

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

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor, in the Chair;
Councillors Clark, Dubois, Heidt, Hill, Lorje, Neault, Paulsen,
Penner, Pringle, and Wyant;
A/City Manager Totland;
City Solicitor Dust;
General Manager, Corporate Services Bilanski;
A/General Manager, Community Services Sully;
A/General Manager, Fire and Protective Services Kobussen;
General Manager, Utility Services Wandzura;
City Clerk Mann; and
Council Assistant Mitchener

His Worship the Mayor welcomed Mr. Dorian Wandzura, General Manager, Utility Services Department to the City of Saskatoon.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the minutes of meeting of City Council held on June 25, 2007, be approved.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

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

CARRIED.

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

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

Committee arose.

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

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| Applicant: | Ken Greenhorn |
| Legal Description: | Lot 5, Block 406, Plan 95S26266 |
| Current Zoning | R1A |
| Proposed Use: | 1 Unit Dwelling with office |
| Neighbourhood: | Silverspring |
| Date Received: | June 20, 2007 |

Discretionary Use

- Application No.: D9/07
Applicant: Kormak Enterprises
Legal Description: Lot 12, 13, and 14, Block 46, Plan G582
Current Zoning: R2A
Proposed Use: Multi-Unit (new four plex)
Neighbourhood: Caswell Hill
Date Received: June 19, 2007

- Application No: D10/07
Applicant: Renan and Gemma Hernandez
Legal Description: Lots 19 and 20, Block 14, Plan G180
Current Zoning: R2
Proposed Use: Residential Care Home
Neighbourhood: Mount Royal
Date Received: June 21, 2007

- Application No: D11/07
Applicant: Saskatoon Cooperative Association Ltd.
Legal Description: Lots 1, Block 202, (no plan number yet)
Current Zoning: IB
Proposed Use: Gas Bar/Convenience Store/Car Wash
Neighbourhood: Stonebridge
Date Received: June 28, 2007

Rezoning

- Application No. Z13/07:
Applicant: Ironco International Investments Inc.
Legal Description: Block A, Plan F05667, Surface Parcel 144902033
Current Zoning: R1A
Proposed Zoning: RMTN
Neighbourhood: Stonebridge
Date Received: June 29, 2007

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BACKGROUND

During the April 16, 2007 meeting of City Council, Councillor Lorje made the following enquiry:

“Will the Administration please report on the matter of signs for community associations? Currently, they are allowed, on an ad hoc basis, to place signs on city property such as parks and boulevards for a short duration in order to advertise community events. However, some community associations want to be able to advertise things such as church services, child care spaces, etc. They are also concerned that they do not in fact have permanent signage locations.

Could the Community Services Department please report on the possibility of a policy and a program to develop up to two permanent sign locations in neighbourhoods to be used by the local community associations?”

REPORT

Of the 43 community associations in Saskatoon, 19 have access to at least one permanent sign in their neighbourhood for the purpose of promoting community events. Several other associations are currently considering some form of permanent signage. Of the existing 19 signs, 16 are located on either Catholic or Public School Board property. These signs were initiated and subsequently funded by the community associations in partnership with a local school. In most cases ownership resides with either of the School Boards, an arrangement that benefits the community associations in that it relieves them from having to administer and maintain the signs. While the size and style of these signs vary, installed costs range from \$5,000 to \$11,000.

For those associations without access to permanent signs, the Zoning Bylaw No. 7800 does provide for portable signs, subject to guidelines set out in the Sign Regulations, most notably that portable signs cannot be located on residential sites, cannot remain on one site for longer than 90 days, must not advertise a commercial product, and permission of the property owner is required. Community associations that use portable signs typically do so one to four times each year. These signs are almost always located on school property, although from time to time they do appear on church property.

In neighbourhoods without a school or a church willing to permit a sign, either temporary or permanent, on their property an application can be made to Infrastructure Services Department, Parks Branch, for consideration for placement in a park. Permission would, in part, be contingent on the signage adhering to the Zoning Bylaw No. 7800 and the Recreation Facilities and Parks Usage Bylaw No. 7767 that regulate sign size and advertising on public property. For permanent signs, Infrastructure Services Department, Parks Branch and Facilities Branch would also need to approve location, design and construction. In the case of a permanent sign, should permission be granted a community association could then apply to Community Development's Park Enhancement Program for funding for a portion of the capital cost of the sign. Lastly, an operating

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agreement between the community association and the City of Saskatoon would then be developed to cover issues such as ownership, ongoing maintenance, and messaging.

In summary, almost half of Saskatoon's community associations already have access to permanent community information signs. For most of those who do not have information signs, the ability to do so does exist or at least the ability to rent and place temporary signs exists. Partnerships, in particular with the two School Boards, are seen as ideal in that capital and operating costs can be shared while at the same time ensuring better use of the signs. Finally, for the few associations who do not have access to a partner, such as a school, an application can be made to the City of Saskatoon to place such a sign on City park property.

OPTIONS

The Community Development Branch is recommending that community associations continue to partner with school boards and/or churches to arrange for permanent community signs. In the case of neighbourhoods where this is not possible, the City is willing to consider requests for permanent signs to be placed in City parks.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The City of Saskatoon places restrictions on types of advertising in City parks through both the Zoning Bylaw No. 7800 and the Recreation Facilities and Parks Usage Bylaw No. 7767. Any community association granted permission to place a sign on City property would have to adhere to these conditions.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Capital funding could be made available on a cost share basis to community associations, through Park Enhancement Reserve fund, for permanent signs on City of Saskatoon park property. Any associated operating impact would be the responsibility of the community association.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

A3) Naming Report – “Stonebridge Street Names”
File No.: PL. 4001-5; CK. 6310-1

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

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On March 8, 2007, the street name plan for Stonebridge Neighbourhood was provided to the Naming Advisory Committee Administrator from the developer, Dundee Developments. (See Attachment 1.) The developer has selected six names from the Names Master List, which are indicated on the attached plan. The names selected comprise:

- 1) 'Stonebridge Common' and 'Stonebridge Green' - Key neighbourhood streets that encircle Preston Avenue at the centre of the neighbourhood
- 2) 'Chubb Cove' – B. Chubb – City Councillor – 1905;
- 3) 'Milne Crescent' – W. A. Milne – City Councillor – 1966-1969;
- 4) 'Robertson Cove' – Patrick Robertson – City Councillor – 1985-1991;
- 5) 'Cope Way', 'Cope Lane' and 'Cope Crescent' – Ron Cope – Served as a City Planner for 24 years; and
- 6) 'Wellman Crescent' and Wellman Lane' – Herbert (Bert) Wellman – Served as a City Planner and as Director of Planning and Development, 1970-1987.

According to City of Saskatoon Policy No. C09-008, (Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas), all requests for street names from the Names Master List will be selected by the Mayor. All of the names on the Names Master List have been previously screened by the Naming Advisory Committee and meet City Council's guidelines for name selection.

On March 9, 2007, His Worship, Mayor Don Atchison notified the Naming Advisory Committee Administrator that the street names had received approval. The decision of His Worship, Mayor Don Atchison was forwarded to Dundee Developments and the families have been notified.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Map of Stonebridge Street Names.

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A4) **Addition of Names to the Names Master List** **(File No.: PL. 4001-5; CK. 6310-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approve the names contained in this report to be added to the Names Master List.

ADOPTED.

REPORT

According to City of Saskatoon Policy No. C09-008, (Naming of Civic Property and Development Areas), all requests for adding names to the Names Master List must be screened by the Naming Advisory Committee and approved by City Council.

The Naming Advisory Committee has reviewed and screened the following names in accordance with City Council's naming guidelines, and recommends to City Council that they be added to the Names Master List.

- 1) 'Terry Alm' – Requested in honour of Terry Alm who was a member of City Council from 2003 to 2006.
- 2) 'Elaine Hnatyshyn' - Requested in honour of Elaine Hnatyshyn who was a member of City Council from 2003 to 2006.
- 3) 'Donna L. Birkmaier' – Requested in honour of Donna L. Birkmaier who was a member of City Council from 1976-79, 1982-88, 1991-2000, and 2003 – 2006.
- 4) 'Owen Fortosky' – Requested in honour of Owen Fortosky who was a member of City Council from 2000 – 2006.
- 5) 'Hartley' – Requested in honour of Hartley Sommerfeld who is one of the Sommerfelds from whom Dundee Realty acquired land in Stonebridge. The Sommerfeld family has farmed lands in this general region for a few generations. There is currently a Sommerfeld Avenue, which is named after Paul Sommerfeld (grandfather), and Louise Street is named after Louise Sommerfeld (grandmother). Because the Sommerfeld name has already been used, Dundee Realty is requesting the use of the first name for use on collector streets in Stonebridge.
- 6) 'Victor' - Requested in honour of Victor Sommerfeld who is the other Sommerfeld from whom Dundee Realty acquired land in Stonebridge. The Sommerfeld family has farmed lands in this general region for a few generations. There is currently a Sommerfeld Avenue, which is named after Paul Sommerfeld (grandfather), and Louise Street is named after Louise Sommerfeld (grandmother). Because the Sommerfeld name has already been used, Dundee Realty is requesting the use of the first name for use on collector streets in

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Stonebridge. The street Dundee Realty would like to name Victor runs adjacent to the Victor Sommerfeld farmyard.

- 7) 'Assaly' – Requested in honour of Fred Assaly recognizing a Saskatoon family with a long history of involvement in the business community in Saskatoon. Mr. Assaly was a charter member of the Nutana Kiwanis Club and former President of the Saskatoon Club, as well as having served on several Boards.
- 8) 'Prairie Lily' – Requested in honour of Saskatchewan's Provincial Flower.
- 9) 'Keith' – Requested in honour of David McLeod Keith who served with the Royal Canadian Navy from 1941 to 1963 where he attained the rank of Sub-Lieutenant. After World War Two, he enrolled in the University of Saskatchewan to become a teacher. Upon graduating in 1949, he began what was to be a distinguished career as an educator. By the time Mr. Keith had retired in 1982, he had gone from a teacher to Assistant Principal to Principal, as well as serving as President of the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation and being appointed Assistant Superintendent of Personnel for the Saskatoon Public School Division. Mr. Keith also authored a Mathematics text book and sat on the Board of Directors for the Saskatchewan Council for Crippled Children and Adults, as well as the Canadian Rehabilitation Council for the Disabled. Mr. Keith also had a keen interest in preserving and protecting the South Saskatchewan River Valley.

Through this, he became instrumental in setting up the Meewasin Valley Authority for which he was appointed to the first Board of Directors. He later also served on the Board of Directors and was eventually President of the Saskatoon Prairieland Exhibition.

The Names Master List is kept in His Worship the Mayor's Office, and contains all screened and approved name suggestions for naming municipally owned or controlled facilities, streets, suburban development areas, neighbourhoods, and parks. There are currently 240 entries on the Names Master List.

The City Planning Branch will notify the applicants of the outcome of City Council's decision.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

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A5) **Proposed Purchase of Land and Buildings** **Pleasant Hill Redevelopment** **(File No.: PL. 951-22; CK. 4131-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the purchase of 1405 – 20th Street West at a purchase price of \$180,000;
 - 2) that City Council approve the purchase of 1415 – 20th Street West at a purchase price of \$290,000;
 - 3) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary purchase agreements and that His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreements; and
 - 4) that this purchase be funded from the Pleasant Hill Revitalization Project in the amount of \$470,000 plus other legal costs and disbursements.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

In January of 2007, the City of Saskatoon entered into an agreement with Patrick Wolfe to purchase 29 individual properties in two phases. These properties are concentrated together between Avenues O and N South.

In May of 2007, the City of Saskatoon purchased the first phase of the Wolfe properties, however, the second phase of the purchase, which contains the properties fronting onto 20th Street West, are dependent on a successful purchase of three properties which Patrick Wolfe does not own. These properties are 1405, 1407 and 1415 20th Street West. The City of Saskatoon has until October of 2007 to enter into agreements to purchase these properties, under the sales agreement with Patrick Wolfe.

REPORT

The Community Services Department, Land Branch, has entered into negotiations with the owners of the three properties at 1405, 1407 and 1415 20th Street West.

The Land Branch has come to an agreement on a sale price for the properties at 1405 and 1415 20th Street West. (See Attachment 1.)

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1405 20th Street West

An Offer to Purchase 1405 20th Street West has been signed by the City of Saskatoon's Property Agent with the following terms and conditions:

1. Purchase Price
Purchase price is \$180,000 with full payment to be made on the Closing Date.
2. Conditions Precedent
Approval of City Council by July 18, 2007, authorizing the purchase of the subject property.
3. Other Terms
The Seller may remain in the property after the Closing Date as tenant at a lease rate of \$1 per month, property taxes included, until June 30, 2008. Throughout this period, the Seller will be responsible for all utility charges and maintenance of the property.

The Seller shall keep the lands in the present state of repair or better, up to the date of vacating the property.

The Seller can remove the following items upon vacating the property:

- a) personal property, and
- b) non-attached items.

Upon signing of the agreement, the City of Saskatoon shall have access to the land as required for purposes of soil sampling or other similar work provided such activities do not unduly interfere with the business activities of the Seller.

The City of Saskatoon is responsible for all survey subdivision, Environmental Reports and Information Services Corporation disbursements in respect to the registration of the transfer of title from the Seller to the Buyer save and except for the discharge of any encumbrances which is the responsibility of the Seller to discharge

4. Closing Date
Closing Date of this transaction shall be August 1, 2007, or such other date as is agreed to in writing by both parties.
5. Possession Date
Possession shall coincide with the Closing Date.
6. Adjustments
Taxes and all other adjustments shall be made as of the Closing Date.

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7. Legal Costs and Disbursements

Each party shall be responsible for its own legal costs.

1415 20th Street West

An Offer to Purchase 1415 20th Street West has been signed by the City of Saskatoon's Property Agent with the following terms and conditions:

1. Purchase Price

Purchase price is \$290,000 with a deposit of \$10,000 within 10 days of approval by City Council. The balance is to be paid on the Closing Date.

2. Conditions Precedent

Approval of City Council by August 13, 2007, authorizing the purchase of the subject property.

3. Other Terms

The Seller may remain in the property after the Closing Date as tenant at a lease rate of \$1 per month, property taxes included, until June 30, 2008. Throughout this period the Seller will be responsible for all utility charges and maintenance of the property.

The Seller shall keep the lands in the present state of repair or better, up to the date of vacating the property.

The Seller can remove the following items upon vacating the property:

- a) personal property,
- b) non-attached items,
- c) tanning beds,
- d) salon chairs, and
- e) salon displays.

Upon signing of the agreement, the City of Saskatoon shall have access to the land as required for purposes of soil sampling or other similar work provided such activities do not unduly interfere with the business activities of the Seller.

The City of Saskatoon is responsible for all surveys, subdivision, Environmental Reports and Information Services Corporation disbursements in respect to the registration of the transfer of title from the Seller to the Buyer save and except for the discharge of any encumbrances which is the responsibility of the Seller to discharge.

4. Closing Date

Closing Date of this transaction shall be September 4, 2007, or such other date as is agreed to in writing by both parties.

5. Possession Date

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Possession shall coincide with the Closing Date.

6. Adjustments

Taxes and all other adjustments shall be made as of the Closing Date.

7. Legal Costs and Disbursements

Each party shall be responsible for its own legal costs.

With the purchase of 1405 and 1415 20th Street West, plus the Wolfe properties, the Community Services Department believes that a redevelopment could proceed in substantial conformance with the approved Pleasant Hill Concept Plan (See Attachment 2) without the property at 1407 20th Street West. The Land Branch will continue to negotiate for the purchase of 1407 20th Street West and report back to City Council in due course.

OPTIONS

1. Purchase the properties at 1405 and 1415 20th Street West. This recommended option will allow the substantial redevelopment of this block in accordance with the Pleasant Hill Revitalization Concept Plan.
2. Decline to purchase these properties. Should City Council decide not to proceed with these purchases, the City of Saskatoon would not purchase the balance of the Wolfe properties and the existing uses would remain along 20th Street West. The Administration does not recommend this option. The Pleasant Hill Revitalization Concept Plan envisages a high density mixed use development on this site. Such a use would add considerable value to the revitalization effort by creating a new development on 20th Street West and add much needed new housing stock to the area.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The City of Saskatoon has secured funding for the Pleasant Hill Revitalization Project through an Urban Development Agreement. The agreement stipulates that funding will be provided for Land Branch costs which include:

- a) Patrick Wolfe's property;
- b) Other Properties along 20th Street;
- c) Demolition Costs;
- d) Rezoning;
- e) Subdivision; and
- f) Other fees.

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Total estimated Land Branch costs were \$2,005,012. An appraised value of \$220,000 was obtained in 2003 for the properties along 20th Street West. Since that time, property values have risen dramatically. In negotiations with the property owners of 1405 and 1415 20th Street West, it was recognized that the current owners will be searching for new property within Saskatoon in a hot real estate market. Added to this, is an inconvenience factor associated with moving. In the case of the owner at 1415 20th Street West, this is currently a hair and tanning salon with an established clientele from the area. Relocation of such a business can be difficult and it may suffer business loss if alternative space cannot be found within the area.

It is the opinion of the Land Branch that the values and terms of the sale, which have been agreed to, are fair and reasonable in today's real estate market and in consideration of the current high cost of securing an alternate property.

It should also be noted that the purchase of the Patrick Wolfe properties along 20th Street West is conditional upon the successful purchase of 1405, 1407 and 1415 20th Street West. The value of the Wolfe Properties has been locked in at 2003 appraisal values.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Location Map
2. Approved Pleasant Hill Revitalization Concept Plan

Section B – CORPORATE SERVICES

B1) Benchmarking the Competitiveness of Canada's CMAs (File No. 430-1; CK. 3500-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the City of Saskatoon participate in the Conference Board of Canada's Benchmarking Initiative through a contribution of \$5,000 from the general government budget.

ADOPTED.

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The Conference Board of Canada is interested in developing a new annual publication, using in-house benchmarking expertise, that will analyze the competitiveness of Canada's 27 census metropolitan areas (CMAs). This initiative will analyze and benchmark the features that make Canadian cities attractive to highly-skilled workers and business investment. The benchmarking exercise will focus on six categories: the economy; innovation; environment; education and skills; health; and society. The categories are drawn from the Conference Board of Canada's soon-to-be published *How Canada Performs* that benchmarks the nation's performance against that of other countries. Approximately 40 indicators will be developed. Canada's 27 CMAs will be ranked and graded. Twenty-seven U.S. cities will also be benchmarked in order to produce a second ranking of 54 North American cities.

Both the Proposal and Backgrounder to this initiative are attached. The Proposal outlines the rationale, focusing on the relationship between quality of life and attracting talented workers and immigrants. The Backgrounder provides additional details including the proposed indicators.

The City of Saskatoon has been asked to participate in funding this initiative through a contribution of \$5,000. Your Administration is already involved in a number of benchmarking initiatives, including The Federation of Canadian Municipalities Quality of Life Reporting System. As indicated in both the Proposal and Backgrounder, The Conference Board of Canada is aware of this initiative, but feels their product is unique by offering a more comprehensive analysis.

Your Administration feels the information resulting from this benchmarking initiative will be of value to the City of Saskatoon from both a marketing and recruitment standpoint. In addition, the following cities have agreed to participate through funding: City of Vancouver, City of Surrey, City of Calgary, City of Toronto, City of Halifax. The City of St. John's and The Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing have both shown interest. Your Administration recommends that the City participate through a contribution of \$5,000 and that the expenditure be funded from the general government budget.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Benchmarking the Competitiveness of Canada's CMAs – Proposal.
2. Benchmarking the Competitiveness of Canada's CMAs – Backgrounder.

B2) Credit Union Centre Renovations
(File No. 611-3)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the terms of the renegotiated internal loan to Credit Union Centre of \$3,722,000 through civic investments funds;
 - 2) that City Council consider Bylaw No. 8621;
 - 3) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary loan agreement between the City of Saskatoon and Credit Union Centre; and,
 - 4) that the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the Loan Agreement.

The General Manager, Corporate Services Department indicated that the Administration would like to withdraw this report at this time and defer consideration of the matter until a special meeting of City Council to be held July 20, 2007.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that consideration of the matter be deferred to Friday, July 20, 2007.

B3) 2007 Contract Negotiations
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 319
(File No. 4720-4; CK. 4720-5)

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council approve the proposed changes set out in the attached report dated June 29, 2007, with respect to the 2007 contract with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 319; and,
 - 2) that City Council authorize completion of the revised contract incorporating all the changes for execution by His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a report dated June 29, 2007, detailing conditions agreed upon by the bargaining team of the City and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 319.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Report dated June 29, 2007.

Section C – FIRE AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

- C1) Enquiry – former Councillor E. Hnatyshyn (October 16, 2006)
Health and Safety Issues – Outdoor Fire Pits
and
Enquiry – Councillor B. Dubois (June 11, 2007)
Backyard Fire Pits
(File No. CK. 2500-1)**
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RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the matter be considered with Item A2 of Communications to Council.

Section D – INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

- D1) 2007 Capital Budget/Capital Project No. 778
Jasper Sanitary Sewage Lift Station Upgrade and Force Main
Award of Engineering Services
(File No. 4111-32; CK. 7820-4)**
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RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) that the proposal for the engineering services submitted by Bullee Consulting Ltd. for the design of the Jasper sanitary sewer lift station upgrade and force main to an upset limit cost of \$162,710.10 (including G.S.T. and P.S.T.) be accepted; and
- 2) that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary Engineering Services Agreement for the execution by the Mayor and City Clerk under the Corporate Seal.

ADOPTED.

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Infrastructure Services issued a request for proposals for the design of Capital Project No.778 – Stonebridge Trunk Sewers. This project includes design of the Jasper sanitary sewer lift station upgrade and force main, as well as establishing a construction strategy and preparing all necessary tender documents.

Proposals were received from five local consulting firms as listed below.

Associated Engineering Ltd.

Bullee Consulting Ltd.

Earth Tech Inc.

Genivar Consultants Limited Partnership (Cochrane Engineering Ltd.)

Stantec Consulting Ltd.

After a systematic evaluation of the proposals, the Administration rated the proposal from Bullee Consulting Ltd. as being superior.

The net cost to the City for the engineering services as described above, and within the proposal submitted by Bullee Consulting Ltd. would be as follows.

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| Base Fees | \$ | 153,500.00 |
| G.S.T. | \$ | 9,210.10 |
| Total Fees | \$ | <u>162,710.10</u> |
| Less G.S.T. Rebate | \$ | <u>9,210.10</u> |
| Net Cost to City | \$ | <u>153,500.00</u> |

Capital Project 778 has \$2,770,000 of approved funding designated for design, construction and supervision. As such, sufficient funding is in place to allow for the provision of the engineering services to proceed.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

**D2) Clarence Avenue/Circle Drive Interchange
Capital Project No. 2018
Recommended Funding Strategy
(File No. 6005-44; CK. 6001-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: 1) that City Council approve the recommended funding strategy for Capital Project No. 2018 – Clarence Avenue/Circle Drive Interchange Grade Separation as outlined in this report; and

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- 2) that the status of the incremental tax revenue funding and interchange levy be received as information.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting held on January 8, 2007, City Council during consideration of the award of tender for overpass construction at the Clarence Avenue/Circle Drive interchange, resolved, in part:

- 1) that City Council approve an increase of \$5.58 million to Capital Project 2018 - Clarence Avenue/Circle Drive Interchange to a total of \$19.88 million;
- 2) that the Administration report prior to April 30, 2007 on the recommended source of funding.

In addition, the Administration agreed to report periodically, based on its report to City Council on March 13, 2006 on:

- the status of the build-out of the commercial development in Stonebridge;
- the status of the incremental tax revenues generated from the new development to be allocated to the unfunded capital costs of the project; and
- the status of the interchange levy to be allocated to the unfunded capital costs of the project.

REPORT

Your Administration received confirmation from the Province of Saskatchewan that the City of Saskatoon will receive \$5,000,000 in capital funds to assist in the construction of the interchange at Clarence Avenue and Circle Drive. With this funding in place, we are now in a position to provide City Council with the total funding strategy as follows:

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| Developer Contribution (20%) | \$ 3,976,000 |
| 2007 Transportation Infrastructure Expansion Reserve (TIER) | 1,400,000 |
| Funding from incremental municipal property taxes | 5,600,000 |
| Funding from the interchange levy | 2,954,000 |
| Electrical Distribution Expansion Reserve (EDER) | 300,000 |
| Municipal Rural Infrastructure Reserve (MRIF) | 650,000 |
| Province of Saskatchewan | <u>5,000,000</u> |
| Total | \$19,880,000 |

The following provides the status of the build-out of the commercial development area, as well as the funding from incremental property tax revenues and the interchange levy.

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As of May 31, 2007, building permits have been issued for 30,105 square meters, or 55% of the commercial development, while construction is 28.5% completed. The construction portion is the Walmart retail outlet of 15,575 square meters.

In regards to the status of incremental property taxes generated from the new commercial development, \$47,902.92 was levied and transferred to capital project in 2006, while in 2007, this amount (as of May 31) was \$84,301.55, for a total of \$132,204.47. This amount is attributable only to the land assessment. The building portion of the tax levy will be processed as supplementary taxes within the next few weeks. At the time of this report, the amount of the building assessment was still unknown. It is expected that a total of \$5.6 million is required from incremental property taxes, as outlined in the funding plan.

The project also identified that \$2.954 million is required from the interchange levy, to be funded to the project at a rate of \$400,000 per year. While earth movement began in 2006, the construction phase of the interchange commenced in 2007, and thus the first allocation of the levy will be applied in the current year.

| Summary of Incremental Property Taxes and Interchange Levy Contributions For Clarence / Circle Interchange (as of May 31, 2007) | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| | Incremental Property Taxes | Interchange Levy |
| Budgeted Funding | \$5,600,000.00 | \$2,954,000.00 |
| 2006 Contribution | (47,902.92) | \$0.00 |
| 2007 Contribution (to May 31) | (84,301.55) | (400,000.00) |
| Outstanding amount | \$5,467,795.53 | \$2,554,000.00 |

* Note: interest on the outstanding actual unfunded balances will be capitalized and included as part of the capital project cost.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

D3) Enquiry – Councillor G. Penner (October 16, 2006)
Traffic Calming – Cambridge Crescent (next to the Park)
(File No. 6320-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

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REPORT

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Penner at the meeting of City Council held on October 16, 2006:

“Could I please have a report indicating what safety/traffic calming measures can be put in place on Cambridge Crescent, next to the park”

A report was submitted to City Council on December 4, 2006 (Attachment 1), advising that in order to proceed with traffic calming in the Cambridge area, Infrastructure Services would need to conduct a traffic study in the spring of 2007, and would report back to Council with the information and its recommendations.

REPORT

Cambridge Crescent is a local roadway with an expected traffic volume of between 1,000 to 3,000 vehicles per day and a posted speed limit of 50 km/hr. It is surrounded by residential housing and is adjacent to Glacier Park in the College Park neighbourhood.

A traffic volume and speed study was conducted in May of 2007 to determine the need for traffic calming devices. The speed study measures the 85th percentile speed (the speed at which 85 percent of the vehicles are travelling at or less than) and the traffic volume indicates the average daily traffic. The result of the study indicates that the average daily traffic (ADT) was 195 vehicles per day and the 85th percentile speed was 44.71 km/hr.

The five-year (2002-2006) collision report indicates that there was one collision, which was caused by icy road conditions. There were no injuries or fatalities reported.

Because the traffic volumes are well within the typical volumes for a local roadway, and the 85th percentile speed is below the posted speed limit, the Administration does not recommend traffic calming devices on Cambridge Crescent at this time.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. Clause D3, Administrative Report No. 22-2006.

**D4) Enquiry – Councillor G. Wyant (November 6, 2006)
Traffic Calming –Molloy Street
(File No. 6320-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Wyant at the meeting of City Council held on November 6, 2006:

“Would the Administration please report on the feasibility of installing traffic calming on Molloy Street. The residents have seen a steady increase in vehicles on this road travelling at increased speeds.”

REPORT

Molloy Street is classified as a local roadway that can typically be expected to carry traffic volumes of between 1,000 to 3,000 vehicles per day. It runs east and west, connecting Russell Road to Silverwood Road. Right-of-way is assigned by stop signs on Molloy Street at Russell Road and Silverwood Road. Traffic on all other intersecting streets must yield to Molloy Street.

Traffic volumes and speed studies were taken at two different locations along Molloy Street. Speed studies measure the 85th percentile speed (the speed at which 85 percent of the vehicles are travelling at or less than). The posted speed limit on this street is 50 km/hr. The traffic counts and speed results are indicated below.

**Molloy Street
Traffic Volume and Speed Study Results
Date of Study: May 11 – 17, 2007**

| Location Molloy Road | 85th Percentile Speed KPH | Average Daily Traffic (ADT) Vpd (vehicles per day) |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Russell Road to Broadbent | 49.5 | 1120 |
| Broadbent to Silverwood Road | 52.5 | 1070 |

It is ideally desirable to have the 85th percentile speed no more than 5 kilometres above the speed limit. As shown above, the measured speed of vehicles travelling along Molloy Street is within the acceptable guidelines.

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The five year collision report (2002-2006) along Molloy Street between Russell Road and Silverwood Road indicates that there were four collisions, none of which involved pedestrians. There were no injuries or fatalities reported.

Because the traffic volumes are within the expected range of vehicles for a local roadway, and the 85th percentile speed is within the posted speed limit range, the Administration does not recommend traffic calming devices on Molloy Street at this time.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

D5) Enquiry –Councillor G. Wyant (January 22, 2007)
Traffic Calming – Broadbent Avenue
(File No. 6320-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

BACKGROUND

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Wyant at the meeting of City Council held on January 22, 2007:

“Would the Administration please report on the feasibility of installing traffic calming measures on Broadbent Avenue. The residents have seen a steady increase in vehicles on this road travelling at increased speeds. A small boy in a stroller was hit recently by a car that had lost control.”

REPORT

Traffic calming is a way of reducing the adverse impact of motor vehicles by using physical measures. It encourages motorists to slow down, thereby reducing collisions; enhancing safety for pedestrians; and reducing short-cutting. Traffic calming is often used to reduce excessive speeding or excessive traffic volumes as a result of short-cutting.

Broadbent Avenue is a local roadway with an expected traffic volume of between 1,000 to 3,000 vehicles per day and a posted speed limit of 50 km/hr. It is surrounded by residential housing and runs north to south between Adilman Drive and Molloy Street.

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A traffic volume and speed study was conducted in May of 2007 to determine the need for traffic calming devices. The speed study measures the 85th percentile speed (the speed at which 85 percent of the vehicles are travelling at or less than the speed limit) and the traffic volume indicates the average daily traffic. The result of the study indicated that the 85th percentile speed was 46.8 km/hr and the average daily traffic (ADT) was 265 vehicles per day.

The five-year (2002-2006) collision report indicates that there were two collisions. One occurred in 2004 involving a vehicle, and the other in 2006 involving a pedestrian.

Because the traffic volumes are within the typical volumes for local roadways, and the 85th percentile speed is below the posted speed limit, the Administration does not recommend traffic calming on this street at this time.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Section E – UTILITY SERVICES

**E1) Enquiry – Former Councillor T. Alm (May 23, 2006)
Anti-Idling Programs and Exhaust Pollution
(File No. CK. 7300-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

ADOPTED.

The following enquiry was made by former Councillor Alm at the meeting of City Council held on May 23, 2006:

“Would Administration please report on anti idling programs that are currently operating in other Canadian Municipalities. Would you also bring forward recommendations to implement a vehicle anti idling program to reduce exhaust pollution in Saskatoon. Perhaps we could also refer this item to the Environmental Advisory Committee for their consideration.”

REPORT

There are currently several municipalities in Canada that have municipal bylaws that discourage or limit idling within the municipalities including Moncton, Hamilton, Welland, London, Windsor and Toronto. Several other city administrations across Canada have indicated that they are currently working on formal bylaws for their municipality.

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Most cities have bylaws or “rules” that limit, discourage or penalize employees that unnecessarily idle vehicles. The cities of Regina, Thunder Bay, Winnipeg and Calgary have corporate policies that require employees to shut off and lock vehicles that are not occupied. Other municipalities currently follow The National Research Council’s Fleetsmart Program “Idling Gets You Nowhere”. The City of Saskatoon is working to develop a policy that will educate our employees and allow for compliance.

Passenger transportation is responsible for 18 per cent of Canada’s total greenhouse gas emissions. In Saskatchewan 43 per cent of our personal emission comes from our vehicles. For every litre of gasoline used, the average car produces about 2.4 kilograms of carbon dioxide.

There are currently a number of Idle-Free or Anti-Idling policies in various branches of the City. The Administration is working to develop a corporate policy and ensure corporate compliance with this policy as part of our Energy and Greenhouse Gas Management Plan and our Environmental Management System. The Environmental Services Branch is also investigating Idle-Free policies and bylaws in other municipalities.

The Environmental Services Branch has been working with the Saskatoon Environmental Society on a Turn it Off – Be Idle Free campaign in two Saskatoon elementary students (Attachments 1 and 2). School zones have been targeted for several reasons including:

- Waiting for or picking someone up is the most common time for drivers to idle. This project will therefore target drivers who are picking up children from elementary schools at the end of the day.
- Children are susceptible to the negative effects of car exhaust because they are shorter and therefore closer to vehicle’s tailpipes and they breathe faster than adults and inhale more air per kilogram of body weight.
- Reducing engine idling also improves visibility in school zones, especially in winter conditions.
- A campaign in Toronto found that more than a third of parents idle their vehicles while waiting to pick up their children. A vehicle idling for 10 minutes a day uses more than 100 litres of gasoline per year. By turning engines off at school sites, parents can be part of the solution.

In 2005, a “One Ton Truck Challenge” (Attachment 5) was developed in the southeast Horticultural Program (7-1 ton trucks). Although the challenge was not originally focused on anti-idling/mileage reduction the results in this area were impressive. The program was reviewed in October, and the results are as follows: an overall reduction of 3% in fuel consumption (approximate fuel savings of \$2,000) and a 12% reduction in kilometres traveled. The program was reviewed and an increased implementation plan was discussed for 2006. The program was expanded to the S.E. Turf District in 2006 - the mileage reduction averaged 10% from the base.

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Saskatoon Transit initiated an Engine Idle Shut Down Program, which was in place from June 1 to September 30, 2004 (Attachment 3). The program was designed to ensure the passengers safety and comfort would not be compromised. Program data showed the following results

- Fuel usage was reduced by .90 litres per 100 kilometres travelled as compared to the previous year.
- A reduction of 4,396 litres used to travel the same distance.
- Damaging engine idle time was reduced by as much as 1,395.5 hours.
- No safety or passenger related complaints were reported.
- Green House Gas (CO2) reduction of 11, 869.2 kilograms or 11.87 metric tones
- It was determined that implementation could save as much as \$8,797.00 in 2005.

The proposed stages for Idle-Free implementation include:

- ensuring corporate compliance and demonstrating leadership within the corporation;
- public education;
- implementation and enforcement of Idle-Free bylaw and programs in school zones; and
- adoption and enforcement of a community bylaw.

The Administration is developing a “Vehicle and Equipment Idle Minimization Policy” that will be rolled out within the Corporation. Public education will continue through community partnerships and the City’s Communication Branch. Each additional step listed above would be presented to Executive Committee for discussion prior to implementation.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Policy C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Saskatchewan Environmental Society Anti-Idling Program
- Silverspring School, September – December 2006
2. Media Advisory – Silverspring School Goes Idle-Free!
3. Engine Idle Shut Down Program Memo - Transit Services
4. City Supports Anti-Idling Initiative, Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions a Priority –
Tuesday, April 18, 2006 - News Release
5. Parks Branch “One Ton Truck Challenge” summary

**E2) Saskatoon Transit Promotions – Summer 2007
and**

Communications to Council

**From: Terri Rau, Executive Director
Saskatoon Folkfest Incorporated**

Date: June 7, 2007

**Subject: Sponsorship – Saskatoon Transit Buses for Folkfest
(File No. 7300-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that City Council approve the following promotional events within Saskatoon Transit during the summer of 2007.

REPORT

Saskatoon Transit is seeking approval for the following promotional events to occur over the summer of 2007.

- 1. Fringe Festival**, August 2 -11 (“Buttons on the Bus” promotion) - As a trial project, Saskatoon Transit, in partnership with the Fringe Festival, will allow patrons of this event to board any regular service Transit bus simply by displaying a " Fringe 2007 " button. This promotion will be in effect at various times throughout the event in coordination with available Transit service:
 - 6:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. on August 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, and 10
 - 12:00 noon until 1:00 a.m. on August 4 and 11
 - 12:00 noon until 10:00 p.m. on August 6 and 7.

Parking and traffic congestion in the Nutana area have been long-standing complaints of area residents during the Fringe Festival. This proposed trial project will provide Fringe patrons with an alternative transportation mode which should help alleviate some of the parking and traffic concerns. Ridership counts will be taken to determine the level of usage.

- 2. Cruise Weekend** is another highly successful event that takes place in the downtown area each summer. Upwards of 40,000 people converge on the downtown to look at the various automobiles on display on the Sunday of Cruise Weekend. Parking and traffic as a result of this event has been a concern; therefore, Saskatoon Transit, in partnership with Rawlco Radio, is proposing to offer free service on Sunday, August 26 to again offer citizens an alternative transportation mode to attend this great event. This too will be a trial project, with ridership counts taken to gauge its success.

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3. **Folkfest**, August 16, 17 and 18 - Service will remain as last year with three routes servicing 16 pavilions with park and ride locations at Centre Mall, Market Mall, and Lawson Mall Terminals. Patrons may also board any regular service Transit bus simply by showing their Folkfest passport as fare from 3:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. on Thursday and Friday, and from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 a.m. on Saturday. Again, ridership counts will be taken to evaluate usage.

These three promotional services will help alleviate parking and traffic concerns throughout the city, as well as promote Saskatoon Transit as the best way to travel.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is minimal cost involved for all three of the above promotions.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Item B16 of Communications to Council was brought forward.

“B16) Terri Rau, Executive Director, Saskatoon Folkfest Incorporated, dated July 16

Submitting a request for a decrease in Folkfest’s invoice by \$5,000 from Saskatoon Transit. (File No. CK. 1870-1)”

Discussion followed regarding the possibility of including free transit service to the Prairieland Exhibition to those who held a Superpass. Councillor Neault excused himself from discussion and voting on the matter due to a conflict of interest and left the Council Chamber.

IT WAS RESOLVED: 1) that City Council approve the promotional events as noted in the above report of the General Manager, Utility Services Department within Saskatoon Transit during the summer of 2007;

2) that the Administration be authorized to provide free service on regular transit routes to “Superpass” holders during the Exhibition period as a trial project similar to that being provided to the Fringe Festival; and

3) that the issue of promotional transit events be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee to review the entire framework.

Councillor Neault re-entered the Council Chamber.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT NO. 11-2007

Section B – OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

**B1) Enquiry - Councillor B. Dubois (December 4, 2006)
Smoking Outside of Civic Buildings
(File No. 185-3)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that the recommendations of the City Manager, as outlined in this report, be adopted for buildings under the direct management of City Council and a formal policy be prepared; and
 - 2) that all Boards be requested to adopt similar policies for their buildings, recognizing that there may be unique circumstances for individual buildings.

ADOPTED.

Councillor Dubois made the following enquiry at the meeting of Council on December 4, 2006:

"Would the Administration please report on imposing a "No Smoking" policy directly outside (so many feet away from the building to be determined) civic buildings such as TCU Place, Credit Union Centre, City Hall, Mendel Art Gallery, Libraries, Police Station, etc."

On February 12, 2007, our Office wrote to the City Manager, the Saskatoon Board of Police Commissioners, the Saskatoon Public Library Board, and the Boards of the Mendel Art Gallery, TCU Place and Credit Union Centre. We asked that all of them respond regarding a potential smoking ban around all entrances to their buildings of a distance of 3-9 metres depending on circumstances.

Everyone has responded. Everyone is in favour of implementing (by policy) smoking bans around all of their building entrances. The majority proposed a distance of at least six metres.

The City Manager has recommended the following for civic facilities managed directly by City Council:

1. For main entrances to a civic building, providing sufficient room is available, a smoking ban distance of nine metres from the main entrance be established.
2. For secondary entrances with sufficient room, a smoking ban distance of six metres be established.
3. That non-obtrusive, but appropriate signage be used.

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The City Manager had also recommended that the smoking area in the back of City Hall be moved to meet these guidelines.

From the responses received, most Boards are looking at a policy similar to the recommendations of the City Manager, recognizing that there may be physical circumstances where a ban of a shorter distance is all that is possible.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

REPORT NO. 11-2007 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Composition of Committee

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

**1. Proposed Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee
(File No. CK. 225-58)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that a Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee be established under the Terms of Reference outlined on Attachment 1, commencing January 1, 2008; and
 - 2) that the Temporary Committee on Accessibility continue in the role of the Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee to December 31, 2007.

City Council, at its meeting held on April 30, 2007, resolved that a Temporary Committee on Accessibility be established in order to report to City Council on whether there should be an

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Accessibility Committee, and if so, the composition and mandate of such a committee. The Temporary Committee on Accessibility is comprised of the following people:

Ms. Carla Sheridan
Mr. Robin East
Councillor Pat Lorje
Councillor Charlie Clark
General Manager Infrastructure Services Murray Totland
General Manager Community Services Paul Gauthier

The following is a report of the Temporary Committee on Accessibility, dated June 6, 2007:

“The Committee has discussed the issues surrounding the establishment of an Accessibility Advisory Committee, and has concluded that a permanent Committee should be established for the following reasons:

1. The existing complaint-driven process for dealing with accessibility issues in the community is not working. This process is confrontational and does not get the required results.
2. There is a desire for the process to be proactive and not reactive.
3. There is a need to “champion action” rather than “provoking action”.
4. There is also a need to better manage and coordinate a proactive action plan.
5. There was a consensus that ongoing engagement of stakeholders should be the foundation of a proactive action plan.

The Committee also received a draft of Terms of Reference (Mandate and Composition) from the community of common interest for people with disabilities. The Committee has made a few adjustments to the Terms of Reference to recognize that the City’s mandate is towards improving accessibility to City of Saskatoon services, facilities and infrastructure.

Attached is a copy of the revised Terms of Reference (Mandate and Composition) which has resulted from this collaborative effort (Attachment 1). The Committee believes that the Terms of Reference reflect the goal of the community of common interest for people with disabilities, as well as the city.

The Temporary Committee on Accessibility wishes to provide for the appropriate public consultation and is therefore recommending that this take place prior to the July 16, 2007 meeting of City Council. Your Committee is also recommending that the Temporary Committee on Accessibility remain in place until the new committee is established on January 1, 2008 in order to move forward with development of an Action Plan, which is described under No. 1) of the Duties and Responsibilities in the attached Terms of Reference. This will provide continuity and ensure that steps are being taken to continue moving forward with the accessibility mandate.”

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Your Committee is pleased to support the above recommendations. Mr. Robin East, Chair of the Temporary Committee on Accessibility, has undertaken public consultations regarding the above recommendation and will be in attendance at this meeting to speak to the matter.

Items B2 to B5, B14 and B15 of Communications to Council were brought forward.

“B2) Ron Bort, Saskatchewan Voice of People with Disabilities Inc. dated June 25

Commenting on proposed Accessibility Committee. (File No. CK. 225-70)

B3) Kelly Patrick, dated July 3

Commenting on proposed Accessibility Committee. (File No. CK. 225-70)

B4) Doug Hodson, Heart and Stroke Foundation, dated June 29

Commenting on proposed Accessibility Committee. (File No. CK. 225-70)

B5) Marcel Thorhaug, MS Society of Canada, dated July 5

Commenting on proposed Accessibility Committee. (File No. CK. 225-70)

**B14) Danae Mack, Specialist, Orientation & Mobility Instructor
CNIB, dated July 15**

Submitting comments in support for the Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee. (File No. CK. 225-1)

B15) Robert Letts, Chair, Access Transit Advisory Committee, dated July 16

Submitting comments in support for the Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee. (File No. CK. 225-1)”

The following letters of support were submitted to City Council by the City Clerk:

- *Elizabeth Hummel, Saskatchewan Association for the Rehabilitation of the Brain Injured, dated July 5;*

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- *Judy Prociuk, dated July 9;*
- *Delores Brent, dated July 16;*
- *Carol Samuels, Saskatchewan Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services, dated July 5;*
- *Clint Ellingboe, Canadian Paraplegic Association (Saskatchewan) Inc., dated July 5; and*
- *John Friesen, President, Parkridge Centre, dated July 5.*

Mr. Robin East, Chair of the Temporary Committee on Accessibility, provided information on the Temporary Committee on Accessibility and asked that Council accept the Terms of Reference.

IT WAS RESOLVED: *that the recommendation be adopted.*

**2. Proposed Pleasant Hill Revitalization Concept Plan
(File No. CK. 4131-1)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that City Council endorse the concept plan as shown on Attachment 2;
 - 2) that City Council authorize the Administration to proceed with the necessary steps to create developable sites based on the endorsed concept plan and Pleasant Hill UDA Agreement;
 - 3) that the developable sites A through E identified on the concept plan be disbursed through an Expression of Interest followed by a Request for Proposal for each site; and
 - 4) that the Administration report back on the terms of reference for the Expression of Interest (EOI) and Request for Proposal (RFP) for sites A through E prior to issuance.

ADOPTED.

Your Committee has considered and supports the attached report of the General Manager, Community Service

**3. Affordable Housing
(File No. CK. 750-4)**

- RECOMMENDATION:**
- 1) that an annual target of 500 dwelling units be set for affordable housing in Saskatoon, comprised of new units and

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newly-renovated units intended as affordable dwellings, and that the Administration be requested to report further on the feasibility of utilizing the following tools to achieve this target:

- Land Trust;
- designation of surplus City land for affordable housing;
- inclusionary zoning;
- fast track approvals for affordable housing;
- five-year tax abatements for affordable housing;

- 2) that the financial assistance provided by the City for housing projects be increased to 10% of the total project costs for the residential portion, and that Policy C09-002, *Innovative Housing Incentives* be amended accordingly;
- 3) that the Administration update the City of Saskatoon's Housing Business Plan upon completion of the Saskatoon Community Plan for Homelessness and Housing in September 2007; and
- 4) that the Administration give consideration to affordable housing from a regional perspective.

ADOPTED.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 11, 2007 regarding the above.

Your Committee puts forward the above recommendation as a means of addressing the shortfall of affordable housing in Saskatoon.”

His Worship the Mayor assumed the Chair.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

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

CARRIED.

HEARINGS

- 4a) **Discretionary Use Application**
Residential Care Home – Type II
Predesignated Care Home Lot
110 Keedwell Street (Willowgrove Neighbourhood)
Applicant: Myrna and Dalton Varga
(File No. CK. 4355-1)
-

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

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

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

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 16, 2007 recommending that the application submitted by Myrna and Dalton Varga, requesting permission to use Lot 22, Block 516, Plan 101749248 (110 Keedwell Street) for the purpose of a Residential Care Home - Type II for up to 15 residents be approved subject to:

- 1) the applicant obtaining a development permit and all other relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses; and
- 2) the final plans submitted for the proposed Residential Care Home - Type II, being substantially in accordance with those plans submitted in support of this Discretionary Use Application.

Attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated June 19, 2007, advising that the Commission supports the above-noted recommendation.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the discretionary use application.

Councillor Dubois, member, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the discretionary use application.

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Dalton and Myrna Varga, proponents, indicated that they were available to answer any questions Council may have.

Mr. Tim Ross expressed concerns that his household's lifestyle (ie. working hours) might disturb a care home.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT the application submitted by Myrna and Dalton Varga, requesting permission to use Lot 22, Block 516, Plan 101749248 (110 Keedwell Street) for the purpose of a Residential Care Home - Type II for up to 15 residents be approved subject to:

- 1) the applicant obtaining a development permit and all other relevant permits (such as building and plumbing permits) and licenses; and*
- 2) the final plans submitted for the proposed Residential Care Home - Type II, being substantially in accordance with those plans submitted in support of this Discretionary Use Application.*

CARRIED.

- 4b) Proposed Development Plan Amendment
From ‘Low Density Residential’ to ‘Community Facility’
226 Avenue V South
Pleasant Hill Neighbourhood
Applicant: Cress Housing Corporation
Proposed Bylaw No. 8612
(File No. CK. 8612)**
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REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8612, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 11, 2007 recommending that the proposed amendments to the City’s Development Plan – Pleasant Hill Land Use Policy Map to redesignate Lots 13 and 14, Block 23, Plan G4995 (226 Avenue V South), as indicated in Attachment 2, from ‘Low Density Residential’ to ‘Community Facility’ be approved.

Attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated June 28, 2007 advising the Commission supports the above noted recommendation.

Attached is a copy of the notice that appeared in the local press under dates of June 30 and July 7, 2007.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the proposed development plan amendment.

Councillor Dubois, member, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed development plan amendment.

Ms. Sue Delanoy, Chair of the Coalition, thanked Council for its support and assured Council that any parking issues will be addressed.

Sergeant Keith Briant asked that Council support the proposed development.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8612.

CARRIED.

- 4c) Proposed Rezoning from RM1 to M1 by Agreement**
226 Avenue V South
Pleasant Hill Neighbourhood
Applicant: Cress Housing Corporation
Proposed Bylaw No. 8613
(File No. CK. 8612)
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REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8613, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated June 11, 2007 recommending that the proposed amendments to the City’s Zoning Bylaw to rezone Lots 13 and 14, Block 23, Plan G4995 (226 Avenue V South), as indicated in Attachment 3, from an RM1 District to an M1 District subject to a Zoning Agreement be approved. (See Attachment 4b)

Attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated June 28, 2007 advising the Commission supports the above noted recommendation. (See Attachment 4b)

Attached is a copy of the notice that appeared in the local press under dates of June 30 and July 7, 2007.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the proposed rezoning.

Councillor Dubois, member, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed rezoning.

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

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8613.

CARRIED.

- 4d) Proposed Development Plan Amendment
'Residential' to 'Office/Institutional'
116 – 124 Avenue H North
Caswell Hill Neighbourhood
Applicant: MPD Holdings Ltd.
Proposed Bylaw No. 8614
(File No. CK. 4351-1)**

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8614, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 28, 2007 recommending that the proposed amendments to the City’s Development Plan – Caswell Hill Land Use Policy Map to redesignate Lots 26 – 32, Block 7, Plan No. F2006 (116 – 124 Avenue H North), as indicated in Attachment 2, from ‘Residential District’ to ‘Office/Institutional District’ be approved.

Attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated June 26, 2007 advising the Commission supports the above noted recommendation.

Attached is a copy of the notice that appeared in the local press under dates of June 30 and July 7, 2007.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the proposed development plan amendment.

Councillor Dubois, member, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed development plan amendment.

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Ms. Ruth Salvary, CFO, MD Ambulance and MPD Holdings, asked for Council's support of the proposed development.

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

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8614.

CARRIED.

Councillor Pringle did not vote, as he was not present during the entire hearing.

- 4e) Proposed Rezoning
'R2 District' to 'M1 District'
116 – 124 Avenue H North
Caswell Hill Neighbourhood
Applicant: MPD Holdings Ltd.
Proposed Bylaw No. 8615
(File No. CK. 4351-1)**

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK:

“The purpose of this hearing is to consider proposed Bylaw No. 8615, a copy of which is attached.

Attached is a report of the General Manager, Community Services Department dated May 28, 2007 recommending that the proposed amendments to the City's Zoning Bylaw to rezone Lots 26 – 32, Block 7, Plan No. F2006 (116 – 124 Avenue H North), as indicated in Attachment 3 of the report, from an 'R2District' to an 'M1 District' be approved. (See attachment 4d)

Attached is a report of the Municipal Planning Commission dated June 26, 2007 advising the Commission supports the above noted recommendation. (See attachment 4d)

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Attached is a copy of the notice that appeared in the local press under dates of June 30 and July 7, 2007.”

His Worship the Mayor opened the hearing.

Mr. Randy Grauer, Community Services Department, expressed the Department’s support of the proposed rezoning.

Councillor Dubois, member, Municipal Planning Commission, expressed the Commission’s support of the proposed rezoning.

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

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT the hearing be closed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT Council consider Bylaw No. 8615.

CARRIED.

Councillor Pringle did not vote, as he was not present during the entire hearing.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

The following communications were submitted and dealt with as stated:

A. REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL

1) Bob Sass, Saskatchewan Federation of Labour, dated May 31

Requesting to address City Council with respect to asbestos. (File No. CK. 3500-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that Bob Sass be heard.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bob Sass be heard.

CARRIED.

Mr. Brian Nixon, Saskatchewan Federation of Labour, provided information on the harmful effects of exposure to Asbestos and asked for Council's support for the ban of Asbestos and also asked if the City would co-sponsor their movement to ban Asbestos.

Moved by Councillor Neault, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the matter be forwarded to the Administration.

CARRIED.

2) Paul Van Loon, Health Educator, Lung Association of Saskatchewan, dated July 11

Requesting permission to address Council with respect to outdoor fire pits. (File No. CK. 2500-1)

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RECOMMENDATION: that Item B17 of Communications to Council and Clause C1, Administrative Report No. 16-2007 be brought forward and that Paul Van Loon be heard.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Item B17 of Communications to Council and Clause C1, Administrative Report No. 16-2007 be brought forward and that Paul Van Loon and Brenda Baker be heard.

CARRIED.

“B17) Jim Komar, dated July 16

Submitting comments regarding back yard fire pits. (File No. CK. 2500-1)

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 16-2007

**C1) Enquiry – former Councillor E. Hnatyshyn (October 16, 2006)
Health and Safety Issues – Outdoor Fire Pits
and
Enquiry – Councillor B. Dubois (June 11, 2007)
Backyard Fire Pits
(File No. CK. 2500-1)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

The following enquiry was made by former Councillor Hnatyshyn at the meeting of City Council held on October 16, 2006:

“Would the Administration please report on the health and safety issues related to outdoor fire pits.”

The following enquiry was made by Councillor Dubois at the City Council meeting held on June 11, 2007:

“Would the Administration please report on the number and nature of complaints received by Saskatoon Fire and Protective Services regarding the use of backyard fire pits and also include the feasibility of requiring fire pits to be extinguished by 11:00 p.m. similar to the requirement of the current noise bylaw.”

BACKGROUND

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In the past, Saskatoon Fire and Protective Services (SFPS) responded to many complaints about people igniting fires in their back yards, either in fire pits, burning barrels, holes dug in the ground, outdoor brick fireplaces, metal fire boxes, wood burning hot tubs, or other similar devices and configurations. These back yard open fires were often used for social gatherings, general family outings, to keep bugs away, and a variety of other reasons. Until 1993, SFPS requested all fires that were not in approved barbecues be extinguished. If the party did not extinguish the fire, the Department extinguished it. Unfortunately, this often put SFPS in the position of expending resources to resolve neighbourhood disputes rather than investigating actual fire hazards. In 1993, the Department changed its approach and became more tolerant of backyard fires. If a property owner had the fire contained within a non-combustible container, if it was not a fire hazard, and if it was apparent that it was not bothering the neighbours, it was allowed to continue. On May 24, 1994, City Council passed a bylaw re-introducing fire pits which had been previously banned. The decision was made at the time because of public pressure on City Council.

Although outdoor fires are permitted within the City of Saskatoon, residents must use common sense to ensure the safety of our community and adhere to the following regulations:

1. Fires must be contained within a non-combustible appliance constructed of material such as cement, brick, or metal of at least 18 gauge, and covered with a heavy gauge metal screen with opening no larger than 13 mm.
2. The size of the fire box of any outdoor burning facility shall not exceed .61 cubic metres.
3. Only seasoned wood and charcoal are acceptable forms of fuel for outdoor fires (material such as rubbish, garden refuse, plastics and manure shall not be burned).
4. All fires shall be responsibly supervised at all times.
5. No person shall light an outdoor fire when the weather conditions are conducive to creating a running fire or allow the smoke from the fire to be a nuisance to another person. Where the smoke from an outdoor fire causes an unreasonable interference with the use and enjoyment of another person's property, the fire shall be extinguished immediately.

REPORT

The issue of outdoor fires has again become the subject of recent communications to Council. Although the popularity of backyard fires appears to be on the rise, SFPS has not seen a corresponding increase in the number of complaints about them. In 2006, the Department received 317 burning complaints compared to 112 up to June 15, 2007. It should be noted that these complaints include all types of illegal fires involving a person burning in their back yard (i.e. burning barrels, piles of leaves, fire pits, etc.). In researching information for this report, the writer checked with a number of retail outlets to determine the popularity of fire pits or patio fireplaces. The Canadian Tire Store at Preston Crossing sold just over 600 in 2006 and has sold just over 600 in the period May 1 to June 15, 2007. The Home Depot has sold just over 300 in the same time period in 2007. The use and enjoyment afforded by the approved use of fire pits and fireplaces is gaining in popularity as evidenced by the increase in sales of these items.

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It has been suggested that possible amendments be considered such as minimum distances from various property features such as bedroom windows, doors, or even property lines. With the average size of lots in Saskatoon, minimum distances would be difficult to enforce. Also many properties have already installed legal fireplaces and fire pits in accordance with the Bylaw.

With respect to the feasibility of outdoor fires in approved containers or pits being extinguished by 11:00 p.m., once again this would be very difficult to enforce. Your Administration is of the opinion that as long as the requirements of the current bylaw are being followed, the time of day is irrelevant. As mentioned previously, in many cases the cause of a complaint is more often a dispute with neighbours or the noisy activities around the fire, not the actual fire itself.

With respect to health issues around outdoor burning, the Bylaw requires that where drifting smoke causes an unreasonable interference with the use of another person's property or a nuisance to another person, the fire shall be extinguished immediately. Your Administration does understand that this nuisance can result in health concerns for certain individuals.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

ATTACHMENT

1. SFPS Brochure on Outdoor Fires.”

The City Clerk also distributed letters regarding outdoor fires from the following people:

- *Lloyd Acker and Susan Serack-Acker, dated July 12;*
- *M. Cherry, dated July 16;*
- *Verna Hucul, dated July 10; and*
- *Barry Rudd, dated July 12.*

Mr. Paul Van Loon, Health Educator, Lung Association of Saskatchewan, asked that the Administration review the health aspect of smoke from outdoor fires and wood smoke.

Ms. Brenda Baker expressed concerns regarding the harmful effects the smoke has on her household. She submitted a copy of her presentation.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the information be received.

IN REFERRAL

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT the matter be referred to Public Executive Committee to further discuss other options such as the possibility of an 11:00 p.m. ban, enforcement, health concerns, the possibility of a total ban, strategies to deal with acute health situations and the number and nature of complaints.

THE REFERRAL MOTION WAS PUT AND CARRIED.

REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL – CONTINUED

3) Diane Bignell and Roberta Fehr

The City Clerk submitted a letter from Diane Bignell and Roberta Fehr requesting permission to address Council regarding homelessness in the city. (File No. CK. 750-1)

Moved by Councillor Clark, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Diane Bignell and Roberta Fehr be heard.

CARRIED.

Ms. Diane Bignell, Equal Justice for All, spoke on behalf of homeless people and raised concerns regarding rent prices in the city. Ms. Bignell advised that she is planning an all-night event in Rotary Park on July 31, in order for people to experience what it is like to be homeless. She indicated that she has received permission to use the park until midnight, but would like permission to use it all night.

Ms. Roberta Fehr, member, Don't We Count As People Committee, expressed concerns regarding homelessness and invited the Mayor and Councillors to join them in Rotary Park on July 31 for their event.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

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THAT the matter be referred to the Administration to look at the possibility of extending the time that the Don't We Count As People Committee are allowed to hold its event in Rotary Park overnight on July 31, 2007.

CARRIED.

4) Martin Been, dated July 10

The City Clerk distributed a letter from Martin Been dated July 10, 2007, requesting permission to address Council regarding an application for a condominium conversion. (File No. CK. 4132-1)

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Martin Been be heard.

CARRIED.

It was noted that Mr. Been was not present in the gallery.

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

B. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE THE DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

1) Debby Murphy, The Partnership, dated June 20

Requesting temporary street closure on 21st Street between 3rd and 4th Avenues from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 11, 2007, in conjunction with the 3rd Annual Saskatoon Festival of the Arts. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted to the Partnership to temporarily close 21st Street between 3rd and 4th Avenues from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 11, 2007, in conjunction with the 3rd Annual Saskatoon Festival of the Arts, subject to any administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT permission be granted to the Partnership to temporarily close 21st Street between 3rd and 4th Avenues from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 11, 2007, in conjunction with the 3rd Annual Saskatoon Festival of the Arts, subject to any administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

2) Ron Bort, Saskatchewan Voice of People with Disabilities Inc. dated June 25

Commenting on proposed Accessibility Committee. (File No. CK. 225-70)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 30.

3) Kelly Patrick, dated July 3

Commenting on proposed Accessibility Committee. (File No. CK. 225-70)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 30.

4) Doug Hodson, Heart and Stroke Foundation, dated June 29

Commenting on proposed Accessibility Committee. (File No. CK. 225-70)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 30.

5) Marcel Thorhaug, MS Society of Canada, dated July 5

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Commenting on proposed Accessibility Committee. (File No. CK. 225-70)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 30.

6) Peter Julian, MP, Burnaby – New Westminster, dated June 11

Commenting on the dangers of polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs). (File No. CK. 127-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

7) Martin Wooldridge, Transport 2000 Canada, dated June 29

Commenting on issues with railways. (File No. CK. 7000-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the letter be joined to the outstanding enquiry from Councillor Clark on the matter.

CARRIED.

8) **Will Antonishyn, Credit Union Centre, dated June 29**

Requesting permission to extend the time which entertainers can be heard under the Noise Bylaw until 10:30 p.m., from July 18 to 21, 2007, in Kiwanis Park in conjunction with Taste of Saskatchewan. (File No. CK. 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted to extend the time which entertainers can be heard under the Noise Bylaw until 10:30 p.m., from July 18 to 21, 2007, in Kiwanis Park in conjunction with Taste of Saskatchewan.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT permission be granted to extend the time which entertainers can be heard under the Noise Bylaw until 10:30 p.m., from July 18 to 21, 2007, in Kiwanis Park in conjunction with Taste of Saskatchewan.

CARRIED.

9) **Jason Hobbis, Blockbuster Video, dated July 3**

Requesting permission to extend the time which amplified movies can be played outdoors under the Noise Bylaw in Kinsmen Park until 12 Midnight on August 19, 2007 with an alternate date of August 26, 2007 should the August 19th date be rained out, in conjunction with Movies in the Park event. (File No. CK. 185-9)

RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted to Blockbuster Video to extend the time which amplified movies can be played outdoors under the Noise Bylaw in Kinsmen Park until 12 Midnight on August 19, 2007 with an alternate date of August 26, 2007 should the August 19th date be rained out, in conjunction with Movies in the Park event.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT permission be granted to Blockbuster Video to extend the time which amplified movies can be played outdoors under the Noise Bylaw in Kinsmen Park until 12 Midnight on August 19, 2007 with an alternate date of August 26, 2007 should the August 19th date be rained out, in conjunction with Movies in the Park event.

CARRIED.

10) **Constance Gignac, dated July 3**

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Suggesting that Council consider allowing free parking for vehicles such as motorized scooters, mopeds and motorcycles. (File No. CK. 375-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

11) Peter Busby, Canada Green Building Council, dated June 28

Suggesting a time be selected when he could discuss all aspects of global warming with City Council. (File No. CK. 7830-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the direction of Council issue.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

12) Ashley Hickey on behalf of Don Shalley, Canadian Paraplegic Association, (Saskatchewan) Inc., dated July 10

Requesting a temporary street closure on August 22, 2007, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., on 23rd Street, between 3rd and 4th Avenues, in conjunction with the 2007 Annual Wheelchair Relay. (File Nos. CK. 6295-1 & 205-1)

RECOMMENDATION: that the request for a temporary street closure on August 22, 2007, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., on 23rd Street, between 3rd and 4th

Avenues, in conjunction with the 2007 Annual Wheelchair Relay be granted, subject to any administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Penner, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the request for a temporary street closure on August 22, 2007, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., on 23rd Street, between 3rd and 4th Avenues, in conjunction with the 2007 Annual Wheelchair Relay be granted, subject to any administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

**13) Brian Swidrovich, Cameco Canada Remembers
International Air Show, dated July 10**

Requesting permission to place safety messages along various roadways in Saskatoon with respect to the Canada Remembers Air Show from August 14 to 20, 2007.

RECOMMENDATION: that permission be granted to Cameco Canada Remembers International Air Show to place safety messages along various roadways in Saskatoon with respect to the Canada Remembers Air Show from August 14 to 20, 2007, subject to any administrative conditions.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT permission be granted to Cameco Canada Remembers International Air Show to place safety messages along various roadways in Saskatoon with respect to the Canada Remembers Air Show from August 14 to 20, 2007, subject to any administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

**14) Danae Mack, Specialist, Orientation & Mobility Instructor
CNIB, dated July 15**

Submitting comments in support for the Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee. (File No. CK. 225-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 30.

15) Robert Letts, Chair, Access Transit Advisory Committee, dated July 16

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Submitting comments in support for the Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee. (File No. CK. 225-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 30.

16) Terri Rau, Executive Director, Saskatoon Folkfest Incorporated, dated July 16

Submitting a request for a decrease in Folkfest's invoice by \$5,000 from Saskatoon Transit. (File No. CK. 1870-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 27.

17) Jim Komar, dated July 16

Submitting comments regarding back yard fire pits. (File No. CK. 2500-1)

DEALT WITH EARLIER. SEE PAGE NO. 42.

18) Martin Bonneville, The Federation des francophones de Saskatoon, dated July 4

The City Clerk distributed the above noted letter requesting a temporary street closure on 4th Avenue North between 24th and 25th Streets, on Thursday, August 16, 2007, from 12:00 a.m. up until Sunday, August 19th at 2:00 p.m. (File No. CK. 6295-1)

Moved by Councillor Heidt, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT the request be approved subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

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19) Jeffrey Mark Newhouse, dated July 10

The City Clerk distributed the above-noted letter requesting temporary closure of 23rd Street between 3rd and 4th Avenues to hold a charity car show entitled “Bridgetown Vee-Dubs Show ‘n Shine” on August 11, 2007. (File No. CK. 6295-1)

Moved by Councillor Wyant, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the request be approved subject to administrative conditions.

CARRIED.

20) Keiko Tanioka, Camp Easter, dated July 5

The City Clerk distributed the above-noted letter requesting a City bus to transport campers’ luggage to the camp site. (File No. CK. 7300-1)

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT the matter be referred to the Administration for appropriate action.

CARRIED.

C. INFORMATION ITEMS

1) Craig Marchinko, Saskatchewan Housing Corporation, dated June 20

Responding to a letter with respect to rental costs in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 750-4)

2) Art Knight, Mendel Art Gallery, dated June 20

Submitting information about a proposed independent study with respect to proposed admission charges at the Mendel Art Gallery. (File No. CK. 153-1)

3) Haley Diederich, undated

Commenting on potholes in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 6315-1)

4) Donna Tippe, dated June 21

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Commenting on the need for red-light cameras in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 5300-8)

5) Kayla Vandermolen, dated June 22

Commenting on daytime irrigation. (File No. CK. 150-1)

6) Jeff and Niki Afseth, dated June 22

Commenting on development in Arbor Creek. (File No. CK. 4131-1)

7) V. Romancia, dated June 23

Commenting on mosquito control in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4200-1)

8) Brian Graham, The Lung Association, dated June 26

Thanking the City for recent tax grant. (File No. CK. 1871-3-1)

9) Laurie Cassidy, dated June 26

Commenting on development in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 150-1)

10) Joanne Sproule, Secretary to the Board of Police Commissioners, dated June 28

Submitting Progress Report on Recommendations from the Committee on Strategic Renewal. (File No. CK. 5000-1)

11) Doreen McLellan, undated

Commenting on dandelion problem in Saskatoon. (File No. CK. 4200-2 & 151-2)

12) Ewan Pollock, dated July 1

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Commenting on transit services. (File No. CK. 7311-1)

13) Florence Graham, Abbeyfield House, dated July 2

Thanking the City for recent cash grant. (File No. CK. 225-2-4)

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Pringle, Seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT, with respect to Item C12, the matter be referred to the Administration to look at the possibility of changing the schedule for the buses at Preston Crossing to make the schedule more suitable for evening workers.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

D. ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN REFERRED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

1) Mitch Regier, dated June 19

Requesting that the trees/bushes along the Meewasin bike trails be trimmed. (File No. CK. 4139-4)
(Referred to Administration for further handling.)

2) Debby Claude and Pat Gittings, Saskatoon Farmers' Market, dated June 19

Requesting traffic control and improved signage for Saskatoon Farmers' Market. (File No. CK. 6280-1 & 205-7) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

3) Shirley Ross, dated June 20

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Reporting damages caused by flooding on June 17, 2007. (File No. CK. 7820-2) **(Referred to Administration for further handling.)**

4) Mackenzie and Matt Lambe, dated June 20

Commenting on flooding in the Dundonald neighbourhood. (File No. CK. 7820-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

5) Terry Scaddan, the Parternship, dated June 20

Proposing a marketing study to determine the need for a downtown grocery store. (File No. CK. 4125-1) **(Referred to Administration to report to City Council.)**

6) Jeremy Rondeau, dated June 20

Requesting leniency on parking tickets due to unplanned circumstances. (File No. CK. 6120-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

7) Tracy Ridalls, Caswell Community Association, dated June 22

Commenting on traffic concerns in Ashworth Holmes Park. (File No. CK. 6320-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

8) Jackie Crowe, dated June 25

Expressing concerns about transit services. (File No. CK. 7300-1) **(Referred to Administration for further handling.)**

9) Terry Scaddan, The Partnership, dated June 26

Commenting on proposed Saskatoon Street Artist Association. (File No. CK. 3500-1) **(Referred to Administration to join to the outstanding file.)**

10) Tracy Jordan, dated June 26

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Expressing concerns about traffic in Montgomery Place. (File No. CK. 6320-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration.)**

11) Ernie Finley, dated June 27

Commenting on backyard fire pits. (File No. CK. 2500-1) **(Referred to Administration for consideration with outstanding enquiry.)**

12) Brad Sylvester, dated June 28

Commenting on recent sale of commercial land in the NE University Heights Suburban Centre. (File No. CK. 4215-1) **(Referred to Land Bank Committee for further handling.)**

13) Harold Shiffman, dated July 2

Commenting on condition of land on the corner of Egbert Avenue and 102nd Street. (File No. CK. 4205-1) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action and to respond to the writer.)**

14) Yolanda van Petten, dated July 5

Expressing concern about cycling during construction detours. (File No. CK. 6000-1) **(Referred to Administration for further handling.)**

15) Laurie Ward, dated July 6

Submitting petition of approximately 33 signatures with respect to requesting parking restrictions by Bedford Road Collegiate. (File No. CK. 6120-4) **(Referred to Administration for appropriate action.)**

RECOMMENDATION: that the information be received.

Moved by Councillor Dubois, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

E. PROCLAMATIONS

1) Ashley O'Sullivan & Darcy Pawlik, Ag-West Bio Inc., dated June 21

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Requesting City Council proclaim September 22 to 29, 2007 as Bio Tech Week.

2) Dale Measner, Lifesaving Society, dated June 26

Requesting City Council proclaim July 15 to 21, 2007 as Drowning Prevention Week.

3) Maxine Anderson, Muscular Dystrophy Canada, dated June 28

Requesting City Council proclaim September 2007 as Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Month.
(File No. CK. 205-5)

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

Moved by Councillor Lorje, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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

CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES

**Councillor B. Dubois
Transit Operation – Statutory Holidays
(File No. CK. 7300-1)**

Would the Administration please report on the costs and feasibility to operate transit service on the four statutory holidays currently with no service – Canada Day, Easter, Christmas Day and Labour Day.

**Councillor T. Paulsen
Zoning Hearings – Summer Months
(File No. CK. 4350-1)**

Would the Administration please report on the topic of holding zoning hearings in the summer. Zoning, by its very nature requires community consultation and input. It appears contrary to the community consultation process for City Council to hold zoning hearings in the middle of summer when many recipients of the public notices are away and, therefore, at best are unable to participate in the hearing and, at worst, do not know what is happening in their neighbourhood.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Bylaw 8612

Moved by Councillor Hill, seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8612, being “The Development Plan Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No. 6)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Hill , seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT Bylaw No. 8612 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

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Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8612.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8612 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8612 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Bylaw No. 8612 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.

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Bylaw 8613

Moved by Councillor Hill, seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8613, being "The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No. 13)", and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Hill , seconded by Councillor Pringle,

THAT Bylaw No. 8613 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8613.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8613 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

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THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8613 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT Bylaw No. 8613 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.

Bylaw 8614

Moved by Councillor Hill, seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8614, being “The Development Plan Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No.7)”, and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Hill , seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8614 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8614.

CARRIED.

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

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Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8614 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8614 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

THAT Bylaw No. 8614 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.

Councillor Pringle did not vote, as he was not present during the entire hearing.

Bylaw 8615

Moved by Councillor Hill, seconded by Councillor Penner,

THAT permission be granted to introduce Bylaw No. 8615, being "The Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2007 (No.14)", and to give same its first reading.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a first time.

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Moved by Councillor Hill , seconded by Councillor Dubois,

THAT Bylaw No. 8615 be now read a second time.

CARRIED.

The bylaw was then read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Heidt,

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider Bylaw No. 8615.

CARRIED.

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

Committee arose.

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

That while in Committee of the Whole, Bylaw No. 8615 was considered clause by clause and approved.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Lorje,

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

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Wyant,

THAT permission be granted to have Bylaw No. 8615 read a third time at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Councillor Hill, Seconded by Councillor Paulsen,

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THAT Bylaw No. 8615 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.

Councillor Pringle did not vote, as he was not present during the entire hearing.

Moved by Councillor Hill,

THAT the meeting stand adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk