

Council Chambers
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, May 6, 2002
at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor, in the Chair;
Councillors Atchison, Fortosky, Heidt, McCann, Paulsen, Penner,
Roe, Steernberg, Swystun and Waygood;
City Manager Richards;
A/General Manager, Community Services Sully;
General Manager, Corporate Services Veltkamp;
General Manager, Infrastructure Services Uzelman;
General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Hewitt;
General Manager, Utility Services Munch;
City Solicitor Dust;
City Clerk Mann;
A/Councillors' Assistant Martens

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held on April 22, 2002 be approved.

CARRIED.

HEARINGS

- 2a) Proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment (Amendment to Zoning Agreement)
Parcel A, Block 358, Plan 60S21735
2310 Louise Street – South Nutana Park Neighbourhood
Applicant: Saskatchewan Abilities Council
M2 by Agreement
Proposed Bylaw No. 8111
(File No. CK. 4350-1)**
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REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8111, a copy of which is attached.

A copy of Notice which appeared in the local press under dates of April 13 and April 20, 2002 is attached.

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The following is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated March 27, 2002:

‘Your Commission has considered the attached report of the Community Services Department dated March 19, 2002, regarding a proposal to amend the contract zoning agreement for 2310 Louise Avenue to accommodate an addition to the offices of the Saskatchewan Abilities Council.

Upon review of this matter with the Community Services Department, your Commission supports the recommendation outlined in the above report that City Council approve the proposal to amend the contract zoning agreement for Parcel A, Block 358, Plan 60-S-21735 (2310 Louise Avenue) to accommodate an addition to the offices of the Saskatchewan Abilities Council.’”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, indicated the Department’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.

Ms. Colleen Yates, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, indicated the Commission’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Steernberg, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8111.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

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A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL

**1) Phil Miller, Chair
Municipal Employees Appreciation Week, dated April 19**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to Municipal Employees Appreciation Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that Phil Miller and Jim Cox be heard.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Phil Miller and Jim Cox be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Phil Miller, Chair, Municipal Employees Appreciation Week, requested Council to proclaim June 16 to 22, 2002 as Municipal Workers Appreciation Week in an effort to make the public aware that municipal workers provide a valuable service. Mr. Miller invited Council to attend any of the events that are planned for the week, including the Pancake Breakfast.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**2) Margaret Shearer, President, Community Health Services Association Ltd.
Kathleen Storrie, Saskatchewan Health Coalition, dated April 29**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to a resolution on Medicare.

RECOMMENDATION: that Kathleen Storrie and Evan Carlson be heard.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Kathleen Storrie and Evan Carlson be heard.

CARRIED.

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Ms. Kathleen Storrie, Saskatchewan Health Coalition, spoke with respect to the national campaign in support of Medicare. She outlined the activities planned, including a request to proclaim May 15, 2002 as National Public Medicare Day. Ms. Storrie distributed a copy of a brochure on public health care, as well as information regarding a Medicare Conference to be held on Saturday, May 25, 2002.

Mr. Evan Carlson, Community Clinic Board of Directors, outlined the importance of the Resolution on Medicare and asked for Council's support.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

1) THAT Council approve the following Resolution:

WHEREAS: The City of Saskatoon and Canadians alike pride ourselves on the fact that Canada has provided universal, publicly accessible health care to its citizens for over 30 years.

WHEREAS: The principles of the Canada Health Act are the basis upon which our public health system was formed and have provided public access to life saving and life enhancing care for over a generation.

WHEREAS: Canadians are challenged as we have never been before to protect, restore and upgrade where necessary our public Medicare system.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That Saskatoon City Council supports Canada's public health care system and the principles of the Canada Health Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That Saskatoon City Council calls upon the Romanow Commission, and federal and provincial governments to ensure that the principles of the Canada Health Act are maintained, and the public health care system is publicly delivered and upgraded where necessary, and that adequate public funding be provided to do so.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That Saskatoon City Council hereby proclaims May 15th, 2002, National Public Medicare Day in Saskatoon; and

2) That the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamation on behalf of City Council.

CARRIED.

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**3) Lisa M. Hill
338 Brock Crescent, dated April 30**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to Zoning Bylaw R1A and the zoning districts.

RECOMMENDATION: that Lisa Hill be heard.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Lisa Hill be heard.

CARRIED.

Ms. Lisa Hill, 338 Brock Crescent, spoke with respect to the Zoning Bylaw. She explained that she has been advised that her home does not comply with the Zoning Bylaw due to the number of appliances she has in her basement. She asked that Council review the issue as it relates to the appliances in her basement, and the methods used by inspectors who, in her opinion, invaded her home.

Ms. Hill provided Council with photographs of her home as well as copied correspondence.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

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

CARRIED.

**4. Jayne Horachek, Board Chair
Saskatoon Habitat for Humanity, dated May 1**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to securing land for future building by Habitat for Humanity.

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RECOMMENDATION: that Jayne Horachek be heard.

Moved by Councillor Steernberg, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Jayne Horachek be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Ian McLennan, Executive Director, Saskatoon Habitat for Humanity, spoke on behalf of Ms. Jayne Horachek. He explained that Habitat for Humanity works in partnership with low income families to alleviate poverty by providing basic affordable housing. Mr. McLennan asked Council to provide residential lots for sale to Habitat for Humanity.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the matter be referred to the Planning and Operations Committee.

CARRIED.

**5. Fran Ness
Fran's Gift Shop, dated May 4**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the proposed Transit Pass Workplace Discount Program. (File No. CK. 7312-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Clause 8, Report No. 5-2002 of the Planning and Operations Committee be brought forward and considered, and that Fran Ness be heard.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT Clauses 8, 9 and 10, Report No. 5-2002 of the Planning and Operations Committee be brought forward and considered, and that Fran Ness be heard.

CARRIED.

“REPORT NO. 5-2002 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

**8. Transit Pass Workplace Discount Program
(File No. CK. 7312-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Transit Pass Workplace Discount Program be approved; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to make appropriate revisions to the Transit Fares Bylaw.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the recommendations outlined in the attached report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department dated April 22, 2002, regarding the above proposed program.

**9. Complimentary July Bus Service
(File No. CK. 7312-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that free public transit, on regular and special needs vehicles, on each Sunday during the month of July, be approved; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to make appropriate revisions to the Transit Fares Bylaw.

Your Committee has considered and concurs with the recommendations outlined in the attached report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department dated April 22, 2002, with respect to the above matter.

**10. Off Peak Discount Transit Fare
(File No. CK. 7312-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Off Peak Discount Transit Fare program be approved for the month of August 2002, Monday to Friday between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to make appropriate revisions to the Transit Fares Bylaw.

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Your Committee has reviewed and supports the recommendations outlined in the attached report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department dated April 22, 2002, with respect to the above proposed program.”

Mr. Charlie Stolte, Transit Services Branch Manager, gave a presentation with respect to the transit pass workplace discount program, complimentary July bus service and off peak discount transit fares.

Ms. Fran Ness, Fran's Gift Shop, President, Downtown Merchants Association, expressed concerns regarding the transit pass workplace discount program proposal, in that only big businesses will benefit from the passes. She also spoke about the negative effect that the bus mall has had on the downtown.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

- 1) that the Transit Pass Workplace Discount Program be approved;*
- 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to make appropriate revisions to the Transit Fares Bylaw*
- 3) that free public transit, on regular and special needs vehicles, on each Sunday during the month of July, be approved;*
- 4) that the City Solicitor be instructed to make appropriate revisions to the Transit Fares Bylaw;*
- 5) that the Off Peak Discount Transit Fare program be approved for the month of August 2002, Monday to Friday between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.;*
- 6) that the City Solicitor be instructed to make appropriate revisions to the Transit Fares Bylaw; and*
- 7) that the matters raised by Ms. Ness be referred to the Planning and Operations Committee for a further report.*

CARRIED.

REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL - CONTINUED

6. **Kathy Mahar**
921 Avenue T North, dated May 5

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to school and playground zones. (File No. CK. 5200-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that Clause 2, Report No. 6-2002 of the Executive Committee be brought forward and considered and that Kathy Mahar be heard.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Clause 2, Report No. 6-2002 of the Executive Committee be brought forward and considered and that Kathy Mahar be heard.

CARRIED.

“REPORT NO. 6-2002 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

2. **Traffic Calming Measures/Reduced Speeds**
School and Playground Zones
(File No. CK. 5200-5)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Administration proceed with the implementation of reduced speed limits in elementary and secondary school zones in 2002;
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare an amendment to Bylaw No. 7200, The Traffic Bylaw, describing the reduced limits in school and playground zones;
 - 3) that a formal policy be developed regarding the implementation of reduced speed limits in school and playground zones as described in the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services, dated April 23, 2002 and as amended above; and
 - 4) that the Administration report further with respect to reduced speed zones in stand-alone playground areas.

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Attached is a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services, dated April 23, 2002. (The attachments to the report have previously been submitted to Council members, and are not being re-copied. They are available for viewing in the City Clerk's Office.)

Your Committee has reviewed this report, and supports the recommendation of the Administration that consultation take place with each school regarding the best location for a reduced speed zone for that particular school, rather than the application of a rigid policy to each school, regardless of unique considerations. It is felt, however, that secondary schools should be included now, rather than the staged approach recommended by the Administration. Playgrounds abutting schoolyards will be included in the school zones; however stand-alone playgrounds will be the subject of a further report from the Administration.

Upon approval of the above recommendation, the Administration will proceed immediately with implementation of the reduced speed zones so that all of the signing is in place by the start of the new school year in September, 2002."

Ms. Kathy Mahar, 921 Avenue T North, spoke with respect to school and playground reduced speed zones. She thanked Council for looking into this and hearing both sides and explained that the most important thing is safety of children in playground and school zones.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

- 1) that the Administration proceed with the implementation of reduced speed limits in elementary and secondary school zones in 2002;*
- 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare an amendment to Bylaw No. 7200, The Traffic Bylaw, describing the reduced limits in school and playground zones;*
- 3) that a formal policy be developed regarding the implementation of reduced speed limits in school and playground zones as described in the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services, dated April 23, 2002 and as amended above; and*
- 4) that the Administration report further with respect to reduced speed zones in stand-alone playground areas.*

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL - CONTINUED

AA. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

**1) Arnold Grambo, President
Hudson Bay Route Association, dated April 15**

Submitting information with respect to the Hudson Bay Route Association. (File No. CK. 155-7)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**2) Phil Miller, President
CUPE Local 47, dated April 19**

Requesting permission to raise the CUPE flag at City Hall in conjunction with Municipal Employees Appreciation Week, June 16 to 22, 2002. (File No. CK. 205-5)

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

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the request be approved subject to Administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

**3) Brian Swidrovich, Business Development Manager
Saskatchewan Place, dated April 19**

Submitting various requests regarding the 2002 Canada Remembers International Air Show to be held August 16 to 18, 2002. (File No. CK. 205-1)

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

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the requests be approved subject to Administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

**4) Chris Axworthy, Q.C.
Minister of Justice and Attorney General, dated April 15**

Submitting information with respect to additional funding for four community policing positions for the City of Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 1860-1)

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

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

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

CARRIED.

**5) Ted Hrynewich
322 Rossmo Road, dated April 19**

Submitting comments with respect to an evening curfew for children. (File no. CK. 150-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

6) **Ralf Jurgens, Executive Director**
Canadian HIV-AIDS Legal Network, dated April 15

Submitting a copy of Establishing Safe Injection Facilities in Canada: Legal and Ethical Issues as well as the Legal Network's revised and updated series of 12 info sheets on injection drug use and HIV/AIDS, and requesting Council's feedback on same. (Copies of the above are available for viewing in the City Clerk's Office) (File No. CK. 3000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration for a report and that Public Health Services, Saskatoon District Health, be contacted to see if they have had a similar request and would be interested in providing a joint response.

CARRIED.

7) **Greg Bodnarchuk, General Manager**
SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival, dated April 22

Submitting a request for revisions to original application regarding the SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival. (File No. CK. 205-1)

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

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the request be approved subject to Administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

8) **Georgie A. Davis, Saskatoon Chapter Representative**
Saskatchewan Voice of People with Disabilities Inc., dated April 24

Submitting concerns with respect to the City's special needs transportation service on behalf of two members of the Saskatchewan Voice of People with Disabilities Inc. (File No. CK. 7305-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

9) Kay Funk, dated April 2002

Expressing appreciation to City Council for their decision-making process and submitting comments with respect to sidewalks.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**10) Harry Ewaschuk, Member, Organizing Committee
Ukrainian Canadian Congress, Saskatoon Branch, dated April 24**

Requesting Council to extend the hours under the Noise Bylaw for the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, Saskatoon Branch concert and dance to be held on August 24, 2002. (File CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted to the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, Saskatoon Branch to extend the time during which the dance may be conducted in the park south of the Bessborough Hotel to 11:00 p.m. on August 24, 2002.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, Saskatoon Branch to extend the time during which the dance may be conducted in the park south of the Bessborough Hotel to 11:00 p.m. on August 24, 2002.

CARRIED.

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**11) Joanne Crofford
Office of Provincial Secretary, dated April 26**

Submitting several initiatives for consideration to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the matter be referred to the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee for suggestions they feel appropriate for the City of Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

**12) Don Kunkel
527 Delaronde Road, dated April 29**

Submitting comments with respect to the condition of the City-run rinks used for minor hockey in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 611-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received and the matter be referred to the Administration for a report to the Planning and Operations Committee.

CARRIED.

**13) Darrel Epp, Chairman
Albert Community Centre Management Committee, dated April 30**

Advising Council that the dedication of Room 13 as the “Peter Holdstock Heritage Room” will take place on May 17, 2002 at 1:00 p.m. at the Albert Community Centre.

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**14) John T. Nilson, Q.C.
Minister of Health, dated April 16**

Submitting background information with respect to *The Tobacco Control Act* and the important role municipalities can play in assisting to protect the health of young people in the province. (File No. CK. 185-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT the information be received and that the matter be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee for consideration.

CARRIED.

**15) Connie Brown
343 Chotem Terrace, dated April 30**

Submitting comments with respect to the closure of the Meewasin Valley Interpretive Centre.

RECOMMENDATION: that Ms. Brown be advised of the funding formula for the MVA and that City Council has advised the Province that it is prepared to support an increase.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT Ms. Brown be advised of the funding formula for the Meewasin Valley Authority and that City Council has advised the Province that it is prepared to support an increase.

CARRIED.

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**16) Pat Richenhaller
Swan River, MB, dated April 3**

Submitting comments with respect to the lack of direction signs within the city. (File CK. 150-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the letter be referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.

CARRIED.

**17) Darrell Jones
Saskatchewan Housing Corporation, dated April 22**

Submitting information with respect to the new Affordable Housing Program. (File CK. 750-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.

CARRIED.

**18) Deb Shutiak
The Saskatoon Foundation, dated April 29**

Requesting permission to use the Spadina Crescent cul-de-sac (south of 20th Street and adjacent to Broadway Bridge) for a pancake breakfast on Thursday, June 6, 2002 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. (File No. CK. 205-1)

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

Moved by Councillor Steernberg, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the request be approved subject to Administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

19) Alberto's Restaurant Ltd., and Others, undated

Twelve letters expressing opposition to the resolution passed by a majority of municipalities at the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association (SUMA) Convention which called for new municipal revenue streams, over and above property taxes and user fees. (File No. CK. 1910-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**20) Margaret A. Hendry, President
Saskatoon Heritage Society, dated April 29**

Expressing appreciation to City Council for the taking initiative with respect to additional funding for the Meewasin Valley Interpretive Centre. (File No. CK. 180-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

21) **Yvonne Leduc**
[REDACTED] dated May 6

Submitting comments and concerns with respect to the intersection of Clarence Avenue and Main Street. (File No. CK. 6250-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be considered with Clause 2, Report No. 5-2002 of the Planning and Operations Committee.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the matter be considered with Clause 2, Report No. 5-2002 of the Planning and Operations Committee.

CARRIED.

B. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

1) **Barry Countway**
415 Nordstrum Road, dated April 18

Submitting comments with respect to dogs in Meewasin Park. (File No. CK. 152-2) **(Referred to the Advisory Committee on Animal Control)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

C. PROCLAMATIONS

1) **Paul Perron, President, Wood '02 Coordinator**
Saskatchewan Woodworkers' Guild, dated April 29

Requesting that Council proclaim June 1 to June 9, 2002 as Saskatoon Woodworking Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

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**2) Alex Lenko, Chairperson
Saskatchewan Municipal Employees Steering Committee, dated April 14**

Requesting that Council proclaim June 16 to June 22, 2002 as Municipal Employees Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**3) Jennifer Thompson
Look Good Feel Better Program, dated April 29**

Requesting that Council proclaim June 4, 2002 as Look Good Feel Better Day. (File No. CK. 205-5)

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

Moved by Councillor Swystun, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

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

CARRIED.

REPORTS

A/General Manager, Community Services Sully presented Section A, Administrative Report No. 9-2002;

General Manager, Infrastructure Services Uzelman presented Section D, Administrative Report No. 9-2002;

General Manager, Utility Services Munch presented Section E, Administrative Report No. 9-2002;

City Solicitor Dust presented Section B, Legislative Report No. 8-2002;

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Councillor Penner, Chair, presented Report No. 5-2002 of the Planning and Operations Committee;

Councillor Atchison, Chair, presented Report No. 6-2002 of the Administration and Finance Committee; and

His Worship the Mayor, Chair, presented Report No. 6-2002 of the Executive Committee.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

- a) Administrative Report No. 9-2002;*
- b) Legislative Report No. 8-2002;*
- c) Report No. 5-2002 of the Planning and Operations Committee;*
- d) Report No. 6-2002 of the Administration and Finance Committee; and*
- e) Report No. 6-2002 of the Executive Committee.*

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

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

Committee arose.

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

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

“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 9-2002

Section A - COMMUNITY SERVICES

**A1) Land-Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department
For the Period Between March 27 and April 25, 2002
(For Information Only)
(File Nos. PL 4132, 4355, 4350, 4300)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the following report be received as information.

ADOPTED.

The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Condominium

- Application No. 5/02: 325 Keevil Crescent
Applicant: Larson Surveys for Medican Developments Inc.
Legal Description: Lot C, Block 96S55464
Current Zoning: M3 District
Neighbourhood: University Heights Suburban Centre
Date Received: April 9, 2002

Discretionary Use

- Application No. D3/02: 215 Cruise Street
Applicant: Peter Olson
Legal Description: Lot 8, Block 11, Plan G171
Current Zoning: R2
Proposed Use: Personal Care Home
Neighbourhood: Forest Grove
Date Received: March 27, 2002

Rezoning

- Application No. Z10/02: Beckett Crescent and Place (no civic address)
Applicant: Dundee Development Corporation
Legal Description: Portion Parcel J, Plan 96S28728
Current Zoning: R1A
Proposed Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: Arbour Creek
Date Received: April 4, 2002
- Application No. Z11/02: 1622 Acadia Dr
Applicant: P.R. Developments

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Legal Description:	Parcel CC, Plan 1SA05549
Current Zoning:	RM5 by Agreement
Proposed Zoning:	RM5 (Amended Agreement)
Neighbourhood:	Wildwood (045)
Date Received:	April 23, 2002

Subdivision

- Application No. 21/02: Faithfull Ave. (N of 58th St. to 60th St.)
Applicant: Tri-City Surveys for City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Parcel A, Block 868, Plan 84S41976
Current Zoning: IL1 District
Neighbourhood: Hudson Bay Industrial
Date Received: April 4, 2002
- Application No.22/02: Faithfull Crescent
Applicant: Tri-City Surveys for City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Lot A, Block 863 & Lot A, Block 865,
Plan 84S41976
Current Zoning: IL1 District
Neighbourhood: Hudson Bay Industrial
Date Received: April 9, 2002
- Application No.23/02: 60th Street West
Applicant: Murray Marien for City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Pt. S.E. ¼ 21-37-5-3 & Pt. S.W. ¼ 21-37-5-3
Current Zoning: IL1(H)
Neighbourhood: Marquis Industrial
Date Received: April 19, 2002
- Application No.24/02: Sears Cove
Applicant: Webster Surveys Ltd. For Westland Properties Ltd.
Legal Description: Parcel H and Part of Parcel D, Plan 96S28729
Current Zoning: IL1(H)
Neighbourhood: Arbor Creek
Date Received: April 25, 2002

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 5/02
2. Plan of Proposed Discretionary Use No. D3/02
3. Plan of Proposed Rezoning No. Z10/02
4. Plan of Proposed Rezoning No. Z11/02
5. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 21/02
6. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 22/02

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7. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 23/02
8. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 24/02

**A2) Re-Naming of Softball Diamonds at the Gordon Howe Sports Complex
(File No. PL 4205-3)**

RECOMMENDATION: That the Softball Diamonds located at the Gordon Howe Sports Complex be named 'Glenn Reeve Fields'.

ADOPTED.

Under City Council Policy C09-008, (*Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas*), the City Planning Branch of the Community Services Department, after consultation with the Leisure Services and Parks Branches, shall select and recommend to City Council for approval, the appropriate name for each park in Saskatoon.

On April 10, 2002, the City Planning Branch received a joint written request from the Saskatoon Amateur Softball Association and the Saskatoon Minor Softball League to name the six softball diamonds located at Gordon Howe Sports Complex the "Glenn Reeve Fields" (please refer to Attachment 1).

The written request by the Saskatoon Amateur Softball Association and the Saskatoon Minor Softball League includes a biography of Mr. Glenn Reeve and is included as Attachment 2.

The recommendation has been reviewed by the Park Naming Committee. The Committee is of the opinion that the suggestion from the softball associations is merited and is consistent with Council's guidelines under Policy C09-008 (*Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas*).

The Saskatoon Amateur Softball Association agrees to cover all costs associated with the manufacturing and installation of field signs, in accordance with City of Saskatoon specifications.

If approval is granted by Council, the Saskatoon Amateur Softball Association will make a formal announcement of the re-naming of the fields on May 22nd, 2002, during "Minor Softball Night" being held at Bob Van Impe Field.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Location Plan of the Softball Fields.
2. Letter of Request from the Saskatoon Amateur Softball Association and the Saskatoon Minor Softball League.

**A3) The Naming of New Park/Plaza in Nutana
(File No. PL4205-3-8)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the new park/plaza at the intersection of 12th Street and Broadway Avenue be named 'Five Corners'.

ADOPTED.

Under City Council Policy C09-008, (Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas), the City Planning Branch of the Community Services Department, after consultation with the Leisure Services and Parks Branches, shall select and recommend to City Council for approval, the appropriate name for each park in Saskatoon.

The recommended name in this report is for the newly developed park/plaza located within the roadway at the intersection of 12th Street and Broadway Avenue (please refer to Attachment 1). In accordance with Council policy, the City Planning Branch is recommending that the new park/plaza be officially named 'Five Corners'.

The name Five Corners is very well known within Saskatoon as the space atop the Broadway Bridge. The name reflects the unique intersection that once contained five corners prior to the closure of University Drive. The name has been submitted to the City as a suggestion by both the Saskatoon Heritage Society and the Canada Grove Park & Canada Block Park Committee, which was responsible for securing funding from the Federal Government for the development of the site (please refer to Attachments 2 and 3).

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan showing the location of the new park/plaza on 12th Street.
2. Request from the Saskatoon Heritage Society.
3. Request from the Canada Grove Park & Canada Block Park Committee.

**A4) Enquiry – Councillor L. Swystun
Naming of Streets and other Civic Properties
File No. PL 4001 – 5**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council instruct the Administration to amend City of Saskatoon Policy C09-008 (Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas) to incorporate Option 2 of this report.

BACKGROUND

On January 7, 2002, Councillor Swystun made the following enquiry:

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“Given the nature of a recent StarPhoenix article, would the Administration please report to City Council on the possibility of striking a Committee and what is involved in doing this, similar in nature to that of the City of Regina in dealing with the naming of streets, subdivision buildings, and other civic properties?”

REPORT

The City Planning Branch is currently responsible for the administration of City of Saskatoon Policy C09-008 (Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas). (Please refer to Attachment 1.) The Policy deals with current procedures for the naming of civic property and development areas.

Councillor Swystun’s enquiry is in response to a StarPhoenix article in December 2001, which indicated that a formal procedure is not currently in place for thoroughly screening names that are submitted by the public for streets and other civic property.

Councillor Swystun’s enquiry included reference to the City of Regina’s policy. The City of Regina was contacted and information was obtained about their policy. However, it was mentioned that the Regina policy was under full review, and major changes were likely. Therefore, Regina’s policy is not cited in this report. However, the City Planning Branch consulted the City of Edmonton’s policy and procedure, which was adopted by Edmonton City Council in the fall of 2000, and according to their staff, is working very well.

Recommended Option No. 2 of this report is based on Edmonton’s new policy.

1. Current Procedure

Selecting Names for Streets, Municipally-owned Facilities, and Development Areas

Suggestions for street names are submitted at any time, by any member of the general public, outside agency or civic department, directly to the Mayor’s Office. The Mayor’s Office maintains a list of suggested street names. Suggestions for naming parks, municipally-owned or controlled facilities, suburban development areas, and neighbourhoods are submitted to the City Planning Branch.

Upon request by the City Planning Branch, the Mayor will select names for municipally-owned or controlled facilities and suburban development areas. For new neighbourhoods and streets, typically, the Land Branch or private developer will request names directly from the Mayor’s office to include on neighbourhood concept plans for eventual review and approval by City Council. From time to time, a land developer may request that a subdivision (Briarwood for example) contain names associated with a theme, not prominent citizens. In accordance with policy, the Mayor and City Council must approve

such a request.

Park Names

A small Administrative Park Naming Committee is convened, when required, to recommend names of new parks to City Council for approval. The Administrative Park Naming Committee consists of the following representatives:

- Alan Wallace, City Planning Branch
- Lorne Sully, City Planning Branch
- Shannon Hanson, Community Development Branch
- Jacqueline Hutchings, Development Services Branch
- Barb Sprigings, Leisure Services Branch
- Cam Patterson, Parks Branch

2. Existing Guidelines

In all cases, the selection of names must meet the guidelines for selection in Council's Policy. (Attachment 1) The existing guidelines are:

- a) outstanding contribution by individuals from the public-at-large, to the City of Saskatoon;
- b) former Department heads, City Managers or elected officials of the City of Saskatoon;
- c) for the naming of fire halls, any former fire chief of the City of Saskatoon serving a minimum of five years;
- d) for the naming of electrical substations, any former Electrical Distribution Department Manager;
- e) historical names celebrating a historic event or figure;
- f) native names provided that approval and confirmation have been received by the appropriate agency;
- g) consistency in the theme of an area;
- h) ease of identification and avoidance of confusion for the public;
- i) purpose of facility and logical connection to the name;
- j) suggestion by the Mayor and/or City Council; and
- k) suggestion by submission from the general public.

Please refer to Attachment 2 for a flow chart of current procedure.

3. Options

Two options are presented below for consideration.

Option 1 – Maintain the Current Policy and Procedure

Currently, the Mayor's Office has the authority for selecting names for streets, municipally-owned or controlled facilities, suburban development areas, and neighbourhoods. Only suggestions for parks are screened by the Administrative Park Naming Committee for appropriateness and conformance with the guidelines for selecting names as outlined in Council's Policy.

At present, names selected by the Mayor for streets, suburban development areas, and neighbourhoods are not "formally" screened or evaluated against the guidelines. The information provided by the general public regarding a name, including biography and achievements, is accepted at face value.

Once names are selected by the Mayor, they become part of neighbourhood concept plans and subdivisions which are circulated and reviewed within the Administration. Ultimately, these plans are approved by City Council during their regular public meetings.

Advantages

- most developers and civic staff are very familiar with the process; and
- the process is quick.

Disadvantages

- no screening of historical and biographical accuracy of names submitted to Mayor's Office;
- very few people are involved in actual selection of names; and
- people may be reluctant to debate the appropriateness of names shown on a concept plan during a public Council meeting.

Option 2 – Establish New Naming Advisory Committee (Recommended Option)

Creation of Pre-Approved Master List

It is recommended that City Council amend its existing policy to establish a new Naming Advisory Committee to receive and screen naming suggestions for all streets, municipally-owned or controlled facilities, suburban development areas, neighbourhoods, and parks.

The Naming Advisory Committee would receive suggestions from any source (general public, civic department, union, etc.) for the naming of any street, park, municipally-owned or controlled facility, neighbourhood or suburban development area. The Naming Advisory Committee would conduct a screening to ensure that the suggestions are

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accurate and meet the existing Council guidelines for name selection. It should be noted that it is not recommended that the existing guidelines be changed.

Once the Naming Advisory Committee is satisfied that the suggested names meet the guidelines for selection, the names would be added to a “pre-screened” master list. This list would be forwarded to City Council for approval. Upon approval by City Council, the Mayor’s Office would receive the “pre-approved” master list and continue the responsibility of selecting names for use.

The following composition of the proposed Naming Advisory Committee is recommended:

Administration

- one member from the City Planning Branch (proposed Chair);
- one member from the Parks Branch;
- one member from the Leisure Services Branch;
- one member from the Community Development Branch;
- the City Archivist; and
- heritage Co-ordinator.

City Council

- two City Councillors, appointed by the Mayor.

General Public

- three members of the general public, appointed by the Mayor.

Re-Naming of Existing Streets or Civic Property

The Naming Advisory Committee would also be responsible for receiving requests for the re-naming of any street or civic property. Criteria will be developed in the new policy to ensure that any re-naming suggestion takes into account the history and legacy of the current name. Once a request for re-naming an existing street or civic property has been received, the City Planning Branch will notify all property owners, civic departments or agencies which may be affected by the name change. Once all comments are received, the Naming Advisory Committee will consider the request and make a recommendation. The recommendation will be forwarded to City Council for approval.

Consistency with City of Saskatoon Policy C09-028 (Sponsorship)

Council has an existing policy to consider a specific type of sponsorship arrangement called 'title sponsorship'. Title sponsorship is a business arrangement whereby an external party becomes the namesake of a future or existing municipal facility in recognition of financial support.

The proposed new naming policy will be complementary to the existing Sponsorship Policy in that it will deal with all requests for naming where there is no sponsorship involved. The Sponsorship Policy will continue to deal only with those requests where an external party proposes to contribute funds, goods or services.

City Planning Branch

It is proposed that the City Planning Branch carry out all administrative functions on behalf of the new Naming Advisory Committee, such as receiving names and biographies, preparing agendas, arranging meetings, chairing meetings, and all necessary correspondence with the general public.

Advantages

- A more rigorous screening of historical and biographical information of name suggestions would be conducted;
- More people would be involved in the screening of names to ensure that Council's guidelines for selection are met;
- The new Committee would create a list of pre-screened names for use by the Mayor; and
- The procedure is a blend of the existing procedure, which is well understood, with a new screening procedure.

Disadvantages

- More screening will take more time and more expense.

4. Financial Impact

Provision has been made to fund signage for streets and parks in the operating budgets of the departments responsible for those items. However, from time to time, the City will receive requests to change the name of facilities such as SaskPlace, Centennial Auditorium, and other smaller facilities. There is no budget that exists to fund such requests. Therefore, funding requests may be made to Council from time to time, as part of the normal budgeting process, to address the need for facility name changes.

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The proposed Naming Committee will be served by the City Planning Branch. Research related to “screening” names will be added to duties of the Planner I position. This additional work will be conducted on a case-by-case basis as time allows, during normal operations and assignments.

ATTACHMENTS

1. City of Saskatoon Policy C09-008 (Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas).
2. Flow Chart Showing Current Naming Procedure.
3. Flow Chart Showing Recommended Naming Procedure.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that City Council instruct the Administration to amend City of Saskatoon Policy C09-008 (Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas) to incorporate Option 2 of this report, and that the two Councillors and three public members be appointed to the new committee through the usual appointment process.

Section D – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

**D1) Proposed Lease of City Boulevard
Pleasant Hill Mennonite Church
(File No. 4070-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the City of Saskatoon enter into a Boulevard Lease Agreement with Pleasant Hill Mennonite Church to lease 911.6 square metres of boulevard at 111 Witney Avenue North; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor prepare a bylaw and Boulevard Lease Agreement for the proposed boulevard lease at 111 Witney Avenue North.

ADOPTED.

Infrastructure Services has received an application for Lease of City Boulevard from the Pleasant Hill Mennonite Church for the lease of City boulevard at 111 Witney Avenue North. The applicant plans to develop a parking area.

The proposed leased area, as shown on Plan No.241-0036-001r001 (Attachment 1), is adjacent to 111 Witney Avenue North and is zoned R1. The land area available to be leased is 911.6 square metres.

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The cost to lease the boulevard area adjacent to 111 Witney Avenue North per year is \$1,174.47 plus GST. Infrastructure Services is in agreement to lease the boulevard for a term of five years. Should the land be required for future road development, Infrastructure Services will provide a 30-day written notice to cancel the lease.

This proposed lease is acceptable to the City of Saskatoon subject to the following conditions:

1. no tree removal will be allowed except with permission;
2. access will only be from adjacent church property;
3. leased area will be used for parking only; and
4. upon termination of the lease, the property will be returned to original condition of topsoil and grass.

The applicant has agreed that these conditions are acceptable.

ATTACHMENT

1. Plan No. 241-0036-001r001

D2) Enquiry – Councillor O. Fortosky (May 7, 2001)
Pedestrian Crossing Signal – Avenue L and 11th Street West
(File No. 6150-1, 5200-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that the following report be received as information.

ADOPTED.

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Fortosky at the meeting of City Council held on May 7, 2001:

“Would the Administration please report on the possibility of a pedestrian crossing signal at the corner of Avenue L and 11th Street West because of the incredible amount of difficulty people are having crossing 11th Street to access the stores and schools in the neighbourhood.”

11th Street West from Avenue P to Avenue H is a two lane undivided roadway classified as a minor arterial street. This portion of 11th Street is not a truck route. The primary function of this class of street is to provide for the movement of large volumes of traffic between major areas of traffic generation without undue delay and interruption. Its secondary function is to provide direct access to adjacent land uses. Traffic volumes of 5,000 to 20,000 vehicles per day can be expected on this type of street. Vehicular access to 11th Street is controlled by stop signs at all intersections between Avenues P and Avenue H. The speed limit on this street is 50 kph.

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Vehicle count and speed studies were conducted on 11th Street between Avenues M and Avenue L from September 19th to 27th, 2001. This type of study records vehicle data as hourly totals, 24 hours a day for seven days. The average daily traffic (ADT) volume was 8719 vehicles per day, which is reasonable for this type of street. The average speed was 48.3 kph and the 85th percentile speed was 56.1 kph. (85% of the vehicles are travelling at or less than this speed). It is ideally desirable to have the 85th percentile speed no more than 5% above the speed limit. Therefore, the results of this speed study and a copy of this report will be forwarded to the Saskatoon Police Service to determine appropriate enforcement action.

The parking lane and sidewalk on each side of 11th Street near this intersection are separated by a row of mature trees within each boulevard. Avenue L south of 11th Street is offset to the west of Avenue L north of 11th Street forming two T-intersections with 11th Street. The pedestrian crosswalks at the west intersection are not indicated by road markings or signs. The west crosswalk at the east intersection is marked by “zebra” style road markings and pedestrian crosswalk signs. Single unit residential dwellings abut the south side of 11th Street. Opposite these homes are several retail businesses concentrated near the northwest and northeast corners of the east intersection.

On February 11, 2002, vehicular and pedestrian traffic volume counts were recorded at the east intersection during the periods of 08:00 - 09:00, 11:30 - 13:30 and 15:00 - 16:30. The results of this 4 ½ hour count is summarized below in Table 2:

Table 2: Vehicle and Pedestrian Counts, 11th Street and Avenue L (east intersection), Feb.11/02

Time	Vehicles			Pedestrians	
	East bound	West bound	South Bound	West crosswalk	East crosswalk
08:00 – 09:00	383	230	7	6	8
11:30 - 13:30	435	407	34	10	15
15:00 - 16:30	664	480	35	14	19
Totals	1482	1117	76	30 ¹	42 ²

1. including 12 elementary pedestrians

2. no elementary pedestrians

An analysis of this data to determine the need for a pedestrian corridor and a pedestrian-actuated traffic signal indicates that this intersection does not meet any of the minimum requirements to warrant the installation of either facility. Currently, 11th Street and Avenue L East ranks 55th on the Pedestrian Corridor Priority List and 42nd on the Pedestrian Actuated Traffic Signal Priority List when compared with other locations under consideration for these types of facilities.

While conducting the pedestrian counts at the east intersection of Avenue L, pedestrian activity at other nearby locations was also noted. At the west intersection of Avenue L, 3 pedestrians crossed at the west side of the intersection and 15 at the east side. Sixteen pedestrians crossed at a mid-

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block location just east of the east intersection. Eighteen pedestrians crossed near the lane east of the east intersection that approximates the west crosswalk of Avenue K south of 11th Street. It was observed that even though many pedestrians waited a few seconds until approaching traffic cleared the area of crossing, none experienced any significant difficulty or unreasonable delay regardless of where they crossed 11th Street in the vicinity of Avenue L.

The pattern of pedestrian activity near this intersection and an examination of the traffic control signing have highlighted areas of improvement that could benefit all users of this roadway. Among these changes is the installation of a marked crosswalk at the east side of the west intersection and a second marked crosswalk at the east side of the east intersection of Avenue L. Additional signing to prohibit parking near the intersection will help keep the crosswalks clear of parked vehicles and improve the lines of sight. These changes are described on the attached Crosswalk Plan No. 204-0302-003r002 of this intersection. The west crosswalk at the west intersection of Avenue K will also be signed and marked to identify that crossing. These changes are show on Plan No. 204-0302-004r002. This work will be undertaken during this spring's crosswalk repainting program.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Crosswalks - 11th Street & Avenue L
2. Crosswalks – 11th Street & Avenue K

Section E - UTILITY SERVICES

E1) 2001 Capital Budget

**Capital Project #1054-26 East Transformer Bank Replacement
Post Budget Adjustment and Contract Award
Contract #2-0368
(File No. 7960-52)**

RECOMMENDATION:

1. that City Council approve \$20,000 additional funding from the Water Supply Replacement Reserve for the increased costs to the East Transformer Bank Replacement (Capital Project #1054-26) as identified in this report;
2. that the low bid submitted by Aim Electric Ltd., for the East Transformer Bank Replacement Contract #2-0368, at a total estimated cost of \$ 133,483.33 including P.S.T and G.S.T. (7%) be accepted; and,

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3. that the City Manager and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract documents, as prepared by the City Solicitor, under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The Water Supply Replacement Reserve Budget for Project #1954-26 - East Transformer Bank Replacement was for \$132,000. The project was to replace a leaking transformer at the Water Treatment Plant. The other transformer was replaced in 1999. During normal operations each of these transformers are needed to provide power to the Water Treatment Plant.

In designing the transformer replacement, it was realized that additional improvements should be made to the system; however, not knowing the exact cost of these improvements and recognizing there were budget constraints, it was decided to tender on three options with the basic Option being "C" and the most desired Option being "A".

Tenders for the above replacement were received on April 16, 2002. The bids were as follows:

	<u>Total Tender Prices</u>		
	(including P.S.T. and G.S.T. @ 7%)		
	Option "A"	Option "B"	Option "C"
Alliance Energy Ltd	\$142,927.15	\$134,399.25	\$142,097.90
Aim Electric Ltd	\$133,483.33	\$127,221.69	\$127,502.03

To get the desired improvements as specified in Option "A", the net cost to the City for the low bid submitted by Aim Electric Ltd. would be as follows:

Base Price for Installation	\$ 83,369.00
Contingency Allowance	5,000.00
Transformer Supply	<u>34,450.00</u>
Sub Total	\$122,819.00
P.S.T on Transformer (6% of Transformer Price)	2,067.00
G.S.T. on Sub Total	<u>8,597.33</u>
Contract Amount	\$133,483.33
G.S.T. Rebate @ 4% of \$122,819.00	<u>(4,912.76)</u>
Net Cost to the City	\$128,570.57

The contract amount, plus the consultant's engineer services of \$18,000 exceeds the Budget funding of \$132,000 by \$20,000.00

Two factors contributed to the need for this extra funding:

- The scope of the work was expanded during the detailed design
- The bid prices were higher than anticipated. (There were only two bids.)

The Water Supply Replacement Reserve is sufficient to fund this additional amount.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 6-2002

Section B - OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

**B1) 2002 Property Tax Abatements
(File No. 1965-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8123.

ADOPTED.

City Council at its meeting on March 25, 2002 received a report from the Administration and Finance Committee regarding property tax exemptions for 2002. This Office was instructed to prepare the appropriate bylaw to grant the exemptions as set out in the report. Accordingly, we have prepared and enclose Bylaw No. 8123 which exempts from taxation, in whole or in part, in 2002 the various properties designated in the Bylaw.

ATTACHMENT

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8123

**B2) Boulevard Lease Bylaw, 2002
Saskatoon Prairieland Exhibition Corporation
Exhibition Grounds at Lorne Avenue & Ruth Street
(File No. CK. 4070-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8125.

ADOPTED.

City Council at its meeting on October 9, 2001, received an Administrative Report regarding the proposed lease of City Boulevard with the Saskatoon Prairieland Exhibition Corporation. This Office was instructed to prepare the appropriate bylaw and lease agreement. Accordingly, we have prepared and enclose Bylaw No. 8125, The Boulevard Lease Bylaw, 2002.

ATTACHMENT

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8125

REPORT NO. 5-2002 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor G. Penner, Chair
Councillor O. Fortosky
Councillor M. Heidt
Councillor L. Swystun
Councillor K. Waygood

1. Communications to Council

**From: Michael Molaro
3345 11th Street**

Date: June 20, 2001 and December 6, 2000

**Subject: 11th Street West Traffic and South River Crossing
and Speed Limit Reduction West of Dundonald Avenue**

AND

Enquiry – Councillor O. Fortosky (July 16, 2001)

**Speed Limit – 11th Street West between Elevator Road and Circle Drive
(Files CK. 6320-1, 5200-5 and 6150-5)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the speed limit on 11th Street from Chappell Drive to Circle Drive be reduced from 60 km/h to 50 km/h; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary amendment to Bylaw No. 7200, The Traffic Bylaw, for City Council's consideration.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered and supports the recommendations outlined in the attached report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated March 18, 2002, regarding the above matter.

Your Committee also received copies of the attached letter dated April 26, 2002, from Mr. Molaro with respect to this matter.

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As background information, the following enquiry was made by Councillor Fortosky at the meeting of City Council held on July 16, 2001:

“Would the Administration please report on changing the speed limit on 11th Street West between Elevator Road and Circle Drive from 60 km/h to 50 km/h.”

In addition, attached are copies of Mr. Michael Molaro’s presentation to your Committee on August 14, 2001, along with copies of his communications dated June 20, 2001 and December 6, 2000.

- 2. Enquiry – Councillor K. Waygood (February 25, 2002)
Traffic Control Options – Main Street and Clarence Avenue
AND
Communications to Council
From: Yvonne Leduc
Date: February 25, 2002
Subject: Intersection of Clarence and Main
(Files CK. 6250-1 and 6320-1)**
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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Your Committee has reviewed the attached report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated March 26, 2002, and is forwarding the status report to City Council as information. Your Committee has also requested the Administration to provide a further update regarding this matter in four months time.

As background information, the following enquiry was made by Councillor Waygood at the meeting of City Council held on February 25, 2002:

“Would Administration please provide Council with a report on traffic control options for Main Street and Clarence Avenue:

- 1) including whether or not the intersection warrants traffic lights, and
- 2) what control measures could be implemented to reduce through traffic on Main Street from Broadway, east along Main Street to Clarence Avenue.”

Also attached, as background information, is a copy of the above letter from Ms. Yvonne Leduc, which was referred to the Administration for a report, to be dealt with along with the above enquiry by Councillor Waygood.

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Pursuant to earlier resolution, Item AA21 of Communications was brought forward and considered.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the information be received and that the Administration review this particular intersection early on in the upcoming comprehensive traffic study of the area bounded by Broadway and Clarence Avenues and 12th and 8th Streets.

**3. 2001 Annual Report
Visual Arts Placement Jury
(Files CK. 175-44 and 430-62)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has received the attached report of the Visual Arts Placement Jury and is forwarding the 2001 Annual Report to City Council as information.

**4. Disposal of Household Hazardous Wastes
(File No. CK. 155-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council petition the Province to create a household hazardous waste disposal program, which would use the product stewardship approach.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed the attached report of the Chair, Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee dated April 12, 2002, regarding the above matter. Your Committee supports the recommendation to petition the Province to create a household hazardous waste disposal program, as noted above.

Your Committee has referred the second recommendation, relating to the implementation of a Saskatoon household hazardous waste collection/disposal program, to the Administration for a report. The Administration has also been requested to bring forward a proposed resolution for submission to the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association regarding this issue.

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**5. Caswell Hill Traffic Management Improvements
(File No. CK. 6350-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the information be received;
 - 2) that a four-way stop be installed at the intersection of 29th Street and Avenue E; and
 - 3) that a four-way stop be installed at the intersection of Avenue C and 23rd Street.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the recommendations outlined in the attached report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated March 19, 2002.

**6. Fire Agreement Bylaw
R.M. of Vanscoy No. 345
(File No. CK. 2500-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council agree to enter into an agreement with the R.M. of Vanscoy No. 345 to provide fire fighting services for the portion of their municipality outlined on the map attached to the report of the General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Department dated April 15, 2002; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the appropriate agreement and bylaw and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the recommendations outlined in the attached report of the General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Department dated April 15, 2002, with respect to the above matter.

**7. Amendment – Fire and Protective Services Bylaw, 2001
(File No. CK. 185-14)**

- RECOMMENDATION:** that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare an amendment to the Fire and Protective Services Bylaw, 2001, to incorporate the

revisions outlined in the report of the General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Department dated April 16, 2002.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered and concurs with the recommendation outlined in the attached report of the General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Department dated April 16, 2002, with respect to proposed amendments to the Fire and Protective Services Bylaw.

**8. Transit Pass Workplace Discount Program
(File No. CK. 7312-1)**

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 6.

**9. Complimentary July Bus Service
(File No. CK. 7312-1)**

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 6.

**10. Off Peak Discount Transit Fare
(File No. CK. 7312-1)**

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 6.

REPORT NO. 6-2002 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor T. Paulsen, Chair
Councillor P. McCann
Councillor D. Atchison
Councillor P. Roe
Councillor R. Steernberg

**1. Public Communication/Education Plan for 2002
Advisory Committee on Animal Control
(File No. CK. 151-7)**

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that the Advisory Committee on Animal Control be authorized to

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pursue, in consultation with the Administration, the possibility of installing a dispenser for pet scoop bags in one park in the City, on a trial basis; and

- 2) that the Advisory Committee on Animal Control be authorized to pursue a joint television campaign with the S.P.C.A., as part of its public communication/education project for 2002, on the benefits of licensing and other issues related to animal control.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the Chair, Advisory Committee on Animal Control dated April 22, 2002 regarding two initiatives that the Committee wishes to undertake in 2002. Your Committee has discussed these proposals with Councillor M. Heidt, a member of the Advisory Committee on Animal Control, and supports these initiatives. As Council members are aware, complaints about pets are common, especially at this time of year, and the advertising campaign should be helpful in educating pet owners about their responsibilities. The dispenser for pet scoop bags will hopefully encourage pick-up by the pet handler.

**2. 2001 Annual Report
Advisory Committee on Animal Control
(File No. CK. 430-63)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the Chair, Advisory Committee on Animal Control dated April 22, 2002, forwarding the Committee's 2001 Annual Report. Your Committee has reviewed this report with Councillor M. Heidt, a member of the Advisory Committee on Animal Control, and wishes to acknowledge with appreciation, the many issues that have been considered by the Committee.

**3. Use of Blended Fuel
(File No. CK. 277-1)**

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that the information be received; and
- 2) that the Administration be directed to approach the Province indicating the City is interested in participating in a blended fuel pilot project, providing there is no additional cost incurred

by the City of Saskatoon.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated April 17, 2002 containing information on a question that arose during the Committee's deliberations on the enquiry made by Councillor Penner regarding the price of gasoline earlier this year. The enquiry was answered at the Council meeting held on January 21, 2002, however, the Committee pursued a further question regarding options for the City to use blended fuel sources, which is addressed in this report.

Your Committee has discussed this matter with the Administration and supports a pilot project that would allow use of blended fuels, in order to determine if this is a feasible option for the City of Saskatoon.

**4. Application for Funding
City of Saskatoon Policy C03-007 (Special Events)
Saskatoon Minor Softball League
(File No. CK. 1870-15)**

RECOMMENDATION: that a grant of \$2,375 (subject to actual facility rental cost) be approved under the Special Event Policy for the rental of Gordon Howe and Bob Van Impe ball diamonds from July 5 to July 7, 2002.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 12, 2002 regarding an application from Saskatoon Minor Softball League for funding assistance in hosting the 2002 Midget Girls "A", Squirt Girls "A", Bantam Boys "A", Midget Boys "A", Provincial Playoff, and the Pee Wee Boys Open Softball tournaments which will run concurrently from July 5 to July 7, 2002. Your Committee has reviewed this application and supports the funding request.

**5. Business License Program – Business Profile – 2001 Annual Report
(File No. CK. 300-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

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Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 19, 2002 forwarding the 2001 Annual Report of the Business License Program – Business Profile.

Your Committee has reviewed this Report, and wishes to congratulate the Department on developing an interesting and useful report on businesses in the City.

**6. City Treasurer’s Report on Investments – December, 2001
(File No. CK. 1790-3)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated March 28, 2002 forwarding the Fourth Quarter 2001 Report on Investments.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Investment Coordinator, and submits the report to City Council as information.

REPORT NO. 6-2002 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

His Worship Mayor J. Maddin, Chair
Councillor D. Atchison
Councillor O. Fortosky
Councillor M. Heidt
Councillor P. McCann
Councillor T. Paulsen
Councillor G. Penner
Councillor P. Roe
Councillor R. Steernberg
Councillor L. Swystun
Councillor K. Waygood

**1. YWCA Crisis Intervention Services
(File No. CK. 277-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the YWCA Business Plan for the Shelter and Residence for Women, Children and Youth at Risk be referred to the Social Policy

Development Round Table for discussion, along with the report on Homelessness and Housing which was submitted to City Council on June 4, 2001.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee recently met with representatives of the YWCA and received a presentation regarding the Business Plan for Shelter and Residence for Women, Children and Youth at Risk. (A copy of the Business Plan is available for viewing in the Office of the City Clerk.)

Your Committee was advised that core funding (i.e. multi-year sustainable) is necessary in order for the YWCA to continue to offer crisis intervention service to the community. If this funding does not become available, the Board will have to withdraw from providing crisis intervention service to women and children in the community by the 2003-2004 fiscal year.

Your Committee is extremely concerned that this valuable service may no longer be provided, and is hopeful that discussions between the YWCA and the Province will be productive.

In the meantime, it is recommended that the Business Plan and the report on Homelessness and Housing be referred to the Social Policy Development Round Table for discussion.

**2. Traffic Calming Measures/Reduced Speeds
School and Playground Zones
(File No. CK. 5200-5)**

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 9.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES

**Councillor D. Atchison
Replacing Yield Signs with Stop Signs – Grant and Sparks Streets
(File No. CK. 6280-1)**

Would the Administration please look into replacing yield signs on Grant and Sparks with a four-way stop.

**Councillor D. Atchison
Sale of Composters
(File No. CK. 7830-5)**

Would the Administration please report on the effect the composting program this April, 2002, of selling composters, has had on the retailers who sell composters in the private sector. Attached is a letter of a concerned retailer.

**Councillor G. Penner
Wheelchair Accessible Sidewalk Corners
(File No. CK. 6220-1)**

It has come to my attention that some intersections on the south side of 8th Street between Cumberland Avenue and Arlington Avenue do not have wheelchair accessible sidewalk corners. Could I have a report respecting this matter please.

**Councillor G. Penner
Visual Effects of Overpass
(File No. CK. 6050-1)**

Could I have a report indicating what measures can be taken to improve the visual effects of overpasses in the City.

Examples of my concern are the 8th Street Overpass and the Attridge Drive Overpass (to name but two).

I realize that our climate has a bearing on plantings that could be used – but I wonder if there is not a better solution than unsightly overgrown weeds.

Please include cost estimates of any potential solutions.

**Councillor T. Paulsen
Blended Fuel Bus
(File No. CK. 7300-1)**

Could the Administration report on the possibility of converting at least one of our transit buses into a blended fuel bus, with all the accompanying appropriate advertisements and promotional materials.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 8111

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8111, being “The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2002 (No. 5)” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT Bylaw No. 8111 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8111.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8111 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8111 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT Bylaw No. 8111 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Bylaw No. 8123

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8123, being "The Tax Exemption Bylaw, 2002" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

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Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT Bylaw No. 8123 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8123.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8123 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8123 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT Bylaw No. 8123 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Bylaw No. 8125

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8125, being “The Boulevard Lease (Exhibition Grounds at Lorne Avenue and Ruth Street) Bylaw, 2002” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT Bylaw No. 8125 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8125.

CARRIED.

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

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Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8125 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8125 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT Bylaw No. 8125 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

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The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk