Council Chambers City Hall, Saskatoon, SK Monday, April 7, 2003 at 7:30 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: His Worship Mayor Maddin, in the Chair;

Councillors Atchison, Fortosky, Heidt, McCann, Paulsen,

Penner, Roe, Steernberg, Swystun and Waygood;

City Manager Richards;

General Manager, Community Services Gauthier; General Manager, Corporate Services Veltkamp; General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Bentley; General Manager, Infrastructure Services Uzelman;

General Manager, Utility Services Hewitt;

City Solicitor Dust; A/City Clerk Hall;

Councillors' Assistant Long.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held on March 24, 2003 be approved.

CARRIED.

HEARINGS

2a) Discretionary Use Application – Bed and Breakfast Home Lots 20 and 21, Block 21, Plan FW 1318 Colony Street – Varsity View Neighbourhood Applicant: George Haines (File No. CK. 4355-1)

Report of the A/City Clerk:

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

The City Planner has advised that the necessary notification poster has been placed on the site and letters have been sent to the adjacent land owners within 60 metres of the site.

Attached is a report of the Community Services Department dated February 28, 2003, recommending that the application submitted by George Haines, requesting permission to use Lots 20 and 21, Block 21, Plan FW (1318 Colony Street) for the purpose of a Bed and Breakfast Home be approved, subject to:

- 1) the applicant obtaining all relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses prior to the use of this site for the purpose of a Bed and Breakfast Home;
- 2) the owner/applicant being solely responsible for any work and expense associated with upgrades to water and sewer connections;
- 3) the proposal being commenced within 24 months of the date of City Council approval; and
- 4) the owner/applicant widening the front driveway to 5.4 metres to accommodate additional parking.

Attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated March 25, 2003 advising that the Commission supports the above-noted recommendations.

Also attached are communications from the following:

- Mary Ann and Ron Baliski, 618676 Sask. Ltd., dated April 1, 2003; and
- Kathleen Storrie, 1330 Colony Street, dated March 31, 2003."

His Worship Mayor Maddin opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, indicated the Department's support of the application.

Mr. John Waddington, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, indicated the Commission's support of the application.

Mr. George Haines, proponent, outlined the plans for the bed and breakfast, and asked that Council approve the application.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the submitted correspondence be received.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the application submitted by George Haines, requesting permission to use Lots 20 and 21, Block 21, Plan FW (1318 Colony Street) for the purpose of a Bed and Breakfast Home be approved, subject to:

- 1) the applicant obtaining all relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses prior to the use of this site for the purpose of a Bed and Breakfast Home;
- 2) the owner/applicant being solely responsible for any work and expense associated with upgrades to water and sewer connections;
- 3) the proposal being commenced within 24 months of the date of City Council approval; and
- 4) the owner/applicant widening the front driveway to 5.4 metres to accommodate additional parking.

CARRIED.

2b) Discretionary Use Application – Restaurant/Bistro Lot 21, Block 424, Plan 61S10302 2917 Early Drive – Brevoort Park Neighbourhood Applicant: Lee Helman (File No. CK. 4355-1)

Report of the A/City Clerk:

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

The City Planner has advised that the necessary notification poster has been placed on the site and letters have been sent to adjacent land owners within 60 metres of the site.

Attached is a report of the Community Services Department dated February 28, 2003, recommending that the application submitted by Lee Helman, requesting permission to use Lot 21, Block 424, Plan 61S10302 (2917 Early Drive) for the purpose of a restaurant be approved, subject to the following:

- 1) the proposed restaurant having a maximum gross floor area of 50.4 m²;
- 2) that no patio or outdoor seating area be permitted to the sides or the rear of the building;
- 3) the applicant obtaining all relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses prior to the use of this site for the operation of a restaurant;
- 4) the applicant/owner entering into a boulevard lease agreement with the Infrastructure Services Department;
- 5) that the owner/applicant be solely responsible for any work and expense associated with upgrades to water and sewer connections, landscaping, and site development;
- 6) the final plans submitted for the proposed restaurant being substantially in accordance with those plans submitted in support of this discretionary use application; and
- 7) the proposal being commenced within 24 months of the date of City Council approval.

Attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated March 25, 2003 advising that the Commission supports the above-noted recommendations.

Also attached are communications from the following:

- from Douglas Snowsell, undated, 27 Webb Crescent; and
- Linda Arnot, 2 Neilson Crescent, dated April 7."

His Worship Mayor Maddin opened the hearing.

The A/City Clerk submitted a letter from Linda Arnot, 2 Neilson Crescent, dated April 7, 2003, submitting a list of names of 37 people from the neighbourhood opposed to the application.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, indicated the Department's support of the application.

Mr. John Waddington, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, indicated the Commission's support of the application.

Mr. Lee Helman, proponent, outlined the plans for the proposed restaurant/bistro and requested that Council approve the application.

Mr. Ralph Stotzer, 3005 Early Drive, indicated that he lives one house away from the proposed restaurant, and spoke in opposition to the application. He expressed concerns regarding the proposal including parking, noise and having a licensed premises in a residential neighbourhood.

Ms. Linda Arnot, 2 Neilson Crescent, spoke in opposition to the application. She expressed concerns regarding the proposal including parking, traffic, noise, and having a licensed premises in a residential neighbourhood.

Ms. Rhonda Murphy, spoke in opposition to the proposal.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT the hearing be adjourned and reconvened at the May 5, 2003 Council meeting.

CARRIED.

2c) Discretionary Use Application – Night Club Lots 1 to 16 Inclusive Except Plan 65S10877 and Lots 17 to 32 Inclusive and Parcel A, Block 2, Plan G 123 1301 – 8th Street East – Varsity View Neighbourhood Applicant: 101036631 Saskatchewan Ltd. (File No. CK. 4355-1)

Report of the A/City Clerk:

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

The City Planner has advised that the necessary notification poster has been placed on the site and letters have been sent to adjacent land owners within 60 metres of the site.

Attached is a report of the Community Services Department dated February 12, 2003, recommending that the application submitted by 101036631 Saskatchewan Ltd. (Peter Danabassis) requesting permission to use part of Lots 1 to 16 inclusive, except Plan 65S10877, Lots 17 to 32 inclusive and Parcel A, Block 2, Plan G 123 (1301 8th Street East) for the purpose of a night club, be approved, subject to the following:

- 1) that the night club contain a maximum of 186 square metres (2,000 square feet) of public assembly area and a maximum of 80 seats;
- 2) that the owner/applicant be solely responsible for any work and expense associated with upgrades to water and sewer connections; and
- that the applicant obtain a development permit and all other relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses prior to the use of this site for the purpose of a night club.

Attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated March 7, 2003 advising that the Commission supports the above-noted recommendations.

Also attached is a letter dated March 31, 2003 from Charliane and Don Wilson, 2902 14th Street East."

His Worship Mayor Maddin opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, indicated the Department's support of the application.

Mr. John Waddington, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, indicated the Commission's support of the application.

Mr. Peter Danabassis, proponent, outlined the plans for the proposed night club. He requested that Council approve the application.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the submitted correspondence be received.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the hearing be closed.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the application submitted by 101036631 Saskatchewan Ltd. (Peter Danabassis) requesting permission to use part of Lots 1 to 16 inclusive, except Plan 65S10877, Lots 17 to 32 inclusive and Parcel A, Block 2, Plan G 123 (1301 8th Street East) for the purpose of a night club, be approved, subject to the following:

- 1) that the night club contain a maximum of 186 square metres (2,000 square feet) of public assembly area and a maximum of 80 seats;
- 2) that the owner/applicant be solely responsible for any work and expense associated with upgrades to water and sewer connections; and
- 3) that the applicant obtain a development permit and all other relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses prior to the use of this site for the purpose of a night club.

CARRIED.

2d) Proposed Zoning Bylaw Map Amendment – RM4 District to RM3 District

Lot E, Block 250, Plan G 849

Lot F, Block 259, Plan G 849

Lake Apts. (Lot E Latham Place) and Garrison Apts. (Lot F Latham Place)

Grosvenor Park Neighbourhood

Applicant: J.A.R. & Sons Enterprises Ltd. – Barry Remai

Proposed Bylaw No. 8196

(File No. CK. 4351-1)

Report of the A/City Clerk:

"The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8196, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a report of the Community Services Department dated January 23, 2003 recommending that City Council approve the proposals to rezone Lot E, Block 259, Plan G 849 (Lake Apartments) and Lot F, Block 259, Plan G 849 (Garrison Apartment) from an RM4 District to an RM3 District.

Also attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated February 24, 2003 advising that the Commission supports the above-noted recommendation, and a copy of Notice which appeared in the local press under dates of March 15 and 22, 2003.

Attached is a letter, undated, from Roland Mah, P.Eng., Mah Holdings Ltd., submitting a petition with approximately 51 signatures."

His Worship Mayor Maddin opened the hearing.

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

Mr. John Waddington, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, indicated the Commission's support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment

Mr. Barry Remai, proponent, explained the plans for the development and requested that Council support the Zoning Bylaw amendment.

Mr. Roland Mah, Mah Holdings Limited, spoke in opposition to the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment expressing concerns regarding parking, and the architecture of the building.

Mr. Barry Remai, proponent, responded to the concerns. He indicated that traffic could be less due to underground parking and that the architecture of the building will fit with the neighbourhood.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the submitted correspondence be received.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8196.

2e) Proposed Zoning Bylaw Map Amendment – R1A District to R2 District Portion Parcel J, Plan 96S28728

Beckett Crescent and Beckett Green – Arbor Creek Neighbourhood

Applicant: Dundee Development Corporation

Proposed Bylaw No. 8197

(File No. CK. 4151-1)

Report of the A/City Clerk:

"The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8197, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a report of the Community Services Department dated January 30, 2003 recommending that City Council approve the proposal to rezone part of Parcel J, Plan 96S28728 (Beckett Crescent and Beckett Green) from an R1A District to an R2 District.

Also attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated February 24, 2003 advising that the Commission supports the above-noted recommendation, and a copy of Notice which appeared in the local press under dates of March 15 and 22, 2003."

His Worship Mayor Maddin opened the hearing.

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

Mr. John Waddington, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, indicated the Commission's support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.

Mr. Don Armstrong, proponent, explained the plans for the development of this area and requested that Council support the Zoning Bylaw amendment.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the hearing be closed.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8197.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL

1) Mike Hough, Business Administrator Christian Centre, dated April 7

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to a financial matter regarding the Saskatoon Christian Centre and the building located at 701 20th Street West. (File No. CK. 150-1)

2) James Randall, Pastor, City Centre Church Associate Minister, Saskatoon Christian Centre, dated April 7

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the City Centre Community Renewal Initiatives taking place in the Riversdale area.

3) Brandi Neapetung <u>Christian Centre, dated April 7</u>

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the City Centre Church and the City Centre Community Renewal Initiatives.

RECOMMENDATION: that the speakers be heard.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT the speakers be heard.

Pastor James Randall, City Centre Church, explained the history of the Church and the programs that they offer the community, and requested Council's consideration of the forgiveness of taxes totaling approximately \$18,000 for their new location at 701-20th Street West.

Ms. Brandi Neapetung, City Centre Church, spoke with respect to the importance of the Church to the community, and the impact it has made on her life and on others as well.

Mr. Mike Hough, Business Administrator, City Centre Church, explained that there had been a misunderstanding when they purchased the property located at 701 20th Street West, resulting in the Church being assessed for taxes for 2002. He requested that they be recognized as a Church and, therefore, qualify for tax exemption for 2002.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

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

CARRIED.

4) Ron Arnold 15 MacLean Crescent, dated April 3

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the proposed outdoor skatepark facility. (File No. CK. 610-8)

RECOMMENDATION: that Clause A4, Administrative Report No. 7-2003, and AA7) of

Communications be brought forward and considered and that Ron

Arnold be heard.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT Clause A4, Administrative Report No. 7-2003, and AA7) of Communications be brought forward and considered and that Ron Arnold be heard.

1)

"ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 7-2003

A4) Outdoor Skatepark Facility (File No.: CK 610-8)

RECOMMENDATION:

- that the Lions Clubs of Saskatoon be granted title sponsorship of the skateboard program, including the outdoor skatepark, the skateboard trailer and the satellite sites, in return for \$85,000 paid over a maximum of 6 years;
- 2) that pathway lighting, a telephone booth, and a water fountain be installed as amenities to the outdoor skatepark; and,
- 3) that a post-budget change to Capital Project #2055 Skateboard Outdoor Park be approved to increase the project from \$350,000 to \$410,000.

BACKGROUND

During its December 17, 2001 meeting, City Council approved the construction of an outdoor skatepark facility with the funding to be dealt with as follows:

"that the maximum contribution from the City of Saskatoon be \$325,000;

that the City's contribution be financed as follows:

- a) \$70,000 be allocated from the Sports Participation Grant reserve; and
- b) \$255,000 from a Productivity Improvement Loan to be paid back over a period of five years starting one year after construction of the outdoor skatepark facility is complete;"

The Administration reported that the \$58,000 Productivity Loan payment would be financed through the savings realized in the operating budget with the closure of the two indoor sites, predominately in the areas of salaries and facility costs.

During its November 18, 2002 meeting, City Council resolved:

"1) that the outdoor skatepark be located in Victoria Park;

- 2) that the Administration proceed with a user survey to determine the amenities and services required to maximize use of an outdoor skate park, and to further determine how important these amenities and services are relative to the ongoing use of the facility, and that the recommendations from the Skateboard Steering Committee be added to the survey; and
- 3) that the Administration report back to City Council with the results of the survey and any capital and/or operating budget implications derived from the results of the survey."

The Lions Club of Saskatoon submitted a letter dated March 26, 2002 (see Attachment 1) pledging \$25,000 to the project in return for title sponsorship.

During its April 15, 2002 meeting, the Administration and Finance Committee met with Mr. Arnold and resolved, in part:

"that the Administration be requested to report to the Executive Committee on the criteria used for naming facilities in the past and on policy implications if this proposal were approved."

REPORT

The preliminary design for the skatepark was on display for viewing at the Open House held on March 18, 2003 at the Quality Hotel. The Open House was held at a central location to attract citywide input into the design.

An advertisement was placed in the March 8, 2003 edition of the StarPhoenix, City Page. Notices were sent to all high schools and the Saskatoon School Boards to include in school newsletters. An inclusive list of Victoria Park stakeholders were also sent a notice by mail.

The evening was come and go format with the Skatepark Steering Committee members gathering any input from those attending. A PowerPoint presentation offered a comprehensive overview of what a skatepark is and what our park may look like when complete. A 3.5' X 4.5 ' concept plan was on display for viewing. (See Attachment 2 for the concept plan.)

A total of sixteen people attended the public input meeting. A breakdown is as follows:

- 2 Riverdale Lawnbowling Club
- 3 Saskatoon Lions Club
- 2 Holiday Park Community Association
- 1 Riversdale BID
- 8 skateboard & BMX representatives

Comments were compiled and sent to Mark VanderZalm, Skatepark Consultant. Any recommendations were minor changes to design. All those in attendance were very pleased with the design and eager to get the facility built.

The pre-qualification tender for the provision of construction services and materials for the new skateboard facility in Victoria Park closed March 20th. There were six tenders submitted; of those six, only four met the specifications. The construction tenders will now be sent to these four companies in the first part of April and tenders will close the end of April. Construction is scheduled to begin mid-May and the expected completion date of construction is the end of August, 2003.

JUSTIFICATION

Fast Consulting was hired to conduct a survey to determine the amenities and services required to maximize the use of an outdoor skate park. Five hundred skateboarders and parents were interviewed. (See Attachment 3 for the City of Saskatoon Outdoor Skatepark Survey-Report Summary.) Based on information gathered from users and parents through the survey, the following amenities and services required at the outdoor skatepark were identified:

1. <u>Lighting</u> – the Skateboard Steering Committee and the user survey recommended the installation of outdoor lighting. The survey indicates 96.5 percent of skateboarders said lighting was important, and 94.8 percent of parents said lighting was important.

The lighting installed will be pathway lighting and will be located along the outside perimeter of the skatepark, as well as along the pathway leading to the skatepark. The pathway lighting will be triggered by an electric eye, similar to street lighting, and will light the area enough so that the skatepark can be viewed from the road after dark. The estimated cost for this lighting is \$50,000.

The Community Services Department investigated the option of installing sport lighting suitable for skateboarding after dark. However, the estimated cost of this lighting is \$70,000. Other communities such as Regina and Kelowna do not have the sport lighting, and the Community Services Department is recommending to install pathway lighting initially. If the users feel that sport lighting is necessary in future years, the Community Services Department will discuss fundraising options with the users to contribute to the cost of the sport lighting, and undertake further consultation with nearby residents on the impact of facilitating full skateboarding activity after dark.

2. <u>Water Fountain</u> – Users indicated in the survey that a water fountain would be an important amenity. When asked how important water fountains would be, 93.8 percent of users said it would be important, and 94 percent of the parents said it was important. A fountain can be

installed during construction for a cost of \$7,000. This will provide a precast water fountain using water service from the boathouse.

- 3. Pay Telephone The survey has indicated the need to have access to a public phone. 93.4 percent of the users said a phone was important, and 96.6 percent of parents interviewed said a pay phone was important. SaskTel will supply a pay phone at no cost to the City of Saskatoon. There is a \$500 cost attached to installing a phone line from the boathouse or tennis club.
- 4. <u>Supervision</u> The Skateboard Steering Committee and the user survey have indicated the need for some type of supervision at the skatepark. In its report to City Council, the Steering Committee recommended providing supervision for the first season and reviewing the effectiveness after one year. The survey indicates 91.8 percent of users between the ages of 10 and 12 indicated supervision was important. The older youth did not see supervision as important (76.4 percent of 13 and 14 year olds and 54.5 percent of 15 to 17 year olds). Parents indicated supervision as being important (94.2 percent of 25 to 44 year olds).

In a report to the Executive Committee, dated January 22, 2003, the City Solicitor reported on reducing liability at the outdoor skatepark based on research and a survey conducted with 12 cities that had skateboard parks. The report discusses the potential liability of an unsupervised and a supervised skatepark as follows:

"An Unsupervised Skateboard Park

The skateboard park does not necessarily need to be supervised. If, however, the skateboard park is not supervised, then certain precautions must be taken to reduce both injury to skateboarders and to reduce potential liability to The City of Saskatoon...If the skateboard park is unsupervised, posting a sign stating that the park is unsupervised and that skateboarders skate at their own risk may reduce potential liability.

A Supervised Skateboard Park

The other alternative is to supervise the skateboard park...A sign would still need to be posted that set out the rules and stated that participants skateboard at their own risk. Employees must be both mature and assertive enough to enforce those rules. For example, if helmets and other protective padding were required, the employees would have to ensure that skateboarders wore the protective equipment. They would also be required to make sure beginner skaters were staying in their area to minimize the chance of injury that may result if the beginner skater skateboards in an intermediate or advanced area. The standard of care owed by the City of Saskatoon to skateboarders would likely increase if the skateboard park were supervised,

thus increasing the City of Saskatoon's potential liability...It should be noted, however, that supervision would increase the cost to operate the skateboard park and in turn limit the hours of operation."

Based on the information provided by the City Solicitor, the views of the Steering Committee, and the results of the survey, the Community Services Department is recommending a third option, which is to provide skatepark hosts at the site. The hosts will provide a service versus a regulatory approach to supervision of the facility. This concept is similar to a service provided by the City of Calgary at Millennium Skate Park. The role of the park hosts would be to provide an education presence at the skatepark to answer any questions users have regarding the operation of the skatepark, provide information on the amenities available both at the skatepark and in the surrounding area, provide basic instruction and technical assistance for beginner users, and monitor the usage patterns of the skatepark (e.g. peak usage hours, demographics of the user group such as age and neighbourhood they live in, etc.) The park hosts would also assist in conducting user evaluations of the skatepark and its operations.

The following lists the hours of hosting for 2003:

Two hosts at the skatepark based on a projected opening of mid-August August 18 - September 6 - Daily - 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. September 7 - September 30 - Daily - 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

The cost of providing park hosts in 2003 is approximately \$7,500 and will be accommodated through the re-allocation of funds in the 2003 operating budget from the closure of the indoor sites once the outdoor park is operational. The Community Services Department will monitor the effectiveness of the hosts. If it is determined that the skatepark hosts are required on an ongoing basis, the Community Services Department will request a service level increase in the 2004 Operating Budget.

Sponsorship

Lighting, a water fountain, telephone, and supervision are amenities and services that have been determined as being important to the ongoing use of the outdoor skate park. Both the Steering Committee and the user group mentioned lights and supervision as important amenities. The survey indicated a water fountain and telephone as very important amenities.

Project 2055, Skateboard Outdoor Park in the 2002 Capital Budget identifies that the maximum contribution from the City of Saskatoon is \$325,000, and the remaining \$25,000 would come from outside contributions for a total facility construction cost of \$350,000.

However, as per the user and parent survey, an additional \$57,500 is needed to pay for the lighting, telephone, and water fountain, raising the total facility cost to nearly \$410,000. With the City's contribution of \$325,000, and only \$25,000 from private donations, this left a shortfall of approximately \$60,000; or a total of \$85,000 required in addition to the City's contribution.

The Community Services Department entered into discussions with the Lions Clubs of Saskatoon with the above facts being made known to them. The Administration was very pleased when the Lions Clubs of Saskatoon agreed to fund the entire \$85,000 shortfall in exchange for our offer to be the title sponsor for the city-wide skateboard program. The skatepark program has three primary components: the outdoor skatepark, the traveling skateboard trailer, and the satellite sites. The Lions Clubs of Saskatoon would support the skateboard program in Saskatoon, through assistance in capital construction costs for the outdoor skatepark, as well as ongoing volunteer services for special events at our skatepark program sites. See Attachment 4 for an overview of the sponsorship package offered to the Lions Clubs of Saskatoon. Attachment 5 is the letter from the Lions Clubs of Saskatoon pledging \$85,000 for the skateboard program.

Sponsorship of an entire program is a new venture for the Community Services Department, and staff are excited at the many benefits which could evolve from such a partnership.

The Community Services Department is recommending that City Council approve that the Lions Club of Saskatoon be given title sponsorship for the skatepark program.

OPTIONS

There are two options regarding supervision at the outdoor skatepark.

Option #1

The first option is to not provide any type of supervision or skatepark hosts at the facility. This option would result in a savings of approximately \$7,500 in 2003. Although there are a number of cities that do not provide supervision, the expectations in our community are for some type of supervision. This option is not recommended as the results from the survey and the recommendations from the Steering Committee state that supervision is expected, at the very least when the facility initially opens.

Option #2

The second option is to provide a supervised skatepark. A sign would still need to be posted that set out the rules and stated that participants skateboard at their own risk. The City Solicitor has indicated that the "standard of care owed by The City of Saskatoon to skateboarders would likely increase if the skateboard park were supervised, thus increasing the City of Saskatoon's potential liability." Supervision would also increase the cost to operate as more staff would be required to provide a regulatory function than the proposed service function of the skatepark hosts.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Providing title sponsorship for the program in the manner described in Attachment 4 is in accordance with City of Saskatoon Policy C09-028 (Sponsorship) and City of Saskatoon Policy C09-008 (Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas).

As stated above, title sponsorship for a program is new to the Community Services Department. However, the City of Saskatoon has a number of examples where facilities were named as part of a sponsorship agreement. Two recent examples include the Kinsmen Pavilion being named in exchange for a contribution by the Kinsmen Club to the capital construction costs of the old concession building; and the donation made by the Potash Corporation donating funds towards the construction of the "Forestry Farm Potash Corp. Ark". In addition, there are examples of City-owned facilities named after service agencies (e.g. Lions Arena, ACT Arena, Cosmo Civic Centre) or members of the community (e.g. Archibald Arena, Bob Van Impe Ball Field, Clarence Downey Speed Skating Oval).

There is no recorded history on a number of the sponsorship arrangements that have occurred in the past where facilities were named for service clubs or individuals as part of a title sponsorship agreement. The Community Services Department will research these agreements, and will develop a recorded history to assist in future decisions with respect to title sponsorship.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The Lions Clubs of Saskatoon have requested that their donation of \$85,000 be made in five annual installments of \$17,000. This will make the project more manageable for the Clubs and will allow them to target their fundraising toward the skateboard program over the next five years. The City Comptroller has indicated that the payment installments will not have a significant impact on the working capital of the project.

The operating impact of the lights and water fountain is \$3,100 per year.

COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

Individual meetings will be arranged with organizations that have programs in or near the Victoria Park (e.g. Pensioners and Pioneers, Saskatoon School Board – Cross Country Races, Nordic Ski Club, Riverside Tennis Club, Community Associations) to keep them apprised of the plans and construction timelines.

The Community Services Department will clarify to the users and their parents the role of the skatepark hosts to ensure their expectations for supervision are not different than what we are proposing. Updates will also be provided on the construction schedule and opening date.

The Community Services Department will coordinate the official announcement of the title sponsorship of the skatepark program with the Lions Clubs of Saskatoon to ensure we are meeting their needs in terms of servicing the contract.

Once the outdoor skatepark is open, the skatepark hosts will conduct participant polls gathering feedback from users and parents as has been done in the past at all skateboard locations.

Further to recommendations provided by the City Solicitor, on site signage will outline the risks associated with using the skatepark, along with the rules. For example, the signs will state users skate at your own risk and that the use of safety equipment is strongly recommended. Signs will also state that the park is not supervised but hosts are available to provide assistance and information. Other information recommended by the City Solicitor (e.g homemade jumps are not permitted, drugs and alcohol is not permitted, where to call if damage is done to the site) will be on the signs.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Letter from Saskatoon Lions Club, dated March 26, 2002
- 2. Skatepark Concept Plan
- 3. City of Saskatoon Outdoor Skatepark Survey-Report Summary, dated December 2002
- 4. Skatepark Sponsorship Package Overview
- 5. Letter from Saskatoon Lions Club, dated March 20, 2003

AA7) Ed Bitz, President

Pensioners & Pioneers Organization, dated April 2

Expressing concerns with respect to parking in connection with the proposed skatepark to be built across from their facility. (File No. CK. 610-8)

RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be considered with Clause A4, Administrative Report

No. 7-2003."

Mr. Ron Arnold, 15 MacLean Crescent, spoke on behalf of the Lions Club. He requested that Council support the Lions Club's request for title sponsorship of the skatepark facility.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

- 1) that the Lions Clubs of Saskatoon be granted title sponsorship of the skateboard program, including the outdoor skatepark, the skateboard trailer and the satellite sites, in return for \$85,000 paid over a maximum of 6 years;
- 2) that pathway lighting, a telephone booth, and a water fountain be installed as amenities to the outdoor skatepark; and,
- 3) that a post-budget change to Capital Project #2055 Skateboard Outdoor Park be approved to increase the project from \$350,000 to \$410,000.

CARRIED.

AA. <u>ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL</u>

1) Janice Mann, Secretary Board of Police Commissioners, dated March 24

Forwarding a copy of a report of the A/Chief of Police with respect to vandalism at St. George Cathedral and the 200 Block of Avenue M South area. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

2) Janice Mann, Secretary Board of Police Commissioners, dated March 24

Forwarding a copy of a report of the Chief of Police with respect to the status of inquests and jury recommendations. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Steernberg, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

3) R.F. Chow, Lieutenant Commander, Commanding Officer Her Majesty's Canadian Ship UNICORN, dated March 24

Requesting permission to fly the Naval Jack Flag at City Hall from Wednesday, April 30 to Wednesday, May 7, 2003, and requesting that the HMCS UNICORN be granted Freedom of the City on Sunday, May 4, 2003, and for the Ship's Company to march through the City with bayonets fixed, drums beating and Colours flying to a commemorative parade before the cenotaph. (File No. CK. 205-1)

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

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the requests be approved subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

4) Brenda Brown, Supervisor, Communicable Disease Control Saskatoon Health Region, Public Health Services, dated March 17

Requesting that Ms. Darlene Meeds be appointed, as the Saskatoon Health Region's representative to the Advisory Committee on Animal Control, to replace Mr. Russell Scott.

RECOMMENDATION: that Ms. Darlene Meeds be appointed, as the Saskatoon Health

Region's representative to the Advisory Committee on Animal

Control, to replace Mr. Russell Scott.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Ms. Darlene Meeds be appointed, as the Saskatoon Health Region's representative to the Advisory Committee on Animal Control, to replace Mr. Russell Scott.

CARRIED.

5) Faye McKay 104 Idylwyld Place, dated March 31

Indicating her support of the GIG proposal for the redevelopment of the Gathercole site. (File No. CK. 4130-2-11)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received and referred to the file.

CARRIED.

6) Dave Price, Vice-President <u>Montgomery Community Association, dated March 8</u>

Submitting a copy of a letter addressed to the Community Services Department with respect to future residential development in Montgomery Place. (File No. CK. 4131-1) (Note: Also attached is a copy of the letter referred to.)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received.

7) Ed Bitz, President Pensioners & Pioneers Organization, dated April 2

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 11.

8) Joanne Sproule, Secretary Saskatoon Development Appeals Board, dated March 26

Submitting notice of Development Appeal Board Hearing for property located at 1303 Jackson Avenue. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

9) Bev Campbell, SaskTel Entertainment Chair Bell Walk for Kids Help Phone, dated April 2

Requesting permission for a concert at the Kiwanis Memorial Park Bandshell on Sunday, May 4, 2003, in connection with the Bell Walk for Kids (Kids Help Phone). (File No. CK. 185-9)

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

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the request be approved subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

10) Les and Linda Zmud 3315 Cassino Avenue, undated

Expressing concerns with respect to the proposed change to lot sizes in Montgomery Place. (File No. CK. 4131-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the matter be considered with Clause 1, Report No. 6-2003 of

the Planning and Operations Committee.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the matter be considered with Clause 1, Report No. 6-2003 of the Planning and Operations Committee.

CARRIED.

11) North Central Transportation Planning Committee, dated April 1

Submitting an invoice for membership fees for the period of April 1, 2003 to March 31, 2004. (File No. CK. 175-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the membership fee of \$600.00 be paid to the North Central

Transportation Planning Committee.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the membership fee of \$600.00 be paid to the North Central Transportation Planning Committee.

CARRIED.

12) Lynette Keyowski, Comprehensive Plan Co-ordinator North Central Transportation Planning Committee, dated April 3

Submitting a copy of the draft Comprehensive Transportation Plan, and inviting stakeholders to attend a public presentation of the findings of the Plan.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the information be received.

B. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

1) Dave Hoeft, Project Co-ordinator Saskatchewan Queen's Golden Jubilee Statue Project, dated March 11

Requesting that the City become a corporate donor in connection with the Queen's Golden Jubilee Statue Project. (File No. CK. 1870-1) (Referred to the Budget Committee)

2) Lois Anne Cowsill 701-6th Avenue North, undated

Expressing concerns with respect to the building located at 701 6th Avenue North. (File No. CK. 150-1) (**Referred to the Administration.**)

3) Ron Osika, Minister of Government Relations, dated March 24

Providing clarification of the government's intent under *An Act to provide for exemption from taxation of Property of The Canadian Red Cross Society, Saskatchewan Division* that provides certain Canadian Red Cross property in Saskatoon an exemption from property taxes. (File No. CK. 1965-1) (Referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.)

4) Robert White The Bridging Group, dated April 2

Requesting permission to meet with the Race Relations Committee to inform them of their plans, and request their support and guidance. (File No. CK. 100-10) (Referred to the Race Relations Committee.)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT the information be received.

C. PROCLAMATIONS

1) Dan Wiks, A/Chief of Police and Brian Bentley, A/General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Department, dated March 17

Requesting that Council proclaim April 28 to May 2, 2003 as Badge and Shield Week in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

2) Collette Roettger, Communications Assistant, Saskatchewan Division Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada, dated March 28

Requesting that Council proclaim May, 2003 as MS Month in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

3) Paul Gauthier, General Manager Community Services Department, dated March 28

Requesting that Council proclaim April 27 to May 3, 2003 as National Volunteer Week in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

4) Brian Bentley <u>A/General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Department</u>

Requesting that Council proclaim May 4 to 10, 2003 as Emergency Preparedness Week in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

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

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

- 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.

REPORTS

Mr. John Waddington, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, presented Report No. 1-2003 of the Municipal Planning Commission;

General Manager, Community Services Gauthier presented Section A, Administrative Report No. 7-2003;

General Manager, Corporate Services Veltkamp presented Section B, Administrative Report No. 7-2003;

General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Bentley presented Section C, Administrative Report No. 7-2003;

General Manager, Infrastructure Services Uzelman presented Section D, Administrative Report No. 7-2003;

General Manager, Utility Services Hewitt presented Section E, Administrative Report No. 7-2003;

City Manager Richards presented Section F, Administrative Report No. 7-2003:

Councillor Roe, Chair, presented Report No. 6-2003 of the Planning and Operations Committee;

Councillor Heidt, Chair, presented Report No. 6-2003 of the Administration and Finance Committee; and

Councillor Waygood, Chair, presented Report No. 1-2003 of the Budget Committee.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

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

- a) Report No. 1-2003 of the Municipal Planning Commission;
- *Administrative Report No. 7-2003;*
- *c)* Report No. 6-2003 of the Planning and Operations Committee;
- *d)* Report No. 6-2003 of the Administration and Finance Committee; and

e) Report No. 1-2003 of the Budget Committee;

CARRIED.

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

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

Committee arose.

Councillor Atchison, 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:

"MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT NO. 1-2003

Composition of Commission

Mr. John Waddington, Chair

Ms. Jo-Anne Richter, Vice-Chair

Councillor L. Swystun

Mr. Dieter André

Mr. Jack Billinton

Mr. Michael Chyzowski

Mr. Lloyd Hedemann

Mr. Randy Warick

Mr. Terry Smith

Mr. Roy Ball

Mr. Vern Waldherr

Mr. Jim Zimmer

Ms. Karen Thogersen

1. Sutherland Infill Concept Plan

Ptn. SW-2-37-5-W3 and Plan No. G219

Sutherland Neighbourhood Applicant: City of Saskatoon

(File No. CK. 4110-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approve, in principle, the Sutherland Infill Concept

Plan dated March 12, 2003.

Your Commission has considered the report of the Community Services Department dated March 14, 2003 and supports the recommendation for approval, in principle, of the Sutherland Infill Concept Plan dated March 12, 2003.

The above report of the Community Services Department, including the Sutherland Infill Concept Plan, is attached under Clause 4, Report No. 6-2003 of the Planning and Operations Committee.

Moved by Councillor Roe,

THAT Clause 4, Report No. 6-2003 of the Planning and Operations Committee be brought forward and considered.

"REPORT NO. 6-2003 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

4. Sutherland Infill Concept Plan (File No. CK. 4110-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approve, in principle, the Sutherland Infill Concept Plan dated March 12, 2003.

Your Committee has considered the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 28, 2003, along with a copy of the Sketch Plan dated March 12, 2003. The Administration has advised further that the paving of Lanyon Avenue north of 113th Street, as referenced in the report, will be funded as a boundary road capital project in 2004.

Your Committee has considered this matter and is recommending approval, in principle, of the Sutherland Infill Concept Plan dated March 12, 2003.

This matter is also being reported on under Clause 1, Report No. 1-2003 of the Municipal Planning Commission."

The Administration submitted a drawing entitled "Sutherland Infill Housing Project, Illustrated Typical Cross-section Showing Lots Backing Railway".

IT WAS RESOLVED: that City Council approve, in principle, the Sutherland Infill Concept Plan dated March 12, 2003.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 7-2003

Section A – COMMUNITY SERVICES

A1) Municipal Enterprise Zone R & D Fraser Homes Ltd. 130 Avenue B North (File No. CK. 1965-1)

RECOMMENDATION:	1)	that City Council approve a one-year tax abatement of the incremental taxes for construction of a new office building at 130 Avenue B North;		
	2)	that the one-year tax abatement be effective upon		

completion of the project, and obtaining all necessary building and plumbing permits, as outlined in Attachment 1 of this report; and

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

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

On February 13, 2003, the Municipal Enterprise Zone Adjudication Committee considered an application from R & D Fraser Homes Ltd. which is in the process of constructing a new office building at 130 Avenue B North (Caswell Hill). R & D Fraser Homes have requested a one-year tax abatement on incremental taxes plus a rebate of off-site levies.

Please refer to Attachments 1 and 2.

REPORT

The R & D Fraser Homes Ltd. application for incentives under the Municipal Enterprise Zone was made through the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority (SREDA) office. R & D has applied for a one-year property tax abatement on the incremental increase in taxes and a rebate of the off-site levies.

SREDA conducted a thorough review of the application by R & D Fraser Homes Ltd. and has determined that the project warrants consideration for incentives under the Enterprise Zone. The City of Saskatoon and SREDA have reviewed the financial information and are satisfied that the proposal is financially sound.

The Adjudication Committee agrees with SREDA's recommendation and has noted that it is consistent with the Enterprise Zone policy.

The estimated value of the one-year tax abatement on the building (increment only) is estimated at \$5,033. City Council approval is only required for the tax abatement incentive. The estimated value of the off-site levies is \$5,724.54. All required building and plumbing permit fees would also be automatically rebated to the owner of the property upon completion of the project. The Enterprise Zone account will fund the rebate of off-site levies and the building/plumbing permit fees. The tax abatement is not funded, since it is foregone revenue.

The Committee is recommending approval of the request by R & D Fraser Homes Ltd. SREDA will conduct a follow-up inspection to ensure that the project is completed according to the proposal described in Attachment 1. The office building is currently in the construction stages.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Project Proposal from R & D Fraser Homes Ltd.
- 2. Location Map of 130 Avenue B North.

A2) Easement Requirement—SaskPower Arbor Creek MB54, Plan 96S28728 and Walkway W11, Plan 101295121 (File No. CK. 4090-3)

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that City Council grant an easement to SaskPower as outlined on the attached plan: and 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal, the appropriate agreement as prepared by the City Solicitor. ADOPTED.

Carol Moore, on behalf of SaskPower's Land Department, has requested the City's approval for an easement over Municipal Buffer Strip MB54, Plan 01SA09948 and Walkway W11, Plan 101295121, as shown outlined on Attachment 1. The purpose of this easement is to provide service to Buckwold Crescent.

The Community Services Department and Infrastructure Services Department have no objection to the granting of this easement to SaskPower.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1 Part of Plan 101295121

A3) Easement Requirement—SaskEnergy Lakewood Village MB1, Plan 01SA09948 (File No. CK. 4090-3)

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that City Council grant an easement to SaskEnergy as outlined on the attached plan; and
- 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate seal, the appropriate agreement as prepared by the City Solicitor.

ADOPTED.

Laurie White, on behalf of SaskEnergy's Land Services, has requested the City's approval for an easement over Municipal Buffer Strip MB18, Plan 01SA09948, as shown outlined on Attachment 1. The purpose of this easement is to provide service to Lakewood Village.

The Community Services Department and Infrastructure Services Department have no objection to the granting of this easement to SaskEnergy.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Municipal Buffer MB18, Plan 01SA09948

A4) Outdoor Skatepark Facility (File No.: CK 610-8)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 11.

A5) Naming Specific Municipally-Controlled Property (File No. CK. 6310-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approve the name 'Willowgrove Boulevard.'

ADOPTED.

REPORT

On January 31st, 2003 the Land Branch applied to the Naming Advisory Committee to name the Grand Boulevard in Willowgrove the 'Willowgrove Boulevard.' According to City of Saskatoon Policy C09-008 (Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas), all specific requests for naming streets require the approval of City Council. The Naming Advisory Committee has reviewed the application and recommends to City Council the approval of this naming.

This roadway is one of the main entrances to the neighbourhood and serves as the symbolic entrance to the village centre at the heart of the development. The Naming Advisory Committee, therefore, feels it is appropriate for this road to have the same name as the neighbourhood.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

- 1. Map of Willowgrove, Phase 1
- A6) Land-Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department For the Period Between March 13, 2003 to March 26, 2003 (For Information Only) (File No. CK. 4000-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Subdivision

Application No.13/03: McOrmond Drive/Grand Boulevard

Applicant: Webster Surveys Ltd. for City of Saskatoon

Legal Description: Parcels TT & UU, in S. ½ 6-37-4-3 and Parcel V in

E. ½ 31-36-4-3, Plan 86S17947

Current Zoning: R1A

Neighbourhood: N.E. Development Area

Date Received: March 18, 2003

Subdivision

• Application No.14/03: 60th Street East

Applicant: Muray Marien for City of Saskatoon

Legal Description: Parcels X & Y, Plan 101262967; Parcel A, Plan

00SA24992; Parcel C, Plan 01SA12416

Current Zoning: IH

Neighbourhood: Marquis Industrial Date Received: March 24, 2003

Subdivision

• Application No.15/03: 813 – 47th Street East

Applicant: Webb Surveys for Harmon International Industries

Ltd.

Legal Description: Lot 5 and Parcel L, Block 466, Plan 61S20645

Current Zoning: IH

Neighbourhood: North Industrial Date Received: March 27, 2003

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 13/03
- 2. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 14/03
- 3. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 15/03

Section B – CORPORATE SERVICES

B1) Meewasin Valley Authority Funding (File No. 1500-4)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

REPORT

During deliberations on the 2003 Operating Budget, the Budget Committee requested that the Administration report to City Council's April 7, 2003 meeting, regarding the intent of the Province with respect to the recently announced increase to MVA funding.

The Meewasin Valley Authority (MVA) receives a substantial amount of statutory funding, through the Meewasin Valley Authority Act, from three funding partners:

Province of Saskatchewan	\$	740,169
City of Saskatoon		556,700
University of Saskatchewan		574,000
	\$1	,870,869

In the spring of 2002, the MVA considered closure if its Interpretive Centre in order to balance its budget. In response to speakers and other letters on this matter, City Council at its April 22, 2002 meeting, resolved:

"that the information be received and that City Council write to the Province advising that it is prepared to support an increase in the statutory funding for the Meewasin Valley Authority, and would like to enter into discussions to do so."

Some discussions did occur in the summer and fall of 2002. Consensus was that if all partners increased their funding by 10%, the current issues raised by MVA would be addressed. However, the Province did not signal, in advance of tabling its budget, its intent with respect to MVA funding. On March 28, the other funding partners learned that, while statutory funding to MVA did not change, supplementary funding provided the Authority with a 10% funding increase (\$74,000).

Provincial officials have indicated to the Administration that their intent is to continue to provide funding at this increased level in future years. While budgets can change from year-to-year, the intent of the Province is to continue to fund the MVA at the increased level, and they are anticipating that the other funding partners would be increasing their contributions as well.

The Province further indicated that discussions would continue (within the Provincial Government and with the funding partners) on long-term governance and funding options regarding MVA. Part of those discussions will include consideration of moving these supplementary funds into the statutory base.

The Administration also spoke to a representative at the University of Saskatchewan, who indicated that their past practice has been to receive funds dedicated to the MVA from Saskatchewan Learning, and to forward that level of funding to the Authority. They further indicated that the funds they expect to receive from the Province this year for that purpose would be at the same level as last year (\$574,000).

The outstanding question, raised during budget review last week, was City Council's intent with respect to MVA funding this year prior to adopting its 2003 Operating Budget.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Moved by Councillor Roe,

THAT Clause 1, Report No. 1-2003 of the Budget Committee be brought forward and considered.

CARRIED.

"REPORT NO. 1-2003 OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

1. 2003 Operating Budget (File No. CK. 1703-1)

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that the 2003 Estimates of Revenues and Expenditures, as outlined in the attached summary document, be approved;
- that \$1,000,000 of the increased Revenue Sharing grant be applied to the 2003 Operating Budget, and the balance of \$338,300 be transferred to the Reserve for Capital Expenditures, dedicated to the South Downtown project, to be used in the future as a base for the repayment of funds to be borrowed for the South Downtown project; and

3) that the Administration be authorized to use \$67,000 from the Pest Management Reserve in order to address the need for an enhanced mosquito monitoring program, to reduce the public health risk arising from the presence of West Nile Virus in the mosquito population in and around the City of Saskatoon.

The preliminary version of the 2003 Operating Budget Estimates was submitted to City Council on March 24, 2003 and referred to the Budget Committee for review. Your Committee met publicly on March 31 and reviewed the document. Your Committee also considered the attached report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated March 28, 2003 regarding increased funding to the Revenue Sharing Pool.

Attached is a summary which reflects the decisions made by the Budget Committee during its deliberations.

The decisions made by the Committee which are reflected in the summary are as follows:

- a) The grant to Tourism Saskatoon was increased by \$50,000.
- b) The provision to the Youth Sports Subsidies was increased by \$13,000.
- c) Service level improvements to transit were approved, in the amount of \$206,100.
- d) Provision to Fiscal Earnings and Payments was reduced by \$426,600.
- e) A donation of \$2,500 towards one memorial brick was made to the Juno Beach Centre.
- f) Funding in the amount of \$20,000 was provided to the Citizens' Centennial Committee.
- g) Funding in the amount of \$22,500 was provided to the Friends of the Forestry Farm House in order to discharge its outstanding debt."

Moved	d by Councillor Roe,	
1)	that a grant of \$55,670 to the Meewasin Valley Authority be approved for one year only, pending a change in the funding formula by statute.	
YEAS.	Councillors Heidt, Penner, Roe, Steernberg, Swystun and Waygood	6
NAYS	: His Worship the Mayor, Councillors Atchison, Fortosky, McCann, and Paulsen	5
Moved	d by Councillor Fortosky,	
2)	that \$1,338,300 of the increased Revenue Sharing grant be applied to the 2005 Operating Budget.	
YEAS.	: His Worship the Mayor, Councillors Atchison, Fortosky, Heidt, Paulsen and Swystun,	6
NAYS.	: Councillors McCann, Penner, Roe, Steernberg, and Waygood.	5
Moved	d by Councillor Waygood,	
3)	that the 2003 Estimates of Revenues and Expenditures be approved as amended and	
4)	that the Administration be authorized to use \$67,000 from the Pest Managemen Reserve in order to address the need for an enhanced mosquito monitoring program, to reduce the public health risk arising from the presence of West Nile Virus in the mosquito population in and around the City of Saskatoon.	
YEAS.	: His Worship the Mayor, Councillors Fortosky, Heidt, Penner, Roe, Steernberg, Swystun and Waygood.	8
NAYS.	: Councillors Atchison, McCann and Paulsen	3

Section C – FIRE AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

C1) Fire Service Agreement Village of Vanscoy (File No. CK. 2500-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the City of Saskatoon enter into a Fire Service Agreement with the Village of Vanscoy.

ADOPTED.

On December 4, 2002, the Fire and Protective Services Department received a request from the Village of Vanscoy to enter into an agreement with the City of Saskatoon to provide fire fighting services, dangerous goods response services and rescue services to the Village of Vanscoy. The City Solicitor's Office has prepared the appropriate Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

<u>ATTACHMENT</u>

1. Fire Service Agreement between the City of Saskatoon and the Village of Vanscoy.

Section D – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

D1) Proposed Lease of City Boulevard Truffles Bistro at 2917 Early Drive (File No. CK. 4070-2)

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that the City of Saskatoon enter into a Boulevard Lease Agreement with Truffles Bistro to lease 113.83 square

metres of boulevard at 2917 Early Drive; and

2) that the City Solicitor prepare a bylaw and lease agreement for the proposed Boulevard Lease at 2917 Early Drive.

Infrastructure Services has received an application for Lease of City Boulevard from Truffles Bistro for the lease of City Boulevard at 2917 Early Drive. The applicant will be using the boulevard area for customer parking.

The proposed leased area is shown on Plan No.241-0021-002r001 (Attachment 1), is adjacent to Lot 21, Block 424, Plan 61S10302, and is zoned as B1. The land area available to be leased is 113.83 square metres.

The cost per year to lease the boulevard area adjacent to 2917 Early Drive is \$388.51 plus GST. Infrastructure Services is in agreement to lease the boulevard for a term of 5 years. A 30-day written notice will be given by Infrastructure Services to cancel the lease if the land is required for future road development.

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

- 1. Fencing or curbing will be installed to prevent access from lease area to Early Drive or remaining boulevard area.
- 2. Access will be only from adjacent restaurant property.
- 3. Leased area will be used for driving or parking.
- 4. Upon termination of the lease, the property will be returned to original condition.
- 5. The cost to lease City Boulevard is \$388.51 + GST per year.

The applicant has agreed that these conditions are acceptable.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Plan No. 241-0021-002r001

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be deferred until the May 5, 2003 Council meeting.

D2) Proposed Removal of Yield Sign
Westbound Circle Drive off ramp at Clarence Avenue
(File No. CK. 6280-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the yield sign be removed from the westbound Circle Drive off ramp at Clarence Avenue as shown on Plan No. 210-0051-007r002.

ADOPTED.

Upon reviewing the traffic control at the intersection of Clarence Avenue and Circle Drive, it has come to our attention that a yield sign exists on the westbound Circle Drive off ramp that is not required.

The roadway design allows for vehicles traveling northbound on Clarence Avenue one lane, while at the same time a separate lane exists for exiting westbound Circle Drive vehicles traveling north on Clarence Avenue. Hence, a yield condition is not required. Instead a sign indicating a right lane has been added will be installed to clarify the distinction of two lanes as shown on Plan No. 210-0051-007r002 (Attachment 1).

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Plan No. 210-0051-007r002.

<u>Section E – UTILITY SERVICES</u>

ADOPTED.

E1) 2003 Capital Budget Capital Project # 0687 – Grit and Screen Power Cables Replacement Post Budget Adjustment (File No CK. 7800-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approve additional funding of \$110,000 for Capital Project # 0687; and, that the source of funding be the Sewage Treatment Capital Reserve.

REPORT

Currently, the grit chamber at the front end of the sewage treatment process is powered via twin 600-volt electric power cables strapped to the tunnel ceiling. These power cables are insulated with mineral filler that is outdated. In addition, the cable envelope is beginning to break down significantly reducing the insulating properties of the cable wrap. The net result is sporadic arcing along the length of the cables. These electrical cables are 30 years old and the insulation is breaking down due to age and environment. They have been repaired numerous times since their original installation and have now deteriorated to the point where there is no reliable repair that can be undertaken.

The required repair will involve the replacement of the power cables and provide a cable tray support system.

The Sewage Treatment Capital Reserve is sufficient to fund this project.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Section F – CITY MANAGER

F1) Appointment
General Manager, Fire & Protective Services
(File No. CK. 4510-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Your Administration is pleased to confirm the appointment of Mr. Brian Bentley to the position of General Manager, Fire and Protective Services, effective April 1, 2003.

Mr. Bentley has been employed with the Department since 1981, and has assumed increasing responsibilities. He has served both as an Assistant Chief in charge of training, and more recently, the Assistant Chief in charge of administration, quality assurance, and emergency measures.

Mr. Bentley has received an Associate Degree in Fire Protection from St. Louis Community College, a Business Administration Certificate from the University of Saskatchewan, and a Certificate in Fire Administration from Dalhousie University.

Mr. Bentley will indeed be an asset in managing the Fire and Protective Services Department.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

F2) 2003 Capital Budget
Capital Project No. 1766
South Downtown Riverbank Park
Concept Plan and Final Design
Award of Consulting Services
(File No. CK. 4130-2)

1)

RECOMMENDATION:

- that the proposal for consulting services submitted by Crosby Hanna & Associates/Gordon Forsyth & Associates for the concept and final design of the South Downtown Riverbank Park at a total cost of \$277,995.00 including G.S.T. and P.S.T. be accepted; and
- 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary Consulting Services Agreement for execution by the Mayor and City Clerk under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

The Manager, Special Projects issued a request for proposals for the preparation of a detailed design (including public input) and the preparation of contract documents for Capital Project No. 1766 – South Downtown Riverbank Park. Three proposals were received from the consulting firms listed below:

Crosby Hanna & Associates/Gordon Forsyth & Associates Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Stantec Consulting Ltd. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

UMA Engineering Ltd. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Proposals were reviewed and evaluated by the Steering Committee and the Technical Committee against the established, published criteria. The Committees are recommending that the highest scoring proposal from Crosby Hanna & Associates/Gordon Forsyth & Associates be accepted.

This is a project to develop the South Downtown Riverbank Park and integrate the park development with the balance of the Gathercole property, currently the subject of Expressions of Interest. There are sufficient funds in Capital Project 1766 to complete the riverbank park design project.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 5-2003

Section B – OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

B1) Anti-Bullying Bylaw Letter of Dr. Matthew's dated March 18, 2003 (File No. CK. 185-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

At the City Council meeting of March 24, 2003, I reported in error that the Saskatoon Police Service is working on a new anti-bullying bylaw. In fact, the Saskatoon Police Service is working on a new anti-fighting bylaw. It is expected that the report from the Saskatoon Police Service regarding the anti-fighting bylaw will come to Council through the Saskatoon Board of Police Commissioners.

The proposed anti-fighting bylaw will apply to consensual fights in any public place. The City of Edmonton has a section in their Public Places Bylaw which prohibits fighting in a public place. The "anti-bullying bylaw" which was recently passed in The City of Edmonton and which will come into effect May 1, 2003, is also a section of their Public Places Bylaw. The anti-bullying section of the Bylaw says that no person shall communicate with a minor, who is defined as a person under 18 years of age, in a way that causes the minor "reasonably in all the circumstances, to feel harassed". Harassed is defined as including being tormented, troubled, worried, plagued or badgered.

The Saskatoon Police Service are not at this time looking at the anti-bullying section. If Council would like us to look at it, as requested by Dr. Matthews, we would be happy to do so. We would involve the Saskatoon Police Service in any such review.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be referred to the Administration for a report to the Administration and Finance Committee.

REPORT NO. 6-2003 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor P. Roe, Chair Councillor R. Steernberg Councillor D. Atchison Councillor P. McCann Councillor K. Waygood

1. Enquiry – Councillor O. Fortosky (November 18, 2002) Minimum Lot Size – Montgomery Place Neighbourhood (File No. CK. 4351-1)

RECOMMENDATION:

- that the Development Plan and Zoning Bylaw be amended to increase the minimum lot size in the Montgomery Place Neighbourhood from 15 metres (site width) by 30 metres (site depth), to 18.25 metres (site width) by 39.6 metres (site depth), including a provision in the Zoning Bylaw to accommodate legal non-conforming situations created by the increased lot sizes;
- 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary bylaws;
- that the Community Services Department be instructed to undertake the necessary advertising;
- 4) that the Technical Planning Commission and the Municipal Planning Commission be asked to report to City Council on this matter at the time of the public hearings; and

5) that the Community Services Department be instructed to undertake the proposed Montgomery Place Neighbourhood public consultation process as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 17, 2003, prior to City Council's public hearings

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Item AA10) of Communications was brought forward and considered.

IT WAS RESOLVED: 1)

that the Development Plan and Zoning Bylaw be amended to increase the minimum lot size in the Montgomery Place Neighbourhood from 15 metres (site width) by 30 metres (site depth), to 18.25 metres (site width) by 39.6 metres (site depth), including a provision in the Zoning Bylaw to accommodate legal non-conforming situations created by the increased lot sizes;

- 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary bylaws;
- 3) that the Community Services Department be instructed to undertake the necessary advertising;
- 4) that the Technical Planning Commission and the Municipal Planning Commission be asked to report to City Council on this matter at the time of the public hearings; and
- 5) that the Community Services Department be instructed to undertake the proposed Montgomery Place Neighbourhood public consultation process as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 17, 2003, prior to City Council's public hearings.

2. 2002 Annual Report

Special Needs Transportation Advisory Committee (File No. CK. 7305-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered the 2002 Annual Report of the Special Needs Transportation Advisory Committee, copy attached, and is forwarding the report to City Council as information.

3. Urban Design Committee 2002 Annual Report (File No. CK. 430-28)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the 2002 Annual Report of the Urban Design Committee which has been considered by the Planning and Operations Committee and is being forwarded to City Council as information.

4. Sutherland Infill Concept Plan (File No. CK. 4110-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 29.

REPORT NO. 6-2003 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor M. Heidt, Chair Councillor O. Fortosky Councillor T. Paulsen Councillor G. Penner Councillor L. Swystun

1. Application for Funding
City of Saskatoon Policy C03-007 (Special Events)
Saskatoon Aqualenes Synchronized Swim Club
(File No. CK. 1870-1)

RECOMMENDATION:

that a grant of up to \$4,175 be approved under City of Saskatoon Policy C03-007 (Special Events) for the Saskatoon Aqualenes Synchronized Swim Club to host the Manitoba, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Yukon Regional Synchronized Swimming Competition from May 23 – 25, 2003.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 10, 2003 regarding an application for funding under the Special Events Policy from the Saskatoon Aqualenes Synchronized Swim Club. Your Committee has reviewed this application with the Administration, and supports the grant.

2. Communications to Council

From: P. Raymond Martineau

410 Skeena Court

Date: February 20, 2003 Subject: Mendel Art Gallery

(File No. CK. 153-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

City Council considered the above-noted communication, and heard a presentation from Mr. P. Raymond Martineau at its meeting held on March 10, 2003 regarding the Mendel Art Gallery, and the matter was referred to the Administration and Finance Committee for further discussion with members of the Mendel Board, if they wish to attend, and report back to Council.

Your Committee has met with members of the Mendel Board and with Mr. P. Raymond Martineau, and has determined that the Mendel Board has undertaken significant measures in terms of forward planning, and does have a facility development plan in place, however, implementation has been hampered by several issues, not the least of which is the decrease in funding available from the Federal Government and the resignation of the Director of the Gallery. The Board has been moving forward and the Committee is satisfied that appropriate and fiscally responsible steps are being taken to establish plans for this civic facility which offers so much to our community. The Committee has every confidence in the Board's ability to complete its responsibilities in this regard.

REPORT NO. 1-2003 OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor P. McCann, Chair

His Worship the Mayor

Councillor D. Atchison

Councillor O. Fortosky

Councillor M. Heidt

Councillor T. Paulsen

Councillor G. Penner

Councillor P. Roe

Councillor R. Steernberg

Councillor L. Swystun

Councillor K. Waygood

1. 2003 Operating Budget (File No. CK. 1703-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 36."

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

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

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7a) School Speed Zone Sign on Preston Avenue South (File No. CK. 5200-5)

Report of the City Clerk:

"Attached is an excerpt from the minutes of meeting of City Council held on March 10, 2003, at which time Council deferred consideration of the above-noted matter to the April 7, 2003 Council meeting."

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

- 1) that the Draft Policy, Reduced Speed Zones for Schools, be adopted as City Council policy respecting the installation of reduced speed limits on streets near schools in Saskatoon; and
- 2) that the reduced speed zone on Preston Avenue south of Circle Drive for the Maria Montessori School be removed.

CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES

Councillor T. Paulsen Mandatory Provision of Space for Parking Bicycles in New Developments (File No. CK. 6120-1)

Could the Administration please report on incorporating a mandatory minimum provision of space to park your bike in all new developments on zoning applications, similar to minimum parking provisions currently mandated by our Zoning Bylaw.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 8196

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8196, being "The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2003 (No. 10)" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Bylaw No. 8196 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8196.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8196 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8196 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT Bylaw No. 8196 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the Acting 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. 8197

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8197, being "The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2003 (No. 11)" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Bylaw No. 8197 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8197.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8197 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8197 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT Bylaw No. 8197 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the Acting City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Mayor	A/City Clerk
The meeting adjourned at 10.51 p.m.	
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	CARRIED.
THAT the meeting stand adjourned.	
Moved by Councillor Atchison,	