REPORT OF THE

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

DATED MAY 29, 2001

On motion of Councillor Angus, the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works, dated May 29, 2001, was considered clause by clause.

Moved by Councillor Angus,
That the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,2,3,4 and 5, be adopted.

Councillor Steek requested that Clause 5 be pulled from the consent agenda.

The motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,2,3 and 4, was put and declared carried.

Award of Contract for the Hauling and Land Application of Biosolids from the North End Water Pollution Control Centre Biosolids Dewatering Facility – Tender No. 0053-2001
File GL-9 (Vol. 16) [c/r WS-7.1 (Vol. 3)]

651 - 1. The Standing Policy Committee on Public Works has been advised that a tender was issued for the hauling and land application of biosolids which closed on April 6, 2001. Funds in the amount of $950,000.00 are included in the 2001 Current Estimates identified as Sewage Disposal System Fund - Sewage Interception and Treatment - Account Number 44-552102-010316. Funds for subsequent years of the contract will be included in the annual Current Estimates.

The City would normally issue a five year contract for work of this type, which would allow contractors to submit bids that reflected the amortization of equipment costs over a five year period. However, this contract was issued for only three years to coincide with the recently initiated Provincial process to review and revise the City's Environmental Act License for the biosolids disposal program. The Provincial Government, through Manitoba Conservation, was reluctant to agree to a five year contract under the operating conditions specified by the City's current license. By the end of this three year period, it is anticipated that the City will have received a new license, which will specify new terms and conditions for biosolids disposal. Through the environmental review process and the Biosolids Disposal Study, which is currently being initiated, the future strategy and direction for the City's biosolids handling and disposal are being formulated which will have bearing on future disposal contracts to be issued.

The City received only one bid for this tender from Mulder Construction & Materials Ltd., in the amount of $3,259,141.19. Interest was expressed by two other bidders through attendance at a bidder's meeting and the submission of written requests for substitutions, however, this activity did not result in any other tender submissions.

The annual price for the first year of this contract is 18.9 per cent higher than the final year of the current five year contract but 9.5 per cent less than the pre-tender estimate. The City's pre-tender estimate was based on an anticipated equipment cost increase for a shorter contract period. The contract specified one new biosolids applicator and one additional hauling tractor. As well, operating costs were expected to increase because of the 56 per cent increase in diesel fuel prices over the last five years.

Engineering staff of the Water and Waste Department are satisfied that the tenderer has the necessary resources to perform all of the work in accordance with the requirements of the specifications. Mulder Construction is also the current contractor for this work and has satisfactorily carried out this work for the last 10 years.

The Manager of Materials Management Division has advised that the tender submission meets all requirements of the specifications, and was accompanied by a bid bond and an agreement to bond which have been certified by the Legal Services Division. The offer is open for acceptance until July 5, 2001.

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The Standing Policy Committee on Public Works recommends:

I. That a multi-year contract be awarded to Mulder Construction & Materials Ltd., the lowest evaluated responsive bidder meeting the specifications in the amount of $3,259,141.19, plus GST, for the period commencing July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2004.

II. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing, including the execution of any documents related thereto.

Adopted by consent.

(See Minute No. 670 for attachment)

Delegation of Authority to the Director of Public Works to Award Time Sensitive Contracts Exceeding One Million Dollars ($1,000,000.00) for the Period Commencing June 27, 2001 to August 31, 2001
File GL-9 (Vol. 16)

652 - 2. Council is reminded that the award of contracts exceeding one million dollars ($1,000,000.00) must be approved by a Standing Policy Committee. In accordance with the 2001 schedule of Council and its Committees, the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works is not scheduled to meet in July and August of this year. If awards of contracts are delayed until the Standing Policy Committee meeting on September 4, 2001, time sensitive projects will not be completed in 2001. Due to traffic implications, the reconstruction of Main Street, from Lombard Avenue to Alexander Avenue, must be completed in 2001 in order that the Provencher Bridge Project may continue. Moreover, Provincial funding for the Residential Street Renewal Program must be spent by March 1, 2002.

Canada/Manitoba Infrastructure Program

On February 1, 2001, applications were submitted for the Waterfront Drive Project and the Main Street Reconstruction Project under the Canada/Manitoba Infrastructure Program. The Program is currently being negotiated, however, in anticipation of approval of these and/or other projects in 2001 being included in this Program, authority is being requested for the Director of Public Works to award contracts to ensure timely completion. Tenders are expected to close in June or July, and the Standing Policy Committee's consideration in September will not allow sufficient time to construct these works in 2001.

Residential Street Renewal Program

Funds in the amount of $10,237,000.00 have been approved in the 2001 Capital Estimates for residential street renewals. By way of letter dated March 7, 2001, the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Province of Manitoba, confirmed additional funding of $5,100,000.00 toward the City's 2001 Residential Street Renewal Program. Pursuant thereto, additional residential streets to be renewed with Provincial funding were approved by the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works on May 1, 2001, and have been submitted to the Province for approval. Consultant assignments have been made, three of whom have estimated contract values exceeding $1,000,000.00. Tenders are expected to close between mid-June and mid-July.

The Director of Public Works currently has delegated authority to award contracts up to and including one million dollars ($1,000,000.00). Delegation of authority to the Director to award time sensitive contracts exceeding one million dollars will allow projects to be completed in 2001. The Director will consult with the Chairperson of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works prior to making each award.

There is no financial impact as the costs of the projects will be the same regardless of who awards the contracts. At the time of recommendations for awards, financial impact statements will be prepared for each project.

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The Standing Policy Committee on Public Works therefore recommends:

I. That during the period commencing June 27, 2001 to August 31, 2001, the Director of Public Works be delegated the authority to award time sensitive contracts exceeding one million dollars ($1,000,000.00), provided that the awards do not exceed the funding for each project/program, for:

A. the Canada/Manitoba Infrastructure Program, namely:
i) Waterfront Drive;
ii) Main Street Reconstruction – Lombard Avenue to Alexander Avenue;
iii) Other 2001 Project(s);

B. the 2001 Residential Street Renewal Program;

and that the award authority not be further delegated.

II. That the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services be directed to prepare the necessary by-law for submission directly to Council.

III. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing, including the execution of any documents related thereto.

Adopted by consent.

Award of Contract for Equipment Services for the Brady Road Sanitary Landfill for the Period Commencing July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2004 – Tender No. 0320-2001
File GL-9 (Vol. 16) [c/r WT-3 (Vol. 15)]

653 - 3. The Standing Policy Committee on Public Works has been advised that a tender was issued for equipment services for the Brady Road Sanitary Landfill. The Solid Waste Division of the Water and Waste Department contracts rental equipment on an hourly basis to excavate and haul soil to the tipping face each day in order to cover garbage. This tender includes the rental of primarily two cats and scrapers and a bulldozer on a full time basis.

Funds for the supply of equipment services are included in the 2001 Current Estimates identified as Solid Waste Utility – Brady Road Landfill – Equipment Rental – External – Account Number 45-552703-173611. Funds for subsequent years of the contract will be included in the annual Current Estimates.

Tenders closed on May 15, 2001, with bids being received as follows:

Taillieu Construction Ltd.	$2,418,000.00
Hugh Munro Construction Ltd.	$2,657,250.00
Edie Construction Ltd.	$2,714,100.00

as outlined in the Tender Tabulation provided and identified as Appendix “B” hereto.

Engineering staff of the Water and Waste Department are satisfied that the low tenderer has the necessary resources to perform all of the work in accordance with the requirements of the specifications. The contractor has satisfactorily carried out previous works of a similar nature. The tender recommended for acceptance is the low bid meeting all requirements of the specifications. The offer is open for acceptance until July 14, 2001.

The Manager of Materials Management Division has advised that each of the tender submissions was accompanied by a bid bond and an agreement to bond, which have been certified by the Legal Services Division.

Copy of Appendix “B” referred to in the above clause is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

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The Standing Policy Committee on Public Works recommends:

I. That a multi-year contract be awarded to Taillieu Construction Ltd., the lowest evaluated responsive bidder meeting the specifications in the amount of $2,418,000.00, plus GST, for the period commencing July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2004.

II. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing, including the execution of any documents related thereto.

Adopted by consent.

(See Minute No. 671 for attachment)

Contribution to the Province of Manitoba for the Study of the Ste. Agathe Detention Structure and the Expansion of the Floodway

File PD (Vol. 15)

654 - 4. During the spring of 1997, Winnipeg and Manitoba experienced the "Flood of the Century". In June 1997, the Governments of Canada and the United States tasked the International Joint Commission (IJC) to examine the causes and effects of the flood and recommend ways to reduce the impact of future floods. In September 1997, the IJC appointed the International Red River Basin Task Force to conduct its investigations.

On July 22, 1998, Council adopted a resolution that the City and the Province cooperate in finding a solution that would allow for the adjustment of river water levels in the City in order to maximize the utilization of the River Walkway Systems, and that this work be done so as to have no negative impact on our neighbouring communities, particularly south of Winnipeg.

In June of 1999, the International Red River Basin Task Force engaged KGS Group Consulting Engineers to undertake the Flood Risk Study for Winnipeg. Pursuant thereto, Council on September 22, 1999, authorized payment in the amount of $50,000.00 to the Canadian Section of the IJC as the City's share of the Flood Risk Study for Winnipeg. The final report of the International Red River Basin Task Force to the IJC titled "The Next Flood: Getting Prepared" was released in April 2000. The report included a chapter titled "Winnipeg at Risk", which summarized the results of the Flood Risk Study for Winnipeg by KGS Group. The IJC, in turn, released its "Report to the Governments of Canada and the United States on Reducing Flood Impacts in the Red River Basin – Living with the Red" in November 2000.

The fact that the City of Winnipeg is at risk of significant damage from very large floods is a major conclusion of the Flood Risk Study for Winnipeg, and has been repeated in the report of the International Red River Basin Task Force and the IJC report, which states that *"Under flow conditions similar to those experienced in 1997 the risk of failure of Winnipeg's flood protection infrastructure is high. Public safety requires that the City, Province and the Canadian Federal Government focus immediate attention on designing and implementing measures to further protect Winnipeg."*

Given the flood risk to the City of Winnipeg, a recommendation was made by the Task Force and restated by the IJC, namely, *"The design flood used as the standard for flood protection works for Winnipeg should be the highest that can be economically justified or, at a minimum, the flood of record, the 1826 flood."* The Task Force further recommended that the Ste. Agathe detention structure and the Red River Floodway expansion options be studied in more detail. The two options are not easily compared as the Ste. Agathe detention structure would protect Winnipeg from a 1:1,000 year flood and cost $475 million, while the Red River Floodway expansion would protect Winnipeg from a 1:500 year flood and cost $750 million. Further, the two projects impact various areas outside the City differently. The IJC recommended that *"A long term flood protection plan for the City fully consider all social, environmental and human effects of any proposed flood protection measures and respect both the needs of Winnipeg and the interests of those outside the City who might be affected by such a plan."*

The IJC received considerable feedback on both the Ste. Agathe detention structure and the Floodway expansion alternatives at public meetings following the release of the Task Force report in April 2000. The public generally considered that there remained gaps in the Task Force study. The main deficiencies identified were: 1) an

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incomplete accounting of the costs of mitigative measures and compensation requirements for residents upstream of the Ste. Agathe detention structure; 2) uncertainties of the hydraulic impact of the Floodway expansion option on downstream residents, including the potential for significant backwater from Lockport to Winnipeg; and, 3) the need to look at multi-purpose functions of either option for recreational or tourism benefits.

Following the release of the IJC report in November 2000, the Province of Manitoba recommended initiating further study of the two options proposed by the Task Force. This recommendation was made to assist in the process of governments formulating a position toward implementation of works for a greater level of flood protection for the City of Winnipeg. Further, it was anticipated that some sort of multi-stakeholder panel or commission would be the next step in advancing the studies of the two options to a project "pre-commitment" level through a consensus building process. Additional socio-economic information, scoping of environmental issues and miscellaneous technical information would be required to assist such a panel or commission. Therefore, it was proposed that some study components could be initiated immediately, and, accordingly, the Province of Manitoba engaged KGS Group Consulting Engineers in January 2001, to conduct further study of the Ste. Agathe detention structure and the expansion of the Red River Floodway.

The study is expected to take eight months to complete at an estimated cost of $750,000.00. The study is in progress and a draft final report is expected in July 2001. An interim report on study progress was recently drafted, to be released by the end of May 2001. The study involves a continuation and advancement of the work previously undertaken by the Task Force. This study is considered to be an initial portion of the additional amount of work and technical analyses that will ultimately be required as part of advancing the studies to the full "pre-commitment level" which would likely be a two year effort at a cost of $3.5 to $4.0 million. The subject $750,000.00 study is focusing on the following key areas:

- Scope of environmental and socio-economic impacts associated with both options.
- Determine impacts upstream of a Ste. Agathe detention structure and costs of mitigative measures (i.e. requirement to build ring dikes higher) and costs of compensation.
- Investigate the hydraulic impacts of larger flood flows conveyed by an expanded Floodway on the Red River downstream and upstream of the outlet at Lockport. Backwater levels in Winnipeg will be determined to assess the need to raise primary dikes in Winnipeg.
- Refine the strategies for dealing with bridges and utilities crossing the Floodway.
- Assess the ability of the expanded Floodway alternative to provide the same level of protection (1:1,000 year) as the Ste. Agathe detention structure.
- Determine the impacts of water levels for a range of modes of operation of the Floodway control structure outside the existing rules of operation.
- Scope of the feasibility and merits of the "wet Floodway" concept (recreation, aesthetics, urban development and/or industrial utility, etc.) as well as Floodway operations to control river level fluctuations in Winnipeg particularly during summer months in connection with the river walkway systems.

The Water Branch of Manitoba Conservation is undertaking the project management duties of this study. A Steering Committee has been formed to provide technical advice and to facilitate the overall design and direction of the study. The Steering Committee includes representatives from Manitoba Conservation (the Project Manager), Manitoba Agriculture, the Federal Government (Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration; Department of Fisheries and Oceans), the City of Winnipeg, and two water resources experts retired from the Federal Government. One of the latter members was also an International Red River Basin Task Force member and the project manager for the Flood Risk Study for Winnipeg.

The Province of Manitoba is assuming 90 per cent of the cost of this study estimated to be $750,000.00. Inasmuch as the City will directly benefit from the study, assuming that greater flood protection works are implemented, the Province has requested that the City contribute 10 per cent ($75,000.00). The Administration supports this cost-sharing arrangement for additional reasons. It allows the City to be a partner in the study of both options, to have the opportunity to provide the appropriate data and information, and to assist in directing the study. The City's contribution to the study is proposed to be funded from surplus cash flow forecasted funds from the Permanent Secondary Dikes Account No. 03 118154 5200150702. It is the opinion of the Water and Waste Department that making this contribution, at this time, will not establish a precedent for future contributions to the further study, design or construction of either option for greater flood protection for Winnipeg. The issue of future funding of any major flood control enhancement for Winnipeg will still receive considerable dialogue among the City and other levels of government.

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The Water and Waste Department has identified flood and sewer infrastructure and diking improvements required to enhance the City's flood protection with a total estimated capital cost of $172 million. Of this amount, $31 million has been included in the Capital Estimates over the 10 year period from 1997 to 2006. The City's contribution to upgrading its internal sewer and diking systems for greater flood protection will require consideration in any funding discussions.

Due to the Federal Government's internal review of the IJC Report over the next few months, it is not able to contribute funding to the study of the Ste. Agathe detention structure and the expansion of the Floodway at this time. However, the Federal Government has indicated that they support the Province proceeding with the study.

The financial status of the Permanent Secondary Dikes Capital Account is as follows:

Authorized Capital			$1,600,000.00
Amount of Previous Expenditures	$ 28,395.00		
Amount of Future Commitments	1,252,329.00		
Amount of this Expenditure	75,000.00		
Total Estimated Cost		$1,355,724.00	1,355,724.00
Estimated Surplus		$ 244,276.00	

The Standing Policy Committee on Public Works recommends:

I. That the City make a contribution in the amount of $75,000.00 to the Province of Manitoba for the "Study of the Ste. Agathe Detention Structure and the Expansion of the Floodway".

II. That funding be provided from the surplus cash flow forecasted funds from the Permanent Secondary Dikes Account No. 03 118154 5200150702.

III. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing, including the execution of any documents related thereto.

Adopted by consent.

(See Minute No. 672 for attachment)

Downtown Recycling
Files WT-1.3 (Vol. 22) and WT-1 (Vol. 20)

655 - 5. Council, on February 13, 2001, adopted a Waste Minimization Strategy for the City of Winnipeg which included a directive to the Water and Waste Department that it report back with a methodology for the implementation of a sidewalk recycling program in Downtown Winnipeg.

On May 23, 2001, Council recinded its decision of February 13, 2001, and approved a revised Waste Minimization Strategy. As part of this new strategy, the Administration was again requested to report on a methodology for a sidewalk recycling program in Downtown Winnipeg.

In its report the Administration advises that the provision of recycling services in Downtown areas of major Canadian and American cities has been increasing dramatically over the past few years. Recycling has become an essential service in the opinion of the public, and municipalities have been trying to accommodate these desires with more programming to complement the traditional residential blue box programs.

Recently the Cities of Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal implemented a Downtown recycling program in partnership with OMG Media Inc., which involves placing three compartment containers on sidewalks that accept garbage and recyclables. The containers are made of stainless steel and are aesthetically pleasing.

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In general terms, the OMG Media Inc. program involves the following:

	OMG Media Inc.	*Municipality*
Supply of Containers	√	
Installation of Containers	√	
Repairs to Containers	√	
Cleaning of Exterior of Containers (including graffiti)	√	
Collecting Garbage		√
Collecting Recyclables		√
Cleaning of Interior of Containers		√

In order to provide a return on its investment, OMG Media Inc. sells advertising on the containers. While this has not been a problem in other municipalities, the municipality has the right to ask that unsuitable advertising content be removed. The typical length of the agreement between a municipality and OMG Media Inc. is 10 years. OMG Media provides the municipality with a flat rate payment, typically $5.00 to $10.00 per month per container, for locating the containers on the street.

Inasmuch as the capital cost of adding or replacing litter containers is avoided, and there is an opportunity to enhance recycling efforts, the Water and Waste Department would like to consider the OMG Media program further. Of note, the Public Works Department has advised that there is no funding in place at the current time to repair or replace the existing Take Pride litter containers in the Downtown area.

A pilot program prior to full-scale implementation is recommended in order to identify any issues that could result in a less than optimum full-scale program. Some of the concerns that have been identified in other municipalities are the cost of collection as well as the amount of contamination in the recyclables. A pilot program would also result in a more detailed estimate of the costs and the amount of materials expected from a full-scale program. OMG Media Inc. has agreed to participate in a pilot program in Winnipeg, and because there is no long-term contract OMG Media will not be required to pay the typical fee. The fee, which would be a maximum of $3,200.00 over the term of the pilot project, would not materially affect the cost of the pilot.

The pilot program is proposed to be located on Broadway, between Main Street and Memorial Boulevard, due to the high visibility for advertisers and expected usage. The program proposes the installation of 40 containers for a minimum of eight months from July 2001 to March 2002, to commence as soon as the containers can be installed. Posters would be placed in the area promoting the new bins, and a survey would take place in order to measure public opinion. OMG Media Inc. would provide and install the containers for the pilot at no cost to the City. The existing litter containers would be removed to allow space for the new containers.

A meeting was held with stakeholders from the various City departments, the Waste Minimization Advisory Committee, Take Pride Winnipeg, the Downtown Winnipeg Business Improvement Zone and CentreVenture. The pilot program concept was discussed and there was a general consensus that it should proceed. The exact location of each new container will be determined in conjunction with other City departments so that snow clearing, traffic and planning issues can be addressed. An application will also be made to the Downtown Design Board to ensure that the design and placement of the containers meets the overall design objectives of the City.

The Manitoba Product Stewardship Corporation has been asked to participate in this program through the Municipal Support Payment Program ($128.00 per tonne) and a response is expected shortly.

A report on the outcome of the pilot program will be prepared for the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works to consider in 2002. Depending upon the outcome of the pilot, the report may recommend expanding the pilot program to include the entire City and entering into a long-term agreement with OMG Media Inc.

The cost of the pilot program is somewhat difficult to estimate as the City has never before provided this type of service. The estimate provided assumes that the bins would be attended to on a daily basis. During the summer months it may be necessary to service these containers twice daily, but during the winter months this is not likely to be required. The refuse in the containers would continue to be collected by the Public Works Department and, since there is no incremental cost, would not be charged to the program.

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Item	Description	Pilot Program Cost (8 months)
Collection of Recyclables	120 hours/month @ $65.00/hour	$62,400.00
Processing of Recyclables	36 tonnes/month @ $125.00/tonne	$36,000.00
Supervision	42 hours/month @ $30.00/hour	$10,080.00
Sale of Recyclables	36 tonnes/month @ $60.00/tonne	($17,280.00)
Landfill Diversion Credit	36 tonnes/month @ $22.50/tonne	($6,480.00)
Promotion	Posters	$2,500.00
Assessment	Survey	$5,000.00
Removal of Existing Containers		$5,000.00
SUBTOTAL		$97,220.00
GST		$3,629.00
TOTAL		**$100,849.00**

The cost of the pilot program can be absorbed within the existing budget. The revenue from the sale of recyclables is expected to exceed budget this year as the market prices continue to be strong in 2001.

The Standing Policy Committee on Public Works recommends:

I. That the Water and Waste Department be authorized to conduct an eight month pilot program on Downtown recycling at a maximum cost of $101,000.00.

II. That the cost of the pilot program be funded from the Solid Waste Utility Division.

III. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing, including the execution of any documents related thereto.

Moved by Councillor Angus,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

(See Minute No. 673 for attachment)

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STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

DATED JUNE 19, 2001

On motion of Councillor Angus, the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works dated June 19, 2001, was considered.

Award of Contract for the Provencher Bridges Project, Construction of the Vehicular Bridge – Tender No. 166-2001
File GL-9 (Vol. 16) [c/r SB-13 (Vol. 5)]

656 - 1. At its meeting held on September 5, 2000, Council approved the Preliminary Design for the Provencher Bridges Project and authorized the commencement of Detailed Engineering Design, Environmental Impact Assessment and Tendering.

Accordingly, a tender package for the vehicular bridge contract was published, with the final receipt of bids being 12:00 noon, Friday, June 8, 2001. The contract was tendered with steel girder and concrete girder alternative designs. Tendering of alternate designs with different construction materials was undertaken to encourage competition and thereby result in the optimum economy for this contract.

In response thereto, five bids were received as follows:

M.D. Steele Construction Ltd.	$30,655,094.60	(concrete girder)
PCL Constructors Canada Inc.	$32,107,099.24	(concrete girder)
Kiewit Management Ltd.	$34,493,746.00	(concrete girder)
Chant Construction Company Inc.	$36,494,655.00	(concrete or steel girder)
Simard-Beaudry Construction Inc.	$42,725,337.91*	(steel girder)

* Corrected Price – arithmetic error in tendered price.

The tender submission recommended for acceptance is the lowest evaluated responsive bid meeting all requirements of the published tender package. The work of this contract involves the construction of a new five-span girder bridge for replacement of the existing river crossing including a wastewater forcemain and the east approach span of the pedestrian bridge.

Manitoba Conservation has issued Environment Act Licence No. 2507 dated May 17, 2001, authorizing construction of the project. An application has been made for a Waterway Permit and same will be secured prior to commencing the construction works that affect the riverbank, which is not scheduled to begin until August, 2001.

Funds in the amount of $57,000,000.00 for the Provencher Bridge Project are included in the 2000 to 2005 Capital Estimates of the Public Works Department.

Based on the tender submission from M.D. Steele Construction Ltd., the financial status of the Provencher Bridges Project is as follows:

Capital Estimates:

2000 Capital Estimates:	$ 4,000,000.00
2001 Capital Estimates:	18,900,000.00
2002 Capital Estimates:	10,000,000.00
2003 Capital Estimates:	10,000,000.00
2004 Capital Estimates:	8,000,000.00
2005 Capital Estimates:	6,100,000.00

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Total Public Works Project Budget:		$57,000,000.00
Amount of this Contract Award:	$30,655,094.60	
Allocation for Future Landscaping Contract Award:	2,500,000.00	
Maintenance and Inspection:	1,000,000.00	
Allocation to Pedestrian Bridge:	5,600,000.00	
Contingency:	5,269,905.40	
Engineering:	6,000,000.00	
Testing:	500,000.00	
Winnipeg Hydro:	1,000,000.00	
Traffic Signals:	500,000.00	
Rivers and Streams Permits:	100,000.00	
City Forces:	400,000.00	
Traffic Services and Advertising:	600,000.00	
Manitoba Hydro:	100,000.00	
Wrap-Up Insurance Costs:	750,000.00	
Archaeological:	200,000.00	
Property:	500,000.00	
Finance and Administration Charges:	1,100,000.00	
Applied Overhead Engineering:	$ 1,550,000.00	
Net GST:	$ 1,200,000.00	
Subtotal:	$59,525,000.00	
Recoveries:		
Wastewater Forcemain:	($ 500,000.00)	
Pedestrian Bridge East Approach Span:	(2,000,000.00)	
MTS:	(25,000.00)	
Estimated Total Project Cost:		$57,000,000.00
Estimated Surplus/Shortfall:		Nil

Bids are open for acceptance until July 25, 2001, however, it is recommended that an award be made no later than June 20, 2001, in order for the contractor to commence work immediately. Because of the tight construction schedule and the initial coordination required between many subcontractors and suppliers an earlier award is essential. The work of this contract is scheduled to be completed by September 30, 2003.

The Manager of Materials Management has advised that each of the tender submissions was accompanied by a bid bond and an agreement to bond and Legal Services has certified all of the bid deposits. The Engineering Consultant has reviewed the tender submissions in detail. All of the bids were incomplete and/or incorrect in some respects. The irregularities in the M.D. Steele Construction Ltd. bid were minor and should be waived.

The Engineering staff of the Public Works Department and the Consultant on this project have reviewed the work with the lowest evaluated responsive bidder and have indicated that the firm has the necessary resources to perform all of the work in accordance with the requirements of the published tender package. The contractor has satisfactorily carried out previous construction works of a similar nature for the City of Winnipeg.

The Standing Policy Committee on Public Works therefore recommends:

I. That a contract be awarded to M.D. Steele Construction Ltd., which firm submitted the lowest evaluated responsive bid meeting all requirements of the published tender package, in the estimated amount of $30,655,094.60 plus GST, based on the unit prices identified in the low bidder's tender submission for Provencher Paired Bridges Project Vehicular Bridge, Tender No. 166-2001 (Concrete Girder Alternative).

II. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing, including the execution of any documents related thereto.

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Moved by Councillor Angus,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

(See Minute No. 674 for attachment)

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CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

657 - On motion of Councillor Angus, the following by-laws were read a first, second and third time, the rule being suspended for the third reading of each by-law, and were passed and ordered to be signed and sealed, namely:

By-law No. 7847/2001, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 6546/95, being a by-law of the said City to regulate the construction, maintenance and removal of private approaches and private walks. Files SC-1.1 (Vol. 7) and SC-1 (31) (Vol. 4)

By-law No. 7851/2001, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to delegate authority to the Director of Public Works to award certain time sensitive contracts. File GL-9 (Vol. 16)

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QUESTION PERIOD

658 - Councillor Timm-Rudolph noted that the on-street parking meter limits for meters in the vicinity of King, Princess and James Streets had recently been reduced from two hours to one hour. She stated that the one hour limit may not be enough time for persons to complete their business in the area and questioned if the decision could be reversed to bring the one hour parking meter limit back to two hours. Councillor Angus took the question under advisement.

Councillor Steek questioned if the five pumper trucks recently purchased met the European crash standards, to which Councillor Angus took the question under advisement.

Councillor Smith questioned if the possibility of adding parking meters in the St. Norbert area to meet revenue projections had ever been considered.

Councillor Angus noted that the St. Norbert Community Club had instated parking fees themselves to generate community revenues and would consider any request for Pembina Highway that came forward.