Council Chambers City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask. Monday, January 22, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

### MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

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

Councillors Clark, Heidt, Hill, Lorje, Neault, Paulsen

Penner, Pringle, and Wyant; City Manager Richards; City Solicitor Dust;

General Manager, Corporate Services Bilanski; General Manager, Community Services Gauthier; General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Bentley; General Manager, Infrastructure Services Totland;

City Clerk Mann; and

Council Assistant Mitchener

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the minutes of meeting of City Council held on January 8, 2007, be approved.

### CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

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

### CARRIED.

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

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

Committee arose.

Councillor Paulsen, 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:

### "REPORT NO. 1-2007 OF THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION

### Composition of Commission

Mr. Brad Sylvester, Chair

Mr. Gord Androsoff, Vice Chair

Councillor Bev Dubois

Ms. Carole Beitel

Mr. Bruce Waldron

Mr. Roy Ball

Mr. Michael Chyzowski

Ms. Debbie Marcoux

Mr. John McAuliffe

Mr. Kurt Soucy

Mr. Vern Waldherr

Mr. Randy Warick

Mr. Fred Sutter

### 1. Zoning Bylaw Text Amendment The Keeping of Animals (File No. CK. 4350-1)

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- that City Council approve the advertising of amendments to the Zoning Bylaw, concerning the keeping of animals, as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated December 27, 2006;
- 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the required bylaw;
- 3) that the General Manager, Community Services Department, be requested to prepare the required notices for advertising the proposed amendment;
- 4) that at the time of the public hearing, City Council consider the Municipal Planning Commission's recommendation that the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendments, as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated December 27, 2006, be approved; and

5) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare and bring forward the necessary amendments to the Animal Control Bylaw, as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated December 27, 2006.

### ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated December 27, 2006, regarding proposed amendments to the Zoning Bylaw with respect to the keeping of animals.

Your Commission has reviewed and supports the proposed amendments as outlined in the above-noted report of the Administration.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 2-2007**

### Section A – COMMUNITY SERVICES

A1) Municipal Enterprise Zone List of Recently Approved Applications (File No.: PL. 4110 – 34; CK. 3500-15)

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

ADOPTED.

### **BACKGROUND**

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

### **REPORT**

The following applications were approved by the Adjudication Committee on November 2 and December 7, 2006:

- 1. **LaMaison Mamawe-Atosketak Inc.**, 1023 Idylwyld Drive North Application for Grant in Lieu of Tax Abatement of no more than \$7,758.41. Mamawe Housing is a subsidiary of Sask Native Rentals who have purchased and plan to renovate a 12 unit apartment for rental and transitional occupancy. Although \$205,161 will be spent on renovations, the overall assessment and taxes on the property are not expected to increase significantly. Therefore, the Municipal Enterprise Zone Committee has approved a grant equal to one year's worth of existing property taxes.
- 2. **Al Andersons Source for Sports**, 202/204 Avenue B South Al Anderson's plans to expand into an adjacent 4,000 square foot building. The anticipated cost of the expansion will be \$120,000. The project is not expected to affect the existing taxes on the property; therefore, a tax abatement is of no value. The Municipal Enterprise Zone Committee has approved a grant in lieu of tax abatement equal to one year's worth of property taxes of no more than \$5,193.57.
- 3. **Radepa Investments Inc.**, 501 Avenue W South Radepa Investments has recently purchased a 12,000 square foot 12 unit apartment block with seven commercial units on the main floor. Although \$100,000 will be spent on renovations, the overall assessment on the property is not expected to increase significantly. Therefore, the Municipal Enterprise Zone Committee has approved a grant equal to one years' worth of existing property taxes of no more than \$33,000.
- 4. **Core Neighbourhood Youth Co-op (CNYC)**, 903 20<sup>th</sup> Street West CNYC is planning to purchase the adjacent property at 903 20<sup>th</sup> Street West and invest \$15,000 in upgrades to the building. The planned upgrades are not expected to increase property taxes. Therefore, the Municipal Enterprise Zone Committee has approved a grant equal to one years' worth of property taxes of not more than \$2,103.47.
- 5. **Core Neighbourhood Youth Co-op**, 903 20<sup>th</sup> Street West Application for facade improvement grant totalling \$2,500.
- 6. **Scott & Fehr, Barristers and Solicitors**, 211A 33<sup>rd</sup> Street West Application for facade improvement grant totalling \$2,500.
- 7. **Skizzors Hair Salon,** 211B 33<sup>rd</sup> Street West Application for facade improvement grant totalling \$2,500.

During consideration of these applications, the Adjudication Committee noted that cash grants in lieu of tax abatements equal to one year's worth of property taxes and façade appearance grants up to \$2,500 are listed as Enterprise Zone incentives. City Council approval is not required for these incentives.

The owners will be undertaking improvements and renovations to the existing properties including making the front building facades more attractive at the street level. The enhancements may include replacing old worn-out building materials, painting, sandblasting, stuccoing, etc.

Follow-up inspections will be undertaken at all of the above locations. Only when it is clearly demonstrated that the projects are completed, and a significant enhancement to the front facade of the building has been made will the committed funds be provided to the owner/applicant.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

As of October 31, 2006, there was \$229,725 remaining in the Municipal Enterprise Zone Account. The above applications total \$55,555.45 and are within the means of the Municipal Enterprise Zone Program.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

A2) Land-Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department For the Period Between December 7, 2006 and January 10, 2007 (For Information Only) (File Nos. PL. 4300, 4350, 4355; CK. 4000-5)

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

ADOPTED.

The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Discretionary Use

• Application No. D1/07: 114 Keedwell Street

Applicant; Goran and Emina Jelisavac

Legal Description: Lot 23, Block 516, Plan 101749248

Current Zoning R1A

Proposed Use: Care Home Neighbourhood: Willowgrove

Date Received: January 8, 2007

### Rezoning

• Application No. Z1/07: 2410 Woodward Avenue

Applicant: Division Eclaire Francophone 310

Legal Description: Parcel C, Plan 59S06254

Current Zoning: R2 Proposed Zoning: M2

Neighbourhood: Nutana Park

Date Received: December 27/06

Subdivision

• Application No. 75/06: 16 Morris Drive

Applicant: Webb Surveys for John Cicansky

Legal Description: Lot 24 and Part of Lane, Block 469, Plan 61S19969

Current Zoning: R2

Neighbourhood: Massey Place

Date Received: December 7, 2006

• Application No. 76/06: 514 and 518 Smallwood Crescent

Applicant: Webb Surveys for Florence Fauchaux and

Douglas and Sandra Thiessen

Legal Description: Lots 9, 10 and Lane L8, Block 722, Plan 73S08290

Current Zoning: R2

Neighbourhood: Confederation Park

Date Received: December 7, 2006

Subdivision

• Application No. 77/06: 1318 Empress Avenue

Applicant: Webb Surveys for Keith and Mary Gudmundson

Legal Description: Lot 7, Block 3, Plan I196

Current Zoning: R2

Neighbourhood: North Park

Date Received: December 7, 2006

Application No. 78/06: Wanuskewin Road/71<sup>st</sup> Street

Applicant: George, Nicholson, Franko for City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Pt. Parcel XX, Plan 83S29140; Pt. Parcel AA, Plan

00SA34606; Road Widenings on Plans 84S49718

and 83S29140

Current Zoning: IL2

Neighbourhood: Marquis Industrial Area
Date Received: December 13, 2006

Application No. 79/06: 415 Herold Court

Applicant: Tri-City Surveys for City of Saskatoon and

Advanced 200 Systems Inc.

Legal Description: Lot 1, Block 435, Plan 01SA09948 and Part of Parcel

C, Plan 89S02055

Current Zoning: B2

Neighbourhood: Lakewood Suburban Centre Date Received: December 13, 2006

Application No. 80/06: 303 Slimmon Road

Applicant: Jastek Lakewood Projects Inc.

Legal Description: Lots 23 and 24, Block 433, Plan 101861805

Current Zoning: RM4

Neighbourhood: Lakewood Suburban Centre Date Received: December 14, 2006

• Application No. 81/06: 1502 Quebec Avenue

Applicant: Webb Surveys for Bronstin Holdings Ltd. Legal Description: Part Parcel A, Block 12, Plan G727

Current Zoning: IL1

Neighbourhood: Kelsey-Woodlawn

Date Received: December 14, 2006

Application No. 82/06: 413 and 415 Preston Avenue

Applicant: George, Nicholson, Franko for Helen Hnatiuk Legal Description: Lots 25 and 26, Block 317, Plan 60S09635

Current Zoning: R1

Neighbourhood: Greystone Heights

Date Received: December 20, 2006

### Subdivision

• Application No. 1/07: 2502 Millar Avenue

Applicant: Webb Surveys for J.L.S. Holdings Ltd. Legal Description: Lot 6, Block 470, Plan 61S20645 and

Lot 11, Block 470, Plan 10140023

Current Zoning: IL1

Neighbourhood: North Industrial

Date Received: January 3, 2007

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Plan of Proposed Discretionary Use D1/07
- 2. Plan of Proposed Rezoning No. 1/07
- 3. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 75/06
- 4. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 76/06
- 5. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 77/06
- 6. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 78/06
- 7. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 79/06
- 8. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 80/06
- 9. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 81/06
- 10. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 82/06
- 11. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 1/07

### **Section B – CORPORATE SERVICES**

**B1)** Communications to Council

From: Clay Larson, President

**Pensioners and Pioneers Organization** 

Date: undated

Subject: 606 Spadina Crescent West

(File No. 1920-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that information be received.

ADOPTED.

At its meeting of December 18, 2006, City Council received a communication from Clay Larson, President of the Pensioners and Pioneers Organization requesting forgiveness of the 2006 property taxes. The communication was forwarded to Administration for a report back to Council.

### **REPORT**

In 1978, the Pensioners and Pioneers Organization entered into a long-term, 25-year lease with the City of Saskatoon for the property at 606 Spadina Crescent West. The lease was renewed in September, 2002 for an additional 25 years. However, due to its decreasing financial viability, the Pensioners and Pioneers chose to terminate the lease during 2006.

The Pensioners and Pioneers Organization was historically exempt from property tax. In 2005, City Council approved the phase out of all existing tax abatements of which 2006 was the second year. The 2006 abatement to the organization totalled \$18,136.42, leaving \$820.41 in taxes outstanding.

The Pensioners and Pioneers organization has been disbanded, the lease terminated and the title of the property reverted to solely the City of Saskatoon as of January 1, 2007.

The Royal Canadian Legion Saskatoon (Saskatchewan #63) Branch purchased the property from the City of Saskatoon and took possession on January 2, 2007. The balance of \$820.41 has been settled through proceeds of the sale.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

### <u>Section D – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES</u>

D1) Proposed Parking Restrictions Preston Avenue North of Main Street (File No. 6120-2)

**RECOMMENDATION:** 

that a Monday through Friday, 1600 to 1800 parking restriction be permanently installed on the 800 block of Preston Avenue (west side) from the intersection at Main Street approximately 40m north.

ADOPTED.

### **REPORT**

The intersection of Preston Avenue and Main Street is currently controlled by four-way stop signs, and serves approximately 18,000 vehicles per day. 70% of the traffic travels on Preston Avenue. During the afternoon peak periods, southbound traffic on Preston Avenue is heavy and extensive queuing occurs.

During the summer of 2006, Infrastructure Services had temporary parking restrictions from 1600 to 1800, Monday through Friday placed on the 800 block of Preston Avenue (west side) from the intersection at Main Street approximately 40m north to help increase the capacity of the intersection. The restriction was driven by complaints of increased traffic using Preston Avenue southbound as part of a detour route, and the subsequent bottleneck at the intersection with Main Street. The restriction on this parking lane allows it to function as a right turn/through lane for Preston Avenue southbound traffic during the afternoon peak hour period, since there are two driving lanes south of Main Street on Preston Avenue for southbound traffic. Making the

temporary parking restriction permanent will continue to facilitate increased traffic movement, and limiting the timing of the restriction minimizes the impact on the adjacent Church property.

Infrastructure Services has reviewed the location and recommends that parking restrictions be permanently installed on the west side of Preston Avenue, approximately 40m north from the intersection with Main Street, as shown on Attachment 1.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

### **ATTACHMENT**

- 1. Preston Avenue North of Main Street
- D2) Enquiry Councillor B. Pringle (November 6, 2006) Sound Attenuation (File No. CK. 375-2, 375-22)

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that the scope of Capital Project 1522 Traffic Noise Attenuation for 2007 include completing noise barriers at the Idylwyld Drive on-ramp from Taylor Street East to approximately 2<sup>nd</sup> Street East;
- 2) that the Administration undertake a comprehensive review in 2007 of the next possible locations requiring retrofit sound attenuation, complete with field measurements and computer noise models; and
- 3) that the Administration report back to the Planning and Operations Committee in the fall of 2007 with the results, options and strategy for the next possible locations requiring retrofit sound attenuation to be included in the 2008 Capital Budget.

### **BACKGROUND**

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

"I would appreciate it if the Administration would provide an update on the status of "Sound Attenuation" plans around Circle Drive South from Taylor Street (on the east) to Ruth Street (on the west).

Specifically and further, if Council could have an overview of the city-wide sound attenuation plans, complete with the timetable, it would be appreciated."

### **REPORT**

In 1991, the former Engineering Department conducted a city-wide Saskatoon Traffic Noise Study. The major goals of the Study were to:

- 1. Establish traffic noise level policy guidelines for existing and proposed development areas.
- 2. Identify areas within the City that would warrant the installation of noise attenuation devices based on the policy guidelines.

The Study recommended the adoption of a traffic noise level guideline of 65 dB(A) Ldn. The Ldn standard was adopted because it places greater significance on the effect of traffic noise during the nighttime hours. A threshold level of 65 dB(A) was selected after weighing the pros and cons of selecting either a higher or lower standard. Many major Canadian and U.S. cities have adopted a similar traffic noise level as a policy guideline. A higher level such as 70 dB(A) would essentially amount to having no policy, as there are few areas in the City where traffic noise reaches this level. A lower standard of 60 dB(A) was suggested and dismissed, as it would result in an extensive sound attenuation program, since there are numerous locations in the City where traffic noise exceeds this level. The additional costs associated with a lower threshold policy level far outweigh the benefits. The 65 dB(A) level was selected as an appropriate threshold and is widely accepted by other jurisdictions in Canada and the US.

As a result of the 1991 study, the following guidelines, in part, were adopted:

- 1. For existing or proposed transportation corridors abutting residential land, a noise level standard of 65 dB(A) Ldn is applied subject to a maximum barrier height of five metres, a minimum barrier height of two metres, and a minimum reduction of 5 dB(A) Ldn from installation of the sound barrier.
- 2. The noise level standards apply to all existing roadways included in the study and proposed transportation corridors with roadway classifications of freeway, expressway and arterial, with rear-abutting residential land use.

Based on the above policy guidelines, Capital Project 1522 – Traffic Noise Attenuation, was established to include the locations shown in the table below. For the most part, all project locations identified in the original study are complete.

Original Capital Project 1522:Traffic Noise Attenuation Projects

Noise Source	Section Where Attenuation is Required	1991 Noise
		Level dB(A)

	From	То	Side Affected	
Circle Drive	Warman Road	Circle Drive Bridge	Both Sides	66.6
Warman Road	7 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	Hazen Street	East Side	73.3
Idylwyld Freeway	The River	8th Street	Both Sides	74
Idylwyld Freeway	8 <sup>th</sup> Street	Ruth Street	Both Sides	66
Idylwyld Freeway	Ruth Street	Glasgow Street	East Side	69

In 2007, the locations identified by the 65 dB(A) Ldn standard, addressing the areas most severely impacted by traffic noise as identified by the 1991 Traffic Noise Study, will be completed. Specifically, the balance of wall construction will be completed in 2007 along the following sections:

- Circle Drive from 14<sup>th</sup> Street through to College Drive (east side)
- College Drive from Circle Drive to Central Avenue (north and south sides)
- the Taylor Street East on-ramp to Idylwyld Drive, from Taylor Street to 2<sup>nd</sup> Street (east side)

Since the 1991 study, there has not been a comprehensive review to identify the next possible sections of roadways, their status, and the viability of retrofit sound attenuation installation. Construction has diligently proceeded on the areas identified in the 1991 report, and at the end of 2007 this list will be complete. Although the 1991 list went beyond the locations that met the 65 dB(A) policy threshold standard, there is neither adequate data for the basis of decision making on which section should be next for retrofit sound attenuation installation.

Table 1 (Attachment 3) outlines the 1991 master list and its status up to December 2007. Table 2 (Attachment 4) outlines the remaining locations from the 1991 list ranked in descending priority order.

Infrastructure Services will proceed in 2007 with field sound measurements and evaluation of the top 10 to 20 locations, as well as those driven by complaints. From this work, a report will be submitted to the Planning and Operations Committee with the results, options, and strategy for the next possible locations requiring retrofit sound attenuation.

To update City Council on the status of sound attenuation on Circle Drive from Taylor Street to Ruth Street, please refer to the map and table on Attachment 1, which provides the date and location of sound readings for this corridor.

The following is a summary:

### A. <u>Taylor to Highway 11/16 Interchange</u>

This is a four lane divided section of freeway posted at 90km/h. The roadway is 'depressed' from the neighborhoods of Lakeview, and Eastview. Attachment 1 illustrates the sound level readings that have been taken throughout the past 10 years. Although the readings are below the 65 dB(A) Ldn standard, complaints have been logged from Lakeview on the 300 and 400 blocks of Costigan Crescent.

Since 1991, the most significant change to this stretch of Circle Drive was the completion of the Taylor Street and Circle Drive Interchange in 1996, which drastically changed the profile of Circle Drive. As well, with the City's growth the average annual daily traffic (AADT) on this roadway has gone from 16,571vehicles per day (vpd) to 22,821 vpd in 2005. As shown in Table 2, this section of roadway is in the top 10 locations to evaluate, and a new set of sound measurements will be taken on this portion of Circle Drive in 2007.

### B. Highway 11/16 Interchange to Clarence Avenue

This is a four lane divided section of expressway posted at 90km/h. The roadway is at roughly the same grade or above the existing neighborhoods to the north, namely Eastview, Nutana Park and Avalon. Attachment 1 illustrates the sound level readings that have been taken throughout the past 10 years. From the data this corridor does not exceed the 65 dB(A) Ldn standard for retrofit, however, complaints have been logged from the 2500 block of Eastview.

Since 1991, the most significant change to this stretch of Circle Drive is the construction of a berm on the south perimeter of Circle Drive along the edge of the new Stonebridge neighbourhood development, and the growth of AADT on the 11/16 Interchange to Preston Avenue from 15,508 vpd in 1991 to 25,249 vpd in 2005. The AADT from Preston to Clarence also grew from 17,710 vpd in 1991 to 22,812 vpd in 2002.

As shown in Table 2, this section of roadway is in the top 10 locations to evaluate, and a new set of sound measurements will be taken on this portion of Circle Drive in 2007.

### C. New Clarence Avenue and Circle Drive Interchange

The new Clarence Avenue and Circle Drive Interchange area was modeled for sound levels after interchange construction, and actual sound level readings were taken in 2006. With the exception of one location on the east side of the interchange, as shown on Attachment 2, none of

the adjacent properties currently experience sound levels near the 65 dB(A) Ldn standard for retrofit, nor are they projected to.

On the basis of the sound level standard alone, sound walls are not required at the Clarence Avenue and Circle Drive Interchange. A July 2006 report to the Executive Committee recommended in part "that landscaping and sound wall design proceed with consideration of aesthetics from the properties to the north of Circle Drive". Currently, the properties overlook the freeway and all vehicles use both Clarence Avenue and Circle Drive. Upon completion of the interchange, the properties will overlook a newly landscaped area with a sound wall serving as a border.

Soundwalls for this section are funded internally from Capital Project 2018 – Circle Drive/Clarence Avenue Grade Separation.

### D. Clarence Avenue Interchange to Ruth Street

In 2003, the first section of walls were completed from Glasgow Street through to the Ruth Street Exit on Circle Drive northbound. In 2006, the sound attenuation walls were finished on Circle Drive southbound, through to the Ruth Street Exit.

There are no plans for any additional retrofit sound attenuation for this section.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Saskatoon Traffic Noise Level Data Circle Drive Taylor St Ruth St;
- 2. Clarence Avenue Interchange Traffic Noise Data and Projection;
- 3. Table 1 Status of 1991 Traffic Noise Priority & Locations; and
- 4. Table 2 1991 Traffic Noise Data Prioritized Remaining Locations.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be referred back to the Administration to review the previous commitments that have been made with respect to sound attenuation and report to the Planning and Operations Committee.

D3) Enquiry – Former Councillor L. Swystun (June 9, 2003)
Traffic Calming – Corner of Avenue F and Walmer Road
(File No. 6350-1 and CK. 6320-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the existing yield signs at the intersection of Avenue F/Walmer Road, be replaced with stop signs.

### ADOPTED.

### **BACKGROUND**

The following enquiry was made by former Councillor Swystun at the meeting of City Council held on June 9, 2003:

"Would the Administration please report on any traffic calming that could be utilized at the corner of Avenue F and Walmer Road. Residents of the area have observed a number of accidents or near accidents at this corner. Currently it has yield signs on the avenue; however, residents wonder if stop signs might be better due to the curving and hilling at the intersection. Suitable measures to reduce the potential of further accidents would be appreciated."

### **REPORT**

The intersection of Avenue F/Walmer Road is currently controlled by yield signs on Avenue F giving right-of-way to Walmer Road. The average daily traffic at this intersection is 878 vehicles per day, and both roadways are classified as local roadways. The speed limit is 50 km/h. Traffic data as to peak traffic volumes and pedestrians, collision history, short-cutting traffic, and vehicle speeds was collected and analyzed to determine if traffic control changes or traffic-calming devices would be applicable at the intersection.

### Peak Hour Traffic and Pedestrian Volume

On February 2, 2006, a peak hour traffic and pedestrian count was conducted between the hours of 7:00 am to 9:00 am; 11:30 am to 1:30 pm; and 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. The count captures volumes when traffic and pedestrians are considered the most abundant. Results of the count are tabulated below.

### Peak hour Pedestrian and Traffic Study Avenue F and Walmer Road

Time	Avenue F		Avenue F		Walmer Road		Walmer Road	
	Southbound		Northbound		Westbound		Eastbound	
	Vehicles	Pedestrians	Vehicles	Pedestrians	Vehicles	Pedestrians	Vehicles	Pedestrians
7:00 to 9:00	9	0	10	2	48	5	66	8
11:30 to 1:30	24	5	13	5	69	2	67	3
4:00- 6:00	9	2	19	7	103	4	74	13
Total	42	7	42	14	220	11	207	24

The study indicates that the majority of the traffic is using Walmer Road. The traffic volumes measured are typical of a local roadway, with minimal pedestrian activity.

### **Collision History**

Over the past five years, there have been four collisions at this location, all of which were right-angle collisions. There were no injuries or fatalities.

### **Short-Cutting Study**

A short-cutting study was conducted identifying vehicles using Walmer Road, west of Idylwyld Drive to Avenue H. This study records licence plates of each vehicle travelling through the study route. Vehicles with the same licence plate number at either end of the study route are considered to be short-cutting. This study is performed during weekday peak hours. Results of the study show that approximately 12% of the traffic using Walmer Road can be classified as short-cutting traffic. This is not considered a significant amount.

### Speed Study

A speed study was conducted on Walmer Road between Avenue F and Avenue G. This study is performed in a 24 hour period for 7 days. The 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed (the speed at which 85 percent of the vehicles are travelling at or less than) was 51.5 km/h. It is ideally desirable to have the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed no more than 5 % above the speed limit. In this case, the result is slightly higher than the posted speed limit. This is not an indication of a persistent speeding problem, but rather that most drivers are aware of the speed limit and are travelling in accordance with it.

Infrastructure Services has not identified any significant traffic safety concerns to warrant any traffic-calming devices at this time. To improve the safety conditions at the intersection of Avenue F and Walmer Road, the Administration is proposing replacing the existing yield signs with stop signs on Avenue F for northbound and southbound traffic. In addition, according to a recommendation in the Caswell Hill Local Area Plan report, Infrastructure Services will implement

measures to prevent through traffic on 25<sup>th</sup> Street (west of Idylwyld Drive) should 25<sup>th</sup> Street be connected between Idylwyld Drive and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue. At this time, the project to extend 25<sup>th</sup> Street from 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue to Idylwyld Drive is scheduled to begin in 2008, subject to available funding.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

D4) Appointment of Weed Inspector - 2007

The Noxious Weed Act

(File No. 4200-2, 4510-1; CK. 4200-8)

**RECOMMENDATION:** 

that Mr. Gerald Rees and Ms. Terri Smith of the Infrastructure Services Department be appointed as the City of Saskatoon's 2007 Weed Inspectors, in accordance with the provisions of *The Noxious Weed Act*.

ADOPTED.

Section 7, Article 1 of *The Noxious Weed Act* (Saskatchewan) requires that City Council appoint a weed inspector annually. To carry out this year's program, a weed inspector is required for a sixmonth period from May 1 to October 31, 2007.

Mr. Gerald Rees, Superintendent, Park Maintenance, and Ms. Terri Smith, Park Technician I, of Infrastructure Services, Parks Branch are recommended to fulfill this requirement during 2007.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

### Section E – UTILITY SERVICES

E1) 2007 Capital Budget
Capital Project 687
Primary Sedimentation Basins – Equipment Replacement
Wastewater Treatment Plant
Award of Engineering Services
(File No. 7990-60-1; CK. 7920-1)

RECOMMENDATION:	1)	that the proposal for engineering services for the Primary Sedimentation Basins – Equipment Replacement at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, from Catterall & Wright Consulting Engineers, for a total upset fee of \$172,297 (including P.S.T. and G.S.T.) be accepted; and
	2)	that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary Engineering Services Agreement for execution by His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk under the Corporate Seal.
ADOPTED.		

As part of the overall long-term capital improvement plan at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, the 2007 Capital Budget includes funding of \$1,727,000 for the work required to upgrade and replace equipment associated with the Primary Sedimentation Basins at the Wastewater Treatment Plant – Project 687.

The over aged equipment in the Primary Sedimentation Basins have been identified for replacement as part of the ongoing Equipment Replacement Schedule. The equipment to be replaced includes longitudinal sludge collectors, scum cross collectors, sludge cross collectors, associated electrical and miscellaneous appurtenances.

In November of 2006, five consulting firms were invited to submit proposals for engineering services. Proposals were received from the following four firms:

- Catterall & Wright Consulting Engineers
- EarthTech (Canada) Inc.
- Stantec Consulting Ltd.
- Wardrop Engineering Inc.

Staff of the Engineering Services Branch and the Wastewater Treatment Plant evaluated the submitted proposals. After a systematic evaluation of the submissions was completed, Catterall & Wright Consulting Engineers was found to be the most suitable.

The upset fee for the Engineering Services is as follows:

Basic Upset Fee	\$161,200.00
P.S.T. (5% on 30% of design)	\$1,425.00
G.S.T. @ 6%	\$ <u>9,672.00</u>
Contract Amount	\$172,297.00

G.S.T. Rebate @ 6% (\$9,672.00)

Net Cost to the City \$162,625.00

Capital Project 687 has sufficient approved funding allocated within the total project funding to allow this engineering services proposal to be accepted.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

E2) Proposed Bylaw Amendment Electrical Rates Bylaw No. 2685 Effective February 1, 2007 (File No. CK. 1905-6)

RECOMMENDATION:	1)	that the electrical rates charged in the City of Saskatoon distribution area be revised so that customers will pay the same as SaskPower customers;
	2)	that the revised rates be effective February 1, 2007; and
	3)	that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8574.
ADOPTED.		

SaskPower will increase its retail rates effective February 1, 2007, based on the Provincial Government's decision to support the Saskatchewan Rate Review Panel (SRRP) recommendations.

The average impact of this year's increase on a residential customer will be 4.7%, or approximately \$3.00 per month. The various commercial customers will see impacts ranging from 3.8% to 15.0%, with a 6.5% increase for streetlights. The overall average increase for all customer classes is 4.3%.

The bulk power rate charged to the City of Saskatoon will increase by 3.6%. The SRRP agreed with the City of Saskatoon's recommendation that Saskatoon's revenue-to-revenue requirement

ratio (R/RR) should remain at 1.0, and, therefore, rolled the bulk power rate increase back from the 4.6% increase that had been proposed by SaskPower. As a result, the annual savings to the City is almost \$627,000.

Historically, the City has set its rates for electricity sold within its franchise area so that customer bills would be the same as those paid by SaskPower customers. Failure to do this would result in inequities between similar customers served by the two utilities in Saskatoon.

The financial impact of these rate changes is being analyzed and will be included in the 2007 Operating Budget.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

### **ATTACHMENT**

1. Electrical Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 8574.

### REPORT NO. 1-2007 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

### Composition of Committee

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

1. Municipal Heritage Property Designation 129 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North (Cambridge Courts) (File No. CK. 710-1)

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare, advertise, and bring forward a bylaw to designate the property at 129 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North (Cambridge Courts) as a Municipal Heritage Property under the provisions of the *Heritage Property Act*, with such designation limited to the exterior of the building;

- 2) that the owner of 129 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North receive the following assistance from the Heritage Conservation Program under the terms and conditions outlined in this report:
  - a) a property tax abatement to a maximum of \$48,189, amortized over ten years commencing in the year following the satisfactory completion of the restoration project for the proposed property rehabilitation plan with the source of funding for the abatement being the Heritage Fund;
  - b) that a maximum of \$1,200 be allocated from the Heritage Fund for the supply and installation of a recognition plaque for the property; and
- 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate agreement regarding the tax abatement.

### ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated December 14, 2006, with respect to the above matter.

Your Committee has been advised that the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee considered this report at its meeting held on January 3, 2007, and supports the municipal heritage designation for the exterior of the Cambridge Courts building, located at 129 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North.

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

# 2. Official Naming – Traffic Bridge (File No. CK. 6050-1)

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that the renaming of "Victoria Avenue Bridge" to the "Traffic Bridge" be approved;
- 2) that the addition of the names "Haid" and "Pritchard" to the Names Master List be approved;
- 3) that the Administration arrange for the installation of a historical plaque recognizing the history and name of the bridge to be installed during a special celebration in the centennial year for the bridge (2007); and

4) that the signs be installed at both ends of the bridge depicting the name "Traffic Bridge", and these signs be visible to drivers.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Item A4 of Communications to Council.

3. 2006 Annual Report Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee (File No. CK. 225-18)

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

1)

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered and is forwarding the attached copy of the 2006 Annual Report of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee to City Council for information.

4. Affordable New Home Development Foundation – Hunter Crossing (File No. CK. 750-4)

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- that funding of ten percent of the total contribution of the Municipal, Provincial, and Federal Government toward the capital construction of a minimum of eight affordable dwelling units at 135 Keedwell Street in the Willowgove neighbourhood totalling no more than \$114,000 from the Affordable Housing Reserve be approved; and
- 2) that the Administration be authorized to disburse the ten percent contribution of Centennary Affordable Housing Program (CAHP) assistance for each completed unit upon determination of the eligibility of each unit under the City of Saskatoon Policy C09-002 (Innovative Housing Incentives).

### ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated December 6, 2006, with respect to a request for funding under the Affordable Housing Reserve.

Your Committee has reviewed the matter and supports the recommendations of the Administration, as outlined above.

### REPORT NO. 1-2007 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

### Composition of Committee

Councillor G. Penner, Chair Councillor D. Hill Councillor M. Heidt Councillor M. Neault Councillor T. Paulsen

Motion – Former Councillor E. Hnatyshyn (September 18, 2006)
 Notice to Neighbourhood Prior to Use of Pesticides and
 Saskatoon Pesticide Reduction Project
 Year One Final Report to EJLB Foundation
 (File No. CK. 4200-7)

RECOMMENDATION:	1)	that the information be received and referred to the Budget Committee for consideration during the review of the Capital Budget; and
	2)	that a copy of this report be submitted to the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee.
ADOPTED.		

The following motion was made by former Councillor E. Hnatyshyn at the meeting of City Council held on September 18, 2006:

"that a bylaw be established requiring 72 hours notice be given to a neighbourhood prior to use of a pesticide that would impact on surrounding properties and residents."

This resolution was subsequently referred to the Administration and Finance Committee, who in turn, referred the matter to the Administration for a report to include the results of the Saskatoon Environmental Society (SES) Pesticide Education Program pilot project.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department dated January 3, 2007, which outlines alternative measures that were taken regarding pesticide reduction, including the continuation of an education program in 2007, that is unfunded in the Capital Budget under Project 2185, which is yet to be considered by City Council. Your Committee supports the continuation of this pesticide education program.

### **REPORT NO. 2-2007 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

### Composition of Committee

His Worship Mayor D. Atchison, Chair

Councillor C. Clark

Councillor B. Dubois

Councillor M. Heidt

Councillor D. Hill

Councillor P. Lorje

Councillor M. Neault

Councillor T. Paulsen

Councillor G. Penner

Councillor B. Pringle

Councillor G. Wyant

1. Circle Drive – South River Crossing
Roadway Alignment – Clarence Avenue to South Saskatchewan River
(File No. CK. 6050-9)

ADOPTED.

# that the roadway alignment for Circle Drive South between Clarence Avenue and the South Saskatchewan River, as shown in Attachment 1, be approved in principle; 2) that the Administration be authorized to negotiate with the land owners identified in this report, for the acquisition of the necessary rights-of-way for the construction of this project; and 3) that the Administration report further on the final roadway alignment for Circle Drive South, to the west of the South Saskatchewan River, when the consultant's final report is received.

Your Committee has considered and supports the following report of the A/General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated January 5, 2007:

### "REPORT

The roadway alignment for Circle Drive was the subject of an extensive public consultation process and engineering study. The final study report is currently being prepared by Stantec Consulting Ltd. and is anticipated to be received within the next two months. The Administration has, however, been reviewing the final roadway alignment being presented by Stantec, and has 'signed-off' on the final alignment of the roadway between Clarence Avenue and the South Saskatchewan River. The Administration believes it important to bring this proposed alignment forward for City Council's consideration at this time, as it will have a significant impact on a number of businesses adjacent to the planned roadway. A number of the business owners have been pressing the Administration for a decision on what the property impacts of the project will be.

At this time, it is proposed that the roadway alignment for Circle Drive between Clarence Avenue and the South Saskatchewan River, as shown in Attachment 1, be approved in principle. Upon presentation of the completed Circle Drive South River Crossing Functional Planning Study report, the Administration will seek City Council's approval of the final roadway alignment from 11<sup>th</sup> Street West to Clarence Avenue.

There are portions of six privately held east side land parcels that will be required in order to facilitate the construction of Circle Drive in this area. These properties are:

Property Owner / Description	Civic Address
Greystone Investments Ltd	2820 Jasper Ave
Ronald Enterprises Ltd (El Rancho Food Group)	2929 Melville St
Canadian National Railway Company (former spur line)	N/A
Armtec Limited	2902 Jasper Ave
Canadian National Railway Company (leased to ViTran Express Canada)	202 Portage Ave
Solar Enterprises Ltd	226 Portage Ave

Infrastructure Services would like to proceed with negotiating with these land owners at this time so that the land may be assembled in a timely manner, and so that these property owners may begin planning for the modification of their sites, or relocation if necessary. It is, therefore, being recommended that the Executive Committee recommend to City Council that the Administration be authorized to negotiate with these property owners.

Prior to purchase of any lands, a report will be submitted to City Council for the authorization to purchase.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Stantec Figure 12.1 (Sheet 1 of 4) East Side Recommended Plan; and
- 2. Stantec Figure 12.1 (Sheet 3 of 4) East Side Recommended Plan"
- 2. Joint Scholarship Program
  City of Saskatoon and Local 59
  (File No. CK. 1870-1)

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

that the amounts awarded under the Scholarship Program jointly sponsored by the City and CUPE Local 59 be increased from \$350 to \$500 per award recipient.

### ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered and supports the attached letter dated December 6, 2006 from the President of CUPE Local 59.

# 3. Appointments to Property Maintenance Appeals Board (File No. CK. 225-54)

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

that Don Stiller and Dan Wiks be appointed to the Property Maintenance Appeals Board to the end of 2009, to replace Boris Kischuk and Susan Mallin.

### ADOPTED.

Your Committee is pleased to put forward the above recommendation, to fill the two vacancies on the Property Maintenance Appeals Board.

## 4. Appointment to Marr Residence Management Board (File No. CK. 225-52)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Kevin Kitchen be appointed to the Marr Residence Management

Board to the end of 2011, to replace Maguerite Rashley.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee is pleased to put forward the above recommendation, to fill the vacancy on the Marr Residence Management Board.

5. Appointments to Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre Corporation (TCU Place) (File No. CK. 175-28)

RECOMMENDATION:

that the City's representative be instructed to vote the City's proxy at the 2007 Annual Meeting for the appointment and reappointment of the following to the Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre Corporation Board of Directors for the terms indicated:

For 2007:

Councillors Paulsen and Penner

Vic Dubois

To the end of 2008:

Donald Ravis, replacing Marnie McNiven

Jill Reid, replacing Giorgio Piotto

Jyotsna Custead, replacing Garry Byers Boris Kishchuk, replacing Earl Magnuson

Ian Sutherland

Mary Ellen Buckwold

Martin Chicilo

ADOPTED.

6. Mayor's Committee on Neighbourhood Safety
Terms of Reference
(File No. CK. 5000-4)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council approve the attached Terms of Reference for the Mayor's Committee on Neighbourhood Safety.

ADOPTED.

Attached for approval are proposed Terms of Reference for the Mayor's Committee on Neighbourhood Safety."

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

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

CARRIED.

His Worship the Mayor assumed the Chair.

### **COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL**

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

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

### 1) David Fox, dated January 3

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

### 2) Jennifer Meakin, dated January 4

Commenting on proposed development to off-leash dog park. (File No. CK. 152-2)

### 3) <u>Jean-Michel DeVink, dated January 5</u>

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

### 4) Rebecca Francis-Elder, dated January 6

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

### 5) Dr. Paul Taillon, dated January 6

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

### 6) Athea Smith, dated January 7

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

### 7) M. Pisclevich, dated January 7

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

### 8) Roger Pierson, dated January 7

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

### 9) Joanne Stanton Hassler, dated January 7

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

### 10) Kevin Wiebe, dated January 7

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

### 11) <u>Karen Martens, dated January 7</u>

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

### 12) Cheryl Loadman, dated January 8

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

### 13) Colleen Kapell, dated January 8

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

### 14) <u>Denise Cornish, dated January 8</u>

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

### 15) Stacie Kolomay, dated January 8

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

### 16) Dave Dash, dated January 8

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

### 17) Brenda Reid, dated January 9

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

### 18) Paul Craig, dated January 16

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

### 19) Marlene Reeves, dated January 16

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

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

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the information be received and referred to the file and that the writers be advised of the next steps in the process.

CARRIED.

### 20) Amanda Taylor, dated January 4

Commenting on snow removal. (File No. CK. 6290-1)

### 21) Kent Frank, dated January 7

Commenting on snow removal. (File No. CK. 6290-1)

### 22) Tammy Gordon-Dirks, dated January 8

Commenting on snow removal. (File No. CK. 6290-1)

### 23) Steve Warnar, dated January 14

Commenting on snow removal. (File No. CK. 6290-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received and joined to the file for further review and consideration.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the information be received and joined to the file for further review and consideration.

CARRIED.

### 24) Marianne Vibert, Rawlco Radio Saskatoon, dated January 4

Asking City Council to proclaim the week of August 20 to 26<sup>th</sup>, 2007, as Cruise Week in Saskatoon. Also requesting street closures on Sunday, August 26, 2007, asking that the City post notice of the street closures beginning August 24; requesting use of the Community Stage or Showmobile on Sunday, August 26, requesting permission to hang four large cross-street banners on 22<sup>nd</sup> Street as well as 70 vertical banners on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue the week of August 7<sup>th</sup> (with the services of the Electric System Branch) and for large garbage containers to be spread out over the downtown; all requests in conjunction with the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual News Talk 650 and Rock 102 FM Cruise Weekend scheduled for Friday to Sunday, August 24 to 26, 2007.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- that City Council proclaim the week of August 20th to 26<sup>th</sup>, 2007, as Cruise Week, and that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamation on behalf of City Council; and
- 2) that the various requests be approved subject to administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

1)

- 1) that City Council proclaim the week of August 20th to 26<sup>th</sup>, 2007, as Cruise Week, and that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamation on behalf of City Council; and
- 2) that the various requests be approved subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

### 25) <u>Daniela Machuca, dated January 15</u>

Suggesting the unnamed bridge be called the "Union Bridge" or the "Unity Bridge." (File Nos. CK. 6050-1 & 6310-1)

### 26) Robert Schmeiser, dated January 17

Submitting comments with respect to renaming the Victoria Avenue Bridge. (File No. 6050-9)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the letters be considered with Item A4 of Communications to

Council and Clause 2, Report No. 1-2007 of the Planning and

Operations Committee.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT the letters be considered with Item A4 of Communications to Council and Clause 2, Report No. 1-2007 of the Planning and Operations Committee.

CARRIED.

# 27) Georgie Davis, Executive Director North Saskatchewan Independent Living Centre, dated January 22

Submitting comments with respect to an ad hoc committee on access. (File No. CK. 225-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the letter be considered with Councillor C. Clark's motion.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT the letter be considered with Councillor C. Clark's motion.

CARRIED.

### C. INFORMATION ITEMS

### 1) Perry Stadnyk, dated January 4

Commenting on an issue regarding transit security. (File No. CK. 7300-1)

### 2) <u>Judi Udahl, dated January 13</u>

Thanking Council for consideration of the issues of the ROLO organization with respect to off-leash dog parks. (File No. CK. 152-2)

### 3) Jason Schoonover, dated January 8

Commenting on proposed high-rise on Broadway Avenue. (File No. CK. 4110-1)

### 4) Donna Jamieson, dated January 9

Commenting on recent lane closure on Warman Road. (File No. CK. 6320-1)

### 5) <u>Linda Lamb, dated January 10</u>

Commending bus drivers for their service during the blizzard of January 10. (File No. CK. 7300-1)

### 6) Elaine Aulis, dated January 11

Extending appreciation to snow removal crews after the blizzard of January 10. (File No. CK. 6290-1)

### 7) Anthony B. Dunn, dated January 12

Commenting on transit services. (File No. CK. 7310-1)

### 8) Marian Hoffos, dated January 15

Commenting on an issue involving staff at the Alice Turner Library during the blizzard of January 10. (File No. CK. 270-1)

9) The Hon. Maynard Sonntag, Minister of First Nations and Métis Relations and The Hon. Harry Van Mulligen, Minister of Government Relations, dated December 28

Submitting a copy of the Government of Saskatchewan Guidelines for Consultation with First Nations and Métis People: A Guide for Decision Makers.

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

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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

### 1) Jeff Collins, dated January 4

Enquiring about housing/studio space for artists and art organizations. (File No. CK. 750-4) (**Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.**)

### 2) Lillian Hiechman, dated January 4

Commenting on the proposed closure of the walkway between Peberdy and Wakabayashi Crescents. (File No. CK. 6295-1) (**Referred to Administration for further handling.**)

### 3) Paulette Edin, SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival, dated January 12

Submitting two letters requesting extensions of the Noise Bylaw and a "Resolution Letter" in conjunction with the SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival, to be held on June 22 to July 1, 2007. (File Nos. CK. 185-9 & 311-2) (**Referred to the Administration for a report.**)

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

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

### E. <u>PROCLAMATIONS</u>

### 1) Harry Janzen, Saskatoon Real Estate Board, dated January 5

Requesting City Council proclaim September 10 to 15, 2007, as Realtor Safety Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

# 2) Lewanna Dubray, A/Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Coordinator dated January 10

Requesting City Council proclaim March 2007 as Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Month in Saskatoon and have the flag flying during the entire month of March. (File No. CK. 205-5)

### 3) Renee Sakon, Heart and Stroke Foundation of Saskatchewan, dated January 12

Requesting City Council proclaim the month of February 2007 as Heart and Stroke Month. (File No. CK. 205-5)

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

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

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

CARRIED.

### **ENQUIRIES**

Councillor G. Wyant Traffic Calming - Broadbent Avenue (File No. CK. 6320-1)

Would the Administration please report on the feasibility of installing traffic calming measures on Broadbent Avenue. The residents have seen a steady increase in vehicles on this road travelling at increased speeds. A small boy in a stroller was hit recently by a car that had lost control.

Councillor P. Lorje Traffic Calming – 100 and 200 Blocks - Avenue F South (File No. CK. 6320-1)

Will the Administration please report on traffic calming measures or traffic control changes that could be implemented on the 100 and 200 blocks of Avenue F South. Since the opening of the Tim Horton's on the Giant Tiger site, residents have seen a dramatic increase in the volume and speed of traffic on this previously quiet residential street.

Councillor T. Paulsen Discharge from Sump Pumps (File No. CK. 7820-1)

As a result of the June 2005 storm, many residents have installed sump pumps. However, these sump pumps are now discharging water onto the sidewalk in the spring and fall which is freezing on the sidewalk and creating an unusual danger. There has been some discussion about allowing residents to disconnect their weeping tile. Since most of these sump pumps were installed at the City's request, when is the City going to take action to fix the problem they have created.

### **MOTIONS**

Councillor Clark gave the following notice of motion at the meeting of City Council held on January 8, 2007:

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

'THAT City Council appoint one City Councillor and one member of the Administration to meet with the ad hoc committee on accessibility at a date to be determined in March 2007 to help inform the future discussions on Capital Budget Project 1963 and the creation of a City of Saskatoon Committee on Accessibility.'"

The City Clerk submitted a copy of the speaking notes of Ms. Georgie Davis, which refer to the creation of an ad hoc committee.

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Item B27 of Communications to Council is to be considered with this matter.

# "B27) Georgie Davis, Executive Director North Saskatchewan Independent Living Centre, dated January 22

Submitting comments with respect to an ad hoc committee on access. (File No. CK. 225-1)"

Moved by Councillor Clark, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT City Council appoint one City Councillor and one member of the Administration to meet with the ad hoc committee on accessibility at a date to be determined in March 2007 to help inform the future discussions on Capital Budget Project 1963 and the creation of a City of Saskatoon Committee on Accessibility.

DEFEATED.

### **HEARINGS**

4a) Discretionary Use Application
Bed and Breakfast Home – R2 Zoning District (max 3 guest bedrooms)
1546 – 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue North
Applicant: Terry and Marion McConnell
(File No. CK. 4355-1)

### REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

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

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

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated December 27, 2006 recommending that the application submitted by Terry and Marion McConnell requesting permission to use Lots 3 and 4, Block 10, Plan G5720 and Lot 92, Block 10, Plan 1420660 (1546 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue North) for the purpose of a Bed and Breakfast Home with three guest rooms be approved subject to the following:

- a) the applicant obtaining 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 Bed and Breakfast Home with three guest bedrooms; and
- b) the three guest bedrooms not be used as part of the bed and breakfast operation until all conditions of the required permits noted above are met.

Attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated January 15, 2007 advising that the Commission is in support of the above-noted recommendation."

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, expressed the Department's support of the discretionary use application.

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

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

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT the hearing be closed.

### CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the application submitted by Terry and Marion McConnell requesting permission to use Lots 3 and 4, Block 10, Plan G5720 and Lot 92, Block 10, Plan 1420660 (1546 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue North) for the purpose of a Bed and Breakfast Home with three guest rooms be approved subject to the following:

- a) the applicant obtaining 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 Bed and Breakfast Home with three guest bedrooms; and
- b) the three guest bedrooms not be used as part of the bed and breakfast operation until all conditions of the required permits noted above are met.

CARRIED.

### **COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL - CONTINUED**

### A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL

### 1) <u>David Klatt, dated January 15</u>

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to the Saskatoon Police Service patrol aircraft project. (File Nos. CK. 5000-1 and 1711-2)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that David Klatt be heard.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT David Klatt be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Klatt expressed concerns with respect to the Saskatoon Police Service patrol aircraft project, in terms of noise, privacy and safety issues.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the matter be referred to the Chief of Police for a report.

CARRIED.

### 2) Eleanor Knight, dated January 16

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to the transport of hazardous waste through the City of Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 7830-2)

### 3) <u>Jim Penna, dated January 16</u>

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to the transport of hazardous goods through the City of Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 7830-2)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Eleanor Knight and Jim Penna be heard.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT Eleanor Knight and Jim Penna be heard.

CARRIED.

Ms. Eleanor Knight expressed concerns with respect to the transportation of toxic materials, particularly yellowcake, through the city. She asked various questions about routes, storage, emergency plans, etc., noted in her presentation, which she provided to City Council.

Ms. Marion Penna, spoke on behalf of Jim Penna, and expressed concerns with respect to the transportation of dangerous uranium products and wastes through the city. She provided City Council with a copy of her presentation.

Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

1) that the matter be referred to the Administration to respond to the writers; and

2) that the letters be sent to the Minister of the Environment for comment on whether there are any plans to have refinery wastes from Blind River transported back to Saskatchewan on a regular basis and their plans to deal with public safety.

CARRIED.

### 4) Victoria Neufeldt, President, Saskatoon Heritage Society, dated January 22

Requesting permission for a representative of the Saskatoon Heritage Society to address City Council with respect to formal naming of the Traffic/Victoria Bridge. (File No. CK. 6050-8)

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

that Items B25 and B26 of Communications to Council and Clause 2, Report No. 1-2007 of the Planning and Operations Committee be brought forward and that the representative of the Saskatoon Heritage Society be heard.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT Items B25 and B26 of Communications to Council and Clause 2, Report No. 1-2007 of the Planning and Operations Committee be brought forward and that the representative of the Saskatoon Heritage Society be heard.

CARRIED.

### "B25) Daniela Machuca, dated January 15

Suggesting the unnamed bridge be called the "Union Bridge" or the "Unity Bridge." (File Nos. CK. 6050-1 & 6310-1)

### **B26)** Robert Schmeiser, dated January 17

Submitting comments with respect to renaming the Victoria Avenue Bridge. (File No. 6050-9)

### REPORT NO. 1-2007 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

2. Official Naming – Traffic Bridge (File No. CK. 6050-1)

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that the renaming of "Victoria Avenue Bridge" to the "Traffic Bridge" be approved;
- 2) that the addition of the names "Haid" and "Pritchard" to the Names Master List be approved;
- 3) that the Administration arrange for the installation of a historical plaque recognizing the history and name of the bridge to be installed during a special celebration in the centennial year for the bridge (2007); and
- 4) that the signs be installed at both ends of the bridge depicting the name "Traffic Bridge", and these signs be visible to drivers.

Attached are copies of the January 8, 2007 report of the General Manager, Community Services Department and the November 10, 2006 report of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee, with respect to the above matter. The report of the Community Services Department provided a report from the Naming Advisory Committee on this issue, as well as the addition of names to the Names Master List.

Your Committee has been advised that the Naming Advisory Committee and the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee both support the renaming of the "Victoria Avenue Bridge" to the "Traffic Bridge" and an official naming ceremony to celebrate the centennial anniversary of the bridge and the installation of signage at both ends of the bridge. Your Committee has reviewed this matter and also supports the recommendations, as outlined above."

Ms. Peggy Seargent, Saskatoon Heritage Society, spoke in support of renaming the Victoria Bridge the Traffic Bridge.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

- 1) that the renaming of "Victoria Avenue Bridge" to the "Traffic Bridge" be approved;
- 2) that the addition of the names "Haid" and "Pritchard" to the Names Master List be approved;
- 3) that the Administration arrange for the installation of a historical plaque recognizing the history and name of the bridge to be installed during a special celebration in the centennial year for the bridge (2007); and

4) that the signs be installed at both ends of the bridge depicting the name "Traffic Bridge", and these signs be visible to drivers.

CARRIED.

### **INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS**

### **Bylaw 8574**

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8574, being "A bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to amend Bylaw No. 2685 entitled, A bylaw to regulate the sale of electric light and power in the City of Saskatoon and fixing the rates and deposits therefor.", and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Bylaw No. 8574 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8574.

CARRIED.

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

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

	That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8574 was considered clause by clause and approved.
	Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Neault,
	THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.
	CARRIED.
	Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,
	THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8574 read a third time at this meeting.
	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
	Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Hill,
	THAT Bylaw No. 8574 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.
	CARRIED.
	Moved by Councillor Paulsen,  THAT the meeting stand adjourned.
	CARRIED.
The mo	eeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.
	Mayor City Clerk