressing concern re problems of visually impaired consumers of the Saskatoon Field House. Referred to the Administration. (File No. CK. 7505-1)

# 3) Lori Isinger, President Saskatoon Council of Women, undated

Expressing concern re disproportionate representation of the female gender on the City's Boards and Commissions. Referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee. (Files CK. 225-1 and 175-1)

#### 4) Maurice and Jean Pardoe, General Chairman Couple

#### **Hub City Square and Round Dance Association, dated May 5**

Requesting permission to have figurines placed on street light poles at dance locations during the 33rd International Square and Round Dance Convention, May 28, 29 and 30, 1992. Referred to the Administration. (File No. CK. 205-1)

## 5) R. Nieman, Superintendent of Education Saskatoon Catholic Schools, dated May 4

Requesting closure of 23rd Street between 3rd and 4th Avenues and hooding of parking meters on Friday, June 19, 1992 for a Canada Day celebration in City Hall Plaza. Referred to the Administration. (File No. CK. 205-1)

# 6) Elaine Findlay, Chairperson Council, St. Thomas-Wesley Church, dated April 30

Submitting petition urging Council to give priority to the funding and building of a secondary sewage treatment plant. Referred to the Works and Utilities Committee. (File No. CK. 7800-4)

# 7) Lois Lamon, Delegate Saskatoon and District Labour Council Women's Committee, dated May 1

Commenting re Task Force on Women's Issues. Referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee. (Files CK. 4500-2 and 225-1)

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

Alderman Birkmaier noted that representatives of the Hub City Square and Round Dance Association were present in the gallery and wished to briefly address Council.

Moved by Alderman Birkmaier, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT Maurice Pardoe, representing the Hub City Square and Round Dance Association, be heard.

#### CARRIED.

Mr. Maurice Pardoe provided Council with a sample of the figurines that the Association wishes to mount on light poles in front of the various dance venues. He indicated that if the City is not prepared to mount the figurines, the Association would mount the figurines according to City standards.

Moved by Alderman Birkmaier, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

THAT approval be granted to the Hub City Square and Round Dance Association to mount figurines to light poles in front of the dance locations, subject to administrative conditions and at the expense of the Association.

#### CARRIED.

Alderman Waygood indicated that she wished to table additional information with respect to Items B.3 and B.7 of "Communications".

Moved by Alderman Waygood, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT the additional information with respect to Items B.3 and B.7 be referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee.

#### CARRIED.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

THAT the information provided with respect to Items B.1 - B.7, inclusive, of "Communications", be received.

#### CARRIED.

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

THAT the matter of members of Council tabling information at a Council meeting that refer to a particular item on the Council agenda, be referred to the Ad Hoc Committee to Review Procedures of Committees of Council for a report.

#### CARRIED.

#### **REPORTS**

Mr. R. Tennent, Chairman, submitted Report No. 4-1992 of the Municipal Planning Commission;

City Commissioner Irwin submitted Report No. 11-1992 of the City Commissioner;

Alderman Waygood, Chairman, presented Report No. 10-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee;

Alderman Thompson, Chairman, presented Report No. 11-1992 of the Legislation and Finance Committee;

Alderman Mann, Chairman, presented Report No. 9-1992 of the Works and Utilities Committee;

Alderman Mann, Chairman, presented Report No. 1-1992 of the Ad Hoc Committee to Review Procedures of Committees of Council.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

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

- a) Report No. 4-1992 of the Municipal Planning Commission;
- *Report No. 11-1992 of the City Commissioner;*
- *c)* Report No. 10-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee;
- *d)* Report No. 11-1992 of the Legislation and Finance Committee;
- e) Report No. 9-1992 of the Works and Utilities Committee; and
- f) Report No. 1-1992 of the Ad Hoc Committee to Review Procedures of Committees of Council.

#### CARRIED.

His Worship Mayor Dayday appointed Alderman Penner as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole.

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

Committee arose.

Alderman Penner, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:

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

#### "REPORT NO. 4-1992 OF THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION

#### Composition of Committee

Mr. R. Tennent, Chairman

Mr. Jim Kozmyk

Alderman K. Waygood

Mr. J. Wolfe

Mr. Al Selinger

Mr. Glen Grismer

Mr. Bill Delainey

Ms. Fran Alexson

Mr. Victor Pizzey

Dr. H.O. Langlois

Mr. Brian Noonan

Ms Lina Eidem

# 1. Sketch Plan - Silverspring Neighbourhood (File No. CK. 4131-5)

At its meeting held on May 14, 1990, City Council considered Clause 7, Report No. 20-1990 of the Planning and Development Committee regarding the provision of open space in the Silverspring

Neighbourhood for the purpose of preservation of grasslands, and adopted several specific recommendations in this regard. Since that time, an Ad Hoc Committee has been set up with representatives from the Silverspring Community Association, Meewasin Valley Authority (M.V.A.), Eco-Network and City of Saskatoon with the aim of producing a subdivision design for the remaining portion of the Silverspring Neighbourhood.

Attached is a copy of the Planning Department's report dated April 8, 1992 containing a revised sketch plan for the Silverspring Neighbourhood as approved by the Ad Hoc Committee.

The Municipal Planning Commission has reviewed this revised sketch plan with a representative of the Planning Department and endorses this proposal recognizing that further negotiation is required between the City and the Department of Environment with respect to the management of the fescue grass, and that there may be some difficulty in marketing the district commercial area adjacent to the Psychiatric Centre.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council approve, in principle, the Silverspring

Neighbourhood Design Plan dated February 17, 1992, as revised

March 17, 1992.

Pursuant to earlier resolution Item No. 26 of "Communications" was brought forward and considered.

Moved by Alderman Waygood, Seconded by Alderman Penner,

THAT Clause 1, Report No. 10-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee, Clause 4, Report No. 11-1992 of the Legislation and Finance Committee, and Clause 1, Report No. 9-1992 of the Works and Utilities Committee be brought forward and considered.

CARRIED.

#### REPORT NO. 10-1992 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

# 1. Silverspring Neighbourhood Design Plan (File No. CK. 4131-7)

This report is to be considered along with Clause 1, Report No. 4-1992 of the Municipal Planning Commission.

The above-noted report of the Municipal Planning Commission contains the plans and documentation to support the proposed Silverspring Neighbourhood Design Plan and the proposed design is shown as Plan No. 2A34-20L.

Report of Director of Planning and Development, April 13, 1992 (excerpt):

"The proposal is the result of extensive consultation which involved the Silverpring Community Association, the Meewasin Valley Authority, various environmental groups, the University of Saskatchewan, and the Provincial Department of Environment and Public Safety. It was also the subject of a public meeting on April 8, 1992, to which representatives of these groups, as well as all of the residents in the Silverspring Neighbourhood were invited. As has been City Council's past practice for other neighbourhoods, the Silverspring Neighbourhood Design Plan is being submitted to City Council's three standing committees for consideration and for separate recommendations directly to City Council. Approval in principle by City Council of the Design Plan will permit the City to apply to the Saskatchewan Department of Environment and Public Safety for 'screening' in order to determine whether a full environmental impact assessment is required. Subject to the Provincial Department's approval, the Plan will provide all of the stakeholders with a framework upon which future subdivision plans can be registered.

The Silverspring Neighbourhood is within the Meewasin Valley Conservation Zone. Therefore, a subdivision application to create the buffer around the University of Saskatchewan's Confinement Facility, the parcels for preserving the natural grasslands area, the neighbourhood park, and the sites for the elementary schools (as shown in the attached Design Plan) has been submitted to the Authority for review. It is expected that the Authority's Board will consider this matter during its May 8, 1992, meeting.

The City's Administration has made a commitment to the residents of the Silverspring Neighbourhood that every effort will be made to expedite the consideration of the proposed Design Plan. The existing residents have been concerned that the uncertainty surrounding the future development of their Neighbourhood has adversely affected the marketability of the lots and houses which are available for sale in this area.

The Planning and Development Committee has reviewed this Neighbourhood Design Plan with representatives of the Planning Department and

**RECOMMENDS:** that City Council approve, in principle, the Silverspring Neighbourhood

Design Plan No. 2A34-20L (dated February 17, 1992, and revised on March

17, 1992).

#### REPORT NO. 11-1992 OF THE LEGISLATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

4. Silverspring Neighbourhood Design Plan (File No. CK. 4131-7)

Your Committee has considered the report of the Planning Department dated April 8, 1992, on the above-noted matter. (See Clause 1, Report No. 4-1992 of the Municipal Planning Commission for this report.)

The Committee has discussed the proposal with the Director of Planning and Development and representatives of the Planning Department, and

**RECOMMENDS:** that City Council approve, in principle, the Silverspring Neighbourhood

Design Plan No. 2A34-20L (dated February 17, 1992, and revised on March

17, 1992).

#### REPORT NO. 9-1992 OF THE WORKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

1. Silverspring Neighbourhood Design Plan (File No. CK. 4131-7)

(Please see Clause 1, Report No. 4-1992 of the Municipal Planning Commission for the Planning Report dated April 8, 1992 on the above-noted Design Plan.)

The Committee has reviewed with the Administration the April 8, 1992 report of the Planning Department on the Silverspring Neighbourhood Design Plan. Your Committee's function was to review the viability of providing services to the area (i.e. electrical, water, sewer, gas, etc.) and has been informed that because of the constrictions of the design, the expenditures for off-site services will exceed the actual off-site levies collected.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council approve, in principle, the Silverspring

Neighbourhood Design Plan No. 2A34-20L (dated February 17,

1992, and revised on March 17, 1992.)

*IT WAS RESOLVED: 1)* that the information be received; and

2) that City Council approve, in principle, the Silverspring Neighbourhood Design Plan dated February 17, 1992, as revised March 17, 1992.

#### REPORT NO. 11-1992 OF THE CITY COMMISSIONER

#### **Section A - Works and Utilities**

A1) 1992 Ready Mixed Concrete Contract No. 2-0014 (File No. CC 1000-4)

Report of the City Engineer, April 28, 1992:

"Tenders were received and opened publicly on April 16, 1992, for the supply and delivery of ready mixed concrete to Engineering Department Works Branch maintenance crews. This material is used primarily for sidewalk maintenance and sidewalk restoration following water and sewer excavations.

Tenders were received from the following firms:

1. Geransky Redimix \$121,749.35 MARTENSVILLE, Sask.

2. Revelstoke Redi-Mix Ltd. \$124,640.45 SASKATOON, Sask.

Bid prices are summarized on the attached tabulation form.

Geransky Redimix, the low bidder, supplied concrete to the City in 1989 and 1991 under similar contracts. The total estimated cost to the City, net the GST rebate is \$117,441.69."

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that the unit prices submitted by Geransky Redimix for the 1992 ready mixed concrete supply be accepted at a total estimated contract cost of \$121,749.35; and,
- 2) that the City Commissioner and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract documents under the Corporate Seal as prepared by the City Solicitor.

ADOPTED.

# A2) Proposed Parking Prohibition Ontario Avenue (File No. CC 6280-1)

Report of the City Engineer, May 5, 1992:

"Cosmopolitan Industries Limited has requested a parking prohibition on Ontario Avenue in the vicinity of their driveways to facilitate the movement of semi-trailer units used to haul re-cycled materials. Access/egress to/from their property occurs three to five times daily.

A site inspection by the Engineering Department determined that indeed a parking restriction is required for unimpeded movement of vehicles into and out of their property. The proposed parking restrictions are illustrated on Plan No. G5-8F. The proposed parking prohibition will not seriously impact on the availability of parking in the area, as the current utilization rate is low."

**RECOMMENDATION:** that a parking prohibition be installed on the west side of Ontario

Avenue in the vicinity of the Cosmopolitan Industries Limited driveways as shown on attached Plan No. G5-8F.

ADOPTED.

A3) Supply of Aluminum Sulphate
Water & Pollution Control Department
Pollution Control Plant
Water Treatment Plant
(File No. CC 1000-3)

Report of the Manager, Water and Pollution Control Department, May 5, 1992:

"In March 1992, tenders for the 1992 blanket purchase of aluminum sulphate for the treatment of wastewater and potable water were advertised in the Saskatoon Star Phoenix. One bid from United Chemical Company was received and opened on April 22, 1992. The bid price for the blanket purchase is \$135.65 per metric tonne plus GST, less GST rebate. The 1992 requirement for the Pollution Control Plant is 9,400 metric tonnes and for the Water Treatment Plant is 2000 metric tonnes.

Two bids were received in 1991, one from United Chemical Company for \$133.00 per metric tonne plus GST, less GST rebate. The second bid from Morsulex Inc. (Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta) was considerably higher.

Costs to the Water and Pollution Control Department are summarized as follows:

#### Pollution Control Plant

9,400 tonnes @ \$135.65 per tonne	\$1,275,110.00
G.S.T. @ 7%	89,257.70
G.S.T. rebate (4%)	(51,004.40)
Estimated net cost	\$1,313,363.30

The 1992 Operating Budget includes \$1,402,000.00 for aluminum sulphate.

#### Water Treatment Plant

2,000 tonnes @ \$135.65 per tonne	\$271,300.00
G.S.T. @ 7%	18,991.00
G.S.T. rebate (4%)	(10,852.00)
Estimated net cost	\$279,439.00

The 1992 Operating Budget includes \$235,200.00 for aluminum sulphate."

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

that City Council accept the unit prices submitted by United Chemical Company, Saskatoon, for the supply of aluminum sulphate to the Water and Pollution Control Department for a total estimated contract of \$1,654,658.70, including G.S.T.

ADOPTED.

A4) Water Main Replacements Contract Number 2-0001 1992 Capital Budget Project Number 785 (File No. CC 7820-5)

Report of the City Engineer, May 5, 1992:

"Tenders were received and opened publicly on May 5, 1992, for the replacement of water mains. This work includes the supply and installation of 2,323 metres of PVC water main to replace existing cast iron and steel water mains at ten locations. The locations were identified based on the number of main breaks over the past five years.

The following firms submitted tenders:

Contractors Total Tendered Price

1. Hamm Construction Ltd. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

\$567,113.29

2.	Miazga Construction Ltd. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	\$582,643.96
3.	Acadia Armstrong Construction Ltd. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	\$596,834.55
4.	Flegel Construction (1981) Ltd. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	\$783,844.51
5.	Dueck Enterprises Ltd. Lethbridge, Alberta	\$878,230.41
6.	Rusway Construction Ltd. Lloydminister, Saskatchewan	\$973,916.21

The bid prices are summarized on the attached tabulation sheet. The low bid represents a 2 percent decrease in unit prices for similar work in 1991. The summary of the total purchase costs and applicable taxes for the low bid is as follows:

Base Tenders	\$519,936.52
GST @ 7%	35,695.56
PST at 7% on applicable items	<u>11,481.21</u>
Contract Amount	\$567,113.29
GST Rebate	(20,396.44)
Estimated Net Cost	\$546,716.85

The Contractor has the necessary experience and equipment to carry out this work."

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that City Council accept the unit prices submitted by Hamm Construction Ltd., for the water main replacement, for an estimated contract cost of \$567,113.29; and,
- 2) that the City Commissioner and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract documents as prepared by the City Solicitor under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

# A5) Nuclear Options (File No. CC 100-3)

City Council, at its meeting of March 30, 1992, when dealing with Clause 1, Report No. 1-1992 of the Economic Development Board, resolved in part:

"3) that City Council seek clarification from the Government and S.P.C. of their projections of future power demand in Saskatoon;".

Report of the Manager, Electrical Distribution Department, May 5, 1992:

"Each year the Electrical Department prepares a ten year electrical load forecast for the portion of Saskatoon that is served by the City's Utility. These forecasts are forwarded annually to SaskPower in accordance with the terms of the Bulk Electrical Supply Agreement and the information is incorporated into SaskPower's provincial load forecasts. A copy of the forecast of energy and demand for 1992 to 2001, which has been forwarded to SaskPower, is attached. S.P.C. projections of future power demand in Saskatoon therefore reflect the load projections provided by the City of Saskatoon."

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

ADOPTED.

#### Section B - Planning and Development

B1) Easement Requirement Saskatoon Underground - Brabant Crescent Municipal Reserve MR1, Plan 89-S-02055 (File No. CC 4090-3)

Report of the Acting City Planner, April 21, 1992:

"C.A. Moore, on behalf of the Land Department of SaskPower, has requested the City of Saskatoon's approval of an easement over part of Municipal Reserve MR1, Plan No. 89-S-02055. (See the attached plan.)

Subdivision Application Number 49/88 (Lakeridge `A' Replotting Scheme) was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on October 24, 1988. The proposed easement was not shown on the Plan of Proposed Subdivision which was approved by Council at that time.

The Civic Buildings and Grounds Department has no objection to the request, providing that all of

the improvements made by SaskPower and SaskTel to the current Municipal Reserve MR1 will be made underground and that no structures will be built above ground. Also, the Civic Buildings and Grounds Department must be supplied with a copy of the Registered Plan for the easement and with an as-built drawing of the buried equipment. This Department must be contacted prior to digging because of the irrigation lines which are buried within the Reserve.

The Planning Department has no objection to the easement."

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- that an easement over part of Municipal Reserve MR1, Plan No. 89-S-02055, as outlined in the attached Easement Agreement, be granted to SaskPower; and,
- that, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon, His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the Easement Agreement (in a form which is satisfactory to the City Solicitor) through the application of their respective signatures and Corporate Seal to such an Agreement.

ADOPTED.

B2) Subdivision Application #10/92 426/428 Devonshire Crescent For Information Only (File No. CC 4300-2)

Subdivision Application: #10/92 Applicant: Dave Leland

Legal Description: Lot 113, Block 807, Plan 76-S-31691

Location: 426/428 Devonshire Crescent

Current Zoning: R.2
Date Received: April 30, 1992

The A/City Planner has received the above-noted application for subdivision which is being processed pursuant to the subdivision regulations and will subsequently be submitted to Council for its consideration.

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

ADOPTED.

## B3) Subdivision Application #6/92 Steiger Way (File No. CC 4300-2)

The following subdivision application has been submitted for approval:

Subdivision Application: #6/92

Applicant: Webster Surveys Ltd.

Legal Description: Part of Parcel PP and NN, Plan No. 86-S-17947

Location: Steiger Way (Erindale North)

The April 28, 1992, report of the Acting City Planner concerning this application is attached.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**:

- that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute any agreement with respect to easements required on the buffer strip Parcel PB6, as shown on the Plan of Proposed Subdivision with respect to Subdivision Application #6/92; and,
- 2) that Subdivision Application #6/92 be approved, subject to:
  - a) the payment of \$1,850.00, being the required approval fee;
  - b) the owner entering into a servicing agreement with the City of Saskatoon; and,
  - c) the owner granting an easement to the City of Saskatoon for storm-sewer purposes over the most westerly 1.5 metres throughout of Lot 37, Block 320, and the most easterly 1.5 metres throughout of Lot 38, Block 320.

ADOPTED.

# B4) Subdivision Application #7/92 Steiger Crescent and Steiger Place (File No. CC 4300-2)

The following subdivision application has been submitted for approval:

Subdivision Application: #7/92

Applicant: Webster Surveys Ltd.

Legal Description: Part of Parcel PP, Plan No. 86-S-17947

Location: Steiger Crescent and Steiger Way (Erindale North)

The April 28, 1992, report of the Acting City Planner concerning this application is attached.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**:

- that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute any agreements with respect to easements required on buffer strip Parcel PB6, as shown on the Plan of Proposed Subdivision with respect to Subdivision Application #7/92; and,
- 2) that Subdivision Application #7/92 be approved, subject to:
  - a) the payment of \$1,400.00 which is the required approval fee;
  - b) the owner entering into a Servicing Agreement with the City of Saskatoon; and,

c) the owner granting an easement to the City of Saskatoon for storm-sewer purposes over the most southeasterly 1.5 metres throughout of Lot 21, Block 320, and the most northwesterly 1.5 metres throughout of Lot 22, Block 320.

ADOPTED.

B5) Subdivision Application #5/92 N. of Attridge Dr., E. of Central Ave., and W. of the Forestry Farm Park (File No. CC 4300-2-2)

The following subdivision application has been submitted for approval:

Subdivision Application: #5/92

Applicant: Land Manager

Legal Description: Part of W. ½ Sec. 12-37-5-3 and N.W. ¼ Sec. 1-37-5-3

Location: North of Attridge Drive, East of Central Avenue, West of the

Forestry Farm Park

The April 8, 1992, report of the Acting City Planner concerning this application is attached.

City Council should note that the recommendations with respect to this application have been prepared on the assumption that the design plan for the Silverspring Neighbourhood is approved, in principle. This matter is being brought forward for City Council's consideration under separate reports and recommendations from the Municipal Planning Commission, the Planning and Development Committee, the Works and Utilities Committee, and the Legislation and Finance Committee. It is also expected that the Meewasin Valley Authority will be submitting a report (which will be distributed to members of City Council on May 11, 1992) on this matter.

During City Council's May 11, 1992, meeting, the Administration will be requesting that all of these reports on the design plan from the various committees and agencies should be considered and that a decision on this plan by City Council should be made at the point in the agenda when Council receives the report of the Municipal Planning Commission. In this way, when Council considers Subdivision Application #5/92, a decision will have already been made on the design plan for the Silverspring Neighbourhood. If the design plan is approved, the following recommendations with respect to this application can be considered. If the plan is not approved, then the report and recommendations on this application will be withdrawn by the Administration.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**:

- 1) that Subdivision Application #5/92 be approved, subject to the payment of \$400 which is the required approval fee; and,
- 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute any agreement with respect to any easements required in connection with this subdivision application.

ADOPTED.

## Section C - Finance

# C1) 1991 and Previous Business Tax Write-Offs (File No. CC 1985-2)

Report of the City Treasurer, April 27, 1992:

"Attached is a list of Business Tax accounts for which the proprietors discontinued business in 1991 and previous.

The Treasurer's Department has made all reasonable efforts to collect the accounts.

All files relating to the designated accounts have been reviewed with the City Solicitor and are, in our opinion, uncollectible. In the case of bankruptcies, claims have been processed; however, confirmation has been received from the receivers that there are insufficient funds to pay the City's claims.

The distribution of this write-off will be as follows:

City \$11,825.58

School Boards 14,611.50

Business Improvement Districts 718.26

\$27,155.34"

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council approve of the Business Tax accounts

recommended for write-off in the list dated April 1992, in the

amount of \$27,155.34.

ADOPTED.

C2) Saskatoon Fire Department 1992 Equipment Purchase Capital Project 582-5 (File Nos. CC 1400-1 and 1703)

Report of the Fire Chief, May 5, 1992:

"Tenders for the purchase of a 50 foot Tele-squirt were received and opened by the Purchasing Department on April 14, 1992. The following prices were received:

Superior Emergency Equipment Ltd. \$315,088.05

Phoenix Fire Fighting Inc. \$395,355.42

The low bid submitted by Superior Emergency Equipment Ltd. meets all the requirements of our specifications and is therefore acceptable.

This unit will become the front line response apparatus for Fire Station No. 2 in Confederation Park. The Engine being replaced will be disposed of by public tender. The net estimated cost to the City is calculated as follows:

 Base Tender
 \$315,088.05

 GST @ 7%
 22,056.16

 PST @ 7% on applicable items
 22,056.16

Contract Amount \$359,200.37 GST Rebate \$12,602.89

Net Estimated Cost to the City \$346,597.48

The purchase cost of the unit is within the approved estimates of \$367,000."

## **RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council accept the unit price submitted by Superior

Emergency Equipment Ltd. for the purchase of the 50 foot Telesquirt for a total estimated contract of \$359,200.37 which includes

the base tender, G.S.T., and P.S.T.

ADOPTED.

C3) Saskatoon Fire Department
Construction of Cab Enclosures
Capital Project 999-1
(File Nos. CC 1400-1 and 1703)

Report of the Fire Chief, May 5, 1992:

"Tenders for the construction of six (6) cab enclosures were received and opened by the Purchasing Department on April 14, 1992. The following prices were received:

Crestline Coach Limited \$120,883.62 General Body & Equipment \$135,000.00

The low bid submitted by Crestline Coach Limited, a local firm, meets all the requirements of our specifications and is therefore acceptable.

The cab enclosures will provide for staff to carry out fire inspections and other duties during winter months. In addition, the units will meet Fire Department safety standards.

The net estimated cost to the City is calculated as follows:

Base Tender GST @ 7% PST @ 7%	\$120,883.62 8,416.85 8,416.85
Contract Amount GST Rebate	\$137,717.32 
Net Estimated Cost to the City	\$132,907.93

The cost of the construction of the cab enclosures is within the approved estimates of \$156,000."

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council accept the unit price submitted by Crestline Coach

Limited for the construction of six (6) cab enclosures for a total estimated contract of \$137,717.32 which includes the base tender,

G.S.T., and P.S.T.

ADOPTED.

# C4) 1992 Approved Operating Budget (File No. CC 1704-1)

Attached is a copy of the Approved 1992 Operating Budget Estimates for Council's information.

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

ADOPTED.

## C5) Provincial Budget, 1992-1993 (File No. CC 1700-3)

On May 7, 1992, the Honourable E. Tchorzewski, Minister of Finance, tabled the Provincial Budget. The following items directly affect our municipality:

#### 1. Community Builds Program - Provincial Capital Grant

The budget eliminated the Community Builds Program and as a result there are no funds available from the Provincial Government for any of our capital projects. The 1992 City Capital Budget was based on the understanding that the Province would provide \$2.2M for new capital projects in 1992. As a result of this shortfall, certain approved capital projects will have to be delayed, deferred or cancelled. Administratively, we will be preparing a report for Council, as soon as possible, so that Council can approve a revised Capital Budget.

#### 2. Education and Health Tax

This tax is to increase from 7% to 8% effective midnight, May 7, 1992. As a consumer of goods, it is estimated that this increase will cost the Corporation \$360,000 on an annual basis, or \$240,000 for the remainder of 1992.

#### 3. <u>Increase in Taxes on Gasoline and Diesel Fuel</u>

As we purchase 6.6M litres of fuel per year, this increase of  $3\phi$  a litre will cost the City approximately \$200,000 per annum. The increased cost for 1992 will be \$135,000.

#### 4. Grant to Meewasin Valley Authority

The Provincial grant to the M.V.A. has been cut by 5%. If the legislation authorizing the cut applies to the City, our grant will be cut by 5% or approximately \$30,000.

#### 5. Transit Disabled Assistance

The Province has increased the funds available by 15% for the purchase of replacement vehicles under the Transportation for the Disabled Program. The cost of these vehicles is shared equally with the City. We will require further information before we can deal with the implications of this increase.

#### 6. <u>Library Grant</u>

The Provincial Government has cut the grant to public libraries. Although our Library does

not know its exact reduction, it is anticipated to be in the range of \$90,000.

#### 7. Centre of the Arts Grant

The Province is again providing \$550,000 to the Centre of the Arts, while the Centennial Auditorium received no provincial funding.

#### 8. <u>Provincial Staffing - Saskatoon</u>

Although yet to be confirmed, it appears that the offices of Science and Technology and the Buy Saskatchewan Agency will be dramatically downsized in Saskatoon. The exact staffing strength remaining in Saskatoon is unknown at this time.

The Province appears to have allocated \$1,000,000 in the budget for the Energy Institute. Again, more detail will be required to determine the staffing impact to these funds.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**: 1

- 1) that the information be received; and,
- 2) that the Administration report further on a proposed revised 1992 Capital Budget.

#### IT WAS RESOLVED: 1)

that the information be received;

- 2) that the Administration report further on a proposed revised 1992 Capital Budget;
- 3) that the matter of E&H Tax on direct agents be referred to the Administration for a report;
- 4) that the matter of Venture Capital Corporations that are Saskatchewan labour intensive and the Community Builds Program be referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee for review and report; and
- 5) that the Legislation and Finance Committee review the budget report and report to Council as it sees fit.

#### Section D - Services

#### D1) Routine Reports Submitted to City Council

SUBJECT FROM TO

Schedule of Accounts Paid \$4,554,396.19 (File No. CC 1530-2)	April 14, 1992	April 22, 1992
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$418,286.09 (File No. CC 1530-2)	April 22, 1992	April 24, 1992
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$1,557,558.98 (File No. CC 1530-2)	April 22, 1992	April 28, 1992
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$388,791.53 (File No. CC 1530-2)	April 28, 1992	April 30, 1992
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$4,566,971.99 (File No. CC 1530-2)	April 28, 1992	May 5, 1992
Business Tax - General License (copy attached) (File No. CC 435-13)	March 1, 1992	March 31, 1992
Property Tax Collections (copy attached) (File No. 435-8)	March 1, 1992	March 31, 1992
Statement of Residential & Miscellaneous Lot Sales (copy attached) (File No. CC 435-2)	April 1, 1992	April 30, 1992

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

ADOPTED.

D2) Policy 02-025 Civic Advertising - Newspapers (File No. CC 366-1)

Report of the Manager, Audit Services, April 29, 1992:

"Policy 02-025, 'Civic Advertising - Newspapers' was last updated on March 12, 1984. This policy deals primarily with the tendering and awarding of the Corporation's contract with its advertising agency.

Most of the statements in the Policy, with the exception of subsections 4.3(b) and (c), reflect generally accepted management practice and as such, do not warrant a formal policy. The following sections, which address the selection of an Advertising Agency and the contract duration, should be incorporated into City Policy 02-003, 'Purchasing of Goods and Services':

- 4.3 (b) Selection of the Advertising Agency will be made by the City Commissioner based on the recommendation(s) of the Manager, Central Purchasing and Stores.
- 4.3 (c) The contract shall not exceed two years. This does not preclude an agency from being awarded a subsequent contract for similar services.

It is therefore recommended that Policy 02-025 be rescinded and the above two statements be incorporated into Policy 02-003, 'Purchasing of Goods and Services'."

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that City Council rescind Policy 02-025, "Civic Advertisements Newspapers"; and,
- 2) that Section 4.3(b) and 4.3(c) of Policy 02-025, "Civic Advertisements Newspapers" be incorporated into Policy 02-003, "Purchasing of Goods and Services".

ADOPTED.

#### REPORT NO. 10-1992 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Alderman K. Waygood, Chairman Alderman G. Penner Alderman P. McCann

# 1. Silverspring Neighbourhood Design Plan (File No. CK. 4131-7)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 18.

2. Communications to Council

From: Lorna Shaw-Lennox, Coordinator

The Partnership

Date: undated

Subject: Requesting use of the area in Kiwanis Park

around the Bandshell on Saturday, May 30, 1992,

for the SunArt Handcraft Fair

(File CK. 205-1)

City Council considered the above communication at its meeting held on April 27, 1992 and the matter was referred to the Planning and Development Committee for consideration at its next meeting.

The application to book the requested area in Kiwanis Park was originally considered and was denied by the Leisure Services Department as noted in the attached report of the Director of Planning and Development dated April 28, 1992. The Department determined that this event focused on the sale of fine crafts by individual craftspersons. City of Saskatoon Policy No. C10-004 (Use of Parks for Concessions, Private and Special Events) states (in part) that:

The Administration shall have the authority to approve the use of municipal parks for special events and to approve the erecting of any temporary structures provided that:

the event is not for profit and is sponsored by a recognized charitable, recreational or service organization...'.

The Planning and Development Committee has met with Lorna Shaw-Lennox, Coordinator of the SunArt Handcraft Fair, and has determined that the park atmosphere is important to the event and its participants, that it has been a successful event in parks in other cities (e.g. Wascana Park in Regina for the past 19 years) and that unless it is held in a park this event will not continue into the future in Saskatoon. The Fair is self-supporting and provides entertainment as well as the sale of crafts. The crafters must go through a jury process in order to qualify for the Fair which maintains quality control.

The Committee would like to see this event continue in Saskatoon, although it could mean a relocation to the South Downtown riverbank site in future years. (This area would need some improvements in order to make it suitable for an event such as this, and the Committee is pursuing a report from the Administration on this matter). The Committee is also pursuing Administrative comments on including an event such as this in Policy C10-004 referenced above. In the meantime, the Committee supports this request and

#### **RECOMMENDS:**

that the request from The Partnership for the use of the area in Kiwanis Park around the Bandshell on Saturday, May 30, 1992 for the SunArt Handcraft Fair be approved for this year, subject to any administrative conditions, and with the understanding that the Fair will be for Saskatchewan crafters and that there will be no admission charge for anyone to be in the park area.

ADOPTED.

# 3. Proposed Rezoning - Pleasant Hill (File No. CK. 4351-1)

At its meeting held on March 30, 1992, City Council held a hearing into Proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendments in the Pleasant Hill Neighbourhood, and Council passed all of the Bylaws, with the exception of Proposed Bylaw No. 7279. This Bylaw was given two readings on March 30, and when it was placed back before Council on April 13, 1992, a motion for third reading was defeated. Attached is a copy of Proposed Bylaw No. 7279 for reference purposes.

Your Committee notes that the reason the third reading for Bylaw No. 7279 did not pass, was with respect to concerns raised by the property owner of only one of the four properties identified for rezoning, namely Lot A, Plan No. 60-S-08336 - United Grain Growers. Your Committee is pursuing a further report from the Administration to address the concerns of the owner of this property, and has determined that in the meantime the rezoning for the remaining three properties in this proposed Bylaw need not be held up.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

1) that City Council approve the advertising respecting the proposal to amend the Zoning Map, which forms part of Bylaw No. 6772, to incorporate the following changes as to zone:

- A) The following lands be rezoned from I.D.1 District to RM2 District:
  - a) Lot 1, Block 10, Plan No. FV; and
  - b) Lot 5 except the most Northerly 10 feet in perpendicular width throughout, and Lots 6 & 7, Block 9, Plan No. FV.
- B) The following lands be rezoned from I.D.1 District to M.2 District:
  - a) Lots 8-14 inclusive, Block 22, Plan No. FV.
- 2) that the City Planner be requested to prepare the required notice for advertising the proposed amendment; and
- 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the required Bylaw for consideration by City Council.
- IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that City Council approve the advertising respecting the proposal to amend the Zoning Map, which forms part of Bylaw No. 6772, to incorporate the following changes as to zone:
  - A) The following lands be rezoned from I.D.1 District to RM2 District:
    - a) Lot 1, Block 10, Plan No. FV, and
    - b) Lot 5 except the most Northerly 10 feet in perpendicular width throughout, and Lots 6 & 7, Block 9, Plan No. FV, and
  - B) The following lands be rezoned from I.D.1 District to M.2 District:
    - a) Lots 8-14 inclusive, Block 22, Plan

No. FV;

- 2) that the City Planner be requested to prepare the required notice for advertising the proposed amendment;
- 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the required Bylaw for consideration by City Council; and
- 4) that the Administration provide a further report at the time of the public hearing.
- 4. Comprehensive Audit
  Planning Department
  Building Standards Branch
  (File No. CK. 1600-4)

Report of Director of Planning and Development, April 9, 1992:

"During its February 17, 1992, meeting, City Council considered a report from the Audit Committee concerning the comprehensive audit of the Planning Department's Building Standards Branch. At that time, City Council resolved:

- 1) that the 1992 Budget for the Building Standards Branch be reduced by a further 2.0 inspectors for annual cost savings to the Corporation of \$89,800;
- 2) that the 1992 Operating Budget for the Building Standards Branch include additional annual savings of approximately \$65,800, on an annualized basis, by flattening the organization structure;
- 3) that the Administration be instructed to proceed with introduction of a mandatory inspection program;
- 4) that Occupancy Permits become mandatory for all buildings, except one and two-unit dwellings;
- 5) that the Administration be directed to bring forward recommendations for permit fee increases in 1992 and subsequent years in order for the program to achieve break-even status by 1994;

- 6) that the average inspections per permit standard be reduced to 6.0 under a mandatory inspection program;
- 7) that a productivity standard of 12.0 daily inspections per inspector (i.e. average) be adopted under a mandatory inspection program;
- 8) that City Council endorse all of the remaining recommendations contained in the Report;
- 9) that the Administration prepare and table with City Council, on or before April 30, 1992, a comprehensive Implementation Plan following the format outlined in Section IV of the report; and
- 10) that the Administration take appropriate action to implement the recommendations contained in the report.'

I am writing to the Committee to ask for its support of a request, by me, to defer taking action on certain aspects of this report. My reasons for this request are as follows:

- The audit report was prepared during the period of my secondment to the Provincial Government. While I accept responsibility for implementing City Council's February 17, 1992, directives arising from the audit, the first opportunity that I was given to read and to consider the report occurred following my return to the City on March 9, 1992. It was necessary for me to take the time to understand not only the report, but also the response of the Audit Committee and City Council to the report's recommendations.
- The senior management of the Planning Department will be changing as a result of the retirement, at the end of April, of the current City Planner. As has occurred following the appointment of other department heads within my Division, the first assignment which I will be giving to the new City Planner will be to review the management and administrative structure, policies, and procedures of the Planning Department and to provide me with recommendations on whether any changes should be made. City Council's resolutions (particularly the one pertaining to establishing an implementation plan by no later than April 30, 1992) precludes an opportunity for the new City Planner and for me to consider such changes within a total departmental and divisional context. If the new City Planner is not given an opportunity to comment and perhaps to suggest alternatives in addressing the comprehensive audit of the Building Standards Branch, as well as the audits which are also being undertaken of the Development Control Branch and of the Design and Long-range Planning Branch, this individual's management responsibility and

accountability will have been compromised.

• On February 17, 1992, and as a result of its review of the audit report, City Council instructed the Administration `to proceed with [the] introduction of a mandatory inspection program'. It should be noted that this is not what was recommended by the Audit Services Department. The audit report states that `mandatory inspections should be seriously considered as an alternative to the current cyclical system'. The report indicates differences of opinion on the implementation of mandatory inspections, notably among builders who are not familiar with the procedures that are involved in such inspections. On March 30, 1992, the Saskatoon Home Builders' Association wrote to City Council and expressed concerns about not being consulted when the decision was made on this matter. I spoke to the Association's Executive Director and advised him of my request for a deferral on the submission of an implementation plan. I agreed to meet with his organization and to discuss the implications of implementing a mandatory-inspections program. I also encouraged him to provide me with more detailed comments on his Association's concerns.

In light of the preceding, I am asking if the resolution concerning the date for submitting an implementation plan could be changed from April 30, 1992, to October 31, 1992. This should give the new City Planner sufficient time to consider the various audit reports and to prepare, with my involvement, a strategic plan and 1993 budget for the Department (which includes recommendations concerning the implementation of various matters arising from the audit reports)."

Your Committee has considered this matter and

#### **RECOMMENDS:**

that the date for submitting a comprehensive implementation plan arising from the audit of the Planning Department's Building Standards Branch be changed from April 30, 1992 to October 31, 1992.

ADOPTED.

5. Forestry Farm Park and Zoo Entrance Fee -- Vehicles (Files CK. 4205-8 and 1720-3)

Report of Director of Planning and Development dated April 23, 1992:

"During the past several years, the Planning and Development Division has been attempting

to obtain a clear statement from City Council on the future of the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo. Recent capital projects have been undertaken to support the existing zoo and its current programming strategy. City Council has approved all previous components of this capital program, including the recent installation of municipal water and sewer services to the site.

The final component of this capital program is the animal quarantine and clinic facility on which City Council has indefinitely deferred making a financing decision. The Division continues to believe that this facility is a critical support service to the current Zoo's operations. It is required from an animal-health perspective and for protecting the City's investment in the animals which are currently housed at this facility. Contrary to statements which have been made by some members of City Council, our position on this facility is not driven by an intent by the Administration to expand the current programs and operations at the Zoo or by pressures from the external agents who have granted the facility its current accreditation designation. Rather, our position represents an attempt to maintain the animals at the Zoo in a responsible and humane manner.

The City's Administration has been receiving mixed direction on the future of the Zoo. There appears to be some support for closing all or a significant part of the Zoo. The rationale for this support appears to be related to the financial priorities of the City and a desire to reduce or eliminate the extent to which this facility is financed by municipal taxes. While some members of City Council suggested that this facility should be financed to a greater extent from users' charges, this was not sufficiently supported by City Council as a whole to result in an adjustment to the 1992 Operating Budget of the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo. In the final analysis, expenditure reductions and service cuts were adopted.

The Planning and Development Division has expended considerable time and effort in attempting to identify Council's direction on this facility. Numerous reports and a formal program plan have been prepared and submitted to City Council.

In order to try to clarify the situation, the following April 21, 1992 report has been prepared by the Leisure Services Department. The report recommends a change in the financing philosophy of the entire Forestry Farm Park and Zoo. While there are some concerns about the implementation of this proposal, it should be recognized that the Administration is bringing this report forward at this time in an attempt to facilitate the achievement of a consensus among all members of City Council on the future of this facility. Because of the context within which this report has been prepared, there is a concern that City Council, the news media, and general public will become side-tracked on the implementation technicalities of the proposal. Hopefully, the discussion will focus on the following issues (with the implementation concerns being addressed after the more fundamental considerations have been resolved):

- City Council needs to decide whether the Zoo will continue to operate in its current format and if it is, to ensure that the City is treating the animals in a responsible and humane manner
- If the current level of tax-support for the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo is 'excessive' and if the facility is to be maintained at its current level of service, financing alternatives should be considered by City Council.
- If the general public supports the Zoo, it should be prepared to demonstrate that support. If City Council's primary concern with the Zoo is with respect to its financial impact on the City's budget, then the public's support should be demonstrated in a financial context (eg. users' charges, donations, etc.).

The following report, while specific in its recommendations, will hopefully provide greater direction on City Council's perspective on the future of this facility.

Report of the General Manager, Leisure Services Department, April 21, 1992:

The Leisure Services Department has been investigating several initiatives which would increase revenues at the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo. A number of these initiatives were identified in a February 5, 1992, report to the Planning and Development Committee concerning the potential reduction of services at the Zoo and the requirements for an on-site animal clinic and quarantine facility. The pertinent portion of this report has been reproduced and is attached. (See Appendix A.)

The initiatives identified in the February 5, 1992, report took a two-pronged approach to improving revenues at the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo:

- directly, by increasing revenues through expanded services, new initiatives, and fees for services currently provided at no charge; and,
- indirectly, by increasing the number of users that have diverse interests, through additions and/or improvements to the existing program opportunities at the site.

The Forestry Farm Park and Zoo is comprised of a number of program features such as a zoo and botanical gardens, as well as the 'south park' which features picnicking areas, horticultural displays, and recreational spaces for play. Currently, admission revenues are collected to offset the cost of operating the Zoo. No revenues are

collected to offset the south park components.

Unless fees are implemented to offset the cost of operating all aspects of the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo, the long-term financial viability of this facility will continue to rely solely on property-tax subsidies. In light of recent decisions by City Council, this source of funding can no longer be expected to remain at current levels, much less to increase in the future.

In order to effect an immediate improvement to the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo's revenue position, an entrance charge at the main gate of \$2.00 per vehicle is being proposed for implementation beginning with the 1992 summer season. (This charge will be in addition to the existing fees charged for entry to the Zoo.) People who wish to enter the park by means other than a vehicle (eg. by foot) will continue to access the facility at no charge. There is a limited number of parking spaces (approximately thirty spaces) available outside the main gates for those who do not wish to pay the vehicle charge and who wish to walk into the facility. However, these spaces will not be maintained as an all-weather parking area.

The Leisure Services Department recommends allocating the funds generated from the vehicle charge in the following manner:

• Sixty percent of the revenue should be allocated to a new capital reserve which can be used to fund expenditures aimed at expanding, improving, or developing program opportunities throughout the entire facility (e.g. displays, visitor reception area, playground equipment). This reserve is meant to fund program improvements that directly serve the public. It is not contemplated to apply these funds towards the financing of support activities, such as the clinic/quarantine facility.

The development of a capital reserve will reduce the future demands of the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo on tax-supported capital funding. Additional financial requirements beyond the capability of this reserve would require fund-raising efforts by special interest groups and/or individuals who wish to support the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo.

The creation of a capital improvement reserve will challenge those special interest groups and individuals who support the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo to generate the supplementary funds that are required to achieve future improvements throughout the whole facility. It will still demonstrate a willingness on the part of the City of Saskatoon to work co-operatively towards achieving these goals.

• The remaining forty percent of the proceeds from the vehicle fee should be brought into the Operating Budget as a program revenue and be applied as financing for the costs of operating the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo, particularly those costs which are associated with the south park component of the site.

The concept of a vehicle charge at the main gate has been discussed with the Saskatoon Regional Zoological Society and a motion to support the concept was passed at the Society's executive meeting which was held on April 7, 1992.'

One of the possible implications of introducing the vehicle entrance-charge is that there might be a large amount of vehicles parked in the areas adjacent to and along the roadway leading to the main gate to the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo. As the Silverspring Neighbourhood is developed, there may also be more vehicles brought into and parked on the residential streets by individuals who do not want to pay the \$2.00 vehicle charge. At this time, it is not possible to speculate on the extent to which this might be a problem, particularly for the residents of the Silverspring Neighbourhood. Obviously, if the new charge is introduced, the impact will be monitored and appropriate adjustments will be recommended for implementation."

Your Committee has considered this matter and

#### **RECOMMENDS:**

- 1) that the concept of charging an entrance fee for vehicles at the main gate of the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo be approved during the period of April 16 to October 14 of each year;
- 2) that a charge of \$2.00 per vehicle become effective on June 1, 1992;
- 3) that the net revenues (less all start-up costs and operating costs of the booth) from the vehicle charge at the main gate of the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo be allocated as follows:
  - a) sixty percent will be transferred to a new capital development reserve for program improvements to the entire Forestry Farm Park and Zoo;
  - b) forty percent will be treated as a program revenue of the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo and will be applied as financing for the operating expenses of the Forestry Farm Park and

#### Zoo; and

4) that the Saskatoon Regional Zoological Society be authorized to operate the booth at the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo for collecting the vehicle entrance fee, on behalf of the City and as part of the Society's existing concession contract.

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Item No. 27 of "Communications" was brought forward and considered.

- IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that the concept of charging an entrance fee for vehicles at the main gate of the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo be approved during the period of April 16 to October 14 of each year;
  - 2) that a charge of \$2.00 per vehicle become effective on June 1, 1992;
  - 3) that the net revenues (less all start-up costs and operating costs of the booth) from the vehicle charge at the main gate of the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo be allocated as follows:
    - a) sixty percent will be transferred to a new capital development reserve for program improvements to the entire Forestry Farm Park and Zoo, and
    - b) forty percent will be treated as a program revenue of the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo and will be applied as financing for the operating expenses of the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo; and
  - 4) that the Saskatoon Regional Zoological Society be authorized to operate the booth at the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo for collecting the vehicle entrance fee, on behalf of the City and as part of the Society's existing concession contract.

#### REPORT NO. 11-1992 OF THE LEGISLATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

# Composition of Committee

Alderman P. Mostoway, Chairman Alderman M.T. Cherneskey, Q.C. Alderman M. Thompson

# 1. Assistance to Community Groups - Cash Grants - 1992 Cultural and Sport Components (Files CK. 1871-2 and 1871-5)

Policy C03-018 ("Assistance to Community Groups") establishes the criteria and requirements with respect to the provision of financial assistance to community groups in the areas of culture, sport, recreation and social services. The global funding for 1992 for the program is based on \$1.82 per capita, based on the previous year's Saskatchewan Health Services Plan population for Saskatoon. The grant distribution is as follows:

Components	% Distribution	Available Funds
Cultural	30	\$ 98,900.00
Sport	22	72,500.00
Social Services	42	138,500.00
Recreation	3	9,800.00
Contingency	_3	9,800.00
G ,	100	\$329,500.00

Attached are the following summaries prepared by the Subcommittees established to assist the Legislation and Finance Committee in its review of the applications:

Appendix A Cultural (Cultural Advisory Subcommittee)

Appendix B Sport (Saskatoon Sports Council)

Your Committee has reviewed with the Cultural Advisory Subcommittee its recommended allocations. In addition, the Subcommittees as well as the applicants have been informed of this Committee's recommendations to Council.

The applications are available for review in the City Clerk's Office.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- that the recommendations (including the provision that funding for festivals be paid out at the conclusion of the event for applicants 99, 100, 101, 102, 104 and 105) as outlined on attached Appendix A for the cultural component of the 1992 Assistance to Community Groups Cash Grants Program, be approved; and
- 2) that the recommendations as outlined in attached Appendix B for the Sport Component of the 1992 Assistance to Community Groups Cash Grants Program, be approved.

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Items 7, 16, 17, 18, 21, 22 and 25 of "Communications" were brought forward and considered.

Moved by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT Council hear those persons who requested to be heard under "Communications".

#### CARRIED.

Mr. Richard Cassidy, President of the Saskatoon Nordic Ski Club, answered questions of Council.

Mr. Grant Currie, President of the Saskatoon Jazz Society, informed Council of what the Jazz Society does and indicated that the Society appreciates Council's financial contribution.

Mr. Jack Lazariuk, Chairman of Nightcap Productions, provided Council with a written submission. Mr. Henry Woolf and Ms. Dawn Martin of Nightcap Productions, expressed concern with respect to the impact of a reduction in funding, and addressed issues that need to be dealt with through a Municipal Arts Policy.

Ms. Mona Chappell, Chairman of the Saskatchewan Jazz Festival, requested Council to concur with the recommendations put forth by the Legislation and Finance Committee, and also requested that Council waive the rental fee for the community stage and the showmobile.

- IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that the recommendations (including the provision that funding for festivals be paid out at the conclusion of the event for applicants 99, 100, 101, 102, 104 and 105) as outlined on attached Appendix A for the cultural component of the 1992 Assistance to Community Groups Cash Grants Program, be approved;
  - 2) that the recommendations as outlined in attached Appendix B for the Sport Component of the 1992 Assistance to Community Groups - Cash Grants Program, be approved; and
  - 3) that the matter of additional funding with respect to applicant 63 outlined in Appendix B for the sport component of the 1992 Assistance to Community Groups Cash Grants Program, (Nordic Ski Club) be referred back to the Legislation and Finance Committee.

# 2. Request for Exemption from Amusement Tax Saskatoon Shrine Club - Shrine Circus (File No. CK. 1910-2)

Report of the City Treasurer, April 27, 1992:

"The attached application for exemption from Amusement Tax has been received from The Saskatoon Shrine Club as it relates to the 1992 Shrine Circus May 7 to 9, 1992. The organization's financial statement for the 1991 Circus has been provided.

The significant figures from the financial statement are as follows:

1991 1990
Total Income \$129,505 \$146,602

Total Expenses 114,996 108,353

\$ 14,509 \$ 38,249

Estimated amount of Amusement Tax -  $$116,600 \times 9\% = $10,500$ 

According to the applicant, surplus earnings are used to purchase smoke detectors for distribution in co-operation with the Fire Department, clowns at Camp Easter Seal, Crippled Children's Day at the Exhibition, clowns Christmas gifts to children in the hospital, etc.

City Council has the authority under <u>The Amusement Tax Bylaw</u> to exempt this event from Amusement Tax on the grounds that it is an entertainment, the receipts of which are for charitable purposes. Similar requests in previous years have received favourable consideration.

The organization's request for exemption in 1991, received the approval of Council."

**RECOMMENDATION:** that The Saskatoon Shrine Club be exempted from Amusement Tax for the Shrine Circus '92 to be held May 7 to 9, 1992, inclusive.

ADOPTED.

3. Investment Manager's Report -First Quarter of 1992 (File No. CK. 1790-3)

Your Committee has considered the attached Investment Manager's Report for the First Quarter of 1992.

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

ADOPTED.

4. Silverspring Neighbourhood Design Plan (File No. CK. 4131-7)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 18.

#### REPORT NO. 9-1992 OF THE WORKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Alderman O. Mann, Chairman Alderman M. Hawthorne Alderman D.L. Birkmaier Alderman B. Dyck

# 1. Silverspring Neighbourhood Design Plan (File No. CK. 4131-7)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 18.

# 2. Capital Project Closures (File No. CK. 1703)

Report of the City Engineer, April 6, 1992:

"The following projects are complete and require Council approval for closure under Policy No. 03-001, 3.7 c) i), which states:

The City Commissioner may approve over-expenditures of capital projects up to a maximum of 10% of the project cost estimate approved in the Capital Budget or 10% of one mill (whichever is the lesser), subject to identifying an appropriate source of funding for the over-expenditure from other than current year's general revenues. All other over-expenditures require Council approval.':

	Approved IR Funding	Actual Cost	Over Expenditure
1) Project No. 837.1 Paved Lane Rehab-Infra- 1989	\$50,000	\$59,698.82	\$ 9,698.82
2) Project No. 837.8 Paved Lane Rehab-Infra- 1990	\$50,000	\$58,674.47	\$ 8,674.47
3) Project No. 837.9 Paved Lane Rehab-Infra- 1991	\$50,000	\$60,732.86	\$10,732.86

The lanes completed under the Paved Lane Rehabilitation Program required extra work to repair surface failures and correct minor drainage problems. Asphalt thickness was increased in places resulting in an overrun of the approved budget.

	Approved	Actual	Over
	RCE Funding	Cost	Expenditure
4) Project No. 959.1 Boundary Road Program - 1991	\$100,000	\$118,963.47	\$18,963.47

The approved budget was exceeded as a result of a change in scope on two of the sub-projects. Specifically, the paving on 115th Street was extended by half a block to correspond to the existing curb. In addition, the asphalt thickness on 115th Street from Egbert Avenue to the railroad crossing was increased to carry transit buses. On the 33rd Street sub-project, an additional area at Steeves Avenue was paved to accommodate turning movements and to properly tie into existing asphalt.

	Approved IR Funding	Actual Cost	Over Expenditure
5) Project No. 960.1 Pavement Restoration Program - 1991	\$300,000.00	\$351,186.66	\$51,186.66

The quantities estimated for a program such as this are based on averages experienced on similar projects. As work proceeds, the quantities per block of street are monitored in relation to the estimated quantities. In this case, the actual quantities were exceeding the estimated quantities and at 70 percent of completion, the scope of the program was reduced to reflect this. The reduced program was then completed. Later, it was found that the information on which the reduction was made proved to be incomplete, thus resulting in an over-expenditure.

Returns of \$787,531 to the Infrastructure Reserve are pending and not reflected in the current deficit balance of \$57,637."

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that the over-expenditures for Capital Projects 837.1, 837.8, 837.9, and 960.1 for a total of \$80,292.81 be funded from the Infrastructure Reserve; and
- 2) that the over-expenditure for Capital Project 959.1 in the amount of \$18,963.47 be funded from the Reserve for Capital Expenditures.

ADOPTED.

# 3. Water Softening (File No. CK. 7920-1)

City Council, at its special budget review meeting held on March 14, 1992, during consideration of the budget of water softening, resolved, in part, that the question of water softening be referred to the Works and Utilities Committee for review and report.

Report of the Manager, Water & Pollution Control Department, April 28, 1992:

"The following information summarizes the circumstances surrounding the softening process as it currently exists.

PROCESS

The City of Saskatoon's water treatment process includes a treatment step known as cold lime softening. Cold lime softening is a process that precipitates out carbonate, non-carbonate, calcium, and magnesium hardness from untreated water by adding appropriate dosages of calcium oxide (quick lime). Alum is also added to the water to agglomerate the finer precipitates into larger particles and thus improve the softening efficiency. The process can be selective with respect to the type and degree of hardness removal. The process utilized in Saskatoon is the simplest form of cold lime softening and only removes calcium bicarbonate hardness.

#### · PROCESS EQUIPMENT

Quick lime and alum are stored on site in a building designed specifically for chemical storage and handling. The lime, which is stored in 4 - 3.75 m dia. x 3.78 m high silos, is vibrated into flow proportional gravimetric chemical feeders which are set at predetermined dosages. The quick lime is slaked (water added, heat liberated, and grit/impurities removed) into a slurry that is pumped to the treatment units.

Alum is stored in 2 - 34,000 litre fibreglass tanks and is pumped directly to the treatment units by flow proportional chemical pumps. The lime slurry and alum are added to the mixing chambers of three solids contact clarifiers. The clarifiers are each capable of processing approximately 100,000 m<sup>3</sup> of raw water per day. The CaCO<sub>3</sub> precipitates that are formed in the mixing chambers are settled to the bottom of the clarifiers while the softened water is removed at the top. The softened water then flows by gravity to the filtration plant. The precipitated solids are discharged directly to the river.

#### PROCESS COSTS

Determining operating and maintenance costs attributable solely to the softening process is complicated by the fact that lime and alum would be fed to the raw water for general clarification and corrosion control even if the softening process was discontinued

Current annual softening costs are estimated as follows:

Chemicals

Lime	\$342,000
Alum	240,000
Maintenance/Operating	
Equipment	25,000
Power	12,000
Labour 75,000	
	\$694,000

In addition to operating costs there are capital costs attributable to the softening process. Replacement costs spread over a 20 year period for the feeder and clarifier systems have been estimated to be approximately \$35,000 (1992 dollars) per year.

Sludge disposal costs are minimal as the softening sludges are simply discharged directly into the river. The 1992 Capital Budget has included a provision for the design and construction of a sludge reclamation and disposal system. The project is scheduled for completion in 1996 and the estimated capital cost is \$3,040,000 (1992 dollars). The total annual cost (operating and capital) over a 20 year capital recovery period, beginning in 1996, has been estimated to be approximately \$300,000 (1992 dollars).

#### WATER QUALITY

While the water treatment process obviously results in an overall improvement in water quality, the softening process is basically designed to reduce hardness and hardness related parameters. Average values for the parameters effected by the softening process are shown below.

	Raw	Treated
Total Hardness	184	133
Carbonates	6	13
Bicarbonates	145	78

Calcium	48	29
Total Dissolved Solids	346	210
PH	8.54	8.95

#### PROCESS BENEFITS

When the softening process was introduced some thirty years ago its main purpose was to deal with high turbidities in the river. The softening benefits, while incidental, were significant as hardness reductions in excess of 150 mg/L were often realized. The construction of the Gardiner Dam and treatment changes that have occurred over the past number of years have resulted in a softening process that seldom realizes more than a 50 mg/L hardness reduction.

Theoretically the magnitude of benefits from hardness reduction varies directly with the amount of hardness being removed. Benefits such as soap savings, clothing life, reduced scaling, and hot water heating savings can be as high as 50 percent when water softeners are used. Water softeners, however, reduce hardness to levels below 5 mg/L. The benefits from reducing water hardness from 170 mg/L to 120 mg/L, as is the case with the City's softening process, are slight. In fact most commercial and industrial operations that require soft water require water with hardness levels below 120 mg/L and thus must incur the costs of private water softening systems regardless of the City's process. The City's process will reduce the regeneration costs of these systems by approximately 30 percent.

A more important benefit from a water quality perspective which cannot be quantified, is the success of the present treatment process. The current combination of lime and alum produces a high quality water with low turbidities which reduces filter loads and ensures maximum bacteria and virus removal. The process consistently produces a clear, potable and safe water.

In addition, the existing softening process is also effective in the prevention of corrosion within the distribution system. The magnitude of the benefits of corrosion control within distribution systems are well documented universally. The importance of corrosion control with respect to water quality may well be more important. Corrosion by-products such as lead, copper, zinc and cadmium are currently recognized as significant contaminants in potable water. Regulatory agencies throughout the world are redefining the maximum acceptable guidelines for these contaminants and encouraging the use of processes such as cold lime softening."

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

ADOPTED.

4. Proposed Bus Stop
For Route 1 on Sundays and Holidays
38th Street and Avenue D
(File No. CK. 7311-1)

Report of the Transit Manager, April 30, 1992:

"Approval was given by City Council at its meeting held on March 26, 1992, for Route 1 to travel via 38th Street from Idylwyld Drive to Avenue I on Sundays and holidays.

A new bus stop, located on flankage adjacent to church property, is required for the new Sunday routing."

Diagrams indicating the location of the proposed new bus stop are attached.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the proposed new bus stop on 38th Street and Avenue D as indicated on the attached diagrams, be approved.

ADOPTED.

# REPORT NO. 1-1992 OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE TO REVIEW PROCEDURES OF COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Composition of Committee

Alderman O. Mann, Chairman Alderman G. Penner Alderman P. Mostoway Alderman D.L. Birkmaier

1. Order of Business
Regular Meetings of City Council
(File No. CK. 255-1)

#### Scheduling of Hearings

Section 23(2) of The Council Procedure Bylaw sets out the general order of business for regular meetings of City Council. Under this provision, hearings are scheduled under "Unfinished Business" following consideration of communications and reports of the City Commissioner and Committees. Due to the volume of communications and reports, these hearings are therefore often held quite late in the evening. On occasion a hearing has had to be re-scheduled, as the applicant was unable to remain in the gallery that long.

Your Committee is therefore recommending that hearings be held directly following approval of the minutes, with all remaining items following in their usual order. The order of business would therefore be:

- 1. Reading of Minutes
- 2. Hearings
- 3. Communications
- 4. Reports of Committees and Commissioner
- 5. Ouestion and Answer Period
- 6. Unfinished Business
- 7. Enquiries
- 8. Motions
- 9. Giving Notice
- 10. Introduction and Consideration of Bylaws

#### **Delegations**

Section 22(4) of The Council Procedure Bylaw allows delegations wishing to address Council a maximum of ten minutes per delegation. Your Committee is of the opinion that this time limit should be reduced to five minutes, but that the time limit for hearings remain at ten minutes.

**RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that the Order of Business for regular meetings of City Council be changed so that hearings are scheduled directly following approval of the minutes, with all remaining items

following in their usual order, and that the time limit for persons speaking to Council remain at ten minutes for hearings, but be five minutes for correspondence; and

2) that the City Solicitor prepare the appropriate bylaw amendment to effect the foregoing.

ADOPTED."

Moved by Alderman Penner, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

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

CARRIED.

#### **ENOUIRIES**

Alderman Penner: Could Council be provided with a copy of the documentation

between the Federal Government and the City of Saskatoon which was agreed to at the time the Forestry Farm was

transferred to City control. (File No. CK. 4205-8)

Alderman Birkmaier: Would the Administration please monitor and report the usage of

parking in parking lots adjacent to Kinsmen Park and Mendel

Art Gallery?

(File No. CK. 6122-1)

Alderman Birkmaier: Would the Personnel and Organization Committee please review and

report who receives free parking as civic employees? Would the Committee further review the feasibility of charging for

this service?

(File No. CK. 6121-1)

Alderman McCann:	Will the Administration please consider and report on the feasibility and desirability of providing the opportunity for residents to pay city taxes in ten or more equal installments over the course of the year and including the use of electronic funds transfer for city tax payment.  (File No. CK. 1930-1)
Alderman Cherneskey:	Would the Administration report with respect to the City's ability to regulate and control storage of inoperable vehicles on private properties in the city. I believe Regina has a bylaw in that regard.  (File No. CK. 4400-1)
Moved by Alderman Birkmai	er, Seconded by Alderman Thompson,
THAT the meeting stand adjo	ourned.
	CARRIED.
The meeting adjourned at 9:5	3 p.m.
Mayor	City Clerk