

Council Chambers
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, April 16, 2007
at 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

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

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the minutes of meetings of City Council held on March 26, 2007 and April 2, 2007, be approved.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

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

CARRIED.

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

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

Committee arose.

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

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

“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 9-2007

Section A – COMMUNITY SERVICES

**A1) Request For Encroachment Agreement
901 1st Avenue North
Lot 17, Block 8, Plan 99SA33536
(File No. CC 4090-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council recognize the encroachment at 901 1st Avenue North (Lot 17, Block 8, Plan 99SA33536);
 - 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 new owners of the property located at 901 1st Avenue North, have requested to enter into an Encroachment Agreement with the City of Saskatoon. As shown on the attached Real Property Report, the southeast corner of the building encroaches onto 1st Avenue North and Duke Street by 9.25 square metres; a portion of the east side of the building encroaches onto city property (lot 15) by 0.90 square metres; and the loading dock on the west side of the building encroaches onto the lane by 3.40 square metres. The building encroachments have likely existed since the building was constructed in 1946, and the loading dock encroachment has existed since 1985. There is currently an Encroachment Agreement in place for these areas, however; the property is changing ownership and a new agreement is being requested in the new owner's name. The total area of encroachment is 7.25 square metres and will, therefore, be subject to an annual fee of \$50.00.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Letter of request from the owner's lawyer, received March 21, 2007.
2. Real Property Report dated December 9, 2003.

**A2) Request For Encroachment Agreement
702 43rd Street East
Lot 26 and the most Westerly 6.096 metres in perpendicular width
throughout Lot 25, Block 379, Plan 59S01096
(File No. CC 4090-2)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council recognize the encroachment at 702 43rd Street East (Lot 26 and the most Westerly 6.096 metres in perpendicular width throughout Lot 25, Block 379, Plan 59S01096);
 - 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 owner of the property located at 702 43rd Street East has requested to enter into an Encroachment Agreement with the City of Saskatoon. As shown on the attached Real Property Report, the eaves at the rear of the building encroaches onto City Property, which is the lane, by 0.15 metres. The total area of encroachment is approximately 2.90m² and will, therefore, be subject to an annual charge of \$50.00.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Letter from the owner, received March 30, 2007.
2. Copy of Real Property Report dated June 7, 2002.

**A3) Purchase of Art Piece for Riverfront Path Installation
(File No. LS. 215-13-5 and LS. 1860-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

During its March 26, 2007, meeting City Council reviewed a report from the General Manager, Community Services Department (see Attachment 1) recommending the purchase of the art piece entitled "A Cut of Time" by Elizabeth Yonza to be installed under the Traffic Bridge on the Riverfront path in Saskatoon's new River Landing Development and resolved:

"that City Council approve the purchase of the "Cut-out of Time" interpretative element by Elizabeth Yonza for placement on the north side of the Riverfront path beneath the Traffic Bridge, provided that all technical aspects are resolved to the satisfaction of the Administration, and subject to a further report to City Council from the Administration with respect to the public safety aspect."

REPORT

In follow up to the request from City Council to conduct a technical and safety review of the planned art piece, your Administration met with the artist (Elizabeth Yonza), an engineer, the Urban Design Manager and consulted with the City Solicitor's office for an opinion on the risk assessment of installing such an art piece.

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Specifically, your Administration asked Ms. Yonza to confirm that the final version of the art piece will not have sharp points or cut outs in the piece that could create an unreasonable safety concern to the public. Ms. Yonza has submitted a letter of confirmation ensuring all safety issues will be addressed in the final version of the art piece and an acknowledgement that the art piece will not be installed until final approval is received from the Administration (see Attachment 2).

Also during the technical and safety review process, the solutions considered include: having levels closest to the ground solid without any cut-outs, having the support pillars a little higher so a child could not easily reach to pull themselves up to the sculpture, not having the cut-outs come to a sharp point but ending in a curved shape, and limiting access to the rear of the sculpture. The Engineers also indicated there would need to be design considerations given to the overall structure and the placement of the supporting structures to address durability and safety. The design will need to take in to consideration wind load that would be placed on the sculpture.

The Urban Design Manager said the piece would need to be created in a way to discourage access by small children through such features as no cuttings or openings close to the ground which would allow toe holds. The artist would need to work at limiting access to the rear of the structure. The cut edges would need to be designed with a smooth or ground edge to reduce risk of cuts. The installations should be designed in away that would discourage climbing.

The Solicitor's Office recommends that prior to the completion of the art piece, the final plans be reviewed, by someone familiar with safety aspects of public installations, for the safety of the design of both the sculpture and installation. Solicitor's Office also suggested a sign could be placed near the structure indicating no climbing on the artwork. Recognizing as with any structure you can not prevent all from climbing but rather make it as safe as possible and ensure a small child would not have easy access.

Given the comments received from the technical engineer, Urban Design Manager and the Solicitor's Office in addition to the assurances received from the artist that all safety concerns will be addressed prior to the final installation of the art piece, your Administration feels we are now in a position to proceed with the project. Your Administration will also ensure the final safety review is completed on the art piece prior to the installation along the Riverfront pathway.

Given the current date and the three months the artist will require to complete the art piece, we anticipate this art piece being ready for installation around the middle of September 2007.

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OPTIONS

The only other option would be for City Council to deny the purchase of this art piece and recommend that the Visual Arts Placement Jury make another selection of an art piece from the remaining two short-listed submissions.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Report from General Manager, Community Services Department – Purchase of Art Piece for Riverfront Path Installation, dated March 5, 2007.
2. Letter from Elizabeth Yonza, dated March 30, 2007.

**A4) Purchase of Additional Land for Land Bank Program
Blairmore Suburban Development Area – Neighbourhood 2
File No. LA-4025-07-3**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the purchase of approximately 302.14 acres of vacant future residential land from Eugene Krivuzoff and Nettie Pankoski at a purchase price of \$3,100,000;
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary purchase agreements and that His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreements; and
 - 3) that this purchase be financed by withdrawals from the Property Realized Reserve with an initial payment of \$500,000 on the Closing Date, plus five annual payments of \$520,000. Legal and administration costs plus disbursements will also be withdrawn from the Property Realized Reserve.

ADOPTED.

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BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to gain the approval of City Council to proceed with the purchase of approximately 302 acres of land located within the boundaries of Blairmore Neighbourhood 2 and to hold this land for future residential development by the Land Bank.

At its meeting held on November 29, 2004, City Council approved the sector plan for the Blairmore Suburban Development area. This plan identified seven new neighbourhoods to be developed on the west side of Saskatoon (Attachment 1). In doing so, Council noted that these neighbourhoods would be developed over time in a logical sequence following substantial completion of Hampton Village. The concept plan for Hampton Village was approved in 2004 and servicing work on this neighbourhood began in the spring of 2004. Based on growth projections for this neighbourhood, development of the first neighbourhood in Blairmore is now likely to begin in three to five years. This projection will need to be reviewed over time as sales progress in Hampton Village. However, in order to get started on the design of Neighbourhood 1, the Land Branch will be working with the other land owners to collectively prepare a concept plan for Council's consideration and approval. This design process may take two to three years to complete. Once in place, this development could then proceed with servicing. It is estimated that the timeframe for build-out of Neighbourhood 1 may be in the range of 10 to 15 years at current rates of growth. If realized, this would mean that the timing to begin the next neighbourhood in the Blairmore area may be 13 to 17 years away.

In order to ensure that the Land Bank Program has sufficient raw land holdings to fulfill its mandate for the next 25 years of development, the Land Branch undertakes a detailed review every five years. The last review was submitted to the Land Bank Committee on November 29, 2001, and the Land Branch is currently in the process of updating this analysis. A separate report will be submitted later in 2007 on this topic.

However, during the course of analyzing our existing land holdings in the new Blairmore Suburban Development area and projecting our needs over the next 25 years, we became aware of two quarter sections of land that were available for sale in Neighbourhood 2. Based on the timelines noted above for this neighbourhood, your Administration entered into an Agreement of Sale with the owner of the land, subject to the approval of City Council. In order to take advantage of this time sensitive opportunity, this report is being submitted for Council's consideration prior to the submission of the Land Bank Raw Land Holding report.

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JUSTIFICATION

The subject properties are situated at the southwest corner of 22 Street and the future realignment of Highway 7, immediately west of the Blairmore Suburban Centre (Attachment 2). These two parcels of land comprise approximately 302.14 acres. Purchasing this land would increase our land ownership in this neighbourhood to approximately 375 acres and would leave one privately owned parcel comprising approximately 28 acres.

Property Description

Civic Address: N/A
Legal Address: Surface Parcel #118172033
NE Sec 27 Twp 36 Rge 06 W3 Extension 0
As described on Certificate of Title 79S47728
(151.99 acres)
Surface Parcel #118222567
NW Sec 27 Twp 36 Rge 06 W3 Extension 0
As described on Certificate of Title 79S47728
(150.15 acres)
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.
Size: Total area of approximately 302.14 acres
Zoning: FUD
Improvements: None – All buildings, equipment and personal property must be removed from the property before August 1, 2007. In the event removal of all items has not been completed by this date, the Purchaser may remove such items and shall deduct the cost of doing so from the April 1, 2008 installment payment.

Terms and Conditions:

1. Purchase Price:

Total cash payment price of \$3,100,000 with an initial payment of \$500,000 on Closing plus a series of 5 annual payments of \$520,000 to be made on the first day of April in each year from 2008 to 2012. Based on a discount rate of 7 percent, the present value of the total cash payment is \$2,632,102.

2. Conditions Precedent:

- i) Approval of City Council by April 20, 2007, authorizing the purchase of the subject property.
- ii) The vendor providing a Phase I Environmental Audit and Geotechnical Assessment acceptable to the Purchaser on or before the 9 day of March 2007. The Purchaser had until March 31, 2007 for its satisfactory review. This has now been completed.
- ii) The Purchaser had until March 31, 2007 for its satisfactory review of any and all easements currently existing on the lands. This has now been completed.

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3. Legal Costs and Disbursements: Each party shall be responsible for its own legal costs.
4. Closing Date: May 1, 2007
5. Possession Date: May 1, 2007

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Blairmore Sector Plan
2. Map Showing Subject Property

**A5) Land-Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department
For the Period Between
(For Information Only)
(File Nos. CK. 4000-5; PL. 4132, PL. 4355-D and PL. 4300)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

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Subdivision

Application No.: 23/07

Applicant:

Legal Description:

Marquis Industrial Phase 3

George, Nicholson, Franko for the City of Saskatoon

Part of E ½ Sec. 21 and Part of Sec. 22-37-5-W3M;

Part of Parcel XX, Plan 83S29140; Parcel AA and MB4,

Plan 00SA34606 and all of Parcel A, Plan 67S10221

Current Zoning:

IL1, IL2 and IH

Neighbourhood:

Marquis Industrial

Date Received:

April 4, 2007

PUBLIC NOTICE

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 7/07.
2. Plan of Discretionary Use No. D4/07.
3. Plan of Discretionary Use No. D5/07.
4. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 17/07.
5. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 1807.
6. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 19/07.
7. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 20/07.
8. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 21/07.
9. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 22/07.
10. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 23/07.

**A6) Amendment to Briarwood Neighbourhood Concept Plan
(File No. PL. 4131 – 10)**

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that City Council approve the application submitted by Boychuk Construction Corp. to amend the Briarwood Neighbourhood Concept Plan to re-designate Parcel D, Plan 96S13323 from 'School Site' to 'Residential'; and

- 2) that City Council approve the application submitted by North Ridge Development Corporation to amend the Briarwood Neighbourhood Concept Plan to re-designate Parcel C, Plan 96S13323 from 'School Site' to 'Residential'.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Items A1 – A4, A11 – A13 and B12 – B14 of Communications to Council.

Section B – CORPORATE SERVICES

B1) Report on Write-Downs of Surplus Inventory During 2006
(File No. 1290-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

On an annual basis, the Inventory and Disposal Services Section submits a report to City Council on the amount of the inactive stock that is written off. For the year 2006, the write-downs of surplus/obsolete inventory were as follows:

	Write down	% Of Inventory
Central Stores	\$ 0	
Utility Services, Saskatoon Light & Power	\$17,326	0.3%
Infrastructure Services, Public Works Stores	\$ 0	
Infrastructure Services, Electronic Stores	\$ 2,230	0.5%

PUBLIC NOTICE

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Utility Services, Saskatoon Light & Power Stores write downs of surplus/obsolete for 2006.
2. Infrastructure Services, Electronic Stores write downs of surplus/obsolete for 2006.

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**B2) 2007 Budget Approval Business Improvement Districts
(File Nos. 1680-2, 1680-3, 1680-4, 1680-5)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the 2006 Financial Statements from The Partnership, Broadway Business Improvement District, Riversdale Business Improvement District, and the Sutherland Business Improvement District be received as information;
 - 2) that the 2007 Budget submissions from The Partnership, Broadway Business Improvement District, Riversdale Business Improvement District, and the Sutherland Business Improvement District be approved; and,
 - 3) that the City Solicitor's Office be requested to prepare the 2007 Business Improvement District Levy Bylaws for submission to City Council for consideration.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

As required by The Business Improvement District (BID) Bylaws, attached for Council's information are the 2006 Financial Statements of each BID. Also, each BID has submitted a copy of its 2007 annual budget for Council's approval. The 2007 levy request for each BID is as follows:

- a) The Partnership - The levy request remains at \$403,000, the same as the 2006 levy.
- b) Broadway Business Improvement District - The levy request is \$100,000, which is an \$18,000 increase from the 2006 levy.
- c) Riversdale Business Improvement District - The levy request is \$117,500 which is an \$11,500 increase from the 2006 levy.
- d) Sutherland Business Improvement District - The levy request is \$16,800; which is a \$300 increase from the 2006 levy.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. 2006 Financial Statements, Saskatoon Downtown BID.
2. 2006 Financial Statements, Broadway BID.
3. 2006 Financial Statements, Riversdale BID.
4. 2006 Financial Statements, Sutherland BID.
5. December 13, 2006 letter and 2007 proposed budget, The Partnership.
6. March 29, 2007 letter and 2007 Proposed Budget, Broadway BID.
7. January 5, 2007 letter and 2007 proposed budget, Riversdale BID.
8. 2007 proposed budget, Sutherland BID.

**B3) Urban Development Agreement
Cosmopolitan Industries Ltd.
(File No. CK. 1870-1 & 1815-9)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve a contribution to Cosmopolitan Industries Ltd. not to exceed \$237,500 under the Urban Development Agreement; and,
 - 2) that City Council authorize His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the Funding Agreement and the Lease Amending Agreement under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The Saskatoon Urban Development Agreement is a five-year (2005-2009), tri-party agreement between the City (\$2.5 million), the Province (\$2.5 million) and Western Economic Diversification (\$5 million). The Management Committee meets on a regular basis to review and recommend approval to various project requests that are consistent with the following priorities:

- community-based approaches to affordable housing, homelessness and the improvement and renewal of older neighbourhoods in Saskatoon;
- the development of cultural and recreational opportunities to enhance the quality of life in Saskatoon;
- initiatives to support protection of the environmental and address climate change;
- promotion and enhancement of Aboriginal participation in the economy;
- promotion of innovative initiatives to achieve a positive business climate and enhance Saskatoon's competitiveness; and
- the strategic infrastructure needs to achieve the continued physical, social and economic development of Saskatoon and, in particular, to address the other priority areas.

REPORT

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On November 15, 2006, the Management Committee met and approved a funding request from Cosmopolitan Industries Ltd. (Cosmo) for a project involving a building expansion and equipment upgrades for its recycling operations subject to additional due diligence to be performed by the funding partners. Cosmo is a non-profit corporation and provides work for adult program clients with intellectual disabilities. As part of the City's due diligence process it was determined that the existing land lease agreement between Cosmo and the City of Saskatoon required minor amendments to accommodate Cosmo's request.

The total cost of the project is approximately \$1.5 million and includes the addition of 10,000 square feet, raising the roof in one section of the building, relocating two separate work areas within the space, and the installation of two new shipping docks. The total funding approved under the agreement is \$950,000 and will be cost shared as follows:

Western Economic Diversification	50% or \$475,000
Provincial Government Relations	25% or \$237,500
City of Saskatoon	25% or \$237,500

The remainder of the funding will be provided by Cosmo. Your Administration is requesting approval of this project under the Saskatoon Urban Development Agreement with the City's contribution set at \$237,500.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

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**B4) Incentive Application –
Ace Manufacturing Inc.
(File No. CK. 3500-13 & 3500-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the application from Ace Manufacturing Inc. for a five-year tax abatement on the incremental portion of taxes at 302 – 60th Street East, be approved as follows:

100% in Year 1
80% in Year 2
70% in Year 3
60% in Year 4
50% in Year 5; and,
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the appropriate agreement.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

Attached is a report from Joe Vidal, Chair, Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority Inc. (SREDA) Board of Directors. The report is self-explanatory and provides the required information for City Council to consider the requests by Ace Manufacturing Inc. for a five-year tax abatement.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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ATTACHMENT

1. Report – Chair, SREDA Board of Directors.

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**B5) 2007 Provincial Revenue Sharing
(File Nos. CK. 1860-1, 1704-1, 1910-2, 6290-1, 1860-14)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of City Council issue.

REPORT

The 2007/2008 provincial budget included an additional \$30M targeted to municipal revenue sharing. Of this amount, \$15,963,000 was allocated to the urban pool of funding. Based on preliminary calculations, the City of Saskatoon's 2007 Operating Budget, as approved by the Budget Committee on April 3 and April 4, 2007 includes \$17,427,000 as a total provincial revenue sharing grant. Saskatoon's share has now been confirmed as \$17,775,600, which provides for \$348,600 in an increased grant.

Assuming City Council approves the Budget Committee's budget as is (which provided for a 4.76% increase in the City's effective tax rate), the increased revenue sharing will reduce the mill rate increase by \$348,600 (providing for a 4.41% increase in the City's effective tax rate).

Based on discussions throughout the 2007 budget reviews, City Council may want to consider two additional options:

1. Allocate the funds to the Snow and Ice program (Subvote 25-19).
On February 12, 2007, City Council referred the issue of a proposed \$1,195,800 service level increase to the Snow and Ice Program to the Budget Committee. During budget reviews, the proposal was reduced by \$386,000, made up of the following:
 - Additional residential snow clearing \$121,000
 - Snow clearing in the downtown streetscape area \$40,000
 - Increased high school snow removal \$50,000
 - Snow dump operations \$175,000

The allocation of \$348,600 will fund the majority of the above, thereby funding the majority of the original intent of the proposal.

2. Address the outstanding Amusement Tax issue (Vote 2)
During budget reviews, the Budget Committee referred the issue of amusement tax for theatres to the Administration and Finance Committee for further discussion. The 2007 budgeted net revenue from the theatres total \$180,000.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the increased funding of \$348,600 be applied to the Snow and Ice Reserve.

Section C – FIRE AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

**C1) Rural Municipality of Corman Park No. 344
and The City of Saskatoon
Fire Services Agreement
(File No. 290-5; CK. 2500-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the City of Saskatoon re-negotiate satisfactory terms and enter into a new Fire Services Agreement with the Rural Municipality of Corman Park No. 344; and,
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate Agreement.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

For the past several years, The City of Saskatoon has had an agreement with the Rural Municipality of Corman Park No. 344 for firefighting services, dangerous goods response services, rescue services and fire prevention services. The last agreement dated January 1, 2003, was for a term of three years with an automatic one-year extension, expiring December 31, 2006. Both parties wish to enter into a new Agreement. The new Agreement will be for a term of three years, commencing on January 1, 2007, and terminating on December 31, 2009.

REPORT

The Agreement will include provision of the following:

- a) firefighting services;
- b) dangerous goods response services;
- c) rescue services; and,
- d) fire prevention services.

The area in Corman Park to which this Agreement applies varies depending upon the use of the property to which the services are supplied. In this Agreement, the uses shall be divided into two categories:

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- a) industrial and commercial; and
- b) non-industrial and non-commercial.

The area for each particular use will be attached to the Agreement.

Industrial and Commercial Uses

- a) firefighting services – the sum of \$60,000.00 on or before the 30th day of September each year.
- b) dangerous goods response services - \$450.00 per hour per unit plus the cost of disposables used.
- c) rescue services - \$300.00 per hour per unit.
- d) fire prevention services - \$100.00 per inspection for inspections requested by Corman Park. The fee shall be applicable for each structure on a property with multiple structures.

Non-Industrial and Non-Commercial Uses

- a) firefighting services - \$300.00 per hour per unit for each unit responding to the emergency. For the purpose of this Agreement, one 4 X 4 and one tanker shall be considered one unit. An additional charge of \$200.00 per hour for each pumper unit for incidents requiring forces for an extended period and/or if in the complete discretion of Saskatoon Fire and Protective Services (SFPS), the availability of firefighters and firefighting apparatus require it. An extended period shall be defined as two hours, or less time if deemed necessary by SFPS.
- b) dangerous goods response services - \$450.00 per hour per unit plus the cost of disposables used.
- c) rescue services - \$300.00 per hour per unit.

These rates will remain in effect until December 31, 2009. If Corman Park does not pay the City as required in this Agreement, the City may give Corman Park seven days' notice to terminate and the City's obligations shall cease.

The SFPS Incident Commander in attendance at any incident shall have sole authority to do the following:

- a) Direct response activities at an incident;
- b) Determine if additional resources are required and to call for additional resources from SFPS if additional resources are required; and,
- c) Determine the appropriate point in time to turn control of an incident over to any other attending fire department(s).

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The obligation of the City under the Agreement will be subject to the following conditions:

- a) the availability of firefighters and firefighting equipment;
- b) the availability of fire inspectors; and,
- c) the availability of suitable road access to the location of the emergency.

The decision whether to respond to any emergency is entirely within the discretion of Saskatoon Fire and Protective Services.

Corman Park shall maintain in full force and effect for the duration of the Agreement a public liability insurance policy in an amount of not less than \$5,000,000.00 per occurrence and shall provide proof of the existence of such insurance to the City.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Section F – CITY MANAGER

**F1) River Landing Site Furniture
(File No. CC. 4129-1 & SPR 4129-24)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approve the sole source purchase of site furniture from Landscapeforms for River Landing Phase I and II.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

On August 30, 2005, site furniture including benches, litter receptacles, and ash stands were sole source purchased from Landscapeforms for a portion of River Landing Phase I. These pieces have been installed on-site.

The site furnishings by Landscapeforms were chosen after many weeks of deliberation and consultation. The selection occurred in a sequential process whereby various stakeholders in the project selected site furnishings deemed appropriate for the River Landing project. Prior to selecting furniture, design criteria were discussed and agreed upon.

The River Landing site furniture design criteria includes:

- Modern/clean design
- Reference to the River Landing logo
- Complimentary products that reflect similar design influences
- High quality craftsmanship and durability
- Use of modern materials and colour pallets

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Various products were presented to the group and selections were made according to the criteria listed above.

REPORT

To date, River Landing Phase I has been outfitted with Landscapeforms site furniture, and it is important that the next phases of construction between Phase I, Phase II, Riverfront, and the parking and connections areas be consistent with the River Landing project. The quoted price per unit for furniture from Landscapeforms in 2007 is consistent with the price paid for the same furniture in 2005. This request includes the purchase of benches, litter receptacles, and ash stands for River Landing Phase IB, the Riverfront, the pedestrian connections and parking area, Avenues A, B, and C, the Market Square, and Isinger Park.

JUSTIFICATION

The quality of Landscapeforms products is exceptionally high. The product materials are cast aluminium and ipe wood for all pieces, with the exception of the ash urn, which is recycled aluminium. It is advantageous to use ipe because it is a very strong and dense wood that has very high load bearing capacities and an extremely high tolerance to vandalism. It should also be noted that all of the wood used in Landscapeforms products is Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) compliant, which means that any materials used are harvested in an environmentally responsible manner. Cast aluminium is an ideal choice because it is a very light, yet very strong metal, and its use in these designs allows for more precise castings which will produce a better overall product.

The advantages of choosing products from Landscapeforms are many, but there are financial benefits as well. Not only does the selection of the Landscapeforms product produce a visually and aesthetically pleasing package, it also allows the City to obtain quantity pricing discounts by ordering directly from the manufacturer rather than tendering through a series of Landscapeforms distributors.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Funding is from the River Landing project and the proposed furniture price is within the furniture budget.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

F2) River Landing Hotel/Residential Site
(File No. CC. 4129-1 and SPR 4129-13)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the redevelopment of Parcel “Y” on River Landing Phase I continue to employ a mixed-use strategy incorporating a hotel, residential housing, restaurant(s), retail, and spa/destination attraction;
 - 2) that City Council approve a two-stage process outlined in this report for the disposition of Parcel “Y”; and,
 - 3) that the Request for Expressions of Interest document (Attachment 1) be approved for distribution.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Items A14 and A15, and B18 – B23 of Communications to Council.

F3) River Landing Design/Construction Update
(File No. CC. 4129-1 and SPR 4129-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

Phase II

19th Street Reconfiguration, Pathways, and Parking

The demolition of the unused rail overpass did much to alleviate the darkness and poor sightlines in the area. The replacement of the 1st Avenue on-ramp bridge structure with an at-grade intersection will supplement that enhancement, and remove impediments for both pedestrians and vehicles travelling east and west on 19th Street. This, coupled with the raising of 19th Street, will significantly improve the entire experience, providing a safer and more inviting corridor. The City unveiled these plans for the reconfiguration of 19th Street, surrounding streetscape, and surface parking at a public open house held November 7, 2006.

Construction is scheduled to begin in 2007. Residents, businesses, and motorists in the area should be well aware that this will cause a number of significant and prolonged traffic and pedestrian detours over the next year. 19th Street will be closed for most of the year, and access on and off the Senator Sid Buckwold Bridge will be interrupted. These traffic detours would have been required regardless of which construction option was chosen. While this may be an issue for some, the end results will be well worth the temporary inconvenience.

Riverfront

Following public input received at public open forums, stakeholder consultations, and two visioning workshops, the master plan for the redevelopment of the riverfront on River Landing Phase II was completed and approved by City Council in 2006. The plan is designed to create a connection along the river, establish a focal point for riverbank activities, and integrate and provide an identity complementary to Phase I. The innovative design features various components such as new pathways, pumphouse restoration, entry points, activity areas, and river viewing areas.

The concept of a new island connected by pedestrian bridges was examined in great detail and found to be in need of redesign. Geotechnical engineers noted that an island will likely result in sedimentation between the island and the shore creating a “peninsula” and the loss of fish habitat along the shoreline. As well, theatre groups and production companies were consulted regarding the proposed stage on the island. Due to the noise from the freeway and the distance to the viewing area, they recommended that the stage be located on the riverbank. These issues led the design team to reintroduce the original plan involving a pedestrian bridge and platform. This concept was well received during the November 7, 2006 public open house.

Construction on the site was delayed by one year in order to accommodate a comprehensive environmental study and analysis. For decades, the area backshore to the riverfront has seen a variety of industrial uses. Indeed, much of the riverfront in the area has been extended as a result of various infill. While the area has been used for pedestrian pathways and passive use by the public for decades, the City and the Meewasin Valley Authority wanted to ensure that future on-site construction and subsequent public use meets with the highest environmental standards. As such, the following studies have been conducted and are being tabled for public review:

- Phase II Riverfront Development Aquatic Resource Review for the South Saskatchewan River at Saskatoon (Attachment 1)
- Environmental Screening Report for the Phase II Riverfront Development (Attachment 2)
- Screening Level Environmental Risk Assessment River Landing Park Phase II Development (Attachment 3)
- Human Health Risk Assessment River Landing Park Phase II Development (Attachment 4)
- Hazardous Materials Assessment River Landing Phase II Pump House Building (Attachment 5)

The summary of this unprecedented level of study notes that potential impacts to the environment are expected to be mitigatable and that the magnitude and distribution of contaminants at the site are such that extensive remediation should not be required. No significant restrictions on the proposed use of the site are recommended. Finally, changes to fish habitat are restricted to the geographic extent of the project area and will be offset by the creation of critical fish habitat (rip rap) that is limited in the project area.

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These studies are available for public viewing and comment at the Meewasin Valley Authority (MVA) and online at the MVA and City websites. Pending environmental and regulatory approvals, construction is scheduled to begin this spring on the hard edges at the shoreline.

Pocket Park

The South Downtown Concept Plan envisioned three new parks for the River Landing area - the riverfronts on Phase I and Phase II, and a third, smaller “pocket park” next to Avenue C and the electrical substation.

The consultation process for the new pocket park began on October 27, 2006, with a stakeholder meeting (including representatives of the Riversdale Community and School Associations, the Meewasin Valley Authority, the Farmers’ Market, the Riversdale Business Improvement District, and the White Buffalo Youth Lodge). A public open house was held on November 15, 2006 at Princess Alexandra School. Additional consultation was held with the Grade 4/5 and 6/7 classes at Princess Alexandra School. The common consensus throughout the consultation process was a desire to see a passive park that complements the adjacent Farmers’ Market and its events, and includes such amenities as children’s play structures, walkways, green space and a central meeting place. They felt that the park should recognize the ethnic diversity of the neighbourhood. Citizens also stressed the importance of safety and security, with the maintenance of clear sightlines, open layout, and adequate park lighting.

Based on the input from the public and civic consultations, the park design includes ample green space, trees, pathways and lighting, park furniture, and play structures. Additional landscape treatment (walls, fencing, low berms, and plantings) will provide visual screening, sound attenuation, and aesthetic improvements to the perimeter of the substation. Substation access and security are also critical components of the perimeter treatment.

Construction on the park will begin this summer.

Streetscape – Avenues A, B, and C between 19th and 20th Streets

To revitalize the streetscape and serve as a transition between the Riversdale business district and the new River Landing development, the streetscape on Avenues A, B, and C between 19th and 20th Streets will be reconstructed. Led by the Urban Design Section, the project includes irrigated planting and street trees, sidewalk repair, street furniture, enhanced crosswalks across 19th Street, and improved pedestrian and street lighting.

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The streetscape project was presented to the public at an open house November 7, 2006. Generally, the comments received supported the work. Respondents placed high importance on overall aesthetic improvements; enhanced connection to River Landing; more street trees and lighting; a pedestrian-friendly environment; and heritage-style street furniture that complements 20th Street.

The project has been tendered and construction is projected to start this summer.

Infrastructure

Electrical work has proceeded in 2006 to isolate the Avenue A Substation and it is now complete. Saskatoon Light and Power is now in a position to remove the substation and work on the remaining underground servicing will begin. Installation of electrical, water and sewer, energy, telephone, fibreoptics, and cable will begin this year.

Farmers' Market/Business Support Centre/Market Square

The adaptive reuse of the former electrical garage and offices into the new home for the Saskatoon Farmers' Market and Ideas Inc. business incubator are near completion. The Farmer's Market will be complete by the end of April and the Ideas Inc. will be complete in early summer 2007.

As well, the former "Butler building" next to the electrical garage was sold and relocated, making way for the construction of the new "Market Square". Construction will continue through the spring of 2007.

Phase I

Riverfront

In 2006, construction continued on the landscaping and pathways including the installation of guardrails, sun shelters, streetscape furniture, irrigation, and lighting. The "suspension" bridge across the new river garden was completed, and entrances to the site from the backshore area and Meewasin Trails developed. To rave reviews from the thousands who have visited the site, the official opening was held on August 24, 2006. Riverfront features, including the waterplay feature, amphitheatre, pavilion building, and boat dock are scheduled for construction in 2007.

Traffic Bridge Accent Lighting

The original idea for re-lighting of the Traffic Bridge came from the South Downtown Concept Plan which was approved by City Council and the Meewasin Valley Authority in 2004. “Ambient and Special Lighting” was a key design element for River Landing. The Plan noted that:

“Overall ambient lighting will assist in the safety and security for visitors to the area whether they are walking from a parking lot, jogging along a trail or walking in the street. As a streetscape component, light fixtures also contribute to the integration of the streets with the pedestrian movement. To embrace the river and further encourage the South Downtown to be a destination, there are opportunities for new ambient lighting along the riverbank, including the illumination of Victoria Bridge and the 2nd Avenue landmark.”

Once it was established that the bridge was to have an extended life-span, Administration engaged the services of Cochrane Engineering to develop an accent lighting feasibility study. The study completed a review of four different illumination schemes for consideration. Due to the poor aesthetic condition of its surface, flooding the Traffic Bridge with light was less than ideal, and estimates to re-surface the bridge range from \$2 to \$4 million. Following input from various stakeholders, Administration has chosen an option to outline the arches of the bridge with flexible LED lighting. The leading and trailing edges of the three concrete piers located in the water would also be lit with LED flood lights.

This system is one of the least expensive to purchase and install, the approximate annual operating costs are the lowest of the options (approx. \$485), and has very low maintenance costs.

The project also includes the “electrification” of the bridge to facilitate future special events on the bridge. Several 240V and 120V electrical outlets will be installed at road level near the arches.

Total cost for design and installation is estimated to be between \$250,000, which will be funded from the existing capital budget for River Landing Phase I. Test strips have already been installed, with the remaining installation beginning this spring/summer. The temporary closure of the bridge during this period will be required.

Chief Whitecap and John Lake Sculpture

The City of Saskatoon has issued a call for Expressions of Interest to design, fabricate and install a public landmark to celebrate the meeting between Chief Whitecap and John Lake, to be installed at the Traffic Bridge traffic circle on Third Avenue. One the most interesting yet “undertold” Saskatoon stories is the historic meeting between Chief Whitecap and John Lake – the coming together of two great leaders, the first contact between two forward-looking communities, and the founding moment of our great city. The objective is to capture that moment for the enjoyment and education of present and future generations, and to celebrate cultural diversity in Saskatoon and area.

Funding for the project was acquired through Saskatoon's designation as the Cultural Capital of Canada – a distinction bestowed by the Government of Canada. Funding for the base and lighting will be born in the River Landing budget. Installation is scheduled to begin this fall.

Destination Site

The City of Saskatoon and Persephone Theatre reached an agreement for the sale of land, grant provisions, and property tax incentives that paved the way for the construction of the new performing arts theatre on River Landing Phase I. The theatre will be located on the northern portion of the destination complex site and will be designed to accommodate future integration with future construction. The Theatre is anticipating a December 2007 opening.

Streets and Streetscape

The extension of Spadina Crescent from Third Avenue to the Century Plaza roundabout was completed in 2006. Sidewalks, roll curbs, street pavers, trees and tree grates, streetscape furniture and lighting will be largely completed in this area. The extension of Second Avenue south to the roundabout, the reconstruction of Saunders Place, and the construction of surface parking under the Senator Sid Buckwold Bridge ramps will begin this summer.

Commercial Development

The South Downtown Concept Plan, approved by City Council on June 21, 2004 and by the Meewasin Valley Authority on October 1, 2004, provides the framework for the redevelopment of lands located in the south downtown area. The Plan encourages both public and private development noting that:

“a mix of land uses is essential to meeting the Planning Principles identified and, in particular to be a destination for residents and tourists, creating an interesting and vibrant area that will be alive all seasons, all day long. Just one land use will not accomplish these planning principles.”

To this end, the Plan identified several opportunities for residential housing, retail, and commercial business in addition to the many public amenities on both Phases I and II. While the construction of streets and underground services will take place in 2007 and 2008, the City needs to begin the process of bringing these opportunities to the market. The first of these will be the “Feature Building” site which was an important element of the Master Plan developed for the River Landing Phase I Riverfront.

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The building component was included “*to provide the major site identity structure as well as commercial opportunity (proposed restaurant) with extended hours of operation to provide a focus for activities, and to provide income for riverfront development and management.*” The report identified the feature building as a high development priority.

The site was designed to support a three-storey building including two stories of restaurant. Because the bottom floor (level with the riverwalk) is located within the 500-year flood zone, no permanent fixtures are allowed. However, the lower floor could accommodate space for programming, storage or a “tourism” oriented operator which could include river tours and rentals.

It is proposed that the City issue a Request for Proposals from qualified developers for the long-term lease of the site and subsequent development.

Issues

There remain a number of issues that challenge the timely and efficient construction and opening of various projects on River Landing. As with all capital projects in the City and, indeed, western Canada, the hot economy continues to raise construction costs to the point where accurate estimates are extremely difficult. Likewise, the shortage of contractors and sub-trades remains a challenge. Finally, environmental and regulatory approvals have proven to be slower and more difficult than anticipated. Much effort to mitigate these concerns have been undertaken including contractor open houses and value engineering exercises, and the overall project continues to progress.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Phase II Riverfront Development Aquatic Resource Review for the South Saskatchewan River at Saskatoon - Final Report dated March 2007 prepared by Canada North Environmental Services Limited Partnership.
2. Environmental Screening Report for the Phase II Riverfront Development, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan - Final Report dated March 2007 prepared by Canada North Environmental Services Limited Partnership.
3. Screening Level Environmental Risk Assessment River Landing Park Phase II Development Saskatoon, Saskatchewan - Final Report dated March 2007 prepared by Canada North Environmental Services Limited Partnership.
4. Human Health Risk Assessment River Landing Park Phase II Development Saskatoon, Saskatchewan dated March 21, 2007 prepared by P. Machibroda Engineering Ltd.
5. Hazardous Materials Assessment River Landing Phase II Pump House Building Saskatoon, Saskatchewan dated January 31, 2006 prepared by P. Machibroda Engineering Ltd.

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**F4) Productivity Improvements
(File No. CK. 100-27)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

City Council, at its meeting of February 7, 2005, adopted the following recommendations:

- 1) that City Council confirm its commitment to continually attempt to increase the corporation's productivity and efficiency; and,
- 2) that City Council instruct the Administration to prepare a report annually on the efficiencies implemented in the previous year.

Based on the instructions of City Council, your Administration is pleased to present a report on innovations and efficiencies that have occurred in 2006 (Attachment 1).

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. City of Saskatoon – Productivity Improvements – April 16, 2007.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 5-2007

Section B – OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

**B1) Enquiry - Former Councillor O. Fortosky (April 10, 2006)
Rating of Live Shows
(File No. CK. 205-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Former Councillor Fortosky made the following enquiry at the meeting of Council on April 10, 2006:

"Would the Administration, through Credit Union Centre and Teachers' Credit Union Place, please report on how live shows that come to the City of Saskatoon

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are rated. A recent concert featured a lot of sexually explicit behaviour as well as actions degrading to women that caused a lot of concern for parents of children under 18 years of age who were not aware of the content."

TCU Place and Credit Union Centre responded that the shows are not rated. Copies of their responses are attached. City Council then referred the matter to the City Solicitor's Office for a report.

On February 12, 2007, I sent the attached letter to the two Boards, basically asking whether there was anything which they could do to warn patrons about the content of shows. The responses of the two Boards are attached. As you can see from the responses, the approach of the two Boards is somewhat different. However, both are advising that their industry is really not set up to warn patrons about shows which are not suitable for children.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Copy of letter from TCU Place to Janice Mann dated April 21, 2006;
2. Copy of letter from Credit Union Centre to City Council dated May 1, 2006;
3. Copy of memorandum from City Solicitor to Credit Union Centre and TCU Place dated February 12, 2007;
4. Copy of letter from TCU Place to City Solicitor dated February 18, 2007; and
5. Copy of letter from Credit Union Centre to City Solicitor dated March 22, 2007.

**B2) Enquiry - Former Councillor D.L. Birkmaier (June 29, 2005)
Trademarks - City of Saskatoon
(File No. CK. 366-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council endorse the contents of this report for the preparation of a trademark policy by the City Clerks Office.

ADOPTED.

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At the meeting of City Council held on June 29, 2005, former Councillor Donna Birkmaier made the following enquiry:

“Would the Administration please report on the registration of ‘trademarks’ used by and associated with the City of Saskatoon.”

In particular, the Office of the City Solicitor was asked to determine what trademarks the City of Saskatoon currently has registered and whether the City has a trademark policy. The report of the City Solicitor’s Office was considered by City Council at its meeting held on March 13, 2006. A number of trademarks were identified. Our Office also determined that there was no trademark policy currently in effect. As a result, at its meeting held on March 13, 2006, City Council resolved:

“that the Administration be instructed to draft a trademark policy.”

This report seeks to outline the contents of such a policy.

Trademark Defined

A trademark can be defined as a distinctive characteristic used by a person, business or other entity to identify its goods and or services and distinguish them from the goods and services of others. Trademarks are typically comprised of a name, word, phrase, logo, symbol, design, image or some combination of the same.

Registration of Trademark

Once a trademark is created and used the owner of the trademark has certain rights in it. However, to be better protected the trademark is sometimes registered with the Canadian Intellectual Property Office. All trademarks registered by the City are registered as government marks which affords them more protection.

Purpose of Registering a Trademark

The reasons for registration include the protection of some good or service and/or the prevention of its use by others. In addition, a trademark may be registered with the goal of distinguishing some good or service provided by one enterprise from other enterprises. Further, a trademark may be useful where a good or service is not necessarily unique, but has some commercial or intrinsic value that is worth protecting. Therefore, where the City wishes to be identified by or associated with a certain good or service or prevent its use by another, it should consider registering a trademark.

Types of Things to Trademark

Generally speaking, anything that has a unique visual identity that is associated with the City should be trademarked. For example:

- City Logos;
- Product names developed by the City that might have commercial benefits;
- Unique programs developed by the City that might have commercial benefits;
- Unique City sites, for example, River Landing;
- City Emblems or crests, including the City, Saskatoon Police Service and Fire & Protective Services;
- Welcome signs;
- Subdivision logos, for example, the stylized “W” for Willowgrove

The Mendel, art galleries, TCU Place, Credit Union Centre and other similar institutions should also be encouraged to trademark their various logos.

How Long Does a Registration Last?

Registration of trademarks under *The Trademark Act* are valid for a period of 15 years from the date of registration (the date on which the Certificate of Registration is issued). A registration can be renewed indefinitely for further periods of 15 years.

Who Should Register a Trademark for the City?

Our Office suggests that individual City Departments identify those items they feel should be trademarked. We recommend that all requests for registration be sent to the Office of the City Solicitor. The City Solicitor’s Office can then prepare and handle the registrations. The records relating to the registration of all trademarks and their renewals will then be in a centralized location.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

B3) Amendment to Public Notice Policy
The Planning and Development Act, 2006
(File No. CK. 4350-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8597.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered at 7:00 p.m.

REPORT NO. 6-2007 OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

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

1. City Treasurer's Report on Investments – December 2006
(File No. CK. 1790-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Corporate Services Department dated March 16, 2007 forwarding the City Treasurer's Report on Investments to December 31, 2006.

Your Committee has reviewed this report, and supports the proposed strategy contained therein.

2. Policy C01-014 – Special Occasion Licenses
(File No. CK. 311-2)

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that the administrative committee that annually reviews special event applications be expanded to include not only the Community Services Department and the Infrastructure Services Department, but also the Police Services, Fire and Protective Services Department, and the City Clerk's Office;

2) that the Administration continue to work with community event organizers and nearby residents (where applicable) to

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ensure that large community events are managed appropriately;

- 3) that the Administration report back to the Administration and Finance Committee on the impact of allowing events up to 3 days only, and on the issues involved with setting up for these events (including noise from refrigerated trucks); and
- 4) that the Administration be directed to send a letter to The Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority regarding appropriate inspection of all events that have liquor sales in parks over the summer, to ensure compliance with the rules for these events.

ADOPTED.

At its meeting held on August 14, 2006, City Council considered applications for several events in the community and the impact of major events in terms of disruption to the surrounding residents and concerns regarding policing for these events. City Council subsequently resolved in part, that the Administration and Finance Committee be requested to review the City's Policy for issuing Special Occasion Licenses, in terms of the impact of large events in the Community.

The Committee considered a report of the City Clerk dated August 28, 2006 with respect to this matter at its meeting held on August 28, 2006 and resolved that the Administration be instructed to bring forward a draft policy regarding the process for approving major events.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 15, 2007 in response to the above resolution, containing a copy of the report of the City Clerk dated August 28, 2006 as referenced above.

Your Committee has met with a concerned citizen who has been affected by events in Rotary Park. Attached is a copy of his presentation made to the Committee and his correspondence provided for previous meetings. As will be noted the issues involve noise from the beer garden tent (including loud music), noise from participants which then travels when the crowd disperses into the parking lot and the streets nearby, partying carried on in alleys and some property damage. One of the issues of noise involves the refrigerated truck, which arrives on the site in advance of the event and the noise continues during the duration of the event over the weekend.

Your Committee wishes to assist in alleviating these concerns and has therefore added two resolutions, one to address the issues involved in set-up for these events (including the refrigerated truck) and the other to address the responsibility of the Liquor and Gaming Commission inspectors regarding compliance issues with respect to the beer tent.

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Your Committee has considered a suggestion that these events not be allowed in parks near residential areas, however, that would eliminate almost all parks, and the Committee supports these special events as being significant to the overall quality of life in Saskatoon. It is anticipated that the new policy will assist in ensuring the least disruption for the neighbouring residents.

3. Communications to Council

**From: Paulette Edin, Office Administrator
SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival**
Date: January 12, 2007
**Subject: SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival 2007
and**

Communications to Council
**From: Kelly Walker
FMG Dragon Boat Festival**
Date: February 23, 2007
**Subject: The 2007 Rotary Club of Saskatoon Nutana
Saskatoon Dragon Boat Festival**

(File No. CK. 185-9)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the request for extension of the *Noise Bylaw* from the SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival, dated January 12, 2007, be approved subject to administrative conditions, including approval of a Special Occasion License Resolution letter from the City Clerk's Office; and
 - 2) that the request for extension of the *Noise Bylaw* from the 2007 Rotary Club of Saskatoon Nutana Saskatoon Dragon Boat Festival, dated February 23, 2007, be approved subject to administrative conditions.

City Council received the above-noted requests for *Noise Bylaw* extensions at its meetings held on January 22, 2007 and March 12, 2007 respectively, and the requests were referred to the Administration, pending the outcome of the report concerning "Special Occasion Licenses" which addresses the impact of major events on the community. The report on "Special Occasion Licenses" has been submitted to City Council under Clause 2 of this report.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 16, 2007 in response to Council's referrals regarding the above-noted requests for *Noise Bylaw* extensions, and containing copies of the communications referenced above. The SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival involves an extension of the 10:00 p.m. deadline to 11:00 p.m. during the Festival June 22nd through to July 1st, 2007. The FMG Dragon Boat/Rotary Club of Saskatoon Nutana Saskatoon Dragon Boat Festival involves an extension of the 10:00 p.m. deadline to 11:00 p.m. during the Festival on July 27th & 28th, 2007.

Your Committee supports these requests for extension of *The Noise Bylaw*.

Item B24 of Communications to Council was brought forward.

“B24) Darren Williams, dated April 16

Advising Council that he will be in attendance on behalf of the Saskatoon Nutana Rotary Club and The 2007 Rotary Club of Saskatoon/FMG Dragon Boat Festival should there be any questions regarding the Festival. (File No. CK. 185-9)”

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the recommendation be adopted.

4. 2006 Operating Revenues Year-End Report
(File No. CK. 1705-LS)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a copy of the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 15, 2007 forwarding the 2006 Operating Revenues Year-End Report for the Leisure Services Branch.

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Administration and is pleased with the outcome.

5. Mandatory Use of Helmets for All-Wheeled Activities
(File No. CK. 7000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue with respect to consideration of Bylaw No. 8490 – The Helmet Bylaw.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Items A6 – A9, A16 – A19, B6 – B11, and B25 – B37 of Communications to Council.

REPORT NO. 2-2007 OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

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

**1. 2007 Operating Budget
(File No. CK. 1704-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the 2007 Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures as outlined in the attached summary document be approved;
 - 2) that the issue of “Crime Free Multi-Housing” be referred to the Mayor’s Task Force on Neighbourhood Safety to consult with applicable stakeholders on the implications of implementing a Crime Free Multi-Housing Program in Saskatoon;
 - 3) that Credit Union Centre be required to fund \$50,000 of the increase to the Civic Buildings Comprehensive Maintenance Reserve;
 - 4) that the issue of dark-sky compliant lighting in new neighbourhoods be referred to the Administration for a report to the appropriate standing committee;
 - 5) that the Administration be requested to review and report, on a priority basis, to the Administration and Finance Committee on the sufficiency and capacity of all of the City’s reserves, including reserves that are defined by bylaw; and

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- 6) that the issue of amusement tax for theatres be referred back to the Administration and Finance Committee for further discussion.

The preliminary version of the 2007 Operating Budget Estimates was submitted to City Council on March 26, 2007 and referred to the Budget Committee for review. Your Committee met publicly on April 4 and 5 and reviewed the document.

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

- IT WAS RESOLVED:*
- 1) *that the 2007 Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures as outlined in the attached summary document and as amended in accordance with item B5 on page 19 be approved;*
 - 2) *that the issue of “Crime Free Multi-Housing” be referred to the Mayor’s Task Force on Neighbourhood Safety to consult with applicable stakeholders on the implications of implementing a Crime Free Multi-Housing Program in Saskatoon;*
 - 3) *that Credit Union Centre be required to fund \$50,000 of the increase to the Civic Buildings Comprehensive Maintenance Reserve;*
 - 4) *that the issue of dark-sky compliant lighting in new neighbourhoods be referred to the Administration for a report to the appropriate standing committee;*
 - 5) *that the Administration be requested to review and report, on a priority basis, to the Administration and Finance Committee on the sufficiency and capacity of all of the City’s reserves, including reserves that are defined by bylaw; and*
 - 6) *that the issue of amusement tax for theatres be referred back to the Administration and Finance Committee for further discussion.*

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Composition of Committee

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

**1. Saskatoon Airport Authority
Members Nominated by the City of Saskatoon
Expiration of Term
(File No. CK. 175-43)**

RECOMMENDATION: that Ben G. Robb, be nominated to be Member of the Saskatoon Airport Authority, throughout a term expiring at the conclusion of the 2010 Public Annual Meeting of the Corporation, which will be held prior to May 15, 2010.

ADOPTED.

The City of Saskatoon is one of the nominators of the Saskatoon Airport Authority. The above appointment is necessary to deal with an appointment which will expire at the conclusion of the 2007 Public Annual Meeting of the Corporation, which will be held May 2, 2007.

2. **Recycling Initiatives Update**
(File No. CK. 7830-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Attached for the information of Council is a report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department dated January 29, 2007, outlining initiatives of the Environmental Services Branch regarding waste management, air quality, and protection of the environment.

3. **Immigration**
(File No. CK. 100-10)

RECOMMENDATION: that the Administration be directed to pursue the next steps as identified in the report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 23, 2007.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 23, 2007 and puts forward the above recommendation.

Copies of the full report "Building Saskatoon to Become a Global City: A Framework for an Immigration Action Plan" are available for viewing at all public library locations and at the Office of the City Clerk. The reports are also posted on the City's website at:

http://www.saskatoon.ca/org/clerks_office/imm_report_summary.pdf

http://www.saskatoon.ca/org/clerks_office/imm_report_full.pdf

4. **Blairmore Civic Recreation Centre**
Building Naming and Promotional Benefits Agreement
(File No. CK. 4110-32)

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that the Naming and Promotional Benefits Agreement between the City of Saskatoon and Shaw Communications Inc. be approved; and

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- 2) that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Agreement under the Corporate Seal.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Items A10 and B17 of Communications to Council.

His Worship the Mayor assumed the Chair.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner;

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

CARRIED.

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Clause B3, Legislative Report No. 5-2007 is to be considered at this time.

“LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 5-2007

**B3) Amendment to Public Notice Policy
The Planning and Development Act, 2006
(File No. CK. 4350-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8597.

On March 21, 2006 the Province of Saskatchewan proclaimed *The Planning and Development Act, 2006* in force. The new *Act* provides for a revised procedure for the passing of bylaws which require advertising such as zoning bylaw and development plan amendments. The new *Act* requires a public hearing to be held after first reading of such a bylaw and prior to second reading. However, the *Act* also specifies that municipalities that are designated as approving authorities may continue to have different procedures if they pass a bylaw adopting a public notice policy with respect to matters which require notice under *The Planning and Development Act, 2006*.

In consultation with the Community Services Department and the City Clerk’s Office, we have prepared and submit herewith proposed Bylaw No. 8597, The Public Notice Amendment Bylaw, 2007 to amend Public Notice Policy C01-21 to provide for public notice for all procedures under *The Planning and Development Act, 2006* for which public notice is required. The amendment creates a new Part 2 to specify the procedure to be followed for such matters. The procedure set out in Part 2 is, with two exceptions, the exact procedure mandated under the former *Act, The Planning and Development Act, 1983*. This is intended as an interim measure and is due to the fact that the Province proclaimed the new *Act* in force without any consultation with the City and

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without giving any lead time for transition to the new *Act*. The Community Services Department, in consultation with the City Clerk and this Office will be reporting in the future on any new procedures which may be desirable.

The exceptions to the current procedure referred to above are the following. There is reference to the adoption of concept plans by resolution as this is provided for in the new *Act*. Secondly, the advertising procedure for discretionary use applications has been included. The procedure is verbatim the existing procedure as provided in Zoning Bylaw No. 7800.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8597.”

City Solicitor Dust distributed revised copies of Schedule A to the Bylaw.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8597, as amended.

CARRIED.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 8597

Moved by Councillor Dubois, seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8597, being “The Public Notice Amendment Bylaw, 2007”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, seconded by Councillor Pringle,

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THAT Bylaw No. 8597 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8597.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8597 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8597 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Bylaw No. 8597 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.

PRESENTATION

Ms. Darlene Bessey, Chair, Citizens' Centennial Committee, presented the 2006 Final Report of the Saskatoon Citizens' Centennial Committee. His Worship the Mayor presented Ms. Bessey with a thank you gift and thanked her and the Committee on behalf of Council and the citizens of Saskatoon for its hard work.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the matter of the disposition of the financial surplus be referred to the Administration for a report to the Executive Committee.

CARRIED.

HEARINGS

- 4a) Discretionary Use Application**
Residential Care Home – Type II
Predesignated Care Home Lot
114 Keedwell Street (Willowgrove Neighbourhood)
Applicant: Goran and Emina Jelisavac
(File No. CK. 4355-1)

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

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

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

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 12, 2007, recommending that the application submitted by Goran and Emina Jelisavac requesting permission to use Lot 23, Block 516, Plan 101749248 (114 Keedwell Street) for the purpose of a Residential Care Home - Type II for up to ten residents be approved subject to:

- 1) the applicant obtaining a Development Permit and all other relevant permits (such

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as Building and Plumbing Permits) and licenses;

- 2) the final plans submitted for the proposed Residential Care Home - Type II being substantially in accordance with those plans submitted in support of this Discretionary Use Application; and,
- 3) the applicant being solely responsible for the costs associated with the installation of a 50 mm (two inch) water connection to accommodate any required sprinkler system.

Attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated March 30, 2007, advising that the Commission is in support of the above-noted recommendation.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Paul Whitenect, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the discretionary use application.

Mr. Vern Waldherr, member, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the discretionary use application.

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

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Clark,

THAT the application submitted by Goran and Emina Jelisavac requesting permission to use Lot 23, Block 516, Plan 101749248 (114 Keedwell Street) for the purpose of a Residential Care Home - Type II for up to ten residents be approved subject to:

- 1) *the applicant obtaining a Development Permit and all other relevant permits (such as Building and Plumbing Permits) and licenses;*
- 2) *the final plans submitted for the proposed Residential Care Home - Type II being substantially in accordance with those plans submitted in support of this Discretionary Use Application; and,*
- 3) *the applicant being solely responsible for the costs associated with the installation*

of a 50 mm (two inch) water connection to accommodate any required sprinkler system.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL

1) Ephrem Theoret, dated April 1

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to the proposed development in Briarwood. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

2) Rene J. Pinel, dated April 5

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to the proposed development in Briarwood. Additional information is attached. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

3) Alexandra Gomez, dated April 6

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to the proposed development in Briarwood. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

4) Doug Durrant, dated April 9

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to the proposed development in Briarwood. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

RECOMMENDATION: that items A11 – A13 and B12 - B14 of Communications to Council and Clause A6, Administrative Report No. 9-2007 be brought forward and considered, and that Ephrem Theoret, Rene Pinel, Alexandra Gomez, Doug Durrant, Al Lozinski, Dr. Duane Pochylko, Bernadette Pochylko, and Ron Olson be heard.

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Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT items A11 – A13 and B12 - B14 of Communications to Council and Clause A6, Administrative Report No. 9-2007 be brought forward.

CARRIED.

“A11) Al Lozinski, dated April 12

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the revised Briarwood Concept Plan. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

A12) Dr. Duane Pochylko and Bernadette Pochylko, dated April 13

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the revised Briarwood Concept Plan. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

A13) Ron Olson, Boychuk Investments Ltd., dated April 13

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the revised Briarwood Concept Plan, Parcel D. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

B12) R.E. Weenk, dated March 30

Commenting on proposed development in Briarwood. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

B13) Dan Jones, dated April 9

Commenting on proposed development in Briarwood. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

B14) Beemal Vasani, dated April 10

Commenting on proposed development in Briarwood. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 9-2007

A6) Amendment to Briarwood Neighbourhood Concept Plan
(File No. PL. 4131 – 10)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the application submitted by Boychuk Construction Corp. to amend the Briarwood Neighbourhood Concept Plan to re-designate Parcel D, Plan 96S13323 from 'School Site' to 'Residential'; and
 - 2) that City Council approve the application submitted by North Ridge Development Corporation to amend the Briarwood Neighbourhood Concept Plan to re-designate Parcel C, Plan 96S13323 from 'School Site' to 'Residential'.

BACKGROUND

City Council, at its meeting held on February 26, 2007, considered a proposal to amend the Briarwood Neighbourhood Concept Plan to re-designate Parcels C and D, Plan 96S13323 from 'School Sites' to 'Residential' and adopted the following resolutions:

- “1) that, with respect to Parcel D (west side), the matter be referred back to the Administration to discuss with the developer the inclusion of a buffer strip (linear park) between the development and Brookhurst Crescent.
- 2) that, with respect to Parcel C (east side), the matter be referred back to the Administration to discuss the offer put forward by North Ridge Developments and also to discuss a minimum lot size of 15 metres, the inclusion of a buffer strip (linear park) between the existing development and proposed development, and turning the houses on Brookmore around so that they face Brookmore and do not have a buffer strip.”

Please refer to Attachment No. 1, Copy of Clause 1, Report No. 3-2007 of the Planning and Operations Committee.

REPORT

1. Parcel D (west site)

A revised concept plan has been submitted by Boychuk Construction Corp. for the development of the west site, Parcel D. (See Attachment 2)

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This plan provides a ten metre linear park between the proposed lots and the existing lots on Brookhurst Crescent. This plan also results in a reduction of the number of lots from 27 to 25. As noted in the Communications section, the public reaction to the revised plan has been very positive.

The proposed linear park will be developed in a similar manner to the existing linear park located between Brookmore Crescent and Brookdale Crescent. Detailed park design plans will be finalized at a later date.

2. Parcel C (east site)

A revised concept plan has been submitted by North Ridge Development Corporation for the development of the east side, Parcel C. (See Attachment 3)

The revised plan reduces the number of lots from 17 to 16, with a general lot width of about 15 metres.

In terms of lot orientation, North Ridge wishes to keep the proposed lots fronting on the new street, with the rear yards and a buffer strip facing Brookmore Crescent. The buffer strip will contain appropriate fencing and landscaping.

The plan does not provide a linear park between the new lots and the one lot to the south of the development site. However, the lot widths of the two new lots located at the south end of the development site are sufficient to facilitate possible measures to reduce the impact of the new development (for example: easements, small land transfer, etc.).

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The estimated capital cost to develop the park, adjacent to Parcel D, to a linear park standard is approximately \$70,000 based on 2006 rates. In addition, the annual operating impact to maintain the park space will be approximately \$1,800 per year.

The funding source for the capital costs will be the Parks and Recreation Prepaid Levy.

COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

The Community Services Department arranged two public information meetings to give affected residents an opportunity to review the revised plans.

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The first meeting was held on March 29, 2007, to review the revised plan submitted by Boychuk Construction Corp. for the development of Parcel D. Approximately 15 individuals attended the meeting. The reaction to the revised plan was very positive.

The second meeting was held on April 4, 2007, to review the plan submitted by North Ridge Development Corporation for the development of Parcel C. Three individuals attended the meeting and they were not in support of the revised plan. Concern continues to be expressed with respect to the orientation of the lots adjacent to Brookmore Crescent and the impact of the proposed subdivision on the existing residence at the south end of the development.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Copy of Clause 1, Report No. 3-2007 of the Planning Operations Committee.
2. Revised Parcel D Concept Plan from Boychuk Construction Corp.
3. Revised Parcel C Concept Plan and Letter from North Ridge Development Corporation.”

The General Manager, Community Services Department, requested that Council defer consideration of Clause A6, Administrative Report No. 9-2007 in order that proper public notice can be done.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT the speakers be given an opportunity to speak regarding the proposed deferral.

CARRIED.

Mr. Ephrem Theoret expressed support of deferring consideration of the matter to April 30.

Mr. Rene Pinel expressed support of the deferring consideration of the matter to April 30.

Ms. Alexandra Gomez, Vice President, Briarwood Community Association, asked that Council defer consideration of the matter to May 14 in order to give the Association time to present residents with information.

Mr. Doug Durrant expressed support of deferring consideration of the matter to April 30.

Mr. Al Lozinski was not present in the gallery.

Dr. Duane Pochylko expressed support of deferring consideration of the matter to May 14 because he will be out of the country on April 30.

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Mr. Ron Olson, Boychuk Investments Ltd., expressed opposition to deferring consideration of the matter indicating that due process has been done.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

- 1) that consideration of the matter be deferred to the April 30, 2007 meeting of City Council; and*
- 2) that the Administration be instructed to give the appropriate public notice.*

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Dr. Duane Pochylko be given the opportunity to address Council at this meeting on the matter due to his absence on April 30.

CARRIED.

Dr. Duane Pochylko expressed concern regarding the proposed concept plan indicating that when he purchased his property he was under the impression that there would be a school development, not residential development. He expressed support for a linear park. He provided a copy of his presentation.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL - CONTINUED

5) Robin Bellamy, dated April 2

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to signage for the City-Wide Food Bank Drive on May 12, 2007. (File No. CK. 205-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that Robin Bellamy be heard.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Robin Bellamy be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Robin Bellamy, Saskatoon Food Bank, provided Council with information regarding the Food Bank's City Wide Food Bank Drive to be held on May 12, 2007. He asked that Council review the temporary sign bylaw in order to allow the Food Bank to place its signage in certain locations in the City.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the matter of signs be referred to the Administration to work with the Food Bank regarding the appropriate placement of their temporary signs.

CARRIED.

6) Rob Phillips, dated April 4

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to the proposed helmet bylaw.
(File No. CK. 7000-1)

7) Yolanda van Patten, dated April 9

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to the proposed helmet bylaw.
(File No. CK. 7000-1)

8) Darrell Noakes, dated April 10

Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to the proposed helmet bylaw.
(File No. CK. 7000-1)

9) Edward B. Hudson, dated April 10

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Requesting permission to address City Council with respect to the proposed helmet bylaw.
(File No. CK. 7000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that items A16 – A19, B6 - B11, and B25 – B37 of Communications to Council and Clause 5, Report No. 6-2007 of the Administration and Finance Committee be brought forward and considered, and that Rob Phillips, Yolanda van Patten, Darrell Noakes, Edward Hudson, Jennifer Link, Dalene Newton and Antoinette Martens be heard.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT items A16 – A19, B6 - B11, and B25 – B37 of Communications to Council and Clause 5, Report No. 6-2007 of the Administration and Finance Committee be brought forward and considered, and that Rob Phillips, Yolanda van Patten, Darrell Noakes, Edward Hudson, Jennifer Link, Ruth Whelan, Dalene Newton, Antoinette Martens, Leslie Rea, Dr. Cordell Neudorf, and Treena Abdellatif be heard.

CARRIED.

“A16) Jennifer Link, dated April 15

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

A17) Ruth Whelan, dated April 15

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

A18) Dalene Newton, dated April 16

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

A19) Antoinette Martens, dated April 16

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Requesting permission to address Council and provide a PowerPoint presentation regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B6) Arden Phillips, dated March 31

Commenting on proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B7) Michael Friesen, dated April 4

Commenting on proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B8) Patricia Pasloski, dated April 4

Commenting on proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B9) Kara Kuemper, dated April 6

Submitting copies of a blog with respect to the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B10) Ed Neufeld, dated April 7

Commenting on proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B11) Henry Unrau, dated April 8

Commenting on proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B25) A. Unger, dated April 10

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B26) Donna McKnight, dated April 12

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

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B27) Blaine Gysler, dated April 12

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B28) Art Randall, dated April 13

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B29) K. Martin, dated April 16

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B30) Shauntel McCall, dated April 16

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B31) John Lenz, dated April 16

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B32) Laynni Locke, dated April 16

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B33) Jill Shanks, Saskatchewan Prevention Institute, dated April 16

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

B34) Leslie Rea, Manager

Safe Communities, Saskatoon Health Region, dated April 12

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

**B35) Dr. Cordell Neudorf, Chief Medical Health Officer and Vice President
Saskatoon Health Region, dated April 16**

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

**B36) Treena Abdellatif, Supervisor
Safe Communities, Saskatoon Health Region, dated April 12**

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

**B37) Lissette Coulling, Executive Director
Saskatchewan Brain Injury Association, dated April 16**

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

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**5. Mandatory Use of Helmets for All-Wheeled Activities
(File No. CK. 7000-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue with respect to consideration of Bylaw No. 8490 – The Helmet Bylaw.

City Council considered Clause 1, Report No. 12-2005 of the Administration and Finance Committee at its meeting held on September 19, 2005 and resolved:

- 1) that the Administration, in consultation with the Saskatoon Health Region and Saskatchewan Government Insurance, draft a mandatory all-wheeled activities helmet bylaw, for consideration by the Administration and Finance Committee; and
- 2) that this consultation include a determination on the enforcement application for children younger than 12 years, the full-cost funding commitment from the Saskatoon Health Region, including the educational support that will be provided for this program, as well as the number of helmets that will be distributed to those who cannot afford them.

At its meeting held on March 20, 2006, the Committee, considered a draft bylaw requiring mandatory helmet usage while engaged in all-wheeled activities, and resolved that this matter be referred to the Administration for a report to include responses to the Committee's questions regarding warning options, commitment from School Boards and the Saskatoon Health Region, process for inclusion of children under 12, and process for inclusion of private property.

Attached is a copy of the report of the City Manager dated March 26, 2007, with respect to the above matter. Also attached is a copy of the report of the City Solicitor's Office dated March 27, 2007, along with a copy of proposed Bylaw No. 8490 (Attachment A).

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During consideration of the above-noted reports at the April 2nd, 2007 meeting, your Committee heard two presentations against mandatory helmet legislation. Following a thorough review of the issues involved, the Committee did not reach consensus in support of this legislation, and therefore it was agreed that this matter should be submitted to City Council for further consideration and decision.

As background information, attached is a copy of information provided by presenters at the April 2nd, 2007 Committee meeting, as well as an excerpt from the minutes of meeting of the Committee held on March 20, 2006, along with copies of the documents referred to therein and letters considered previously by the Committee (Attachment B).”

Mr. Rob Phillips expressed concern with respect to enforcement of the bylaw and helmet certification and indicated that he does not support the proposed helmet bylaw. He provided a copy of his presentation.

Ms. Yolanda van Patten expressed concern with respect to enforcement of the bylaw and indicated that she does not support the proposed bylaw. She provided a copy of her presentation.

Mr. Darrell Noakes expressed opposition to the proposed helmet bylaw.

Mr. Edward Hudson expressed opposition to the proposed helmet bylaw.

Ms. Jennifer Link, Think First Saskatoon, spoke in favour of the proposed helmet bylaw.

Ms. Ruth Whelan, Think First Saskatoon, spoke in favour of the proposed helmet bylaw.

Ms. Darlene Newton, Education and Prevention Coordinator, Sask. Central Acquired Brain Injury Outreach Team, expressed support of the proposed helmet bylaw and education programs on helmet use. She provided a copy of her presentation.

Ms. Antoinette Martens provided a PowerPoint presentation showing photos of bicycle usage in Holland and stated that Saskatoon could study other communities to see how implementing proper signage, dedicated roadways, etc. could be more beneficial for safety rather than implementing a helmet bylaw.

Ms. Leslie Ray, Manager, Safe Communities, Saskatoon Health Region, spoke in support of the proposed helmet bylaw.

Dr. Cordell Neudorf, Chief Medical Health Officer and Vice President, Saskatoon Health Region, spoke in support of the proposed helmet bylaw.

Ms. Treena Abdellatif, Supervisor, Safe Communities, Saskatoon Health Region, spoke in support of the proposed helmet bylaw.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the information be received and that the Administration pursue with interested organizations/partners the matter of educational programs and the possible distribution of helmets.

CARRIED.

REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL – CONTINUED

**10) Sandi Schultz, Leisure Services Branch, Community Services Department,
dated April 11**

Requesting permission for Merin Coutts, Regional Manager, Shaw Cablesystems G.P. to speak to the naming and promotional benefits agreement.

RECOMMENDATION: that Item B17 of Communications to Council and Clause 4, Report No. 6-2007 of the Executive Committee be brought forward and considered, and that Merin Coutts be heard.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Item B17 of Communications to Council and Clause 4, Report No. 6-2007 of the Executive Committee be brought forward and considered, and that Merin Coutts be heard.

CARRIED.

“B17) John Penner, dated April 13

Submitting comments regarding naming rights for the Blairmore facility. (File No. CK. 4110-32)

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**4. Blairmore Civic Recreation Centre
Building Naming and Promotional Benefits Agreement
(File No. CK. 4110-32)**

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that the Naming and Promotional Benefits Agreement between the City of Saskatoon and Shaw Communications Inc. be approved; and

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- 2) that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Agreement under the Corporate Seal.

Your Committee has considered and supports the attached report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated March 21, 2007.”

Ms. Merin Coutts, Regional Manager, Shaw Cablesystems Inc., spoke in support of the naming and promotional benefits agreement.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

- 1) *that the Naming and Promotional Benefits Agreement between the City of Saskatoon and Shaw Communications Inc. be approved; and*
- 2) *that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Agreement under the Corporate Seal.*

CARRIED.

REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL - CONTINUED

11) Al Lozinski, dated April 12

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the revised Briarwood Concept Plan. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 12.

12) Dr. Duane Pochylko and Bernadette Pochylko, dated April 13

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the revised Briarwood Concept Plan. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 12.

13) Ron Olson, Boychuk Investments Ltd., dated April 13

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the revised Briarwood Concept Plan, Parcel D. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 12.

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14) Terry Scaddan, Executive Director, The Partnership, dated April 12

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the future development on River Landing.
(File No. CK. 4129-3)

15) Paul Blaser, dated April 16

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the future development on River Landing.
(File No. CK. 4129-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that Items B18 – B23 of Communications to Council and Clause F2, Administrative Report No. 9-2007 be brought forward and that Terry Scaddan and Paul Blaser be heard.

Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Items B18 – B23 of Communications to Council and Clause F2, Administrative Report No. 9-2007 be brought forward and that Terry Scaddan, Paul Blaser and Rob Brown be heard.

CARRIED.

“B18) Shayne Metcalfe, dated April 10

Submitting comments and suggestions regarding the River Landing site. (File No. CK. 4129-3)

B19) Joe Kuchta, dated April 13

Submitting comments and suggestions regarding the River Landing site. (File No. CK. 4129-3)

B20) Marigold Cribb, dated April 15

Submitting comments and suggestions regarding the River Landing site. (File No. CK. 4129-3)

B21) Peter Cribb, dated April 16

Submitting comments and suggestions regarding the River Landing site. (File No. CK. 4129-3)

B22) Darryl Heskin, dated April 13

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Submitting comments and suggestions regarding the River Landing site. Also submitting comments on traffic flow at intersections in the City. (File No. CK. 4129-3 and 7000-1)

B23) Rob Brown, dated April 16

Submitting comments and suggestions regarding the River Landing site. (File No. CK. 4129-3)

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 9-2007

**F2) River Landing Hotel/Residential Site
(File No. CC. 4129-1 and SPR 4129-13)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the redevelopment of Parcel “Y” on River Landing Phase I continue to employ a mixed-use strategy incorporating a hotel, residential housing, restaurant(s), retail, and spa/destination attraction;
 - 2) that City Council approve a two-stage process outlined in this report for the disposition of Parcel “Y”; and,
 - 3) that the Request for Expressions of Interest document (Attachment 1) be approved for distribution.

BACKGROUND

The 12 key planning principles that guided the development of the South Downtown Concept Plan (approved by City Council on June 21, 2004 and by the Meewasin Valley Authority on October 1, 2004) were:

1. Support and strengthen Downtown and Riversdale.
2. Plan A.L. Cole and Gathercole sites together.
3. Create a distinct identity and sense of place.
4. Design to be a destination.
5. Design for development viability.
6. Appropriate density and building heights.
7. Remember the past.
8. Provide for special events.
9. Ensure barrier-free access.
10. Plan for all day and all season use.
11. Ensure a mix of land uses.

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12. Plan for safety and security.

To help accomplish these goals on River Landing Phase I, the Concept Plan recommended 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.”¹

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 2nd Avenue at its terminus, adjacent to the circle. This location will be a major focus of pedestrian and vehicle activity.”²

¹ South Downtown Concept Plan – page 19

² South Downtown Concept Plan – page 19

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Retail and residential opportunities were also identified as important to the success of River Landing and Parcel “Y”:

“Downtowns are increasingly becoming attractive to certain kinds of households as locations to live...The South Downtown Plan provides for more housing opportunities and the mix of uses will reinforce the Downtown as an attractive and interesting place to reside. This, in turn, will help sustain and develop retail and services in the Downtown.”³

“Housing may also be developed as part of this block (Parcel ‘Y’), ideally along 2nd Avenue above street retail. The extent of housing will depend on the scale of a hotel development. The site has the potential to be developed as one or two parcels.”⁴

The City of Saskatoon invited public input on the preliminary concept plan. A two-day open house was held and attended by 507 Saskatoon residents. The concept plan and public input forms were also available at City of Saskatoon leisure centres, City Hall, the Meewasin Valley Authority (MVA), and the three Business Improvement Districts. As well, the City developed a web page that allowed citizens to review the plan and provide input on-line.

Three hundred and sixty-four comment sheets, plus individual presentations, were received. Additionally, comments and input were received through other venues including a separate town hall meeting held by the core neighbourhood associations and stakeholders.

Overall, there was a very positive response to the Plan. The overwhelming majority (well over 80%) approved or strongly approved of the concept plan’s eight key elements. The concept of a hotel/restaurant/retail/residential component on River Landing Phase I was part of the proposed “mix of land uses” which received an approval rating of 87%. Most respondents expressed real enthusiasm for the entire plan and a desire to see it move forward. Comments were very thoughtful and respondents took a great deal of care in expressing their views.⁵

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.

³ South Downtown Concept Plan – page 2

⁴ South Downtown Concept Plan – page 19

⁵ South Downtown Concept Plan Public Input Summary

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The first stage, Expressions of Interest, pre-qualified a shortlist of potential developers who had the appropriate expertise, experience, and financial integrity. An administrative committee evaluated the Expressions of Interest received based on the following criteria: financial capacity, development and management experience, development concept, and references.

The shortlist of developers was then asked to provide a more comprehensive Request for Proposals submission that focused on the design of the project and purchase price. In addition to the purchase price offered, the proposals were evaluated by an administrative committee.

The Expressions of Interest was issued December 6, 2004, with a deadline for submissions of Friday, February 11, 2005. The administrative committee reported that two submissions had scored sufficiently to proceed to the Request for Proposals (RFP) stage; Remail Ventures Inc., and VPMI Hotel Group. The deadline for Request for Proposals submissions was May 25, 2005, at which time a proposal was received from Remail Ventures Inc. The Remail Ventures Inc. proposal was tabled at the City Council meeting of May 30, 2005.

On June 27, 2005 City Council approved the Remail Ventures Inc. proposal and authorized Administration to proceed to negotiate a sale agreement, which was tabled and approved on December 12, 2005. On February 27, 2007, Administration received a letter from Remail Ventures Inc. indicating that they would not be proceeding with the project. The City exercised its option to purchase the land back for the original sale price (\$1.6M) and, at its March 12, 2007 meeting, City Council resolved that Administration report to City Council on a strategy and options for the development of Parcel "Y", River Landing Phase I.

REPORT

Waterfronts around the world have found that a blend of private and public development is the key to success. Within that framework, the Concept Plan and Direct Control District One (DCD1) guidelines provide a menu of potential public developments: park space, public amenities, public art, play structures, landmarks, pedestrian pathways, streetscape furniture, markets, and interpretive elements. Likewise, they provided numerous choices from the commercial menu: restaurants, cafes, unique retail, residential housing, and other commercial opportunities. The Concept Plan embraces this concept and suggests a combination of all the above throughout the entire River Landing development.

As noted previously, Parcel "Y" on Phase I has been identified as an ideal site for an urban complex with a mix of commercial developments including residential, retail, restaurant, spa, and a hotel. A hotel has the unique ability to animate the area – to bring people to the site around the clock, during most days of the week, and throughout the four seasons.

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Administration has consulted with Gwyn Symmons of CitySpaces Consulting Ltd., the author of the South Downtown Concept Plan. In a memo dated April 3, 2007, (Attachment 2) Mr. Symmons notes that:

“The rationale for a hotel was the role it could play in bringing activity to the area late into the evening through all the seasons; reinforcing it as a destination...at this stage, we would encourage Council to make a further effort to attract a hotel development for the site.”

Mr. Symmons further notes that:

“We would suggest that Council consider indicating a preference for some form of spa rather than mandating it. Additionally, they might request proponents identify any alternative to a spa that they think might assist in making this location a destination to the public but that would be consistent with the balance of River Landing.”

As such, Administration is recommending that the City re-market Parcel “Y” to potential developers using the original vision consisting of a hotel, restaurant, residential, retail, and a spa or destination facility. For clarity, a spa can be a publicly accessible geothermal spa or mineral water spa. However, Administration agrees that a spa is just one of many concepts that could serve as a destination attraction and is recommending that the provision of a spa be broadened to include other publicly accessible destination attractions allowed under DCD1 guidelines. A destination attraction’s purpose is more clearly defined under “Permitted Uses” within the DCD1 guidelines: “to build on the Downtown’s role as the cultural heart of the city by the development of cultural facilities which can improve economic prospects and encourage tourism”. Suggested uses include, but are not limited to, interpretive centres, theatres, museums, and art galleries.

Proponents will be instructed that City Council’s preference is for a publicly accessible spa. A destination attraction is suggested as a potential alternative, and will be evaluated accordingly.

Administration is also recommending that the process follow a similar two-stage process with a RFP to be developed and reviewed by City Council following the approval of short-listed proponents. The process is designed to be fair and transparent, and provides a rational framework for successfully securing proposals and a final proponent to meet City Council’s objectives.

The requirement for the proponents to demonstrate financial capacity has been largely shifted to the RFP stage. Other changes being considered to the RFP include a provision for a minimum sale price rather than an open-ended request.

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Pending Council's approval, the tentative development timeline anticipates a RFP closure date in August 2007, the selection of a final proponent in September, and a sale agreement by October. The successful proponent will be required to negotiate an appropriate agreement to ensure that the development starts in a timely manner.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. River Landing Request for Expressions of Interest.
2. Memo dated April 3, 2007, from Gwyn Symmons of CitySpaces Consulting Ltd. to Chris Dekker."

Mr. Rob Brown asked that Council look at different approaches to the River Landing development indicating that the City should hold public meetings, have a master plan, look at land ownership, and create a management committee.

Mr. Paul Blaser asked that the River Landing site be integrated with the river and the city making it a destination for people to gather. He expressed concerns with respect to a hotel/spa development.

Mr. Terry Scaddan, Executive Director, The Partnership, expressed the importance of residential development at River Landing with a commercial component. He encouraged Council to move forward with the concept plan.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the matter be referred to the Executive Committee for further review and report back to Council at its next meeting.

CARRIED.

REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL - CONTINUED

16) Jennifer Link, dated April 15

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

17) Ruth Wilson, dated April 15

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

18) Dalene Newton, dated April 16

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

19) Antoinette Martens, dated April 16

Requesting permission to address Council and provide a PowerPoint presentation regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

B. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

1) Bryan Woods, Royal University Hospital, dated March 19

Recommending that Cheryl Stewart be appointed to the Access Transit Advisory Committee as the representative of the Saskatoon Health Region, replacing Shelley Hamilton. (File No. CK. 225-58)

RECOMMENDATION: that Cheryl Stewart be appointed to the Access Transit Advisory Committee as the representative of the Saskatoon Health region.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Cheryl Stewart be appointed to the Access Transit Advisory Committee as the representative of the Saskatoon Health Region.

CARRIED.

2) Zenon Zuzak, Director of Libraries, dated March 20

Confirming the appointment of Dorothea Funk to the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee, replacing Ron Jaremko. (File No. CK. 175-19)

RECOMMENDATION: that Dorothea Funk be appointed to the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT Dorothea Funk be appointed to the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee.

CARRIED.

3) Pauline Gaudette, dated March 21

Expressing concern about the proposed development of Chief Whitecap Park with respect to the off-leash dog area. (File No. CK. 4205-38)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and joined to the file and that the writer be advised of the next steps in the process.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

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

CARRIED.

4) Brenda Armstrong, Saskatoon Lions Band, undated

Asking for an extension of the time under the noise bylaw which marching bands can play in conjunction with a marching band competition to be held outside the Saskatoon Field House from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 8, 2007. (File No. CK. 185-9)

RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted to the Saskatoon Lions Band to extend the time during which marching bands can play in conjunction with a marching band competition to be held outside the Saskatoon Field House from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Sunday July 8, 2007.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

THAT permission be granted to the Saskatoon Lions Band to extend the time during which marching bands can play in conjunction with a marching band competition to be held outside the Saskatoon Field House from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Sunday July 8, 2007.

CARRIED.

5) Clive Weighill, Police Chief and Brian Bentley, Fire Chief, dated March 28

Requesting that City Council proclaim May 22 to 24, 2007 as Badge and Shield Week in Saskatoon and that the 300 and 400 blocks of 20th Street West and Avenue D, south of Star Egg (209 Avenue D South) to the south side of 20th Street be temporarily closed from 8:00 a.m. to 3 p.m. on May 23rd, and that parking meters be bagged on the 300 and 400 blocks of 20th Street West, on both sides, to accommodate activities associated with this event.

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- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the proclamation as set above;
 - 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamation on behalf of City Council; and
 - 3) that the request for street closures and meter bagging be approved subject to any administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Hill,

- 1) that City Council approve the proclamation as set above;*
- 2) that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the proclamation on behalf of City Council; and*
- 3) that the request for street closures and meter bagging be approved subject to any administrative conditions.*

CARRIED.

6) Arden Phillips, dated March 31

Commenting on proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

7) Michael Friesen, dated April 4

Commenting on proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

8) Patricia Pasloski, dated April 4

Commenting on proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

9) Kara Kuemper, dated April 6

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Submitting copies of a blog with respect to the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

10) Ed Neufeld, dated April 7

Commenting on proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

11) Henry Unrau, dated April 8

Commenting on proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

12) R.E. Weenk, dated March 30

Commenting on proposed development in Briarwood. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 12.

13) Dan Jones, dated April 9

Commenting on proposed development in Briarwood. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 12.

14) Beemal Vasani, dated April 10

Commenting on proposed development in Briarwood. (File No. CK. 4110-34)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 12.

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15) Janice Moorgen, dated April 3

Requesting sponsorship with respect to the Miss Canada International competition.
(File No. CK. 1870-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

16) Lucien and Kit Deux, undated

Commenting on the system of using traffic round-abouts. (File No. CK. 6320-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

17) John Penner, dated April 13

Submitting comments regarding naming rights for the Blairmore facility. (File No. CK. 4110-32)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 59.

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18) Shayne Metcalfe, dated April 10

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 23.

19) Joe Kuchta, dated April 13

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 23.

20) Marigold Cribb, dated April 15

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 23.

21) Peter Cribb, dated April 16

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 23.

22) Darryl Heskin, dated April 13

Submitting comments and suggestions regarding the River Landing site. Also submitting comments on traffic flow at intersections in the City. (File No. CK. 4129-3 and 7000-1)

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Item B22 of Communications to Council, regarding traffic flow at intersections, be referred to the Administration.

CARRIED.

23) Rob Brown, dated April 16

Submitting comments and suggestions regarding the River Landing site. (File No. CK. 4129-3)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 23.

24) Darren Williams, dated April 16

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Advising Council that he will be in attendance on behalf of the Saskatoon Nutana Rotary Club and The 2007 Rotary Club of Saskatoon/FMG Dragon Boat Festival should there be any questions regarding the Festival. (File No. CK. 185-9)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 36.

25) A. Unger, dated April 10

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

26) Donna McKnight, dated April 12

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

27) Blaine Gysler, dated April 12

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

28) Art Randall, dated April 13

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

29) K. Martin, dated April 16

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

30) Shauntel McCall, dated April 16

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Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

31) John Lenz, dated April 16

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

32) Laynni Locke, dated April 16

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

33) Jill Shanks, Saskatchewan Prevention Institute, dated April 16

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

**34) Leslie Rea, Manager
Safe Communities, Saskatoon Health Region, dated April 12**

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

**35) Dr. Cordell Neudorf, Chief Medical Health Officer and Vice President
Saskatoon Health Region, dated April 16**

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

**36) Treena Abdellatif, Supervisor
Safe Communities, Saskatoon Health Region, dated April 12**

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Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

**37) Lisette Coulling, Executive Director
Saskatchewan Brain Injury Association, dated April 16**

Submitting comments regarding the proposed helmet bylaw. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 37.

C. INFORMATION ITEMS

1) Anne Leis, dated March 22

Commenting on the availability of air service to and from Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 7000-2)

2) Julie Jessie, dated March 24 and April 10

Commenting on the proposal to locate a drug addiction center next to the Saskatoon Christian School. (File No. CK. 4110-1)

3) Wes Guenther, dated March 26

Submitting suggestions with respect to the City's operating budget. (File No. CK. 4110-1)

4) Buckley Belanger, Minister of Community Resources, dated March 20

Responding to a letter with respect to the Baby Safe Haven program. (File No. CK. 225-69)

5) Yang Pang, dated March 26

Commenting on difficulties encountered booking civic facilities for Ultimate Disc Sport. (File No. CK. 600-1)

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6) Brad Wall, Leader of the Official Opposition, dated March 19

Commenting on TILMA. (File No. CK. 127-1)

7) Art Knight, Chair, Board of Trustees, Mendel Art Gallery, dated March 27

Updating Council on the proposal to charge admission rates to the Mendel Art Gallery. (File No. 620-4)

8) Joe Kuchta, dated March 27

Commenting on the proposed River Landing Hotel and Spa. (File No. CK. 4129-3)

9) Andy Tait, dated April 1

Commenting on "Saskatoon" t-shirts being sold in South Carolina. (File No. CK. 150-1)

10) Delores Brent, dated April 1

Commenting on difficulties encountered at Credit Union Centre at the Junos. (Also attached is a memo dated April 3, 2007 from Ken Wood, Executive Director, Credit Union Centre, in response to Ms. Brent's letter.) (File No. CK. 205-31)

**11) The Hon. Frank Quennell, Q.C., Minister of Justice
and Attorney General, dated March 29**

Responding to an enquiry by Councillor P. Lorje with respect to safety partitions in taxis in the City of Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

12) Shane Volk, dated April 2

Commenting on the anniversary of the battle at Vimy Ridge. (File No. CK. 205-1)

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13) Karen Farmer, dated April 2

Thanking Council for approving the 17th Street green space development. (File No. CK. 4205-1)

14) Erin Melhoff, dated April 4

Commenting on difficulties encountered with respect to off-leash dog parks. (File No. CK. 152-2)

15) James Mann and Larry Toovey, PennCorp Life Insurance Company, dated March 28

Commenting on the group health and life plans in place for The City of Saskatoon.
(File No. CK. 4730-1)

16) Darlene Parsons, dated April 5

Commenting on taxi service in the city. (File No. CK. 307-4)

17) Cy Lenz, dated April 5

Commenting on the idea of having a dome built in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 3500-1)

18) Kim Gallucci, Executive Director, TCU Place, dated April 5

Submitting a copy of the 2006 Centennial Auditorium and Convention Centre Corporation Audited Financial Statements. (File No. CK. 1600-5)

19) Lloyd Beazley, dated April 8

Commenting on proposal to close the walkway between Peberdy and Wakabayashi Crescents.
(File No. CK. 6295-1)

20) Joanne Sproule, Deputy Assistant City Clerk, dated April 3

Submitting Notice of Hearing of the Development Appeals Board regarding the property at 1525 Coy Avenue. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

D. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

**1) Sheldon Wasylenko, Chair, Sutherland Business Improvement District,
dated March 14**

Advising of a proposal to extend the boundaries of the Sutherland Business Improvement District. (File No. CK. 1860-1) **(Referred to the Administration for appropriate action.)**

2) Mark R. Norman, Canadian Fallen Heroes Foundation, dated March 26

Requesting sponsorship. (File No. CK. 1870-1) **(Referred to Administration and Finance Committee for further handling)**

3) Gayle Papish, dated March 25

Commenting on traffic issues – 12th Street and Colony Street on Clarence Avenue. (File No. CK. 6280-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

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4) Shaz Pendharkar, dated March 28

Requesting to speak to the matter of using municipal solid waste to generate electricity to the appropriate audience at a future date. (File No. CK. 7830-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

5) Tim Fehr, dated March 30

Expressing concerns about the intersection of Ruth Street and Lorne Avenue. (File No. CK. 6320-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

6) Mary-Anne Hendel, dated March 30

Commenting on proposed increase in property taxes. (File No. CK. 1920-1) **(Referred to Budget Committee for further handling.)**

7) Giselle Correia, dated April 1

Commenting on recent incident at a local nightclub. (File No. CK. 150-1) **(Referred to Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority for appropriate action.)**

8) Rick & Colleen Koller and Barb & Elmer Kaluzy, dated April 2

Expressing concern about traffic noise from Central Avenue. (File No. CK. 375-2) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

9) Kara Kuemper, dated April 4

Commenting on the Police EAGLE Patrol. (File No. CK. 5000-1) **(Referred to the Budget Committee for further handling.)**

10) Mari-Lou Rowley, dated April 4

Commenting on the police budget. (File No. CK. 5000-1) **(Referred to the Budget Committee for further handling.)**

11) SW Whitwell, dated April 5

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Commenting on a proposed new bridge in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 6050-9) **(Referred to Administration to respond to the writer.)**

12) Bea Rochelle, dated April 5

Commenting on art presently on display at the Mendel Art Gallery. (File No. CK. 150-1) **(Referred to Board of Directors of the Mendel Art Gallery and Civic Conservatory for further handling.)**

13) Sandra Miller, dated April 9

Commenting on difficulties encountered with garbage receptacles. (File No. CK. 150-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT, with respect to Item D12, a copy of the response be forwarded to Councillor Heidt.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

E. **PROCLAMATIONS**

1) **Brian Nixon, President, Saskatoon & District Labour Council, dated March 13**

Requesting that City Council proclaim April 28th as Annual Day of Mourning in recognition of workers killed, injured or disabled on the job. (File No. CK. 205-5)

2) **Ian MacLennan, President, Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP), dated March 15**

Requesting that City Council proclaim October 9 to 13, 2007 as Affordable Housing Week in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

3) **Gayle Mast, Executive Director, Canadian Mental Health Association, dated March 29**

Requesting that City Council proclaim the week of May 7 to 12, 2007 as Mental Health Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

4) **Leo Fritz, Woodshow Director, Saskatchewan Woodworkers' Guild, dated April 2**

Requesting that City Council proclaim the week of May 27 to June 3, 2007 as Wood Workers Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

5) **TaraLee Pister, Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada, Saskatchewan Division, dated March 30**

Requesting that City Council proclaim May 2007 as MS Awareness Month.

6) **Mark von Eschen, Artistic and Executive Director, Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan, dated April 5**

Requesting that City Council proclaim July 2 to 8, 2007 as Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan Week.

7) Bob Lidington, Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, dated April 3

Requesting City Council proclaim May 2007 as Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month and encouraging all residents to participate in the 3rd annual Great Strides Walk on Sunday, May 27, at the Forestry Farm.

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

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES

**Councillor P. Lorje
Celebrating Our People
(File No. CK. 205-30)**

Will the Administration report on plans to make the “Celebrating our People” Centennial event an ongoing festival event in the City of Saskatoon.

**Councillor P. Lorje
Temporary Signs - Community Association
(File No. CK. 6280-1)**

Will the Administration please report on the matter of signs for Community Associations. Currently, they are allowed on an ad hoc basis, to place signs on city property such as parks and boulevards for a short duration in order to advertise community events. However, some community associations want to be able to advertise other things, such as church services, child care spaces, etc. They are also concerned that they do not, in fact, have permanent signage locations. Could the Community Services Department report on the possibility of a policy and program to develop up to two permanent sign locations in neighbourhoods to be used by, and administered by local community associations.

Councillor B. Pringle

**Traffic Safety Measures – Adelaide Street between Preston and McEown Avenues
(File No. CK. 6320-1)**

Could the Administration please explore traffic safety measures on Adelaide Street between Preston Avenue and McEwen Avenue, possibly lowering the speed from 40 km/h to 30km/h, and putting in speed bumps. Many seniors crossing to Market Mall are very concerned about their safety.

Councillor B. Pringle

**Noise Complaints - Train Whistles at Preston Rail Crossing
(File No. CK. 375-2)**

I am receiving noise complaints about the trains doing several long whistle blows at the Preston rail crossing at 1:00 a.m., 3:00 a.m., and 5:00 a.m. This crossing currently does have flashing lights, a bell and gates, i.e. all of the pre-requisite “warning systems” required to apply to eliminate the “warning whistle” according to CN’s whistle-blowing exemption provision.

Could the Administration please assess this, and negotiate with CN to cease this practice, if deemed adequately safe to do so.

Moved by Councillor Penner,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk