

Council Chamber
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Saturday, March 20, 1993,
at 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL
1993 PRELIMINARY OPERATING BUDGET ESTIMATES
ADJOURNED FROM TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 1993

PRESENT: His Worship Mayor Dayday, in the Chair;
Councillors Birkmaier, Cherneskey, Dyck, Mann,
McCann, Mostoway, Penner, Thompson and Waygood;
City Commissioner Irwin;
Director of Finance Richards;
City Comptroller Veltkamp;
Assistant City Comptroller Richards;
City Clerk Mann

Councillor Hawthorne entered the meeting at 9:05 a.m. during review of the report on the impact of the Provincial Budget.

Council members had previously received a copy of a report of the Director of Finance dated March 19, 1993, regarding the impact of the recently-announced 1993 - 1994 Provincial Budget on the City's 1993 Operating Budget.

- IT WAS RESOLVED:*
- 1) *that the Preliminary Budget not be adjusted for the impact on operating costs of the announced increases in Education and Health Taxes and Gasoline Taxes (with the exception of Transit) and that the increase in revenue sharing be used to offset those increases;*
 - 2) *that the Operating Budget provision for Transit be increased by \$48,000; and*
 - 3) *that the provision to the Meewasin Valley Authority be reduced by \$36,800, in line with the 6.2 percent decrease in Provincial funding, and that VOTE 8 be amended accordingly.*

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**Spectator Ball Fields
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It was noted that City Council, at its meeting held on March 15, 1993, adopted the recommendations set out under Clause 1, Report No. 6-1993 of the Planning and Development Committee regarding the establishment of rental rates for the Gordon Howe Complex ball diamonds. City Council resolved that the 1993 Preliminary Operating Budget be adjusted to reflect the additional revenue that is anticipated by the proposed rental rates at this facility.

- IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that VOTE 50 be amended by increasing the amount attributed to rental from 59.5 to 63.0, for a total budget impact of 139.0; and*
- 2) that VOTE 50, as amended, be approved.*

PROTECTIVE SERVICES

**Police Services
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City Council, at its Special Budget Review Session held on Tuesday, March 16, 1993, considered the budget of Police Services and resolved that further consideration of the matter be deferred until the budget review session scheduled for Saturday, March 20, 1993.

Police Chief Owen Maguire, Superintendent Roy O'Hare and Financial Systems Administrator Don Bodnar were in attendance. His Worship the Mayor, Chair of the Board of Police Commissioners, circulated copies of his letter dated March 19, 1993, containing the recommendation that the proposed \$250,000 Capital Reserve for Operational Equipment and Technological Advances be reduced by \$100,000.

- IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that the provision to the Capital Reserve for Operational Equipment and Technological Advances be reduced from \$250,000 to \$150,000; and*
- 2) that VOTE 108, as amended, be approved.*

SERVICES GROUP

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**Audit Services Department
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Audit Services Manager Prosser was in attendance.

The City Clerk had previously circulated copies of the following documents:

- Report of the Audit Committee dated March 2, 1993, recommending that the current staff level in the Audit Services Department be maintained.
- Report of the City Commissioner dated February 25, 1993, submitting information regarding a performance survey of the Audit Services Department.

IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that staff compensation be increased by 31.9 in order that the existing staff complement of 7.0 be retained, for a total budget impact of 388.2; and

2) that VOTE 26, as amended, be approved.

CIVIC BOARDS

**Saskatoon Public Library
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Mr. Bonace Korchinski, member of the Public Library Board, Ms. Sandra Anderson, Chief Librarian, and Ms. Donna Leschyshyn, Administrative Manager, were in attendance.

The City Clerk had previously circulated information provided by the Public Library on its activities.

VOTE 114 *APPROVED.*

LEGISLATIVE

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**Legislative
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The City Clerk had previously circulated a copy of a report of the City Commissioner dated February 26, 1993, recommending that the position of Race Relations Program Coordinator be created within the Civic Administration, and that the 1993 Operating Budget provide the sum of \$38,250 for the funding of the Race Relations Committee and for the position of Race Relations Program Coordinator for 1993.

The City Clerk had also circulated copies of a letter dated March 11, 1993, from the Chair of the Race Relations Committee submitting a report on the Race Relations Program Coordinator position.

- IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that the provision to the Legislative Committees/Advisory Boards Program for the Race Relations Committee be increased by 22.3 in order to provide for the position of a Race Relations Program Coordinator;*
- 2) that VOTE 1, as amended, be approved; and*
- 3) that the matter of the requirement for a voters list for the next Civic Election be referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee for review and report.*

WORKS AND UTILITIES DIVISION

Director of Works and Utilities Gustafson was in attendance for all the departments in his division.

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**Vehicle and Equipment Services
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Vehicle and Equipment Services Manager Famulak was in attendance.

The City Clerk circulated a copy of a letter from the Chair of the Audit Committee advising of recommendations which will be forwarded to City Council at its next regular meeting regarding the recent audit of the Vehicle and Equipment Services Department.

- IT WAS RESOLVED:* 1) *that the staff compensation line be reduced by 39.6 for a budget impact of -225.6; and*
- 2) *that VOTE 74, as amended, be approved.*

Engineering Department

City Engineer Stewart Uzelman and Business Administrator Shannon Underwood were in attendance for all of the programs in the Engineering Department.

The City Clerk had previously circulated copies of a synopsis of the 1993 Operating Budget for the Engineering Department.

**Management and Administration
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VOTE 75 *APPROVED.*

**Technical Support
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VOTE 76 *APPROVED.*

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**Central Mapping
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VOTE 77 *APPROVED.*

**Roadways - Preliminary Engineering
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VOTE 78 *APPROVED.*

**Survey Instruments and Equipment
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VOTE 79 *APPROVED.*

**Yard Office
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VOTE 80 *APPROVED.*

**Buildings and Grounds
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VOTE 81 *APPROVED.*

**Earth, Streets and Lanes
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VOTE 82 *APPROVED.*

Paved Streets

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The City Engineer indicated that staff compensation in this program can be reduced by 33.0.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that VOTE 83, as amended, be approved.

Sidewalks

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VOTE 84 *APPROVED.*

Custom Work

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VOTE 85 *APPROVED.*

City Section

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VOTE 86 *APPROVED.*

Earth Dump Sites

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VOTE 87 *APPROVED.*

Snow and Ice Management

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The City Engineer indicated that the provision for staff compensation can be reduced by 12.0.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that VOTE 88, as amended, be approved.

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**Drainage
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VOTE 89 *APPROVED.*

**Storm Sewers
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VOTE 90 *APPROVED.*

**Street Cleaning and Sweeping
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VOTE 91 *APPROVED.*

**Dust Palliation
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VOTE 92 *APPROVED.*

**Roadway Signing and Marking
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VOTE 93 *APPROVED.*

**Traffic Signals and PC Maintenance
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VOTE 94 *APPROVED.*

**Traffic Control Centre
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VOTE 95 *APPROVED.*

**Transportation Planning
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- IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that VOTE 96 be approved; and*
- 2) that the Works and Utilities Committee be requested
to review and report on the matter of staffing in the
Transportation Planning Division.*

**Electronics Shop
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VOTE 97 *APPROVED.*

**Detour Control and Bylaw Enforcement
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VOTE 98 *APPROVED.*

**Garbage Collection
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- IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that VOTE 99 be approved; and*

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- 2) *that the Works and Utilities Committee be requested to review the matter of waste reduction and report back to Council.*

**Landfill
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VOTE 100 *APPROVED.*

**Recycling
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IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that VOTE 101 be approved; and

- 2) *that the Works and Utilities Committee be requested to review and report on the matter of the elimination of the Household Hazardous Waste Program.*

**Bridges, Subways, Overpasses, Railroad Crossings
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VOTE 102 *APPROVED.*

Electrical Distribution Department

Electrical Distribution Manager Mikytyshyn was in attendance for the budget of his department.

The City Clerk had previously circulated copies of a synopsis of the 1993 Operating Estimates of the Electrical Distribution Department.

**Decorative Lighting
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VOTE 71 *APPROVED.*

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**Street Lighting - Electrical
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- IT WAS RESOLVED:* 1) *that VOTE 72 be approved; and*
- 2) *that the matter of illumination standards be referred to the Works and Utilities Committee for review.*

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VOTE 73 *APPROVED.*

**Electrical Distribution
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VOTE 103 *APPROVED.*

**Return on Investment - Utilities
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VOTE 4 *APPROVED.*

Water and Pollution Control Department

Water and Pollution Control Department Manager Randy Munch was in attendance.

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**Sewage Utility
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VOTE 104 *APPROVED.*

**Water Utility
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VOTE 105 *APPROVED.*

**1993 Capital Budget/1994-97 Capital Plan
Project 580 - V & E - Additional Vehicles and Equipment
Impact on 1993 Operating Budget
(File No. CK. 1703)**

The City Clerk submitted copies of a report of the Director of Works and Utilities outlining the impact on the 1993 Operating Budget of Capital Project No. 580 - V & E - Additional Vehicles and Equipment, which was approved by City Council during its Capital Budget Review Sessions, subject to further approval of Council of the provisions for the rental of equipment in the Operating Budget.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be referred to the Works and Utilities Committee for review and report prior to any purchases being made.

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**Transit Department and Transit Subsidies
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Transit Manager Al Ross was in attendance.

It was noted that earlier in the meeting Council had increased the provision for Transit by \$48,000.

- IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that VOTES 106 and 19, as amended, be approved; and*
- 2) that the Works and Utilities Committee be requested to review initiatives for increasing ridership.*

GENERAL SERVICES

**Taxation
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The Administration noted that the provision for property tax penalties should be changed from 2,400.0 to 2,450.0 and that the provision for property tax discounts should be changed from 201.0 to 230.0 for a net increase of 21.0 and a total budget impact of 66,130.0.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that VOTE 2, as amended, be approved.

**Grants-in-Lieu of Taxes
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APPROVED.

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The Administration summarized all the action taken by City Council during its Budget Review Sessions as follows:

Total Cuts - \$281,000
Mill Rate Increase - 1.62 %
Cost to Average Household - \$11/year

Committee arose.

His Worship Mayor Dayday, Chair of the Committee of the Whole, reported on the activities of the Committee on March 13, March 16 and March 20, 1993, as recorded by the City Clerk.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

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Mayor

City Clerk