

Council Chambers
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, April 26, 2010
at 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor, in the Chair;
Councillors Clark, Dubois, Heidt, Hill, Lorje, Neault,
Paulsen, Penner, Pringle, and Wyant;
City Manager Totland;
City Solicitor Dust;
General Manager, Corporate Services Bilanski;
General Manager, Community Services Gauthier;
General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Bentley;
A/General Manager, Infrastructure Services Gutek
General Manager, Utility Services Jorgenson;
City Clerk Mann; and
Council Assistant Mitchener

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the minutes of meeting of City Council held on April 12, 2010, be approved.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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

CARRIED.

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

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

Committee arose.

Councillor Dubois, 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:

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“REPORT NO. 4-2010 OF THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION

**1. City Park Local Area Plan
(File No. CK. 4000-14)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the City Park Local Area Plan be approved as set out under Attachment 1 to the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 19, 2010; and
 - 2) that the Administration initiate implementation of the recommendations outlined in the Local Area Plan.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with the presentation of the speaker. See Page No. 36.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 7-2010

Section A – COMMUNITY SERVICES

**A1) Land-Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department
For the Period Between March 31, 2010 to April 14, 2010
(For Information Only)
(Files CK. 4000-5, PL. 4132, PL. 4355-D, and PL. 4300)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Condominium

- Application No. 2/10: 922 Broadway Avenue (25 New Units)
Applicant: Webb Surveys for Broadway Tower Development Corp.
Legal Description: Lots 13 to 16, Block 64, Plan No. B1858
Current Zoning: B5
Neighbourhood: Nutana
Date Received: March 31, 2010

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Discretionary Use

- Application No. D5/10: 225 Avenue R South
Applicant: Anthony Wttewaall
Legal Description: Lots 27 and 28, Block 10, Plan FF
Current Zoning: RM4
Proposed Use: Hostel Type II
Neighbourhood: Pleasant Hill
Date Received: April 8, 2010

Subdivision

- Application No. 16/10: Willis Crescent
Applicant: Webb Surveys for 101099047 Saskatchewan Ltd.
Legal Description: Proposed Lot 1, Block 196, Plan not registered yet
Current Zoning: M3
Neighbourhood: Stonebridge
Date Received: March 29, 2010
- Application No. 17/10: 20th Street – Pleasant Hill Revitalization Project
Applicant: Digital Mapping Systems for City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Lots 1 to 10, Block 23, Plan F5554
Current Zoning: B5
Neighbourhood: Pleasant Hill
Date Received: March 29, 2010
- Application No. 18/10: 1319 Avenue J North
Applicant: Webb Surveys for City of Saskatoon and Ellis Berg
Legal Description: Lots F and 15, Block 288, Plan G919
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: Hudson Bay Park
Date Received: March 31, 2010
- Application No. 19/10: 4015 Millar Avenue
Applicant: Webb Surveys for Kenco Holdings c/o: Don Kemmer
Legal Description: Portion of Lot 1, Block 934, Plan 101932545
Current Zoning: IH
Neighbourhood: Marquis Industrial
Date Received: April 7, 2010

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Subdivision

- Application No. 20/10: 102/104 Evans Street
Applicant: Wilf Peters for 603429 Saskatchewan Ltd. and
623986 Saskatchewan Ltd. c/o: Sheldon Giesbrecht
Legal Description: Lot 15, Block 3, Plan A7429
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: Forest Grove
Date Received: April 12, 2010

- Application No. 21/10 : 427 Avenue Y South
Applicant: Wilf Peters for John Wing Chang Wong
Legal Description: Lots 42, 43, and 44, Block 37, Plan G198
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: Meadowgreen
Date Received: April 13, 2010

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 2/10
2. Plan of Proposed Discretionary Use D5/10
3. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 16/10
4. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 17/10
5. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 18/10
6. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 19/10
7. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 20/10
8. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 21/10

Section B – CORPORATE SERVICES

B1) Authorization to Borrow – External Borrowing
(Files CK. 1750-1, x CK. 1702-1 and CS. 1750-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council grant authorization to the General Manager, Corporate Services Department to accept the terms of a \$44,000,000 loan from the Canada Housing and Mortgage Corporation Infrastructure Lending Program, amortized over a ten-year term with an interest rate not to exceed 4.50%, and subject to the appropriate Borrowing Bylaw.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

In early 2009, the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (“CMHC”) launched the Municipal Infrastructure Lending Program to provide financing for various municipal infrastructure projects. The \$2 billion program was available to municipalities on a “first-come, first-served” basis and provided very generous financing rates coupled with flexible amortization terms. The CMHC interest rate was based on a Government of Canada benchmark bond, equivalent to the average life of the loan pool. An administration fee (anticipated to be approximately 0.50%) was added to the benchmark rate to arrive at a final all-in cost of borrowing to the municipality.

Your Investment Committee was very proactive in securing this method of financing for specific capital projects in the summer of 2009. Upon reviewing alternate borrowing options, your Investment Committee determined that the City’s all-in borrowing cost, through traditional methods of financing (i.e. debenture issuance), was significantly higher relative to the CMHC interest rate. Accordingly, the City completed two loan transactions with CMHC with loan details as follows:

- \$30,900,000 loan, dated July 1, 2009, to finance construction of the Water Treatment Plant - New Intake Water Facility, repayable over a ten-year term at an all-in borrowing cost of 3.39%, and;
- \$2,290,000 loan, dated August 1, 2009, to finance construction of River Landing Phase II, repayable over a fifteen-year term at an all-in borrowing cost of 3.98%.

REPORT

The Investment Committee has determined that the Circle Drive South Project (Capital Project 0993) will require \$44 million in borrowing to attain the City’s financial commitment to this project. This design-build project has an approved payment schedule and this borrowing represents all funding requirements.

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Your Investment Committee has normally borrowed funds when the specific project requires funding. Pre-borrowing of anticipated funding requirements is generally not pursued due to the interest rate speculation involved. However, at this current juncture, your Investment Committee believes that some pre-borrowing may be prudent because (1) bond yields are expected to move higher in connection with a strong economic recovery, (2) short-term interest rates have remained at low historical levels for a sustained time period and a significant upward move is anticipated over the next year, (3) the CMHC loan rates are very attractive (4), CMHC Municipal Infrastructure Lending Program will not likely be available in 2011 and beyond, and, (5) the payment schedule for future years has been approved.

Additional funding sources for this project include \$27.9 million in gas tax funds (indirectly flowing through the Water Treatment Plant – New Intake Facility Project), \$5.1 million in prepaid levies from Trunk Sewer for the Stonebridge Trunk Storm Sewer System from Capital Project 0778, \$596,000 from Saskatoon Light and Power and SaskTel for utility duct work, \$199,000 from Saskatoon Light and Power Electrical Distribution Extension Reserve for street lighting, and \$200,000 from the Rural Municipality of Corman Park. The land costs will be funded in 2012 by reallocating existing debt service payments from a matured debenture issue.

The City was recently notified by CMHC that funding was still available for eligible municipal infrastructure projects. Given the very attractive loan rates recently posted by CMHC, your Investment Committee quickly ascertained that a CMHC loan was the most cost-effective borrowing option available to the City. Discussions were held with CMHC to confirm that the existing loan pool had the capacity to fund a \$44 million loan transaction. City Council was notified by an email, dated April 13, 2010, that a formal loan application would be submitted to CMHC within one week. Given the rise in bond yields, your Investment Committee realizes the importance of accelerating the approval process and securing a fixed rate of interest from CMHC.

OPTIONS

The sale of a ten-year serial debenture issue or the completion of a ten-year Bankers' Acceptance Loan\Interest Rate Swap transaction are the alternative borrowing options available to the City. While the City has utilized these types of borrowings in the past, these traditional forms of financing are typically more expensive than public sector programs such as the CMHC Municipal Infrastructure Lending Program. This is largely attributed to the different methods of calculating the all-in cost of borrowing between the various borrowing programs.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

In March 2010, CMHC communicated their current financing rates for various loan amortization periods by email. The posted rate for a ten-year loan was 3.46%. The all-in borrowing cost for a ten-year serial issue was approximately 4.40% in late March 2010. Based on the aforementioned financing rates, the City would incur total interest savings of \$2,534,000 by completing a \$44 million loan transaction with CMHC.

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**B2) 2010 Preliminary Operating Budget
Distribution of Neighbourhood Land Development Fund
(Files CK. 1815-1, CK. 1704-1, CS. 1815-1 and CS 1704-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the remaining \$500,000 balance from the Neighbourhood Land Development Fund (NLDF) within the Revenue Stabilization Reserve be transferred back to the NLDF; and
 - 2) that any allocation of this NLDF balance to the 2010 Operating Budget be determined by City Council prior to final approval of the Budget.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

In November 2009, City Council approved a transfer of \$3,000,000 to the Revenue Stabilization Reserve from the Neighbourhood Land Development Fund (NLDF) based on the possibility that a year-end deficit may materialize from earlier projections in 2009. However, a surplus of \$3,663,800 was reported for the 2009 financial year-end subject to the external audit. This surplus was transferred to the Revenue Stabilization Reserve as per Policy and by resolution of City Council on March 22, 2010.

During the review of the 2010 Preliminary Operating Budget, the Budget Committee at its meeting on April 14, 2010, recommended that \$2.5 million of the \$3 million be transferred back to the NLDF since these funds were no longer required for stabilization purposes, and reallocated to the 2010 Operating Budget as a one-time transfer. This left \$500,000 of the NLDF transfer in the reserve.

The Budget Committee also recommended that the final approval of the 2010 Operating Budget be undertaken at the City Council meeting on April 26, 2010, following the review of possible scenarios using part or all of the remaining \$500,000 from the NLDF.

The Budget Committee also recommended that \$218,400 of the 2009 surplus be allocated for the following items:

- \$50,000 for the Meewasin Valley Authority Rink Pavilion;
- \$75,000 for the Municipal Art Project at the Shaw Centre; and

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- \$93,400 for the payment of software licenses for the Payroll/Human Resource System.

The following table reconciles the balance within the Revenue Stabilization Reserve:

Item	Amount	Cumulative Balance in Revenue Stabilization Reserve
Transfer from NLDF	\$ 3,000,000	\$3,000,000
2009 Year-End Surplus	\$ 3,663,800	\$6,663,800
Transfer back to NLDF	(\$2,500,000)	\$4,163,800
Allocation to items (as listed)	(\$ 218,400)	\$3,945,400

REPORT

Revenue Stabilization Reserve Balance

The initial transfer from the NLDF of \$3 million into the Revenue Stabilization Reserve was to provide a potential funding source to offset a projected year-end deficit for 2009 which did not materialize. In fact, a surplus of \$3.66 million was realized and transferred into the reserve, mitigating the need for the NLDF funding. The Budget Committee recommended that \$2.5 million be transferred back to the NLDF leaving \$500,000 in the Revenue Stabilization Reserve.

As indicated in the table above, there is currently \$3,945,500 in the Revenue Stabilization Reserve. As determined by past practice, since there is no policy regarding a cap on the reserve, your Administration recommends leaving a balance in the reserve of about 1% of the Operating Budget, or \$3 million as an offset for any future deficits. Therefore, the remaining \$500,000 from the NLDF in the Revenue Stabilization Reserve is not required and should be transferred back to the NLDF leaving a balance of \$3,445,400 in the Reserve. If the recommended cap of \$3 million is agreed to, this would still allow \$445,400 to be held for future requirements such as matching of future Federal and Provincial Grant programs.

The following table reconciles the balance within the Revenue Stabilization Reserve after the recommended transfer of \$500,000 back to the NLDF:

Item	Amount	Cumulative Balance in Revenue Stabilization Reserve
Balance in Reserve		\$3,945,400
Transfer back to NLDF	(\$ 500,000)	\$3,445,400
Hold for future requirements	(\$ 445,400)	\$3,000,000

Neighbourhood Land Development Fund Allocation

If City Council agrees to the return of \$500,000 to the NLDF from the Revenue Stabilization Reserve, these funds could then be reallocated, all or in part, to the 2010 Operating Budget.

The following table provides scenarios of the impact on the proposed property tax increase of allocating all or part of the \$500,000 to the proposed operating budget as a one-time transfer. With

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the proposed property tax increase of 3.96%, the following allocations will impact the increase accordingly:

\$ Amount Allocated	% change	Proposed Budget Property tax increase
\$ 0	0%	3.96%
\$100,000	-.08%	3.88%
\$129,000	-.10%	3.86%
\$200,000	-.16%	3.80%
\$250,000	-.20%	3.76%
\$300,000	-.24%	3.72%
\$350,000	-.28%	3.68%
\$400,000	-.32%	3.64%
\$450,000	-.36%	3.60%
\$500,000	-.40%	3.56%

The Committee may wish to consider allocating \$129,000 to bring the mill rate back to 3.86% and allocate an additional \$250,000 to the Snow and Ice Management Program to bring the service level increase back to \$1 million. This would still leave \$121,000 in the Neighbourhood Land Development Fund as dividends to be allocated at a later date.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Section E – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

**E1) Post Budget Approval
 Capital Project 1417 – Trunk Sewers – Blairmore
(Files CK. 7820-4 x CK. 1702-1 x CK. 1815-1; IS 1700-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a post budget increase of \$2,300,000 be approved for Capital Project 1417 – Trunk Sewers – Blairmore – for the upsizing of the Confederation trunk sewer system piping; and
 - 2) that the \$2,300,000 post budget increase be funded as follows:
 - a) \$1,370,000, from the Trunk Sewer Reserve; and

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- b) \$930,000 from the transfer of \$310,000 of Infrastructure Stimulus Funding and \$620,000 of approved Storm Water Reserve funding within Capital Project 1620 – Storm Sewer Collection.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

Capital Project 1417 – Trunk Sewers – Blairmore, includes offsite trunk sewer related servicing for the Blairmore sector. This project is broken down into a number of components which will be completed over many years, as development of individual neighbourhoods take place within the sector.

The storm trunk system will utilize the existing Blairmore swale and Canadian National Railway (CNR) right-of-way, before entering the Confederation trunk system at Dundonald Avenue. The portion of the existing trunk sewer system, extending from Dundonald Avenue to the river, is undersized for the expected flows from the Blairmore sector. The existing piping is beneath a portion of the South Circle Drive roadways, which are currently under construction.

This trunk sewer has been analyzed, and due to the proposed roadway loading, its integrity cannot be guaranteed with any absolute certainty. As a result, the trunk sewer is being replaced as part of the Circle Drive South Bridge Project. This will also add storm trunk capacity to handle the flows from the Blairmore Sector. The cost to upsize from a 2,700 mm to 3,050 mm pipe is \$2,300,000.

Infrastructure Stimulus Funding is available within approved Capital Project 1620 – Storm Sewer Collection, in the amount of \$930,000, which was intended to enact flood protection measures in the west sector. As upsizing of the storm pipe will accomplish this, the Administration is recommending that it be transferred to Capital Project 1417 – Trunk Sewers – Blairmore. The Federal and Provincial governments have approved this transfer. It is also recommended that remaining \$1,370,000 be funded from a post budget increase to Capital Project 1417 from the Trunk Sewer Reserve.

OPTIONS

There are no options.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Section F – UTILITY SERVICES

**F1) Curbside Collection of Recyclables
Strategy and Proposed Direction
(Files CK. 7830-5; WT-7832-8)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

According to the results obtained from the last ten civic surveys, recycling has been rated as having a high degree of importance to Saskatoon citizens. The survey results demonstrate that the citizens of Saskatoon generally believe that more significant recycling initiatives are needed.

The Administration has developed a strategy to determine the City's direction with respect to a curbside recycling program for Saskatoon.

The five major components of a recycling program are: (1) collections, (2) processing/marketing, (3) ownership, (4) funding, and (5) education/communication.

Community engagement and, in particular, obtaining input that is representative of all citizens of Saskatoon, is a crucial component to the success of curbside programs. The Administration will combine the results of this community engagement process with technical research pertaining to programming and financial implications. The final report, expected to be completed in late October, will enable Council to make a fully informed decision on this matter on November 8, 2010.

BACKGROUND

In 2006, the City of Saskatoon undertook a reassessment of its existing waste management practices to determine if the expectations of residents and businesses were being met. The Saskatoon Waste and Recycling Plan (SWARP) was developed as a result of this initiative. The SWARP set out the following comprehensive guiding principles for the City as an organization and the community as a whole:

- Foster Civic Pride By Improving Quality of Life
- Adopt a Zero Waste Philosophy
- Implement a User Pay Structure
- Strive Toward Continuous Improvement
- Enhance Education and Awareness
- Innovate Where Warranted
- Utilize Proven Effective Systems

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The SWARP was adopted in principle by City Council on November 5, 2007; however, the report did not define specific programs or commit funding.

REPORT

Administration has developed a strategy to assist Council in determining if and how recycling in Saskatoon will change. Administration's objective is to compile and present a series of reports in 2010 providing the data and community engagement results that Council will require in order to make decisions on this issue.

Recycling initiatives are of high importance for residents, and have been for the last decade. In reviewing the Civic Services Survey for the last 10 years (2000-2009 inclusive), recycling initiatives have consistently been rated as having high importance (avg. 7.96/10) and providing only an average level of satisfaction for residents (avg. 5.66/10). For 2008 and 2009, out of all civic services offered, recycling initiatives were shown to have the greatest discrepancy between how important residents thought the service was, compared to how satisfied they are with its current level of service.

Many other cities have implemented curbside recycling programs. Saskatoon and Regina are the only two Canadian cities with a population over 100,000 that currently do not have a municipal curbside recycling program provided to single-family homes.

In developing a recycling program for Saskatoon, Administration will address the following components: collection; processing and resale of materials to end markets; ownership; funding for the program; and education and communication.

A successful recycling program for Saskatoon must strike a balance between convenience for residents (as this drives participation levels), cost, effective diversion of materials from the landfill, and quality of material for reuse by markets. To achieve maximum efficiencies, the program must also seek to utilize existing infrastructure where practical. Education and communication are the foundation of a successful program.

The City of Saskatoon has the opportunity to learn from other municipalities who have already developed their curbside recycling programs. The Administration has been following developments in other municipalities across Canada to help determine the best service that may be implemented in Saskatoon.

The following provides a summary of the five components that will be considered while designing a recycling program for Saskatoon. As the process moves forward, Administration will be providing recommendations on each of these components.

1. Collection Options

Source-Separated Collection

Also known as ‘curbsort’, or ‘dual stream’, source-separated collection programs require residents to sort their recyclable materials into several receptacles before placing at the curb for pickup, to be later separated into marketable material categories at a material recovery facility (MRF – pronounced *merf*). Programs typically include two to four bins or bags (or combinations thereof) into which paper, cardboard, plastics, tin, glass, and beverage containers are sorted. Bins/bags are typically supplied by the municipality or contracted service provider, or purchased by the resident. Collection fleets for this type of program typically utilize trucks with multi- or dual-chamber compartments. This allows pick-up crews to keep pre-sorted materials from becoming mixed. Collection is semi-automated or manual. Most Canadian cities using this system have both curbside collection programs and a depot system.

Major Canadian municipalities currently utilizing this collection process include Victoria, Vancouver, Hamilton, Ottawa, and Halifax. These communities have also retained their depot system.

Single-Stream Collection

Also known as ‘commingled collection’, refers to the process in which all recyclable materials are collected in curbside container(s), to be later separated into marketable material categories at a MRF. Collections can be done manually or via automated tip trucks like those already used by the City’s existing garbage truck fleet. Typical single-stream collection programs provide a bin (similar to the existing roll-out waste containers), or bags (for non-automated pickup systems) to households for recyclables collection. Bins and/or bags can be provided either via the municipality, the contracted service provider, or residents can be required to purchase their own. Collection can be completed by the municipality, private contractors, or a combination of public and private efforts. Most Canadian cities using this system have both curbside collection programs and a depot system.

Major Canadian municipalities currently utilizing this collection process include Kelowna, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Brandon, and Toronto. These communities have also retained their depot system.

Depot system only (Status Quo)

This model provides recycling depots where residents can drop off their recyclable materials. The municipality arranges for collection of materials from the depot sites (may be private haulers or the municipality itself). Residents are responsible to sort their materials and transport them to recycling depots.

The only major Canadian municipalities that currently utilize this type of collection are Saskatoon and Regina.

2. Processing and Markets

Once material is collected it must be further sorted, or processed, in a facility to prepare it for resale. These processing facilities utilize a combination of manual labour and mechanical systems to separate materials. Typically this includes multiple grades of paper (newspaper, office paper, packaging paper, etc.), cardboard, glass, metals, and multiple types of plastics (#1 to #7). Facility complexity and cost can vary from a few conveyor belts and sorting screens to laser optic sorters and specialized separators. In addition, every processing facility requires manual sorting of material, both at the point of entry to the facility and on sorting lines within the facility. Facilities are scalable to accommodate the amount of material in a program and can be designed to process either source-separated or commingled collection streams.

Recyclables are raw materials bought and sold as commodities on international markets around the globe. As commodities, these materials are exposed to the same factors as any other goods or services that are openly traded. As such, the demand and market value of these materials can fluctuate from time to time. A successful recycling program must account for the availability of markets and their performance over time. Once recyclables are collected and processed, there must be markets available and buyers willing to purchase these materials for use in remanufacturing. The higher the quality and lower the contamination, the better the price for the material. Contamination in this case refers to material of one type (e.g. office paper) that contains too high of a percentage of other materials (e.g. glass, tin, plastic bags), which are of no value to the manufacturer or material broker.

Options for this component of the system include:

- baling material at a local transfer station and shipping it to a processing facility;
- sorting material at a processing facility, with the City responsible for marketing it; or,
- sorting material at a processing facility, with a third party responsible for marketing it.

3. Ownership

There are many ownership and operational options for the collection, processing, and marketing aspects. These include:

- City operated;
- privatized;
- City collection, private processing/marketing;
- private collection, city processing/marketing; and,
- combination of the options listed above.

4. Funding

Various models for program funding are being examined:

- one unique alternative funding option for the City in the medium and long term is the potential allocation of revenue from green energy projects to fund all or part of the City's recycling program costs;
- funded from the mill rate;
- funded through a flat rate utility;
- funded through a pay-as-you-throw utility; and,
- subsidized user-pay with subsidy from the mill rate.

5. Public Education

Once a program has been finalized, a significant implementation factor will be public education. Other municipalities have developed models that can be used by the City as the basis for our education program, depending on the model selected.

Throughout 2010, community engagement will be a critical aspect of the path the City will take to determine the recycling model that will ultimately be implemented in the city. Administration will work with a consultant with proven experience in conducting broad community engagement around waste minimization and recycling programs to ensure the highest quality of engagement and the inclusion of participants throughout the City.

In order to accommodate all of those wanting to be involved in the engagement process, Administration anticipates the following will form the main portion of the overall community engagement approach:

- An energized media campaign, including social media and television appearances, to generate positive 'buzz' prior to open-house events. Newspaper & radio ads, billboard signage, noon-hour news community television spots, website information, and social media sites are expected to be part of this campaign.
- Open-houses in locations across the city including shopping centres. For example, one all-day Saturday session at each of four or five major shopping centres is being considered, in addition to other public sites for evening presentations. This will maximize accessibility for residents.
- Engagement with seniors' groups, church groups, community associations and other community groups. For example, information packages will be sent out to various groups for review and invitations extended to follow-up discussions with City project personnel.
- Web-based information and feedback opportunities. It is anticipated that this will be accomplished through the City's website where all open house information will be available along with an online survey tool to obtain feedback from a representative sample throughout the city.

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- Phone or mail surveys intended to provide basic information and obtain feedback from a representative sample throughout the city.

One of the objectives of the community engagement process will be to ‘paint the picture’ of how Saskatoon would look with each of the four primary options. These four primary options include Status Quo; Expanded Depots; Subsidized and Optional Curbside Collection; and City-Wide Curbside Collection. Total cost will be a significant part of this review. Both ‘Subsidized and Optional Curbside Collection’ and ‘City-Wide Curbside Collection’ will be discussed as either source-separated or commingled systems.

The community engagement process will be coordinated with that for the curbside organics program, which has been the subject of previous reports. The Administration intends to conduct community engagement in two phases.

Phase 1 Engagement will be formatted as follows:

- Educational displays and brochures as well as City ‘ambassadors’ will be available for attendees to learn about recycling and composting systems prior to start of open-house program.
- Review of SWARP proposed programs.
- Review of timelines and process of the current development plan:
 - public input, industry input;
 - technical research to determine anticipated costs and program details of short-listed options; and,
 - presentation of short-listed options at Phase 2 community engagement events.
- Educational component on the four plausible recycling options available for future consideration (Status quo; Expand depots; Subsidize curbside; Municipal curbside) and household organics composting options.
- Discussion of the advantages/disadvantages of each option relative to cost, convenience, and landfill diversion.
- Discussion on barriers/benefits of each option from public perspective.
- Presentation Follow-Up and Website Survey assessing: 1) barriers/benefits from public perspective; 2) preferred program option; and, 3) likelihood of participating in each program option should it be chosen.
- If required, a phone line will be opened to answer questions and provide additional information following open house events.

Phase 2 Engagement will be formatted as follows:

- Review of public input in Phase 1.
- Presentation of technical research conducted on front-runner program options identified in Community Engagement Phase 1.
- Discussion regarding associated costs, convenience, landfill diversion, “look & feel” components (e.g. blue bins, blue cart, green cart, etc.), funding options.

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- Discussion on barriers/benefits of each option from public perspective.
- Exit/Website Survey assessing: 1) barriers/benefits from public perspective; 2) preferred program options; and, 3) likelihood of participating in each program option should it be chosen.
- If required, a phone line will be opened to answer questions and provide additional information following open house events.
- Tentative date(s) final program type to be adopted.

Once program options have been narrowed through the first round of community engagement and there is a better sense of what a recycling program might look like, Administration will report to Council on program costs, available markets, ownership, and funding models.

The sequence of events will be as follows:

March 29	Present this report to Executive Committee, and pending approval, present to Council on April 12, 2010.
March – April	Develop detailed community education and engagement materials.
May 3	Present detailed community education and engagement materials to Executive Committee.
May/June	Conduct Phase I of the community education component.
July/August	Compile Phase I results with programming and financial details, short list most promising options, and prepare report.
September 7	Present short-list of recommended options to Executive Committee, with a recommendation that the information be forwarded to City Council for consideration on September 13, 2010.
September/October	Conduct Phase II of the community education and engagement process, compile results, and prepare report.
November 1	Present a recommended strategy for curbside collection to Executive Committee.
November 8	Executive Committee presents report to City Council.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

External costs for the 2010 consultations and program development will be approximately \$30,000 and will be funded by Capital Project #2186 – Waste Management Strategic Plan. City of Saskatoon staff will conduct a great deal of this work.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**F2) Landfill Gas Collection System
Saskatoon Light & Power
Capital Project #2305: Electrical Supply Options – Generation Landfill Gas
(Files CK. 7830-4, x CK. 2000-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the proposal submitted by Comcor Environmental Limited, in partnership with Stantec Consulting Limited, for the supply of engineering and related professional services for design of a landfill gas collection system and blower/flare station project to be developed at the Saskatoon Landfill be accepted, for a total cost of \$388,300.00, including taxes; 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.

BACKGROUND

Saskatoon Light & Power has been working with the Environmental Services Branch of Utility Services to develop a landfill gas collection system at the Saskatoon Landfill. Methane capture and destruction from landfills has the potential to significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The first stage of development is to install a system to collect landfill gas and thermally destruct the gas in an enclosed flare. This stage of development is expected to be complete by the beginning of 2012.

The landfill gas collected will eventually be used to generate power that will be supplied to the Saskatoon Light & Power grid. A Request for Proposals will be issued in the summer of 2010 for design of the power generation facility. The facility is expected to be complete by the summer of 2012.

REPORT

On February 26, 2010, Saskatoon Light & Power issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to sixteen consulting firms. The RFP outlined the terms of reference for the landfill gas collection system and blower/flare station. The RFP included the requirement for the registration of the project under Canada's Offset System for Greenhouse Gases (under development) to ensure that the project is

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eligible to receive greenhouse gas offset credits.

On March 26, 2010, Saskatoon Light & Power received proposals for the supply of engineering and related professional services from the following firms:

- Comcor Environmental/Stantec Consulting (Cambridge, ON)
- Conestoga-Rovers & Associates/Cattarrall & Wright (Waterloo, ON)
- Wenck Associates/Pinter Associates (Fargo, ND, USA)
- XCG Consultants/Clifton Associates/Orbis/Robb-Kullman (Edmonton, AB)
- CH2M Hill (Calgary, AB)
- MDH Engineered Solutions/Versus Goliath (Saskatoon, SK)
- SALT Canada/Western Specialty Contracting/SCS Engineers/CEC Engineers/Blue Source Canada/LG Aerobic Solutions (London, ON)

Evaluation of the proposals was completed on April 8, 2010. Based on the evaluation criteria outlined in the RFP, Comcor Environmental Limited, in partnership with Stantec Consulting Limited, was the lowest bid, meets all of the requirements and, therefore, is being recommended.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Based on the proposal submitted by Comcor Environmental Limited, in partnership with Stantec Consulting Limited, for the supply of engineering and related professional services for design of a landfill gas collection system and blower/flare station project to be developed at the Saskatoon Landfill, the net cost to the City would be as follows:

Total Bid Price	\$353,000.00
GST (5%)	17,650.00
PST (5%)	<u>17,650.00</u>
Total Cost to the City	\$388,300.00
GST Rebate (5%)	<u>17,650.00</u>
Net Cost to the City	<u>\$370,650.00</u>

The cost of consulting services is within budget estimates, and adequate funding is available in Saskatoon Light & Power's Capital Project #2305: Electrical Supply Options - Generation Landfill Gas. This project is funded jointly through the Canada-Saskatchewan Provincial Territorial Base Fund. Saskatoon Light & Power's portion of the funding is 50%, for a total cost of \$194,150.00; and, Canada-Saskatchewan Provincial-Territorial Base Fund's portion of the funding is 50%, for a total cost of \$194,150.00.

OPTIONS

No other options were considered.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no known policy implications.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**F3) Enquiry – Councillor C. Clark (February 8, 2010)
Recreational Use of the River in the Winter
(File No. CK 5520-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the Administration report back once the results of the District Heating Feasibility Study are known.

BACKGROUND

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Clark at the meeting of City Council held on February 8, 2010:

“In conjunction with the District Heating Feasibility Study, would the Administration please investigate and report on the implications of allowing the river to freeze solidly to be used for winter recreation, skating, skiing, sledding, etc., on a preliminary basis.”

REPORT

There has been an expressed interest in the possibility of utilizing the South Saskatchewan River for winter recreational activities in Saskatoon. There are several obstacles to this including the general nature of river ice formation, the varying outflow rates from Lake Diefenbaker corresponding to varying electrical demand, and the existence of the Queen Elizabeth Power Station upstream of the city.

Rivers are generally dangerous places for activities under the best of conditions. For lakes, ice formation is generally evenly distributed, with a relatively consistent ice thickness. Taking an ice thickness measurement at one point is a good general indication of overall ice thickness. The same is not true for rivers. Due to varying currents, river ice forms at different rates. As well, the currents can erode pockets and channels on the underside of the ice. This means that while the ice formation at one point of the river could be adequately thick, there could be pockets where the ice thickness is a few mere centimetres. Therefore, determining the actual thickness of any ice formation takes more care. Additionally, falling through any break in the ice is far more dangerous as the river current could carry a victim downstream beneath the frozen surface.

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Another issue is the constantly changing river surface elevation. Lake Diefenbaker outflow varies with electrical demands. As electrical demand increases, the outflow rate increases, resulting in a rise in river water level. Conversely, as demand decreases, river levels also decrease. Over the course of the winter, river flowrates typically vary between 200 and 350 m³/s, with a corresponding change in the river surface elevation of approximately 20 cm. River levels can change in excess of 10 cm just due to weekday versus weekend electrical demand rates. These changes in surface elevation could create cracks along the shoreline as well as decreasing surface ice stability across the river, and could leave voids between the ice and a lowered water level.

Perhaps the largest obstacle to river ice formation in Saskatoon is the existence of a thermal power station upstream. The Queen Elizabeth Power Station utilizes river water for cooling, with the water and waste heat discharged into the river. In 2002, six waste heat combustion turbines were installed at the Queen Elizabeth Power Station to utilize some of the excess heat energy. However, the power station still discharges large volumes of semi-heated cooling water back into the river. As this water is only a few degrees Celsius above ambient river temperature, further waste heat recovery on the discharge stream is not practical or economically viable. However, with some internal process change at the Queen Elizabeth Power Station, some waste heat may be recoverable prior to the use of cooling water. The District Heating Feasibility Study, currently underway, may be one such alternative.

There are a few things that could be done to promote surface ice formation despite the warm water discharge from the power plant. It may be possible to utilize some sort of floating baffle to divert the warm water stream to one side, allowing the formation of a stable ice sheet over part of the river. Constructing a barge or similar platform moored at River Landing could provide a suitable base for a floating ice rink. Alternatively, the cooling water discharge points from the Queen Elizabeth Power Station could be modified to promote rapid mixing with river water and a more distributed flow across the river. However, any modification to the discharge points would likely be a multi-million dollar project and would require approval from the Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada. Even then, a safe and consistent ice thickness may not be assured. Administration has made no attempt to develop cost estimates for any of these possible initiatives.

In summary, a number of significant obstacles would need to be overcome before it would be reasonable to allow winter recreational use of the river. The most obvious obstacle is the warm water discharge from the Queen Elizabeth power station, which supplies Saskatoon with much of our electricity. Because development of safe ice would be extremely costly or infeasible at this time, Administration is recommending that a further report be prepared once the results of the District Heating Feasibility Study are known.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-21, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

- IT WAS RESOLVED:* 1) *that the Administration report back once the results of the District Heating Feasibility Study are known; and*
- 2) *that the Administration report on the feasibility of white water rafting and hydro generation at the weir.*

F4) 2010 Capital Project
Capital Project #2193 - WTP – High Lift Pump Station Upgrade
Capital Project #2195 - WTP – Enhanced Disinfection System
Capital Project #2198 - WTP – Reservoir Capacity Expansion
Award of Engineering Services
(Files CK. 7920-1; WWT 7960-96-1)

- RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that City Council approve the award of engineering services to Associated Engineering (Sask.) Ltd., teamed with CH2M HILL Canada Limited, for the design and engineering services during construction of a combined storage reservoir/chlorine and ultraviolet disinfection/high lift pumping station at Avenue H, at a total upset fee of \$3,169,422.21 (including P.S.T. and G.S.T.); and
- 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary Engineering Services Agreement for the execution by His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

Capital Project #2193 - WTP – High Lift Pump Station Upgrade, provides funding for the design and construction of a new distribution pumping station at the Water Treatment Plant. The project has a total of \$5,100,000 of approved funding in the 2007, 2008, and 2010 Capital Budgets.

Capital Project #2195 - WTP – Enhanced Disinfection System, provides funding for the design and construction of an ultraviolet disinfection system. The project has \$290,000 of approved funding in the 2006 Capital Budget and proposed funding of \$9,160,000 in the 2012 Capital Plan.

Capital Project #2198 - WTP – Reservoir Capacity Expansion, provides funding for construction of additional capacity at the Avenue H and 42nd Street locations and reconfiguration of the

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distribution system to provide transferability between reservoirs. Sub Project #02, Avenue H Reservoir Expansion, has \$14,850,000 of approved funding in the 2009 and 2010 Capital Budgets.

CH2M HILL Canada Limited was engaged in the spring of 2009 to prepare a Water Treatment Plant Long-Term Capital Development and Expansion Plan (LTCDP). The consultant determined the existing Water Treatment Plant could meet the treated water requirements of the City for another 30 years utilizing a combination of staged plant expansions, peak demand management, and water conservation initiatives. The LTCDP found that the existing clarifiers are hydraulically overloaded during peak summer demands, the WTP has a deficiency in treated water storage, and a disinfection capacity upgrade is required. The study recommended a combined storage reservoir/chlorine and ultraviolet disinfection/high lift pumping facility at Avenue H and an additional clarifier capacity be constructed within the next five years. These recommendations were used in preparing the 2010 Capital Budget/2011-2014 Capital Plan.

REPORT

Expansion of existing reservoir capacity, construction of a new high lift pumping station, and an enhanced disinfection system were all in the existing Capital Budgets/Capital Plans as separate projects. A significant outcome of the LTCDP was combining the three projects into one footprint adjacent to the existing Avenue H Reservoir. The disinfection component of the facility will allow the decommissioning of the existing West Basin providing an area for construction of the recommended clarifier capacity expansion.

A Terms of Reference (TOR) was developed to provide engineering services for the Avenue H Reservoir expansion/chlorine and ultraviolet disinfection/high lift pumping station, and sent to consultants considered capable of performing the work.

Proposals were received from three consulting firms as listed below:

- Associated Engineering (Sask.) Ltd. (Saskatoon, SK)
teamed with CH2M Hill Canada Limited (Calgary, AB)
- GENIVAR (Saskatoon, SK)
- Stantec Consulting Ltd. (Saskatoon, SK)

Following a systematic review of the proposals, based on the evaluation criteria outlined in the request for proposal, the Administration rated the proposal from Associated Engineering (Sask.) Ltd. teamed with CH2M HILL Canada Limited, the highest of the three competing engineering consultants. Associated Engineering has a thorough knowledge of the Water Treatment Plant and CH2M HILL prepared the LTCDP that initiated the project.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

The net cost for engineering services described above, and within the proposal submitted by Associated Engineering (Sask.) Ltd. teamed with CH2M HILL Canada Limited would be as follows:

Preliminary Design	\$ 592,960.00
Detailed Design	1,401,367.00
Engineering Services during Construction	<u>676,404.00</u>
Subtotal	\$2,670,731.00
Travel Allowance	80,000.00
Contingency	250,000.00
P.S.T. (5% of 30% of design and tendering)	18,654.66
G.S.T.	<u>150,036.55</u>
Total Upset Fee	\$3,169,422.21
Less G.S.T. Rebate	<u>(150,036.55)</u>
Net Cost to City	\$3,019,385.66

The approved funding in Capital Projects #2193 WTP – High Lift Pump Station Upgrade, #2195 - WTP – Enhanced Disinfection System, and #2198 - WTP – Reservoir Capacity Expansion is sufficient for the design and engineering services during construction.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**F5) Supply of Liquid Chlorine to the Water Treatment Plant
Tender Award #10-0295
(File No. CK. 7920-1; WT 1015-11)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the low bid submitted by Brenntag Canada Inc. for the supply of liquid chlorine for the next two years, for a total blanket purchase order of \$208,572.00 (GST included), be accepted; and,
 - 2) that Purchasing Services issue the appropriate blanket purchase order.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

Chlorine is a critically important chemical used on an ongoing basis at the Water Treatment Plant to disinfect all treated water entering the distribution system. Chlorine residual management in the

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treated potable water is strictly regulated by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment within the Permit to Operate a Waterworks.

REPORT

The existing blanket order to supply chlorine to the Water Treatment Plant will soon expire. Quotations were requested for the supply of chlorine for one year with the option to extend the contract into a second and possibly a third year. Tenders were received from ClearTech Industries Inc. and Brenntag Canada Inc. for the annual supply of chlorine for the Water Treatment Plant. A summary of the bids is as follows:

Suppliers	Year 1		Year 2		Year 3	
	Unit Cost \$/tonne	Total Cost 130 tonnes	Unit Cost \$/tonne	Total Cost 130 tonnes	Unit Cost \$/tonne	Total Cost 130 tonnes
Brenntag Canada Inc.	\$739	\$96,070	\$789	\$102,570	\$1,508	\$196,040
Accumulative Cost		\$96,070		\$198,640		\$394,680
ClearTech Industries Inc.	\$856	\$111,280	\$913	\$118,690	\$ 946	\$122,980
Accumulative Cost		\$111,280		\$229,970		\$352,950

The pricing from Brenntag Canada Inc. over the next year represents a 20% decrease in the unit cost in 2009. Brenntag is a local distributor and successfully supplies chlorine to other water treatment plants throughout Saskatchewan. To secure long term stable and reasonable pricing, it is recommended that the low bid from Brenntag Canada Inc. be accepted for the next two years.

OPTIONS

An alternate option is to award the contract one year at a time.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

The net cost of the multi-year blanket purchase order for the years 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 is as follows:

Year 1 Supply	\$ 96,070.00
Year 2 Supply	<u>102,570.00</u>
Subtotal	\$198,640.00
P.S.T. Exempt	0.00
G.S.T.	<u>9,932.00</u>
Total Upset Fee	\$208,572.00
Less G.S.T. Rebate	<u>(9,932.00)</u>
Net Cost to City	\$198,640.00

The approved funding within 2010 Operating Budget - Treatment Pumping Storage - has sufficient funds (\$130,000) for Year 1 of the contract. The cost to supply chlorine in Year 2 will be included in the 2011 Operating Budget.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 5-2010

Section B – OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

**B1) Enquiry - Councillor G. Wyant (January 18, 2010)
Bylaw Regarding Pawnshops
(File No. CK. 185-1 and 4350-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Councillor Wyant made the following enquiry at the meeting of Council on January 18, 2010:

"Some businesses have announced that they will be paying 'cash for gold' at Saskatoon business locations. Having regard to our bylaw concerning pawnshops, would the Administration please report as to what amendments are necessary to ensure that ownership of any such items sold is established prior to the conclusion of such transactions so as to avoid the unlawful disposition of these items."

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Due to the rising price of gold, advertisements are beginning to appear on television and in the media by companies offering to buy used jewellery. There is cause for concern that the advertisements will create an increase in the trade of stolen jewellery.

Input for this enquiry was received from the Saskatoon Police Service and Community Services.

The Saskatoon Police Service has examined the selling of jewellery, specifically gold over the past several years. Some jewellery has surfaced at pawnshops and jewellery shops, but it has generally been in limited amounts. Both the pawnshops and jewellery shops have been very careful when taking such items.

The Saskatoon Police Service advises that recently, due to the rising price of gold, there have been two major developments in the purchase of used jewellery:

1. Over the past few months, there have been advertisements on television for companies who purchase used pieces of gold jewellery. A prospective seller initiates contact with the purchasing agent over the internet. The jewellery is then sent via mail to be appraised. Once appraised, the customer is offered a price for the jewellery. Neither the Saskatoon Police Service nor the City of Saskatoon has any jurisdiction regarding this type of transaction. The initial contact and offer of purchase is made over the internet to a company outside of Saskatoon.
2. Some local money transfer/cheque-cashing companies have launched a new service of purchasing used jewellery at their stores across Canada. The prospective customer attends at the store locally and leaves the jewellery to be appraised. Once appraised, the customer is offered cash for the jewellery.

The Saskatoon Police Service has met with these local businesses regarding the purchase of used jewellery. The Police were very pleased with the response and security arrangements to reduce the possibility of stolen jewellery being purchased. From the meeting, the Saskatoon Police Service has determined the following.

Since starting this process in August of 2009, the businesses have only taken in \$700 worth of gold pieces. This included mostly broken necklaces. The understanding of the Police Service is that the practice followed is:

- (a) the goods are held for 30 days;
- (b) each item is photographed;
- (c) if any item is deemed suspicious or is not used, the business requires a bill of sale;
- (d) the businesses only take gold from registered clients which are people who have a client photo card (need three pieces of ID, two of which must be photo ID) and a thumb print on file; and
- (e) anyone that a business deems suspicious is asked for proof of ownership.

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If the Police have jewellery reported as stolen that can be identified, they will send an alert to the management of the local businesses, who in turn can fan out the alert to other like businesses in Saskatoon. If the businesses encounter a stolen item, they will reject the item and pass on the name of the suspect to the Police.

It should be noted that the businesses concerned are very cooperative and are open to assisting the Police. The Police have no concerns with the manner in which they are doing business.

Although the price of gold has risen substantially, the Saskatoon Police Service has not seen an increase in jewellery theft. This phenomenon is similar to the dramatic spike in the price of silver several years ago. Once the market levels off, the enticement of selling gold will diminish. The Police Service will monitor the selling of jewellery at second-hand shops, pawnshops, and local money transfer/cheque-cashing companies. We are not recommending any changes to the bylaws at this time.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**B2) Amendment to Bylaw 1523
Construction of Private Sewer and Water Service Connections
Water and Sewer Service Inspection Rates and Boulevard Condition Deposit
(File No. CK. 1905-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8834.

ADOPTED.

At its meeting held on April 12, 2010, City Council resolved:

- “1) that Bylaw 1523 (Schedule “A”) be amended to include the proposed 2010 Water and Sewer Inspection rates as described in the following report; and
- 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary amendments to Bylaw 1523 (Schedule “A”) for approval by City Council.”

We are pleased to attach Bylaw No. 8834, which establishes the increased inspection and tapping fees for 2010 as outlined in the Administration’s report.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8834.

REPORT NO. 6-2010 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

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

1. **Culture Plan Update**
(Files CK. 5608-1 x CK. 1860-1 and LS. 5608-18)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 6, 2010, providing an update on the development of a cultural plan for the City of Saskatoon.

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

Ms. Jennifer Keesmaat, Consultant, will be in attendance to make a presentation on this matter.

Copies of the Cultural Plan Interim Report and Cultural Plan Newsletters 1 and 2 have already been provided to City Council members. These documents may be viewed on the City's website www.saskatoon.ca under City Services and then "Cultural Plan".

2. **Communications to Council**
From: Michael Sova
Date: July 8, 2009
Subject: Rodent Control Substances in Parks
(File No. CK. 4200-7)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

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Your Committee has reviewed with the Administration the attached report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated March 26, 2010, responding to a referral by City Council on the above matter. The report is being forwarded to City Council as information.

**3. Community Development Branch – 2009 Youth Centre
and Summer Playground Program Annual Report
(Files CK. 430-34 and LS. 430-8)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 6, 2010, with the Administration and is forwarding the report to City Council for information.

**4. 2009 Neighbourhood Services Annual Report
(Files CK. 430-34 and LS. 430-8)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 6, 2010, with respect to the above matter.

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

**5. Saskatoon Downtown Youth Centre Inc. (EGADZ)
Housing Located at 101 Wilson Crescent
(Files CK. 750-4 and PL. 951-78)**

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that funding of 10 percent of the total project cost for the development of ten transitional housing units contained in two single-unit dwellings by Saskatoon Downtown Youth Centre Inc. (EGADZ), totaling \$71,642.15, from the Affordable Housing Reserve be approved; and

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- 2) that the off-site levies (estimated at \$22,902.73) for the project at 101 Wilson Crescent be waived.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 15, 2010, with respect to the above application for funding assistance under the Innovative Housing Incentives program.

Your Committee has reviewed this matter with the Administration and is supporting the recommendations outlined above.

**6. Innovative Housing Incentive Application – Mortgage Flexibility Support Program for Pleasant Hill Village
(Files CK. 750-1 and PL. 951-64)**

RECOMMENDATION: that Parcels B, D and F in Pleasant Hill Village be designated under the Mortgage Flexibility Support Program, as defined in Section 3.8 of City of Saskatoon Policy C09-002 (Innovative Housing Incentives).

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated April 6, 2010, with respect to the above application.

Your Committee has reviewed the application with the Committee and is supporting the recommendation for designation under the Mortgage Flexibility Support Program, as outlined above.

**7. Status Report on the 2009 Housing Business Plan and Proposed 2010 Housing Business Plan
(Files CK. 750-1, CK. 4132-1, PL. 950-16 and PL. 950-19)**

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that City Council receive the status report on the City of Saskatoon's 2009 Housing Business Plan and adopt the proposed City of Saskatoon's 2010 Housing Business Plan;
- 2) that City Council amend City of Saskatoon Policy C09-002 (Innovative Housing Incentives Program) so as to limit the maximum amount of capital grants per unit for affordable housing projects as outlined in the 2010 Housing Business Plan;

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- 3) that City Council approve the creation of the proposed Land Cost Subsidy Program as outlined in the 2010 Housing Business Plan; and
- 4) that the General Manager, Community Services Department, report back within one year with a status report on the effectiveness of the initiatives and incentives contained in the 2010 Housing Business Plan and the overall achievement of the affordable housing targets.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 15, 2010, with respect to the above matter.

Your Committee has reviewed the report with the Administration and is supporting the recommendations relating to the proposed 2010 Housing Business Plan.

**8. Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership – Support for Affordable Housing Business Planning
(Files. CK. 750-1 and PL. 950-14)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the General Manager, Community Services Department, be authorized to provide the second year of funding to Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership in the amount of \$100,000 and to advance up to \$20,000 as a contingency from the 2011 budget; and
 - 2) that the Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership be requested to prepare and present a business plan to illustrate a strategy of sustaining the support for affordable housing development services beyond 2011.

ADOPTED.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 18, 2010, with respect to the above matter. Also attached are copies of the Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership Annual Report for 2009, as well as their client list and new fee for service structure.

Your Committee has reviewed the matter with the Administration and has received a presentation from Mr. Alan Thomarar, representing the Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership, providing an update and outlining the benefits of continued support for this initiative. Your Committee supports the above recommendations.

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Copies of the guidebook prepared by the Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership have already been provided to City Council members. A copy is available on their website at www.saskatoohousingpartners.com.

**9. Highway No. 16 East – Boychuk Drive to Perimeter Highway
Functional Planning and Design Study Report
(File No. 6000-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Highway 16 East, Boychuk Drive to Perimeter Highway Functional Planning and Design Study Report (Attachments 1 and 2 to the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated March 25, 2010) be received; and
 - 2) that the alignment and functional plan of Highway 16 East be approved in principle.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the attached report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated March 25, 2010 with respect to the above matter.

Copies of the recommended Highway 16 East Corridor Plan are provided for City Council members. The recommended plan is also available for viewing on the City's website at www.saskatoon.ca under the City Clerk's Office and "Reports and Publications."

The complete Highway No. 16 East – Boychuk Drive to Perimeter Highway Functional Planning and Design Study is available for review in the City Clerk's Office."

His Worship the Mayor assumed the Chair.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

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

CARRIED.

PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Ms. Liz Hartman, Urban Design Section, City of Saskatoon, and Ms. Cathy Sarich, Commanding Officer, 702 Air Cadets Lynx Squadron, displayed three street banners celebrating “flight” which were unveiled at the 50th Anniversary for the 702 Lynx Squadron and will be placed along Airport Drive.

HEARINGS

- 7a) Discretionary Use Application – Pre-School – (34 Student Maximum)
Lot 1, Block 2, Plan No. A7429
700 Gray Avenue – R2 Zoning District – Forest Grove Neighbourhood
Applicant: Julie Davidsen
(File No. CK. 4355-010-1)**
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REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

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

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

Attached are copies of the following:

- Report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 19, 2010 recommending that the application submitted by Julie Davidsen requesting permission to use 700 Gray Avenue for the purpose of a pre-school be approved subject to the following conditions:
 - 1) the pre-school containing a maximum of 34 students;
 - 2) the applicant obtaining a Development Permit and all other relevant permits, such as Building and Plumbing Permits; and
 - 3) the applicant constructing two hard-surfaced parking spaces in the rear yard.
- Letter from the Secretary of the Municipal Planning Commission dated April 19, 2010 advising the Commission supports the above recommendation.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Planning and Development Branch Manager, Community Services Department, reviewed the discretionary use application and expressed the Department’s support.

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Mr. Kurt Soucy, 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 City Council on this matter.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the submitted correspondence and report be received.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the application submitted by Julie Davidsen requesting permission to use 700 Gray Avenue for the purpose of a pre-school be approved subject to the following conditions:

- 1) the pre-school containing a maximum of 34 students;*
- 2) the applicant obtaining a Development Permit and all other relevant permits, such as Building and Plumbing Permits; and*
- 3) the applicant constructing two hard-surfaced parking spaces in the rear yard.*

CARRIED.

REPORT NO. 4-2010 OF THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Composition of Commission

Mr. Kurt Soucy, Chair
Mr. Leanne DeLong, Vice Chair
Councillor Bev Dubois
Ms. Carole Beitel
Ms. Joy Crawford
Mr. Art Evoy
Mr. Aditya Garg
Ms. Janelle Hutchinson
Mr. Stan Laba
Ms. Debbie Marcoux
Mr. Bruce Waldron
Ms. Kathy Weber
Mr. James Yachyshen

**1. City Park Local Area Plan
(File No. CK. 4000-14)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the City Park Local Area Plan be approved as set out under Attachment 1 to the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 19, 2010; and
 - 2) that the Administration initiate implementation of the recommendations outlined in the Local Area Plan.

Attached is the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 19, 2010 with respect to the City Park Local Area Plan. Also attached are copies of the City Park Local Area Plan Final Draft Report.

Your Commission has reviewed the matter with the Administration. Your Commission has also received presentations on the traffic and parking issues, as well as the Local Area Plan process. Your Commission was advised that further work in the traffic and parking issues will be done under the implementation stage of the City Park Local Area Plan.

Your Commission was also advised that the matter of process for public consultation and participation will be reviewed further as part of the overall review of the Local Area Plan program.

Following review of this matter, your Commission is supporting the recommendations of the Community Services Department.

Item A1) of Communications to Council was brought forward.

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“A1) Dave Viminitz, dated April 12

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to Residential Parking Permit program in City Park. (File Nos. CK. 6120-4-4 & 6320-2)”

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Dave Viminitz be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Dave Viminitz spoke regarding the residential parking permit zone surrounding the Saskatoon City Hospital indicating that traffic is constantly circulating, using private driveways to do u-turns and turning around illegally on the street to try to get a parking spot. He asked that Council consider a one-way designation on 5th Avenue to the end of the parking permit zone on Princess Street.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the matter of parking and traffic flow in the area be referred to the Administration to review.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

- 1) that the City Park Local Area Plan be approved as set out under Attachment 1 to the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 19, 2010; and*
- 2) that the Administration initiate implementation of the recommendations outlined in the Local Area Plan.*

CARRIED.

REPORT NO. 1-2010 OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

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

1. 2010 Operating Budget
(File No. CK. 1704-1)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the reduction in the 2010 Operating Budget transfer to the Reserve for Capital Expenditures be offset by the unallocated reserve funds, as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated March 30, 2010;
 - 2) that the following allocations be made from the Revenue Stabilization Reserve:
 - a) \$2,500,000 be transferred back to the Neighbourhood Land Development Fund (NLDF) and that the NLDF transfer \$2,500,000 to the 2010 Operating Budget;
 - b) \$50,000 be allocated to the Meewasin Valley Authority Rink Pavilion;
 - c) \$75,000 be allocated to the Municipal Art Project at the Shaw Centre;
 - d) \$93,400 be allocated for the payment of software licenses for the Payroll/Human Resource System;

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- 3) that the remaining funds in the Revenue Stabilization Reserve be held in the reserve for future allocation for matching funds on Federal and Provincial Grant programs;
- 4) that the River Landing operating program continue to be balanced through a transfer from the Reserve for Capital Expenditures (RCE);
- 5) that the total transfers from the RCE to the River Landing operating program be accumulated with the expectation that the RCE will be repaid from future surpluses in the program;
- 6) that a Discounted Bus Pass Program for citizens with low income be implemented, at an estimated cost of \$92,000 for 2010 and end-load of \$183,000 for 2011 based on a September 1, 2010 implementation date;
- 7) that once the Discounted Bus Pass Program has been implemented and the financial impact has been evaluated, the Administration report in 2011 on the next steps of the program and the associated costs;
- 8) that a grant program for multi-unit dwelling owners be created to cover the cost of waste containers [Multi-unit Waste Container Grant (MUWCG)], with implementation on July 1, 2010, at a cost of \$130,000 in 2010 and an end-load of \$125,000 in 2011;
- 9) that the following revisions to Council Policy C03-007 (Special Events) be approved:
 - a) the addition of a new event category entitled "Profile Saskatoon";
 - b) the additional provision of \$100,000 per year for the next three years, for a total of \$300,000, to be contributed to the Special Events Reserve;
 - c) the creation of a Legacy Reserve to address the challenge some organizations have in meeting the legacy criteria, which would be used to fund predetermined projects;
- 10) that the source of funding for the contribution to Tourism Saskatoon in the amount of \$65,000, for representation at the

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Saskatchewan Pavilion at the 2010 Olympic Games, be the Special Events Reserve, "Profile Saskatoon" category;

- 11) that His Worship the Mayor be requested to communicate on an urgent basis with the Premier regarding the City's concerns relating to the elimination of funding for the West Nile Virus and Dutch Elm Disease Programs, and requesting that the funding be reinstated;
- 12) that Rotary Park and Friendship Park be removed from the list of parks where pets are prohibited under *Bylaw No.7860, The Animal Control Bylaw* and that the City Solicitor be instructed to update the bylaw accordingly;
- 13) that *Bylaw No. 7200, The Traffic Bylaw*, be amended to add Snow Route Enforcement Officers, appointed by the General Manager of the Infrastructure Services Department, to persons designated as having authority to issue Notices of Violation and to reflect current position titles, and that Council consider Bylaw No. 8824 which effects same;
- 14) that a reserve be established for use by the City Manager for weather-related events, with funding in the amount of \$250,000, and that the Administration report to City Council on an appropriate policy for the reserve; and
- 15) that the 2010 Operating Budget as outlined in the attached summary document be approved.

Your Committee met publicly on April 14, 2010 and reviewed the preliminary version of the 2010 Operating Budget estimates.

Attached is a summary of 2010 revenues and expenditures, which reflect the following decisions made by the Budget Committee during its review, as well as the above recommendations:

- the Parks Branch budget was increased by \$1,500 for the costs of the Community Garden Development Fund;
- the Parks Branch budget was increased by \$1,425 for incremental garbage removal and park maintenance, and the one-time cost of \$6,000 for garbage receptacles, relating to the removal of the prohibition of dogs and cats in Rotary Park and Friendship Park;
- the Snow and Ice Program was increased by \$750,000; and
- the budget for the Kinsmen Park rides was reduced by \$10,500 to reflect a service level reduction.

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Your Committee also considered the following reports, copies of which are attached, which are referred to in the above recommendation.

- a) General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated March 30, 2010, regarding the impact of the reduced growth estimate;
- b) General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated March 31, 2010, regarding the distribution of the 2009 surplus;
- c) General Manager, Utility Services Department dated March 31, 2010, regarding the creation of a Discounted Bus Pass Program for citizens with low incomes;
- d) General Manager, Utility Services Department dated February 4, 2010, regarding the creation of a grant program for waste containers for multi-unit dwelling owners; and
- e) Clause 12, Report No. 4-2010 of the Planning and Operations Committee regarding the addition of a new event category entitled "Profile Saskatoon" within the Special Events Reserve;
- f) General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated March 10, 2010 regarding dogs and cats in riverbank parks; and
- g) General Manager, Infrastructure Services Department dated March 16, 2010, regarding snow and ice removal, as well as a copy of proposed Bylaw No. 8824.

The Budget Committee requested the Administration to report to Council with options for utilizing all or a portion of the remaining \$500,000 balance from the Neighbourhood Land Development Fund (NLDF) that was initially transferred to the Revenue Stabilization Reserve. This matter is being reported to Council under Clause B2.

The City Clerk distributed copies of a letter from Jim Yakubowski, dated April 22, 2010, requesting permission to address Council with Craig Dunlop regarding transit and the 2010 Operating Budget.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Jim Yakubowski and Craig Dunlop be heard.

CARRIED.

His Worship the Mayor noted that Messers Yakubowski and Dunlop were not present in the gallery.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the recommendations of the Budget Committee be adopted.

IN AMENDMENT

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the following be added:

- 1) *that \$250,000 be allocated from the Neighbourhood Land Development Fund to the Snow and Ice Management Program to bring the service level increase to \$1 million; and*
- 2) *that \$129,000 be allocated from the Neighbourhood Land Development Fund to bring the mill rate increase back to 3.86%.*

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

REPORT NO. 5-2010 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

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

1. Earth Hour Results – March 27, 2010
(File No. CK. 375-4)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

On March 27, 2010, the City participated in Earth Hour. Your Committee is pleased to forward the attached report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department dated April 7, 2010, highlighting the success of the City's participation.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Committee be adopted.

CARRIED.

REPORT NO. 5-2010 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. Property Acquisition – Circle Drive South River Crossing Project
Former CNR Right-of-Way between 11th Street West and Avenue P
SW 30-36-5 W.3, Plan E4207, Extension 1, Surface Parcel #120296886
SE 30-36-5 W.3, Plan E4207, Extension 1, Surface Parcel #120296897
(File No. CK. 4020-12)**
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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the City purchase the abandoned spur line between 11th Street West and Avenue P from Canadian National Railway Company (CNR) at a purchase price of \$480,000; and
 - 2) that the cost of acquisition and related expenses be charged to the Property Realized Reserve, as an interim source of financing.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the following report of the General Manager, Community Services dated March 30, 2010:

“BACKGROUND

In the case of abandoned rail lines Section 6.1.2.4 of Saskatoon’s Official Community Plan needs to be considered. It states as follows:

“e) When appropriate, abandoned rail lines shall be examined for use as future transportation corridors to link Suburban Development Areas with the Downtown.”

City Council at its meeting held on July 19, 2004, adopted the West Industrial Local Area Plan. The Local Area Plan contained a recommendation to prepare a Concept Plan to maximize the infill development potential of the area.

Recommendations within the West Industrial Concept Plan included the following:

Transportation, Circulation, and Parking

- Recommendation 2.4(a) – 17th Street Right-of-Way
That City Council support, in principle, the purchase and development of the 17th Street Right-of-Way, located west of Avenue P, by the City of Saskatoon.

Rationale

The development of the 17th Street Right-of-Way as a new arterial roadway was

proposed as a way to provide another access point into the area to disperse traffic, assist in reducing the volume of trucks travelling along Avenue P between 22nd Street and 11th Street and provide greater potential for land development and economic growth.

- Recommendation 2.4(b) – Multi-Modal Link
That the 17th Street Right-of-Way serve as a multi-modal link that includes an arterial roadway, pedestrian, bike and green space linkage extending from Spadina Crescent West.

Rationale

The 17th Street Right-of-Way offers the opportunity not only to act as an arterial roadway, but also allows the continuation of a green space linkage from the 17th Street Right-of-Way east of Avenue P, enabling a continuous link from the Meewasin Valley Trail System to the Montgomery neighbourhood and beyond.

The multi-modal link will also act as a buffer between the industrial uses and the residential uses north of the Right-of-Way.

City Council at its meeting held May 20, 2008, approved the West Industrial Concept Plan.

REPORT

The portion of the abandoned CNR spur line that extends north of 11th Street to Avenue P comprises the subject property referred to in the West Industrial Concept Plan. The lands

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encompass an area of approximately 8.34 acres. The abandoned CNR spur line that extends from 11th Street West to Dundonald Avenue is required to accommodate development of the west side traffic corridor as part of the Circle Drive South River Crossing project.

The City's Property Agent has negotiated separate purchase agreements with CNR for acquisition of both portions of the abandoned spur line. This report deals with the portion of the spur line north of 11th Street to Avenue P South. A separate report for the portion of the spur line south of 11th Street required for the Circle Drive South River Crossing Project has been submitted for consideration by the Executive Committee.

Significant terms and conditions of the Offer to Purchase Agreement for the subject property are as follows:

1. Purchase Price
Purchase price is \$480,000 with an initial deposit of \$48,000 with the balance to be paid on closing.
2. Conditions Precedent
 - a) Approval of Saskatoon City Council by April 28, 2010.
 - b) The Purchaser will grant an Easement to the Vendor to protect the fibre optic line and overhead communication line if applicable at the Purchaser's cost and expense.
 - c) Upon execution of the Agreement (complete) and approval of the transaction by both parties and upon payment of the deposit (complete), the Vendor will allow the Purchaser access to begin construction upon execution of the Vendor's Release of Liability document.
3. Legal Costs and Disbursements
Each party shall be responsible for its own legal costs.
4. Possession Date
As per clause 2 (c).
5. Closing Date
May 30, 2010, or sooner as agreed to by the parties.

OPTIONS

There are no options.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

It is recommended that the cost of acquisition and related expenses be charged to the Property Realized Reserve as an interim source of funding. Subsequent projects to construct an extension of a transportation corridor will be required to repay the Property Realized Reserve at the greater of historical costs or market value whichever is the greater as required by City Council Policy C09-019.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. 'Schedule A' – Property Requirements – Former CNR Rail spur – 17th Street to 11th Street”

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee be adopted.

CARRIED.

2. **Property Acquisition – Circle Drive South River Crossing Project
Former CNR Right-of-Way between 11th Street West and Dundonald Avenue
Parcel J, Plan 80S31337, Extension 0, Surface Parcel #119975349
Portion of Parcel H, Plan 80S31337, Extension 0, Surface Parcel #119973099
(File No. CK. 4020-12)**
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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) the City purchase the abandoned spur line between 11th Street West and Dundonald Avenue from Canadian National Railway Company (CNR), a portion of which is required to accommodate development of the Circle Drive South River Crossing project. The purchase price is \$365,000; and
 - 2) the cost of acquisition and related expenses be charged to the Property Realized Reserve, as an interim source of financing.

Your Committee has reviewed and supports the following report of the City Manager dated April 1, 2010:

“BACKGROUND

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

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

REPORT

The subject property is an abandoned CNR spur line that extends from 11th Street West to Dundonald Avenue, encompassing an area of approximately 8.34 acres (Attachment 1). The lands consist of two parcels; one being a whole parcel, while the second is part of the active rail line running north and south along Dundonald Avenue, therefore requiring a subdivision of the site.

The lands are required to accommodate development of the west side traffic corridor as part of the Circle Drive South River Crossing project. In addition, the north portions of the two sites are required to accommodate a new access point into the southwest industrial area. This new access is to replace the Fletcher Road access that will be closed due to the Circle Drive roadway.

The City’s property agent has negotiated a purchase agreement with CNR for the required lands. Significant terms and conditions of the offer to purchase agreement are as follows:

1. Purchase Price
Purchase price is \$365,000 with an initial deposit of \$36,500 with the balance to be paid on closing.
2. Conditions Precedent
 - a) Approval of City Council by April 28, 2010.
 - b) The purchaser will grant an easement to the vendor to protect the fibre optic line and overhead communication line if applicable at the purchaser’s cost and expense.
 - c) The purchaser will be responsible for survey by way of road plan at the purchaser’s expense.
 - d) Upon execution of the agreement and approval of the transaction by both parties and upon payment of the deposit, the vendor will allow the purchaser access to begin construction upon execution of the vendor’s release of liability document.
3. Legal Costs and Disbursements
Each party shall be responsible for its own legal costs.

4. Possession Date
As per clause 2(d).
5. Closing Date
July 30, 2010, or sooner as agreed to by the parties.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

It is recommended that the cost of acquisition and related expenses be charged to the Property Realized Reserve as an interim source of funding.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Schedule A - Property Requirements - Former CNR Rail Spur Dundonald to 11th Street West”

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee be adopted.

CARRIED.

3. **City Representation**
Saskatoon Prairieland Exhibition Corporation
(File No. CK. 175-29)

RECOMMENDATION: that Councillor Wyant be appointed as the City’s representative on the Saskatoon Prairieland Exhibition Corporation to replace Councillor Pringle.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee be adopted.

CARRIED.

**4. Appointment to City Mortgage Appeals Board and
Access Transit Appeals Board
(File No. CK. 175-54)**

RECOMMENDATION: that Ms. Gloria Jorgenson be appointed to the City Mortgage Appeals Board and Access Transit Appeals Board for 2010 and 2011, to replace Ms. Donna Boots.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee be adopted.

CARRIED.

**5. River Landing Art Gallery of Saskatchewan – Request for Proposals
Architectural Design Consultant Team and Functional Program Plan
(File No. CK. 4129-15)**

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that City Council authorize the Administration to release the Request for Proposals to select an architect consultant team to prepare the design construction document and construction administration phases associated with the art gallery, an underground parking garage, and an expansion of the existing Persephone Theatre, as identified in Attachment 2;
- 2) that City Council approve in principal the functional program plan for the gallery building as identified in Attachment 3; and
- 3) that the Administration be authorized to release the functional program plan to Infrastructure Canada to begin its analysis of the project and subsequently development of a contribution agreement.

Your Committee has considered and supports the following report of the City Manager dated April 12, 2010:

“BACKGROUND

Capital Project #1788 – River Landing Destination Centre, includes the development of a functional program plan that will include an art gallery, a public gathering space and winter haven for River Landing visitors; areas complementary to an art gallery; an underground parking garage; and, an expansion of the existing Persephone Theatre. Lundholm

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Associates Architects (LAA) has been retained as the consultant to develop the functional program plan and act as the professional advisor and resource person to the Project Team (City and partners of the project) to develop a two-stage Expressions of Interest/Request for Proposals terms of reference process, for the selection of an Architectural Design Consultant Team.

REPORT

Expressions of Interest (EOI)

The Expressions of Interest (EOI) for provision of full architectural services for the project closed on March 15, 2010. Fifteen submissions were received. On March 24, 2010, the Architectural Design Selection Committee, reviewed the submissions and short-listed five firms (Attachment 1).

Request for Proposals (RFP)

The RFP will require the short-listed firms to provide written proposals and be subject to an interview by the Architectural Design Selection Committee. The Architectural Design Selection Committee will confirm design team qualifications including roles and responsibilities of all participants; workability and effectiveness; understanding of the project; approach to the project; which includes their methodologies to engage the client representatives and interaction with the general public and interest groups; functionality; technical performance; fee proposal; and, schedule. The RFPs will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

Proposed design team	25%
Proposed approach to the project	25%
Understanding of the project	20%
Application of related experience	20%
Fee proposal	10%
TOTAL	100%

LAA has liaised with the Saskatchewan Association of Architects to ensure that the selection process conforms to applicable regulations and recommended procedures and has provided expert professional perspective on the Request for Proposals (Attachment 2), as to conform to project objectives and good museum technical standards. All questions and clarifications regarding the RFP will be handled by LAA and may be requested by the proponents up to May 11, 2010.

The RFP is not a design competition; sketches, images, models, or other representations of design solutions will not be required. Under the Quality Based Selection process the client and the architect, through dialogue, develop a clear understanding of the objectives and expectations before design begins. The following schedule has been established for the review:

- Release of the RFP (following City Council approval to proceed) April 27, 2010

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- RFP closes May 18, 2010
- Architectural Design Selection Committee interviews May 20, 2010
- Architectural Design Selection Committee review of submissions June 7, 2010
- City Council approval award of contract June 28, 2010

Request for Proposals Construction Budget

The RFP identifies a construction budget (not including Persephone Theatre expansion) as follows:

Building (including site development and contingencies)	\$44,900,000
Gallery Specific Equipment	\$ 1,500,000
Total Construction Value (including contingency)	\$46,400,000
(net area for gallery building 5,740.8 sq m or 61,793 sq ft)	

Persephone Theatre Expansion

The Persephone Theatre expansion is identified separately from the capital budget provided above. There are two options for the theatre expansion which is illustrated on pages 5-22 of the functional program (Attachment 3). The cost consultant, BTY (Alberta) Ltd., estimated option two costs are \$650,000 for a net area of 194.1 sq m (2,088 sq ft). This estimate includes construction \$522,800 (shell only); contingency allowance \$47,200; and, project administration/design fees \$80,000. Option one which was presented to your Administration by Persephone Theatre is less in square footage and cost compared to option two. Persephone Theatre, under separate contract, will fit-up the expansion space. This expansion is subject to funding by Persephone Theatre and final approval by the Persephone Theatre Board of Directors.

Your Administration will bring forward a report with respect to a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City and Persephone Theatre regarding the expansion of the building and the land required to facilitate the expansion. Both options can be accommodated within the site. Persephone Theatre has hired KDL Consulting to assist them in their expansion cost assessment for both the envelope and fit up. The development of an MOU is in advance of City Council's award of contract to the Architectural Design Team.

Functional Program

The functional program (Attachment 3) represents a collaborative process that reconciles the program requirements for the new facility at River Landing which includes general requirements and specific detail for the art gallery; expansion of Persephone Theatre; underground parking; program requirements related to River Landing; and, the exterior space. The functional program is a statement of the client's expectations and represents specific instructions to the Architectural Design Team regarding the design program and project requirements. The Architectural Design Team, with this instruction manual in-hand, uses its creativity to explore design solutions to the project requirements.

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The functional program is used to hold the Architectural Design Team accountable regarding functionality, circulation, relationship between various functions, and points of access to the building. Section 4.0 and Section 5.0 of the functional program describes the various functions in detail. Some of the highlights of the functional program are as follows:

- The atrium is the public/visitor service area that serves as the arrival and orientation for all users of the building. The atrium contains a series of public functions including food services, gallery shop, community studio/gallery, lecture theatre, multi-purpose area, washrooms, coat facilities, and rest areas. The atrium will be the primary access to the building for both gallery visitors and general users of River Landing. It serves as a lively hub, year-round social destination, and lobby for the gallery. The atrium is one of the largest areas and most complex as it sets the tone for the building as a whole, while serving a number of traffic patterns and multiple modes of operation.
- The Food Services model, recommended by an independent consultant, is a licensed bakery/cafe, with service seating placed opportunistically in the atrium/lobby, multipurpose area, and exterior. This is accompanied by a well-defined catering kitchen at several levels of the building to facilitate catering food events to be coordinated with gallery openings and programs, and theatre performances. The Food Services model of the bakery cafe (located in the atrium with high visibility both inside and from the outside). Provision for catering in additional public locations, including pre-programmed dining, is supported by the food services consultant as having the highest level of success. A continuous full service restaurant has not been found to be economically viable.
- Exhibitions and exhibition support identifies enhanced and expanded gallery capacities that will present the Gallery's collection. A suite of prominently located spaces, dedicated to recognizing the Mendel Legacy, will present the original gift of 13 paintings made by Fred Mendel, as well as feature later donations to the permanent collection by the Mendel and Mitchell families. An antechamber to the Mendel Gallery will present the Perehudoff murals (removed from the Intercom/Maple Leaf Foods and owned by the City) and will tell the story of Fred Mendel and his family, and his contribution to the community. The temporary galleries will be venues for changing and travelling exhibitions and will be outfitted to support all media: paintings, photography, sculpture, and multi-media works. The temporary galleries will be configured as a single, large volume, capable of being subdivided into three or four spaces of various sizes.
- Education and public programming provides art classes, hands-on activities, school programs, and other community activities. This is an activity hub for local artists, public programs, and the community. The provision of a lecture theatre extends the Gallery's program, public programs, and facility rental capacity.
- Collection storage, preparation, art handling, and shipping and receiving is all consolidated in one area of the building for efficiency and security.

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The Board of Trustees of the Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation at its meeting of April 7, 2010, approved in principle the functional program plan for the art gallery building.

The project has received a funding commitment from the Government of Canada (\$13.02 million), and the Government of Saskatchewan (\$13.02 million) under the Building Canada Fund Major Infrastructure Component. Formal approval is pending the completion of the functional program plan and subsequent review by Infrastructure Canada. The functional program plan is now complete and contains sufficient detail that will allow Building Canada to begin its formal project review. Your Administration is recommending the functional program be released to Infrastructure Canada to begin its analysis of the project and subsequently develop a contribution agreement that will detail project elements, schedule, costs, and funding parameters.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Project Cost

City Council, at its meeting of November 30, 2009, received an estimated cost for the facility at \$51 million. The financial contribution breakdown for the facility was estimated as follows:

Art Gallery	
Government of Canada	\$ 13,020,000
Government of Saskatchewan	\$ 13,020,000
Saskatchewan Building Communities Program	\$ 4,093,000
City of Saskatoon	\$ 12,867,000
Fundraising	\$ 8,000,000
Sub-total	\$ 51,000,000
Parking Garage (Reallocation of Federal and Provincial funds)	\$ 7,000,000
TOTAL	\$ 58,000,000

Your Administration secured the services of BTY (Alberta) Ltd. to prepare a capital cost estimate for the project based on completion of the function program document developed by Lundholm Associates Architects. Attachment 4 provides the estimated project cost prepared by BTY (March 2010). Your Administration continues to work toward the design and construction allocations identified to City Council at its meeting of November 30, 2009. A summary of the cost is as follows:

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Art Gallery Construction	\$ 40,700,000
Site Development	\$ 800,000
Contingency Allowance 8%	\$ 3,400,000
Project Administration/Design Fees	\$ 6,300,000
Fit-up Costs	\$ 1,800,000
Sub-Total	\$ 53,000,000
Parking Garage	\$ 5,000,000
TOTAL	\$ 58,000,000

The underground parking budget allocation has been revised to \$5 million, as your Administration has held the remaining \$2 million in the contingency allowance. Preliminary estimates, generated by the cost analyst, indicate the previous budget (\$7 million) is not able to fully fund the parking expectation of two levels of underground parking. The program plan, included in the RFP release, identifies maximizing a single below grade parking scheme. The actual number of underground parking stalls will be better understood once detail design concepts are submitted (following the commissioning of the successful consultant team).

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Architectural Design Committee Representatives and Short-listed Firms
2. Request for Proposals Art Gallery of Saskatchewan and Related Facilities April 9, 2010
3. Art Gallery of Saskatchewan Functional Program
4. Art Gallery of Saskatchewan Estimated Project Cost March 2010

Attachment 3, the functional program, is not being copied due to its size, but a copy is available for viewing in the Office of the City Clerk and the main branch of the public library.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee be adopted.

CARRIED.

6. Retaining Professional Consultant Services
For Saskatoon Police Service HQ
(File No. CK. 600-5)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that Rebanks Pepper Littlewood Architects Inc. (RPL) be retained to provide the design-build documentation in the role as the Owner's Consultant Services for the new Saskatoon Police Headquarters development, for a fee for service estimated cost of \$1,868,395.00 (excluding GST and PST, and travel expenses); and
 - 2) that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement, as prepared by the City Solicitor, under the Corporate Seal.

On August 11, 2008, City Council adopted Clause D5, Administrative Report No. 15-2008, which identified the acquisition of 23,270 square metres (5.74 acres) of land, located north of 25th Street and west of Ontario Avenue, as being dedicated for the new Saskatoon Police Headquarters development. Additionally, the Administration was authorized to initiate the design development process through the commissioning of a design team specializing in police headquarters facilities, with their services to continue through to the completion of the work.

Your Committee has considered the following report of the Chief of Police dated April 12, 2010:

“REPORT

A Request for Proposal (RFP) document, prepared by your civic administration, was issued March 9, 2010 and Addendum No. 1 issued March 26, 2010, to solicit interest with the intention of commissioning an Owner's Consultant team for the Capital Project. Their initial scope of services is to review existing project documentation, capital project budget, and project schedule. This RFP was issued to the Saskatchewan Architectural Association and Consulting Engineers of Saskatchewan, listed firms, with the intent to receive responses regarding Owner's Consultant Services their teams would be providing. It is intended that this project would include a team of engineers and architectural professionals as well as the specialty Police and Justice consultant expertise. Selection criteria, noted within the RFP, identified: demonstrated experience (expertise with Police HQ building type), references from other clients regarding similar project team experience, understanding of the project, work plan and schedule and their consultant team fee.

Three (3) submissions were received April 7, 2010. Following an interview with each of the 3 teams, by representatives from the Police Service and civic administration, and based on the weighed criteria noted, Rebanks Pepper Littlewood Architects Inc. was evaluated with the highest weighing.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Source of funding is Capital Project 2132 Police – New Headquarters Facility, \$15,000,000 based on the approved Capital Project funding for 2008/2009/2010. \$6,270,000 has been previously committed for the purchase of the land.

SAFETY [Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)]

A CPTED Committee review will be completed for this project work, following the completion of the design development stage of document preparation. Compliance to the review will be documented and included within the working drawing document phase.”

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee be adopted.

CARRIED.

**7. City Council Meeting Schedule – 2011
(File No. CK. 255-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that City Council meet on the following dates in 2011:

Monday, January 17, 2011
Monday, February 7, 2011
Tuesday, February 22, 2011
Monday, March 7, 2011
Monday, March 21, 2011
Monday, April 4, 2011
Monday, April 18, 2011
Monday, May 9, 2011
Tuesday, May 24, 2011
Monday, June 13, 2011
Monday, June 27, 2011
Wednesday, July 13, 2011
Wednesday, August 17, 2011
Monday, September 12, 2011
Monday, September 26, 2011
Tuesday, October 11, 2011
Monday, October 24, 2011
Monday, November 7, 2011
Monday, November 21, 2011
Monday, December 5, 2011
Monday, December 19, 2011; and

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- 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary bylaw amendment.

Attached is a schedule of recommended meeting dates in 2011.

The proposed schedule has City Council meeting every second week, with the exception of breaks due to the SUMA and FCM Conventions, Easter, and Christmas. Also, as in the past, there is only one meeting scheduled for the months of July and August and during these months it is recommended that City Council meet on Wednesday in order to allow the standing committees to submit their reports to Council in a timely manner.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee be adopted.

CARRIED.

**8. Indemnification Policy for Members of City Council
(File No. CK. 280-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that Council approve the attached Indemnification Policy for members of City Council.

Attached is a proposed policy for the indemnification of members of City Council for Civil actions or proceedings brought against them in the performance of their duties.

The proposed policy provides that after a civil action against a Council member has come to an end, the matter will be referred to an independent Indemnification Review Committee appointed by the Dean of Law. The Committee will look at whether or not the Council member was acting in good faith and within the scope of their duties. If they find that that was the case, they will pay reasonable legal fees, and may pay a settlement or judgment. If the Committee finds that that was not the case, there will be nothing paid.

Councillors Dubois and Lorje excused themselves from discussion and voting on the matter due to a conflict of interest and left the Council Chamber.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee be adopted.

CARRIED.

Councillors Dubois and Lorje re-entered the Council Chamber.

9. Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
National Board of Directors
(File No. CK. 155-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that Council endorse Councillors Dubois and Hill to stand for election on FCM's National Board of Directors, and that the City assume all costs associated with their attendance at FCM's National Board of Directors Meetings.

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) represents the interests of municipalities on policy and program matters that fall within federal jurisdiction. FCM's National Board of Directors is comprised of elected Municipal Officials from all regions and sizes of communities to form a broad base of support and provide FCM with the prestige required to carry the municipal message to the federal government."

Councillor Hill withdrew his name due to other commitments.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT Council endorse Councillor Dubois to stand for election on FCM's National Board of Directors, and that the City assume all costs associated with her attendance at FCM's National Board of Directors Meetings.

CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES

Councillor B. Dubois
North Bridge Crossing
(File No. CK. 6050-10)

Now that the completion of Circle Drive South Bridge is well underway, we have to turn our attention to the North Bridge crossing.

I would like the Administration to report back on the achievability of the north river crossing. Please provide Council with different options available to us such as: a private venture; a public/private partnership; the three levels of government to partner; or if the city were to do it as a go-alone project. Please report on any other options that might be used to accomplish the goal of a North Bridge.

Please report on timelines for construction on the various options that are presented. For example, from the shortest time frame to the longest build-out time frame.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw 8824

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8824, being “The Traffic Amendment Bylaw, 2010” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8824 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8824.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8824 was considered clause by clause and approved.

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Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8824 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8824 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

Bylaw 8834

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8834, being "A bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to amend Bylaw No. 1523, entitled "A Bylaw respecting the construction of private sewer and water service connections in the City of Saskatoon" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8834 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

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Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8834.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8834 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8834 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Bylaw No. 8834 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.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

B. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

1) Gloria Gonie, dated April 8

Requesting an extension to the time when fireworks and amplified noise can be heard under the Noise Bylaw to 11 p.m. during Veteran's Day in the Park, being held in the Montgomery neighbourhood on Saturday, June 5, 2010. (File No. CK. 185-9)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request for an extension to the time when fireworks and amplified noise can be heard under the Noise Bylaw to 11 p.m. during Veteran's Day in the Park, being held in the Montgomery neighbourhood on Saturday, June 5, 2010 be granted.

Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT the request for an extension to the time when fireworks and amplified noise can be heard under the Noise Bylaw to 11 p.m. during Veteran's Day in the Park, being held in the Montgomery neighbourhood on Saturday, June 5, 2010 be granted.

CARRIED.

2) Amin Ahmed, Convener, World Partnership Walk, dated April 12

Requesting permission for an extension to the time when amplified sounds can be heard under the Noise Bylaw to from 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 6, 2010, in Meewasin Park for the annual World Partnership Walk. (File No. CK. 185-9)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request for an extension to the time when amplified sounds can be heard under the Noise Bylaw to from 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 6, 2010, in Meewasin Park for the annual World Partnership Walk be granted.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the request for an extension to the time when amplified sounds can be heard under the Noise Bylaw to from 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 6, 2010, in Meewasin Park for the annual World Partnership Walk be granted.

CARRIED.

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3) Sharissa Unger, Saskatoon Lindy Hop Inc., dated April 14

Requesting permission for an extension to the time when amplified sounds can be heard under the Noise Bylaw to 10:00 p.m. on Tuesdays throughout the summer for a weekly drop-in dance lesson and music at the River Landing Amphitheatre. (File No. CK. 185-9)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request for an extension to the time when amplified sounds can be heard under the Noise Bylaw to 10:00 p.m. on Tuesdays throughout the summer for a weekly drop-in dance lesson and music at the River Landing Amphitheatre be granted.

Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration for a report to the May 10th meeting.

CARRIED.

4) Ronald Zdan, dated April 16

Commenting on Saskatoon Police Services targeting speeders in high-school zones. (File No. CK. 5200-5)

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

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Board of Police Commissioners and Planning and Operations Committee.

CARRIED.

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5) Peggy Durant, dated April 13

Requesting City Council consider assistance to Gateway Players. (File No. CK. 5608-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration for consideration.

CARRIED.

6) Veronique Eberhart, dated April 20

Requesting permission to waive the date and time restrictions when the discharge of low-hazard fireworks can be held in a school yard for St. Jean-Baptiste Day celebrations being held at Ecole Canadienne-Francaise on June 24, 2010.

RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted to waive the date and time restrictions when the discharge of low-hazard fireworks can be held in a school yard for St. Jean-Baptiste Day celebrations being held at Ecole Canadienne-Francaise on June 24, 2010, subject to administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to waive the date and time restrictions when the discharge of low-hazard fireworks can be held in a school yard for St. Jean-Baptiste Day celebrations being held at Ecole Canadienne-Francaise on June 24, 2010, subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

7) Don Somers, Host Team Member, Dakota Dunes Casino Open, Canadian Professional Golf Tour, Saskatchewan, dated April 19

Requesting permission be granted for a temporary exemption from Bylaw 7767, which prohibits playing golf in a park on Monday, July 5, 2010, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to allow a golf presentation. (File Nos. CK. 185-1 & 205-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted for a temporary exemption from Bylaw 7767, which prohibits playing golf in a park on Monday, July 5, 2010, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to allow a golf presentation subject to administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT permission be granted for a temporary exemption from Bylaw 7767, which prohibits playing golf in a park on Monday, July 5, 2010, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to allow a golf presentation subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

8) Debra Johnston, dated April 20

Requesting permission to keep chickens in her backyard. (File No. CK. 151-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

9) Jessica Brown, dated April 20

Requesting permission to light low-hazard fire equipment for fire dancing to be held on the top of Diefenbaker Hill, Diefenbaker Park, on May 1, 2010, between 9 p.m. and 11 p.m.

RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted to light low-hazard fire equipment for fire dancing to be held on the top of Diefenbaker Hill, Diefenbaker Park, on May 1, 2010, between 9 p.m. and 11 p.m., subject to administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT permission be granted to light low-hazard fire equipment for fire dancing to be held on the top of Diefenbaker Hill, Diefenbaker Park, on May 1, 2010, between 9 p.m. and 11 p.m., subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

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10) Dave Robinson, The Canadian Association of Veterans in United Nations Peacekeeping, dated April 20

Requesting permission to raise the United Nations Flag in Civic Square on Peacekeeping Day; August 9, 2010. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted to raise the United Nations Flag in Civic Square on Peacekeeping Day; August 9, 2010, subject to administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT permission be granted to raise the United Nations Flag in Civic Square on Peacekeeping Day; August 9, 2010, subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

The City Clerk distributed copies of the following letters B11) and B12) for Council's consideration.

11) Doug Keats, YMCA, dated April 22

Requesting temporary street closure of 3rd Avenue (at City Hall) to 22nd Street (to YMCA) for the YMCA Strong Kids Walk on Saturday, May 1, 2010. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request to temporarily close 3rd Avenue (at City Hall) to 22nd Street West (to YMCA) be approved subject to administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT the request to temporarily close 3rd Avenue (at City Hall) to 22nd Street West (to YMCA) on May 1, 2010, be approved subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

12) Heather Hails, Secretary, Credit Union Centre, dated April 23

Submitting notice of Credit Union Centre Board of Directors annual general meeting to take place on Wednesday, May 5, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. in the Credit Union Centre board room. (File No. CK. 175-31)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the City of Saskatoon, being a member of the Credit Union Centre, appoint Donald Atchison, or in his absence, Councillors Hill or Wyant of the City of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan, as its proxy to vote for it on its behalf at the Annual General Meeting of the members of the Credit Union Centre, to be held on the 5th day of May, 2010, or at any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT the City of Saskatoon, being a member of the Credit Union Centre, appoint Donald Atchison, or in his absence, Councillors Hill or Wyant of the City of Saskatoon, in the Province of Saskatchewan, as its proxy to vote for it on its behalf at the Annual General Meeting of the members of the Credit Union Centre, to be held on the 5th day of May, 2010, or at any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

CARRIED.

C. INFORMATION ITEMS

1) Neil Richardson, dated April 7

Commenting on recycling in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 7830-5-1)

2) Hrolfur Kristinsson, dated April 8

Commenting on conversion to individual garbage bins in North Park. (File NO. CK. 7830-3)

3) Linda Scott, dated April 9

Commenting on proposed property tax increase. (File No. CK. 1930-1)

4) Elaine Lafleur, dated April 9

Commenting on street cleaning. (File No. CK. 6315-3)

5) John Thomson, dated April 11

Commenting on snow collecting in traffic signals. (File No. CK. 6250-1)

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6) Steven Drake, dated April 14

Commenting on Property Maintenance and Nuisance Bylaw. (File No. CK. 4400-1)

7) Guy Marx, dated April 16

Commenting on littering in the city. (File No. CK. 7830-1)

8) Elfrieda Enns, dated April 17

Commenting on recent issue regarding pet odours. (File No. CK. 151-5)

9) Dylan Knowles, dated April 18

Commenting on the need for more bus routes. (File Nos. CK. 7310-1 and 150-1)

10) Sean Sass, dated April 19

Providing details on the centennial celebrations of Buena Vista neighbourhood.
(File No. CK. 205-1)

11) Tancie Clarke, dated April 20

Expressing concern about fluoride in water system. (File No. CK. 7920-1)

12) Debbie Clarke, dated April 20

Commenting on outdoor fire pits. (File No. CK. 2500-6)

13) J. Jeerakathil, Chair, Saskatoon Development Appeals Board, dated April 7

Submitting 2009 Annual Report of the Saskatoon Development Appeals Board.
(File No. CK. 430-30)

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14) Joanne Sproule, Secretary to the Board of Police Commissioners, dated April 19

Advising that Saskatoon has been chosen as the site of the 24th Annual CAPB Conference and meeting to be held in August, 2013.

15) Joanne Sproule, Deputy Assistant City Clerk, dated April 9

Advising of Development Appeals Board Hearing regarding the property located at 1124 8th Street East. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

16) Joanne Sproule, Deputy Assistant City Clerk, dated April 15

Advising of Development Appeals Board Hearing regarding the property located at 408 24th Street West. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

17) Joanne Sproule, Deputy Assistant City Clerk, dated April 19

Advising of Development Appeals Board Hearing regarding the property located at 1323 – 1327 Idylwyld Drive North. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

18) Joanne Sproule, Deputy Assistant City Clerk, dated April 7

Advising of Development Appeals Board Hearing regarding the property located at 327 Avenue N South. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

19) Joanne Sproule, Deputy Assistant City Clerk, dated April 8

Advising of Development Appeals Board Hearing regarding the property located at 119 109th Street West. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

D. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

1) Nathan Huzan Aalen, dated April 8

Requesting information about where pocket bikes (mini motorcycles) can be legally ridden. (File No. CK. 5000-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

2) Terry Butler and Dave McKee, dated April 7

Commenting on the shortage of baseball diamonds. (File No. CK. 4205-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

3) Day Daxton, dated April 12

Commenting on traffic issues. (File No. CK. 6320-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

4) Taylor Marlowe, dated April 9

Suggestion UPasses be in effect during non-school months. (File No. CK. 7312-1) **(Referred to the Administration for consideration.)**

5) Jay Riel, dated April 9

Commenting on the need for signage at the vehicle impound lot. (File No. CK. 6120-6) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

6) Vie Hrapchak, dated April 9

Commenting on back-alley maintenance. (File No. CK. 6315-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

7) Jean Mazurek, dated April 11

Requesting a turn arrow at 42nd Street at Alberta Avenue. (File No. CK. 6250-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

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8) Kristen Relkey, dated April 12

Commenting on residential parking restrictions. (File No. CK. 6120-2) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

9) Shawn Marshak, dated April 13

Commenting on mandatory lead pipe replacement. (File No. CK. 7500-1) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

10) Gary Derald, dated April 14

Commenting on street repairs. (File No. CK. 6315-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

11) Margaret (Peggy) Durant, dated April 13

Commenting on recycling. (File Nos. CK. 7830-5 and 7830-4) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

12) Marilyn Meister, dated April 19

Commenting on bus routes. (File No. CK. 7310-1) **(Referred to Administration for review and response to the writer.)**

13) Emily Harwood-Johnson, dated April 19

Expressing concern about the environment. (File No. CK. 7830-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

14) Simon Thiessen, dated April 20

Submitting petition of approximately 15 names requesting permit parking on the 700 block of 3rd Avenue North. (File No. CK. 6120-4-2) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action and response to the writer.)**

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

E. PROCLAMATIONS

1) Al Ross, President, CUPE Local 59, dated April 6

Requesting City Council proclaim April 28, 2010, as National Day of Mourning and also requesting a flag raising on that day.

2) Reid Corbett and Trent Schmidt, Utility Services Department, dated April 7

Requesting City Council proclaim May 2 to 8, 2010, as Drinking Water Week.
(File No. CK. 205-5)

3) Hans Schmid, Right to Quiet Society, dated April 8

Requesting City Council proclaim April 28, 2010, as the 15th Annual Noise Awareness Day.
(File No. CK. 205-5)

4) Julie Zepp Rutledge, SANP Public and Media Relations Officer, dated April 12

Requesting City Council proclaim May 3 to 9, 2010, as Naturopathic Medicine Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

5) Stacie Lawson, CNIB, dated April 15

Requesting City Council proclaim May as Vision Health Month. (File No. CK. 205-5)

6) Norm Campbell, CEO, Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association, dated April 13

Requesting City Council proclaim June 2010 as Recreation and Parks Month.
(File No. CK. 155-1)

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7) Kathryn Desai, Executive Director, VON Western Region, dated April 12

Requesting City Council proclaim May 17 to 23, 2010, as VON week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

8) Donald Fletcher, dated April 20

Requesting City Council proclaim May 12 as Fibromyalgia Awareness Day. (File No. CK. 205-5)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve all proclamations as set out in Section E;
 - 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations, in the standard form, on behalf of City Council; and
 - 3) the request for a flag raising be approved.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

- 1) that City Council approve all proclamations as set out in Section E;*
- 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamations, in the standard form, on behalf of City Council; and*
- 3) the request for a flag raising be approved.*

CARRIED.

A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL

1) Dave Viminitz, dated April 12

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to Residential Parking Permit program in City Park. (File Nos. CK. 6120-4-4 and 6320-2)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 36.

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2) Larry Waldinger, dated April 17

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to River Landing.
(File No. CK. 4129-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that Larry Waldinger be heard.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Larry Waldinger be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Larry Waldinger expressed concern regarding the possible sale of Parcel "Y" at River Landing for less than fair market value.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk