

Council Chamber
City Hall, Saskatoon, Sask.
Tuesday, October 26, 1993,
at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: His Worship Mayor Dayday in the Chair;
Councillors Penner, McCann, Cherneskey, Birkmaier,
Mann, Mostoway and Waygood;
City Commissioner Irwin;
Director of Planning and Development Pontikes;
Director of Works and Utilities Gustafson;
Director of Finance Richards;
City Solicitor Dust;
City Clerk Mann;
City Councillors' Assistant Kanak

Councillor Thompson entered the Council Chamber at 7:35 p.m. during consideration of Clause 1, Report No. 22-1993 of the Planning and Development Committee.

Councillor Penner excused himself from the meeting at 9:30 p.m. following consideration of Clause 1, Report No. 3-1993 of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee.

Councillor McCann rose on a point of privilege and congratulated the three people elected in the recent Federal election to represent Saskatoon.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,

THAT the minutes of regular meeting of City Council held on October 12, 1993, be approved.

CARRIED.

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COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

A. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

**1) Marcy Perry
361 Johnson Crescent, dated October 7**

Requesting permission to address Council regarding concerns for her pet raccoon. (File No. CK. 151-8)

RECOMMENDATION: that Ms. Perry be heard.

Moved by Councillor Mostoway, Seconded by Councillor Birkmaier,

THAT Ms. Perry be heard.

CARRIED.

Ms. Marcy Perry asked Council to intervene in a decision made by the Advisory Committee on Animal Control regarding her pet raccoon. She expressed the opinion that the conditions imposed are extreme and unfair and indicated that she has serious concerns for the safety of her pet raccoon.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,

THAT Item A.18 of "Communications" be brought forward and considered and Dr. Hudson be heard.

CARRIED.

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**18) Dr. Edward B. Hudson
402 Skeena Court, dated October 22**

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the pet raccoon of Marcy Perry. (File No. CK. 151-8)

RECOMMENDATION: that Dr. Hudson be heard.

Dr. Edward Hudson, Chair of the Advisory Committee on Animal Control, reiterated the position of the Committee and circulated background information on the matter.

Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

**2) Barbara Norum, ECC Coordinator
Heart and Stroke Foundation of Saskatchewan, dated October 6**

Requesting Council to proclaim the month of November, 1993 as CPR Awareness Month in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of November, 1993 as CPR Awareness Month in Saskatoon.

Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of November, 1993 as CPR Awareness Month in Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

3) Karen Delparte, Saskatchewan Association of

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Medical Radiation Technologists, dated October 11

Requesting Council to proclaim the week of November 8 to 12, 1993, as Medical Radiation Technology Week in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of November 8 to 12, 1993, as Medical Radiation Technology Week in Saskatoon.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of November 8 to 12, 1993, as Medical Radiation Technology Week in Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

**4) Dinny Holroyd, President
Volunteer Management Group of Saskatoon, dated October 15**

Submitting concerns regarding the charge levied by Saskatoon City Police Services to run a police check on volunteers. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,

THAT the information be received.

IN AMENDMENT

AND referred to the Board of Police Commissioners for review.

*THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND CARRIED.
THE MOTION AS AMENDED WAS PUT AND CARRIED.*

**5) Larry Stewart, Chair
Lawson Suburban Program Advisory Committee, dated October 5**

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Indicating opposition to three-month pilot project to install amusement rides at the Lawson Civic Centre. (File No. CK. 5800-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and forwarded to the Administration for consideration during the evaluation of the pilot project.

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received and forwarded to the Administration for consideration during the evaluation of the pilot project.

CARRIED.

**6) Gary and Pat Hildebrandt
Norsask Chemicals, dated October 6**

Expressing concerns about an arcade recently opened in Sutherland. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

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

Moved by Councillor Mostoway, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,

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

CARRIED.

**7) Dorothy-Jean Jantzen
16 - 2112 Ste. Cecilia Avenue, dated October 12**

Submitting a petition with approximately 9 signatures urging Council not to allow a strip tease club

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to be established in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 280-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

- 8) **Murray Popplewell, President, Popplewell Holdings Inc.**
Harry Dickinson, President, Sporec Enterprises Ltd., dated October 20

Submitting a proposal for the development of a dedicated indoor tennis facility. (Files CK. 500-1 and 610-3)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT the information be received and referred to the Planning and Development Committee for a report.

CARRIED.

- 9) **Carol Bothwell, Provincial Coordinator**
Barry Slowski, Board President
Saskatchewan Adoptive Parents Association, Inc., dated October 8

Requesting Council to proclaim the month of November, 1993 as Adoption Awareness Month in

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Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of November, 1993 as Adoption Awareness Month in Saskatoon.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the month of November, 1993 as Adoption Awareness Month in Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

**10) Linda Szuba, Acting Manager
Canada Employment Centre, dated October 20**

Requesting Council to proclaim the week of October 31 to November 6, 1993 as Canada Career Week in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 205-5)

RECOMMENDATION: that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of October 31 to November 6, 1993 as Canada Career Week in Saskatoon.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT His Worship the Mayor be authorized to proclaim the week of October 31 to November 6, 1993, as Canada Career Week in Saskatoon.

CARRIED.

**11) Ken McKinlay, Executive Director
Saskatoon Home Builders Association, Inc., dated October 21**

Requesting Council to clearly state its position regarding growth in the city. (File No. CK. 3500-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

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*Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,
THAT the information be received.*

CARRIED.

12) Mayor Henry Dayday, dated October 25

Submitting a response to comments made regarding growth in the city. (File No. CK. 3500-1)

RECOMMENDATION: the information be received.

*Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor McCann,
THAT the information be received.*

CARRIED.

**13) Dave Lane, Chair, Productivity Committee
Amalgamated Transit Union Local 615, dated October 22**

Requesting permission to address Council regarding transit service reductions. (File No. CK. 7310-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and considered with Clause 4, Report No. 25-1993 of the Works and Utilities Committee.

*Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,
THAT the information be received and considered with Clause 4, Report No. 25-1993 of the Works and Utilities Committee.*

CARRIED.

**14) Douglas B. Richardson
McKercher McKercher Laing & Whitmore, dated October 22**

Advising Council that they will be present to answer any questions regarding the Labatt's Brewery. (File No. CK. 710-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 3-1993 of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee.

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Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the information be received and considered with Clause 1, Report No. 3-1993 of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee.

CARRIED.

**15) Carmen Klatt, President
Sutherland/Forest Grove Community Association, dated October 21**

Expressing opposition to the proposed deferral of pool construction in Les Kerr Park. (Files CK. 613-1 and 4205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and considered with Clause 14, Report No. 22-1993 of the Planning and Development Committee.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,

THAT the information be received and considered with Clause 14, Report No. 22-1993 of the Planning and Development Committee.

CARRIED.

**16) Yvette Bunker, President
Kelsey Community Association, undated**

Submitting concerns regarding the proposed deferral of the upgrade to Henry Kelsey Park. (Files CK. 4205-1 and 1702-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and considered with Clause 13, Report No. 22-1993 of the Planning and Development Committee.

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Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,

THAT the information be received and considered with Clause 13, Report No. 22-1993 of the Planning and Development Committee.

CARRIED.

**17) Tim Archer, President
Erindale Community Association, dated October 26**

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the construction of neighbourhood spray/paddling pools. (Files CK. 613-1 and 4205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and considered with Clause 14, Report No. 22-1993 of the Planning and Development Committee.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,

THAT the information be received and considered with Clause 14, Report No. 22-1993 of the Planning and Development Committee.

CARRIED.

**18) Dr. Edward B. Hudson
402 Skeena Court, dated October 22**

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**19) Jim McGeary, President and
Lynn Sheridan, Park Development Chair
College Park Recreation Association, dated October 26**

Requesting permission to address Council regarding the upgrading of Dr. Herzberg Park. (Files CK. 4205-1 and 1702-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received and considered with Clause 13, Report No. 22-1993 of the Planning and Development Committee.

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Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,

THAT the information be received and considered with Clause 13, Report No. 22-1993 of the Planning and Development Committee.

CARRIED.

REPORTS

City Commissioner Irwin submitted Report No. 23-1993 of the City Commissioner;

Councillor McCann, Chair, presented Report No. 22-1993 of the Planning and Development Committee;

Councillor Thompson, Chair, presented Report No. 23-1993 of the Legislation and Finance Committee;

Councillor Mann, Member, presented Report No. 25-1993 of the Works and Utilities Committee;

His Worship Mayor Dayday, Chair, presented Report No. 10-1993 of A Committee of the Whole Council; and

Councillor Waygood, Member, presented Report No. 3-1993 of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee.

Moved by Councillor Cherneskey, Seconded by Councillor Mann,

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

- a) Report No. 23-1993 of the City Commissioner;*
- b) Report No. 22-1993 of the Planning and Development Committee;*
- c) Report No. 23-1993 of the Legislation and Finance Committee;*
- d) Report No. 25-1993 of the Works and Utilities Committee;*

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- e) *Report No. 10-1993 of A Committee of the Whole Council; and*
- f) *Report No. 3-1993 of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee.*

CARRIED.

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

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

Committee arose.

Councillor Birkmaier, 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:

"REPORT NO. 23-1993 OF THE CITY COMMISSIONER

Section A - Works and Utilities

**A1) Tender for Construction of Transmission Pole Foundations - 1993
(138 kV Transmission Line)
(File Nos. CC 1000-2 and 2010-2)**

Report of the Manager, Electrical Distribution Department, October 19, 1993:

"The Central Purchasing and Stores Department called for tenders on the construction of concrete foundations and piles for Capital Project #726 - Electrical Feeders - 138 kV - Conversion of 72 kV Loop from Edmonton Avenue to J.R. Cowley Substation. City Council, at its meeting of September 13, 1993, approved the purchase of the 138 kV steel structures for the same project.

Five tenders were received and opened publicly by the Central Purchasing and Stores Department on October 19, 1993. The summary of tenders received is as follows:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Bid Price</u>
Allan Construction Co. Ltd.	\$ 125,267.04

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SBW-Wright Construction Inc.	\$ 128,935.00
R & D Hill Construction Ltd.	\$ 131,024.00
Steinitz Construction Ltd.	\$ 133,230.50
Miazga Construction Limited	\$ 139,107.00

Note: All prices shown include GST and PST.

The low tender from Allan Construction meets the requirements, is acceptable, and is within the Electrical Department's budget estimate of \$135,000.00. Allan Construction has done satisfactory concrete work for other civic departments and the Saskatoon Board of Education.

The net estimated cost to the City is as follows:

Base Tender	\$110,778.00
GST	8,195.04
PST (on applicable items)	<u>6,294.00</u>
Contract Amount	\$125,267.04
G.S.T. Rebate	<u>8,195.04</u>
Net Estimated Cost to the City	\$117,072.00"

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council accept the tender submitted by Allan Construction Co. Ltd., for the construction of transmission pole foundations, at a total contract cost of \$125,267.04, including GST and PST; and,
 - 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract documents, as prepared by the City Solicitor, under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

Section B - Planning and Development

**B1) Lease of City-Owned Property
Electrical Distribution Department's Former Garage
417 Avenue A South
Saskatchewan Abilities Council
(File No. CC 600-3)**

On March 30, 1992, City Council approved the leasing of the Electrical Distribution Department's former garage at 417 Avenue A South to the Saskatchewan Abilities Council. The garage is being used for the Abilities Council's disabled transportation service which is provided under an agreement with the City's Transit Department. A copy of the initial agreement, which expired on March 31, 1993, is attached to this report. The lease rate in that agreement has been

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\$2,000 per month.

The Land Department has negotiated a new agreement with the Saskatchewan Abilities Council for the use of this building from April 1, 1993, to March 31, 1994. The Abilities Council has agreed to a new lease rate of \$2,100 per month, with all of the other conditions of the previous lease being carried forward in the same manner. The Electrical Distribution Department has also agreed to the terms of the proposed new lease.

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a lease to the Saskatchewan Abilities Council for the use of the Electrical Distribution Department's former garage at 417 Avenue A South be approved for the period from April 1, 1993, to March 31, 1994;
 - 2) that the lease rate be \$2,100 per month and that all other conditions of the previous lease (dated June 30, 1992) apply; and,
 - 3) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City and under the Corporate Seal, the necessary documents, as prepared by the City Solicitor.

ADOPTED.

**B2) Demolition
485 - 1st Avenue North
(Former Palm Dairy Building)
(File No. CC 530-2)**

On December 7, 1992, City Council ordered that the former Palm Dairy Building should be demolished by June 1, 1993. Subsequently, on April 26, 1993, City Council was advised that the Provincial Mediation Board had given its consent to the City of Saskatoon to obtain Title to this property. Following the transfer of the Title to the City, City Council agreed to sell the property by public tender and in accordance with the requirements of *The Tax Enforcement Act*. The demolition of the building was incorporated into the tender's requirements.

The first tender to sell this property required a reserve bid of \$230,000 and a performance bond of \$150,000 to ensure that the demolition would be completed within a specified time-frame.

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The tenders closed on June 29, 1993, with no bids being received.

The property was tendered a second time, with no reserve bid; however, a performance bond of \$160,000 was required to ensure the completion of the demolition within a specified time-frame. This tender was presented in a form which attempted to find a buyer who is willing to consider the cost of demolishing the building as a reasonable price for acquiring the land. The tenders closed on October 1, 1993, but no bids were received.

The City has received numerous complaints from the owners and occupants of nearby properties about the condition of the former Palm Dairy Building. Therefore, the Land Department has made arrangements to clean up the external area around the building. This clean-up work is now in progress.

After two unsuccessful attempts to sell this property and to have the building demolished, it appears that the City must proceed to demolish the structure and to clean up the site before trying again to sell the land. To ensure the best possible price for the demolition, the work should be publicly tendered and an extended time limit, at the discretion of the Administration, should be placed on the completion of this work.

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Civic Buildings and Grounds Department be authorized to prepare the appropriate tendering documents and to take whatever steps that it considers necessary to carry out the demolition of the former Palm Dairy Building which is located on Lots 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 & 27, Block A, Plan No. (Q13) F 4928 and The Lane, Plan No. (Q15) F 5425, as amended by MTO No. CZ 5263 (485 First Avenue North);
 - 2) that the work include demolishing all of the building and backfilling any open excavation;
 - 3) that the cost of the demolition be recovered from the future sale of the property; and,
 - 4) that the Administration report, after the demolition has been completed, on further actions with respect to selling this property.

ADOPTED.

B3) Land-Use Applications Received by the Planning Department

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Date Received: October 13, 1993

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

**B4) Discretionary Use Application D9/93
Proposed Six-Unit Dwelling
204 Saskatchewan Crescent East
Part of Lots 11, 12, and 13; Plan No. Q20
(File No. CC 4355-1)**

Report of the City Planner, October 19, 1993:

"During its September 13, 1993, meeting, City Council was advised that the Planning Department had received a discretionary-use application with respect to a proposal to redevelop the property at 204 Saskatchewan Crescent East to a six-unit dwelling. For City Council's information, the applicant (by means of an October 8, 1993, letter) has withdrawn this application."

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Section C - Finance

**C1) Business Tax Adjustments
September - 1993
(File No. CC 1985-2)**

Report of the City Treasurer, October 18, 1993:

"Submitted, copy attached, is a listing of 1993 Business Tax Adjustments in the total of \$40,059.49 which requires Council's approval for write-off.

The listing represents businesses which have discontinued business at the premises indicated; these accounts are not uncollectible, but require adjustment in keeping with Business Tax Bylaw #6714(12) which states:

Where a business is commenced after the 31st day of January or is discontinued before the 1st day of December, the Council, shall, upon written request, adjust the amount levied with

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respect of that business to correspond with the portion of the year during which the business is, or was, carried on; PROVIDED that such request is made before the expiration of one year following the year in respect of which the amount levied is to be adjusted.'

Business tax adjustments are offset by supplementary assessments on new businesses or businesses that relocate, renovate, or enlarge premises.

The distribution of this write-off will be as follows:

City	\$ 16,586.94
School Boards	20,613.45
Business Improvement Districts	<u>2,859.10</u>
	<u>\$40,059.49"</u>

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approve of the 1993 Business Tax write-off in the amount of \$40,059.49, for the reasons detailed on the attached list for the period September 1, 1993 to September 30, 1993.

ADOPTED.

**C2) Investments
(File No. CC 1790-3)**

Report of the City Treasurer, October 18, 1993:

"With the approval of the Investment Committee, the attached list indicates purchases and sales for the City's various funds."

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approve the above purchases and sales.

ADOPTED.

**C3) Property Assessment Notification Bylaw
for 1994
(File Nos. CC 1620-1 and 185-1)** _____

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Report of the City Solicitor, October 14, 1993:

"We have prepared Bylaw No. 7375 which provides for the dispensing of mailing assessment notices except in cases where the assessed value is new or altered. City Council has followed this practice for the last several years and Bylaw No. 7375 accomplishes this for the taxation year 1994."

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 7375.

ADOPTED.

**C4) Customer Service Initiative Property
Tax Instalment Plan
Proposed Bylaw No. 7376
(File Nos. CC 371-3 and 1920-1)**

Report of the City Solicitor, October 20, 1993:

"At its meeting of March 29, 1993, City Council endorsed the concept of a Tax Instalment Payment Plan Service (TIPPS) for The City of Saskatoon as proposed by the City Treasurer.

We have prepared Bylaw No. 7376 which provides for the tax instalment plan effective January 1, 1994."

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council consider Bylaw No. 7376.

ADOPTED.

**C5) The City of Saskatoon
Nine-Month Statement
(File No. CC 1895-2-3)**

Attached is a copy of the Nine-Month Statement for the period January 1, 1993 to September 30, 1993.

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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

Section D - Services

D1) Routine Reports Submitted to City Council

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Business Tax - General License (copy attached) (File No. CC 435-13)	September 1, 1993	September 30, 1993

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Property Tax Collections (copy attached) (File No. CC 435-8)	September 1, 1993	September 30, 1993
Schedule of Accounts Paid \$550,897.65 (File No. CC 1530-2)	October 8, 1993	October 14, 1993

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

REPORT NO. 22-1993 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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Composition of Committee

Councillor P. McCann, Chair
Councillor G. Penner
Councillor K. Waygood

**1. Decision - Development Appeals Board Hearing
914 Avenue L North
(File No. CK. 4352-1)** _____

Attached is a copy of Record of Decision of the Development Appeals Board dated October 7, 1993, respecting the above appeal.

Council will note that the Board GRANTED the appeal.

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

Attached is a copy of a report of the Director of Planning and Development dated October 12, 1993, together with a report of the City Planner, dated October 12, 1993.

Your Committee has reviewed this matter and

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

ADOPTED.

**2. Decision - Development Appeals Board Hearing
209 Cree Place
(File No. CK. 4352-1)** _____

Attached is a copy of Record of Decision of the Development Appeals Board dated October 7, 1993, respecting the above appeal.

Council will note that the Board GRANTED the appeal.

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

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Your Committee has reviewed this matter and

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

ADOPTED.

**3. Decision - Development Appeals Board Hearing
134 Adilman Drive
(File No. CK. 4352-1)** _____

Attached is a copy of Record of Decision of the Development Appeals Board dated September 23, 1993, respecting the above appeal.

Council will note that the Board GRANTED the appeal.

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

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Your Committee has reviewed this matter and

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

ADOPTED.

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**4. Decision - Development Appeals Board Hearing
1814 Morgan Avenue
(File No. CK. 4352-1)**

Attached is a copy of Record of Decision of the Development Appeals Board dated September 23, 1993, respecting the above appeal.

Council will note that the Board GRANTED the appeal.

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

Attached is a copy of a report of the Director of Planning and Development dated October 1, 1993, together with a report of the City Planner, dated October 1, 1993.

Your Committee has reviewed this matter and

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

ADOPTED.

**5. Decision - Development Appeals Board Hearing
837 - 5th Street East
(File No. CK. 4352-1)**

Attached is a copy of Record of Decision of the Development Appeals Board dated September 23, 1993, respecting the above appeal.

Council will note that the Board GRANTED the appeal.

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

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Your Committee has reviewed this matter and

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

ADOPTED.

**6. Subdivision Application #20/93
1901 Quebec Avenue
(File No. CK. 4300-2)**

City Council, at its meeting held on October 12, 1993, considered Clause B3, Report No. 22-1993 of the City Commissioner, copy attached, and resolved that the matter be referred to the Planning and Development Committee.

Your Committee has met with Mr. Larry Ayers of Ashford Commercial Property Services and notes that this property was subdivided in 1961 and has been treated as two separate parcels by the City since that time. No additional taxes resulted until the 1984 taxation year (Reassessment). Since the property was taxed as two parcels, additional taxes in the amount of \$9,976.97 (municipal portion) have been collected. Mr. Ayers has advised your Committee that failure to register the subdivision was an oversight by the applicant, and that all services, local improvement charges and other fees necessary for the subdivision were paid. Your Committee therefore does not support the collection of \$16,668.29 for the required development charges.

RECOMMENDATION: that Subdivision Application No. 20/93 be approved subject to:

- 1) the payment of \$50.00 which is the required approval fee;
- 2) the payment of money-in-lieu of Municipal Reserve in the amount of \$183.00; and

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- 3) the installation of an appropriate fire door on the north elevation of the building, to the satisfaction of the City Planner.

ADOPTED.

**7. Request to Purchase City-Owned Property
Lots 20 & 21, Block 4, Plan FT (F5458)
1130 Avenue T South, Holiday Park Industrial
Custom Lawn Care Ltd.
(File No. CK. 4214-1)**

Your Committee has considered the following report of the Land Manager dated October 11, 1993:

"The Land Department has received the attached request from Custom Lawn Care Ltd. to purchase the following City-owned property:

Legal Description:	Lots 20 & 21, Block 4, Plan FT (F5458)
Address:	1130 Avenue T south
Frontage:	15.24 metres (50 feet)
Depth:	33.53 metres (110 feet)
Area:	0.0511 hectares (0.126 acre)
Zoning:	ID2 (industrial)

The purchaser intends to use this property for a parking lot for its business which is located at 1129 Avenue T South.

The property is part of the City's tax-title holdings. As such, the proceeds of the sale will go into the Social Housing Reserve.

The Land Department recommends selling the property for \$7,500 plus the applicable taxes. The purchaser will be responsible for paying all local improvement charges that are

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currently applicable. This price reflects the fair market value because similar property in the immediate area was recently sold for the same price."

RECOMMENDATION: that Lots 20 & 21, Block 4, Plan FT (F5458) be sold to Custom Lawn Care Ltd. for \$7,500 plus the applicable taxes.

ADOPTED.

**8. Property for Municipal Reserve
Purchase of Property for Additional Park Space
Exhibition Neighbourhood
(File No. CK. 4020-1)**

City Council, at its meeting held on August 30, 1993, considered a proposal to acquire 1.27 hectares of land at 2326 Herman Avenue. The report indicated that this property would be redeveloped by the City into a park in order to address the neighbourhood park deficiency which exists in the Exhibition Neighbourhood.

Attached is a copy of Clause 4, Report No. 18-1993 of the Planning and Development Committee, which was considered by City Council on August 30, 1993. Council adopted the following recommendations:

- "1) that the purchase of 1.27 hectares of land at 2326 Herman Avenue (Plan 62-S-03373, Parcel C except Plan 68-S-21984), for the purpose of addressing the neighbourhood park deficiency in the Exhibition Neighbourhood, be approved;
- 2) that the purchase price be \$119,900 and that the acquisition be subject to the following conditions:
 - a) that the vendor provide clear title and pay all of the taxes due on the property until the possession date,
 - b) that the vendor pay out all outstanding local-improvement charges, and
 - c) that the vendor and the purchaser be responsible for their own legal fees; and

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- 3) that the City's cost of acquiring this property be financed from the Dedicated Lands Account and that the property be dedicated as Municipal Reserve".

Your Committee has considered the following report of the Land Manager, dated October 7, 1993:

"The negotiations for the 1.27 hectares of land at 2326 Herman Avenue (Plan 62-S-03373, Parcel C except Plan 68-S-21984) were completed on June 15, 1993. The agreed price was \$119,900.00 and was determined in the following manner:

Vendor pays the outstanding taxes	\$ 96,000.00
Vendor pays out the local improvements	6,800.00
Vendor's estimated real estate fees	6,000.00
Vendor's estimated legal fees	3,000.00
Vendor's profit	<u>8,100.00</u>
Total	\$ 119,900.00

The information which the Land Manager supplied to the vendor's agent did not include the penalty on the property's outstanding taxes. Therefore, the vendor agreed to a price which was based on incomplete information.

The vendor has requested an increase to the price for the property to include the estimated amount of the tax penalty (\$10,000.00). Because the revised price is well under the market value for this property, the Land Department recommends that City Council should amend its August 30, 1993, resolution and should agree to purchase the property for \$129,900.00. This price has been determined by taking the following factors into account:

Vendor pays the outstanding taxes	\$ 104,144.91
Vendor pays out the local improvements	8,225.52
Vendor's estimated real estate fees	6,500.00
Vendor's estimated legal fees	3,000.00
Vendor's profit	<u>8,100.00</u>
Total	\$129,970.43

With the exception of the revised price, all of the other conditions and the source of financing that were identified in City Council's August 30, 1993, resolution will apply to the purchase of this property."

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that City Council's August 30, 1993, resolution concerning

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the purchase of 1.27 hectares of land at 2326 Herman Avenue (Plan 62-S-03373, Parcel C except Plan 68-S-21984) be amended to increase the City's price from \$119,900 to \$129,900; and

- 2) that all other conditions in City Council's August 30, 1993, resolution (including the source of financing for the revised purchase price) remain in effect.

ADOPTED.

**9. Request to Purchase City-Owned Land
Public Works Canada/Transport Canada
Parcel A, Plan G375, Pt. NW 1/4 7-35-5-W3rd
(File No. CK. 4214-1)**

City Council, at its meeting held on May 2, 1988, considered a report concerning the new comprehensive air-traffic-control radar system (RAMP) on land which is adjacent to John G. Diefenbaker Airport. The Federal Government had requested the City's agreement to have a restrictive covenant placed on City-owned Parcel A, Plan G375, which is located in the NW 1/4 7-35-5-W3rd. At that time, City Council resolved:

- "1) that City Council agree in principle to the proposed restrictions on Parcel A, Plan G375; and
- 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to submit to City Council, for approval, an agreement covering the proposed restrictions."

Since 1988, your Committee has received several status reports on the efforts of the City's Administration to conclude this matter with representatives of the Federal Government. Attached is a copy of the most recent report which was considered by your Committee on September 20, 1993. The Land Manager was subsequently requested to provide a further status report in October, 1993.

Report of the Land Manager, October 11, 1993:

"Representatives of Public Works Canada were given until September 30, 1993, to respond to the draft restrictive-covenant agreement. If a response was not received by that date, the Land Department intended to recommend to the Planning and Development Committee that an agreement on the proposed restrictive covenant had not been reached and that the City's file on this matter should be closed. On October 8, 1993, Public Works Canada advised the Land Department that the proposed agreement was not being concluded at that time because it was not a priority matter with the Federal Government."

This issue has been an outstanding file with the City since 1988. Because the request for the

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restrictive covenant over City-owned land was requested by the Federal Government and not by the City of Saskatoon, your committee is recommending that City Council rescind its resolution on this matter and that the file should be closed. At a future date, the Federal Government can re-open this matter with the City (perhaps by bringing forward the work that has already been undertaken to develop a draft agreement) and the City Council of that time can decide, without being bound by a 1988 decision, whether it wishes to place restrictions on these properties or, alternatively, to sell them to the Federal Government.

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council's May 2, 1988, resolution concerning the placing of a restrictive covenant on Parcel A, Plan G375, NW 1/4 7-35-5-W3rd, be rescinded;
 - 2) that the Land Manager advise the Federal Government that City Council has rescinded its previous decision on this matter, but that the City would be prepared to reconsider this matter whenever the Federal Government comes forward with a proposal; and
 - 3) that the City's file on this matter be closed.

ADOPTED.

**10. Saskatoon Field House
Conversion of the Boxing Room to a Fitness and Weight Room
(File No. CK. 612-2)**

Your Committee has considered the following report of the General Manager, Leisure Services Department dated October 8, 1993:

"Introduction

In order to minimize the impact of its programs and facilities on the municipal taxpayer, the Leisure Services Department continues to review its existing services, as well to develop and to market new programs and services which will yield additional non-taxation revenues.

Within this context, the Department has reviewed the rentable activity-space in the Saskatoon Field House that now is allocated to boxing. The Department has concluded that from a financial perspective, this space should be converted into a fitness and weight-room area. The Department's proposal involves a financial strategy which will fully recover the

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cost of operating this activity-space.

Currently, the Saskatoon Field House contains a room which is dedicated for the sole use by amateur boxers. The room is 64' x 40' (2,560 square feet). It contains a permanent 20' x 20' boxing ring that is secured to the floor and a number of punching bags that are suspended from the ceiling. Due to the permanent nature of the boxing ring, this room cannot accommodate other fitness programming. A certified boxing coach must be present whenever the room is used. (See Attachment D for a plan that shows the location of the boxing room within the Field House.)

The cost of operating the boxing room at the Saskatoon Field House is \$22,000. As of September 30, 1993, this area was used for 196.5 hours and generated \$3,144 of rental-revenues for the Field House. The Leisure Service Department estimates that an additional 121 hours will be used by boxers during the remainder of this year, resulting in total revenues of \$5,080. These revenues represent a recovery rate of 23.08% for the boxing room during 1993.

1979 Western Canada Summer Games

The boxing room was incorporated into the Saskatoon Field House as part the financing arrangements that were negotiated by the 1979 Western Canada Summer Games Inc. to construct this facility. Attachment A of this report is a copy of a June 26, 1978, letter from Mr. Len Jones to Mr. Eric Antonini who was the 1979 Western Canada Summer Games' President. Mr. Jones agreed to donate \$40,000 towards the cost of constructing the Field House, subject to the following conditions (which were outlined in the June 26, 1978, letter):

'The conditions attached to all of the foregoing are properly limited to my receiving a formal commitment from the authority owning and operating the Field House that Boxing facilities therein and facilities directly or indirectly related to Boxing in the Field House, shall be suitably and effectively maintained and operated for the lifetime of the structure, or for as long as there is a reasonable use being made of the Boxing facilities -- whichever is the lesser period.'

In a June 26, 1978, letter to Mr. Fred Mitchell, Chairman of the Games' Boxing Committee, Mr. Antonini confirmed the understanding that was reached between representatives of the 1979 Western Canada Summer Games Inc. and of the amateur boxing community in Saskatoon. (See Attachment B.) This understanding included the following provisions:

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1. An area approximately 40' x 50' would be required to successfully accommodate a training program for Boxing. Shelving and cupboards for small equipment would be required within this space.
2. A satisfactory permanent Boxing ring 20' x 20' would be a fixture in the area.
3. The floor in the balance of the area would be of a type satisfactory for the training of athletes.
4. A storage area apart from the training area, approximately 22' x 6' x 8', to accommodate a portable ring . . . [which is] a legacy of the 1971 Canada Winter Games
5. Locker room, shower, weightlifting room, track and other Field House facilities would be available for participants in Boxing programs.
6. An organization dedicated to the promotion of Amateur Boxing should be established. This organization should represent all those involved in the sport in Saskatoon.
7. The area would continue to be allocated to the use of Amateur Boxing as long as reasonable use of the facilities is apparent. Change in the use of the area would only take place after consultation, with those involved in Boxing in Saskatoon.'

Attachment C is a copy of a June 26, 1978, letter from former Mayor Clifford Wright which accepts the conditions in Mr. Jones' letter and the understanding which was communicated to Mr. Fred Mitchell.

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Available Hours and Projected Use of the Boxing Room

The following table identifies the usage and the revenues for the Field House's boxing room from 1990 to 1993:

Available Hours	Rate Per Hour	Recoverable Cost	1993 Projected Usage		1992 Usage		1991 Usage		1990 Usage	
			Hours	Revenue	Hours	Revenue	Hours	Revenue	Hours	Revenue
4,700	\$16	\$22,000	317.5	\$5,080	557	\$8,916	561	\$9,016	594	\$9,504

During 1993, Hub City Boxing, with a membership of 12 boxers, has been training at the Saskatoon Field House. This club is projected to use the boxing room for 185 hours and to provide rental-revenues of \$2,960.

The Saskatoon School of Self Defence also has been using the boxing room and is projected to use 132.5 hours this year, for revenues of \$2,120. Representatives from this School have advised the Leisure Services Department that they do not require the boxing room or the ring for their program and therefore, could move to other locations within the facility (e.g. Meeting Room 2 or the track area).

Over the past four years, the use of the boxing room has decreased. This decline has been caused by a number of factors, including the boxing clubs' inability to agree on training techniques and to co-operate on the use of the available prime-time hours, and the cost of renting the space on an hourly basis.

Status Report and Future Use of the Boxing Room by Amateur Boxing

The Leisure Services Department met with Mr. John Devison, Provincial Coach for the Saskatchewan Amateur Boxing Association, to discuss a potential lease arrangement whereby several clubs could form an alliance to use the boxing room. Mr. Devison was very interested in the concept of developing a training centre for amateur boxing at the Saskatoon Field House. Through an 'umbrella organization' which would lease the room (thereby maintaining it exclusively for boxing), Mr. Devison concluded that the proposed rental cost would be affordable if at least four clubs were willing to work together on this concept.

On June 7, 1993, Mr. Devison presented this concept to a meeting of amateur boxing groups. At that time, Mr. Joe Stack of Hub City Boxing was assigned the responsibility of organizing meetings to pursue the concept of establishing a training centre for amateur boxing. However, no meetings were held.

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Subsequently, Mr. Devison agreed to arrange a meeting (which occurred on July 13, 1993) and invited Mr. Len Jones and representatives from the Leisure Services Department and from the following clubs:

Brock Gym (Jim Stevenson)
Top Dogs (Dennis Paige)
Vanscoy and Delisle Boxing Club (Dan Neimen)
Saskatoon Boxing Inc. (Luc Pivin)
Star Boxing Academy (Robert Thibault)
Hub City Boxing (Joe Stack)
Saskatoon Boxing Club (Claude Petit)
Saskatoon Indian and Metis Friendship Centre Club (Norris Petit)

Attachment E identifies the facilities that these clubs are currently using.

Representatives from the Leisure Services Department, Brock Gym, Top Dogs, Saskatoon Boxing Inc., and Star Boxing Academy, as well as John Devison and Shirley Ross of the Saskatchewan Amateur Boxing Association and Mr. Len Jones, attended the July 13, 1993, meeting. Agreement was not reached during this meeting as to what constitutes reasonable use of the boxing room. In the opinion of the clubs, the room's use is reasonable as long as one boxing club rents the dedicated space.

During this meeting, the clubs also received a presentation on the concept of working together under a single lease agreement. However, in August of 1993, Mr. Devison informed the Leisure Services Department that, with the exception of Hub City Boxing, these clubs were not interested in participating in such an arrangement at the Saskatoon Field House and preferred to remain at their current locations.

The Leisure Services Department does not anticipate any change in the boxing room's use over the next several years. The Department believes that since only one of the boxing clubs is interested in the Field House's boxing room, this does not constitute reasonable usage by our community's amateur boxers. Furthermore, the Hub City Boxing Club's projected usage of 185 hours in 1993 does not justify, financially, continuing to dedicated this activity-space for the exclusive use by local boxers.

Proposed Expansion of the Fitness and Weight Room at the Saskatoon Field House

Using information from its needs-assessment and market analysis, the Leisure Services

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Department has identified fitness programming (aerobics, walking, jogging, cycling, weight training) for adults as a major growth area for many of its facilities. For example, the city-wide (i.e. all of the five suburban areas and the Downtown's employees) needs-assessment survey indicates that 13% of all respondents are interested in participating in health and fitness activities. This potentially represents 23,071 people from the total population of Saskatoon's residents.

On September 13, 1993, City Council reviewed the Leisure Services Department's seven-month report on its operating revenues for 1993. This report indicated that the City's major recreational facilities (i.e. the Saskatoon Field House, the Harry Bailey Aquatic Centre, the Lakewood Civic Centre, and to a lesser degree, the Cosmo Civic Centre) have realized continued growth in their programming revenues by providing adult fitness programs.

With the advent of cross-training and the popularity of aerobic exercises and weight training, the placing of state-of-the-art fitness and weight-training equipment in our facilities will attract a percentage of Saskatoon's potential adult market who wants to participate in physical fitness, aerobics, and weight-training activities. For this purpose, the Leisure Services Department recommends that the boxing room at the Saskatoon Field House should be converted into a fitness and weight-training centre. The addition of such an activity-area will provide greater flexibility in promoting and financing the Field House's current programs. This will also alleviate the problem that has arisen because the increased use of the existing weight-training equipment by pass-holders has exceeded the current space's capacity.

Another consideration in making this recommendation is that the Saskatoon Field House hosts several large events and functions (e.g. the craft and trade shows, track-and-field competitions) which, under the current allocation of activity-areas, prevent many regular users from participating in their daily workouts. The existing weight room is located on the first floor and is accessible through the track-and-field area. (See Attachment F.) When major events are located in this area, weight room's patrons are re-routed through an area which is occupied by the Nautiquet Fitness and Physiotherapy Centre. This arrangement is unsatisfactory both to our patrons and to the Centre. With a fitness centre on the facility's second floor, our patrons will have an alternative workout space when the track-and-field area is occupied by special events.

Financial Impact of Expanding the Fitness and Weight Room at the Saskatoon Field House

The proposed conversion of the boxing room requires no alteration of its physical space. The permanent boxing ring and the boxing bags will be removed and the appropriate fitness and weight-training equipment will be purchased and installed. Weight machines,

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stationary bicycles, and stair climbers are examples of some of the types of cardiovascular and strength-building equipment that are required to attract new patrons from the potential adult fitness market.

The Leisure Services Department applied to the Saskatchewan Lotteries (Community Grant Program -- T.I.P.) for funding to purchase various pieces of fitness and weight-training equipment for several existing civic recreational facilities. The Department is confident its application will be approved and if City Council agrees to the proposed conversion of the boxing room, the funds will be used to upgrade the equipment at the Field House.

The Leisure Services Department believes that because the Field House's existing customer-base is fitness conscious, a more accessible fitness and weight room, with a wider selection of equipment, could significantly increase this facility's usage. The Department projects a 20% to 30% increase in volume (over the 1992 results), as long as the new equipment involves cardiovascular and strength-building apparatus which is geared toward young and middle-age adults. (This is similar to the experience which was realized when a new fitness and weight room was added to the Harry Bailey Aquatic Centre. During the period from January 1, 1991, to June 30, 1992, adult and youth admissions at this facility grew by 35%.)

Based on the average rates of \$2.90 for adults and \$1.75 for youth, excluding G.S.T. (and adjusted to take into account the use of bulk tickets), the projected increased attendance and revenue at the Field House are as follows:

% Increase	20%	25%	30%
ADULT:			
Volume	8,500	10,600	12,700
Revenue	\$24,700	\$30,700	\$36,800
YOUTH:			
Volume	700	900	1,100
Revenue	1,200	1,600	1,900

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TOTAL REVENUE POTENTIAL	\$25,900	\$32,300	\$38,700
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The projected revenue exceeds the cost of operating the room that is currently dedicated to boxing. Hence, the conversion of this room will contribute towards bringing the Field House closer to a cost-recovered basis.

Impact of Moving Boxing From the Saskatoon Field House

In discussions with Mr. Joe Stack of the Hub City Boxing Club, this Club's program requires 2,500 sq. ft. of space to accommodate a boxing ring and punching bags. It also requires change rooms, with a shower and washrooms. The Club would prefer a central location, with nearby access to the City's bus service.

The Leisure Services Department understands that Hub City Boxing is already training at the location which currently used by the Brock Boxing Club (363 Second Avenue South). The Saskatchewan Amateur Boxing Association understands that Hub City Boxing is considering a move to this location when the Brock Boxing Club relocates to Regina in October or November. However, Mr. Stack has advised the Leisure Services Department that his Club has not yet made a decision on relocating. If City Council approves converting the boxing room at the Field House into a fitness and weight-training room, the Leisure Services Department is prepared to assist the Hub City Boxing Club to find a training location for its programs.

The Leisure Services Department recommends that the boxing ring at the Field House should be donated to the Saskatchewan Amateur Boxing Association, on the condition that the ring will remain in Saskatoon for use by local amateur boxers. The Department believes that this Association is in the best position to determine a suitable location for the ring. The cost of relocating the ring is \$1,600 and the Leisure Services Department is prepared to fund this cost."

Your Committee has toured the facility and copies of this report have been forwarded to the Saskatchewan Amateur Boxing Association and to the boxing clubs in Saskatoon.

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the boxing room at the Saskatoon Field House be converted into a fitness and weight-training room, effective on January 2, 1994;
 - 2) that the boxing ring at the Field House be donated to the Saskatchewan Amateur Boxing Association, on the condition

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that the ring will, in turn, be given to a club that serves the amateur-boxing needs of youth residing in Saskatoon;

- 3) that the City pay a maximum of \$1,600 to relocate and to install the boxing ring at a location which is determined by the Saskatchewan Amateur Boxing Association;
- 4) that the costs of relocating and installing the boxing ring be financed from the increase in revenues at the Saskatoon Field House due to the provision of the new fitness and weight-training room.

ADOPTED.

**11. Hudson Bay Park System
Scott Park
(Files CK. 4206-1 and 1702-1)**

Your Committee has considered the following report of the Director of Planning and Development dated October 14, 1993:

"The 1994-97 Capital Plan contains a project for the first phase of the redevelopment of various parks within the Hudson Bay Park System. (See Project 1034 of the approved 1993 Capital Budget/1994-97 Capital Plan.) One component of this project involves the upgrading, through the neighbourhood park-upgrading project, of Henry Kelsey Park. A separate report on this component has been submitted to the Planning and Development Committee. This report indicates that, due to City Council's August 3, 1993, budgetary directive, the redevelopment of this Park will not proceed in 1994.

The second component of this project is the redevelopment of Scott Park. This involves the upgrading of a district park and has been identified in several previous budget documents. However, it has not received a sufficiently high priority in order to be funded.

Several members of City Council have enquired, on various occasions, about when the City will upgrade Scott Park. The most recent enquiries were made in 1990 by Councillors Cherneskey and Mostoway. The response to both of these separate enquiries was that the project was not judged by City Council to have a high enough priority to be funded in the capital budget.

Over the past two years, representatives of the Catholic School Board and of the Leisure

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Services Department have been discussing various alternatives to address the problems of Scott Park, particularly the condition of the football and the soccer fields. These playing fields have deteriorated so badly that they have become unsafe for the student-activities of the adjacent high school (i.e. E. D. Feehan High School). At this time, this high school is not permitted to host any football or soccer games.

Attached is a copy of a September 27, 1993, letter from the Associate Director of Facilities Services for Saskatoon Catholic Schools concerning a redevelopment proposal for Scott Park. In order to assist the City in financing this redevelopment project so that the work can be undertaken prior to the 1994-95 school year, the Board has offered:

- to contribute \$60,000 towards the estimated capital cost of upgrading these fields (\$187,000), and
- \$2,625 per year, for each of the two calendar years following the completion of the work, to support the incremental operating costs of maintaining the upgraded fields.

In light of this offer (particularly the contribution towards the incremental operating costs) and the unsafe conditions that now exist at Scott Park, the City's Administration has included a project within the preliminary 1994 Capital Budget to upgrade the Park's football and soccer fields that are adjacent to E. D. Feehan High School. This project will proceed if the City's remaining share of the capital cost (\$127,000) is funded during City Council's prioritization of the 1994 capital projects. (For the further information of the Committee, the Leisure Services Department has projected that additional rental revenues of \$800 to \$900 per year will be generated for the City as a result of the upgrading of these playing fields.)"

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council support this initiative when dealing with the preliminary 1994 Capital Budget.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that City Council consider this initiative when dealing with the preliminary 1994 Capital Budget.

**12. Parks and Recreation Prepaid Levy
Multi-District Levy
(Files CK. 4216-1 and 1815-8)**

Your Committee has considered the following report of the Director of Planning and Development dated October 12, 1993:

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"Background

On July 5, 1993, City Council considered an analysis of the sufficiency of the 1993 Parks and Recreation Levy. At that time, City Council decided that because an increase in this Levy would result in higher prices for residential, commercial, institutional, and industrial land in Saskatoon, the rate should be frozen at the 1990 level. (Subsequently, City Council approved increases to other prepaid levies which affected this year's prices for land.)

Besides freezing the rates for the Parks and Recreation Levy, City Council agreed to restructure the components of the rate in order to provide additional funding to address certain site-drainage problems and to finance the Provincial Government's standards for filtrating and chlorinating paddling pools in neighbourhood parks. As a result of this decision, the Levy's multi-district account has a projected shortfall of \$801,138. This shortfall is based on a March 30, 1992, decision by City Council that this portion of the Levy will be used to finance \$19.5 million of new multi-district parks and recreational facilities and boulevards. In recognition of this shortfall, City Council resolved, in part:

'that the Administration provide a further report on the implications and the financing options for providing the multi-district facilities that were identified by City Council on March 30, 1992'.

Role of the Parks and Recreation Levy

Section 3.4 (c) of City of Saskatoon Policy C03-011 (Parks and Recreation Levy) establishes the financing principles for levying a one-time charge against all (private and City-owned) new lots in order to fund the construction of parks and recreational facilities in residential and industrial areas. The rates for this Levy are set in relation to the following funding criteria:

- The Levy must generate sufficient funds to finance the entire capital cost of eligible parks and recreational facilities at the neighbourhood and district levels. It also can provide financial support, fully or partially, to multi-district parks and recreational facilities.
- Parks are eligible for funding from the Levy in accordance with the classification system which is specified in City Council Policy C10-017 (Parks and Recreation Open Space).

On July 5, 1993, City Council considered a report which responded to a presentation from a resident concerning the discrepancy between the standards of development for parks by the City and by the private sector. This discrepancy results when the private developer allocates additional funding (i.e. supplements the amount provided through the Parks and Recreation

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Levy) to enhance the amenities in a neighbourhood park. This is done in order to create additional features within a new subdivision and hence, to make the lots more marketable and to set them apart from the competition.

In the report on the above-noted discrepancies, City Council was advised that the City's Administration was examining ways to finance an increase in the minimum standards of developing neighbourhood parks in future subdivisions. The following is an excerpt from that report:

Currently, the Parks and Recreation Prepaid Levy includes a component which provides for a minimum standard of neighbourhood-park development. This minimum standard represents what the City is prepared to construct in the new neighbourhoods that it develops (e.g. Silverspring). However, it does not prevent a private developer from providing additional funding to enhance the development of a neighbourhood park above the City's standard. These enhancements could include additional trees, asphalt walkways, tennis courts, and large play-structures. The developers can rationalize making these contributions because they can add to the sales-value of the development and can serve as a visual marketing tool for the entire new neighbourhood. As a consequence of agreeing to incorporate these additional amenities into the park's design, the City is accepting the responsibility for the on-going maintenance costs which are likely higher than exist for the parks which are constructed only to the City's minimum standards.

With these developer-funded enhancements, there will be a perceived difference in the level of development among newly-constructed parks. This difference will be further accentuated as new concepts, such as linear parks, are introduced into future neighbourhoods.

The City can attempt to reduce these differences through its park-upgrading programs. However, these can take place only as long as sufficient capital funding is available

The Parks and Recreation Prepaid Levy is being used to finance a wide range of neighbourhood, district, and multi-district parks and recreational facilities. For example, on March 30, 1992, City Council directed that the multi-district components of the Levy should be sufficient to finance the construction of a leisure centre for the University Heights Suburban Area, as well as additions to the Lakewood Civic Centre and to the Lawson Civic Centre. The Administration is reviewing whether this component of the Levy is appropriate in light of the need (for financial viability) to draw on a city-wide base of customers for these facilities and in response to the criticism that the City has been receiving over the competition that the existing leisure centres provide to the comparable facilities of other private

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and non-profit organizations.

The Administration is also reviewing the degree to which the current Parks and Recreation Prepaid Levy should be restructured to shift more of the amenities from the multi-district to the neighbourhood levy, as well as the degree to which any profits from the sale of the lots in the newly-developed areas should be directed (in the same manner as is done by the private-sector developers) to enhance the City's prepaid-funded standards for neighbourhood parks. The underlying principle for charging the Parks and Recreation Prepaid Levy, as stated in City of Saskatoon Policy C03-001 (Parks and Recreation Levy), is 'to obtain a direct financial contribution from the beneficiaries of parks and recreation facilities in approximate relation to the benefits received (as measured by geographic proximity to the facilities)'. The greatest and most direct benefits occur through the parks and recreational facilities that are provided at the neighbourhood level and that are developed near the residences of those who paid the prepaid levy. At the district level, these benefits are less direct and are potentially shared with residents who have not paid the Levy. At the multi-district level, the parks and recreational facilities have a significant city-wide component, thereby raising the question as to why only the lot-purchaser in a newly-developed area is required to fully finance the capital cost of such facilities.

The multi-district levy represents a commitment by the City to use these funds to construct certain specified facilities, such as multi-district parks and leisure centres, which are not necessarily justified on the basis of market-considerations. As a result, the levy also commits the general taxpayer to finance any operating deficits that these facilities might have.'

Anticipated Multi-District Facilities that will be Financed from the Parks and Recreation Levy

On March 30, 1992, City Council decided that the following six specific projects would be funded from the multi-district component of the Parks and Recreation Levy:

Suburban Area	Project	Cost
University Heights	Multi-district Park	\$ 1,953,600
	Leisure Centre	7,100,000
Lakewood	Multi-district Park	2,112,000
	Phase 2 Addition to Leisure	2,500,000

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Lawson	Centre Phase 2 Addition to Leisure Centre	2,500,000
Various	Boulevard Development	3,364,000
		\$ 19,529,600

The cost-estimates in the preceding table are based on a superficial review of programming requirements and on preliminary designs of the respective subdivisions. Specifically, the following assumptions have been made:

- Multi-district parks: While the overall cost-estimates for these parks could now be updated to reflect changes to the conceptual plans of, and to the contemplated size of the multi-district open-space in, the University Heights and the Lakewood Suburban Areas, further adjustments may subsequently be required when the programming elements for the two parks have been determined. The per-hectare cost which has been used in these estimates (\$118,600) represents the amount that is spent to develop neighbourhood parks and may not be appropriate for the programming of multi-district parks.
- New Leisure Centre for the University Heights Suburban Area: This estimate is based on the cost of constructing the Lakewood Civic Centre (adjusted to reflect the prices that existed in March of 1992). The estimate has not taken into account any detailed programming analysis or the specific characteristics of the proposed site.
- Additions to the Lakewood and Lawson Civic Centres: These estimates are from the original schematic designs of these facilities (adjusted to reflect the prices that existed in March of 1992). These designs contemplated adding twin-ice rinks to each facility. The need for these additions has not been reviewed since the original schematic designs were prepared.
- Boulevard Development: This estimate has been determined by counting the number of vacant tree-planting sites within the various prepaid areas (32,323 sites) and applying the unit-cost of acquiring and planting the trees (\$106 per tree).

Issues for Immediate Attention

While the preceding discussion suggests that the cost-estimates for the identified multi-district parks and recreational facilities and boulevards will require further refinement, these estimates will be adjusted during the on-going process of reviewing programming alternatives and the final site-requirements for each project and of confirming the available

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sources of financing. At this time, City Council is being requested to address the calculated funding shortfall within the Parks and Recreation Levy which was created and recognized as a result of City Council's July 5, 1993, resolutions when the Levy was restructured, rather than increased, to finance certain neighbourhood-park requirements. A copy of the report which was considered by City Council, and which resulted in the funding shortfall, is attached.

To address the \$801,138 shortfall in the multi-district portion of the Parks and Recreation Levy, the following options are available:

- 1) Rescind City Council's March 30, 1992, resolution and delete one or more of the multi-district facilities, parks, or boulevards from the list of approved projects.
- 2) Refinance one or more of the multi-district facilities, parks, or boulevards from the list of approved projects (e.g. because some of these multi-district projects can be used by residents throughout Saskatoon, the general taxpayer could be asked to contribute to a portion of the capital cost).
- 3) Increase the Parks and Recreation Levy (thereby, raising the price of land) to finance all or a portion of the shortfall.
- 4) Reduce the park-development standards at the neighbourhood and district levels and redirect the resulting savings to finance the multi-district projects.
- 5) Reduce the scope of the multi-district recreational facilities by decreasing the maximum amount of the Levy (on the basis of the current cost-estimates) that will be allocated to each project (i.e. reconfirm the March 30, 1992, list of projects and set a maximum on the funding which will be provided to each from the Levy, in accordance with its currently projected proceeds).

To assist City Council in evaluating the preceding alternatives, the City's Administration offers the following comments:

- Notwithstanding City Council's decision to raise other prepaid-service levies in 1993, an increase in the Parks and Recreation Levy is not appropriate under Saskatoon's current economic conditions. Higher levies have a direct impact on the prices of all vacant lands which are available through the City's Land Bank and from comparable private-sector sources. Particularly in the competitive commercial and industrial marketplace and from an economic-development perspective, Saskatoon cannot afford to have land prices which are higher than those in other centres (e.g. Regina, Winnipeg, Calgary, Edmonton). Recently, City Council lowered the prices of its industrial lands in order to make them competitive with those in Regina.

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- The City's current development standards for neighbourhood and district parks are already at a minimum. The private-sector developers are providing supplementary funding to increase the amenities within their residential subdivisions, thereby increasing the marketability and attractiveness of these new neighbourhoods. Because such supplementary funding is not provided to the City-developed parks, the neighbourhoods in which these parks are located may not have sufficient features and amenities to maintain our share of the lot-sales market.
- The construction of a leisure centre in the University Heights Suburban Area and the additions to the existing Lawson and Lakewood Civic Centres have not been justified under our current needs-assessment process. These projects have also not been evaluated with respect to whether they can be programmed to generate sufficient revenues to minimize their financial impact on future operating budgets.
- City Council's March 30, 1992, decision has designated the multi-district portion of the Parks and Recreation Levy entirely for new parks and facilities. There are several existing multi-district facilities which might be eligible for this source of funding for upgrading projects (e.g. implementing various proposals in the program and site-development plans for Kiwanis Memorial Park, Friendship Park, Rotary Park, Kinsmen Park). Also, the funds could be used to implement new revenue-generating features which could have a long-term positive impact on the City's future operating budgets (e.g. Forestry Farm Park and Zoo, the Gordon Howe Complex, Riversdale Swimming Pool, and the Lawson Civic Centre).
- Because of the site-specific benefits to the residents of having boulevard trees planted in the various prepaid-services areas, this expenditure should continue to be funded from the multi-district portion of the Parks and Recreation Levy."

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that City Council's March 30, 1992, list of projects concerning the multi-district portion of the Parks and Recreation Levy (with respect to financing certain specified parks and recreational facilities) be rescinded;
- 2) that the multi-district portion of the Parks and Recreation Levy continue to fund the development of boulevards in the prepaid-service areas; and
- 3) that the Planning and Development Committee review and

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provide recommendations to City Council on the allocation criteria for using the unassigned forecasted revenues from the multi-district portion of the Parks and Recreation Levy, including the restructuring of the Levy to reallocate a greater proportion of these funds to the neighbourhood and district levels.

- IT WAS RESOLVED:*
- 1) *that City Council's March 30, 1992, list of projects concerning the multi-district portion of the Parks and Recreation Levy (with respect to financing certain specified parks and recreational facilities) be rescinded;*
 - 2) *that the multi-district portion of the Parks and Recreation Levy continue to fund the development of boulevards in the prepaid-service areas;*
 - 3) *that the Planning and Development Committee review and provide recommendations to City Council on the allocation criteria for using the unassigned forecasted revenues from the multi-district portion of the Parks and Recreation Levy, including the restructuring of the Levy to reallocate a greater proportion of these funds to the neighbourhood and district levels; and*
 - 4) *that the matter be reviewed by the Task Force to Review Current Civic Programs, Services and General Government of The City of Saskatoon.*

**13. Upgrading of Neighbourhood Parks
(Files CK. 4206-1 and 1702-1)**

The following report of the Director of Planning and Development dated October 14, 1993, has been considered by your Committee:

"Attached is a copy of a report which City Council considered on August 31, 1992, concerning the process that is used to prioritize the City's older neighbourhood parks under various upgrading, enhancement, and redevelopment projects. The report included, as an appendix, a schedule for proceeding with the upgrading of parks in the core and other older neighbourhoods. This schedule took into account City Council's decision, in that year, to defer all capital expenditures for upgrading neighbourhood parks.

In its August 31, 1992, report to City Council, the Planning and Development Committee

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made the following comments about the City's park-upgrading program:

'Your Committee believes that it is extremely important that a planned approach to park upgrading be undertaken, which coincides with the priorities identified by Council during its Strategic Planning Session, i.e. to preserve the parks and the beauty of the City. Your Committee therefore believes that parks should be considered part of the City's infrastructure and funded accordingly.'

Subsequently, in 1993, two redevelopment projects (Kistikan Park and Wildwood Park) were approved and were funded from the Reserve for Capital Expenditures (i.e. general revenues) and the Electrical Distribution Extension Reserve. (See Project 901 in the approved 1993 Capital Budget.) The City's four-year fiscal forecast has taken into account the additional impact on the 1994 and subsequent operating budgets; therefore, this amount is being funded as part of the City's overall budgetary strategy for next year.

As part of the on-going discussions with community associations concerning the prioritization of neighbourhood parks for future upgrading, the City's Administration initially assumed that no more than two parks will be redeveloped in each year. Therefore, the neighbourhood parks which were selected for redevelopment in 1994, subject to available financing, were Henry Kelsey Park (Hudson Bay Park Neighbourhood) and Dr. Herzberg Park (College Park Neighbourhood). The one-time capital and annual incremental operating costs of these redevelopment projects are:

Henry Kelsey Park:	\$426,000 (capital); \$8,240 (incremental operating)
Dr. Herzberg Park:	\$393,000 (capital); \$9,204 (incremental operating)

On August 3, 1993, City Council considered the City's four-year fiscal forecast and developed a budgetary strategy for addressing a major shortfall in its anticipated municipal revenues. One component of this strategy involved the future funding of capital projects which will place subsequent financial demands on the City's Operating Budget. The following is an excerpt from the August 3, 1993, report:

'As Council considers the matters previously outlined pertaining to future Operating Budgets, it cannot do that in isolation of the very major capital budget requirements. Given the deterioration of existing assets, it is difficult to justify capital additions. In 1993, the City adopted a plan which stated that any enhancements which negatively impacted on the operating budget, would not be approved. With some exceptions which were added during the [1993] budget debate, this has largely been implemented. Similar considerations may have to be applied in future years.'

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The City's Administration is currently preparing the preliminary 1994 Capital Budget. In light of the August 3, 1993, budgetary directive from City Council concerning the operating-budget impact of future capital projects, the Administration has deferred all neighbourhood-park upgrading projects. Accordingly, the preliminary 1994 Capital Budget will not include the proposed redevelopment of Henry Kelsey Park and of Dr. Herzberg Park. All of the other prioritized neighbourhood parks (which have been scheduled for redevelopment in subsequent years) will be similarly deferred and rescheduled.

In making the decision to defer the upgrading of Henry Kelsey and Dr. Herzberg Parks, the City's Administration has specifically responded to City Council's decision to make no provisions in its current fiscal forecast (other than an amount to recognize projects which were constructed in 1993) for the incremental operating-budget implications of capital expenditures. In its August 3, 1993, directive, City Council notes that attention must be given to "the deterioration of existing assets" and therefore, that "enhancements which negatively [impact] on the operating budget" may not be approved. The Planning and Development Committee's comments in its August 31, 1992, report to City Council suggest that the redevelopment of parks should be "considered part of the City's infrastructure and funded accordingly". The Committee's comments would support including the proposed neighbourhood park-upgrading projects in the 1994 Capital Budget because they can be viewed as upgrading a deteriorating asset. However, this perspective only reflects an opinion that was expressed by the Planning and Development Committee in a report to City Council; it is not a position that has been formally endorsed by City Council, nor is it a matter which has been accommodated within the context of Council's August 3, 1993, four-year fiscal forecast and the associated budgetary strategy."

The appropriate community associations have been provided with a copy of this report.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Items A.16 and A.19 of "Communications" were brought forward and considered.

Moved by Mayor Dayday,

THAT Mr. McGeary be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Jim McGeary, President, College Park Recreation Association, expressed concern regarding

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the proposed deferral of upgrading Dr. Herzberg Park and highlighted the improvements necessary.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be referred back to the Planning and Development Committee for input from affected community associations.

**14. Construction of Neighbourhood
Spray/Paddling Pools
(Files CK. 613-1 and 4206-1)**

Your Committee has considered the following report of the Director of Planning and Development dated October 13, 1993:

"Attached is a copy of a report which City Council considered on March 29, 1993, concerning the construction of paddling and spray pools in new neighbourhoods. As a result of a City-imposed moratorium on the construction of such features in order to review the implications of the Provincial Government's new water-quality regulations, several neighbourhoods do not yet have such facilities even though the capital funding is being collected through the Parks and Recreation Prepaid-services Levy.

The concern expressed in the March 29, 1993, report was that while the capital funding is in place, the on-going operations and maintenance of these facilities will have a direct impact on municipal taxes. The original plan was to construct four of these features in 1992 and another three in 1993. The on-going operating-budget impact of opening seven new paddling/spray pools over two years could not be practically financed through the City's tax-base. Therefore, a decision was made to reconsider the City's entire construction timing for these features.

As is indicated in the attached March 29, 1993, report, City Council decided through the capital-budget process:

- to construct and to operate two new pools in 1993 (for the Confederation Park and the Silverwood Heights Neighbourhoods), and
- to construct another two pools in 1993 (for the Parkridge and Dundonald Neighbourhoods), but to defer opening them until 1994.

The construction of all four pools has proceeded as was approved in the 1993 Capital Budget. With respect to the latter two pools, the City's four-year fiscal forecast includes a provision within the projected budgetary shortfall for 1994 to accommodate the operating impact of operating these additional neighbourhood facilities.

In addition, City Council resolved the following with respect to the timing of the construction of water features in the remaining prepaid-services areas:

that, subject to the provision of funding through the budgeting process, the

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construction of neighbourhood outdoor water-features, which will be fully funded by the Parks and Recreation Prepaid Services Levy, be scheduled on the basis of two such facilities being constructed in each year'.

At the time when this resolution was passed, the following schedule was identified for the future development of new paddling and spray pools:

Forest Grove	Construction in 1994, operational in 1995
Lakeridge	Construction in 1994, operational in 1995
Erindale North	Construction in 1995, operational in 1996
Silverspring	Not until the school and the neighbourhood park have been built.

On August 3, 1993, City Council considered the City's four-year fiscal forecast and developed a budgetary strategy for addressing a major shortfall in its anticipated municipal revenues. One component of this strategy involved the future funding of capital projects which will place subsequent financial demands on the City's Operating Budget. The following is an excerpt from the August 3, 1993, report:

'As Council considers the matters previously outlined pertaining to future Operating Budgets, it cannot do that in isolation of the very major capital budget requirements. Given the deterioration of existing assets, it is difficult to justify capital additions. In 1993, the City adopted a plan which stated that any enhancements which negatively impacted on the operating budget, would not be approved. With some exceptions which were added during the [1993] budget debate, this has largely been implemented. Similar considerations may have to be applied in future years.'

The City's Administration is currently preparing the preliminary 1994 Capital Budget. In light of the August 3, 1993 budgetary directive from City Council concerning future capital projects and in recognition of City Council's March 29, 1993, resolution whereby the construction of new neighbourhood water features is subject to the availability of adequate operating-budget provisions, the Administration has accordingly adjusted the timing for the construction of the remaining outstanding facilities. The preliminary 1994 Capital Budget and the 1995-98 Capital Plan will reflect the following for the construction and operation of new paddling and spray pools:

Forest Grove	Construction in 1995, operational in 1996
Lakeridge	Construction in 1995, operational in 1996
Erindale North	Construction in 1996, operational in 1997
Silverspring	Construction will proceed after an elementary school has been built.

For the Committee's information, the estimated capital cost of constructing each of these

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facilities is \$178,000 (all of which is funded from the Parks and Recreation Prepaid-services Levy). The annual operating and maintenance cost for each facility is \$9,000 (all of which is funded from municipal taxes)."

The appropriate community associations have been provided with a copy of this report.

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Items A. 15 and A.17 of "Communications" were brought forward and considered.

Moved by Mayor Dayday,

THAT Mr. Archer be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Tim Archer, President, Erindale Community Association, urged Council to evaluate the options before endorsing the proposal for deferral of the spray pool for the Erindale neighbourhood.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be referred back to the Planning and Development Committee for input from affected community associations.

REPORT NO. 23-1993 OF THE LEGISLATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

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Councillor M. Thompson, Chair
Councillor P. Mostoway
Councillor M.T. Cherneskey, Q.C.

- 1. Travel Grant Applications**
- Hollandia Soccer Club (Saskatoon and District Soccer Association)
- Saskatoon Huskies Women's Soccer Team (Saskatoon and District Soccer Association)
- Avalon Royals (Saskatoon Youth Soccer)
(File No. CK. 1870-2-3)
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Attached are copies of the above-noted travel grant applications which have been reviewed by the Leisure Services Department.

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the Hollandia Soccer Club (Saskatoon and District Soccer Association) receive a travel grant in the amount of \$500 to offset the costs of participation in the National Championship Competition held in Ontario from October 8 to 11, 1993;
 - 2) that the Saskatoon Huskies Women's Soccer Team (Saskatoon and District Soccer Association) receive a travel grant in the amount of \$500 to offset the costs of participation in the National Championship Competition held in Toronto, Ontario from October 8 to 11, 1993;
 - 3) that the Avalon Royals (Saskatoon Youth Soccer) receive a travel grant in the amount of \$500 to offset the costs of participation in the under 17 Girls National Soccer Competition held in Winnipeg, Manitoba, from October 8 to 12, 1993; and
 - 4) that these travel grants be charged to the Contingency Component of the 1993 Assistance to Community Groups: Cash Grants Program.

ADOPTED.

- 2. Travel Grant Applications**
- Saskatoon Cheers Flyers Broomball Club
- Saskatoon Sutherland Bar Master Men's Softball
- Saskatoon Rempel Brothers Fastball Club

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(File No. CK. 1870-2-3)

Report of General Manager, Leisure Services Department, October 13, 1993:

"The Leisure Services Department has reviewed the attached applications for travel assistance:

- The application by Saskatoon Sutherland Bar Master Men's Softball is for a Western Canadian event. Section (b) of the criteria shown on the application form states that events must be national or international the event does not, therefore, qualify for a travel grant.
- The application by the Saskatoon Cheers Flyers Broomball Club is for a Western Canadian event held in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan. Under current criteria, events must be national or international and located outside Saskatchewan; this event does not, therefore, qualify for a travel grant. It is also unclear whether this team is affiliated with a sport organization registered under *The Non-Profit Corporation Act* as required under current criteria.
- Saskatoon Rempel Brothers Fastball Club has advised the Department that it is not affiliated with a sport organization registered under *The Non-Profit Corporation Act* as required under Section (a) of the criteria; the team does not, therefore, qualify for a travel grant."

Your Committee has reviewed these applications and

RECOMMENDS: That the applications for travel grants from Saskatoon Sutherland Bar Master Men's Softball, the Saskatoon Cheers Flyers Broomball Club and the Saskatoon Rempel Brothers Fastball Club be DENIED.

ADOPTED.

**3. 1994 Tax Rebates
(File No. CK. 1965-1)**

Report of City Assessor, October 8, 1993:

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"I am attaching a summary of properties where applications have been received by this department for a rebate or partial rebate of taxes for the 1994 taxation year. The percentage of rebate allowed for 1993 is shown in brackets under column headed 1994 General Tax.

I trust this report will be forwarded to the Legislation and Finance Committee for a review so that the target date of December 1st for the passage of the bylaw under Section 275(2) of *The Urban Municipality Act* can be achieved.

For your information, I have tabulated the applicable assessments and taxes for the various categories based on the percentage of rebate approved by City Council for 1993.

		<u>Total Taxable</u> <u>Assessment</u>	<u>1994 General Tax</u> <u>(1993 Tax Dollars)</u>
A	Parish Halls (p. 1 to 7)	1,147,900	135,409.70
B	Parish Parking, etc (p. 8)	2,020	260.32
C	Parish Activities/ Residential Manse (p. 9 to 11)	102,150	13,164.07
D	Religious (Worship)/ Educational Purposes (p. 12 & 13)	712,500	91,819.87
E	Denominational Residences (p. 14)	172,080	22,175.95
F	Community Service Groups (p. 15 & 16)	612,430	78,923.85
G	Rehabilitation Organizations (p. 17 & 18)	949,750	122,394.28
H	Arts/Cultural (p. 19 & 20)	510,150	65,743.02

		<u>Total Taxable</u> <u>Assessment</u>	<u>1994 General Tax</u> <u>(1993 Tax Dollars)</u>
I	Senior Citizens (p. 21 & 22)	280,060	34,641.55
J	Clubs and Associations (p. 23 to 25)	280,040	30,705.53

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K	Miscellaneous (p.26)	82,060	7,091.95
L	Occupants (Clubs and Assoc) of City of Saskatoon Property (p. 27 to 30)	865,120 (Exempt)	111,488.01 (Exempt)
M	Occupants (Misc) of City of Saskatoon Property (p. 31 to 34)	2,179,850 (Exempt)	280,917.27 (Exempt)
	Totals A to K incl	4,851,140 (Taxable)	602,330.09 (Taxable)
	Totals L & M (Occupants of City of Saskatoon Property)	3,044,970 (Exempt)	392,405.28 (Exempt)

The following is a list of changes/additions to the report for 1994:

F-2 (page 15) - new location

The Christian Counselling Services purchased this property in February of 1993. City Council wrote-off the taxes for 10 months of 1993. Their former property (818 Broadway Avenue) was sold and a supplementary assessment/taxes were applied for 10 months of 1993.

G-3 (page 18) - new location

The Saskatchewan Association of Rehabilitation Centres purchased this property in July of 1993. There was no requested rebate made for this property for any portion of 1993. Their former location (140 Ave F North) was sold and a supplementary assessment/taxes were applied for 5.5 months of 1993.

H-2B (page 19) - new application

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The Ukrainian Museum of Canada of the Ukrainian Women's Association of Canada purchased this property in August of 1993. The building was demolished as of August 31, 1993 and an application has been made to City Council to allow this property to be used for a commercial parking lot until further development takes place. There was no request for a rebate for 1993.

I-6 (page 22) - new application

The Fairfield Union Centre Senior Citizens Corporation purchased this lot from Co-op Trust in July of 1993. They have made an application for a building permit on September 30, 1993 to construct a Senior Citizens Recreation Hall. There was no rebate given for any portion of 1993.

J-6 (page 25) - new application

The Saskatoon Elks Club is requesting a rebate for 1994.

K-3 (page 26) - new application

The Western Tract Mission Inc. is requesting a rebate for 1994.

The new applications for 1994 are not included in the assessment/tax totals."

Report of Director of Finance dated October 13/93 (excerpt):

- "1) Christian Counselling Services - (F2, P15)
This agency purchased a new property in 1993, and City Council approval was given for the taxes to be written-off for 10 months in 1993.

- 2) Saskatoon Association of Rehabilitation Centres - (G13, P18)
This organization purchased a larger property in 1993. No request for a rebate was made for this new property during 1993. At its former location, 140 Avenue F North, a rebate of \$6,450 was granted. The new location has taxes of \$10,740. This new location houses the administrative offices of SARCAN. All the SARCAN collection depots do pay property taxes.

- 3) Ukrainian Museum of Canada - (H2b, P19)
The museum purchased an adjoining lot, demolished the building and applied for a

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discretionary use for a commercial parking lot. City Council approved this application on October 12, 1993.

- 4) Fairfield Union Centre Senior Citizens Corporation - (I6, P22)
This group has purchased a lot and applied for a building permit to construct a Senior Citizens Recreation Hall. Senior Citizens halls have been tax exempt; however, our normal policy, even with churches, is to tax vacant land until a building is constructed and properly occupied.
- 5) Saskatoon Elks Club - (J6, P25)
The Elks Club is requesting a rebate for taxes in 1994. No prior exemption has been granted. City Council has confirmed that only in special cases should new exemptions be granted and plans, if *The Urban Municipality Act* is amended, to tax clubs for at least the municipal portion of the property taxes.
- 6) Western Tract Mission Inc. - (K3, P26)
The Western Tract Mission Inc. has a store on 33rd Street and also rents out the upper floor of the store. Based on this commercial activity, no exemption should be granted."

Your Committee has reviewed this report with the Manager of Building Assessments and has included its recommendations on the attached report.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that the proposed tax exemptions for 1994, be approved as outlined under the 'Committee Recommendations for 1994 Tax Exemptions' column in the attached report;
- 2) that a tax exemption be granted to the Christian Counselling Services (F2,P15) for all of 1994;
- 3) that a tax exemption be granted to the Saskatoon Association of Rehabilitation Centres (G13,P18), up to the value of the taxes paid on their former property (\$6,450) at 140 Avenue F North;
- 4) that the Fairfield Union Centre Senior Citizens Corporation (I6,P22) be required to pay taxes on the property purchased to construct a Senior Citizens Recreation Hall until the building is occupied, and as of that date, a full tax exemption be granted;

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- 5) that the application for tax rebate from The Ukrainian Museum of Canada (H2b,P19) be denied, in that the property identified (adjoining lot) is to be used for a commercial parking lot;
- 6) that the application for tax rebate from the Saskatoon Elks Club (J6,P25) be denied;
- 7) that the application for tax rebate from the Western Tract Mission Inc. (K3,P26) be denied; and
- 8) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary bylaw to effect the tax exemptions approved in the above recommendations.

- IT WAS RESOLVED:*
- 1) *that the proposed tax exemptions for 1994, be approved as outlined under the 'Committee Recommendations for 1994 Tax Exemptions' column in the attached report;*
 - 2) *that a tax exemption be granted to the Christian Counselling Services (F2,P15) for all of 1994;*
 - 3) *that a tax exemption be granted to the Saskatoon Association of Rehabilitation Centres (G13,P18), up to the value of the taxes paid on their former property (\$6,450) at 140 Avenue F North;*
 - 4) *that the Fairfield Union Centre Senior Citizens Corporation (I6,P22) be required to pay taxes on the property purchased to construct a Senior Citizens Recreation Hall until the building is occupied, and as of that date, a full tax exemption be granted;*
 - 5) *that the application for tax rebate from The Ukrainian Museum of Canada (H2b,P19) be denied, in that the property identified (adjoining lot) is to be used for a commercial parking lot;*
 - 6) *that the application for tax rebate from the Saskatoon*

Elks Club (J6,P25) be denied;

- 7) *that the application for tax rebate from the Western Tract Mission Inc. (K3,P26) be denied;*
- 8) *that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary bylaw to effect the tax exemptions approved in the above recommendations; and*
- 9) *that the matter of tax exemptions be referred to the Legislation and Finance Committee for a report.*

**4. Request for Enabling Legislation
Automated Vote Counting
(File No. CK. 265-1)**

Report of City Clerk, October 12, 1993:

"Summary

There is great benefit to be derived from the introduction of technology to the vote counting process for municipal elections. Automated vote counting has been used successfully in Alberta and Ontario, as well as throughout the United States. The benefits are twofold - quicker determination of the final results and greater accuracy.

The Urban Municipality Act does not, however, give authority to municipalities in Saskatchewan to implement automated vote counting. I am therefore requesting that City Council petition the Minister of Municipal Government to provide enabling legislation to allow the use of technology in counting votes.

Background

Automated vote counting is different than and preferable to automated voting. Controlled studies in the United States, where voting machines have been in existence since the 1930s in several large cities, show that voter participation decreases when technology is introduced at the polling station. Some voters are intimidated, scared or embarrassed by their lack of knowledge of the voting device.

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The paper ballot remains the preferred method of voting because voters understand it. No one has to demonstrate at length how to use it. There's an inherent trust in a paper ballot that voters can hold in their hands.

Automated vote counting changes the way that ballots are counted, not the way that they are cast. This means that only a few senior election officials need to learn the new technology. The only change that voters notice is that instead of being handed five or more ballots, they are handed only one ballot listing only those races and issues in which they are eligible to vote.

Benefits of Automated Vote Counting

- Quicker Tabulation and Reporting of Results

Final results are available within an hour or two of the closing of polls. Status reports, voting analysis reports and custom information reports are also available throughout and at the completion of the vote tabulation process.

- Improved Accuracy

Election officials start the counting process after having already worked ten hours. They are then responsible for counting, recording and balancing the results of a minimum of five ballots (Mayor, Councillor, two School Boards, District Health Board) plus any questions that may be voted on. The possibility for counting errors is great. Indeed it would be naive to think that errors don't happen under these working conditions.

Issues

- Cost

There is, of course, capital cost in purchasing the equipment. Reduced staff and ballot printing costs will offset this over time. There is also opportunity for leasing the machines to other jurisdictions in the Province, but only if the election dates for cities were staggered.

Further analysis will be done in this area.

- Enabling Legislation

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The Local Government Elections Act does not make provision for the electronic tabulation of votes. The Act would need to be amended along the lines of existing legislation in British Columbia and Ontario (a copy of which is attached).

The Local Government Elections Act also provides that elections shall be held on the same day for all urban municipalities in the Province. If the Act were amended to stagger the dates in the month of October, there would be opportunity for municipalities to share the cost of this technology."

Your Committee has reviewed this matter with the City Clerk and

RECOMMENDS: that the Minister of Municipal Government be requested to give consideration to amending *The Local Government Elections Act* prior to the 1994 municipal elections to provide for automated vote counting, and to give further consideration to staggering municipal election dates so that municipalities can share the cost of the technology, (equipment).

ADOPTED.

REPORT NO. 25-1993 OF THE WORKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Councillor D.L. Birkmaier, Chair
Councillor B. Dyck
Councillor O. Mann
Councillor M. Hawthorne

**1. 1993 Sidewalk Reconstruction
Contract No. 3-0022
(File No. CK. 6220-1)**

Your Committee has considered the following report of the City Engineer dated September 29, 1993:

"The work included as part of this contract is as follows:

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- construct 11 Local Improvement locations of sidewalk, or curb and gutter, or sidewalk, curb and gutter.

Tenders were received and opened publicly on September 21, 1993, for sidewalk, curb and gutter construction.

The following bids were received and are shown on the attached tabulation:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Total Tender Price</u>
Interprovincial Concrete Ltd. and Rebel Concrete Services Ltd. A Joint Venture Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	\$189,468.51
Mid-West Concrete & Paving Stone Ltd. Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan	\$193,701.69

The Engineering Department's estimate for this work is \$174,017.31.

The low bid, which represents a 9% increase compared to similar work in 1993, consists of the following:

Base Tender	\$173,928.54
GST at 7%	11,766.73
PST at 9% on applicable items	<u>3,773.24</u>
Contract Amount	189,468.51
GST Rebate	<u>6,723.85</u>
Net Estimated Cost to the City	\$182,744.66

Interprovincial Concrete Ltd. and Rebel Concrete Services Ltd., A Joint Venture, has performed similar work for the City of Saskatoon. Its tender indicates that 100% of its staff are Saskatchewan residents."

- RECOMMENDATION:** 1) that City Council accept the unit prices submitted by Interprovincial Concrete Ltd. and Rebel Concrete Services Ltd., A Joint Venture, for the 1993 Sidewalk Construction, at a total estimated contract price of \$189,468.51; and

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- 2) that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract documents as prepared by the City Solicitor under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

**2. Proposed Two-Hour Parking Restriction
Both Sides of King Street
2nd Avenue to 3rd Avenue
(File No. CK. 6120-2)**

Report of the City Engineer, October 6, 1993:

"The Engineering Department has been requested by Mr. Sam Chan, owner of Seafood Sam's, and R & R Investments, owner and operator of the strip mall (Second Avenue Professional Building) south of King Street, to install a two-hour parking restriction on both sides of King Street, between 2nd and 3rd Avenues.

Presently, there is no parking restriction on this portion of King Street and, as a result, some employees from adjacent businesses such as Earl's and SGI are parking long term on the street. There is little off-street parking at Seafood Sam's, therefore, any long-term parking on King Street significantly affects available parking space within an adequate distance from the restaurant. Mr. Chan stated that he has lost customers due to the lack of available parking especially during the lunch and dinner hours.

The Engineering Department has reviewed the request and proposes that a 'Two-Hour, 0900-1800, Monday-Saturday' parking restriction be installed on both sides of King Street, from 2nd Avenue to 3rd Avenue, as shown on attached Plan No. G6-7B. The parking restriction will have little detrimental affect as all properties fronting on King Street are developed for retail purposes. The residential property (621-3rd Avenue North) in the south-west corner of the King Street/3rd Avenue intersection fronts on 3rd Avenue. The residents at this address were contacted and have stated that the parking restriction would not affect them as they have adequate off-street parking.

A two-hour parking restriction exists on 2nd Avenue south of King Street, therefore, enforcement of the proposed parking restriction will be in conjunction with existing restrictions."

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Your Committee has considered the above proposal and

RECOMMENDS: that a "Two-Hour, 0900-1800, Monday-Saturday" parking restriction be installed on both sides of King Street, between 2nd Avenue and 3rd Avenue, as shown on Plan No. G6-7B.

ADOPTED.

**3. Installation of Pedestrian-Actuated Traffic Signals
7th Avenue/Duke Street
(File No. CK. 6150-3)**

City Council, at its meeting held on November 23, 1992, considered Clause 3, Report No. 24-1992, of the Works and Utilities Committee (copy attached) and resolved, in part, that the pedestrian corridor at 7th Avenue/Duke Street be upgraded to a pedestrian-actuated signal as shown on Plan No. H6-11D.

On July 19, 1993, City Council was advised that the installation of pedestrian-actuated traffic signals at 7th Avenue/Duke Street would be deferred pending another vehicle/pedestrian count at this intersection in September, 1993, to determine the level of pedestrian protection required due to the closure of Wilson Elementary School.

Your Committee has considered the following Report of the City Engineer dated October 7, 1993:

"An additional pedestrian/vehicle count was conducted on Thursday, September 23, 1993, during the peak periods of the day (0800-0900, 1130-1330 and 1530-1700). A comparison of the 1993 pedestrian data to the May 13, 1991, data is shown in the following table:

7th Avenue/Duke Street Pedestrian Volumes

Peak Period	Pedestrian Type	Year 1993	1991
0800-0900	Elementary	12	29
	High School	1	5
	Adult	4	8

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	Total	17	42
1130-1330	Elementary	2	59
	High School	11	25
	Adult	33	18
	Total	46	102
1530-1700	Elementary	18	59
	High School	2	1
	Adult	17	24
	Total	37	84
Total	Elementary	32	147
	High School	14	31
	Adult	54	50
	Total	100	228

As shown in the above table, the number of elementary school crossings has decreased from 147 in 1991 to 32 in 1993. The number of high school crossings has also dropped by approximately 50%. The adult crossings have remained constant. Pedestrian corridor and pedestrian-actuated traffic signal warrant calculations were conducted on the 1993 data. Points yielded from the pedestrian corridor calculation dropped significantly. The pedestrian-actuated priority point rating for this intersection dropped from 81 points in 1991 to 43 points in 1993. This drops the 7th Avenue/Duke Street intersection to a ranking of 13th on the pedestrian-actuated traffic signal priority list.

In view of the above, the Engineering Department recommends that the original decision to install a pedestrian-actuated traffic signal be rescinded and no changes be made to the existing pedestrian corridor. The Saskatoon School Board has indicated that the Wilson Elementary School may be used for other purposes in the future. The Engineering Department will review the intersection again if and when the school is occupied."

The Wilson Home & School Association/City Park Recreation Association has been provided with a copy of this report.

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the information be received; and
 - 2) that the following November 23, 1992, resolution of City Council be rescinded:

"that the pedestrian corridor at 7th Avenue/Duke Street be

ADOPTED.

**4. Proposed Transit Route Revisions
Routes 1/21 and 9
(File No. CK. 7310-1)**

Your Committee has been advised that Saskatoon Transit has undertaken a review of its 1994 Operating Budget to identify major issues to be addressed in its preliminary budget. Increased costs are expected in utilities, fuel, workers' compensation, and unemployment insurance premiums. In addition, Saskatoon Transit is forecasting a shortfall in 1993, of which at least the end load must be taken into account in the 1994 operating budget. Your Committee notes that while the magnitude of the increased costs has not been determined, it is clear that changes will have to be made in order not to impact on the mill rate in 1994.

Your Committee has considered the following Report of the Transit Manager dated October 13, 1993, which proposes service level reductions to reduce the cost of operation in 1994:

"To reduce its cost of operation, Saskatoon Transit is proposing a series of revisions to Routes 1/21 and 9.

Existing Services

Route 1/21 is an interlined (combined) route which provides 15-minute service along Lorne Avenue through downtown and Mayfair and half-hourly service in the west Exhibition area, Hudson Bay Park and McNab Park. There is only peak-period service to the CN Industrial section (Lorne Avenue south area). Route 9 provides hourly service to west Exhibition, Saskatchewan/Poplar Crescent, downtown and 2nd Avenue North.

As these are older residential areas, transit ridership has been declining. In addition, there are no immediate plans for increased residential development, nor any other development which would be a major generator of transit trips. Accordingly, it is difficult to justify continuation of the frequency of transit service in these areas, particularly in the offpeak.

Proposed Service Revisions - Peak Periods, South End

The most significant change proposed for the peak periods is to combine Routes 1 and 9 in the south end. Leaving downtown, the proposed Route 1 would follow the existing Route 9 (Broadway Bridge, Broadway Avenue, Main Street, Eastlake Avenue, 11th Street,

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McPherson Avenue, Saskatchewan Crescent), then travel east on 8th Street, south on Lorne Avenue, west on Taylor Street and south on St. Henry Avenue to Hilliard Street. On the return to downtown, the bus would travel east on Hilliard Street, south on Herman Avenue, east on Ruth Street, north on Lorne Avenue, west on 8th Street, then continue to downtown via the existing Route 9 with the exception of using 11th Street, Eastlake Avenue and Main Street to Broadway Avenue.

The existing Route 1 would become Route 9 using the existing Route 1 routing linking downtown to the C.N. Industrial area.

With the above changes, the existing frequencies would be maintained to all areas, except along 8th Street, from Lorne Avenue to Broadway Avenue, which would receive half-hour service (new Route 9), rather than the 15-minute service now being provided. Service along Herman Avenue from Hilliard Street to 8th Street would be eliminated.

The changes amount to a cost reduction of approximately 14 hours per day (70 hours per week).

Proposed Service Revisions - Peak Periods, North End

The major change proposed for the north end is to combine Route 9 (2nd Avenue North) and Route 21 (McNab Park). Both areas would receive half-hour service in the peak periods.

Route 1 would continue to serve Hudson Bay Park, but would use Idylwyld Drive rather than Avenue D between 33rd Street and 36th Street. The two bus stops along Avenue D at 34th and 35th Streets would be serviced by stops on 33rd and 36th Streets respectively.

The change effected by the combined Route 1 and Route 21 would result in Mayfair receiving half-hour service (Route 1), rather than the 15-minute service now being provided.

A review of the ridership trends in Mayfair and McNab Park confirm that the frequency of transit services in this area can be reduced.

Proposed Service Revisions - Offpeaks and Saturdays, South End

It is proposed that Route 1 operate on the same routing during the offpeak and on Saturdays as for the peak hours. Similarly, it is proposed that service to the south C.N. Industrial area remain peak-hour service only.

The net result of these changes would be the retention of half-hourly service to Lorne

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Avenue, west Exhibition, and the Saskatchewan Crescent/Poplar Crescent area. However, the short section of Herman Avenue from 8th Street to Taylor Street would no longer receive service. The one stop on Herman Avenue at Isabella Street would be serviced by the stop at Herman Avenue and Hilliard Street. The section of 8th Street from Lorne Avenue to Broadway Avenue would continue to receive half-hour service to and from downtown via Route 6.

Proposed Service Revision - Offpeaks and Saturdays, North End

It is proposed that Route 1 operate on the same routing during the offpeak and on Saturdays as during the peak hours, providing half-hour service to Mayfair and Hudson Bay Park. As well, it is proposed that Route 9 (Routes 9 and 21 combination) operate on the same routing during the offpeaks and on Saturdays as during the peak hours. The Route 9 service would operate hourly during the offpeak and on Saturdays to the 2nd Avenue North and McNab Park areas.

The Routes 9 and 21 combination, would result in Mayfair receiving half-hour service (Route 1) rather than the 15-minute service now being provided. McNab Park service would be reduced from 30-minute frequency to once per hour.

Proposed Service Revisions - Nights and Sundays - North End

Currently, the Hudson Bay Park and Mayfair areas receive hourly night service. It is proposed that Routes 1 and 21 be combined in this area into a loop which would provide half-hour service at night. The routing would then be consistent with the Sunday routing.

Savings in Operating Costs

The above route revisions would save approximately 135 hours per week, or 7,025 hours per year. The reduction in the Operating Budget for Saskatoon Transit would be approximately \$154,000 annually and \$14,750 in 1993."

Your Committee notes that the above proposals are being made at this time to meet the next sign-up for work assignment, and to achieve a full year impact in cost reductions.

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the transit service revisions to Routes 1, 21 and 9, as proposed in this report, be approved;
 - 2) that the attached list of bus stop changes resulting from the service revisions be approved; and,
 - 3) that the above changes be effective on November 28, 1993.

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Pursuant to earlier resolution, Item A.13 of "Communications" was brought forward and considered. Additional correspondence from Mr. Dave Lane, Chair, Productivity Committee, Amalgamated Transit Union Local 615, was circulated at the meeting, withdrawing an earlier request to address Council.

- IT WAS RESOLVED:*
- 1) that the transit service revisions to Routes 1, 21 and 9, as proposed in this report, be approved;*
 - 2) that the attached list of bus stop changes resulting from the service revisions be approved;*
 - 3) that the above changes be effective on November 28, 1993; and*
 - 4) that the Administration provide a further report regarding the procedure that will be put into place to ensure that the Productivity Committee will continue to exist.*

REPORT NO. 10-1993 OF A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

Composition of Committee

His Worship the Mayor, Chair
Councillor D. L. Birkmaier
Councillor M. T. Cherneskey, Q.C.
Councillor B. Dyck
Councillor M. Hawthorne
Councillor O. Mann
Councillor P. McCann
Councillor P. Mostoway
Councillor G. Penner
Councillor M. Thompson
Councillor K. Waygood

**1. Seat Loan
Saskatchewan Place
(File No. CK. 611-3)**

The Saskatchewan Place Board of Directors is interested in refinancing the outstanding balance

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(\$360,000) of the seat loan for Saskatchewan Place. Saskatchewan Place would like to extend the repayment period from two years to four years.

RECOMMENDATION: that the balance of the seat loan (\$360,000) be refinanced by the City of Saskatoon at a blended rate of 7% and 10.5% for an equivalent of 8.625% over four years.

ADOPTED.

REPORT NO. 3-1993 OF THE MUNICIPAL HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

Mrs. A. McFarland, Chair
Councillor K. Waygood
Mr. R. Ostrander
Ms. Jean Collins
Mr. D. Kerr
Mr. K. Achs
Ms. R. Millar
Mr. S. Hanson
Ms. P. Melis
Mr. D. Kindrachuk
Ms. D. Wilson-Meyer
Mrs. B. Holl
Mr. L. Dressel
Mr. B. Delainey
Mrs. M. Tkachuk

**1. Labatt's Brewery and Brewmaster's House
(File No. CK. 710-1)**

As City Council is aware, Labatt's Brewery was closed earlier this year, and the buildings are now slated for demolition. Your Committee was graciously granted a tour of the buildings in order to determine whether there are any potential artifacts and whether there is an interest in preserving the Brewmaster's House (which the Labatt Brewing Co. has offered at minimum cost). In order to preserve the historical record of the brewery being located at this site, the Committee has decided to put together an extensive photograph inventory of the property, including both exterior and interior shots - which may be useful in setting up a future exhibit and/or interpretive display. The following recommendations resulted from the tour of the facility.

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RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that the City of Saskatoon negotiate the transfer of the Labatt Garden (the most North East portion of Parcel D, Registered Plan 70-S-00223 located east of Herman Avenue, Registered Plan No. 78-S-42716) to the City, with a view to its designation as a Heritage property based on it being an outstanding example of a heritage urban landscape initiative;
- 2) that the Labatt Brewing Co. be requested to donate to the City, the following artifacts from the Labatt Brewery, and that the Labatt Brewing Co. be requested to store the artifacts for a period up to six months in order to enable the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee to arrange an alternate storage facility:
 - Copper Kettle (original)
 - Three Paint Pumps
 - Bulletin Board/Key Container (next to machine shop entry C-13)
 - Brass Railings
 - Hop Bucket (plastic)
 - Souvenir from Smoke Stack (section of brickwork)
 - Tank Fronts in bottling room (3)
 - Wooden door of Bottling Cellar (location B-11)
 - 1907 blueprints (copy) together with all other available construction documents;
- 3) that the City ensure there will be satisfactory vehicular and pedestrian access from Herman Avenue to Gabriel Dumont Park;
- 4) that the City obtain an area of the river bank where the grade is in excess of 20% for the purpose of preserving and protecting the original river bank;
- 5) that the Labatt Brewing Co. be advised that future approaches will be made for co-operation and assistance in preparing and installing an appropriate commemorative plaque on the property and for the development and installation of an interpretive display in the Labatt Garden area;
- 6) that the Labatt Brewing Co. be advised the financial and

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logistical requirements associated with acquiring the Brewmaster's House preclude further consideration of any attempts to preserve the building (which has no original interior features); and

- 7) that the Labatt Brewing Co. be advised of the requirement for an archaeological assessment of the terrace area prior to any redevelopment or reuse of the Labatt property, according to the Saskatchewan *Heritage Property Act*.

Pursuant to earlier resolution, Item A.14 of "Communications" was brought forward and considered.

Mr. Doug Richardson, McKercher McKercher Laing & Whitmore, answered questions of Council regarding the matter.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be referred to the Administration for a further report."

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,

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

CARRIED.

GIVING NOTICE

Councillor Waygood gave the following Notice of Motion:

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

‘THAT Council support the formation of a Task Force on Youth Issues;

THAT the Task Force membership include diverse representation of the youth of the City;

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AND THAT the Task Force thoroughly examine the issues of importance as developed by a steering committee, comprised of elected officials, civic personnel and youth representatives. The steering committee will also be instructed to develop the terms of references and guidelines for the Task Force."

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 7375

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 7375, being "*A bylaw of The City of Saskatoon pursuant to Subsection 249(3) of The Urban Municipality Act, 1984*" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,

THAT Bylaw No. 7375 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 7375.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 7375 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Thompson,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 7375 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Mann,

THAT Bylaw No. 7375 be now read a third time, that the bylaw be passed and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign same and attach the corporate seal thereto.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a third time and passed.

Bylaw No. 7376

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Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 7376, being "*A bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to amend Bylaw No. 6673 entitled, 'A bylaw of The City of Saskatoon to provide for the payment of taxes and the application of discounts and penalties thereto'*" and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Cherneskey,

THAT Bylaw No. 7376 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Waygood,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 7376.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

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That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 7376 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Thompson,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor McCann,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 7376 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Mann,

THAT Bylaw No. 7376 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 Birkmaier, Seconded by Councillor Mostoway,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk