

Council Chambers
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Monday, February 25, 2002
at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor, in the Chair;
Councillors Atchison, Fortosky, Heidt, Paulsen, Penner, Roe,
Sternberg, Swystun and Waygood;
City Manager Richards;
General Manager, Community Services Gauthier;
General Manager, Corporate Services Veltkamp;
General Manager, Infrastructure Services Uzelman;
General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Hewitt;
A/General Manager, Utility Services Kerc;
City Solicitor Dust;
City Clerk Mann;
A/Councillors' Assistant Long.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held on February 11, 2002 be approved.

CARRIED.

HEARINGS

2a) Discretionary Use Application

Applicant: Nina Kroliuk - Saskatoon School of Dance/Ballet
Intended Use: Private Dance School
Legal Description: Lots 11 to 14, Block 210, Plan G779
Civic Address: 407 Cumberland Avenue
(File No. CK. 4355-1)

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

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

The City Planner has advised that the necessary notification poster has been placed on the site and letters have been sent to adjacent land owners within 60 metres of the site.

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Attached is a report of the Community Services Department dated January 14, 2002 recommending that the application submitted by Nina Koroliuk, Saskatoon School of Dance/Ballet requesting permission to use Lots 11 to 14, Block 210, Plan G779 (407 Cumberland Avenue) for the purpose of a Private Dance School be approved, subject to:

- a) the applicant obtaining all relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses prior to the use of this site for the purpose of a Private Dance School;
- b) the owner/applicant being solely responsible for any work and expense associated with upgrades to water and sewer connections; and
- c) the proposal being commenced within 24 months of the date of City Council's approval.

Attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated January 29, 2002 advising that the Committee supports the above-noted recommendations.

Also attached is a letter dated February 5, 2002, submitted by Ron Lacey, Site 601, Box 86, R.R. 6 with respect to the above matter.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, indicated the Department's support of the application.

Mr. Dieter André, member, Municipal Planning Commission, indicated the Commission's support of the application.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the submitted correspondence be received.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Swystun, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

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THAT the application submitted by Nina Koroliuk, Saskatoon School of Dance/Ballet requesting permission to use Lots 11 to 14, Block 210, Plan G779 (407 Cumberland Avenue) for the purpose of a Private Dance School be approved, subject to:

- 1) the applicant obtaining all relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses prior to the use of this site for the purpose of a Private Dance School;*
- 2) the owner/applicant being solely responsible for any work and expense associated with upgrades to water and sewer connections; and*
- 3) the proposal being commenced within 24 months of the date of City Council's approval.*

CARRIED.

2b) Hearings
Proposed Lane Closure - South of 23rd Street
between Witney Avenue and Montreal Avenue
Proposed Bylaw No. 8099
(File No. CK. 6295-1)

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider and determine any submissions and objections to proposed street closing prior to its consideration of Bylaw No. 8099.

Attached is a copy of Clause D3, Administrative Report No. 20-2001 which was adopted by City Council at its meeting held on November 19, 2001.

The following is a report of the City Solicitor dated February 7, 2002:

‘City Council at its meeting held on November 19, 2001, instructed this Office to proceed with the above closing.

All of the preliminary proceedings in connection with the proposed closing have been taken, and we have secured consents from all those required to give same.

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We are attaching at this time the following:

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8099 to close the lane south of 23rd Street between Witney Avenue and Montreal Avenue;
2. Photocopy of letter dated January 7, 2002, from the Deputy Minister of Highways and Transportation advising that the Minister grants consent to the Council of The City of Saskatoon to pass the necessary bylaw for said closing;
3. Copy of Notice of Closing with attached drawing which will be advertised in accordance with *The Urban Municipality Act, 1984* on Saturday, February 9, 2002 and Saturday, February 16, 2002. (The City Clerk will report with respect to any petitions to be heard.)

This will confirm that we have completed all required services on the interested parties by registered mail.”

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

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8099.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL

**1) Denise Winslow, Director
River Roar 2002, dated February 6**

Requesting permission for Bruce Williams to address Council with respect to the 2002 River Roar.
(File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Bruce Williams be heard.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT Bruce Williams be heard.

CARRIED.

Ms. Denise Winslow, Director, River Roar 2002, advised that she was present in place of Mr. Williams to answer any questions that Council may have with respect to the requests and information submitted in their letter regarding the 2002 River Roar.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT the requests be approved subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

**2) John Maxin
326 Avenue D South, dated February 11**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to Riversdale's future. (File No. CK. 150-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that John Maxin be heard.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT John Maxin be heard.

CARRIED.

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Mr. John Maxin, 326 Avenue D South, spoke with respect to problems in the Riversdale neighbourhood. He provided Council with a copy of his presentation.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**3) Robert Roy, Civic Coordinator
Meadow Green Community Association, dated February 12**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to sound attenuation along Vancouver Avenue South from 22nd Street to 18th Street. (File No. CK. 375-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that Robert Roy be heard.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT Robert Roy be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Robert Roy, Civic Coordinator, Meadow Green Community Association, spoke with respect to sound attenuation along Vancouver Avenue South from 22nd Street to 18th Street. He provided Council with a copy of a report entitled Meadowgreen Traffic Projection, prepared by Pat Tymchatyn, as well as a petition with approximately 103 signatures requesting active noise abatement devices such as an acoustic wall or an earthen berm to address noise abatement at the Circle Drive and 22nd Street West interchange.

Moved by Councillor Swystun, Seconded by Councillor Fortosky,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**4) Russell Scott
Citizens for a North East Collegiate, dated February 14**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to overcrowding in the City's high schools. (File No. CK. 277-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Russell Scott be heard.

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Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT Russell Scott be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Russell Scott, Citizens for a North East Collegiate, spoke with respect to overcrowding in the City's high schools. He asked for Council's support in lobbying for additional schools in the City and advised Council of a meeting to be held on March 6, 2002 at John G. Egnatoff School. He provided Council with a poster advertising the meeting.

Moved by Councillor Swystun, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**5) Noel Apolonia
1309 Ewart Avenue, dated February 19**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to water main breaks on Ewart Avenue.
(File No. CK. 7820-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that Noel Apolonia be heard.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Noel Apolonia be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Noel Apolonia, 1309 Ewart Avenue, spoke with respect to water main breaks on Ewart Avenue. He provided Council with a copy of a petition with approximately 41 signatures requesting that the city replace the water line on the 1100, 1200, 1300 and 1400 blocks of Ewart Avenue as soon as possible. He also provided Council with a copy of his presentation.

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Councillor Penner submitted 13 letters addressed to him, dealing with the matter.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

- 1) that Mr. Apolonia's letter and petition, and 13 letters addressed to Councillor Penner, be received and referred to the Administration; and*
- 2) that the 1100, 1200, 1300 and 1400 Blocks of Ewart Avenue be included in this summer's program for waterline replacement.*

IN REFERRAL

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Administration for a report.

THE REFERRAL MOTION WAS PUT AND CARRIED.

**6) Ed Hilchey
314 - 28th Street West, dated February 19**

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to gambling and casino developments. (File No. CK. 4110-23)

RECOMMENDATION: that Ed Hilchey be heard.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT Ed Hilchey be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Ed Hilchey, 314 - 28th Street West, indicated that he was present to represent the Clergy and provided Council with a letter from the Saskatoon Evangelical Ministers Fellowship. He asked that Council hold a binding plebiscite on the issue before allowing any further casino development.

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the information be received and joined to the file.

CARRIED.

7) **Colleen Yates, Chair**
Municipal Planning Commission, dated February 24

Requesting permission for Dieter André, Municipal Planning Commission, to address Council with respect to the Planning and Operations Committee's Local Area Planning Process report. (File No. CK. 4000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Clause 1, Report No. 2-2002 of the Planning and Operations Committee be brought forward and considered and that Dieter André be heard.

Moved by Councillor Swystun, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Clause 1, Report No. 2-2002 of the Planning and Operations Committee be brought forward and considered and that Dieter André be heard.

CARRIED.

“REPORT NO. 2-2002 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

1. **Local Area Planning Process**
(File No. CK. 4000-1)

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that the Local Area Planning Process be an ongoing program, to include the Local Area Plan and an implementation plan to deal with the recommendations and follow up necessary; and
- 2) that the Local Area Planning Process be expanded to include other neighbourhoods in the city.

City Council, at its meeting held on February 11, 2002, considered Clause 1, Report No. 1-2002 of the Municipal Planning Commission, copy attached, recommending that the Local Area Planning process become a program and moved to the Operating Budget rather than each Local Area Plan being a project under the Capital Budget and that this change commence with the 2003 budget year. The matter was referred to the Planning and Operations Committee for a report. Your Committee has reviewed the matter further with the Chair of the Municipal Planning Commission and the Administration. The Chair reviewed the benefits of having this as an ongoing

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program, as outlined in the submitted report. Your Committee was advised by the Administration that the program as it currently exists is not an ongoing program. It is a project with a specific end date and, from a financial perspective, should remain in the Capital Budget. It was further stated by the Administration that the review by the Planning and Operations Committee should focus on determining whether the program should be ongoing or not and that the financing issue would have to be dealt with once this aspect has been addressed.

Following discussion of this matter, your Committee has determined that it supports the concept of the Local Area Planning Process as an ongoing program, to include the Local Area Plan and an implementation plan to deal with the recommendations and follow up necessary. Your Committee would also like to see the Local Area Planning Process expand to other neighbourhoods that have not yet been scheduled once those identified in the Capital Plan have been completed. Your Committee, therefore, submits the above recommendations for consideration by City Council.”

Mr. Dieter André, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Municipal Planning Commission’s support of the Local Area Planning Process becoming an Operating Budget item and an ongoing program.

Moved by Councillor Waygood, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

- 1) that the Local Area Planning Process be an ongoing program, to include the Local Area Plan and an implementation plan to deal with the recommendations and follow up necessary;*
- 2) that the Local Area Planning Process be expanded to include other neighbourhoods in the city; and*
- 3) that the source of funding for the Local Area Planning Process be referred to the Administration for a report on the cost and implications on the millrate.*

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL – CONTINUED

The City Clerk submitted a letter dated February 25, 2002 from Vaughn A. Wyant, President, Jubilee Ford, requesting permission to address Council with respect to the request to extend the date of the purchase agreement for Lot 12, Block 428, Plan 01SA03393 (Auto Mall).

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Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT Clause 1, Report No. 3-2002 of the Land Bank Committee and Item AA6) of Communications be brought forward and considered and that Vaughn Wyant be heard.

CARRIED.

“REPORT NO. 3-2002 OF THE LAND BANK COMMITTEE

- 1. Request to Extend Closing Date of Purchase Agreement for City-Owned Property
Lot 12, Block 428, Plan 01SA3393, Auto Mall
Vaughn Wyant Investments Ltd.
(File No. CK. 4215-1)**
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RECOMMENDATION: that the request to extend the closing date of the Purchase Agreement for Lot 12, Block 428, Plan 01SA03393 (Auto Mall) from Vaughn Wyant Investments Ltd. be denied, and this property be placed for sale by public tender with a Reserve Bid of \$351,754.71 plus GST.

Attached is a copy of Clause A8, Administrative Report No. 1-2002 which City Council considered at its meeting held on January 7, 2002 and referred to the Land Bank Committee for a report.

Your Committee has reviewed all aspects of this Purchase Agreement, and has determined that when the closing date for this Agreement expired on December 31, 2001, the terms and conditions of the Agreement had not been met. Your Committee believes that there was sufficient time for the purchaser to fulfill the terms and conditions of this Agreement dated May 2, 2001, and therefore the Committee does not recommend an extension to the closing date. Placing this property for sale by public tender is appropriate at this time.

**AA6) Henry Savoie, Owner
Auto Clearing Chrysler Superstore, dated February 11**

Submitting information with respect to their offer to purchase land in the Auto Mall for a new car dealership. (File No. CK. 4215-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 3-2002 of the Land Bank Committee.”

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Mr. Vaughn Wyant, President, Jubilee Ford, provided Council with some background information and explained the reasons for the request for the extension. He advised that his plan is to open a new Mitsubishi dealership. He asked that they be treated in the same way as the RCMP's request for extension, and explained that he is now in a position to complete the purchase.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT the request to extend the closing date of the Purchase Agreement for Lot 12, Block 428, Plan 01SA03393 (Auto Mall) from Vaughn Wyant Investments Ltd. be denied, and this property be placed for sale by public tender with a Reserve Bid of \$351,754.71 plus GST.

THE MOTION WAS PUT AND LOST.

Moved by Steernberg, Seconded by Paulsen,

THAT the Sale Agreement dated May 2, 2001 between the City of Saskatoon and Vaughn Wyant Investments Ltd. be amended by extending the closing date to the end of February, 2002, by revising the purchase price to \$351,754.71 plus GST and by requiring the purchaser to pay compensation in-lieu of property taxes commencing January 1, 2002.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL – CONTINUED

AA. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

**1) A. Smith
Box 303, RPO University, dated February 6**

Submitting comments with respect to the Police Service. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

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

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the information be received and forwarded to the Board of Police Commissioners.

CARRIED.

2) May Henderson, Co-Chair

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National Aboriginal Day, dated February 11

Requesting temporary closure of Spadina Crescent from Victoria Bridge to 20th Street on Thursday, June 21, 2002 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. in connection with National Aboriginal Day celebrations. (File No. CK. 205-1)

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

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the request be approved subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

**3) Mary E. Benko
306-1416-20th Street West, dated February 8**

Expressing concerns with respect to safety at the bus mall. (File No. CK. 7311-2)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Administration to respond to the writer.

CARRIED.

**4) D.M. Sawatzky
202 25th Street West, dated February 11**

Requesting that Council consider closing 1st Avenue and 2nd Avenue between 21st Street to vehicular traffic and creating a pedestrian mall. (File No. CK. 4130-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Swystun, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**5) Guy Verrette, President
Fédération des Francophones de Saskatoon, dated February 1**

Requesting permission to raise the Fransaskois flag at City Hall, and for a parade from City Hall to 440 2nd Avenue North on March 11, 2002, in connection with Francophone Week and the National Gathering of Francophonie. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the requests be approved subject to administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the requests be approved subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

**6) Henry Savoie, Owner
Auto Clearing Chrysler Superstore, dated February 11**

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**7) Judy Koutecky
Mendel Art Gallery, dated February 13**

Submitting notice of Annual General Meeting of the Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation to be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2002 at 7:00 p.m.

RECOMMENDATION: that the City of Saskatoon, being a member of The Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation appoint James Maddin, or in his absence, Peter McCann or Patricia Roe of the City of Saskatoon in the Province of Saskatchewan, as its proxy to vote for it on its behalf at the Annual General Meeting of the members of The Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation, to be held on the 19th day of March, 2002, or at any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the City of Saskatoon, being a member of The Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation appoint James Maddin, or in his absence, Peter McCann or Patricia Roe of the City of Saskatoon in the Province of Saskatchewan, as its proxy to vote for it on its behalf at the Annual General Meeting of the members of The Saskatoon Gallery and Conservatory Corporation, to be held on the 19th day of March, 2002, or at any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

CARRIED.

8) Janice Mann, City Clerk
Board of Police Commissioners, dated February 15

Submitting a copy of a report of the Chief of Police dated January 29, 2002, in response to an enquiry by Councillor Steernberg with respect to In-Car-Audio-Visual Recording Surveillance Equipment. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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**9) Kelly Patrick, Chair
Saskatoon Skatepark Corporation, dated February 18**

Requesting temporary closure of 2nd Avenue South, in front of the Odeon Night Club, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., March 3, 2002, and that Bylaw No. 7200, Section 35(2), restricting skateboarding, be waived at that location and time, in connection with the Saskatoon Skatepark Corporation fundraiser. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the requests be approved subject to administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the requests be approved subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

**10) Rob Howse
1909 St. Charles Avenue, dated February 1**

Submitting concerns with respect to a proposed skateboard facility in Kinsmen Park. (File No. CK. 610-8)

**11) Conrad Lange
447 Crean Lane, dated February 12**

Submitting concerns with respect to a proposed skateboard facility in Kinsmen Park. (File No. CK. 610-8)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and referred to the Administration.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Administration.

CARRIED.

**12) Bruno Neufeldt, Manager
Prairie Feed Co-operative Ltd., dated February 6**

Submitting concerns with respect to Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**13) Dale Nygaard, President
Abacus Signs, dated January 25**

Submitting concerns with respect to Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**14) Don Crawford, General Manager
ABC Fire Extinguisher Co., dated January 22**

Submitting concerns with respect to Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

**15) Loren Katzenberger, President and CEO
Precision Metal Fabricating Ltd., dated January 30**

Submitting concerns and a petition with approximately 35 signatures, with respect to Sutherland Fire Hall. (File No. CK. 630-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and the writers be advised that a decision will be made at a future meeting and they will be advised of the outcome.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received and the writers be advised that a decision will be made at a future meeting and they will be advised of the outcome.

CARRIED.

16) R. Wayne Brimmer, and Others, undated

Two letters requesting that Council oppose the resolution being put forward at the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association (SUMA) Convention which calls for new municipal revenue streams, over and above property taxes and user fees. (File No. CK. 1910-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**17) Robin D. Kurpjuweit, DPYK Program Coordinator
Focus on the Family (Canada) Association, dated February 18**

Submitting information with respect to the How to Drug Proof Your Kids drug education program.
(File No. CK. 247-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Fortosky, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**18) Lorne Larson
McKercher McKercher & Whitmore, dated February 19**

Requesting that Council approve assignments and amendments to agreements with respect to the Hudson's Bay Property located at 205-2nd Avenue North and the HFT Parkade located at 222 2nd Avenue North. (File No. CK. 4215-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and referred to the Administration for a report back to the March 11, 2002 Council meeting.

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Administration for a report back to the March 11, 2002 Council meeting.

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**19) Susan Pegg
415 Nordstrum Road, dated February 20**

Submitting comments with respect to problems with gophers. (File No. CK. 4200-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Swystun, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**20) Joanne Sproule, Secretary
Saskatoon Development Appeals Board, dated February 8**

Submitting notice of Development Appeal Board hearing for property located at 3214 Caen Street.
(File No. CK. 4352-1)

**21) Joanne Sproule, Secretary
Saskatoon Development Appeals Board, dated February 8**

Submitting notice of Development Appeal Board hearing for property located at 815 Circle Drive
East. (File No. CK. 4352-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Swystun, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

B. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

- 1) **Joanne and Ken Paulson and Allison and Laurie Currie**
716 Lansdowne Avenue and 732 10th Street East, undated

Submitting a petition with approximately 13 signatures requesting a stop or yield sign at Lansdowne and 10th Street and Lansdowne and Main Street. (File No. CK. 6280-1) **(Referred to the Administration.)**

- 2) **Terry Scaddan, Executive Director**
The Partnership, dated February 12

Asking that City of Saskatoon consider an On-Line ticket payment option. (File No. CK. 6120-1) **(Referred to the Administration.)**

- 3) **Larry Mihalicz**
Acme Sewer Drain and Septic Service Inc., dated February 12

Submitting information with respect to sewer services. (File No. CK. 247-1) **(Referred to the Administration.)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Roe, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

C. PROCLAMATIONS

- 1) **David J. Schreyer, Ph.D., Director**
Cameco MS Neuroscience Research Centre, dated February 1

Requesting that Council proclaim the week of March 11 to 17, 2002 as Brain Awareness Week in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

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**2) Garry Byers, P.R. Chair
Saskatchewan Provincial Good Sam Samboree, dated February 10**

Requesting that Council proclaim the week of June 2 to June 8, 2002 as Recreational Vehicle Week in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

**3) Jack Aldcorn, Executive Director, Saskatchewan Division
Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada, dated February 11**

Requesting that Council proclaim the month of May, 2002 as MS Month in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

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

Moved by Councillor Steernberg, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

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

CARRIED.

REPORTS

General Manager, Community Services Gauthier presented Section A, Administrative Report No. 4-2002;

General Manager, Corporate Services Veltkamp presented Section B, Administrative Report No. 4-2002;

General Manager, Infrastructure Services Uzelman presented Section D, Administrative Report No. 4-2002;

A/General Manager, Utility Services Kerc presented Section E, Administrative Report No. 4-2002;

City Manager Richards presented Section F, Administrative Report No. 4-2002;

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City Clerk Mann presented Section A, Legislative Report No. 4-2002;

City Solicitor Dust presented Section B, Legislative Report No. 4-2002;

Councillor Waygood, Chair, presented Report No. 2-2002 of the Planning and Operations Committee;

Councillor Heidt, Chair, presented Report No. 3-2002 of the Land Bank Committee; and

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

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

- a) Administrative Report No. 4-2002;*
- b) Legislative Report No. 4-2002;*
- c) Report No. 2-2002 of the Planning and Operations Committee; and*
- d) Report No. 3-2002 of the Land Bank Committee.*

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

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

Committee arose.

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

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

“ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 4-2002

Section A - COMMUNITY SERVICES

**A1) Enquiry - Councillor O. Fortosky
Guidelines – Building Straw Bale Houses
(File No. CK. 301-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Councillor O. Fortosky made the following enquiry at the meeting of City Council on January 21, 2002:

“Would the Administration please report on establishing guidelines for building straw bale houses and adding bale homes to the list of allowable buildings in the City of Saskatoon with reference to other cities that allow such structures, including the City of Regina.”

The City of Saskatoon is authorized by provincial legislation (Uniform Building and Accessibility Standards Act) to administer and enforce the 1995 National Building Code. Although there are several specific references in the National Building Code to certain construction techniques (i.e. wood frame, steel frame, concrete, masonry, etc) there are no specific references in the Code to straw bales or straw bale construction. The City of Saskatoon’s current position when responding to requests for building permits using construction techniques that are not specifically covered by the Code is to require that the entire building (including the foundation) be designed and sealed by a professional engineer.

All other major cities in Canada follow the same approach outlined above, and as a result, the use and acceptance of straw bale construction in urban centres is almost non-existent. The exception would be in Regina where one single-family home and one small residential day care building were approved within the city using straw bale construction. In both cases the proponent/owner is the same, and the buildings were built as demonstration projects. The City of Regina was able to review the plans and issue the permits for these buildings because they had been designed and sealed by a professional engineer (the same engineer in both cases). The buildings are currently being monitored very closely to see how they perform in the area of structural sufficiency, moisture transfer/retention, and air quality, etc. The results of these tests have not been finalized or made public.

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Although, all major cities in Canada are being cautious about accepting this construction technique, there are several examples of straw bale construction in rural areas of the country. In the case of farm houses, which are not regulated by the National Building Code, the rural municipalities have different building permit programs in place which may allow different construction techniques.

There has also been some testing done in the area of straw bale construction under the research program sponsored by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC). These tests concentrate entirely on the effect of moisture on the exterior walls of straw bale buildings. The results of these tests are inconclusive at this time, and therefore, have not given federal code writers any direction or comfort with respect to including this construction technique in the National Building Code.

At this point in time, the Administration recommends that the City of Saskatoon not revise its current position on the use of straw bale construction within the city. This position should remain in place until such time as the National Building Code is re-written to include provisions for straw bale construction or the professional engineering industry, as a whole, has embraced the concept and is willing to place their seal on all drawings.

**A2) Easement Requirement – SaskPower, SaskEnergy, and SaskTel
Arbor Creek Neighbourhood
Part of Municipal Buffer MB33 and Walkway W9, Plan 01SA33570
(File No. PL 4090-3)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council grant an easement to SaskPower, SaskEnergy, and SaskTel as outlined on the attached plan; and
 - 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Saskatoon under the Corporate Seal, the appropriate agreement as prepared by the City Solicitor.

ADOPTED.

Carol A. Moore, on behalf of SaskPower's Land Department, has requested the City's approval for an easement over Municipal Buffer Strip MB33 and Walkway W9, Plan 01SA33570, as shown outlined on Attachment 1. The purpose of this easement is to provide service in the Arbor Creek neighbourhood.

Subdivision application No. 73/00 was approved by the General Manager, Community Services Department on April 4, 2001. The proposed easement was not required at the time of subdivision.

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The Community Services Department and Infrastructure Department have no objection to the granting of this easement to SaskPower, SaskEnergy, and SaskTel.

ATTACHMENT

1. Municipal Buffer MB33 and Walkway W9, Plan 01SA33570

**A3) Land-Use Applications Received by the Community Services Department
For the Period Between February 4 and February 14, 2002
(For Information Only)
(File No. CK. 4000-5)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the following report be received as information.

ADOPTED.

The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Condominium

- Application No. 3/02: 3456 Fairlight Drive
Applicant: Robert Fulford
Legal Description: Lot E, Block 203, Plan 99SA18961
Current Zoning: RM1
Neighbourhood: Parkridge
Date Received: February 8, 2002

Development Plan

- Amendment No. DPA2/02: Text Amendment
Applicant: City of Saskatoon, City Planning Branch
Current Land Use Designation: Section 5.1 and 9.2. Integration of Storm Water
Facilities and Parks
Date Received: February 6, 2002

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- Amendment No. DPA 4/02: Not available
Applicant: City of Saskatoon, Land Branch
Legal Description: All of SE ¼ of Sec 21-37-5 W3rd except SW corner, north along west boundary 100 yards, east to south boundary 100 yards, south parallel to west boundary to intersect south boundary west along south boundary to point of commencement; and portion taken by plans 83S46282; 00SA24992; 01SA09448, and 01SA12416

Current Land Use Designation: Phasing II
Proposed Land Use Designation: Phasing I
Neighbourhood: Marquis Industrial
Date Received: February 15, 2002

Rezoning

- Application No. Z3/02: 101 115th Street West and 1416 Central Avenue
Applicant: Kindrachuk Agrey Architects for Jeca Holdings Ltd.
Legal Description: Lots C and D, Block 7, Plan G654
Current Zoning: M1
Proposed Zoning: B2 by Agreement
Neighbourhood: Sutherland
Date Received: February 11, 2002

- Application No. Z5/02: Not available
Applicant: City of Saskatoon, Land Branch
Legal Description: All of SE ¼ of Sec 21-37-5 W3rd except SW corner, north along west boundary 100 yards, east to south boundary 100 yards, south parallel to west boundary to intersect south boundary west along south boundary to point of commencement; and portion taken by plans 83S46282; 00SA24992; 01SA09448, and 01SA12416

Current Zoning: IH (H)
Proposed Zoning: IH
Neighbourhood: Marquis Industrial
Date Received: February 15, 2002

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Subdivision

- Application No. 11/02: Easement from Saguenay Drive across the river and to Central Avenue
Applicant: George, Nicholson, Franko & Associates for City of Saskatoon and University of Saskatchewan
Legal Description: Part Parcel ZZ, Plan 77S13724; Parcel A, Plan CE 1862 and Part S ½ 11-37-5-W3M
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: River Heights and U of S Lands Management Area
Date Received: February 11, 2002

- Application No. 12/02: Chappell Drive (no civic address)
Applicant: Murray Marien for City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Proposed Right-of-Way through Parcels B and C, Plan 64S07550 and Parcel B, Plan 65S21871
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: Montgomery Place
Date Received: February 11, 2002

- Application No. 13/02: 115/117 Hedley Street
Applicant: Webster Surveys for Ehsan & Amtual Chaudhary
Legal Description: Lot 9, Block 121, Plan G171
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: Forest Grove
Date Received: February 13, 2002

- Application No. 14/02: 300 Block Avenue O South
Applicant: Webster Surveys for Leisure Services-City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Lots 11, 12, 13 and Part 14, Block 24, Plan (FV) F5554
Current Zoning: RM1
Neighbourhood: Pleasant Hill
Date Received: February 14, 2002

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 3/02
2. Plan of Proposed Rezoning No. Z3/02
3. Plan of Proposed Rezoning No. Z5/02
4. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 11/02

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5. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 12/02
6. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 13/02
7. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 14/02

Section B - CORPORATE SERVICES

**B1) Corporate Micro Computer Blanket Order
(File No. CK. 1100-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the proposal submitted by Horizon Computer Solutions for the supply of micro computer hardware, at a total estimated cost of \$300,000 (or an expiry date of August 15, 2002) be accepted; and
 - 2) that the Corporate Services Department, Purchasing Services, issue the appropriate purchase order.

ADOPTED.

In the interest of ensuring quality as well as promoting corporate standardization and onsite warranty, the City of Saskatoon issues, on a semi-annual basis, a Request for Proposal for its micro computer needs. The successful bidder is issued a Blanket Order that Departments use to purchase computer equipment based on their specific requirements. The existing blanket order expired February 15, so there is a need to issue a new order for the next six-month period, or to a maximum of \$300,000, whichever occurs first.

Seven firms responded to the Request for Proposal. A summary of the proposals is attached. Each bidder is evaluated based on two computer configurations. However, the Blanket Order is also used to purchase individual components, printers, etc. All companies qualified from a specifications perspective with the successful bidder, Horizon Computer Solutions, being selected because it provided the lowest cost.

ATTACHMENT

1. Summary of Proposal

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**B2) Preliminary Statement of Revenue and Expenditures
Year Ended December 31, 2001
(File No. CK. 1704-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the surplus of \$163,000 relating to the Special Needs Transportation Program, be set aside specifically for future one-time expenditures associated with this Program; and,
 - 2) that the remaining surplus of \$981,000 be transferred to the Revenue Stabilization Reserve.

ADOPTED.

Attached, for City Council's information, is a copy of the Preliminary Statement of Revenue and Expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2001. This statement, subject to external audit, reveals a surplus of \$1,144,000. This represents 0.6 of one percent of the total budget.

While it is our practice to transfer year-end surpluses to the Revenue Stabilization Reserve, it is your Administration's recommendation that the portion of the surplus attributable directly to the net variances in the Special Needs Transportation Program (\$163,000) be set aside specifically for future one-time expenditures associated with this Program. This recommendation is being made in light of City Council's recent efforts to enhance the service level for Special Needs Transportation and its decision, as part of the 2001 Operating Budget deliberations, to increase funding for this Program. The 2001 surplus in this Program is due primarily to a delay in implementing the increased level of service from a July 1, 2001 start date, to November 1, 2001. The future use of the \$163,000 would be subject to further reports to, and approval by, City Council.

Your Administration is recommending that the remaining surplus of \$981,000 be transferred to the Revenue Stabilization Reserve. Combined with the funds currently in the reserve (\$2,374,500), the balance will total \$3,352,500. This represents approximately 2 percent of total budgetary expenditures and will be available to fund any future operating deficits.

Enclosed with the statement, is a letter of transmittal highlighting the major variances contributing to this surplus.

Your Administration is currently in the process of finalizing its financial statement package, which will be forwarded to City Council once the external audit has been completed.

ATTACHMENT

1. Preliminary Statement of Revenue and Expenditures for year ended December 31, 2001
Section D - INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

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**D1) Proposed Taxi Stand
300 Block 2nd Avenue North
(File No. CK. 6120-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a Taxi Stand be installed in front of the Patricia Hotel on the west side of the 300 block of 2nd Avenue North;
 - 2) that the applicant be required to pay the annual fee of \$1,750 plus G.S.T.; and
 - 3) that the Taxi Stand in front of the Extra Foods store on the east side of the 100 block of 3rd Avenue South be removed and a metered parking stall be installed in its place.

ADOPTED.

Infrastructure Services has received a request from the Owner/Operator of United/BlueLine Cabs Limited, of 215 Avenue B North, to move their Taxi Stand from the front of the Extra Foods store on the east side of the 100 block of 3rd Avenue South, to the front of the Patricia Hotel on the west side of the 300 block of 2nd Avenue North, as shown on attached Plan No. 210-0040-019r001B (Attachment 1).

The Owner/Operator of United/BlueLine Cabs Limited has contacted the Manager of the Patricia Hotel and has received the Hotel's endorsement for the proposed Taxi Stand. The Taxi Stand would provide improved convenience for those patrons of the Patricia Hotel requiring taxi services.

Infrastructure Services has reviewed this request and has no objections. In place of the Taxi Stand in front of Extra Foods, it is proposed that a 90-minute parking meter be installed, as shown on attached Plan No. 210-0040-017r001B (Attachment 2). Ninety-minute parking meters are consistent with this block face and others in the surrounding area.

The Taxi Stand conforms to City guidelines with respect to Taxi Stands and the applicant has agreed to pay the annual fee of \$1,750 plus G.S.T.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan No. 210-0040-019r001B
2. Plan No. 210-0040-017r001B

**D2) School Signing Revisions
(File No. CK. 6280-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the proposed school signing revisions, as set out in the following report, be approved.

ADOPTED.

Infrastructure Services has received requests to review the signing at the following schools. Consultations with the Principal of each school, a representative of the School Board, and a member of Infrastructure Services have resulted in the preparation of new school signing plans (using the School Signing Guidelines) to address the particular needs of each facility. The following changes have been reviewed and approved by Infrastructure Services, the School Board and the Principals:

- John Lake School: The recommended signing changes along the west side of Broadway Avenue north of the Hopkins Street intersection are described below and shown on attached Plan No. 212-0056-001r002 (Attachment 1):
 - Install a 'DISABLED PERSONS LOADING ZONE, 08:00-17:00, MONDAY-FRIDAY' (RB-58G) of approximately 20 metres at the school's main entrance.
- Lester B. Pearson School: The recommended signing changes along the north side of Centennial Drive are described below and shown on attached Plan No. 212-0012-001r002 (Attachment 2):
 - Install a 10 metre 'DISABLED PERSONS LOADING ZONE, 08:00-17:00, MONDAY-FRIDAY' (RB-58G) east of the Tache Crescent intersection near the school's east entrance.
- Silverspring School: The recommended signing changes at the intersection of Konihowski Road and Pezer Crescent South are described below and shown on attached Plan No. 212-0061-001r002 (Attachment 3):
 - Replace the existing 'NO PARKING' zone (RB-51) along the east side of the intersection with a 'NO STOPPING' zone (RB-55).
- Bedford Road Collegiate: The recommended signing changes along the east side of Avenue H, north of the Rusholme Road intersection, are described below and shown on attached Plan No. 212-0013-003r002 (Attachment 4)
 - Relocate the existing 'DISABLED PERSONS LOADING ZONE, 08:00-17:00, MONDAY-FRIDAY' (RB-58G) to a location approximately 20 metres north of the entrance to the staff parking lot.
 - Install a 'SCHOOL BUS LOADING ZONE, 08:00-17:00, MONDAY-FRIDAY' (RB-58L) of approximately 18 metres in length immediately north of the entrance to the staff parking lot.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan No. 212-0056-001r002
2. Plan No. 212-0012-001r002
3. Plan No. 212-0061-001r002
4. Plan No. 212-0013-003r002

D3) Request to Lease City-Owned Land
Saskatoon Golf and Country Club
(File No. CK. 4225-1)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the lease agreement between the City and the Saskatoon Golf and Country Club covering the City-owned property, as outlined in the attached sketch plan (Attachment 1), be amended under the following terms and conditions:
 - a) Saskatoon Golf and Country Club be granted an option to extend the lease, subject to the agreement of the City, by making application to the General Manager, Infrastructure Services, three years prior to the expiry of the lease;
 - b) date of application to be made by December 31 of each year;
 - c) the current date of extension to be established as December 31, 2004;
 - d) no end date to year of extension of lease; and
 - e) lease rate of \$12,000 plus GST to remain in effect until December 31, 2009 with the lease rate for the period after 2009 to be established on or before June 30, 2006; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary agreement for execution on behalf of the City by His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

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REPORT

The Saskatoon Golf and Country Club and the General Manager, Infrastructure Services, subject to the approval of City Council, have agreed to an amendment to the current lease arrangement involving City-owned lands, which have been reserved for the planned Circle Drive South extension to a new south river crossing. The current arrangement respecting the extension of the lease was established in 1995 and provides the Club an annual option to extend the lease, subject to agreement by the City, five years prior to the expiry of the lease. This option enables the Club to apply each year for a yearly extension of the lease for the next five-year period. The last year of the extension provisions would take the lease to December 31, 2009. For example, in December, 1999, the Club's request for extension of the lease to December 31, 2004, was approved.

The requested amendment to the current lease arrangement is to change the current five-year period to three years. According to the Manager, Municipal Engineering Branch, this would resolve a number of issues related to the future south river crossing and its impact on the Club's plans for future alterations to the course. It would reduce the timeframe for notification by the City for vacancy of the property by the Golf Club from five to three years.

Additional changes to the current lease arrangement include the following:

- a) eliminating the current expiry date (December 31, 2009) of the lease;
- b) applications for extension to be made directly to the General Manager, Infrastructure Services, on or before December 31 of each year;
- c) the current date of extension to be established as December 31, 2004; and
- d) the current lease rate of \$12,000 plus GST per annum established until December 31, 2009 be re-negotiated on or before June 30, 2006.

ATTACHMENT

1. Sketch Plan of City-owned property under lease to the Saskatoon Golf and Country Club

D4) South River Crossing – Property Acquisition
3107 Caen Street
(File No. CK. 4020-1)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Land Manager be authorized to purchase 3107 Caen Street at a total price of \$163,000 under the terms and conditions stipulated in the attached Offer to Purchase letters dated January 30 and February 15, 2002 (Attachment 1);
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be authorized to prepare the necessary agreement to purchase documents; and
 - 3) that funding for the purchase be allocated from the Property

Realized Reserve, with the funds being paid back to the Property Realized Reserve by the Circle Drive South project, once project funding becomes available.

ADOPTED.

The Executive Committee, at its meeting held on May 3, 2000, resolved in part,

“that the Administration be authorized to enter into negotiations with the owners of 3105 Dieppe Street, 3104 Dieppe Street, 3102 Caen Street, 3103 Caen Street, 3107 Caen Street, 1217 Dundonald Avenue and 1221 Dundonald Avenue for the purpose of purchasing these properties to accommodate the completion of Circle Drive;”

As City Council is aware, the Administration has been negotiating with a number of property owners adjacent to Dundonald Avenue in the Montgomery neighbourhood in order to obtain the required right-of-way for the extension of Circle Drive to a future south river crossing. This process began by retaining two private appraisal firms to conduct independent appraisals for each of the properties affected by the proposed right-of-way widening.

Following the appraisals, the Administration extended offers to purchase the affected properties. These offers included a purchase price based on the highest appraised value plus \$20,000 to cover all upset and costs expected to be incurred by the vendor. Additionally, the vendor was provided the right to lease back the property for a period of up to three years for \$200 per month plus GST. The property cannot be sub-let. The vendor would be responsible for property taxes and all normal upkeep of the property with the City responsible for major repairs. If major repairs exceed \$7,500, the City would reserve the right to cancel the lease. If the property were to be leased longer than three years, the vendor would be provided the first right to lease the property at market rent.

To date, five properties have been purchased: 1215 and 1217 Dundonald Avenue; 3103 and 3108 Caen Street; and 3105 Dieppe Street as shown on the South River Crossing Study Requirements (Attachment 2). The Administration has now received an acceptance letter from Cameron and Leah Stewart, owners of 3107 Caen Street (Attachment 3). The Administration would like to proceed with the purchase of the property under terms and conditions stipulated in letters dated January 30 and February 15, 2002, with the added provision that they be allowed to remove the existing shed located at the rear of the property.

The purchase price of the property is \$163,000. As there is no dedicated project funding in place at this time, the only source of funding for the acquisition of the properties in question is from the Property Realized Reserve. As dedicated project funding becomes available, the Reserve will be repaid any funds withdrawn for this purchase(s).

ATTACHMENTS

1. Offer to Purchase letters dated January 30 and February 15, 2002
2. South River Crossing Study Property Requirements
3. Letter of Acceptance from Cameron and Leah Stewart dated February 10, 2002

Section E - UTILITY SERVICES

**E1) Universal Bus Pass (UPASS) for
University of Saskatchewan Students
(File No. CK. 7312-2)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the following report be received as information.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

The concept of a universal bus pass involves unlimited, citywide bus transportation for all full-time University of Saskatchewan students. Besides the obvious benefit to those who choose to use the pass, students who opt to continue to use their car will benefit from reduced traffic congestion and increased parking opportunities on campus. Moreover, those who walk, run or cycle will also benefit from reduced traffic.

Transit benefits from a guaranteed revenue stream and increased ridership. Moreover, establishing the transit habit at this juncture can have significant impact on future ridership numbers and, equally important, influence the perceptions of those who may influence future public policy regarding transit's role in the community.

The University benefits from reduced requirements for parking lots thereby freeing up precious limited real estate for future development on the University grounds.

The community as a whole benefits from reduced traffic and its consequent reduction on demands for infrastructure investment, as well as reducing parking problems in communities immediately adjacent to the University. The environmental benefits of reduced traffic pollution, while less easy to quantify, are no less important.

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The price of the mandatory pass is based on a revenue neutral formula for Transit, as the program is to benefit the 14,000 students who would qualify for the program, while not adding any additional burden to the city taxpayer. The price has been established at \$109 per full-time student for the fall and winter semesters (8 months). This price includes a \$4 fee for the University's cost to administer the program.

A sticker would be applied to the student's University Identification Card at the start of each semester thereby eliminating the need for students to carry two separate cards to establish eligibility. UPASS will continue to be available only through the University Students Union as they have the means to verify current enrolment.

Additional buses will be put on the routes serving the University to accommodate the added ridership which, based on other cities' UPASS program experiences, is expected to be anywhere from 25 to 50 percent.

Bus routes will be evaluated to determine where additional service will be required, based on student population densities. As well, evening service will be increased to accommodate students taking evening classes. The need for increased bus shelters and benches will be evaluated and action taken as required.

Implementation of the UPASS is the subject of a University of Saskatchewan students' referendum to be held March 5, 6, and 7, 2002. The referendum will be asking students if they are in favour of a \$109 mandatory UPASS fee being applied to all full-time University Student fees beginning in the fall of 2002. UPASS will allow students to hop on any city bus on all regular routes, anytime, anywhere in the city by simply showing the driver their University Identification Card during the period of September 1st to April 30th of each year. Currently, students who purchase a Semester Passes pay \$324 for the same time period. Similar programs have been implemented at over 70 Universities across North America and have, overall, proven to be very popular with the students once in place.

The Students Union at the University of Saskatchewan along with an informal group of pro-UPASS students are soliciting support for the proposal via leaflets, campus newsletter advertising, and posters. Saskatoon Transit Services will be placing informational interior bus cards on all city buses and exterior King Bus Boards on 40 city buses. The Transit Tradeshow Booth and staff will also be available to provide information to students on campus should the University Elections Board deem our presence not in contravention of the USSU Elections Act. The Act limits spending by either side to \$1000.

The only challenges to a positive outcome are the recent tuition fee hikes and the impact of the application of a mandatory Health and Dental Fee in the fall of 2001.

Section F - CITY MANAGER

**F1) Year 2001 Annual Report
2002 - 2004 Corporate Business Plan
(File No. CC 100-14)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council receive the 2002 - 2004 Corporate Business Plan and the 2001 Annual Report; and
 - 2) that City Council approve the amendments to the Strategic Plan, as outlined in this report.

ADOPTED.

At their annual planning session, the senior managers reviewed the Strategic Plan in preparation for both the 2001 Annual Report and the 2002 - 2004 Corporate Business Plan.

Your Administration is now pleased to present its second annual report. This report highlights the major accomplishments that took place in the year 2001.

Also attached is a new three-year Corporate Business Plan for 2002 - 2004. Included in this plan are the objectives that will guide the Administration over the next three years.

Although adding a new core strategy on security was discussed at the managers meeting in January 2001, no changes were made at that time. In light of recent events, your staff is proposing that a tenth core strategy be added to the Strategic Plan:

“Community Safety – optimize the safety and security of our community.”

(The objectives of this new strategy are found in the 2002 - 2004 Corporate Business Plan.)

As well, the managers are proposing that the current core strategy, “Employee Relations”, be reworded to be more proactive:

“Become an employer of choice by creating an atmosphere that attracts, develops, and retains employees, and thereby encourages the achievement of corporate objectives.”

ATTACHMENTS

1. Annual Report – City of Saskatoon – Year 2001
2. Corporate Business Plan 2002 - 2004

LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 4-2002

Section A - OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

A1) Appointment of Deputy Mayor
(File No. CK. 255-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the following be appointed Deputy Mayor for the months indicated:

Councillor K. Waygood	-	For the month of July, 2002;
Councillor L. Swystun	-	For the month of August, 2002;
Councillor R. Steernberg	-	For the month of September, 2002;
Councillor P. Roe	-	For the month of October, 2002;
Councillor G. Penner	-	For the month of November, 2002;
Councillor T. Paulsen	-	For the month of December, 2002;
Councillor P. McCann	-	For the month of January, 2003;
Councillor M. Heidt	-	For the month of February, 2003;
Councillor O. Fortosky	-	For the month of March, 2003;
Councillor D. Atchison	-	For the month of April, 2003;
Councillor K. Waygood	-	For the month of May, 2003;
Councillor L. Swystun	-	For the month of June, 2003;
Councillor R. Steernberg	-	For the month of July, 2003;
Councillor P. Roe	-	For the month of August, 2003;
Councillor G. Penner	-	For the month of September, 2003; and
Councillor T. Paulsen	-	For the month of October, 2003.

ADOPTED.

Pursuant to *The Urban Municipality Act, 1984*, City Council is required to appoint a Deputy Mayor.

In the past, Council has appointed the Deputy Mayor on a reverse alphabetical basis with a monthly rotation. Should Council determine that this procedure is acceptable, and in following the rotation pattern to date, it is recommended that the above be appointed Deputy Mayor for the months indicated.

Section B - OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

**B1) Tax and Assessment Search Fee Changes
(File No. CK. 1720-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8103.

ADOPTED.

City Council at its meeting held on February 11, 2002, approved fee increases for assessment and tax certificates and searches effective May 1, 2002. Fees for assessment and tax certificates and searches must be set by bylaw. Accordingly, our Office has prepared the necessary bylaw to implement the approved changes effective May 1, 2002.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 8103 with attached Schedule "A".

REPORT NO. 2-2002 OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor K. Waygood, Chair
Councillor O. Fortosky
Councillor M. Heidt
Councillor G. Penner
Councillor L. Swystun

1. **Local Area Planning Process
(File No. CK. 4000-1)**

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 9.

**2. Outdoor Pool Operations
(File No. CK. 613-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the matter of increasing the number of days of operation at Mayfair and Lathey Pools from 60 days to 70 days be referred to the Budget Committee for consideration during the Operating Budget deliberations.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed the attached report of the Community Services Department dated January 31, 2002, providing information about the operation of outdoor pools. As noted in the report, City Council approves an annual operating budget for the outdoor swimming pools based on a fixed number of operating days. Your Committee had discussion regarding the number of operating days for Mayfair and Lathey Pools, which is currently set at 60 days. While there is some flexibility for staff to open an additional day or two, depending on the weather and staff resources, your Committee would like to see more flexibility and feel that this would be best accomplished by budgeting to allow for expanding the days of operation at these pools from 60 to 70 days.

The above recommendation is forwarded for consideration during Operating Budget discussions.

REPORT NO. 3-2002 OF THE LAND BANK COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor M. Heidt, Chair
Councillor D. Atchison
Councillor G. Penner
Councillor R. Steernberg
Councillor K. Waygood

**1. Request to Extend Closing Date of Purchase Agreement for City-Owned Property
Lot 12, Block 428, Plan 01SA3393, Auto Mall
Vaughn Wyant Investments Ltd.
(File No. CK. 4215-1)**

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 10.

**2. Lease of City-Owned Land
Part of Parcel C, Block 231, Plan No. G826
(that portion abutting Lot D except Plan 60S05257)
Westwind Investments Ltd.
(File No. CK. 4225-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the lease of part of Parcel C, Block 231, Plan No. G826 (that portion abutting Lot D except Plan No. 60S05257) under the following terms and conditions:
 - a) the annual lease rate be \$2,250.00 plus GST;
 - b) the term of lease to be five years;
 - c) there be a 90-day termination notice by either party;
 - d) the Lessee to pay all property taxes;
 - e) an Assignment of Lease may be granted and shall not reasonably be withheld; and
 - 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary Lease Agreement for execution by His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk under Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered the following report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated January 30, 2002 with the Land Branch Manager, and supports the lease proposal outlined therein:

BACKGROUND

Westwind Investments Ltd. has leased this property since 1986 with consecutive five-year lease agreements in order to access the property they own adjacent to this site. Westwind has been approached about purchasing this property, however, they are not interested in purchasing the site at this time. This site is a former spur-line right-of-way and due to its size and configuration cannot be sold as a separate, stand-alone property.

REPORT

Westwind Investments Ltd., the owner of 2026 Quebec Avenue, has requested to renew the lease for this property as shown on Attachment No. 1. The City of Saskatoon previously had a lease agreement in place with Westwind for this site for five years at \$2,250.00 per year plus all taxes. This lease rate was based on an annualised rate of return of 7% of the market value of the land. Since the market value of this land has not increased, no change to the lease rate is recommended at this time. Land Branch has no obligations to the current lease proposal and recommends that the City enter into a lease for this property with those terms.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan showing part of Parcel C, Block 231, Plan No. G826

3. **Request to Sell City-Owned Property
Proposed Lot 11, Block 433
Pawlychenko Lane, Lakewood Suburban Centre
(File No. CK. 4215-1)**

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that the Land Manager be authorized to sell proposed Lot 11, Block 433, as shown by the Plan of Proposed Subdivision of part of Lot 6, Block 433, Plan No. 01SA29464, to SaskTel for the sum of \$31,662.10, plus GST; and
- 2) that the City Solicitor be authorized to prepare the necessary documentation for execution by His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed the following report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated February 1, 2002 with the Land Branch Manager, and supports the sale of this property to SaskTel:

BACKGROUND

The Land Branch is in the process of servicing the Lakewood Suburban Centre. The suburban centre contains approximately 72 acres of land, all of which is owned by the City of Saskatoon. (See Attachment No. 1). The centre is intended to provide major shopping, community facilities, and high-density housing to serve the surrounding neighbourhoods.

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In 2001 the area grading was completed for the entire suburban centre, and water and sewer was installed for the first phase of development. It is the intention of the Land Branch to offer the first phase of the development for sale in the summer of 2002, upon completion of the construction of the utilities (i.e. gas, electrical and phone) and roadwork, and receipt of the necessary approval by City Council to sell the land.

REPORT

In order to meet the servicing needs for the suburban centre and the surrounding areas, SaskTel has requested to purchase approximately 0.06 hectares (0.148 acres) of land from the City in advance of the land being offered to the market. SaskTel requires the land to accommodate an approximate 16 by 20 foot switching building to provide communication services to the area. Their intention is to construct the building and trench in the necessary cables to the building in 2002. (See Attachment No. 2)

The Land Branch has confirmed with SaskTel that they do not have any intention of constructing a cell tower at this location. In order to provide cellular phone coverage for the southeast sector of the City and surrounding area, SaskTel recently constructed a cell tower on land they own immediately east of the City within Corman Park.

SaskTel has agreed to the price \$31,662.10 (\$213,557.93 per acre) plus GST, representing full market value for this type of land. In addition, they will pay for the cost of the subdivision to create separate title to the land in the amount of \$1,400.00. Your staff recommends approval to the sale.

The Committee will be provided with a further report to price and sell the balance of the suburban centre lands prior to the completion of servicing.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan showing the Lakewood Suburban Centre.
2. Plan showing Proposed Lot 11, Block 433, being the land requested for purchase by SaskTel.

4. **Request to Sell City-Owned Property
Portion of Parcel EE, Plan 96S22416
Kristjanson Road, Silverspring
(File No. CK. 4214-1)**

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that, subject to the approval of pricing by the University of Saskatchewan, the Land Manager be authorized to offer for sale by public tender Parcel EE, Plan 96S22416, with a reserve bid of \$475,000.00 plus GST;
- 2) that in the event that Parcel EE, Plan 96S22416, is not sold

through the public tender process, the land be placed for sale over the counter, on a first-come, first-serve basis with a price equivalent to the reserve bid; and

- 3) that His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized execute the necessary documentation under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has reviewed the following report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated January 30, 2002 with the Land Branch Manager, and supports the sale of this property by public tender, as outlined in the report:

BACKGROUND

Parcel EE is under title to the City of Saskatoon and is being developed under *The Agreement For Sale and Development* between the City of Saskatoon and the University of Saskatchewan, dated April 1, 1987. Located on Kristjanson Road, the parcel is approximately 1.75 acres in size and zoned B2-District Commercial (Attachment 1). This zoning designation allows for the development of an intermediate range of commercial uses.

REPORT

In order to proceed with the sale of Parcel EE, the University of Saskatchewan and City Council must approve a price for the land. Your staff recommend a price of \$475,000.00 (\$6.23 per square foot; \$271,429.00 per acre) plus GST. This price has been calculated by your staff and confirmed by an independent appraiser as representing fair market value for District Commercial land at this location.

Upon approval from the University of Saskatchewan and City Council, Parcel EE will be offered for sale by public tender, with a reserve bid of \$475,000.00 plus GST. In the event that the parcel does not sell through the tender process, the land will be placed for sale over the counter on a first-come, first-serve basis at a price equivalent to the reserve bid.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan showing Parcel EE, Plan 96S22416.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES

**Councillor G. Penner
East Side Farmers Market Site
(File No. CK. 205-7)**

It has come to my attention that the east side site for the Farmers Market on the Elim Church parking lot will not be available for this year's May - October season.

Could Council receive a report examining potential alternate sites (even if it's short term) so the Farmers Market will be able to operate their Tuesday location this year.

**Councillor G. Penner
Traffic/Pedestrian Problems - Taylor Street and McEown Avenue
(File No. CK. 6150-1)**

Could I have a report regarding traffic/pedestrian problems at the intersection of Taylor Street and McEown Avenue.

Concerns have been expressed about students having to cross a busy street and the lack of traffic lights, as well as difficulties students have catching the bus at the end of the school day due to crossing Taylor Street.

**Councillor O. Fortosky
Lighting - Lane Bordering Fred Mendel Park and 17th Street West
(File No. CK. 6300-1)**

Would the Administration please report on the possibility of placing light standards or lighting of some sort in the lane bordering Fred Mendel Park and 17th Street West due to the illegal activities occurring on a regular basis.

**Councillor T. Paulsen
Temporary Road Closures for Events and Celebrations
(File No. CK. 6295-1)**

Could the Administration please report on the feasibility of communicating to surrounding businesses ahead of time, in each instance, when the City is closing a street in front of their business.

**Councillor K. Waygood
Traffic Control Options - Main Street and Clarence Avenue
(File No. CK. 6250-1)**

Would the Administration please provide Council with a report on traffic control options for Main Street and Clarence Avenue:

- 1) including whether or not the intersection warrants traffic lights; and
- 2) what control measures could be implemented to reduce through traffic on Main Street from Broadway, east along Main Street to Clarence Avenue.

MOTIONS

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“Councillor Atchison gave the following Notice of Motion at the meeting of City Council held on February 11, 2002:

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

THAT the City of Saskatoon set growth rate objectives starting with the year 2002.

THAT those growth rate objectives be for minimum growth in both the commercial sector (based upon the commercial assessment) and the residential growth be based on population.

THAT the City in future years set minimum growth rate objectives in both sectors (commercial and residential).”

Moved by Councillor Atchison, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the City of Saskatoon set growth rate objectives starting with the year 2002.

THAT those growth rate objectives be for minimum growth in both the commercial sector (based upon the commercial assessment) and the residential growth be based on population.

THAT the City in future years set minimum growth rate objectives in both sectors (commercial and residential).

IN REFERRAL

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee for a report.

THE REFERRAL MOTION WAS PUT AND CARRIED.

GIVING NOTICE

Councillor Fortosky gave the following Notice of Motion:

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

‘THAT the City of Saskatoon provide sound attenuation between 18th Street and 22nd Street West as part of the construction of the 22nd Street/Circle Drive overpass.’”

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 8099

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8099, being “A bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to close a portion of the lane South of 23rd Street between Witney Avenue and Montreal Avenue, in the City of Saskatoon.” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

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THAT Bylaw No. 8099 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8099.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8099 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8099 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT Bylaw No. 8099 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.

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CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Bylaw No. 8103

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Swystun,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8103, being “The Assessment and Tax Certificates and Searches Bylaw, 2002” and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Atchison,

THAT Bylaw No. 8103 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Roe,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8103.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8103 was considered clause by clause and approved.

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Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Steernberg,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8103 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT Bylaw No. 8103 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.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 10:17 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk