

Council Chamber
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, August 17, 1992,
at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: His Worship Mayor Dayday in the Chair;
Aldermen Mann, Thompson, Waygood, Mostoway, McCann,
Hawthorne and Cherneskey;
A/City Commissioner Pontikes;
A/Director of Works and Utilities Mikytyshyn;
Director of Finance Richards;
City Solicitor Dust;
City Clerk Mann;
Aldermanic Assistant Sproule

Alderman Dyck entered the meeting at 7:08 p.m. during consideration of Item 2b) of "Hearings".

Moved by Alderman Mostoway, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, August 4, 1992, be approved.

CARRIED.

HEARINGS

- 2a) **Zoning Bylaw Amendment
Reduced Site Frontage Requirement
Nurseries and Greenhouses as Discretionary Uses in
R.2 Zoning District
Bylaw No. 7305
(File No. CK. 4350-1)**
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REPORT OF CITY CLERK:

"Attached is a copy of Clause 1, Report No. 6-1991 of the Municipal Planning Commission which was ADOPTED by City Council at its meeting held on June 8, 1992.

A copy of Notice which appeared in the local press under dates of July 25, 1992 and August 1, 1992 is also attached.

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Council, at this meeting, is to hear and determine any submissions with respect to the proposed amendment prior to its consideration of proposed Bylaw No. 7305, copy attached."

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

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Hawthorne,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Waygood,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 7305.

CARRIED.

**2b) Zoning Bylaw Amendment
Rezoning I.D.1 & B.6 Districts to M.3(H) District
A. L. Cole Properties
Bylaw No. 7307
(File No. CK. 4351-1)**

REPORT OF CITY CLERK:

"Attached is a copy of Clause 2, Report No. 7-1992 of the Municipal Planning Commission which was ADOPTED by City Council at its meeting held on July 6, 1992.

A copy of Notice which appeared in the local press under dates of July 25, 1992 and August 1, 1992 is also attached.

Council, at this meeting, is to hear and determine any submissions with respect to the proposed amendment prior to its consideration of proposed Bylaw No. 7307, copy attached."

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

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 7307.

CARRIED.

**2c) Development Plan Amendment
Amendment to DCD2 District Guidelines
re Existing One and Two-Unit Dwellings
Core I.D. Idylwyld Drive North
Bylaw No. 7255
(File No. CK. 4110-3)**

REPORT OF CITY CLERK:

"Attached is a copy of Clause 1, Report No. 7-1992 of the Municipal Planning Commission, which was ADOPTED by City Council at its meeting held on July 6, 1992.

A copy of the Notice which appeared in the local press under dates of July 25 and August 1, 1992, is also attached.

Council, at this meeting is to hear and determine any submissions with respect to the proposed amendment prior to its consideration of Bylaw No. 7255, copy attached."

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

Moved by Alderman McCann, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Alderman McCann, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 7255.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

A. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

**1) Marlene Hall, Secretary
Development Appeals Board, dated August 4**

Submitting Notice of Development Appeals Board hearing re existing addition to one-unit dwelling (with side yard encroachment) - 657 Reid Road. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**2) Mark Blom
24 Lindsay Drive, dated August 7**

Commenting re noise from the Fringe Festival. (File No. CK. 185-9)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

3) Ken Wood, General Manager
Saskatchewan Place, dated August 6

Requesting Council to amend the Articles of Incorporation for Saskatchewan Place Association Inc. to allow for the management of the Titan Building as a trade and consumer show entertainment centre. (File No. CK. 175-31)

RECOMMENDATION: that the City Solicitor be requested to amend the Articles of Incorporation for Saskatchewan Place Association Inc. to allow for the management of the Titan Building as a trade and consumer show entertainment centre.

Moved by Alderman McCann, Seconded by Alderman Hawthorne,

THAT the City Solicitor be requested to amend the Articles of Incorporation for Saskatchewan Place Association Inc. to allow for the management of the Titan Building as a trade and consumer show entertainment centre.

CARRIED.

4) Viviane Swann, Resolutions Policy Analyst
ECM, dated July 27

Submitting copy of emergency resolution re Federal Responsibility for Affordable Housing. (File No. CK. 155-2-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Hawthorne, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Social Housing Advisory Committee.

CARRIED.

5) **Della Winkler, President**
Exhibition Community Association, dated July 31

Requesting closure of Eastlake Avenue between Ruth and Adelaide Street from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on August 30, 1992, for "Fun Day in the Park" to be held at Weaver Park. (File No. CK. 205-1)

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

Moved by Alderman Waygood, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

THAT the request be approved subject to Administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

6) **Carol & Rolf Jahren**
906 - 6th Street East, dated July 26

Submitting copy of article from the *Star Phoenix* regarding the power boat event on the river. (Files CK. 150-1 and 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman McCann, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

7) **Ed Hamm, Secretary**
Riversdale N.D.P. Constituency Association, dated July 20

Expressing appreciation to staff at the Riversdale Pool for their service over the years. (File No. CK. 150-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and forwarded to the Leisure Services Department.

Moved by Alderman Dyck, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT the information be received and forwarded to the Leisure Services Department.

CARRIED.

8) **Brenda Krohn, Executive Assistant**
Home Care - Saskatoon and District No. 45 Inc., dated July 30

Informing Council of change in the membership structure for Home Care - Saskatoon and District No. 45 Inc., and appointment of Mrs. Kay Whalley as Executive Assistant to the C.E.O. for Home Care/Community Health Unit. (File No. CK. 175-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and appreciation be expressed to Alderman D. L. Birkmaier, Mrs. Catherine Watts, Mr. Brian Morgan and Ms. Yvonne Pinder for their service on the Home Care Board of Directors.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

THAT the information be received and appreciation be expressed to Alderman D. L. Birkmaier, Mrs. Catherine Watts, Mr. Brian Morgan and Ms. Yvonne Pinder for their service on the Home Care Board of Directors.

CARRIED.

9) **Florence Johnson, Secretary**
Decoration Day Committee dated July 30

Requesting Council to authorize the payment of expenses incurred for the 1992 Decoration and Memorial Day Service and Parade. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Council authorize the payment of expenses incurred for the 1992 Decoration and Memorial Day Service and Parade.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT Council authorize the payment of expenses incurred for the 1992 Decoration and Memorial Day Service and Parade.

CARRIED.

10) **J. E. Chase, President**
Saskatchewan Construction Association Inc., dated July 29

Commenting re proposed Construction Industry Labour Relations Act. (File No. CK. 127-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Thompson,

THAT information be received and referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee.

CARRIED.

11) A.W.T. Myers, Public Relations
Saskatoon Kinsmen Club, dated July 21

Requesting permission to address Council re request for name change of 6th Avenue extension to Kinsmen Avenue. (File No. CK. 6310-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Mr. Myers be heard.

Moved by Alderman McCann, Seconded by Alderman Thompson,

THAT Mr. Myers be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Myers clarified issues raised at the Council meeting of July 20, 1992, with respect to the proposal to rename a portion of 6th Avenue to Kinsmen Avenue, and asked that Council reconsider the request.

Alderman Thompson gave the following Notice of Motion:

"TAKE NOTICE that at the next regular meeting of City Council, I will move to reconsider the following motion which was defeated by City Council on July 20, 1992:

- "a) THAT City Council approve the proposed street name change from 6th Avenue to Kinsmen Avenue, as described in the Engineer's Schedule No. H7-SL8; and,*
- b) THAT the City Solicitor be instructed to take all necessary actions to effect the street name change."*

Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT Notice of Motion be waived.

NOT CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

12) Christine Swiderski, Media Co-ordinator
Day Without Art, dated August 11

Requesting Council to proclaim December 1, 1992, as "Day Without Art". (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim December 1, 1992, as "Day Without Art".

Moved by Alderman McCann, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim December 1, 1992, as "Day Without Art".

CARRIED.

13) Garry MacDonald
2708 Broadway Avenue, dated August 7

Expressing appreciation to staff for the summer playground program at John Lake Park. (Files CK. 150-1 and 4205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and copy of the letter be forwarded to the Leisure Services Department.

Moved by Alderman Waygood, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

THAT the information be received and copy of the letter be forwarded to the Civic Buildings and Grounds Department.

CARRIED.

14) Jeff Goethals, Regional Manager

Hook Outdoor Advertising, dated August 11

Requesting permission to address Council re height of billboard at 149 Jessop Avenue. (File No. CK. 4350-13)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be received and considered with Clause B1, Report No. 19-1992 of the City Commissioner.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT the letter be received and considered with Clause B1, Report No. 19-1992 of the City Commissioner.

CARRIED.

15) Dr. A. Hamid Javed, Chairperson
Race Relations Committee, dated August 11

Advising Council that members of the Race Relations Committee will be present at the meeting to answer questions with respect to the Second Annual Report of the Race Relations Committee. (File No. CK. 225-40)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 16-1992 of the Legislation and Finance Committee.

Moved by Alderman Waygood, Seconded by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT the letter be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 16-1992 of the Legislation and Finance Committee.

CARRIED.

16) Shanno Lidster, Manager
Blood Donor Recruitment North, Canadian Red Cross, dated August 10

Requesting Council to proclaim the week of October 19 - 23, 1992 as "National Donor Appreciation Week" in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of October 19 - 23, 1992 as "National Donor Appreciation Week" in Saskatoon.

Moved by Alderman Waygood, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of October 19 - 23, 1992 as "National Donor Appreciation Week" in Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

17) Muriel V. Bremner
Heritage Society Member, dated August 12

Expressing support for the preservation of the Forestry Farm Residence. (File No. CK. 710-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be received and considered with Clause 7, Report No. 19-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee.

Moved by Alderman Dyck, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

THAT the letter be received and considered with Clause 7, Report No. 19-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee.

CARRIED.

18) Mary Frerichs, Chairperson
Saskatoon Committee for Accessible Transportation, dated August 13

Requesting permission to address Council **between 7:00 and 8:00 p.m.** re transportation for disabled persons. (File No. CK. 7305-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be received and considered with Clause 2, Report No. 16-1992 of the Works and Utilities Committee.

Moved by Alderman Dyck, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT the regular Order of Business be suspended and Clause 2, Report No. 16-1992 of the Works and Utilities Committee be brought forward and considered

CARRIED.

REPORT NO. 16-1992 OF THE WORKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

2. Transportation for the Disabled
(File No. CK. 7305-1)

Report of the Transit Manager, June 26, 1992:

"Saskatoon Transit was advised by the Saskatchewan Abilities Council at a meeting on June 2, 1992, that the 1992 Operating Budget for Transportation of the Disabled would be overexpended by \$20,000.

We had previously been informed by the Province that we could not expect to receive additional funding to cover overexpenditures in regards to the 1992 Budget.

Various methods of reducing the costs were discussed and it was agreed that Transit and Saskatchewan Abilities Council staff would review the hours operated in relation to system demand and vehicle utilization.

The result of the review was that service could be reduced by five vehicle-hours on weekdays and still accommodate the current patronage. This would reduce the operating costs by approximately \$14,000 in 1992.

The proposed service reduction would occur during the period from 7:00 a.m. to noon on

weekdays. This would represent a reduction of approximately 5 percent in monthly hours of service. While this may cause some inconvenience to customers, the following is noted:

- (a) The service currently accommodates 97% of the requests for transportation (as shown in the attached chart, an average of approximately 150 requests are not accommodated, out of 4,500 trips per month).
- (b) Only 12 percent of the unaccommodated requests for service occur during the time period during which it is proposed that service be reduced.

The alternatives to reducing the service at this time would be:

- 1) The City absorb the total cost of the overexpenditure.
- 2) Delay the service reduction and request additional funds from the province.

It is very doubtful that the funds would be available considering the reductions that have occurred in other provincial programs, and the delay would result in a larger service reduction later in the year."

Your Committee, upon consideration of the above report, requested further information regarding the proposed service reduction of five hours per weekday in the transportation for the disabled program.

Report of the Transit Manager, July 30, 1992:

"We have prepared an additional chart summarizing the average weekday distribution of:

- (a) trips not accommodated;
- (b) trips accommodated; and,
- (c) system productivity (trips per vehicle hour).

In addition, the chart illustrates the impact of the proposed service reduction on the number of vehicles in service and system productivity.

In reviewing the chart, the following is noted:

1. A request for service is registered as 'not accommodated' even if the trip is actually made at another time on the same day.
2. In general terms, productivity within the range of 2.0 to 2.5 trips per vehicle hour is

considered average for a door-to-door transportation system of this nature.

3. The average number of vehicles in service varies by each hour during the day for the following reasons:
 - (a) vehicles go into service and come out of service at varying times throughout the day; and,
 - (b) while the public and contract services are, in fact, separate services, so individual vehicles are generally dedicated to either the public or the contract service. However, the Abilities Council have been permitted to utilize some service integration for system efficiency.

4. The overall impact of the proposed service reduction is to reduce costs with minimal impact on passengers and revenue. The following issues were considered in determining the hours of service proposed for removal:
 - (a) service would be proposed for removal during the periods during which the level of unaccommodated requests was low;
 - (b) service would be proposed for removal during the periods during which productivity was low, and an increase in productivity could be achieved;
 - (c) service reductions would be operationally feasible; and,
 - (d) a detailed review of the dispatching revealed that those passengers who would be affected by the service reduction could, in fact, be accommodated on the other vehicles in service.

Based on this analysis, it is concluded that the operating cost for the transportation for the disabled program can be reduced by approximately \$11,500 in 1992. This will result in minimal negative impact on the passengers."

The attached letter from Mr. George Peacock, Chairman of the Board, Saskatchewan Institute on Prevention of Handicaps, dated July 15, 1992, was referred to the Committee for further handling. Mr. Peacock has been provided with a copy of this report.

RECOMMENDATION: that the weekday service for the transportation for the disabled program be reduced by five hours per day, effective September 1, 1992.

Moved by Alderman Mostoway, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT Ms. Mary Frerichs be heard.

CARRIED.

Ms. Mary Frerichs, representing the Saskatoon Committee for Accessible Transportation, tabled a copy of her brief with the City Clerk, urging Council to vote against cutting back Special Needs Transportation and to work with those involved to improve the system.

Moved by Alderman Dyck, Seconded by Alderman Waygood,

THAT information be received and the matter be referred back to the Works and Utilities Committee for further information and report.

CARRIED.

19) Marlene Hall, Secretary
Development Appeals Board, dated August 13

Submitting Notice of Development Appeals Board hearing re existing one-unit dwelling (with front yard encroachment) - 367 Crean Crescent. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman McCann, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

20) Frank F. Vegessi, 1992 Campaign Chairman
United Way, dated August 13

Requesting Council to proclaim August 31 to September 6, 1992 as United Way Week. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim August 31 - September 6, 1992 as United Way Week.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim August 31 to September 6, 1992 as United Way Week.

CARRIED.

21) Susan Barrett, President
Saskatoon Heritage Society, dated August 12

Requesting permission for representatives of the Saskatoon Heritage Society and the Saskatoon Zoological Society to make a presentation re Superintendent's Residence at the Forestry Farm Park. (Files CK. 4205-8 and 1703)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letter be received and considered with Clause 7, Report No. 19-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee.

Moved by Alderman Waygood, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

THAT the letter be received and considered with Clause 7, Report No. 19-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee.

CARRIED.

22) Eugene Arcand, Fifth Vice Chief
Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations, dated August 14

Expressing support for the recommendations outlined in the Second Annual Report of the Race Relations Committee. (File No. CK. 430-1)

23) Christine Lwanga, Vice-President
Immigrant Women of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon Chapter, dated August 14

Expressing support for the recommendations outlined in the Second Annual Report of the Race Relations Committee. (File No. CK. 430-1)

24) Marv Henderson, President
Saskatoon Multicultural Council, dated August 13

Expressing support for the recommendations outlined in the Second Annual Report of the Race Relations Committee. (File No. CK. 430-1)

25) Maurice J. Blondeau, Executive Director
S.I.M.F.C., dated August 17

Expressing support for the recommendations outlined in the Second Annual Report of the Race Relations Committee. (File No. CK. 430-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the letters be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 16-1992 of the Legislation and Finance Committee.

Moved by Alderman Mostoway, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

*THAT the letters be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 16-1992 of the
Legislation and Finance Committee.*

CARRIED.

B. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

**1) E.M.K. MacGregor
126 Avenue J South, dated July 29**

Expressing concern re condition of property at 124 Avenue J South. Referred to Director of Planning and Development. (File No. CK. 530-1)

**2) Pat Atkinson, MLA
Saskatoon-Broadway, dated July 31**

Commenting re colours of Special Needs Transportation for the Disabled buses. Referred to the Administration. (File No. CK. 7305-1)

**3) Shelly Loeffler
on behalf of the Diane Heidt Memorial Fund, dated June 30**

Requesting approval to construct a special memorial spot for Diane Heidt at the corner of Taylor and Preston. Referred to the Director of Planning and Development. (File No. CK. 4070-1)

4) **Mrs. Wendy-Jane Huziak, President & Chairperson of the Board
Caswell Preschool Co-operative, dated July 20**

Expressing concern re fire inspection fee for a preschool in the Caswell Elementary School main building. Referred to the Fire Chief. (File No. CK. 1720-1)

5) **Leo Savoy, Chief Executive Officer
L. A. Signs Company Limited, dated August 11**

Submitting proposal to amend City bylaw regarding the advertising in residential and commercial areas to allow for advertising by way of bus bench signs. Referred to the Works and Utilities Committee. (Files CK. 366-1 and 7311-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT the information be received.

IN AMENDMENT

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

AND THAT Item B.5 also be referred to the Urban Design Committee for comment through the Works and Utilities Committee.

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND CARRIED.

THE MOTION AS AMENDED WAS PUT AND CARRIED.

Moved by Alderman Thompson, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT the regular Order of Business be suspended and Item No. 6a) of "Unfinished Business" be brought forward and considered.

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6a) Communications to Council

**From: R. G. Bundon, Office Managing Partner
Deloitte & Touche**

Date: April 8, 1992

**Subject: Submitting copies of the Final Report on the
Infrastructure Rehabilitation Funding Study**

AND

Communications to Council

**From: Robert R. Buckley
SCOUT**

Date: April 10, 1992

**Subject: Requesting permission to address Council re
report of the "City of Saskatoon Infrastructure
Rehabilitation Funding Study"**

(File No. CK. 4140-5)

REPORT OF CITY CLERK:

"Attached is a copy of Clause 1, Report No. 12-1992 of the Works and Utilities Committee, which was DEALT WITH AS STATED by City Council at its meeting held on June 22, 1992:

'Pursuant to earlier resolution, Item A.17 of "Communications" and Clause A1, Report No. 15-1992 of the City Commissioner were brought forward and considered.

Moved by Alderman Birkmaier,

THAT Mr. Buckley be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Robert Buckley, representing SCOUT, reviewed his letter dated May 30, 1992, requesting a deferral of the matter until August, 1992.

IT WAS RESOLVED:that consideration of the matter be deferred until the August 17, 1992, meeting of City Council.'

Attached is a copy of Mr. Buckley's May 30th letter and a copy of Clause A1, Report No. 15-1992 of the City Commissioner referred to above.

Also attached is a copy of letter dated August 12, 1992, from Mr. Robert Buckley, on behalf

of SCOUT, and a copy of letter dated August 12, 1992, from Betty Pointer, 18 Mackie Crescent, requesting permission to address Council."

Moved by Alderman Thompson, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT Mrs. Pointer and Mr. Buckley be heard.

CARRIED.

Mrs. Betty Pointer of 18 Mackie Crescent indicated that it was unfair to have double taxation. She requested that the double taxation be abandoned and Council accept the suggested settlement of SCOUT.

Mr. Robert Buckley, representing SCOUT, reviewed his submitted presentation, outlining the comments of SCOUT.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Hawthorne,

THAT City Council adopt the following recommendations set out under Clause 1, Report No. 12-1992 of the Works and Utilities Committee, dated June 22, 1992:

- 1) THAT City Council adopt the recommendations of the External Auditor as described under CURRENT SITUATION as noted in this report;*
- 2) THAT the Administration be instructed to carry out the necessary steps to implement the recommendations; and*
- 3) THAT the Administration be instructed to report further on the increase in the infrastructure levy required to offset the reduced funding from LIP water main replacement.*

IN REFERRAL

Moved by Alderman Mostoway, Seconded by Alderman Thompson,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration.

THE REFERRAL MOTION WAS PUT AND LOST.

IN AMENDMENT

Moved by Alderman Thompson, Seconded by Alderman Mann,

AND THAT in the event that an Infrastructure Levy is increased in the future that the benefitting owners receive a proportionate increase.

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND CARRIED.

THE MOTION AS AMENDED WAS PUT AND CARRIED.

REPORTS

City Commissioner Irwin submitted Report No. 19-1992 of the City Commissioner;

Alderman McCann, Member, presented Report No. 19-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee;

Alderman Mostoway, Chairman, presented Report No. 16-1992 of the Legislation and Finance Committee;

Alderman Dyck, Chairman, presented Report No. 16-1992 of the Works and Utilities Committee;

Alderman Waygood, Member, presented Report No. 6-1992 of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee.

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Moved by Alderman Cherneskey, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

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

- a) Report No. 19-1992 of the City Commissioner;*
- b) Report No. 19-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee;*
- c) Report No. 16-1992 of the Legislation and Finance Committee;*
- d) Report No. 16-1992 of the Works and Utilities Committee;*
- e) Report No. 6-1992 of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee.*

CARRIED.

His Worship Mayor Dayday appointed Alderman Mann as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole.

Council went into Committee of the Whole with Alderman Mann in the Chair.

Committee arose.

Alderman Mann, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:

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

"REPORT NO. 19-1992 OF THE CITY COMMISSIONER

Section A - Works and Utilities

- A1) Capital Project #266-138 kV Conversion
QE to Pleasant Hill Substation and
Capital Project #725-138 Kv Conversion
Pleasant Hill to Edmonton Avenue Substation
Tender for construction of foundations and piles
for 138 kV transmission line steel structures
(File No. CC 2010-1)**

Report of the Manager, Electrical Distribution Department, August 12, 1992:

"The Central Purchasing and Stores Department called for tenders for the construction of foundations and piles for the 138 Kv transmission line steel structures for the approved Capital Project #266-138 kV Conversion QE to Pleasant Hill Substation and Capital Project #725 - 138 kV Conversion Pleasant Hill to Edmonton Avenue Substation. City Council, at its meeting of July 6, 1992, approved the purchase of the 138 kV Steel Structures for these two projects.

Two bids were received and publicly opened by the Central Purchasing and Stores Department on August 11, 1992. The results of the bids are as follows:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Bid Price</u>
R & D Hill Construction Ltd.	\$264,118.34
Steinitz Construction Ltd.	\$265,750.00

Note: All prices shown include G.S.T. and P.S.T.

The upgrade of the transmission line is being coordinated with the reconstruction of the intersection of Circle Drive and 11th Street West. The Electrical Distribution Department had requested that construction of two foundations be completed by August 30, 1992, to coordinate with the roadwork at the intersection. The lowest tender meets the requirements, and is acceptable. The Electrical Distribution Department's estimate was \$195,000 plus a contingency of \$5,000.

The net cost to the City considering G.S.T. rebate is as follows:

Base Tender	\$242,989.10
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G.S.T. @ 7%	17,009.24
P.S.T. @ 8% (on applicable items)	<u>4,120.00</u>
Contract Amount	264,118.34
G.S.T. Rebate	<u>17,009.24</u>
Net Estimated Cost to the City	247,109.10

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council accept the tender submitted by R & D Hill Construction Ltd. for the construction of foundations and piles for 138 kV transmission line steel structures at a total contract cost of \$264,118.34 which includes the base tender, \$5,000.00 contingency allowance, GST and PST; and,
 - 2) that the City Commissioner and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract documents under the Corporate Seal as prepared by the City Solicitor.

Adopted.

Section B - Planning and Development

- B1) Sign Permit No. 9180/91
149 Jessop Avenue
(File Nos. CC 4350-13 and 312-1)**

Report of the A/General Manager of the Planning Department, August 4, 1992:

"Sign permit No. 9180/91 was issued on February 8, 1991, to Pillar Ad (now called Hook Outdoor Advertising) and allowed this company to increase the height of an existing billboard sign (from 20 feet to 31 feet) at 149 Jessop Avenue. A site plan which shows the location of the sign has been attached to this report.

Part V(28) of Sign Bylaw No. 5138 states that:

'No billboard on the ground shall be higher than thirty (30) feet above the same without special approval of City Council.'

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Therefore, sign permit No. 9180/91 was issued in error because the billboard's height should have been restricted to 30 feet, and not 31 feet as was approved. This error was discovered during a site inspection which was conducted on November 27, 1991. Also, it was discovered that the billboard had been incorrectly installed at an overall height of 33.5 feet, causing the sign to be 3.5 feet higher than is permitted by the City's Bylaw.

Attached is a copy of a December 16, 1991, letter from Mr. Jeff Goethals, Regional Manager of Hook Outdoor Advertising. In his letter, Mr. Goethals has made the following requests:

1. City Council is asked to give special approval for this billboard sign to remain on the site as installed (i.e. at 3.5 feet over the maximum permitted height). The additional height is required to improve the sign's visibility above the shelterbelt of trees on the buffer strip which separates the industrial site fronting on Jessop Avenue from College Drive.
2. Hook Outdoor Advertising wants permission to maintain the trees along this stretch of College Drive. The company would like to be able to prune these trees in order to maintain the visibility of the sign. (The request was referred to the Civic Buildings and Grounds Department for comment. In the attached March 25, 1992, memorandum, the Manager of Properties has indicated that this Department does not support this particular request and does not see it in the City's interest to be encouraging structures that protrude above this screen.)

Four other billboards are located along this portion of College Drive. All of these signs are 25 feet high and are on lower elevations of land. Nonetheless, each sign is visible from College Drive and clearly conveys its message.

In conclusion, the buffer strip of trees at this location has been planted specifically to separate, visually, the industrial area from the roadway and to provide a more pleasant appearance to one of the major entrances to the City. The purpose of this buffer strip will be violated if billboards are permitted to project above the 30-foot maximum."

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council not grant special approval to the request from Hook Outdoor Advertising (formerly Pillar Ad) to allow the billboard at 149 Jessop Avenue to remain at 33 feet 6 inches in height and that the maximum height for this sign be 30 feet, as is specified in the City's Sign Bylaw.

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Item No. A.14 of "Communications" was brought forward and considered.

Moved by His Worship Mayor Dayday,

THAT Mr. Goethals be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Jeff Goethals, Regional Manager of Hook Outdoor Advertising, requested Council to approve the difference between what is allowed and the existing height.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that City Council not grant special approval to the request from Hook Outdoor Advertising (formerly Pillar Ad) to allow the billboard at 149 Jessop Avenue to remain at 33 feet 6 inches in height and that the maximum height for this sign be 30 feet, as is specified in the City's Sign Bylaw.

**B2) Discretionary Use Application D4/92
124/126 Avenue B North
For Information Only
(File No. CC 4355-1)**

Applicant: Imperial Parking Ltd.
Legal Description: Lots 33 and 34, Block 1, Plan DJ
Location: 124/126 Avenue B North
Current Zoning: B.4A
Proposed Use: Parking Lot
Date Received: May 27, 1992

The Acting General Manager of the Planning Department has received the above-noted Discretionary Use Application which is being processed and which will subsequently be submitted

to Council for its consideration.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Adopted.

**B3) Subdivision Application #20/92
Ontario Avenue - Lane Opening
For Information Only
(File No. CC 4300-2) _____**

Subdivision Application: #20/92
Applicant: Webster Surveys Ltd.
Legal Description: Plan Q10, W. 1/2 Section 33-36-5-3
Location: Ontario Avenue
Current Zoning: I.D.1
Date Received: July 30, 1992

The Acting General Manager of the Planning Department has received the above-noted application for subdivision which is being processed pursuant to the Subdivision Regulations and which will subsequently be submitted to Council for its consideration.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Adopted.

**B4) Subdivision Application #21/92
811 Brabant Crescent
For Information Only
(File No. CC 4300-2)**

Subdivision Application: #21/92
Applicant: Webster Surveys Ltd. for Northridge Developments Corporation
Legal Description: Lot 3, Block 134, Plan 92-S-03616
Location: 811 Brabant Crescent
Current Zoning: R.1A
Date Received: August 4, 1992

The Acting General Manager of the Planning Department has received the above-noted application for subdivision which is being processed pursuant to the Subdivision Regulations and which will subsequently be submitted to Council for its consideration.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Adopted.

**B5) Discretionary Use Application
720 - 8th Avenue North
Bed and Breakfast
For Information Only
(File No. CC 4355-1)**

Applicant: Betty Neudorf
Legal Description: Part of 6, Block 13, Plan DE
Location: 720 - 8th Avenue North
Current Zoning: R.2 District
Proposed Use: Bed and Breakfast
Date Received: August 4, 1992

The Acting General Manager of the Planning Department has received the above-noted Discretionary Use Application which is being processed and which will subsequently be submitted to Council for its consideration.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Adopted.

**B6) Demolition
1628 - 19th Street West
(File Nos. CC 530-2 and 4353-2-3)**

Report of the A/General Manager of the Planning Department, August 6, 1992:

"During its meeting on March 2, 1992, City Council declared the building at 1628 - 19th Street West to be a nuisance, pursuant to Section 124 of The Urban Municipality Act. Council ordered the registered and assessed owner, Mr. Nick Kinar:

- '1) to demolish or remove the said buildings and to fill in any open basement or excavation remaining on the sites of the said buildings after the demolition or removal thereof, and
- 2) to complete the work by the 15th day of July, 1992.'

Staff of the Planning Department inspected the property on Wednesday, July 29, 1992, and determined that the above-noted Order has not been carried out.

Section 124(5) of The Urban Municipality Act states:

'If an owner does not comply with an Order within the time specified in the Order, the Council may placard the building to protect the public and may proceed to have any work done that it considers necessary for the purpose of carrying out the Order, and the cost of the work is to be added to, and thereby forms part of, the taxes on the land on which the building is or was situated.'"

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the information be received;
 - 2) that City Council instruct the Civic Buildings and Grounds Department to prepare tender documents and take whatever steps it considers necessary to carry out City Council's Order on the property at 1628 - 19th Street West; and,
 - 3) that all costs incurred in the tendering process and the demolition work be added to and form part of the taxes on the land known as 1628 - 19th Street West.

Adopted.

**B7) Subdivision Application #22/92
867 and 869 University Drive
(File No. CC 4300-2)**

The following subdivision application has been submitted for approval:

Subdivision Application: #22/92
Applicant: Dr. Giovanni De Domenico
Legal Description: Lots 17, 18, and 19, Block 124, Plan No. G461
Location: 867 and 869 University Drive

The August 12, 1992, report of the Acting General Manager of the Planning Department concerning this application is attached.

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that in connection with the approval of Subdivision Application No. 22/92, it would be impractical and undesirable to require full compliance with Section 15(1)(a) of the Zoning Bylaw for the following reasons:
 - a) the amount of the site frontage variance is relatively small;
 - b) the area of the proposed lot significantly exceeds the requirements of the Subdivision Bylaw; and
 - c) the subdivision will resolve an existing nonconforming situation by placing each of the two houses on its own site; and,
 - 2) that Subdivision Application No. 22/92 be approved subject to:
 - a) the consolidation of the most north-easterly 1.8 metres (5.905 feet) in perpendicular width throughout of Lot 18, Block 124, Plan No. G461 with Lot 17, Block 124, Plan No. G461;

- b) the consolidation of the balance of Lot 18, Block 124, Plan No. G461 with Lot 19, Block 124, Plan No. G461; and,
- c) the payment of \$50.00 which is the required approval fee.

Adopted.

**B8) Rezoning Application Z11/92
3500 Block Idylwyld Drive North
For Information Only
(File No. CC 4351-1)**

Application: Z11/92
Applicant: Clackson Real Estate Ltd.
Legal Description: Pt. LSD 4 and 5, 21-37-5-3
Location: 3500 Block Idylwyld Drive North
Current Zoning: A.G.
Proposed Zoning: I.D.1A
Date Received: August 7, 1992

The Acting General Manager of the Planning Department has received the above-noted application for rezoning which is being processed and which will subsequently be submitted to City Council for its consideration.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Adopted.

B9) Subdivision Application #19/92
346 Priel Place
(File No. CC 4300-2)

The following subdivision application has been submitted for approval:

Subdivision Application: #19/92
Applicant: Mr. Jeff Bowyer
Legal Description: Part of Lot 77, Block 849, Plan No. 76-S-14681
Location: 346 Priel Place

The August 12, 1992, report of the Acting General Manager of the Planning Department concerning this application is attached.

RECOMMENDATION: that Subdivision Application No. 19/92 be approved subject to the consolidation of all that portion of Lot 77, Block 849, Plan No. 76-S-14681 described as follows:

"Commencing at the north-north-easterly corner, thence south-east along the easterly boundary to the south-east corner, thence west along the south boundary 5.867 metres (19.25 feet), thence northerly in a straight line to the point of commencement"

with Lot 78, Block 849, Plan No. 76-S-14681.

Adopted.

Section C - Finance

C1) Investments
(File No. CC 1790-3)

At its meeting of August 4, 1992, City Council resolved in part:

"2) that Council be provided with information on any purchase of Saskatchewan Bonds by the City of Saskatoon."

Report of the Investment Services Manager, August 12, 1992:

"The City of Saskatoon has invested in Province of Saskatchewan Bonds as a matter of course over the past number of years, and there has been no change in that pattern nor any attempt to de-emphasize Saskatchewan securities in the investment strategy. As was indicated in my memorandum of July 2 (see the report of the Legislation and Finance Committee - Clause 6 of Report No.16-1992), the City's accounts hold a representative position in Saskatchewan-based securities and we will continue to invest in future issues as long as they meet the legal and policy requirements and are consistent with strategic objectives at the time of purchase.

With respect to the recent issue of Saskatchewan Savings Bonds (SSB), I would advise that this issue was given careful consideration at the time of issue because of the attractive interest rate that was being offered. However, the final decision was not to participate because of other aspects of this particular issue.

SSB's were designed by the Provincial Government primarily as a vehicle to attract small to medium sized investors. Although the bonds have a five-year term, the interest rate was set for only one year, to be reset each year of the life of the bonds. In this respect, the bonds are directly comparable to Canada Savings Bonds or to one-year GIC's. In essence, the yield is a floating one-year rate. It has never been part of our investment strategy to purchase floating rate securities for City accounts.

A further consideration in our decision was the lack of an institutional market for the bonds, rendering them quite illiquid in the size of investment that we would make.

To the extent that bonds might have to be sold should money be required, one would also forfeit any capital gains that might otherwise accrue to a similar investment in marketable bonds. For example, an issue of Manitoba 6.75% 3-year bonds which came to market in the same general time-frame as the SSB's at 100 is now quoted at 101.50 for a current yield of 6.32%. This opportunity for market gains would be extremely difficult to achieve with SSB's. As interest rates continue to decline, the comparison will become even more striking.

In summary, while the bonds carried an attractive coupon at the time of issue, the lack of liquidity, the floating coupon rate and the loss of capital gains potential combined to make these bonds an inappropriate vehicle for institutional investment.

For these reasons, the decision was taken not to participate, and was related directly to the terms and nature of the issue and not to any other consideration. Future issues of Saskatchewan securities will be subjected to the same review process, just as they always have been, and as is any other security. We will continue to invest in Saskatchewan Bonds that meet the portfolios' needs."

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Adopted.

Section D - Services

D1) Routine Reports Submitted to City Council

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Statement of Residential & Miscellaneous Lot Sales (copy attached) (File No. CC 435-2)	July 1, 1992	July 31, 1992
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$3,588,411.43 (File No. CC 1530-2)	July 28, 1992	August 5, 1992
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$412,562.05 (File No. CC 1530-2)	August 5, 1992	August 7, 1992
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$3,269,427.59 (File No. CC 1530-2)	August 5, 1992	August 11, 1992
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$1,162,956.99 (File No. CC 1530-2)	August 11, 1992	August 13, 1992

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Adopted.

REPORT NO. 19-1992 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- 1. Decision - Development Appeals Board Hearing
516 Copland Crescent**

(File No. CK. 4352-1)

Attached is a copy of Record of Decision of the Development Appeals Board dated July 21, 1992, respecting the above appeal.

Council will note that the Board GRANTED the appeal.

Pursuant to Council policy in such matters, the Director of Planning and Development is to report to the Planning and Development Committee with recommendations.

Attached is a copy of a report of the A/Director of Planning and Development dated July 24, 1992, together with a report of the A/General Manager, Planning Department, dated July 24, 1992.

Your Committee has reviewed this matter and

RECOMMENDS: that the above decision of the Development Appeals Board not be appealed to the Planning Appeals Committee of the Saskatchewan Municipal Board.

Adopted.

**2. Decision - Development Appeals Board Hearing
316 - 31st Street West
(File No. CK. 4352-1)**

Attached is a copy of Record of Decision of the Development Appeals Board dated July 20, 1992, respecting the above appeal.

Council will note that the Board GRANTED the appeal to allow the easterly side yard encroachment for the dwelling to remain. The Board also GRANTED the appeal to allow the rear yard encroachment for the detached garage to remain.

Pursuant to Council policy in such matters, the Director of Planning and Development is to report to the Planning and Development Committee with recommendations.

Attached is a copy of a report of the A/Director of Planning and Development dated July 24, 1992, together with a report of the A/General Manager, Planning Department, dated July 24, 1992.

Your Committee has reviewed this matter and

RECOMMENDS: that the above decision of the Development Appeals Board not be appealed to the Planning Appeals Committee of the Saskatchewan Municipal Board.

Adopted.

**3. Decision - Development Appeals Board Hearing
435 - 7th Street East
(File No. CK. 4352-1)** _____

Attached is a copy of Record of Decision of the Development Appeals Board dated July 16, 1992, respecting the above appeal.

Council will note that the Board GRANTED the appeal.

Pursuant to Council policy in such matters, the Director of Planning and Development is to report to the Planning and Development Committee with recommendations.

Attached is a copy of a report of the A/Director of Planning and Development dated July 24, 1992, together with a report of the A/General Manager, Planning Department, dated July 24, 1992.

Your Committee has reviewed this matter and

RECOMMENDS: that the above decision of the Development Appeals Board not be appealed to the Planning Appeals Committee of the Saskatchewan Municipal Board.

Adopted.

**4. Decision - Development Appeals Board Hearing
215 Idylwyld Drive North
(File No. CK. 4352-1)**

Attached is a copy of Record of Decision of the Development Appeals Board dated July 16, 1992, respecting the above appeal.

Council will note that the Board GRANTED the appeal provided the freestanding sign is lowered to a maximum height of 6.56 metres (20 feet).

Pursuant to Council policy in such matters, the Director of Planning and Development is to report to the Planning and Development Committee with recommendations.

Attached is a copy of a report of the A/Director of Planning and Development dated July 24, 1992, together with a report of the A/General Manager, Planning Department, dated July 24, 1992.

Your Committee has reviewed this matter and

RECOMMENDS: that the above decision of the Development Appeals Board not be appealed to the Planning Appeals Committee of the Saskatchewan Municipal Board.

Adopted.

**5. Decision - Development Appeals Board Hearing
1629 Prince of Wales Avenue
(File No. CK. 4352-1)**

Attached is a copy of Record of Decision of the Development Appeals Board dated July 16, 1992, respecting the above appeal.

Council will note that the Board GRANTED the appeal.

Pursuant to Council policy in such matters, the Director of Planning and Development is to report to the Planning and Development Committee with recommendations.

Attached is a copy of a report of the A/Director of Planning and Development dated July 24, 1992, together with a report of the A/General Manager, Planning Department, dated July 24, 1992.

Your Committee has reviewed this matter and

RECOMMENDS: that the above decision of the Development Appeals Board not be appealed to the Planning Appeals Committee of the Saskatchewan Municipal Board.

Adopted.

**6. Childcare at Leisure Services Facilities
(File No. CK. 610-2)**

Report of the A/Director of Planning and Development, July 29, 1992:

"City Council, at its special budget review session held on March 21, 1992, during consideration of the Leisure Services Department's 1992 Operating Estimates decided against restoring any funding for the provision of subsidized childcare services at the City's leisure facilities and resolved, in part:

'that the Planning and Development Committee review and report on the effects of reducing childcare on program revenue generation.'

This resolution was considered by the Planning and Development Committee on March 23, 1992, at which time the Committee referred the matter to the Administration for a report. On March 30, 1992, Report No. 7-1992 of the City Commissioner advised City Council that

the Leisure Services Department planned to implement alternative methods whereby childcare services would be made available during the spring programming season on a full cost-recovery basis.

The report also indicated that the Leisure Services Department would undertake a comprehensive review of the need for childcare services at its major facilities and submit a further report and recommendations for the Planning and Development Committee's consideration prior to the fall programming season.

Report of the Acting General Manager, Leisure Services Department, July 29, 1992:

Background

'During its review of the Leisure Services Department's 1992 Operating Budget, City Council decided against restoring any funding for the provision of childcare services, but asked the Administration to explore methods by which these services could continue to be provided on a fully cost-recovered basis.

Staff within the Leisure Services Department examined several options whereby childcare services could be offered at the major facilities during the spring programming season, including:

- a) increasing the hourly rate for childcare;
- b) offering childcare on a pre-registered basis;
- c) encouraging the childcare users to rent activity space and operate a self-administered service; and
- d) encouraging the childcare workers to rent activity space and offer a privately-operated service.

It was determined that childcare services would be offered during specific times on a pre-registered basis at a cost of \$3.00 per hour for each child. However, there was not sufficient demand at any of the major facilities to recover the full cost of providing the service because patrons who had previously used childcare services found the change to be unacceptable. Potential childcare users indicated the increased cost was prohibitive to their desired level of participation, particularly for those who had more than one child. In addition, concern was expressed that there was no flexibility in terms of drop-in use. Because pre-registration required a fixed fee which had to be paid up-front, drop-in users felt they would be paying for the service whether they used it or not.

Subsequently, childcare workers at the Lawson Civic Centre arranged to rent a soccer change room and operate a private service, but childcare was not available at either the

Cosmo Civic Centre or the Lakewood Civic Centre during the recent spring programming season.

Also, Leisure Services Department staff met with patrons of the Saskatoon Field House and were able to arrive at an acceptable alternative whereby childcare could continue to be available on a fully cost-recovered basis. Specific morning times were established to accommodate both major user groups who could then purchase childcare tickets in advance (rather than pre-registration) at a cost of \$3.00 for the first child and \$1.50 for each additional child. A drop-in rate of \$3.50 per child was also established for occasional users. In addition, the service was provided on a per session (1½ hours) rather than an hourly cost basis.

The Harry Bailey Aquatic Centre does not offer a childcare service.

Childcare Study

In order to better understand the demand for childcare services, customer expectations, and willingness to pay for the service, the necessity of subsidizing childcare and what level of subsidy may be required, the Leisure Services Department was directed by City Council to undertake a comprehensive review of the need for childcare at its major facilities. The study was to include a process for gathering input from childcare service users and other interested persons or groups.

During the first two weeks of June, the Leisure Services Department sought opinions regarding childcare at civic facilities from customers at the Cosmo Civic Centre, Lakewood Civic Centre, Lawson Civic Centre, and the Saskatoon Field House by utilizing three research methods:

- 1) customers were randomly selected as they accessed each facility and asked to complete a Facility User Public Opinion survey;
- 2) customers who had used, or expressed interest in using, childcare services at civic facilities were mailed or given a Childcare User Opinion survey which they were asked to complete and return to the Department, and;
- 3) customers who had used the childcare service were invited to participate in focus group sessions at each facility to discuss their opinions about childcare in depth.

It is clear from all three study methods that the majority of customers consider it important for civic leisure facilities to offer childcare and that municipal tax dollars should be used to

subsidize the service in order to maintain reasonable rates.

The focus group discussion results further indicate that childcare users consider the service to be an essential part of daytime programming. Without affordable childcare, most would be unable to participate in programs at civic facilities as often as they would like. They also feel that by eliminating childcare subsidies, the City is discriminating against parents (primarily women) with small children because most other Leisure Services Department programs are currently subsidized to some degree.

In addition to facilitating adult use during daytime hours, there was a strong feeling among the focus group participants that a childcare service provides significant social and recreational benefits to children which are similar to other pre-school programs.

While the focus group participants generally felt that users should pay a reasonable cost, they also felt that childcare should be subsidized in a manner which is comparable to any other program or activity offered at civic facilities.

The focus group discussion participants who use the Cosmo Civic Centre and the Lakewood Civic Centre, where childcare was not available during the spring programming season, indicate that the lack of childcare has made it difficult for them to participate in programs as often as they would like. They have also seen a noticeable reduction in participation during the classes they attend. The participants who use the Saskatoon Field House and Lawson Civic Centre, where childcare was available, say there was a slight drop in participation due to the increased rates.

A separate report on the complete results of the childcare study is attached. (See Appendix B.) Highlights from the report include:

1. The majority of customers believe that it would be reasonable for civic leisure facilities to subsidize between 25% and 50% of the cost for childcare.

The focus group discussion results indicate that childcare users are generally prepared to pay all direct costs, but are dissatisfied with the rental rates charged for activity space to provide the service. They feel that it is not unreasonable to expect the City to subsidize all, or at least part, of the space rental costs.

2. 50% of the childcare users and 22% of the facility users indicate the cost of childcare prevents them from participating in leisure programs at civic facilities as often as they would like.

The focus group discussion results indicate that cost is most likely to be a barrier for parents with more than one child using the service. All participants agreed that users with more than one child should be able to pay a lower rate for each additional child.

3. The majority of customers suggest that approximately \$2.00 per hour for one child and \$1.00 per hour for each additional child would be considered reasonable rates for childcare.

The focus group discussion results suggest that most childcare users are prepared to pay for the service and up to \$2.50 per hour for one child and \$1.50 for each additional child would be a reasonable amount to pay. Childcare users are generally not in favour of a pre-registered service, but expressed interest in volume discount packages. It was also agreed that occasional drop-in users should pay a higher rate than regular users.

4. Childcare users generally indicate that the level of quality was an important consideration for childcare, but the cost of the service must also be reasonable. They consider unstructured play in a safe and healthy environment to be a satisfactory service level.

The majority were not prepared to make a commitment to assist with the childcare program in terms of providing regular scheduled coverage, but are willing to contribute in other ways.

5. The majority of childcare customers tend to be heavy users who participate in programs twice a week or more throughout the period from September to June. 36% indicate they participate in leisure programs year round.

While the majority indicate they prefer registered programs, there is a significant demand for drop-in programs.

6. The majority of customers who would be more likely to attend a leisure program for which a childcare service is offered indicate a preference for mornings.

The focus group discussion results suggest that childcare should be offered for a two-hour period each weekday morning, with specific times set in conjunction with adult programs and in consultation with the user groups.

Based on the study results, it can be concluded that the absence of a childcare service during specific times and/or a service that customers consider too costly may have an adverse effect on facility usage and revenue levels. Therefore, consideration should be given to ensuring that childcare is available at all facilities at a reasonable cost by providing subsidies for the rental of activity space.

Childcare Fee Structure

On March 13, 1989, City Council approved Policy C03-029, Leisure Services Fees and Charges. The policy established the philosophy that "user fees for City-sponsored leisure programs will be set at levels that reflect the purposes, value and quality of the service provided. Consideration will be given to the impact such fees may have on participation/spectator levels and comparable private sector services."

The objectives of the policy are:

- 1) to ensure that those who benefit from City-sponsored leisure services pay a fair and equitable share of the cost of such services;
- 2) to ensure that the City's fees and charges do not discourage the delivery of leisure activities by outside agencies;
- 3) to ensure fees and charges are not counter-productive to program objectives; and,
- 4) to ensure participation in leisure activities by all residents including the economically disadvantaged individuals and those with special needs.

In accordance with the policy, the Leisure Services Department has taken a market-oriented (need-driven) approach which attempts first to determine what activities the client or target

group wish to pursue during their leisure time, and then to provide an appropriate service to meet that expressed need.

Based on the customer survey and focus group discussion results, staff have concluded that a childcare service is an integral part of daytime programming for this user group. Therefore, childcare rates should be established in a manner which is consistent with the Department's philosophy for setting program fees.

While it has been suggested that the service is simply a form of child supervision (i.e. babysitting), childcare users view it differently. For the parent with pre-school children, it's an essential component of programs to improve their physical and mental well-being. For the child, it's an opportunity for social interaction in a safe and healthy play environment.

In order to move towards a 100% user-pay philosophy, staff are currently reviewing the fees and subsidies for all programs provided by the Leisure Services Department. On March 2, 1992, City Council approved a report which established that lesson fees for fitness and learn-to-swim programs would be set to break even or attain market rates. Lesson fees for the remaining program categories are under review and, when completed, a separate report will be submitted for consideration by the Planning and Development Committee.

In the same report, a two-tier fee structure was approved for all program categories:

1. Base Rate: Adults 19 years of age and older
2. 75% of Base Rate: Youth, 18 years of age and under

The report also stated that the base rate would be set so as to maximize revenue and/or achieve desired recovery levels as directed by City Council.

Childcare is an anomaly, however, because it provides leisure benefits to both adults and pre-school children at the same time. As a result, childcare does not fit into a single established program category used for the purpose of setting rates, but transverses several. In addition, although it is desirable to set childcare fees in the same manner as lessons, the service is essentially delivered as a drop-in program. Consequently, staff believe it is necessary to establish a distinct philosophy for setting childcare fees based on the following premises:

- 1) parents with more than one child using a childcare service should pay the base rate for the first child and a lower rate for each additional child;
- 2) childcare fees for occasional drop-in use should be set to recover the full cost of

providing the service, or in accordance with the current market rate; and,

- 3) a subsidy in the form of volume discount packages should be available to parents who are prepared to commit to using the service by paying in advance.

Therefore, the Leisure Services Department is proposing a two-tier fee structure for childcare:

1. Base Rate: First child
2. 60% of Base Rate: Each additional child

The base rate will be set to recover the full cost for direct labour, materials and supplies, and space rental along with customer service costs directly related to the childcare service. Because there is no appropriate precedent for setting childcare fees, the rate for each additional child was established at 60% of the base rate to maintain parity with fair market value as established through the customer input process.

Volume Discount Packages

Staff considered several volume discount options including the Department's bulk ticket, group rate, and Leisurecard admission packages which City Council has approved. Subsequently, it was determined that bulk tickets would best serve both the customer's needs and the Department's revenue objectives.

The Leisure Services Department further proposes that bulk tickets which offer a discount of 20% off the regular rates be made available for childcare in multiples of 10 or 25, as follows:

1. Base rate less 20%: First Child
2. 60% of base rate less 20%: Each additional child

In proposing the fee structure and corresponding volume discount (bulk tickets), the Leisure Services Department has taken into account the following factors:

1. Childcare service is available only for parents who participate in leisure programs at the facility, therefore, the Department receives corresponding adult program revenue.

2. The basic rate for adult programs currently includes all program planning, overhead, and customer service costs in addition to the direct costs for labour, materials and supplies, and space rental as directed by Council.
3. The Department's Childcare Study indicates that the cost of childcare may have a negative effect on participation levels which, in turn, would cause a reduction in program revenue. Conversely, the study also suggests that an affordable childcare service, properly promoted, could result in increased adult program participation.
4. The Department's survey of market rates for comparable childcare services indicates that on the basis of 100% cost-recovery civic facilities would not be competitive with other service providers. (See Appendix A.)

Childcare Rates for Fall Programming Season

Childcare services are delivered in a variety of time frames depending on what type of class or program the parent is enrolled in. For example, fitness classes are generally about one hour in length, while a pottery class may run for two hours or more. As a result, childcare rates are set on a hourly basis per child in accordance with the proposed fee structure previously established.

The Leisure Services Department proposes that the following hourly rates be used to establish childcare fees for the 1992 fall programming season:

1. Drop-in Rates:
\$3.00 per hour for the first child; and,
\$1.80 per hour for each additional child.
2. Bulk Ticket Rates:
\$2.40 per hour for the first child; and,
\$1.45 per hour for each additional child.

Financial Impact of Proposed Childcare Rates

Based on projected usage, the Leisure Services Department estimates that the proposed fee structure will require a subsidy from municipal tax dollars for the 1992 fall programming season in the amount of \$3,000.00, as follows:

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	Cost	Revenue	Subsidy
Cosmo Civic Centre	\$ 3,100	\$ 2,100	\$1,000
Lakewood Civic Centre	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,300	\$ 700
Lawson Civic Centre	\$ 1,900	\$ 1,400	\$ 500
Saskatoon Field House	\$ 3,400	\$ 2,600	\$ 800
TOTAL	<u>\$11,400</u>	<u>\$ 8,400</u>	<u>\$ 3,000</u>

If childcare services were offered on a normal basis (30 weeks), the Department projects that the operating impact for a full year would be \$7,500, as follows:

1.	Fall programming season 12 weeks @ \$250.00 per week	\$3,000
2.	Winter programming season 12 weeks @ \$250.00 per week	3,000
3.	Spring programming season 6 weeks @ \$250.00 per week	<u>1,500</u>
	Total subsidy required 30 weeks @ \$250 per week	<u>\$7,500</u>

Financing

Based on the Childcare Study results, the Leisure Services Department agrees that childcare services at its major facilities should be subsidized in a manner which is consistent with other programs and services offered at Civic facilities. However, while the Department supports implementation of the proposed fee structure for the fall programming season, it does not have a source of funding to put it in place.

In Conclusion

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During the Leisure Services Department's review of the need for childcare at its major facilities, it has become evident that childcare is an important factor in adult usage levels during the daytime period. In order to ensure continued attendance and revenue growth, it is further evident that on-site childcare services must be available at reasonable rates which are competitive within the market.

Staff are confident that the childcare fee structure proposed in this report will satisfy childcare user groups and although a subsidy is required, it will be effective in helping the Department to achieve its overall revenue objectives."

Your Committee has reviewed this report with representatives of the Leisure Services Department and wishes to note that a cost for childcare of \$3.00 per hour for the first child of a family and \$1.80 per hour for each additional child would amount to a break-even situation for this service. The provision of childcare at civic facilities will be part of an on-going study, including research to confirm what is a valid subsidy for childcare services at the City's major leisure facilities.

Your Committee also wishes to note that there is quite an impact on the budget if even minor changes to programs are made during the year. It is extremely important that Council make these kinds of policy decisions during the strategic planning and budget processes in order to make sure that opportunities of this nature are not missed.

RECOMMENDATION: that the Administration be authorized to provide for childcare at appropriate major Civic leisure facilities, at a cost of \$3.00 per hour for the first child of a family and \$1.80 per hour for each additional child, to begin with the fall programming.

Adopted.

**7. 1992 Capital Budget/1993-1996 Capital Plan
Project 860 - Superintendent's Residence
(Files CK. 4205-8 and 1703)**

City Council considered Clause 9, Report No. 15-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee on the above matter at its meeting held on July 6, 1992 and

"IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that the matter be referred back to the Planning and Development Committee; and
2) that this report also be referred to the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee for any comments."

Your Committee has met with representatives of the Saskatoon Heritage Society and the Saskatoon Zoological Society to discuss their ideas on what to do about having this facility preserved. This meeting resulted in the attached report dated August 4, 1992, from the Saskatoon Heritage Society, Saskatoon Natural History Society, Saskatoon Perennial Society and the Saskatoon Zoological Society, which was reviewed at the Committee's meeting held on August 4, 1992. The Committee was also interested in identifying a source of funding for the \$25,000 essential repair work required, and attached is a copy of the report of the A/Director of Finance dated July 24, 1992 in this regard.

Also attached is a copy of Clause 9, Report No. 15-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee, as referenced above.

Your Committee understands that the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee will also be providing a report to City Council at this meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that the matter of the preservation, funding for, and use of the Superintendent's Residence at the Forestry Farm be referred to the Administration to work with a task force consisting of representatives of the following groups, and report back through the Planning and Development Committee no later than the first meeting in September, 1993:

Saskatoon Heritage Society
Saskatoon Natural History Society
Saskatoon Perennial Society
Saskatoon Zoological Society
Saskatoon Environmental Society
Forest Grove/Sutherland Community Association
Erindale Community Association, and
Silverspring Community Association;

2) that an expenditure in the amount of \$25,000.00 be approved in order for the following essential repair work to be undertaken at the Superintendent's Residence at the Forestry Farm:

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| 1. Rectify deflection of hip and valley roof rafters | \$ 4,000 |
| 2. Remove asphalt shingles and replace with cedar shingles, provide metal ridge cap. Replace rotted sheathing as required. Remove and replace roofing on flat roofed portions. | \$ 7,000 |
| 3. Install prefinished fascia | \$ 300 |
| 4. Install prefinished gutter and downspouts | \$ 600 |

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5. Replacement of rotted sill plate and joists at Southwest corner	\$ 3,000
6. Miscellaneous blocking at windows and exterior openings to prevent animal entry	\$ 750
7. Provide additional temporary heat	\$ 2,000
8. Development of "as found" plans	\$ 1,800
9. Design and management fees	\$ 1,750
10. Taxes	\$ 2,120
11. Contingency	<u>\$ 1,680</u>
	<u>TOTAL \$25,000</u>

- 3) that the direction of Council issue with respect to the source of funding for the expenditure identified in Resolution No. 2) above.

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Items A. 17 and A. 21 of "Communications" were brought forward and considered.

Moved by Alderman Waygood,

THAT Clause 1, Report No. 6-1992 of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee be brought forward and considered.

CARRIED.

REPORT NO. 6-1992 OF THE MUNICIPAL HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**1. 1992 Capital Budget - 1993-1996 Capital Plan
Project 860 - Superintendent's Residence
(Files CK. 4205-8 and 1703)**

This report is to be considered in conjunction with Clause 7, Report No. 19-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee.

City Council considered Clause 9, Report No. 15-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee at its meeting held on July 6, 1992, and

- "IT WAS RESOLVED:
- 1) that the matter be referred back to the Planning and Development Committee; and
 - 2) that this report also be referred to the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee for any comments."

Your Committee had a representative attend the Planning and Development Committee meeting at which this matter was discussed and subsequently held a special meeting to discuss the recommendations that are contained in Clause 7, Report No. 19-1992 of the Planning and Development Committee. It was agreed that some of the repair work outlined in the \$25,000 expenditure is not mandatory to get this building through the winter, e.g. development of "as found" plans - \$1,800, etc., and that minimum repairs should be done on a temporary basis until the Task Force comes up with recommendations on the future use. Your Committee therefore

- RECOMMENDS:**
- 1) that the Administration be requested to provide a revised report to the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee on the cost of minimum repairs to get this building through the winter;
 - 2) that the time frame for receipt of recommendations from the Task Force be reduced no later than February 28, 1993; and
 - 3) that \$1,000 be provided to the Task Force out of the Heritage Fund, to assist in expediting its work.

Moved by Alderman Waygood,

THAT Ms. Peggy Sargeant and Ms. Claire Bullaro be heard.

CARRIED.

Ms. Peggy Sargeant gave a slide presentation showing the history of the Forest Nursery Station.

Ms. Claire Bullaro indicated that she was available to address the submissions from the Zoological, Heritage, Perennial and Natural History Societies.

Moved by Alderman McCann,

THAT the matter be referred back to the Planning and Development Committee for a report at the next regular meeting of City Council.

CARRIED.

REPORT NO. 16-1992 OF THE LEGISLATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. Race Relations Committee Second Annual Report (File No. CK. 430-1)

The following is an excerpt from a letter from A. Hamid Javed, Chairperson, Race Relations Committee, dated July 13, 1992:

"On behalf of the Race Relations Committee, I am pleased to present our Second Annual Report covering the period October 1990 to December 1991.

The recommendations contained in this Report represent timely and achievable steps that will promote positive trends in community and intercultural relations in Saskatoon. We therefore ask that this Report be submitted to City Council with the endorsement of the Legislation and Finance Committee."

A copy of the Second Annual Report is attached.

Your Committee has reviewed the Report with the Race Relations Program Coordinator, and submits the following

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council endorse the following recommendations of the Race Relations Committee as set out on Page 9 of the Second Annual Report:

- 1) that City Council show greater commitment and visible support for the work of the Race Relations Committee to improve race relations in Saskatoon. For example:
 - a) ensure that appointments to Civic Boards, Committees and Commissions are more representative of the community makeup,
 - b) ensure that the Civic Government has a high profile at race relations events;
- 2) that a comprehensive Anti-Racism Policy be developed for the City of Saskatoon;
- 3) that cross cultural training programs for City employees be instituted (recommend a one day session twice a year for all employees);
- 4) that the position of Race Relations Program Coordinator become permanent with consideration being given to obtaining funding from senior levels of government;
- 5) that the Personnel Department be encouraged to continue pursuing the Race Relations Committee's recommendations (see Appendix B) regarding the Affirmative Action Program; and
- 6) that the system for recruitment and appointment of Race Relations Committee members be reviewed to ensure the maintenance of a full complement of members and appropriate representation from the aboriginal and

ethnocultural communities, and City Council.

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Items A.15, A.22, A.23, A.24 and A.25 of "Communications" were brought forward and considered.

Moved by His Worship Mayor Dayday,

THAT Dr. Javed be heard.

CARRIED.

Dr. Javed, Chairperson of the Race Relations Committee, requested Council to endorse the recommendations outlined in the Annual Report of the Race Relations Committee.

- IT WAS RESOLVED:*
- 1) that the report be received and referred to the Administration for a further report with respect to the implications on staffing and costs; and*
 - 2) that the Race Relations Committee be thanked for its report.*

2. Communications to Council

**From: Ross Afseth, Volunteer Chairman
Grow-A-Park Committee**

Date: July 22, 1992

**Subject: Requesting to use Community Stage for Grow-A-Park
ceremonies and waiver of rental fee - September 13, 1992**

(File No. CK. 300-8-0)

Attached is a copy of the above-noted letter which was referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee for consideration.

The Committee recognizes that City Council previously has denied similar requests. However, because the City will be the prime beneficiary of the event as the trees will be planted in a City park (Gabriel Dumont Park), your Committee

RECOMMENDS: that the request for waiver of the rental fee for use of the Community Stage at the Grow-A-Park ceremonies on September 13, 1992, be granted.

Moved by Alderman Mostoway,

THAT the request for waiver of the rental fee for use of the Community Stage at the Grow-A-Park ceremonies on September 13, 1992, be granted.

THE MOTION WAS PUT AND LOST.

Moved by His Worship Mayor Dayday,

THAT the Grow-A-Park Committee be informed that they may apply for a grant under the Community Initiatives Program to cover the rental fee of the Community Stage.

CARRIED.

- 3. Communications to Council**
From: Tyra Boyd, Producer
Fringe on Broadway
Date: July 6, 1992
Subject: Requesting to have amusement tax waived for
performances to be held at the "Fringe on Broadway"
(File No. CK. 1910-2)

Attached is a copy of the above-noted letter which was referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee for consideration.

RECOMMENDATION: that the request from the Fringe on Broadway for exemption from amusement tax for the year 1992, be approved.

Adopted.

- 4. Request for Exemption from Amusement Tax**
Nightcap Productions Inc.
(File No. CK. 1910-2)

Report of the City Treasurer, July 8, 1992:

"An Application for Exemption from Amusement Tax for the year 1992, has been received from Nightcap Productions Inc. The audited Financial Statement for the period ending

September 30, 1991 has been provided.

Significant figures from the Financial Statement are as follows:

	<u>Sept 30/91</u>	<u>Jan 31/91</u>
Total Assets	\$53,817	\$23,718
Total Liabilities	<u>39,373</u>	<u>78,897</u>
Surplus (Deficiency)	\$14,444	\$(55,179)

Estimated amount of Amusement Tax year 1992: \$9,360

It is to be noted that Nightcap Productions Inc. is a registered charitable organization.

Nightcap Productions Inc. has been designated as a registered charity by Revenue Canada. City Council has the authority under the Amusement Tax Bylaw to exempt this organization from amusement tax on the grounds that it is an `entertainment, the receipts of which are for charitable purposes...'"

RECOMMENDATION: that the request from Nightcap Productions Inc. for exemption from amusement tax for the year 1992, be approved.

Adopted.

**5. Investment Manager's Report -
Second Quarter 1992
(File No. CK. 1790-3)**

Report of the A/Director of Finance, July 14, 1992:

"Attached is a copy of the Investment Manager's Report for the Second Quarter of 1992. This report has been reviewed by the Investment Committee who recommended that the report be submitted to City Council for information."

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Adopted.

**6. Investment in Saskatchewan Securities
(File No. CK. 1790-1)**

Your Committee asked the Administration to report on the opportunity for the City of Saskatoon to favour investment in the Province of Saskatchewan greater than the current experience.

Report of the Investment Services Manager, July 2, 1992:

"Policy Background

Investment decisions for the City's portfolio are governed by the established policy framework and by Provincial legislation (Section 234 of the UMA).

Investments in Saskatchewan government securities are, of course, a permitted investment under UMA, and are also permitted investments under the City's policy, subject to certain quality and holding size guidelines.

With respect to short term investments, the policy requires that any contemplated investment be rated by DBRS as R-1 or an equivalent rating by another recognized Canadian bond rating service. For all practical purposes, the DBRS ratings form the City's primary guideline. Saskatchewan short term instruments are currently rated at R-1 (Low) and we do not foresee a lowering of this rating.

For the Province's securities to slip from the permissible category under City policy, the rating would have to decline to R-2 (high). DBRS describes an R-2 (high) rating as follows:

'Provinces rated R-2 (high) have relatively higher budget deficits than R-1 (low) rated provinces, and the trend is negative. Cumulative deficits are growing, and it is difficult to control government expenditures. Tax rates may be high, and there may be a limited capacity to raise them. The tax base may also be limited. The economy be sluggish, and interest costs from borrowings related to cumulative deficits are growing, which is raising the deficits.'

With respect to long term investments, our quality standard is a rating of 'A' or higher, issued by CBRS or an equivalent rating by another recognized Canadian bond rating service. In this area, the City's primary guideline is the CBRS rating. Presently, the Province's bonds carry a rating of A, two categories above the minimum acceptable level. CBRS describes its BBB rating (the highest non-qualified rating) as follows:

'Bonds rated in this category are classified as medium grade in quality. Currently, principal and interest payments are considered safe, but there are indications that adverse economic or changing circumstances will lead to a weakening of its ability to service the debt without interruption.'

Application of Policy

In managing the City's investment portfolio, there is a requirement to deal with those investments in line with the Prudent Person Rule and to follow the investment objectives of the portfolio which are, in order of importance: safety of capital, and maximization of income consistent with the objectives of the fund.

Safety of capital is achieved primarily through adherence to a high quality investment universe and through appropriate diversification of assets.

In Actual Practice

How do these requirements fit with the City's portfolio?

The purpose of investing in short term securities is that of term-matching cash requirements over a period of several months ahead, and the overriding consideration in this portion of the portfolio (of equal weight to quality considerations) is the end date of the investment. The availability of product in the marketplace is a major determinant of the specific investments that are made on any given day. Because short term investments flow in and

out of the portfolio in rapid order, the identity of the end borrower is of little relevance in assessing overall portfolio philosophy. Having said this, the short term portion of the portfolio had a book value, as of June 15, of \$41.3 million. Of this amount \$3.9 million was held in the notes of Saskatchewan-based corporations, or 9.5% of the portfolio.

The long term sector, by its nature, reflects in a much better way the overall philosophy being followed in the management of the assets. As of June 15, the book value of these holdings was \$29 million, of which \$9.2 million or 31% was represented by marketable securities of the City of Saskatoon. While this level of concentration in a single issuer might be seen by a third party as very high, it has been the strategy of the Investment Committee to support the issuance of City debentures as a way to minimize issuance costs and to acquire securities with an attractive relative yield. Indeed, the portfolio has been the primary buyer of local improvement debentures over the past three or four years.

Of the \$19.8 million in non-Saskatoon securities held in the portfolio, \$3.55 million or 18% were in the form of Province of Saskatchewan debentures. We view that as a reasonable level of investment, given the provisions of current investment policy.

When both short and long term investments are combined, the portfolio held commitments of \$16.8 million in Saskatchewan-based issuers, or 23.8% of all investments in the General Fund.

Summary

Investments for the City's portfolio are governed by legislation and by City policy. Within those parameters, securities of the Province are permissible investments and represent a reasonable portion of the portfolio.

We currently do not foresee that the Province's bond and short term ratings will drop to levels which would render them ineligible for investment by the City.

In the unlikely event that ratings should drop, the current investment policy will be reviewed with a view to appropriate policy recommendations to Council."

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Adopted.

7. Transient Trader License Fees
(File No. CK. 316-1)

Report of the City Treasurer, June 22, 1992:

"Attached is a copy of Report No. 23-1991 of the Legislation and Finance Committee which was adopted by City Council July 2, 1991.

The recommendation that Transient Trader License fees be established on a daily rate basis effective September 15, 1991, was originally intended to curtail out-of-province operators selling merchandise on Sundays.

Our present Transient Trader License fee structure is as follows:

Section 17 (5)

(Transient Trader)

**A. Carrying on business in a hotel,
arena or similar premise excluding
common areas of shopping malls:**

for the first day in a calendar year **\$2,500.00**

for each additional day **100.00**

**B. Carrying on business in common areas
of shopping malls or on a vacant lot
or from a vehicle, booth or stall
located on a vacant lot or parking
lot or similar location:**

for the first day in a calendar year	\$ 465.00
for each additional day	20.00'

The Treasurer's Department has experienced considerable opposition to the Transient Trader (Classification B) daily rate license structure - not to the initial fee of \$465.00, but the daily rate of \$20.00. Entrepreneurs claim that the daily rate makes it impossible to operate a viable business such as university students operating fruit stands.

Comparison Transient Trader Classification B License fees vs. Business Tax Levy

Fruit Stand

60-Day operation		Spring Creek Market
		1111 Louise Avenue
Initial Fee	465.00	Business Tax 12 months
59 days @ \$20	1,180.00	\$634.00
	\$1,645.00	

Artist

30-Day operation in a common area of a mall		James Art Studios Ltd.
		908 Victoria Avenue
Initial Fee	465.00	Business Tax 12 months
29 days @ \$20	580.00	\$841.00
	\$1,045.00	

With consideration to the complaints received and the Transient Trader License fee vs. Business Tax Levy comparison, it is the recommendation of this Department that the Transient Trader Classification B (each additional day rate of \$20.00) be deleted."

Your Committee, upon consideration of the above report, felt that the Transient Trader License fee structure should include some reference to the area occupied by the transient trader. The Committee received the following further report of the City Treasurer dated July 6, 1992, in response to this concern:

"In determining the area occupied by transient traders, consideration must be given to the fact that transient traders are normally set up in common areas of mall parking lots, etc. These areas carry the pedestrian flow and parking privileges of regular business traffic.

When considering the structure of Transient Trader Licenses in other major cities, all cities have a basic license rate; the City of Regina requires an additional levy for transient traders occupying an area over 1000 square feet.

It is the recommendation of this Department that the current license rate remain as the basic criteria for the licensing of transient traders; however, where a transient trader occupies an area in excess of 1000 square feet, the license fee be in accordance with Classification A."

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Transient Trader Classification B (each additional day rate of \$20.00), be deleted;
 - 2) that where a transient trader, as defined in Classification B, occupies an area in excess of 1000 square feet, the license fee be in accordance with Classification A; and
 - 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to amend General License Bylaw No. 6066 accordingly.

Adopted.

- 8. Communications to Council**
From: Alderman Ted Cholod, President
SUMA
Date: June 27, 1992
Subject: Requesting a response re changes
to the Draft Wards Bills
(Files CK. 155-3 and 265-2)

Attached is a copy of the above-noted communication which was referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee for consideration.

Unfortunately, your Committee has not been able to reach a consensus on the issue of a multi-member ward system.

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that each alderman be asked to present his/her position to SUMA.

- 9. Application for Travel Assistance**
Marian Gymnastics Club
Free Flyte Trampoline Sport Club
Saskatoon Goldfins Swim Club
(File No. CK. 1870-1)

Report of the A/General Manager, Leisure Services Department, July 23, 1992:

"The attached Travel Assistance applications were reviewed by the Executive of the Saskatoon Sports Council at its meeting on June 1. The following recommendations were passed:

1. that the applications from the Marian Gymnastics Club be approved for assistance to Robyn Carriere, Danielle Dacey, Sarah Ziegler and Kristin Wilde of \$100.00 each, for a total of \$400.00 to attend the Canadian Gymnastics Championships, May 14-16 in Quebec City, Quebec.
2. that the application from the Saskatoon Goldfins Swim Club be approved in the amount of \$500.00 for participation at the Summer National Swim Championships, July 16-19 in Brantford, Ontario.

3. that the application from the Free Flyte Trampoline Sport Club be approved in the amount of \$500.00 for participation at the National Gymnastics Trampoline and Tumbling Championships, May 13-17 in Quebec City, Quebec."

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the recommendations of the Saskatoon Sports Council with respect to the travel assistance applications, be adopted; and
 - 2) that the source of funds be the Sports Component of the 1992 Assistance to Community Groups - Cash Grants Program.

Adopted.

**10. Application for Travel Assistance
Avalon Whitecaps Soccer Team
World Class Soccer Tournament
July 12 - 19, 1992 - Minneapolis, Minnesota
(File No. CK. 1871-8)**

Attached is a copy of a letter from Mr. Paul Humeniuk, dated July 2, 1992, submitting the above-noted application.

Your Committee is of the opinion that this application does not meet the criteria governing assistance to athletic events as the World Class Soccer Tournament was an open tournament with no prerequisite that a team be a provincial, regional or national champion.

- RECOMMENDATION:** that the request by the Avalon Whitecaps Soccer Team for financial assistance to attend the World Class Soccer Tournament be denied.

Adopted.

**11. Application for Travel Assistance
Kerri Gilders Attendance at Girl Guide Centre -
Switzerland - August, 1992
(File No. CK. 1871-8)**

Attached is a copy of a letter from Patricia Campeau, Guider, Saskatoon First Ranger Unit, dated

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May 28, 1992, submitting a letter from Kerri Gilders requesting financial assistance to travel to the Girl Guides' World Centre in Switzerland.

Your Committee has reviewed this request and is of the opinion that it does not meet the criteria governing assistance for travel to athletic or cultural events.

RECOMMENDATION: that the request from Kerri Gilders for financial assistance to travel to the Girl Guides' World Centre in Switzerland be denied.

Adopted.

Pursuant to motion by Alderman Cherneskey and carried by a majority of members of Council, the hour of the meeting was extended beyond 10:30 p.m.

12. Signs on City Property
(File No. CK. 312-1)

City Council at its meeting held on July 6, 1992, referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee a request that the Saskatchewan Storm be allowed to place "Game Day" signs on City property.

On July 20, 1992, City Council passed the following motion:

"that the entire matter of the Sign Bylaw be referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee for review and report to Council; and

that until such time that this review is completed, Council waive the bylaw with respect to Saskatchewan Storm."

Attached is a copy of Bylaw No. 2954, "A Bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to restrict improper use of streets, lanes, parks and City property."

Your Committee has reviewed the matter of signs on streets and

RECOMMENDS: that there be no change to Bylaw No. 2954 at this time.

Adopted.

REPORT NO. 16-1992 OF THE WORKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

**1. 1992 Equipment Purchases
Motor Graders
(File No. CK. 1390-1)**

Report of the A/Manager, Vehicle and Equipment Services, July 27, 1992:

"Tenders for the purchase of (2) 180 Horsepower Motor Graders were publicly opened on July 16, 1992, by the Purchasing Department. The prices received and the evaluation of the tenders are shown on the attached evaluation sheet.

The (2) units will replace (2) ten year old Galion Graders which will be disposed of by public tender.

The lowest evaluated bid meeting specifications was supplied by Brandt Equipment Ltd. and is being recommended for purchase. In addition to the basic unit, it is recommended that the following optional equipment be purchased:

Snow wing (1) only	\$12,000.00
Dozer (1) only	6,450.00
Ripper (1) only	4,250.00
Icebuster (1) only	13,000.00
12 foot mouldboard with 2' extension (1) only	1,200.00
Seats (2)	<u>2,400.00</u>
Total	\$29,300.00

The recommended purchase is within the approved 1992 Capital Replacement Budget estimates and the costs are as follows:

Base Price (2 x \$130,000.00)	\$260,000.00
Optional Extras	29,300.00
GST (7%)	20,251.00
PST (8%)	<u>23,144.00</u>
	\$332,695.00
GST Rebate	<u>11,752.00</u>
	\$320,943.00"

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council accept the bid from Brandt Equipment Ltd. for two 180 Horsepower Motor Graders for \$332,695.00 including PST and GST.

Adopted.

2. **Transportation for the Disabled**
(File No. CK. 7305-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 13.

REPORT NO. 6-1992 OF THE MUNICIPAL HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1. **1992 Capital Budget - 1993-1996 Capital Plan**
Project 860 - Superintendent's Residence
(Files CK. 4205-8 and 1703)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 53."

*Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Thompson,
THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.*

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 6a) **Communications to Council**
From: R. G. Bundon, Office Managing Partner
Deloitte & Touche
Date: April 8, 1992
Subject: Submitting copies of the Final Report on the
Infrastructure Rehabilitation Funding Study

AND

- Communications to Council**
From: Robert R. Buckley
SCOUT
Date: April 10, 1992
Subject: Requesting permission to address Council re
report of the "City of Saskatoon Infrastructure
Rehabilitation Funding Study"

(File No. CK. 4140-5)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 20.

ENQUIRIES

Alderman Hawthorne

"Would the Works and Utilities Committee report on a new transit service being attempted, that is passenger activated stops after dark. The introduction of this service may provide added security for women travelling home at nights alone in that they could get off at the closest corner to their home on the route they are travelling."
(File No. CK. 7300-1)

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 7255

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Thompson,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 7255, being "*A Bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to amend Bylaw No. 6771, entitled, 'A bylaw of the City of Saskatoon to adopt a Development Plan'*" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Waygood,

THAT Bylaw No. 7255 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 7255.

CARRIED.

Council went into Committee of the Whole with Alderman Mann in the Chair.

Committee arose.

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Alderman Mann, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 7255 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Hawthorne,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 7255 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT Bylaw No. 7255 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.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Bylaw No. 7305

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Thompson,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 7305, being "*A Bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to amend Bylaw No. 6772, entitled, 'A Bylaw Respecting Zoning in the City of Saskatoon.'*" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Waygood,

THAT Bylaw No. 7305 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 7305.

CARRIED.

Council went into Committee of the Whole with Alderman Mann in the Chair.

Committee arose.

Alderman Mann, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 7305 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Hawthorne,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 7305 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Dyck,

THAT Bylaw No. 7305 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.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Bylaw No. 7307

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Thompson,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 7307, being "*A Bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to amend Bylaw No. 6772, entitled, 'A Bylaw Respecting Zoning in the City of Saskatoon'*" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

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The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Waygood,

THAT Bylaw No. 7307 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman McCann,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 7307.

CARRIED.

Council went into Committee of the Whole with Alderman Mann in the Chair.

Committee arose.

Alderman Mann, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, made the following report:

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 7307 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Hawthorne,

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

CARRIED.

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Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Cherneskey,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 7307 read a third time at this meeting.

NOT CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

NOTE: As Alderman Dyck was not present during the hearing on the matter, he did not participate in the vote on Bylaw No. 7305 and 7307.

Moved by Alderman Mann, Seconded by Alderman Thompson,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 10:44 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk