

Council Chambers  
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.  
Monday, December 12, 2005  
at 6:00 p.m.

## **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**

**PRESENT:** His Worship the Mayor, in the Chair;  
Councillors Alm, Birkmaier, Dubois, Fortosky, Heidt, Hnatyshyn,  
Neault, Penner, and Wyant;  
City Manager Richards;  
A/City Solicitor Davern;  
General Manager, Corporate Services Bilanski;  
General Manager, Community Services Gauthier;  
A/General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Kobussen;  
General Manager, Infrastructure Services Uzelman;  
General Manager, Utility Services Totland;  
City Clerk Mann; and  
Council Assistant Mitchener

*Councillor Heidt was excused from the meeting at 11:20 p.m. during consideration of bylaws.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,*

- 1) *THAT page one of the minutes of meeting held on November 28, 2005 be amended to reflect that Councillor Dubois moved the motion that the minutes of City Council held on November 28, 2005, be approved, and not Councillor Penner; and*
- 2) *THAT the minutes of meeting of City Council held on November 28, 2005, as amended, be approved.*

**CARRIED.**

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

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

**CARRIED.**

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

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

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*Committee arose.*

*Councillor Penner, Chair of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:*

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

**“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 23-2005**

**Section A – COMMUNITY SERVICES**

- A1) Enquiry – Councillor E. Hnatyshyn (October 31, 2005)  
Bylaw Infractions - Home Based Businesses  
(File No.: CK. 4350-1, PL. 4005)**

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

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

During the October 31, 2005 meeting of City Council, Councillor Hnatyshyn made the following inquiry:

“Why would the home-based license not be revoked, or why is the permit re-issued annually to home-based businesses that violate the bylaw.”

**REPORT**

The Business License Bylaw is administered and enforced by the Community Services Department, Development Services Branch. On October 4, 2004, City Council delegated the authority to suspend or cancel a business license to the Administration. This authority is reflected in Section 16 of The Business License Bylaw, which states that a business license can be cancelled or suspended if a licensee contravenes any term or condition of the Business License Bylaw. Typical examples of contraventions include Zoning Bylaw infractions, failure to renew a business license, site use and storage issues, and failure to obtain building permits for new construction or structural renovations to existing buildings.

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The Development Services Branch receives approximately 25 property complaints annually regarding home based businesses. When a licensed business is found to be in contravention of a bylaw, an enforcement process is initiated. The first step in this process is to inform the business/property owner of the contravention. Property owners are given every opportunity to resolve outstanding issues on their own terms. In most cases, compliance is achieved through voluntary action.

If a bylaw contravention is not resolved through communication, the option exists to cancel or suspend a business license. This option has only been utilized in a few instances. There have been several occasions, however, where the Development Services Branch withholds approval of new applications until all bylaw contraventions have been resolved.

In cases where there is no bylaw contravention, enforcement action is unnecessary, and the file is closed. This was the case for inquiries related to 1219 Emerald Crescent. Prior to 2004, all land use complaints were investigated, and no bylaw contraventions were found. It was not until 2004 that the Development Services Branch received a complaint that there were non-resident employees at the site. The subsequent investigation confirmed there were off-site employees working at the site, which is not permitted in Type I - Home Based Businesses. At this point, the property owners had two remedies. The first was to remove the employees and conform to a Type I – Home Based Business. The second option was to apply for discretionary use approval of a Type II – Home Based Business. The property owners decided upon the second option, and their discretionary use application was denied by City Council on October 31, 2005.

### **CONCLUSION**

In conclusion, in situations where business operators are in violation of their license, the Development Services Branch will take action to either have the applicant correct the situation, or pursue appropriate enforcement procedures, which may involve suspending or cancelling a business license.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

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**A2) Enquiry - Councillor G. Penner (October 17, 2005)  
Status of Gordie Howe Bowl  
(File No. CK. 4205-7-2, LS 4206-GO1-2)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the following report be received as information.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

During City Council's October 17, 2005 meeting, Councillor Penner made the following enquiry:

“Could I have a report on the status of Gordie Howe Bowl. Is there an intent to have high school football remain at this field and are the Hilltops going to play there next year?”

**REPORT**

Your staff have been in contact with the Saskatoon Board of Education, Saskatoon Secondary Schools Athletic Directorate (SSSAD), and the Saskatoon Hilltop Football Club concerning their plans for the 2006 football season.

The Hilltops have indicated that they will be returning to the Gordon Howe Bowl for the 2006 season. Leisure Services staff will be meeting with the organization in the near future, to discuss the continued use of the Bowl for Hilltop home games. The Hilltops have had preliminary discussions with the University of Saskatchewan concerning playing their games at Griffiths Stadium and are reviewing all options.

To date, the Administration has not received notice from the Board of Education indicating that high school football will not be played at the Bowl next year. The SSSAD is currently negotiating with Saskatoon Soccer to play games on the artificial turf fields located adjacent to the new indoor soccer facility. SSSAD has also had discussions with the University concerning the use of Griffiths Stadium. The SSSAD is also exploring having a reduced schedule at the Bowl for the 2006 season.

Your staff will continue to meet with the Saskatoon Hilltops and SSSAD in reviewing their respective program requirements. In addition, staff have met with other users (i.e. flag football, ultimate frisbee) who have expressed an interest in using the Gordon Howe Bowl should more time come available.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**A3) Re-naming '25<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge' to 'University Bridge'  
(File No. PL 4001-5; CK. 6310-2)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that City Council approve the re-naming of the '25<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge' to 'University Bridge'; and,  
2) that the change be effective January 1, 2006.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

On November 3, 2005, the University of Saskatchewan contacted the Administrator for the Naming Advisory Committee regarding the potential for re-naming the '25<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge'.

The '25<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge' has a few common names that individuals use when referring to the bridge including: '25<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge', 'University Bridge', and 'College Drive Bridge'. Upon receiving the re-naming request, the city archivist was contacted to determine what the official name of the bridge is. The city archivist's research revealed the following related to the naming of the '25<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge':

- The '25<sup>th</sup> Street Traffic Bridge' or '25<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge' was constructed in 1913-1915 jointly by the Province of Saskatchewan and the City of Saskatoon.
- In 1915, Council considered a recommendation by the City Commissioners that it approve a request by the Provincial Board of Highway Commissioners to name the Bridge 'University Bridge'. The requested inscription for the bridge, included the name 'University Bridge', as well as six other lines of text. The request was referred back to the administration for better wording and the matter never came before City Council again for a decision.

The University of Saskatchewan is requesting the name change, as the '25<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge' connects downtown Saskatoon to the University of Saskatchewan, and is an important access route to the University Campus. Also, the University of Saskatchewan will be celebrating their Centennial in 2007.

The Naming Advisory Committee considered the University of Saskatchewan's request at their meeting on November 10, 2005. The committee agreed with the reasons provided by the University of Saskatchewan for officially naming the '25<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge' to the 'University

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Bridge', and recommended that the name change come into effect on January 1, 2006 to kick off the City of Saskatoon's Centennial Celebrations.

The University of Saskatchewan and all city departments will be notified of the outcome of City Council's decision.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**A4) Addition of Names to the Names Master List  
File No. PL 4001-5**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council approve the name 'BURGESS' for addition to the Names Master List.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

According to City of Saskatoon Policy No. C09-008 (Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas), all requests for adding names to the Names Master List must be screened by the Naming Advisory Committee and approved by City Council.

The Naming Advisory Committee has reviewed and screened the following name in accordance with City Council's naming guidelines and recommends to City Council that it be added to the Names Master List.

1. **Donald (Don) Burgess** – born in 1931 in Tisdale, Saskatchewan. He was a professor, hockey coach, and athletic director during his career at the University of Saskatchewan (1958-1991), the first president of the Saskatoon Minor Hockey Association, and an organizing member of both the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame and the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame. Donald Burgess passed in 1995. (For any naming.)

The Names Master List is kept in the Mayor's Office and contains all screened and approved name suggestions for naming municipally owned or controlled facilities, streets, suburban development areas, neighbourhoods, and parks. There are currently 230 entries on the Names Master List. The City Planning Branch will notify the applicants of the outcome of Council's decision.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**A5) New Neighbourhood Design and Development Standards Manual  
Award of Planning/Engineering Services  
(File No.: PL. 4110-23; CK. 4110-1)**

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- RECOMMENDATIONS:**
- 1) that the proposal for planning/engineering services submitted by Associated Engineering (Sask.) Ltd. for the Capital Project – 1724, 2004 and 2005 – New Neighbourhood Design and Development Standards Manual at a total fixed cost of \$222,000 plus G.S.T. be accepted; and,
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary Consulting Services Agreement for execution by the Mayor and City Clerk under the Corporate Seal.

*ADOPTED.*

**REPORT**

On September 26, 2005, the Community Services and Infrastructure Services Departments issued a request for proposals to conduct a study of New Neighbourhood Design standards and to draft a new Development Standards Manual. This project combines three approved Capital Budget Projects (1724, 2004 and 2005). (See Attachments 1 – 3.)

One proposal was received from the consulting firm, Associated Engineering (Sask.) Ltd. in partnership with Crosby Hanna and Associates and ND Lea.

After an evaluation of the proposal by the Project Steering Committee (Infrastructure Services, Community Services Departments staff), the proposal from Associated Engineering (Sask.) Ltd. was deemed to meet the requirements of the City of Saskatoon's Request for Proposals.

The cost to the City of Saskatoon for the proposal submitted by Associated Engineering (Sask.) Ltd. will be \$222,000 plus G.S.T. It should be noted that the City of Saskatoon would receive a 100% rebate of the G.S.T. on the project. The combined approved funding for the project is \$230,000. As such, sufficient funding is in place to allow for the contract to be signed and the planning and engineering services to commence.

Project completion is expected by February 2007. The results of the study will be brought forward to City Council upon completion for adoption and implementation of the study findings.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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**ATTACHMENTS**

1. 2006 Capital Budget/2007-2010 Capital Plan
2. 2001 Capital Budget/2002-2005 Capital Plan
3. 2004 Capital Budget/2005-2008 Capital Plan

**A6) Request For Encroachment Agreement**

**1711 Shannon Crescent  
Lot 24, Block 267, Plan G897  
(File No. CC. 4090-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council recognize the encroachment at 1711 Shannon Crescent (Lot 24, Block 267, Plan G897);
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the appropriate encroachment agreement making provision to collect the applicable fees; and,
  - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal and in a form that is satisfactory to the City Solicitor, the agreement with respect to this encroachment.

*ADOPTED.*

The Solicitor, on behalf of the new owner of the property located at 1711 Shannon Crescent, has requested to enter into an Encroachment Agreement with the City of Saskatoon. As shown on the attached Real Property Report, the wall and eaves of the detached garage encroaches onto side lane. The encroachment has likely existed since the building was constructed in 1960. The total area of encroachment is approximately 11.25m<sup>2</sup> and will, therefore, be subject to an annual charge of \$50.00.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

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1. Letter from the Solicitor, dated November 17, 2005
2. Real Property Report dated September 28, 2005

**A7) Request For Encroachment Agreement  
130 – 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North  
Lot 51, Block 49, Plan 99SA32572  
(File No. CC 4090-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council recognize the encroachment at 130 – 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North (Lot 51, Block 49, Plan 99SA32572);
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the appropriate encroachment agreement making provision to collect the applicable fees; and,
  - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal and in a form that is satisfactory to the City Solicitor, the agreement with respect to this encroachment.

*ADOPTED.*

The Architect, on behalf of the owner of the property located at 130 – 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North, has requested to enter into an Encroachment Agreement with the City of Saskatoon. As shown on the drawings for the proposed new building, the sunshades will encroach onto city property on both the 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue and 22<sup>nd</sup> Street sides, and a canopy for the parkade entry sign will encroach onto city property on the 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue side. The total area of encroachment will have to be determined exactly by way of a Real Property Report once the building has been constructed, but will be approximately 10.0m<sup>2</sup> and will, therefore, be subject to an annual charge of \$50.00.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Letter from the Architect, dated November 9, 2005
2. Preliminary sketch drawings from the Architects, dated October 2005. (Encroachments are highlighted on the drawings.)

**A8) Request For Encroachment Agreement  
15 Worobetz Place  
Parcel 5, Plan 81S19115**

**(File No. CC 4090-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council recognize the encroachment at 15 Worobetz Place (Parcel 5, Plan 81S19115);
  - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the appropriate encroachment agreement making provision to collect the applicable fees; and,
  - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal and in a form that is satisfactory to the City Solicitor, the agreement with respect to this encroachment.

*ADOPTED.*

The solicitor, on behalf of the new owner of the property located at 15 Worobetz Place, has requested to enter into an Encroachment Agreement with the City of Saskatoon. As shown on the attached surveyor's certificate, part of the retaining wall encroaches onto city property along 22<sup>nd</sup> Street West and Diefenbaker Drive. (See Attachment 2.) In addition, repair work, consisting of the installation of concrete piles on city property was carried out in 1987. The City of Saskatoon's Infrastructure Services previously approved this. The right-of way along the 22<sup>nd</sup> Street side of the property is maintained by the Provincial Department of Highways and Transportation, who also previously granted their consent. The concrete piles encroach a total area of 5.34 square meters and the retaining wall encroaches a total area of 14.725 square meters creating an overall encroachment of 20.065 square meters. The retaining wall encroaches by a maximum of 0.35 meters onto 22<sup>nd</sup> Street West and by a maximum of 0.45 meters onto Diefenbaker Drive. The total area of encroachment will be subject to an annual fee of \$65.21.

An Encroachment Agreement is already in place for this, which was previously adopted by City Council at its meeting held on November 24, 1987. This Encroachment Agreement request arises as a result of change of ownership.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

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**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Letter from the Solicitor, dated November 18, 2005
2. Surveyor's Certificate, dated October 22, 1987

**A9) Municipal Enterprise Zone  
Cindercrete Products  
605 Avenue P South  
(File No.: PL. 4110 – 34 – 31; CK. 3500-15)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve a one-year tax abatement of the incremental taxes for the office expansion at 605 Avenue P South in the West Industrial Area;
  - 2) that the one-year tax abatement be effective in the next taxation year following completion of the project as outlined in this report; and,
  - 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary bylaw and agreement.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

Purpose of Enterprise Zone

On June 24, 2002, City Council approved the creation of a Municipal Enterprise Zone by allocating \$500,000 towards incentives designed to reduce development barriers and encourage positive development in the Enterprise Zone. The Enterprise Zone includes seven core neighbourhoods (Westmount, Caswell Hill, Mayfair, Kelsey/Woodlawn, King George, Riversdale, and Pleasant Hill), and two core industrial areas (West and Kelsey Industrial). The purpose of the Enterprise Zone is to:

- encourage businesses to locate or expand their operations in the Enterprise Zone in order to create more economic activity within this area;
- encourage property owners and developers to invest in the renovation, expansion, or creation of new housing in the Enterprise Zone;
- encourage new investment in the Enterprise Zone and increase consumer and investor confidence in this area of Saskatoon; and,
- demonstrate the City of Saskatoon's commitment to improving conditions in the Enterprise Zone.

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It was noted in 2002 by the Administration that the seven core neighbourhoods and two core industrial areas are at risk of falling further behind the rest of the city in terms of income, job creation, economic opportunity, property values, owner-occupancy, and some essential commercial services. An Enterprise Zone is an economic development tool, which can be used to help reduce the deterrents associated with developing in the core. The Enterprise Zone complements the existing city-wide incentive programs already offered by the City of Saskatoon.

**REPORT**

Description of Project

On November 3, 2005, the Municipal Enterprise Zone Adjudication Committee considered an application from Cindercrete Products requesting a one-year tax abatement on the incremental taxes for the expansion of their office area. The expansion will add approximately 4,000 square feet to the existing office area at the company's present location. The company plans to invest approximately \$250,000 in the project. The company will complete the renovations by the end of 2005.

The Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority (SREDA) office handled Cindercrete's application for incentives under the Municipal Enterprise Zone. SREDA conducted a review of the application and has determined that the project warrants consideration for incentives under the Enterprise Zone. The value of a one-year tax abatement of the incremental taxes is \$1,376.17.

SREDA will conduct a follow-up inspection to ensure that the project is completed according to the proposal.

Comments and Reasons for Support

The Adjudication Committee supports this proposal and is recommending approval of the Cindercrete request for the following reasons:

- it will lead to an expansion of the existing Cindercrete operation; and,
- it will create employment in the area through the construction of the new facility.

Overall, this application fits within the intent of the Enterprise Zone Program.

Financial Impact

The tax abatement is on the incremental taxes based on property improvements and, as such, is foregone revenue and will not be charged to the Enterprise Zone Account. City Council approval is required for tax abatements. Automatic incentives, such as the building permit fee rebate, do not require City Council approval. The building and development permit fee is estimated to be \$1,500.

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Overall, the Enterprise Zone Program will provide \$2,876.17 in financial support to Cindercrete, of which \$1,500.00 will be charged to the Enterprise Zone Account.

The Enterprise Zone Program is near the end of its funding. Including all applications approved by the committee on November 3, 2005 (including this one), the Enterprise Zone Program will have no funding available for future applications. The Enterprise Zone Committee will continue to receive new applications, but will only recommend approval subject to renewed funding by City Council.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Project Description
2. Project Location

**A10) Municipal Enterprise Zone Pilot Program  
(File No.: PL 4110 – 34; CK. 3500-15)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the Administration be requested to report back through the Administration and Finance Committee concerning funding options, a formalized reporting process and other changes to the Enterprise Zone Program as suggested in this report.

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Item A16 of Communications to Council.*

**A11) Land-Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department  
For the Period Between November 25, 2005 to December 1, 2005  
(For Information Only)  
(File Nos. PL. 4300; CK. 4000-5)**

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

*ADOPTED.*

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The following applications have been received and are being processed:

**Subdivision**

- Application No. 68/05: 1623-1629 Avenue B North  
Applicant: Webster Surveys for Brian and Danielle Pierce  
Legal Description: Lots 12–15, Block 29, Plan F5509 (FU); Lots 31 & 32, Block 29, Plan 101597430 and Lot 32, Block 29, Plan 101597407  
Current Zoning: R2  
Neighbourhood: Mayfair  
Date Received: November 22, 2005

**Subdivision**

- Application No. 69/05: Lynd Crescent (No civic address)  
Applicant: Webster Surveys for Dundee Realty Corp.  
Legal Description: Lot A, Block 114, Plan 101875877  
Current Zoning: RMTn  
Neighbourhood: Stonebridge  
Date Received: November 22, 2005

**Subdivision**

- Application No. 70/05: 116-122 115<sup>th</sup> Street  
Applicant: Webster Surveys for Mark Kelleher  
Legal Description: Lots 9 and 10, Block 1, Plan G38  
Current Zoning: R2  
Neighbourhood: Sutherland  
Date Received: November 30, 2005

**Subdivision**

- Application No. 71/05: 2712 Estey Drive  
Applicant: Webb Surveys for Doug and Lynn Brown  
Legal Description: Lots 17 and 17A, Block 364, Plan G924  
Current Zoning: R2  
Neighbourhood: Nutana Park  
Date Received: November 30, 2005

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 68/05
2. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 69/05
3. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 70/05
4. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 71/05

**Section C – FIRE AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

- C1) Tiered Response Agreement  
City of Saskatoon and Saskatoon Regional Health Authority  
Amendment to Appendix A – Determinants for Tiered Response  
(File No. 3000-3; CK. 3000-1)**
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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

A new Tiered Response Agreement exists between the City of Saskatoon and the Saskatoon District Health Board dated May 10, 2005. Since the signing of this Agreement, discussions have taken place with respect to revising *Appendix A – Determinants for Tiered Response* in an effort to better utilize SFPS' response to EMS alarms. Echo Calls and all MVA incidents will remain status quo.

**REPORT**

An appropriate amendment has been drawn up and will be inserted into the current Tiered Response Agreement on a trial basis. The amendment will give M.D. Ambulance dispatchers some discretion within the Clawson Emergency Medical Dispatch Protocol and should alleviate many of the incidents where SFPS is dispatched and cancelled en route. It will also improve response times to emergency medical calls that are geographically very close to one of our Fire Halls. Your Administration is of the opinion that this is another positive step in forging a good working relationship between SFPS and M.D. Ambulance.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Amendment to Appendix A – Determinants for Tiered Response dated November 8, 2005.

**C2) Emergency Measures Organization  
Pandemic Planning  
(File No. 270-1)**

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

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

The Saskatoon Health Region (SHR) has been providing guidance and expertise to the City of Saskatoon Emergency Measures Organization on the topic of Pandemic Planning. As a result of that information exchange, we now know some general assumptions regarding the impact that a potential flu pandemic would have in the Saskatoon region:

- The pandemic may last between 1 to 2 years.
- There will be waves of peak illness separated by little or no illness.
- These waves of peak illness will last from 6 to 8 weeks and arrive 3 to 9 months apart.
- The SHR expects the first Saskatoon-based wave of illness to begin 2 to 4 months after the first Canadian case, although this is not guaranteed.

Based on a sickness attack rate of 15-35%, the SHR expects the following scenario in the Saskatoon area:

- 43,000 - 100,000 will become clinically ill
- 17,000 - 46,000 will require outpatient care
- 300 - 800 will require hospitalization
- 80 - 290 deaths.

It is clear that the SHR will be the lead agency and will assume responsibility for planning and implementing a mitigation strategy from the 'health side' of the pandemic equation. It is also clear that the City of Saskatoon will be equally impacted by employee absenteeism and must be ready to respond.

**REPORT**

A City of Saskatoon Pandemic Planning Sub-Committee has been formed. The committee held its first meeting on November 28, 2005, at the Emergency Operations Centre. The purpose of this meeting was to orient the group to the pandemic issues as they specifically relate to day-to-day civic business, and task the group with work in preparation for subsequent planning meetings.

As a starting point, each committee member will perform an abbreviated generic 'Four-Step Business Impact Assessment (BIA)' for the department they represent. This BIA will help the committee to prioritize the various critical services that would be impacted by flu-related absenteeism.

With this information, the committee will then begin to draft a Pandemic Contingency Plan. This plan would allow the implementation of a proactive 'Tiered Service Reduction Strategy' as our civic workforce is affected by flu. The goal of these pre-determined service levels would be to empower management to quickly deal with fluctuating staff levels within the corporation while guarding 'mission critical' services. The committee will also be reviewing the impact of pandemic on labour/management agreements.

This pre-event planning approach will be more efficient than making these decisions 'on the fly', considering the following:

- Allow us to effectively know what services we would need to scale back.
- Give us well-documented 'Triggers' to empower our managers to quickly and appropriately initiate a particular service reduction.
- Help us effectively identify which level of service reduction is reasonable for the current circumstances.

Pre-planning a service reduction will let us prepare, in advance of a pandemic, effective communication packages. A package, using print media, radio, TV and other methods as identified, will be designed for each service reduction. These packages will target each affected person or department in our community to ensure that we clearly explain the rationale of the reductions as well as resumption strategies. This will be key to maintaining public confidence during this trying event.

In addition to this, the Pandemic Planning Sub-Committee is working with the SHR, the EMO Emergency Social Services Committee and City of Saskatoon Communications Branch to identify new and innovative ways to assist with the delivery of important public health care initiatives. Membership of this committee is expected to expand as more issues are discussed.

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**CONCLUSION**

Your Administration is of the opinion that adopting a model of business continuity planning for the next pandemic is most effective. City Council will be updated as our Pandemic Plan develops.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**Section D – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

**D1) Proposed General Loading Zone  
(File No. 6145-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that a five-minute General Loading Zone be installed on the west side of 600 block Avenue H South.

*ADOPTED.*

Infrastructure Services has received a request from a business owner for the installation of a five minute General Loading Zone in front of their building, on the west side of 600 block of Avenue H South, as shown on Plan No. 210-0043-008r001 (Attachment 1).

The loading zone conforms to City guidelines with respect to Loading Zones, and the applicant agrees to pay the \$300 installation fee.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan No. 210-0043-008r001

**D2) Proposed Disabled Person's Loading Zone  
(File No. 6120-04; CK. 6145-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that a Disabled Person's Loading Zone be installed in front of 303 – 31<sup>st</sup> Street West.

*ADOPTED.*

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Infrastructure Services has received a request from the resident of 303 – 31<sup>st</sup> Street West for the installation of a Disabled Person’s Loading Zone in front of the residence, as shown on Plan No. 210-0038-016r001 (Attachment 1). The resident has a physical impairment such that direct access to the front of their home is required.

The loading zone conforms to City guidelines with respect to Disabled Person’s Loading Zones, and no fee is assessed for its installation.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan No. 210-0038-016r001

**D3) Proposed Parking Restriction Extension  
Wiggins Avenue at 15<sup>th</sup> Street  
(File No. 6280-2; CK. 6280-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the no parking restrictions be extended an additional 5 metres in length on Wiggins Avenue at the intersection of 15<sup>th</sup> Street as shown on Plan No. 210-0048-012r001 (Attachment 1).

*ADOPTED.*

Infrastructure Services received a request to improve visibility at the intersection of Wiggins Avenue and 15<sup>th</sup> Street.

Due to the University being located a short distance from this location, there is a large amount of parked vehicles on Wiggins Avenue. The roadway has an incline from Colony Street to 15<sup>th</sup> Street, and from 14<sup>th</sup> Street to 15<sup>th</sup> Street. The abundance of on-street parked vehicles and the incline of the street impairs the driver’s visibility. This is causing safety concerns for motorists travelling east and west on 15<sup>th</sup> Street.

It is proposed that the No Parking signs be moved an additional 5 metres from 15<sup>th</sup> Street as shown on Plan 210-0048-012r001 (Attachment 1).

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

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1. Plan No. 210-0048-012r001

**D4) Proposed General Loading Zone  
(File No. 6145-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that a five-minute General Loading Zone be installed on the east side of Latham Place.

*ADOPTED.*

Infrastructure Services has received a request from the property manager for the installation of a five minute General Loading Zone in front of their condominium building at 1850 Main Street, facing Latham Place as shown on Plan No. 210-0049-003r001 (Attachment 1).

The loading zone conforms to City guidelines with respect to Loading Zones, and the applicant agrees to pay the \$300 installation fee.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Plan No. 210-0049-003r001

**D5) Enquiry – Councillor D. L. Birkmaier (October 17, 2005)  
Paving of 41<sup>st</sup> Street  
Kelsey Industrial Area  
(File No. 6250-1, CK. 6150-1)**

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

*ADOPTED.*

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**BACKGROUND**

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Birkmaier at the meeting of City Council held on October 17, 2005:

“Would the Administration please report on the possibility of paving 41<sup>st</sup> Street in the Kelsey Industrial Area.”

**REPORT**

The paving of gravel streets is funded through Capital Project No. 2044 - Gravel Streets Upgrades. Based on the current level of funding and costs, 41<sup>st</sup> Street between Ontario Avenue and Quebec Avenue may be paved as early as 2006.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**D6) Victoria Bridge Pier Inspection - Award of Request for Proposal  
(File No. CK 6050-01)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the proposal for engineering services, submitted by Wardrop Engineering Inc. for the pier investigation, at a total cost of \$56,565.55 including G.S.T. be approved;
  - 2) that this work be funded from Capital Project 787 – Victoria Bridge Rehabilitation;
  - 3) 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; and
  - 4) that the direction of Council issue, with respect to the second opinion investigation (\$31,480).

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**BACKGROUND**

At its meeting on November 1, 2005, the Executive Committee resolved, in part:

“that the Administration investigate the condition of the bridge piers, and then report to the Committee on all options for the construction of a new (i.e. 75-year) bridge, together with programming and financing options;”

As well, at its meeting on November 28, 2005, City Council adopted the following recommendation:

“that the Administration report back to Council in two weeks time on the cost of obtaining a second opinion regarding the condition of the Victoria Bridge from Wardrop Engineering.”

**REPORT**

Infrastructure Services issued a request for proposals for the investigation of the piers of the Victoria Bridge. Proposals were received from the following two qualified consulting engineering firms:

Stantec Consulting Ltd.  
75 – 24<sup>th</sup> Street East  
Saskatoon, SK

Wardrop Engineering Inc.  
1400 – 410 22<sup>nd</sup> St E  
Saskatoon, SK

After a systematic evaluation of the proposals, staff rated the submission from Wardrop Engineering Inc. as ranking highest within a rating matrix. The net cost to the City for the proposal from Wardrop is as follows:

Base Fees	\$	52,865.00
G.S.T.		<u>3,700.55</u>
Total Fees	\$	56,565.55
G.S.T. Rebate		<u>(3,700.55)</u>
Net Cost to City	\$	<u>52,865.00</u>

The above cost includes the following:

- 1) Coring of the existing piers
- 2) Inspection of existing subsurface river piers by divers
- 3) Riverbank pier / piling analysis
- 4) Preparation of report
- 5) Recommendations for rehabilitation
- 6) Cost Estimates based on the above

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If a drilling investigation is requested, it could be added to the above amount for a cost of \$31,480.00 plus GST. The drilling would commence in the spring of 2006 upon breakup of the river ice.

In addition, an amount of \$31,480 plus GST for superstructure inspection was submitted by Wardrop, based on investigating the worst elements of the structure. This amount is based on the superstructure investigation taking place at the same time as the pier investigation.

Sufficient funds are available in Capital Project 787 – Victoria Bridge Rehabilitation for this work.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

- IT WAS RESOLVED:*
- 1) that the proposal for engineering services, submitted by Wardrop Engineering Inc. for the pier investigation, at a total cost of \$56,565.55 including G.S.T. be approved;*
  - 2) that this work be funded from Capital Project 787 – Victoria Bridge Rehabilitation;*
  - 3) 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; and*
  - 4) that a second opinion be obtained regarding the condition of the Victoria Bridge from Wardrop Engineering in the amount of \$31,480, plus GST.*

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- D7) Enquiry – Councillor M. Heidt (December 1, 2003)  
Pedestrian-Tunnel Between Confederation Mall and Rusholme Road  
and  
Enquiry – Councillor M. Heidt (February 9, 2004)  
Pedestrian Tunnels and Walkways  
and  
Communications to Council  
From: Richard and Kathy Evans  
Mount Royal Community Association  
Date: November 3, 2004  
Subject: Circle Drive Tunnel Petition  
(File No. 6150-1)**
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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Heidt at the meeting of City Council held on December 1, 2003:

“There has been an increase of vandalism and criminal activity since the opening of the walkway. Would the Administration please set up a CEPTD review of the pedestrian tunnel.

Also, when doing the review, would the Administration consider the closure of the access on Vancouver Avenue to the alley behind Rusholme Road in the 2800 block and upgrade the street lighting. As well, I would be pleased to recommend some names to represent the community.”

Furthermore, the following enquiry was made by Councillor Heidt at the meeting of City Council held on February 9, 2004:

“Would the Administration look at implementing a cleaning schedule and the cost to clean these dangerous areas. Also would they report back on closing these tunnels after dark as it seems that only criminals are using them in most cases. The report should include costs.”

At its meeting held on November 15, 2004, City Council considered the above-noted correspondence from Richard and Kathy Evans, and a presentation by Mr. Mark Fescuc, Mount Royal Community Association, on the criminal activity and safety issues with respect to pedestrian underpasses located in the Mount Royal neighbourhood. City Council passed a motion that the matter be referred to the Administration.

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Infrastructure Services had reported on the matter of visibility at the east terminus of the pedestrian underpass between Rusholme Road / Vancouver Avenue and Confederation Park Plaza in November 2004. City Council resolved at that time “that the berm at the terminus at the east end of the pedestrian underpass between Rusholme Road / Vancouver Avenue and Confederation Park Plaza be removed.” This work has been completed.

**REPORT**

Infrastructure Service had commissioned the Neighbourhood Safety staff of Community Services to undertake a Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) review of the pedestrian underpasses across Circle Drive that connect the Mount Royal, Massey Place, and Confederation Park neighbourhoods. This review has been completed and is attached for your review.

The review has produced nineteen recommendations and further recommends timing of their implementation. Infrastructure Services has reviewed these recommendations and has prepared an implementation plan for each of these recommendations. That implementation plan appears below:

**Recommendation 6.1:** That Infrastructure Services set an appropriate maintenance standard and a consistent maintenance schedule for all pedestrian underpasses to improve the maintenance, image and perceptions of safety in the pedestrian underpasses.

**Agreed:** Public Works Branch has developed an inspection and maintenance reporting system for all pedestrian underpasses in Saskatoon. All underpasses are inspected two times per week (Monday and Thursday). A report is completed at each location (that includes graffiti, lighting, debris, hazardous materials, and drainage) along with the appropriate follow-up that is required to resolve the concerns.

**Recommendation 6.2:** That Infrastructure Services consult with the Mount Royal and Massey Place Community Associations to choose an appropriate name for each of the pedestrian underpasses. Simple, descriptive names will identify individual underpasses for: maintenance dispatch, emergency services dispatch, incivilities, and criminal activity reporting by the community, crime activity trends tracking by Police Services and user pathway choice.

**Agreed:** Traffic Engineering will work with the Community Associations to establish names and to have the name displayed at each location.

**Recommendation 6.3:** That crushed shale be used on all pathways that are not paved to increase users’ safety when walking on inclined surfaces. The shale should be small enough to do the job with out being useful as a weapon.

**Disagree:** Infrastructure Service has provided paved pathways at all intended walking areas. If other walking routes are identified they will be paved. Informal trails that are not

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recommended as walking locations will not be improved.

**Recommendation 6.4:** That the asphalt pathways be painted a lighter colour to reflect the indirect light inside the underpass and brighten up the interior.

**Agreed:** All interior surfaces including the floor/pathway within the underpass will be painted a light colour. This work will take place in 2006.

**Recommendation 6.5:** That garbage cans be installed at each end of the underpasses to reduce litter and increase the maintenance of the areas.

**Agreed:** Public Works will install concrete garbage containers at each location and remove the garbage on a regular basis.

**Recommendation 6.6:** That the CN Railway be required to keep the Right-of-Way cut and maintained to increase the natural surveillance and reduce hiding places around the underpasses.

**Agreed:** Traffic Engineering will contact CN Rail by letter with respect to increasing the maintenance of their right-of-way.

**Recommendation 6.7:** That drainage in the underpasses and on the pathways leading to and from the entrances be reviewed and corrected.

**Agreed:** Public Works will be reporting on this item separately.

**Recommendations 6.8:** That the berms at the Vancouver Avenue entrance to the Vancouver Avenue North / Confederation Park Plaza Underpass be dismantled to increase the natural surveillance of the entrance.

**Agreed:** This work was completed in June 2005.

**Recommendation 6.9:** That the pedestrian underpass entrance / exists be signed to indicate:

- Where the underpass leads to,
- alternate routes so that pedestrians understand that they have a choice,
- a recommendation that the alternative route be used between sunset and sunrise,
- a phone number to report maintenance issues and the Police Services main number to encourage users to report illegal activities.

**Agreed in part:** Public Works will install signing at each underpass entrance with way finding and alternate route information, and phone numbers for maintenance and Police service. No recommendation with respect to use after dark will be provided.

**Recommendation 6.10:** That consistent reporting, by all stakeholders, of all incidents of illegal activity and incivilities be made to the Saskatoon Police Service using a standard reporting procedure developed in consultation with Saskatoon Police Services. This will encourage the

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community to report incidents, allow Police Services to track trends, and allow Infrastructure Services to monitor and evaluate the impact of these recommendations.

**Agreed:** Public Works has established a maintenance reporting protocol. This recommendation will be forwarded to the Saskatoon Police Service for their attention and response.

**Recommendation 6.11:** That the Community Association and Community Watch groups in the Mount Royal and Massey Place neighbourhoods work together to maintain the existing Friends on Patrol program and that the Friends on Patrol continue to keep the underpasses on their routes.

**Agreed:** The Community Associations will be notified of this recommendation.

**Recommendation 6.12:** That the Community Associations, Parent Associations and School Boards look at the feasibility of setting up an underpass safety patrol or parent patrol during school crossing times to facilitate the safe use of the underpasses by school age children:

**Agreed:** The Community Associations, Parent Councils and School Boards will be notified of this recommendation.

**Recommendation 6.13:** That the feasibility of closing in the internal openings in the 29<sup>th</sup> Street West / Mackie Crescent and Vancouver Avenue / Confederation Park Plaza underpasses be researched to prevent loitering and hiding in the internal opening which reduces users' perceptions of their safety. Due consideration should be taken to fencing material choice, not creating entrapment zones, adding mirrors to see around corners, and in general improving safety.

**Agreed:** Public Works and Traffic Engineering will work together to design and install improved fencing.

**Recommendation 6.14:** That Police Services track incidents in all the underpasses for date, day, time and type of incident to identify issues and trends.

**Agreed:** The Saskatoon Police Service will be made aware of this recommendation.

**Recommendation 6.15:** That the Mount Royal Community Association be supported in the establishment of an Off Leash Dog Park at the east end of the 29<sup>th</sup> Street West / Mackie Crescent Underpass as a way to increase use of the underpass, enhance the visibility and activity around the underpass, and reduce the opportunity for inappropriate activity by replacing it with appropriate activity.

**Agreed:** Dialog and discussion regarding the establishment of an Off Leash Dog Park at this location has been initiated by the Community Association.

**Recommendation 6.16:** That the Edmonton Avenue / Marlborough Crescent Underpass be

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evaluated for closure, as it is the least used, has the most convenient alternative in 33<sup>rd</sup> Street West, and has a level railway crossing which increases the risk for users.

**Disagreed:** Infrastructure Services does not support the closure of any of these underpasses. These underpasses were all placed at locations where there was significant pedestrian crossing demand present. At these locations, pedestrians previously crossed the traffic lanes of Circle Drive and the CN Rail line through openings illegally created in the fencing provided to prevent pedestrian access. This condition provided a real and significant safety hazard for pedestrians, motorists, and railway operators. Creating a circumstance where surface crossings will again occur presents a real and significant safety hazard to the public.

**Recommendation 6.17:** That Infrastructure Services establish pedestrian overpasses as their first choice for grade separated pedestrian crossings unless design constraints are prohibitive. Grade separated pedestrian crossings should be based on the existing established criteria of speed and volume of traffic, volume of pedestrians, number of traffic lanes, and alternate routes, etc. Sight lines, entrance / exit points, fencing and maintenance shall also be included in the design of the overpass.

**Agreed:** See recommendation 6.18 below.

**Recommendation 6.18:** That Infrastructure Services establish appropriate design parameters and process for the design and construction of any future pedestrian underpasses. Parameters such as elevation, sight lines, colour, width, height, elevation and entrance / exit points are critical to a safe underpass, improving users' perceptions of their safety, and reducing the opportunity for criminal activity.

**Agreed:** In conjunction with the Recommendation 6.18, Traffic Engineering will develop a criteria for pedestrian overpass and underpass selection and a set of design principles and construction standards.

**Recommendation 6.19:** That Infrastructure Services establish a time line and priority list to apply all of the above recommendations, where appropriate, to all existing pedestrian underpasses in Saskatoon.

**Agreed:** There are five other pedestrian underpass locations in Saskatoon. Each will be reviewed in 2006 with respect to these recommendations along with an action plan to implement the findings of the review.

Infrastructure Services will prepare a status report for City Council in the fall of 2006 with respect to the completion of these recommendations.

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

**Section E – UTILITY SERVICES**

**E1) Lease of SaskPower Property  
1302 Ontario Avenue  
(File CK. 7300-1)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the City of Saskatoon lease the SaskPower Corporation building located at 1302 Ontario Avenue for a period of six months, commencing January 1, 2006;
  - 2) that the terms and conditions of the lease be as outlined in the following report; and
  - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon and under the Corporate Seal, the necessary lease agreement, as prepared by the City Solicitor.

*ADOPTED.*

**BACKGROUND**

At its meeting held on July 18, 2005, Council approved the award of tender for the 2005/06 purchase of 13 low-floor diesel and four hybrid diesel/electric 40 foot buses to New Flyer Industries. The buses will be delivered in January 2006 and will be painted for service on the new rapid bus routes, which will commence July 2, 2006.

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**JUSTIFICATION**

Due to lack of storage space at Transit, or any other civic facility, the Administration has been seeking a location where the 17 new buses can be stored upon their arrival in January 2006. Because of the specialized painting, they will not be placed into service until July 2, 2006.

SaskPower's building, located at 1302 Ontario Avenue, is the only facility the Administration has been able to find large enough to accommodate the 17,000 square feet required.

The lease will be for a six-month period, from January 1 to June 30, 2006, at a monthly rate of \$5,666.66, for a total of \$33,999.96, plus G.S.T.

**OPTIONS**

A decision could be made not to proceed with the lease, however, it is Administration's opinion that due to the limited number of buildings available that meet the space requirements, another facility may not be found.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Funds are available within the Capital Project 2094 – Transit Strategic Plan.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**E2) Communications to Council**

**From: W. Randall Rooke, Chairperson –  
Community Education Committee, Saskatoon Crime Stoppers**  
**Date: April 18, 2005**  
**Subject: Saskatoon Crime Stoppers  
Public Awareness Initiatives**  
**(File No. CK. 150-1 x 5000-1)**

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

City Council, at its meeting held on May 2, 2005, considered the above-noted letter, a copy of which is attached, proposing ways in which the City could partner with Saskatoon Crime Stoppers to increase visibility and awareness and advertise their tips number. Council passed a motion that the matter be referred to the Administration for a report.

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This report deals with Proposal No. 1) which states:

“Each and every garbage can that is manufactured by the City comes complete with the City logo. We propose that the Crime Stoppers logo and the tips number also be displayed on the outside of each and every garbage can that is produced for the City of Saskatoon.”

There are a number of reasons that the public may have need to contact the City’s Solid Waste Help Line, including illegal dumping, fires being lit inside containers, location of the containers, property damages, and disputes/issues arising between neighbours. It is the Administration’s opinion that the addition of Crime Stoppers’ phone number and logo could be confusing and misleading to the public, as it is entirely possible that homeowners would notice the phone number on the bins and unknowingly call it with garbage related concerns. This would generate operational issues for our Environmental Protection Officers and the Solid Waste Section, as well as the Crime Stoppers hotline.

The Administration, therefore, does not recommend that the City display the Crime Stoppers logo and phone number on City waste containers.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Copy of letter dated April 18, 2005, from W. Randall Rooke, Chairperson, Community Education Committee, Saskatoon Crime Stoppers.

*Item B1 of Communications to Council was brought forward.*

**“B1) W. Randall Rooke, Chairperson – Community Education Committee  
Saskatoon Crime Stoppers, dated December 6”**

Submitting comments with respect to Saskatoon Crime Stoppers public awareness initiatives. (File No. CK. 5000-1)”

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that the Crime Stoppers logo and tips telephone number be displayed on the outside of every garbage can that is produced for the City in 2006 and that the Administration report back on the effect of this at the end of 2006.*

**Section F – CITY MANAGER**

**F1) 2006 StarPhoenix Advertising Contract**  
**(File No. CC. 366-2)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that an Advertising Agreement with the Saskatoon StarPhoenix be approved with a total projected cost of \$500,000 for 2006.

*ADOPTED.*

The Communications Branch negotiates an annual volume sales agreement with The StarPhoenix for advertising in The Saskatoon StarPhoenix and Sunday Sun. Previously, individual sections, branches, and/or departments would purchase advertising separately, and would be charged a line rate according to their individual volumes.

Currently, the purchasing of newspaper advertising is conducted under one account to take advantage of volume discounts. This account has been extended to include the boards and commissions of City Council (i.e. Credit Union Centre, Centennial Auditorium, Mendel Art Gallery, Saskatoon Police Service and the Saskatoon Public Library). It is estimated that this centralized advertising initiative saves approximately \$100,000 annually.

The 2006 Agreement forecasts a \$500,000 volume of sales based on the previous year's volume. The line rate, the amount charged for each line of advertisement, is based on this projected volume. It should be noted that the Agreement is similar to a blanket purchase order, and does not require the City to spend the full amount in order to receive the line rate. As such, the City can continue to minimize advertising expenditures.

The StarPhoenix will be increasing line rates by approximately 3% over 2005. Therefore, the new Monday to Thursday rate will increase from \$1.12/line to \$1.16/line and the Friday and Saturday rate will increase from \$1.28/line to \$1.33/line. As well, the Communications Branch has negotiated an agreement that includes guaranteed placement in the "A" section at no additional charge (a 30% saving), a 50% saving on "filler" material, a reduction for colour insertions, and the lowest rate possible for inclusion in the Saskatoon Sun. As value-added for 2006, all City of Saskatoon ads will be placed on-line on the StarPhoenix website for seven days. This allows our messages to be viewed by a larger on-line audience.

In 2005, to improve communications from the City to the public, the Communications Branch regulated ad size and had the StarPhoenix produce the layout. This makes the ads look more consistent and has improved the layout so that the ads are not spread over several pages. The City Page has truly become a "page" and its visual impact and messages cannot be missed by readers.

The Saskatoon StarPhoenix prints the only daily newspaper, and full-circulation Sunday paper (Sunday Sun) in Saskatoon. As they are the sole supplier of this type of advertising, this agreement may be considered a single source contract.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. The StarPhoenix Advertising Agreement for 2006

**F2) 2005 Civic Services Survey  
(File No. CC. 365-5)**

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

*ADOPTED.*

The 2005 Civic Services Survey (Attachment 1) indicates that the quality of life, the overall level of services delivered by the City of Saskatoon, and the value received for municipal property taxes in Saskatoon continues to be rated high by citizens. The policing/crime rating, remains the number one “top of mind” issue.

The major findings of the survey are as follows:

- The large majority (83%) of Saskatoon residents rate the quality of life in Saskatoon as good to very good, a decrease from the 2004 survey rating of 89%.
- According to Saskatoon residents, crime and policing remains the top issue of importance at 32%; this is an increase from 30% in 2004. Other issues identified include condition of streets (8.6%), taxation and spending (5.8%), and improved traffic flow/infrastructure (4.9%).
- The large majority (88%) of residents continue to believe that the programs and services they receive from the City of Saskatoon are good or very good value for their municipal tax dollar. This is an increase of 6% from 2004’s rating of 82%.
- A majority (72%) of Saskatoon residents continue to be satisfied with the overall level of services provided by the City of Saskatoon. While this is down from the 85% rating in 2004, this anomaly is likely due to a difference in methodology used in this year’s survey from last year. Respondents were given a choice to answer “uncertain”, when last year the interviewers just filled in that category if a respondent was unable to answer. When the “uncertain” responses are removed from the tabulation, the overall satisfaction level increases to 90%. Caution must be exercised when comparing either result with previous years.

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- The most important services to the residents of Saskatoon continue to be quality of drinking water, police services, and treatment of sewage. These ratings are consistent with previous surveys. Fire protection remains the fourth most important service to Saskatoon residents.
- According to Saskatoon residents, the City of Saskatoon is doing the best in delivering quality drinking water, fire protection services, delivering reliable electrical services, and treatment of sewage.
- One third of respondents had visited the City of Saskatoon's website within the last six months, and gave it a rating of 6.4 out of 10.

These results are reported and discussed with Senior Management and then distributed to each Department for specific and more detailed review. They assist in the formation of the three-year Corporate Business Plan and corresponding annual Departmental Business Plans for the coming year. The results are also incorporated into a formal performance measurement and reporting process.

For the 2005 survey, 548 residents were interviewed between October 17 and 24, 2005. This sample size yields a margin of error of +/- 4.17 percentage points, 19 out of 20 times. To note, the City of Saskatoon ran some print and radio ads prior to the survey being conducted, informing citizens that the survey was coming and that their input was invaluable in helping the City review and plan its programs. This pre-advertising was initiated to garner a better response rate. The survey company noted that some respondents had heard about the survey when being interviewed. As well, the survey company had to make 5,085 calls to get 548 completed surveys; last year, 7,296 calls had to be made to complete 501 surveys. Thus the pre-advertising may have contributed to people being more willing to participate and share their views with Administration.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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**ATTACHMENT**

1. Pulse Research Ltd. City of Saskatoon 2005 Civic Survey, Report Summary November 2005

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**F3) Boat Launch Relocation  
(File No. CC. 4130-2; CK. 5500-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve, in principle, the permanent location of the boat launch at the current temporary site downstream from the Broadway Bridge;
  - 2) that the capital allocation identified for the design and construction of the boat launch in River Landing Phase II remain within the riverfront project;
  - 3) that a separate capital project be established for the Broadway Bridge location; and,
  - 4) that Administration proceed with detailed design and construction plans for Council approval following additional input from stakeholders.

*IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Item A7 of Communications to Council.*

**F4) River Landing Phase I  
“Century Plaza” Landmark Commissioning  
(File No. CC. 4130-2)**

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

**BACKGROUND**

To help achieve the overall goal of drawing visitors and residents to the area and creating a unique sense of place, the South Downtown Concept Plan outlined the opportunities for landmarks on Phase I:

*“Many cities have landmark structures that are symbols for the community and that become known internationally. Landmarks can be buildings or structures... Landmarks are proposed as a part of this plan – The Senator Sid Buckwold Bridge is a major entrance to the City and downtown, and the south downtown area provides an opportunity for a landmark. The concept of incorporating landmarks into this area was well supported by the public feedback received on the plan.”*

In addition to the major landmark envisioned for the western edge of the cultural block, the Concept Plan noted that:

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*“A second opportunity for a more modest landmark is the terminus of 2nd Avenue. The extension of 2nd is proposed to culminate in a turning circle that can act as a visual terminus. This feature could become a “natural draw” and an interesting feature that is a focus for this area.”*

The landmark is intended to integrate the environment of the river’s edge with Saskatoon’s urban fabric, and will be enjoyed by both residents and tourists. It will function as a focal point and enhance the vista from the north along 2nd Avenue, and from the south from the Senator Sid Buckwold Bridge and the Traffic Bridge. The Century Plaza landmark will also serve as the main gateway into the city’s River Landing Phase I riverfront.

At its meeting of May 2, 2005, City Council approved a two-stage national commissioning process for the design and construction of this landmark. A selection jury was established and approved by City Council to adjudicate the applications and develop a report to Council. In addition to the City of Saskatoon’s Special Projects Manager and Urban Design Coordinator, the jury consists of a broad spectrum of arts, business, youth, First Nations, tourism, and community leaders:

- Dan McDonald, Chair, Visual Arts Placement Jury
- Susan Shantz, Department of Art and Art History, University of Saskatchewan
- Bevin Bradley, Saskatoon Community Youth Arts Program
- Chief Dan Quwezance/Former Chief Glenn Johnstone, Saskatoon Tribal Council
- Justin Wotherspoon, The Saskatchewan Association of Architects
- Terry Scaddan, The Partnership
- Susan Lamb, Meewasin Valley Authority
- Todd Brandt, Saskatoon Tourism

The first stage of the commissioning called on artists, architects, landscape architects, urban designers, engineers, graphic designers and multidisciplinary teams to express initial interest in designing a site-specific installation and an icon celebrating our citizens, the riverfront, the city and the region. The budget was established at \$350,000 excluding GST and was to include all materials, equipment, studio expenses, fabrication, transportation, installation costs, travel, engineer reports, insurance, etc.

In recognition of the Province’s, City’s, and University’s centennial years, the landmark was themed “Century Plaza” acknowledging the rich and diverse history of the site and encouraging us to envision our future. In the amalgamation of old with the new, the design proposals were encouraged to not only draw upon the many contextual and historic references imbedded at Century Plaza, but also utilize contemporary and emerging technologies, techniques and materials. “The goal is to create a project that anticipates the promise of our future, acknowledges itself as a contemporary work founded in our present, and celebrates our past.”

At close of deadline, July 20, 2005, the first stage attracted 25 international, national, and local artists, designers and architects. From this list, the selection jury short-listed six applicants based on the capability and experience of the team with respect to projects of similar scope and budget,

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artistic merit, imagination and innovation expressed through past projects, and their suggested approach to the landmark:

Micah Lexier, New York, NY  
Jill Anholt/Doug Shearer, Vancouver, BC  
Mimi Gellman/Dimitri Papatheodorou, Toronto, ON  
Catherine Widgery, Montreal, QC  
Douglas Bentham, Saskatoon, SK  
Lee-Koopman/Friggstad Downing Henry Architects, London, UK/Saskatoon, SK

In Stage 2, the short-listed applicants were requested to develop their concept to a more refined stage (site plan, elevations, 3D perspective, materials, colours, etc.). The City provided \$7,500 for each applicant for the preparation of these drawings, a maquette (scale model), and a project budget.

The deadline for Stage 2 materials was November 15, 2005. The maquettes, written proposals, and display boards for all six submissions were set up in City Council chambers at City Hall for public review and input from November 21 to 25, 2005. As well, digital photos and written descriptions were posted on the River Landing website complete with an online input form.

Public interest was noteworthy. A steady stream of visitors attended in person, and the website received significant “hits”. A total of 1,187 public input forms were received – 621 from the City Hall display and 566 from the online input form. It should be noted some participants filled out forms for all six submissions while others only for the few that they preferred. It is also important to note that the public input form was designed not to be a “vote” but an opportunity to provide their opinions on overall impressions, and what they liked best and least about each submission. Because of this and the multiple opportunities for residents to provide input, the information should not be considered “scientific”. Comments from the public were gathered, summarized, and a report provided to the selection jury for their consideration.

To assist the jury with their selection, a series of telephone interviews were conducted with each applicant/design team. Jury members were provided the opportunity to ask questions about each submission.

In judging each proposal, the selection jury followed an evaluation criteria including each submission’s:

- appropriateness for site, including scale and vista;
- relevance of concept to stated theme;
- artistic merit – vision;
- technical merit – craft;
- design merit – innovation;
- feasibility of construction and installation;

- day and evening uses;
- seasonal uses;
- destination or placemaking; and,
- durability, safety, and maintenance.

## **REPORT**

At the outset, the jury was pleased with the number and the quality of the submissions during Stage 1. The attention that was generated from the commission call spoke to the thriving art and design community across the nation and their interest in participating in this exciting opportunity to help define a critical site on River Landing and celebrate our centennial.

Likewise, the jury was very impressed with all six of the detailed proposals submitted by the short-listed applicants. Each submission had certain and different strengths that made for a difficult, but pleasurable process. They are all to be congratulated for their talent, vision, and passion for our community.

The jury also wished to thank the many citizens who took the time to participate in the public input process, and the media who served the process by providing extensive coverage. Clearly, the comments received were well thought out and exemplified a real understanding of the project's goal. Their enthusiasm was enlightening and encouraging.

The Jury is also aware and supports City Council's role as final arbiter. As with any process that involves a high degree of subjective judgment, it would be difficult to garner 100% support for the final selection. Again, each potential landmark could work very well. However, the jury determined that two submissions clearly rose above the other four based on the selection criteria.

### **Prairie Wind - Lee-Koopman/Friggstad Downing Henry Architects**

#### **Bio**

**Lee-Koopman Projects** is a collaboration between Jyhling Lee of London, Ontario and Paul Koopman of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Both hold a Master's Degree in Architecture and have a multidisciplinary background in art, architecture, graphic design and teaching. They are currently living and working in London, England. With Paul Koopman as a native of Saskatoon, Lee-Koopman projects understands the importance of the River Landing development to the cultural life of Saskatoon.

**Friggstad Downing Henry Architects** is one of Saskatchewan's most respected architectural firms, with a long tradition of producing quality public buildings. They have a proven experience record of delivering projects on time and on budget while at the same time meeting or exceeding their clients' needs. Noteworthy building achievements include the College of Agriculture at the University of Saskatchewan and the Sacred Heart High School in Yorkton.

**Submission Overview**

*Our proposal for the Century Plaza Landmark draws inspiration from the wind and the prairie grasses that grow in abundance throughout the Saskatchewan prairie. With a landscape consisting of the basic requirements of land and sky, the wind plays a central role in the character and dynamism of the Saskatchewan prairie. The experience of watching a field of tall grass swaying in the wind is one that is shared by all Saskatchewan people. With Prairie Wind, we have aspired to design a landmark deeply rooted and inspired from the local culture and landscape. Prairie Wind will be a landmark of international caliber that celebrates the centenaries of the City of Saskatoon, the Province of Saskatchewan, and the University of Saskatchewan.*

**Jury Report**

The Jury was most impressed with this submission's grand scale, movement, innovation, and charming connection to prairie grass blowing in the wind. This is truly a landmark that will be visible and attention grabbing from a distance – from 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, across the River, or from the Senator Sid Buckwold and Traffic Bridges.

It has artistic integrity and sophistication, yet it can be readily understood and appreciated by residents and visitors. Prairie Wind serves as a visual link between the urban and the rural, the old and the new, the high-tech and the organic.

An interesting and engaging piece is dynamic – and the variable swaying of the stylized steel rods, depending on wind speed and direction, will serve as an ongoing attraction to viewers. Likewise, the option to include the use of coloured lights to mark special events or holidays is an added attractant.

While the ground plane (plaza area) is simple, it could well serve as a casual meeting place, an area for temporary displays, or a space for street performances as suggested by the proponent. The plaza has the ability to truly transform to accommodate the programming of the area. On a quiet day one can contemplate the space individually while admiring the elegant poles and the view of the river beyond. Conversely, the work can stand as a backdrop for large gatherings or festivals where the ground plane can accommodate the movement of groups of people or special event stands and installations.

The Jury also commended the work for its technical innovation and the professional approach taken by the design team. The Jury is confident that the team will continue to technically refine the project through design development prior to construction.

Specific comments from the jury include:

*“The work exhibits a finely tuned balance of wind / light / space.”*

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*“While drawing from an image in nature, its abstraction into a statically balanced geometric treatment creates a meaningful bridge to the surrounding architecture. The real aesthetic interest of the work lies in this interaction, between the poetry of nature’s chaos and the static design of the rods.”*

A random sampling of positive comments from the general public include:

*“Breathtaking”*

*“A bold statement, clearly a landmark”*

*“Doesn’t need a lot of explanation”*

*“Represents the city, the prairie, and the province”*

*“Elegant”*

**Rivercraft – Jill Anholt/Doug Shearer**

**Bio**

*Jill Anholt is a visual artist and designer who has been creating site specific public art works since 1997. She is educated as both an Artist and as an Architect and is currently an instructor at the Emily Carr Institute of Art and Design as well as being the Principal of her own firm in Vancouver. As team leader, Jill’s contribution to the team will be as both Artistic Visionary and Project Manager.*

*Doug Shearer, from Phillips Farevaag Smallembert, will be the Landscape Architect for the Century Plaza Landmark project. Doug worked in Saskatoon for six years, with the firm of Crosby Hanna & Associates. Doug has worked on projects throughout Saskatoon such as the Riverworks Weir project, the Rotary Park Peace Plaza, and the East Bank South planning study, he has developed sound knowledge of the design issues concerning the South Saskatchewan River and valley within the City.*

### **Submission Overview**

*Rivercraft is a canoe remnant resting on River Landing after a long journey. Part of the canoe is embedded within the landscape, and part cantilevers up into the sky. The ribs of rivercraft provide a gateway to the riverfront park from downtown. Their form evokes the bridges that connect the two sides of the river within the City. They also join together the past with the future, nature with technology, and the diverse cultures of Saskatoon. During the day, sunlight shines through the dichroic (multi-coloured, prismatic) glass and punctured text and shapes contained within the ribs. An ever-changing array of light and shadow, colour, words and symbols is cast onto the plaza and wall. At night, suspended sheathing is lit in colour that changes with the ambient temperature, acting as a both a beacon and a hearth.*

*The landscape includes benches and hedges within a plaza. A berm retained by an angled wall represents the rolling topography of the regional landscape and its valley walls. The site is designed to allow people to pass through, pause, and engage the artwork. Rivercraft strives for a timeless, enduring and dynamic impact, reflecting the spirit and poetry of place that define Saskatoon, as well as heralding the opportunity of the future.*

### **Jury Report**

The Jury felt that the strength in this submission is how it functions as both a gathering place for the River Landing neighborhood as well as a landmark for the city and the riverfront. We are drawn to the organic quality of the work, by the integration of the wooden ribs, the skin, and the native landscape that wraps the piece. The scale, detail and refinement of Rivercraft indicate that it would be an engaging people place, connected to its site and the local communities.

The way that the piece unfolds according to the time and the seasons by generating a different effect depending on the viewing conditions captured the imagination of the Jury. During the day the landmark would cast text of local languages in multicoloured sunlight, slowly moving across the structure and ground and reminding us of the sun's position in the sky. Evening temperatures would be rendered using coloured light across Rivercraft's skin, glowing red on the winter's coldest days, blue on the warm summer evenings and the colours in between accordingly. The Jury believed that the changing character of this work would draw viewers back to the piece many times to see how it was responding to the site conditions that day.

The piece provides an excellent connection to the plaza's theme in terms of its relevance to the river, our history, and our future. The jury believed that the strong project team will be able to deliver the project as proposed.

A random sampling of positive comments from the general public include:

*"Shows importance of the river"*

*"Bridging the old with the new"*

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*“Captures spirit of place and people”*

*“Stunning”*

*“A real gateway”*

**NEXT STEPS**

Once Council has made the final selection, the successful candidate will be requested to meet with Administration to review the project, including technical details, costs, utilities, what facilities will be provided by the City, project management, time lines, etc. The successful candidate would be expected to enter into a contract to build the project at the fixed contract price of \$350,000 excluding GST. Detailed design, construction, and installation will take place over the winter, spring, and summer with an unveiling scheduled for fall 2006.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Stage 2 Century Plaza Landmark Commissioning written submissions from the six short-listed applicants.

*Councillor Hnatyshyn’s Motion was brought forward and considered.*

**“MOTIONS**

Councillor Hnatyshyn gave the following Notice of Motion at the meeting of City Council held on November 28, 2005:

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

“THAT the Mendel Art Gallery be asked to form a committee of Saskatchewan Artists to jury the six submissions for the Century Plaza landmark, and make recommendations to Council.””

The following is a report of the City Solicitor dated December 2, 2005 regarding the above:

**“Giving Notice - Century Plaza Landmark  
(File No. CK. 4130-2)”**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the information be received by City Council.

**REPORT**

For Stage 2 of the Century Landmark Commissioning Project six submissions were selected to develop a detailed concept for the River Landing Century Plaza landmark. Each stage 2 applicant received a document entitled “Century Plaza Landmark Commissioning Project, Stage 2 Submission, City of Saskatoon, August 31, 2005”. This document made it clear that each of the six submissions would be reviewed and adjudicated by a pre-selected jury. This document also made it clear that the design would be evaluated based on 10 criteria. The jury would then report to City Council with respect to its recommendations and City Council would have the final approval for the final award of the commission. City Council also has the right to reject all the submissions.

In this document, the jury members were listed as follows:

1. Todd Brandt, Saskatoon Tourism;
2. Chris Dekker, Special Projects Manager, City of Saskatoon;
3. Chief Glenn Johnstone, Saskatoon Tribal Council;
4. Susan Lamb, Meewasin Valley Authority;
5. Dan MacDonald, Chair, Visual Arts Placement jury;
6. Terry Scadden, The Partnership;
7. Susan Shantz, University of Saskatchewan, Department of Art and Art History;
8. Jeanna South, Urban Design Coordinator, City of Saskatoon;
9. Justin Wotherspoon, Saskatchewan Association of Architects; and
10. Bevin Bradley, Saskatoon Community Youth Arts Program.

The six applicants have now submitted proposals based on the conditions that were outlined in this document. Given that the evaluation criteria were outlined in this document, along with the jury that would apply this evaluation criteria, in our opinion, it is too late to now change the evaluation process for this project. Any changes made to the evaluation process at this late date would likely be perceived as unfair by the six applicants.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

*Moved by Councillor Hnatyshyn,*

*THAT the Mendel Art Gallery be asked to form a committee of Saskatchewan Artists to jury the six submissions for the Century Plaza landmark, and make recommendations to Council.*

*DEFEATED.*

*IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that City Council select "Prairie Wind" by Lee-Koopman/Friggstad Downing Henry Architects as the Century Plaza Landmark for River Landing Phase I; and*

*2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon and under the Corporate Seal, the necessary Agreement as prepared by the City Solicitor and in the amount of \$350,000, plus GST.*

*YEAS: His Worship the Mayor, Councillors Alm, Birkmaier,  
Dubois, Heidt, Neault, Penner, and Wyant 8*

*NAYS: Councillors Fortosky and Hnatyshyn 2*

*(Councillor Paulsen was not in attendance.)*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

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

*CARRIED.*

*His Worship the Mayor assumed the Chair.*

**HEARINGS**

**4a) Proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment  
Nutana Local Area Plan Implementation  
To Create B5B – Broadway Commercial Overlay District  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8431  
(File No. CK. 4351-1)**

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REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8431, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a copy of Clause 1, Report No. 5-2005 of the Municipal Planning Commission which was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on June 27, 2005.

Attached is a copy of the notice, which appeared in the local press under dates of November 5 and 12, 2005.

Attached is a copy of a letter from E. J. Kearley, President, Millennium III Properties Corporation, dated December 6, 2005 requesting permission to address Council on the above matter.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Tim Steuart, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

*Mr. Jack Billinton, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

*Mr. John Kearley, Patterson Landco Limited, expressed opposition to the proposed amendments and suggested that other options for providing additional parking spaces in the area be explored.*

*Mr. Peter Kooi, Off-Broadway Dinner Theatre, expressed opposition to the proposed amendments and suggested that other options for providing additional parking spaces in the area be explored.*

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the submitted correspondence be received.*

**CARRIED.**

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8431.*

*DEFEATED.*

**4b) Proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment  
Nutana Local Area Plan Implementation  
To Apply B5B – Broadway Commercial Overlay District  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8447  
(File No. CK. 4351-1)**

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**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8447, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a copy of Clause 1, Report No. 5-2005 of the Municipal Planning Commission which was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on June 27, 2005. (See Attachment 4a)

Attached is a copy of the notice, which appeared in the local press under dates of November 5 and 12, 2005.

Attached is a copy of a letter from E. J. Kearley, President, Millennium III Properties Corporation, dated December 6, 2005 requesting permission to address Council on the above matter. (See Attachment 4a)”

*Due to consideration of proposed Bylaw No. 8431 being defeated, this hearing did not proceed.*

*Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8447.*

*DEFEATED.*

*Moved by Councillor Alm, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the matter be referred back to the Planning and Operations Committee for review, including an updated parking review.*

*CARRIED.*

**4c) Proposed Development Plan Amendment  
To Create New Mixed Use Policy District; and to  
Introduce Mixed Use Policy District as a  
Core Neighbourhood Land Use Policy District  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8449  
(File No. CK. 4350-1)**

**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8449, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a copy of Clause 1, Report No. 6-2005 of the Municipal Planning Commission which was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on July 18, 2005.

Attached is copy of the notice, which appeared in the local press under dates of November 5 and 12, 2005.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Lorne Sully, Planning Branch Manager, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

*Mr. Jack Billinton, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

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

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Neault,*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8449.*

*CARRIED.*

- 4d) Proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment  
To Amend MX1 (Mixed Use District 1)  
To Provide Parking and Loading Requirements for Mixed Use District 1; and  
To Introduce and Provide Development Standards for the Term Live/Work Unit  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8451  
(File No. CK. 4350-1)**

**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8451, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a copy of Clause 2, Report No. 6-2005 of the Municipal Planning Commission which was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on July 18, 2005.

Attached is copy of the notice, which appeared in the local press under dates of November 5 and 12, 2005.

Attached is a copy of a letter from E. J. Kearley, President, Newcastle Properties Limited, dated December 6, 2005 requesting permission to address Council on the above matter.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Tim Steuart, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

*Mr. Jack Billinton, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

*Mr. Everitt Kearley, Newcastle Properties Limited, expressed opposition with respect to including manufacturing as a discretionary use in the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the submitted correspondence be received.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8451.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Neault,*

*THAT the matter of off-street parking, as referred to in Section 2(g) of Bylaw No. 8451, be referred to the Planning and Operations Committee for review and report.*

*CARRIED.*

**4e) Proposed Zoning Bylaw Text Amendment  
Proposed Revision to Regulations Governing Pawnshops  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8464  
(File No. CK. 4350-1)**

**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8464, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a copy of Clause 5, Report No. 13-2005 of the Administration and Finance Committee which was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on October 31, 2005.

Attached is a copy of a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated December 1, 2005, expressing the Commission’s support the following Zoning Bylaw amendments:

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- Amend Section 5.0 of the Zoning Bylaw (General Provisions) to reflect the additional requirements for pawnshops as approved by City Council under the Business License Bylaw;
- Amend the definition of retail store to include pawnshops and to provide a definition for pawnshops; and
- Amend the RA1 District to ensure that “Retail Stores used for the purpose of a Pawnshop” remain as a prohibited use.

Also attached is copy of the notice, which appeared in the local press under dates of November 19 and 26, 2005.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Paul Whitenect, Community Services Department, provided background information on the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment and expressed the Department’s support.*

*Mr. Jack Billinton, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

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

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

**CARRIED.**

*Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8464.*

**CARRIED.**

*Councillor Hnatyshyn did not vote, as she was not present during the entire hearing.*

*Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT the matter of second-hand stores as they relate to Bylaw No. 8464 be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee for review and report.*

**CARRIED.**

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**4f) Proposed Zoning Bylaw Text Amendment  
To Add “Retail Stores Used for the Purpose of a Pawnshop”  
Proposed Bylaw No. 8465  
(File No. CK. 4350-1)**

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**REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:**

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8465, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a copy of Clause 5, Report No. 13-2005 of the Administration and Finance Committee which was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on October 31, 2005. (See Attachment 4e)

Attached is a copy of a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated December 1, 2005 expressing the Commission’s support of the recommendation for approval of the Zoning Bylaw Amendment which would allow “retail stores used as pawnshops” as discretionary uses in B1 and B2 Zoning Districts, as set out in proposed Bylaw No. 8465.

Also attached is copy of the notice, which appeared in the local press under dates of November 19 and 26, 2005.”

*His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.*

*Mr. Paul Whitenect, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

*Mr. Jack Billinton, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.*

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

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT the hearing be closed.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,*

*THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8465.*

*CARRIED.*

*Councillor Hnatyshyn did not vote, as she was not present during the entire hearing.*

### **COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL**

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

**A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL**

**1) Lana Smidt, CUPW Saskatoon, Local 824  
Canadian Union of Public Workers, dated November 24**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to post office and plant closures. (File No. CK. 150-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Lana Smidt be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Lana Smidt be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

*Ms. Lana Smidt, CUPW Saskatoon, Local 824, addressed concerns with respect to possible closures of post offices and plants in Canada.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**2) Douglas Murray, dated December 5**

Requesting permission to address Council. (File No. CK. 150-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Douglas Murray be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Douglas Murray be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

*Mr. Douglas Murray expressed appreciation to City Council for all its hard work and wished Council members a Merry Christmas.*

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

**3) Al Goodmundson, dated December 6**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the proposed conversion of garbage collection from rear lane to front street in the Holliston/Haultain neighbourhoods. (File No. CK. 7830-3)

**4) Lynn Gray, dated December 6**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the proposed conversion of garbage collection from rear lane to front street in the Holliston/Haultain neighbourhoods. (File No. CK. 7830-3) (**Request to speak has been withdrawn.**)

**5) Rob Kinley, dated December 6**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the proposed conversion of garbage collection from rear lane to front street in the Holliston/Haultain neighbourhoods. (File No. CK. 7830-3) (**Request to speak has been withdrawn.**)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Clause 1, Report No. 16-2005 of the Administration and Finance Committee be brought forward and that Al Goodmundson, Lynn Gray and Rob Kinley be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Clause 1, Report No. 16-2005 of the Administration and Finance Committee be brought forward and that Al Goodmundson be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

**“REPORT NO. 16-2005 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**1. Conversion of Garbage Collection from Rear Lane to Front Street  
Holliston/Haultain Neighbourhoods  
(File No. CK. 7830-3)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that the Administration be directed to retain the semi-automated rear lane garbage pick-up for the 350 residences in the Holliston/Haultain Neighbourhoods that currently have this service; and
- 2) that the Administration report back to the Administration and Finance Committee with a cost-comparison between semi-automated and fully-automated rear lane garbage collection for households.

City Council considered Clause 9, Report No. 10-2005 of the Planning and Operations Committee on the above matter at its meeting held on June 27, 2005 and resolved that the Administration proceed with a public consultation in the Holliston/Haultain Neighbourhoods and if accepted, proceed with a conversion from semi-automated rear lane garbage collection to automated front street garbage collection for 350 residences in the Holliston/Haultain neighbourhoods, beginning in September 2005.

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Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department dated November 16, 2005 (Attachment A) in response to the public consultation, which contains their recommendation to proceed with the front-street garbage collection system for this area. Also attached is a copy of the presentation made by the Holliston/Haultain Neighbourhood Garbage Collection Committee (Attachment B).

Your Committee has considered this report and heard from numerous residents of the area, and has determined that approximately 85% of the residents do not want front street garbage collection, for a number of reasons, including the following:

- a. there are many cars parked on the street at night and first thing in the morning, which means that there is little room for garbage containers;
- b. there are many elderly residents in this area, who would have no way to move their containers to the front street because they do not have the capacity to do so, especially in snowy or icy conditions;
- c. this is an older neighbourhood with many properties that do not have a driveway, nor any convenient way of getting the container to the front street;
- d. some properties are developed in a manner which does not allow for moving a container from the rear yard to the front street because of barriers such as a deck, narrow gate or narrow side yard;
- e. the banks of graded snow in winter, would not allow garbage containers to be located on the side of the street;
- f. since the containers are left on the street after collection, this would mean an overnight stay for people with different work schedules;
- g. there are businesses and a church in the area that cause traffic and parking congestion at certain times, and this could delay the garbage collection system.

Your Committee believes that being the residents of this area do not want front street garbage collection, the best option is to retain the current semi-automated rear lane garbage collection system for this area. The Committee wanted to explore further questions about the costs for alternative systems for rear lane pick-up, and has therefore asked for more information in this regard.”

*Mr. Al Goodmundson expressed support of a semi-automated rear lane garbage collection and thanked the Administration for working with the community on this matter.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

- 1) *that the Administration be directed to retain the semi-automated rear lane garbage pick-up for the 350 residences in the Holliston/Haultain Neighbourhoods that currently have this service; and*

- 2) *that the Administration report back to the Administration and Finance Committee with a cost-comparison between semi-automated and fully-automated rear lane garbage collection for households.*

*CARRIED.*

**6) Ruth Robinson  
Get on the Bus Coalition, dated December 6**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to a discounted bus pass. (File No. CK. 7312-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Ruth Robinson be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Ruth Robinson be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

*Ms. Carmel Dodd and Mr. Wayne Lauzon expressed the need for a discounted bus pass similar to what the City of Regina has provided to low-income citizens. Mr. Lauzon provided Council with a petition containing approximately 722 signatures showing support for a discounted bus pass.*

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Neault,*

*THAT a task force be established consisting of two City Councillors and Administration to discuss funding opportunities with the Provincial government and that the findings be reported to the Executive Committee.*

*Pursuant to Section 38.1 of the Council and Committee Procedure Bylaw, the above motion will be considered by City Council at its January 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.*

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT the matter be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee for further review and report.*

*CARRIED.*

**7) Gordon A. Wilson, Chairman**

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**Kiwanis Memorial Park Committee, dated December 6**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the proposed site of the permanent boat launch. (File No. CK. 4130-2-5)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that items A12 – A15 of Communications to Council and Clause F3, Administrative Report No. 23-2005 be brought forward and that Gordon Wilson, Vernon Linklater, Jacqui Barclay, Elaine Findlay, and Terry Scaddan be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT items A12 – A15 of Communications to Council and Clause F3, Administrative Report No. 23-2005 be brought forward and that Gordon Wilson, Vernon Linklater, Jacqui Barclay, Elaine Findlay, and Terry Scaddan be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

**“A12) Vernon Linklater, President  
Riversdale Community and School Association, dated December 12**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the proposed site of the permanent boat launch. (File No. CK. 4130-2-5)

**A13) Jacqui Barclay, Civics Director  
Riversdale Community and School Association, dated December 12**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the proposed site of the permanent boat launch. (File No. CK. 4130-2-5)

**A14) Elaine Findlay, dated December 12**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the proposed site of the permanent boat launch. (File No. CK. 4130-2-5)

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**A15) Terry Scaddan, Executive Director  
The Partnership, dated December 12, 2005**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the proposed site of the permanent boat launch. (File No. CK. 4130-2-5)

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 23-2005**

**F3) Boat Launch Relocation  
(File No. CC. 4130-2; CK. 5500-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve, in principle, the permanent location of the boat launch at the current temporary site downstream from the Broadway Bridge;
  - 2) that the capital allocation identified for the design and construction of the boat launch in River Landing Phase II remain within the riverfront project;
  - 3) that a separate capital project be established for the Broadway Bridge location; and,
  - 4) that Administration proceed with detailed design and construction plans for Council approval following additional input from stakeholders.

**BACKGROUND**

The development of the riverfront on River Landing Phase I eliminated the existing boat launch at that site. A temporary boat launch was constructed for the summer of 2004 on a stretch of undeveloped land that currently serves as an access road to a sewage lift station. It is situated in front of and below the Kiwanis Memorial Park downstream from the Broadway Bridge.

Through a consultation process, it was decided that a new, permanent boat launch should be ready for the 2005 boating season to replace the temporary site. At its meeting of September 7, 2004, City Council resolved:

- “1) that the City enter into an agreement for consulting services with Crosby Hanna & Associates for the development of a permanent boat launch to be located between Avenue C South and the Senator Sid Buckwold Bridge;
- 2) that the value of the contract be \$120,000 plus disbursements and applicable taxes;
- 3) that the City Solicitor prepare the necessary agreement for execution by His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk; and

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- 4) that the Administration investigate and report on implementing user fees for boat launch users.”

A steering committee (The City of Saskatoon, Meewasin, The Partnership, Riversdale BID, Boating Association of Saskatchewan) was convened and began technical analysis and considered initial design issues for the location of the boat launch as directed by City Council. After an initial site visit, preliminary technical analysis, and discussion among members, the committee was unanimous in suggesting that the design and location of the boat launch be considered as part of the overall design of the riverfront development for River Landing Phase II. At its meeting of November 29, 2004, City Council resolved:

“that the design of the permanent boat launch be completed in conjunction with the overall design of the riverfront within the River Landing Phase II redevelopment project.”

As part of the design process of the riverfront on River Landing Phase II, Crosby Hanna & Associates and City officials have met with a number of stakeholders including the Riversdale Community Association and the Riversdale Local Area Plan Committee. The City has received additional feedback through various other open houses, ward meetings, and individual correspondence. This input has provided nearly unanimous opposition to the River Landing Phase II location due to its effect on existing greenspace, the additional traffic that it would create, and it’s potential effect on the Meewasin trail.

## **REPORT**

A review of its first full year of operation suggests that the temporary boat launch is operating well in its existing location. While minor operational issues have been encountered, these relate to the temporary nature of the facility. The City has received no official complaints from the general public or from stakeholders.

In light of the public opposition to its proposed location in River Landing/Victoria Park and the relative smooth operation at the current temporary site, Administration re-examined the correspondence and reports with respect to issues that precluded its permanent location next to the Broadway Bridge.

Two reports were of particular relevance - a 1994 *Kiwanis Memorial and Friendship Parks Conceptual Development Plan* study conducted by KLA and a 1993 *Powerboat Launch Location Study* conducted by Calibre Consultants both commissioned by the Meewasin Valley Authority. The Calibre Consultants report studied eight potential boat launch locations. Based on 14 criteria, their report concluded that the best location (excluding the former Gathercole location) is at the existing temporary site.

While not specifically addressing a boat launch location, the KLA report addressed development issues at the lower terrace at the sewage lift station recommending that the area be developed as a manicured landscape with a hard-riveredge revetment allowing clear views of the river and

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physical access to its edge. The lift station would be “camouflaged” with tree and shrub plantings and the air intakes and emission stacks be redesigned.

The Kiwanis Memorial Park Committee and the Children’s Festival are on record in opposition to the temporary location. Administration met with these groups to discuss issues regarding non-complementary activities, potential noise levels, and safety and security.

To examine their concerns and develop potential solutions, the City engaged the services of Crosby Hanna & Associates to produce a preliminary design of a permanent boat launch. The preliminary design (Attachment 1) incorporates many of the elements identified in the KLA study. In addition to providing a boat launch and dock, the City believes the design enhances an “orphaned” landscape, mitigates odour and visual issues at the lift station, and serves to compliment the Kiwanis Memorial Park. Features include:

- A new river outlook and visual terminus framing the Vimy Memorial
- Barrier Free Access to the riveredge
- Protection of existing Cottonwoods
- New landscape features
- Maintenance and clean up of a necessary road to lift station
- Redesign of air intakes and exhaust stacks at lift station
- Plantings for screening of lift station
- Expansion of the Kiwanis “Path of History” theme
- Plantings native to military theatre of operations (e.g. poppies and tulips)

The Kiwanis Committee and the Executive Director of the Children’s Festival were shown the early design. While they have not yet provided their support, they have expressed a willingness to continue discussions. Issues discussed include the exact location and nature of parking and memorial wall, and traffic operations at the entrance. The Boat Launch Steering Committee also met to discuss the issues surrounding the River Landing Phase II location and the preliminary design at the temporary location. The committee supports the relocation. The City would engage the Kiwanis, the Children’s Festival, the steering committee, and other groups including local residences and businesses to determine the most appropriate configurations.

Fire and Protective Services has no issues with the permanent location being located next to the emergency vehicle launch.

In conclusion, it should be noted that there is no perfect location for the permanent boat launch. Different reports, studies, and stakeholders will all have varying opinions depending on particular criteria or interests.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

A preliminary estimate provided by Crosby Hanna & Associates indicates a similar cost to that of a new boat launch at River Landing Phase II – approximately \$500,000 in capital and an additional \$120,000 in design, surveying, and testing. The primary difference between the two projects is that the River Landing location uses the entire allocation for the construction of roadways, parking, boat launch, and docking. Because the temporary boat launch facility is already in place and requires little improvement, most of the capital for the Broadway Bridge location is dedicated to improving the undeveloped landscape, constructing new river outlooks, and enhancing the Kiwanis Memorial Park experience.

The riverfront at River Landing Phase II is still being designed to incorporate a boat launch as per City Council's direction. Should the recommendations be adopted, the preliminary master plan would be reconfigured to exclude a boat launch. To facilitate and expedite the design process, this decision needs to be made forthwith.

Administration recommends that the capital allocation for the riverfront on River Landing Phase II remain within the project to provide for site improvements and/or address potential increases in construction costs. A separate capital project would be generated for the design and construction of the boat launch at the Broadway Bridge location for Council's consideration.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Boat launch preliminary concept plan, prepared by Crosby Hanna & Associates.”

*Mr. Jerry Helfricke, Kiwanis Club of Saskatoon, expressed opposition to the temporary boat launch site becoming a permanent location. He provided Council with a copy of his presentation and information with respect to Kiwanis Memorial Park.*

*Ms. Elaine Findlay and Mr. Vernon Linklater, Riversdale Community and School Association, indicated that they were opposed to a permanent boat launch in River Landing Phase II.*

*Mr. Terry Scaddan, Executive Director, The Partnership, expressed support for the current temporary location becoming permanent.*

*Moved by Councillor Hnatyshyn, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

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*THAT consideration of the matter be deferred until the ~~January 23, 2005~~ January 23, 2006 (amended as per January 9, 2006 meeting of City Council) meeting of City Council, and that public notice be given that Council will consider the matter.*

*DEFEATED.*

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the Administration not proceed with a permanent boat launch in River Landing Phase II.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT the information be received and that the matter of a permanent boat launch be referred back to the Administration for further report.*

*CARRIED.*

**8) Jim Pankiw, dated December 6**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to property taxes, as well as with respect to the brochure "Building Bridges with The Aboriginal Community". (File No. CK. 1920-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Jim Pankiw be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Jim Pankiw be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

*Mr. Jim Pankiw spoke with respect to property taxes and urban reserves.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the information be received.*

*CARRIED.*

9) **Tanya Mullis, Executive Director**  
**Broadway Business Improvement District, dated December 7**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the red shuttle bus service. (File No. CK. 7300-1)

10) **Jim Wasilenko**  
**Saskatoon Housing Authority, dated December 8**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the red shuttle bus service. (File No. CK. 7300-1)

11) **Terry Scaddan, Executive Director**  
**The Partnership, dated December 12**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the red shuttle bus service. (File No. CK. 7300-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Clause 1, Report No. 2-2005 of the Budget Committee be brought forward and that Tanya Mullis, Jim Wasilenko, and Terry Scaddan be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Clause 1, Report No. 2-2005 of the Budget Committee be brought forward and that Tanya Mullis, Jim Wasilenko, and Terry Scaddan be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

**“REPORT NO. 2-2005 OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**1. 2006 Capital Budget  
2007 – 2010 Capital Plan  
(File No. CK 1702-1)**

Your Committee reviewed the preliminary version of the above-noted document at a public meeting held on December 5, 2005.

Copies of the tables referred to in the following recommendations are attached.

**Traffic Safety Reserve**

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services, dated November 25, 2005.

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a Traffic Safety Reserve be created and that the purpose of this reserve be for the funding of traffic, pedestrian, and cyclist safety-related projects and traffic-calming measures;
  - 2) that the funding for the Traffic Safety Reserve be the City of Saskatoon’s portion of the revenue generated from red light camera violations;
  - 3) that the City Solicitor be instructed to amend Bylaw No. 6774, the Capital Reserve Bylaw, to reflect the changes as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Infrastructure Services dated November 25, 2005; and
  - 4) that the Administration report to City Council at the end of October 2006 regarding the status of revenue generated from red light camera violations, in order to consider, prior to consideration of the 2007 Capital Budget, the implementation of a funding cap on the Traffic Safety Reserve.

**Table 3 – Reserve for Capital Expenditures**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the 2006 Operating Provision of \$4,812,400 be allocated to capital;
  - 2) that City Council reserve \$3,915,500 from the Reserve for Capital Expenditures for future contingencies, and that the Administration report to Council quarterly regarding the

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status of all major capital projects and the Contingency Fund;

- 3) that Project 2183 (Greenhouse Gas Reduction) and Project 1804 (City Centennial Celebration), totalling \$604,000, be approved subject to confirmation of external funding;
- 4) that Project 2048 – FFP & Zoo Master Plan/Implementation, totalling \$80,000, be approved subject to operating budget review;
- 5) that City Council approve the remaining 2006 financed expenditures for the capital projects identified in Table 3, totalling \$14,205,000;
- 6) that all 2006 projects totally or partially unfunded upon approval of the capital budget, be restated as 2007 projects;
- 7) that the Administration report further with regard to the allocation of any additional funding which may become available to finance unfunded capital expenditures; and
- 8) that the Administration be requested to report to the Planning and Operations Committee with respect to the implications of not carrying out the work outlined in Projects 0787 (Victoria Bridge Rehabilitation), 1528 (University Bridge – Pigmented Sealer), 1551 (Broadway Bridge Repairs) and 1553 (Sid Buckwold Bridge Repairs).

**Table 4 – General Capital Projects – Civic Departments**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the following projects, totalling \$22,963,000, be approved subject to a Public Notice Hearing for borrowing:
    - Project 1786 – River Landing Phase 1;
    - Project 1787 – River Landing Phase 2;
    - Project 1788 – River Landing Park Phase 1;
    - Project 2084 – Automated Meter Reading.
  - 2) that the following projects, totalling \$1,300,000, be approved subject to confirmation of eligibility under the Gas Tax Program:
    - Project 993 – Circle Drive South West;

- Project 2003 – Hwy 14/Hwy 7 Grade Separation.
- 3) that the following projects, totalling \$17,000,000, be approved subject to confirmation of eligibility under the Gas Tax Program and subject to a Public Notice Hearing for borrowing:
    - Project 2002 – Circle Dr/College Dr Interchange;
    - Project 2009 – Circle Drive Bridge Widening.
  - 4) that Project 1595 (Park Lighting Upgrade-Neighbourhood) and Project 876 (Regional Waste Management Facility), totalling \$580,000 be approved subject to confirmation of external funding;
  - 5) that Project 901 (Park Upgrading – Neighbourhood), totalling \$1,238,000, be approved subject to approval of a timing deficit in the Infrastructure Parks Reserve and an Administrative report regarding future contribution levels; and
  - 6) that the remaining 2006 financed expenditures for General Capital Projects – Civic Departments, summarized in Table 4, totalling \$29,387,000 be approved.

**Table 5 – Land Development Projects**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the 2006 financed expenditures for Prepaid Land Development Projects, summarized in Table 5, totalling \$68,124,000, be approved.

**Table 6 – General Capital Projects – Boards and Commissions**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that Project 1817 (Mendel Art Gallery Expansion), totalling \$6,630,000, be approved, subject to the following:
  - a) confirmation that all fund raising and third-party grants for the total project are in place or committed, based on independent audit verification;
  - b) the required Public Notice Hearing for borrowing; and

- c) financing of the City's share through the dedication of 1/3 of the City's annual assessment growth (cash contribution and/or the repayment of debt);
- 2) that once the verification that all funds are in place or committed, as outlined in 1a) above, the Administration be authorized to issue contracts for the full construction of Project 1817, Mendel Art Gallery Expansion (budgeted in 2006, 2007 and 2008); and
- 3) that the remaining 2006 financed expenditures for General Capital Projects – Boards and Commissions, summarized in Table 6, totalling \$2,694,000, be approved.

**Table 7 – Water/Wastewater Utility Projects**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the 2006 financed expenditures for Water Utility Projects, summarized in Table 7, totalling \$5,548,000 be approved; and
  - 2) that the 2006 financed expenditures for Wastewater Utility Projects, summarized in Table 7, totalling \$2,444,000 be approved.

**Table 8 – Storm Sewer Utility Projects**

- RECOMMENDATION:** that the 2006 financed expenditures for the Storm Sewer Utility projects, summarized in Table 8, totalling \$995,000 be approved.

**Table 9 – Transit Utility Projects**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the following projects, totalling \$5,539,000, be approved subject to confirmation under the new Federal Transit Funding Program:
    - Project 537 – Terminals;
    - Project 2094 – Strategic Plan;
    - Project 2316 – Transit – New Facility.
  - 2) that Project 2095 (Access Transit-Bus Replacements) and

Project 2100 (Access Transit – Additional Buses), totalling \$540,000, be approved subject to confirmation under the new Federal Transit Funding Program and confirmation of a Provincial Government contribution; and

- 3) that the remaining 2006 financed expenditures for Transit Utility projects, summarized in Table 9, totalling \$445,000 be approved.

**Table 10 – Saskatoon Light and Power Projects**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the 2006 financed expenditures for Saskatoon Light and Power Projects, summarized in Table 10, totalling \$7,735,000 be approved.”

*Councillor Alm noted an error in Table 6 of the report indicating that the wording “totalling \$6,630,000” in Recommendation 1) should be removed.*

*Mr. Arnold Omach, Broadway Business Improvement District, spoke in place of Ms. Tanya Mullis, and requested an extension of the red shuttle bus service.*

*Mr. Jim Wasilenko, Saskatoon Housing Authority, expressed support for the red shuttle bus service indicating that it is an innovative service that is just catching on to citizens.*

*Mr. Terry Scaddan, Executive Director, The Partnership, spoke in support of continuing the red shuttle bus service.*

*Moved by Councillor Alm, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,*

**Traffic Safety Reserve**

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- a) *confirmation that all fund raising and third-party grants for the total project are in place or committed, based on independent audit verification;*
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  - c) *financing of the City's share through the dedication of 1/3 of the City's annual assessment growth (cash contribution and/or the repayment of debt);*
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- 3) *that the remaining 2006 financed expenditures for Transit Utility projects, summarized in Table 9, totalling \$445,000 be approved.*

**Table 10 – Saskatoon Light and Power Projects**

*THAT the 2006 financed expenditures for Saskatoon Light and Power Projects, summarized in Table 10, totalling \$7,735,000 be approved.*

**IN DEFERRAL**

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT consideration of Clause 1, Report No. 2-2005 of the Budget Committee be deferred to the January 9, 2006 meeting of City Council.*

**THE DEFERRAL MOTION WAS PUT AND CARRIED.**

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**12) Vernon Linklater, President  
Riversdale Community and School Association, dated December 12**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the proposed site of the permanent boat launch. (File No. CK. 4130-2-5)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 57.*

**13) Jacqui Barclay, Civics Director  
Riversdale Community and School Association, dated December 12**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the proposed site of the permanent boat launch. (File No. CK. 4130-2-5)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 57.*

**14) Elaine Findlay, dated December 12**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the proposed site of the permanent boat launch. (File No. CK. 4130-2-5)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 57.*

**15) Terry Scaddan, Executive Director  
The Partnership, dated December 12, 2005**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the proposed site of the permanent boat launch. (File No. CK. 4130-2-5)

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 57.*

**16) Terry Scaddan, Executive Director  
The Partnership, dated December 12**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to the Municipal Enterprise Zone Pilot Program. (File No. CK. 4110-1)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Clause A10, Administrative Report No. 23-2005 be brought forward and that Terry Scaddan be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT consideration of Clause A10, Administrative Report No. 23-2005 be deferred to the January 9, 2006 meeting of City Council, and that Mr. Scaddan be heard at that time.*

*CARRIED.*

**17) Alan Thomarar, Executive Director  
Saskatoon & Region Home Builders' Association, Inc., dated December 12**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to architectural controls and residential construction in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4131-26)

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Clause 2, Report No. 5-2005 of the Land Bank Committee be brought forward and that Alan Thomarar be heard.

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT Clause 2, Report No. 5-2005 of the Land Bank Committee be brought forward and that Alan Thomarar be heard.*

*CARRIED.*

**“REPORT NO. 5-2005 OF THE LAND BANK COMMITTEE**

**2. Willowgrove Architectural Controls  
(File No. CK. 4131-26)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that City Council approve the architectural controls as attached to the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated November 10, 2005;
- 2) that these architectural controls apply to all multi-family residential and commercial sites in Willowgrove; and
- 3) that City Council direct the Land Branch to develop similar architectural controls for all City-owned multi-family residential sites in Hampton Village, Lakewood Suburban Centre, Blairmore Suburban Centre and one site on Hughes Avenue in the Dundonald neighbourhood.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated November 10, 2005, with respect to architectural controls for the Willowgrove Village Centre,

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including multi-family residential and commercial sites. The report also recommended that City Council direct the Land Branch to develop similar architectural controls for other land development areas including Hampton Village, the Lakewood Suburban Centre, and the Blairmore Suburban Centre.

Your Committee discussed this matter with the Administration, including the extent of the application of the proposed architectural controls in the Willowgrove neighbourhood, as well as in the neighbourhoods mentioned above.

Your Committee is supportive of the architectural controls as proposed by the Administration under report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated November 10, 2005.

Following review of the application of the architectural controls within the Willowgrove neighbourhood, your Committee is recommending that the architectural controls apply to all multi-family residential and commercial sites in Willowgrove and not just to those in the village centre.

Your Committee is recommending further that City Council direct the Land Branch to develop similar architectural controls for all City-owned multi-family residential sites in Hampton Village, Lakewood Suburban Centre, Blairmore Suburban Centre and one site on Hughes Avenue in the Dundonald neighbourhood.

Copies of the Willowgrove Architectural Controls Final Report, Willowgrove Architectural Controls for B1B Commercial Zone, and Willowgrove Architectural Controls for RMTN and RM3 Residential Zones are provided for City Council members. A copy is available for review in the City Clerk's Office."

*Mr. Alan Thomarat, Executive Director, Saskatoon & Region Homebuilders' Association, Inc., expressed concerns with process with respect to architectural controls in the Willowgrove neighbourhood.*

*Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT the hour of the meeting be extended beyond 11:00 p.m. in order to consider portions of the remainder of the agenda.*

*YEAS: His Worship the Mayor, Councillors Alm, Birkmaier, Dubois, Fortosky,  
Heidt, Hnatyshyn, Neault, Penner, and Wyant* 10

*NAYS:* 0

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.*

*(Councillor Paulsen was not in attendance.)*

**REPORT NO. 20-2005 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Composition of Committee

His Worship Mayor D. Atchison, Chair  
Councillor T. Alm  
Councillor D.L. Birkmaier  
Councillor B. Dubois  
Councillor O. Fortosky  
Councillor M. Heidt  
Councillor E. Hnatyshyn  
Councillor M. Neault  
Councillor T. Paulsen  
Councillor G. Penner  
Councillor G. Wyant

**1. Code of Conduct and Anti-Harassment Policy  
(File No. CK. 225-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that a Code of Conduct and Anti-Harassment Policy for Members of Civic Boards, Commissions, Authorities, and Committees be established, and that the Executive Committee report to Council in early 2006 with a recommended Council Policy;

- 2) that all appointments to Civic Boards, Commissions, Authorities, and Committees, at this meeting and in the future, be subject to the member's compliance with the subject Policy; and
- 3) that upon approval by Council of the Policy regarding a Code of Conduct and Anti-Harassment Policy, the City Clerk's Office obtain the signature of each appointee acknowledging receipt of copies of the subject Policy.

Your Committee is reviewing a proposed Code of Conduct and Anti-Harassment Policy for members of Civic Boards, Commissions, Authorities, and Committees, and will submit a proposed Policy for City Council approval early in 2006.

Council should note that the above recommendation does not apply to members of the Boards of The Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation, The Centennial Auditorium and Convention Centre Corporation or Saskatchewan Place Association Inc. These appointments do not take effect until March 2006 and Council may decide to consult with the Boards prior to implementation.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**2. Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees – 2006**  
**(Files CK. 175-1, 225-1 and 255-1)**

Your Committee has met and considered the matter of appointments and reappointments to City Council's various boards, commissions and committees. This report deals with the filling of vacancies only – it does not include current members whose terms have not expired. Unless otherwise indicated, all appointments commence January 1, 2006.

**Administration and Finance Committee**  
**(File No. CK. 225-50)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillors Alm, Dubois, Heidt, Paulsen and Penner be reappointed to the Administration and Finance Committee for 2006.

**Audit Committee**  
**(File No. CK. 225-13)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillors Alm, Birkmaier, Wyant, Dubois, and Neault be reappointed to the Audit Committee for 2006.

**Budget Committee  
(File No. CK. 225-46)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that His Worship the Mayor and Councillors Alm, Birkmaier, Dubois, Fortosky, Heidt, Hnatyshyn, Neault, Paulsen, Penner, and Wyant be reappointed to the Budget Committee for 2006.

**Executive Committee  
(File No. CK. 225-51)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that His Worship the Mayor and Councillors Alm, Birkmaier, Dubois, Fortosky, Heidt, Hnatyshyn, Neault, Paulsen, Penner, and Wyant be reappointed to the Executive Committee for 2006.

**Land Bank Committee  
(File No. CK. 225-33)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillors Heidt, Hnatyshyn, Neault, Penner, and Wyant be reappointed to the Land Bank Committee for 2006.

**Planning and Operations Committee  
(File No. CK. 225-49)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillors Birkmaier, Fortosky, Hnatyshyn, Neault, and Wyant be reappointed to the Planning and Operations Committee for 2006.

**Access Transit Advisory Committee  
(File No. CK. 225-58)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the following be appointed and reappointed to the Access Transit Advisory Committee for the terms indicated:

For 2006:

Councillors Neault and Wyant

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To the end of 2008:

Linda Rieger, Jamie McKenzie, and Robert Letts to replace David Gibson, Julian Bodnar and Lynn Tait

**Access Transit Appeals Board  
(File No. CK. 225-58)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Connie Tenaski, Michelle Ouellette, and Kathie Parry be reappointed for 2006.

**Advisory Committee on Animal Control  
(File No. CK. 225-9)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Marni Harvey be appointed to replace Penny Lynne Micklewright for 2006, and that Councillor Neault, Lillian Lackmanec, Nina Faye Morey, Dr. Stan Rubin, Dr. Michael Powell, Angela Loewen, Wendy Sharpe, Shirley Ross, and Darlene Meeds Montero be reappointed for 2006.

**Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Committee  
(File No. CK. 225-40)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the following be appointed and reappointed to the Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Committee for the terms indicated:

For 2006:

Councillor Hnatyshyn, Councillor Neault, Nesar Rajput, Andrew Mason, David Simpson, Patricia McNeill McCrea, Gatdeet Wakou, and Alon Zack to replace Paulette Traynor

To the end of 2007:

Chief Russell Sabo (or designate) and Anna-Leah King

**District Planning Commission  
(File No. CK. 175-10)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillor Penner and Lorne Sully be reappointed to the District Planning Commission for 2006.

**Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee  
(File No. CK. 225-18)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the following be reappointed to the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee for the terms indicated:

For 2006:

Councillor Hnatyshyn

To the end of 2007:

Annette Stebner, Terry Scaddan, Michael Williams, and Barbara Anderson

**Municipal Planning Commission  
(File No. CK. 175-16)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the following be appointed and reappointed to the Municipal Planning Commission for the terms indicated:

For 2006:

Councillor Dubois

To the end of 2008:

Debbie Marcoux to replace Dieter André  
John McAuliffe  
Roy Ball

**Naming Advisory Committee  
(File No. CK. 225-66)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the following be appointed and reappointed to the Naming Advisory Committee for the terms indicated:

For 2006:

Councillors Penner and Alm

To the end of 2007:

Alan Wallace  
Barb Springs  
Ted Kutz

**Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee  
(File No. CK. 175-9)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the following be appointed and reappointed to the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee for the terms indicated:

For 2006:

Councillor Paulsen

To the end of 2007:

Patricia Anne Hanbidge to replace Leo Monseler  
Darcy Meyers to replace Bill Compton  
Lawrence Pinter  
Erika Ritchie  
Barbara Hanbidge  
Dwayne Djkwowich

**Social Services Subcommittee – Assistance to Community Groups  
Cash Grants Program  
(File No. CK. 225-2-4)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Om Kochar, Carol McInnis, Sharon Procyshe, Sheri Benson, and Faye Elke be reappointed to the Social Services Subcommittee for 2006.

**Technical Planning Commission  
(File No. CK. 175-26)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillor Birkmaier be reappointed to the Technical Planning Commission for 2006.

**Traffic Safety Committee  
(File No. CK. 225-8)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the following be reappointed to the Traffic Safety Committee for the terms indicated:

For 2006:

Councillor Penner

To the end of 2007:

Joseph Chan, Derek McWilliam, Melissa Bewer, Ken Claffey, Wayne Ridsdale, and Staff Sergeant Lenard Watkins

**Visual Arts Placement Jury  
(File No. CK. 175- 44)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Paul Ferguson be appointed to the Visual Arts Placement Jury for 2006, to replace Terry Billings, and that Dan McDonald, Norman Zepp, Anahit Falihi, James Korpan, Lloyd Isaak, and Shirlee Olekson be reappointed to the Visual Arts Placement Jury for 2006.

**Albert Community Centre  
(File No. CK. 225-57)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that the Terms of Reference be amended by providing for one member of Council instead of two;

- 2) that Councillors Hnatyshyn and Penner be appointed to the Albert Community Centre Management Committee to share the Councillor position for 2006; and
- 3) that Annemarie Cherneskey, Del Ehlert, Grant Whitecross, and Darrel Epp be reappointed to the Albert Community Centre Management Committee for 2006.

**Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre Corporation Board of Directors**  
**(File No. CK. 175-28)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the City's representative be instructed to vote the City's proxy at the 2006 Annual Meeting for the reappointment of the following to the Centennial Auditorium & Convention Centre Corporation Board of Directors for the terms indicated:

Councillor Paulsen, for 2006  
Councillor Penner, for 2006  
Earl Magnuson, to the end of 2007  
James Hawn, to the end of 2007

**Credit Union Centre Board of Directors**  
**(File No. CK. 175-31)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the City's representative be instructed to vote the City's proxy at the 2006 Annual Meeting for the appointment and reappointment of the following to the Credit Union Centre Board of Directors for the terms indicated:

Councillor Fortosky, for 2006  
Councillor Heidt, for 2006  
Stephen Gabrush, to the end of 2007  
Irene Boychuk, to the end of 2007  
Deborah Young, to the end of 2007, to replace Terri Lemke  
Richard Gabbruch, to the end of 2007, to replace Joel Young

**Marr Residence Management Committee**  
**(File No. CK. 225-52)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillor Hnatyshyn be reappointed to the Marr Residence Management Committee for 2006.

**Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation Board of Trustees  
(File No. CK. 175-27)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the City's representative be instructed to vote the City's proxy at the appropriate time for the appointment and reappointment of the following to the Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation Board of Trustees for the terms indicated:

Councillor Alm, for 2006  
Councillor Wyant, for 2006  
Art Knight, to the end of 2007, to replace Mark Hanley  
Joan Emigh, to the end of 2007  
Wade Heggie, to the end of 2007  
Jocelyne Kost, to the end of 2007

**Board of Revision  
(File No. CK. 175-6)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Terry Powell be appointed to the Board of Revision for 2006 to replace Jim Kerr, and that Patrick Thomson, Kenneth Howland, Raymond LePage, Felix Hoehn, Murray Scharf, Marvin Dutton, Adrian Deschamps, Peter Stroh, David Gabruch, and Eugene Paquin (as an Alternate) be reappointed to the Board of Revision for 2006.

**Property Maintenance Appeals Board  
(File No. CK. 225-54)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Ian Oliver be reappointed to the Property Maintenance Appeals Board to the end of 2008.

**Broadway Business Improvement District Board of Management  
(File No. CK. 175-47)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillor Hnatyshyn be reappointed to the Broadway Business Improvement District Board of Management for 2006.

**Downtown Business Improvement District Board of Management  
(File No. CK. 175-48)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillor Hnatyshyn be reappointed to the Downtown Business Improvement District Board of Management for 2006.

**Meewasin Valley Authority – City Representatives  
(File No. CK. 180-6)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that His Worship the Mayor, Councillors Hnatyshyn, Penner, and Alm be reappointed to the Meewasin Valley Authority for 2006.

**Meewasin Valley Authority Appeals Board  
(File No. CK. 180-6)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Grant Scharfstein be reappointed to the Meewasin Valley Authority Appeals Board to the end of 2008.

**North Central Transportation Planning Committee  
(File No. CK. 155-10)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillor Birkmaier be reappointed to the North Central Transportation Planning Committee for 2006.

**Partners for the Saskatchewan River Basin  
(File No. CK. 225-64)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillor Birkmaier be reappointed to the Partners for the Saskatchewan River Basin for 2006.

**Riversdale Business Improvement District Board of Management  
(File No. CK. 175-49)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillor Neault be reappointed to the Riversdale Business Improvement District Board of Management for 2006.

**Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association Board of Directors**

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**(File No. CK. 155-3)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillors Alm and Birkmaier be reappointed to the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association Board of Directors for 2006.

**Saskatoon Airport Authority  
(File No. CK. 175-43)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillor Penner be reappointed to the Saskatoon Airport Authority for 2006.

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

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillor Alm be reappointed to the Saskatoon Prairieland Exhibition Corporation for 2006.

**Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority  
(File No. CK. 175-37)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Phil Richards and Councillors Alm and Paulsen be reappointed to the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority for 2006.

**Sutherland Business Improvement District Board of Management  
(File No. CK. 175-50)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillor Dubois be reappointed to the Sutherland Business Improvement District Board of Management for 2006.

**Tourism Saskatoon – Board of Directors  
(File No. CK. 175-30)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillors Alm and Dubois be reappointed to the Tourism Saskatoon Board of Directors for 2006.

**Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association  
(File No. CK. 155-5)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillor Birkmaier be reappointed to the Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association for 2006.

**Wanuskewin Heritage Park Board of Directors  
(File No. CK. 175-33)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillors Dubois and Fortosky be reappointed to the Wanuskewin Heritage Park Board of Directors for 2006.

**Pension Benefits Committee  
(File No. CK. 175-14)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillor Birkmaier, Councillor Wyant, Barbara Degenstein, Paul Jaspar, Ken Rapp, Bill Turnbull, Jim Cowan and Marlys Bilanski be reappointed to the Pension Benefits Committee for 2006.

*The City Clerk noted that Felix Hoehn had been listed in error under Board of Revision.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the recommendations, with the removal of Felix Hoehn from Board of Revision, be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**3. Remai Ventures Inc.  
Proposed Spa Hotel - River Landing  
(File No. CK. 4130-2)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) that the attached Sale Agreement and Incentive Agreement with Remai Ventures Inc. be approved; and
- 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the Sale Agreement and Incentive Agreement.

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Your Committee is pleased to present the above recommendation for the approval of City Council.

The following report summarizes the actions that have been taken to date, and outlines the main terms of the proposed Sale Agreement and Incentive Agreement, copies of which are attached.

**BACKGROUND**

The South Downtown Concept Plan was approved by City Council on June 21, 2004 and by the Meewasin Valley Authority on October 1, 2004. With respect to the redevelopment of River Landing Phase I, the Concept Plan stated that:

*“A hotel should be encouraged on the parcel east of 2nd Avenue, which is an excellent location for such a development. This use will contribute to bringing activity to the area late into the evening and reinforce the area as a destination. The plan shows a hotel use involving 20 storeys that might comprise 250 rooms. The development industry may respond to this site with different concepts, such as a “boutique” hotel or a hotel spa that has a lower number of rooms and is lower in height. Whatever the “market response”, it will be important to ensure that parking is enclosed or underground.”*

The Concept Plan further noted that

*“...vibrant waterfront developments usually have an abundance of places to eat and drink. They are great draws and remain open into the evenings. People enjoy sitting by waterfront locations, which are great places for people watching. In the summer, there are opportunities for eating and drinking outside, contributing to the street life of the area. There are currently very few restaurants on the riverfront in Saskatoon. A restaurant use is proposed for the eastern side of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue at its terminus, adjacent to the circle. This location will be a major focus of pedestrian and vehicle activity.”*

At its meeting held on November 15, 2004 City Council adopted a two-stage process for the development of a hotel spa on Parcel Y within River Landing Phase I. Specifically, City Council adopted:

- 1) that City Council approve the two-stage disposition of Parcel “Y” (Block E16) as outlined;
- 2) that the Expression of Interest document, including the evaluation criteria, be approved and issued;
- 3) that an Administrative Committee be struck to undertake evaluations of submissions received;
- 4) that the selected short-list of EOI submissions be brought to City Council for approval prior to the issuance of the Request for Proposal;
- 5) that the Request for Proposal summary and evaluation criteria be approved, and that the Administration proceed to developing a detailed Request for Proposal document for City Council approval.

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The Expression of Interest (EOI) was issued December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2004 with a deadline for submissions Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2005. The Administrative Committee conducted an evaluation of the four submissions received based on the criteria and the information requirements of the EOI. Administration reported that two submissions had scored sufficiently to proceed to the RFP stage and, at its meeting of March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2005 City Council resolved:

- 1) that City Council approve the selection of Remai Ventures Inc. and VPMI Hotel Group to proceed to the Request for Proposal stage for the development of River Landing Parcel “Y”.
- 2) that City Council approve the Request for Proposal for distribution to the selected proponents.

The RFP outlined the process and information required of the selected proponents to enable the City to choose the submission that best meets the vision for the development of Parcel “Y”. At the request of the proponents, the RFP deadline was extended from May 4<sup>th</sup> to May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at which time a proposal was received from Remai Ventures Inc.

The Remai Ventures Inc. proposal was tabled at the City Council meeting of May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2005. The Committee evaluated the proposal against the criteria set out in the RFP.

In a report to Council on June 27, 2005, the Review Committee agreed that the overall quality of the submission was very good. Relating back to the 12 planning principles for the redevelopment of River Landing, the proposal supports and strengthens the downtown, helps to create a distinct identity and sense of place, is designed to be a viable destination, encourages all day and all season use, and helps to ensure a mix of land uses. Remai Ventures Inc. has a solid development record and has provided confirmation of a strong financial capacity.

As part of its submission, Remai Ventures Inc. put forward a list of “development considerations for your review and further discussion” which included possible tax incentives and the waiver of certain fees. Council resolved that the Administration be authorized to proceed to negotiate the necessary agreements for City Council approval with respect to the Remai Ventures Inc. proposal.

**AGREEMENTS**

The main terms of the Agreements are as follows:

**A. Sale Agreement**

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The sale price is \$1.6 million for Parcel Y. The land is sold for the purpose of constructing and operating a hotel and spa. The closing date is February 1, 2006.

The agreement requires Remai Ventures Inc. to complete construction of the underground parking and foundations before December 31, 2008. If this requirement is not met, the City has the option to purchase the land back for \$1.6 million less the cost of clearing the title and demolishing the foundation. The Agreement also provides that Remai Ventures Inc. will not sell the land until the hotel is fully constructed.

**B. Incentive Agreement**

In considering a business incentive for the project, it is important to review the goals of the South Downtown Concept Plan. In recommending a hotel, spa, and restaurant in this location, the Concept Plan noted that:

“perhaps the most important planning principle guiding this plan is the first – support and strengthen the downtown and Riversdale. Both of these areas, at the core of the city, have struggled with a number of recent challenges.”

As well, the recent report from destination attraction expert David Russell supported the development of hotel, spa with River Landing Phase I stating that:

“the hotel/spa is a critical component of a vibrant and thriving waterfront. The sooner that this project is approved and commences construction, the greater the confidence in the overall River Landing project.”

With a total investment of up to \$40 million and job creation estimated to be between 140 and 200 jobs, the Remai Venture Inc. proposal represents a major redevelopment opportunity for Saskatoon’s south downtown. In addition, the spa, which was a specific requirement of the RFP, is a pivotal feature that will become an important draw for River Landing, the downtown, and the entire city.

Given the level of total investment, job creation, new property taxes generated, and economic/tourism activity created, your Committee believes a business incentive of \$3.1 million is warranted. The Incentive Agreement provides that the land will have all property taxes exempted or abated from the sale closing date until the total of \$3.1 million is reached. The Agreement is conditional on a hotel and spa being constructed and operated. The spa is required to be open to the public, not just hotel guests.

In addition to an estimated \$100,000 property tax exemption during a two-year construction phase, the grant would take approximately four years to complete. In comparison to a five-year phase-in, the total amount abated and received would be as follows:

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**Construction phase exemption :** \$100,000

**Operation abatement:**

	<u>Abated</u>	<u>Received</u>
Year 1	\$756,351	\$ 0
Year 2	\$756,351	\$ 0
Year 3	\$756,351	\$ 0
Year 4	\$730,947	\$ 25,404
Year 5	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$756,351</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$3,100,000</b>	<b>\$781,755</b>

Over the course of ten years and not accounting for mill rate increases, the total property taxes received would be approximately:

	<u>Received</u>
Year 6	\$756,351
Year 7	\$756,351
Year 8	\$756,351
Year 9	\$756,351
Year 10	<u>\$756,351</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4,563,510</b>

Other Examples

*Temple Gardens Mineral Spa*

The most applicable and recent example of a municipality providing incentives to a similar project involves Moose Jaw's Temple Gardens Mineral Spa. Information from the City of Moose Jaw notes that, through capital grants, tax exemptions, abatements and fee waivers, the City of Moose Jaw invested approximately \$2.79 million in a "geo-thermal" well and Temple Gardens Mineral Spa to assist downtown development. As noted by the City, the Temple Garden Spa has developed into one of the City's premier attractions. By all accounts, it is a profitable business venture, reportedly paying all creditors on a timely basis and is the City's 8<sup>th</sup> largest taxpayer.

*Bessborough Hotel*

While dated (1929), City Council of the day provided a 25-year exemption "from all municipal taxes of every kind..." to the Canadian National Railway company for the construction of the Bessborough Hotel.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*YEAS: His Worship the Mayor, Councillors Alm, Birkmaier, Dubois, Heidt,  
Neault, Penner, and Wyant* 8

*NAYS: Councillors Fortosky and Hnatyshyn* 2

*CARRIED.*

*(Councillor Paulsen was not in attendance.)*

**4. Dakota Dunes Community Development Corporation  
(File No. CK. 175-1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Councillor Gord Wyant be nominated to serve as a representative of City Council on the Board of Directors of the Dakota Dunes Community Development Corporation.

City Council has been invited by the General Manager of the Saskatoon Tribal Council Inc. to have a representative serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the Dakota Dunes Community Development Corporation.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 20-2005**

**Section B – OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR**

**B1) Communications to Council**  
**From: Janice Mann, Secretary**  
**Board of Police Commissioners**  
**Date: November 22, 2005**

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**Subject: Review of Fees  
Bylaw No. 7604 - The False Alarm Fees Bylaw, 1997  
(File No. CK. 5000-1)**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8472.

City Council at its meeting on November 28, 2005, considered a request from the Board of Police Commissioners that would see the fee charged for a police response to a false alarm increase from \$50.00 to \$75.00, plus applicable taxes. City Council resolved that Bylaw No. 7604, The False Alarm Fees Bylaw, 1997, be amended accordingly.

Attached is Bylaw No. 8472 which reflects the fee increase for Council's consideration.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8472.

*Moved by Councillor Hnatyshyn, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**B2) Transit Fares  
(File No. 1905-4)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8467.

At City Council's meeting of November 14, 2005, it resolved that new transit fares be approved effective January 1, 2006 and July 1, 2006 and that the City Solicitor prepare the required Bylaw.

Enclosed for Council's consideration is The Transit Fares Amendment Bylaw, 2005. The Bylaw sets out the new transit fares as approved by Council November 14, 2005. The new fare rates will come into effect January 1, 2006 except for the fare for the one-month Senior's Pass which will come into effect on July 1, 2006.

Members of the Transit Services Branch have reviewed the Bylaw.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8467.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Alm,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**B3) Proposed Lease of City Boulevard  
Jeff Olfert at 201 - 6<sup>th</sup> Street East  
(File No. CK. 4070-2)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8331.

At its meeting held on May 17, 2004, City Council resolved that:

- “1) the proposed City Policy regarding the lease of City Boulevards be adopted;
- 2) that the City of Saskatoon enter into a Boulevard Lease Agreement with Jeff Olfert for the lease of 100.83 square metres of boulevard at 201 - 6<sup>th</sup> Street East; and
- 3) that the City Solicitor prepare a bylaw and lease agreement for the proposed Boulevard Lease at 201 - 6<sup>th</sup> Street East.”

The consent of the Minister of Transportation and Highways was granted on September 20, 2004. The Minister’s consent has no expiry date. There was some delay in concluding this as a result of negotiations between the City and Mr. Olfert.

The Boulevard Lease Agreement is attached as Schedule “A” to proposed Bylaw No. 8331.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENT**

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8331 with attached Schedule “A”.

*Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

**B4) Customer Service Initiative  
Landlord-Tenant Utility Agreement  
(File No. CK. 1550-2)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8469 and Bylaw No. 8470.

At its meeting of May 30, 2005, City Council adopted the recommendations in Report No. 11-2005 of the Administration which recommended initiating a Landlord-Tenant Agreement pilot project. A copy of the Report is attached.

Initiating the Landlord-Tenant Agreement pilot project requires amendments to Bylaw No. 2685, A Bylaw to regulate the Sale of Electric Light and Power in the City of Saskatoon and Bylaw No. 7567, The Waterworks Bylaw, 1996. The attached Bylaws provide for the required amendments to implement the Landlord-Tenant Agreement pilot project.

The Bylaws, and attached Landlord-Tenant Agreement, have been reviewed by the Office of the City Treasurer, and are satisfactory to the department.

The Office of the City Treasurer proposes that the pilot project come into force as of January 1, 2006. Accordingly, the two Bylaws under consideration are proposed to come into effect as of that date.

If the pilot project turns out to be successful and continues, no amendments to any Bylaws will be required. If the contrary happens, then Bylaws repealing the current amendments will be required.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Report No. 11-2005.
2. Proposed Bylaw No. 8469.
3. Proposed Bylaw No. 8470.

*Councillor Alm excused himself from discussion and voting on the matter due to a conflict of interest and left the Council Chamber.*

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*Moved by Councillor Hnatyshyn, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,*

*THAT the recommendation be adopted.*

*CARRIED.*

*Councillor Alm re-entered the Council Chamber.*

*Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,*

*THAT the red shuttle bus service be continued until June 1, 2006 subject to Operating Budget approval.*

*CARRIED.*

**REPORT NO. 16-2005 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Composition of Committee

Councillor G. Penner, Chair  
Councillor T. Alm  
Councillor B. Dubois  
Councillor M. Heidt  
Councillor T. Paulsen

**1. Conversion of Garbage Collection from Rear Lane to Front Street  
Holliston/Haultain Neighbourhoods  
(File No. CK. 7830-3)**

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*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 53.*

**2. Free Parking for Veterans  
(File No. CK. 6120-1)**

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that an extension be approved to allow vehicles displaying a valid Veteran's Plate to park at a parking meter for free to December 31, 2007, subject to all other provisions of Bylaw 7200, *The Traffic Bylaw*; and
  - 2) that the Administration be requested to report back to the Administration and Finance Committee in September, 2007 on the usage cost for this Free Parking Program.

City Council considered Clause D1, Administrative Report No. 13-2005 on the above matter at its meeting held on June 27, 2005 and adopted the following motion:

- 1) that vehicles displaying a valid Veteran's plate be permitted to park at a parking meter for free until December 31, 2005, subject to all other provisions of Bylaw 7200, *The Traffic Bylaw*;
- 2) that the Administration report back to Council on completion of the six month term of the program with an approximate cost of the program; and
- 3) that the matter be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee to review the possibility of this being a permanent program and review options for those who do not have a veterans plate.

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Your Committee has determined that the projected cost for this Free Parking provision is approximately \$15,000 per year. The Royal Canadian Legion has been distributing this License Plate during the Year of the Veteran, as outlined on the attached report, and unless there is a change to the distribution, your Committee believes the current annual cost is certainly deserving of continuation of this program, in honour of those who have served our country. Your Committee would like to continue the Free Parking program for at least the City's Centennial Year (2006) and the University of Saskatchewan Centennial Year (2007), and will come forward with a further report after that time.

Your Committee has determined that there is no requirement for a change to *The Traffic Bylaw* in this regard.

Attached, as background information, are copies of the following:

- a) Clause B1, Legislative Report No. 13-2005 which was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on September 6, 2005;
- b) Letter dated September 21, 2005 from Garry Kunard, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Royal Canadian Legion (RCL) Nutana Branch #362;
- c) Letter received September 1, 2005 from Joe & Heddy Bodie;
- d) Clause D1, Administrative Report No. 13-2005 which was considered at the July 18, 2005 meeting;
- e) Letter dated June 8, 2005 from Norman Tastad which was considered at the July 18, 2005 meeting.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,*

- 1) *that an extension be approved to allow vehicles displaying a valid Veteran's Plate to park at a parking meter for free to December 31, 2007, subject to all other provisions of Bylaw 7200, The Traffic Bylaw; and*
- 2) *that the Administration be requested to report back to the Administration and Finance Committee in September 2007 on the usage cost for this Free Parking Program.*

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**IN AMENDMENT**

*Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Hnatyshyn,*

*THAT an extension be approved to allow vehicles displaying a valid Veteran's Plate to park at a parking meter for free to June 30, 2006, subject to all other provisions of Bylaw 7200, The Traffic Bylaw, until a definition of veteran can be determined.*

*THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND LOST.  
THE MAIN MOTION WAS PUT AND CARRIED.*

**MOTIONS**

Councillor Hnatyshyn gave the following Notice of Motion at the meeting of City Council held on November 28, 2005:

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

‘THAT the Mendel Art Gallery be asked to form a committee of Saskatchewan Artists to jury the six submissions for the Century Plaza landmark, and make recommendations to Council.’”

*DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 35.*

**INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS**

**Bylaw 8331**

Moved by Councillor Penner, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8331, being “The Boulevard Lease (201 – 6<sup>th</sup> Street East) Bylaw, 2005”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

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THAT Bylaw No. 8331 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8331.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8331 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8331 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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THAT Bylaw No. 8331 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 8449**

Moved by Councillor Penner, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8449, being “The Development Plan Amendment Bylaw, 2005 (No. 9)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT Bylaw No. 8449 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8449.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8449 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8449 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8449 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 8451**

Moved by Councillor Penner, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8451, being “The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2005 (No. 24)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT Bylaw No. 8451 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8451.

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CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8451 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8451 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8451 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 8464**

Moved by Councillor Penner, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8464, being "The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2005 (No. 29)", and to give same its first reading.

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CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT Bylaw No. 8464 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8464.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8464 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8464 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8464 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 8465**

Moved by Councillor Penner, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8465, being “The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2005 (No. 30)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT Bylaw No. 8465 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8465.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8465 was considered clause by clause and approved.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8465 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8465 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 8467**

Moved by Councillor Penner, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8467, being "The Transit Fares Amendment Bylaw, 2005", and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT Bylaw No. 8467 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8467.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8467 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8467 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8467 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 8469**

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Moved by Councillor Penner, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8469, being “A Bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to amend Bylaw No. 2685 entitled, “*A bylaw to regulate the sale of electric light and power in the City of Saskatoon and fixing the rates and deposits therefor.*””, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT Bylaw No. 8469 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8469.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

Councillor Penner, Chair of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:  
That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8469 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

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THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8469 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8469 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 8470**

Moved by Councillor Penner, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8470, being “The Waterworks Amendment Bylaw, 2005”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT Bylaw No. 8470 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8470.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8470 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8470 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8470 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 8472**

Moved by Councillor Penner, seconded by Councillor Alm,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8472, being "The False Alarm Fees Amendment Bylaw, 2005", and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

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Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT Bylaw No. 8472 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Neault,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8472.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8472 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8472 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8472 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.

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*Due to the late hour, the following items were not considered, and will be placed on the January 9<sup>th</sup> Council agenda under "Unfinished Business":*

- *Clauses 1 – 3, Report No. 18-2005 of the Planning and Operations Committee;*
- *Clause 3, Report No. 16-2005 of the Administration and Finance Committee;*
- *Clauses 1 and 3, Report No. 5-2005 of the Land Bank Committee;*
- *Communications to Council*
  - *Items Which Require the Direction of City Council;*
  - *Information Items;*
  - *Items Which Have Been Referred for Appropriate Action; and*
  - *Proclamations.*

*Moved by Councillor Penner,*

*THAT the meeting stand adjourned.*

*CARRIED.*

*The meeting adjourned at 11:25 p.m.*

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*Mayor*

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*City Clerk*