REPORT OF THE

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON

PROTECTION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

DATED APRIL 10, 2000

On motion of Councillor Vandal, the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services, dated April 10, 2000, was considered clause by clause.

Moved by Councillor Vandal,
That the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,2,3,4,5,6,8,9 and 10, be adopted.

529 - Councillors Clement and Eadie asked to be recorded as having voted against Clauses 3, 4, 6, and 8, in accordance with Rule 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

The motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,2,3,4,5,6,8,9 and 10 was put and declared carried.

Recommendations for Amusement Tax Exemption File FL-6 (Vol. 21)

530 - 1. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has considered recommendations received from the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council for exemption to the Amusement Tax By-law.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services submits draft by-law and recommends:

I. That the following list of exemptions be added to Schedule "E" of the Amusement Tax By-law No. 3107/81, namely:

Dance Manitoba Inc. for:
Annual Provincial Dance Festival at the Pantages Playhouse Theatre on May 11 to 27, 2000

Far Gone Productions for:
Marion Bridge(Theatre Production) at the Gas Station Theatre on May 24 to 28, 2000

Jazz Winnipeg Inc. for:
Jazz Winnipeg Festival at a variety of downtown locations on June 16 to 26, 2000

Manitoba Sacred Music Choir for:
Canada 2000 at the St. Alphonsus Church and Parish Hall on May 7, 2000

Manitoba Theatre Centre's 2000/2001 Mainstage Season for:
To Kill a Mockingbird at the Manitoba Theatre Centre on October 18 to November 11, 2000
Complete Works of Shakespeare at the Manitoba Theatre Centre on November 22 to December 16, 2000
Camelot at the Manitoba Theatre Centre on January 3 to January 27, 2001
The Weir at the Manitoba Theatre Centre on February 7 to March 3, 2001

The Drawer Boy at the Manitoba Theatre Centre on March 14 to April 7, 2001
Larry's Party at the Manitoba Theatre Centre on April 25 to May 12, 2001

MTC's Warehouse Theatre 2000/2001 Season for:
The Gist at the MTC's Warehouse Theatre on November 8 to 25, 2000
Waiting for Godot at the MTC's Warehouse Theatre on January 10 to 27, 2001
A Penny for the Guy at the MTC's Warehouse Theatre on February 14 to March 3, 2001

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Manitoba Theatre Centre for:
Fringe Festival at various locations throughout the Winnipeg Exchange District on July 20 to 30, 2000

Prairie Theatre Exchange's 2000/2001 Season of Plays for:
Salt Water Moon at the Prairie Theatre Exchange on October 11 to 29, 2000
Importance of Being Earnest at the Prairie Theatre Exchange on November 22 to December 10, 2000
Much Munsch at the Prairie Theatre Exchange on December 21, 2000 to January 5, 2001

Kilt at the Prairie Theatre Exchange on January 17 to February 4, 2001
The Gap at the Prairie Theatre Exchange on February 21 to March 11, 2001
Side by Side by Sondheim at the Prairie Theatre Exchange on March 28 to April 15, 2001

Rossdale Ukrainian Dance School Inc. for:
Annual Dance Recital at the Pantages Playhouse Theatre on May 6, 2000

School of Contemporary Dancers for:
Dance Reflections at the Gas Station Theatre on May 18 to 20, 2000
Dance Discovery at the Gas Station Theatre on May 21, 2000
Spring Concert at the MTC's Warehouse Theatre on May 27, 2000
Basement Projects at the Gas Station Theatre on December 7 to 9, 2000
Winter Concert at the Gas Station Theatre on December 10, 2000

Shakespeare in the Ruins for:
Love's Labour Lost at the St. Norbert Arts and Cultural Centre on May 25 to July 8, 2000
Odyssey: the Islands at the St. Norbert Arts and Cultural Centre on September 13 to 23, 2000

The Musical Offering for:
Old and New for Two at 298 Yale Avenue on October 28 and 29, 2000
Baroque Beams at 298 Yale Avenue on November 26, 2000
La Serva padrona at 298 Yale Avenue on January 27 and 28, 2001
Kenneth Gilbert Harpsichord Recital at 298 Yale Avenue on April 28 and 29, 2001

The Royal Winnipeg Ballet for:
2000/2001 Season Performances at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall on September 19 and 20, 2000; October 17 to 22, 2000; December 20 to 24, and 26 to 29, 2000; March 12 to 18, 2001 and May 14 to 20, 2001
Fast Forward Choreographic Workshop at the Founder's Studio on May 27 and 28, 2001

Theatre Projects Manitoba for:
Forplays at the Studio Theatre at the Prairie Theatre Exchange on May 10 to 20, 2000
Lovesbody/Ordinary Days at the Studio Theatre at the Prairie Theatre Exchange on May 31 to June 10, 2000

Ukrainian National Federation School of Dance for:
Dances of Ukraine at the Pantages Playhouse Theatre on May 7, 2000

II. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to effect the intent of the foregoing.

Adopted by consent.

Final Instalment - 2000 Operating Grants to Cultural Organizations
Files FG-3 (Vol. 40), FG-1.1

531 - 2. On November 7, 1984, Council established the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council and delegated it with the responsibility for screening grant applications, defining criteria and making recommendations as to appropriate grant levels for cultural organizations. The Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council forwards its recommendations to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services for consideration.

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On April 10, 2000, the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services considered and approved recommendations from the March 27, 2000, meeting of the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council for final instalment operating grant funding to various cultural organizations.

The Council Policy on Cultural Grants administered by the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services provides that the Committee shall adjudicate all applications within the global allocation and have final authority to approve grants which qualify under this policy, to an amount of $50,000.00 per individual grant. The Committee shall submit to Council, with its recommendation for approval, all requests for grants in excess of this amount.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services submits for favourable consideration final grant allocations to organizations whose funding exceeds $50,000.00 in the financial year 2000 and therefore recommends:

I. That the final instalments for the 2000 Primary Operating Grants be approved to the following cultural organizations:

Organization	Category	2000 Interim Operating Grant Received	2000 Final Operating Grant Recommendation	Total 2000 Operating Grant Recommendation
Le Festival du Voyageur Inc.	Festivals	28,290.00	63,710.00	92,000.00
Folk Arts Council of Winnipeg Inc./Folklorama Inc.	Festivals	32,940.00	76,060.00	109,000.00
Manitoba Opera Association	Music	16,260.00	37,940.00	54,200.00
Manitoba Theatre Centre	Theatre	47,850.00	111,650.00	159,500.00
Prairie Theatre Exchange	Theatre	18,000.00	42,500.00	60,500.00
Royal Winnipeg Ballet	Dance	79,200.00	184,800.00	264,000.00
Winnipeg Art Gallery	Museums/Galleries	102,000.00	238,000.00	340,000.00
Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra	Music	53,370.00	124,530.00	177,900.00

II. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing recommendation.

Adopted by consent.

Community Incentive Grant Application - Philippine-Canadian Centre of Manitoba Inc. File PR-2.6 (Vol. 14)

532 - 3. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has been advised that the Philippine-Canadian Centre of Manitoba Inc., requested that their Community Incentive Grant application be referred to all Community Committees for consideration at their February 2000, meetings. The Philippine-Canadian Centre's Community Incentive Grant application, in the amount of $250,000.00, is to assist with the Philippine Cultural Centre project, to be located at the southeast corner of Burrows Avenue and Keewatin Street.

The application does not meet the eligibility criteria contained in the Community Incentive Grant Program.

On February 8, 2000, the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee recommended approval of a Community Incentive Grant to the Philippine-Canadian Centre of Manitoba Inc., in the amount of $50,000.00, to be funded equally from the Old Kildonan and Point Douglas Ward allocations, for the purpose requested. The Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee further recommended that consideration of a grant from the Mynarski Ward allocation be laid over until the next Community Committee meeting scheduled for March 7, 2000.

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On February 15, 2000, the City Centre Community Committee recommended approval of a Community Incentive Grant to the Philippine-Canadian Centre of Manitoba Inc., in the amount of $35,000.00; $10,000.00 of which is to be funded from the Fort Rouge Ward allocation and $25,000.00 of which is to be funded from the Daniel McIntyre Ward allocation. The City Centre Community Committee also recommended that $10,000.00, be allocated from the River Heights Ward as a first charge from their 2001 Ward allocation.

On February 15, 2000, the Riel Community Committee received the application for a Community Incentive Grant, as information.

On February 15, 2000, the Assiniboia Community Committee denied the application for a Community Incentive Grant, inasmuch as the request does not meet the eligibility criteria set out in the Community Incentive Grant Program.

On February 17, 2000, the East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee denied the application for a Community Incentive Grant.

On March 7, 2000, the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee reconsidered the Community Incentive Grant application and laid the matter over until the next Community Committee meeting scheduled for April 11, 2000.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services concurred in the recommendations of the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan and City Centre Community Committees, and recommends:

I. That the following eligibility criteria for the Community Incentive Grant Program, be waived in this instance, namely: -

   a) The organization is to be a non-profit community recreation and sport organization or a non-profit organization offering recreational services, and

   b) The project is to make a significant contribution to the long-term benefit of the community-at-large in terms of improved facilities.

II. That Community Incentive Grants from the following Community Committees be allocated as follows, namely: -

   a) $45,000.00 from the City Centre Community Committee ($10,000.00 of which is a first charge against the 2001 Ward allocation);

   b) $50,000.00 from the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee, and

   c) That the Community Incentive Grant, not to exceed a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the total project cost, be approved to the Philippine-Canadian Centre of Manitoba Inc., for the purpose requested, subject to the following conditions:

      i) Confirmation of other funding sources;

      ii) Approval of final plans and specifications for the project by the Director; and

      iii) The applicant entering into a formal agreement with the City of Winnipeg.

III. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Adopted by consent.

(See Minute No. 529 for opposition recorded by Councillors Clement and Eadie)

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Community Incentive Grant Application - Murdoch Mackay Millennium Landscape Committee File PR-2.6(33) (Vol. 8)

533 - 4. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has been advised that the East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee, at its meeting on March 21, 2000, considered an application from the Murdoch Mackay Millennium Landscape Committee for a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $15,000.00, to assist with the cost of landscaping and the construction of canopies, located at the Murdoch McKay Collegiate schoolgrounds.

The application does not meet the eligibility criteria contained in the Community Incentive Grant Program.

The East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee recommended approval of a Community Incentive Grant to the Murdoch Mackay Millennium Landscape Committee in the amount of $15,000.00, for the purpose requested and also recommended that all eligibility criteria be waived in this instance.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services concurred in the recommendation of the East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee, and recommends:

I. That the following eligibility criteria for the Community Incentive Grant Program, be waived in this instance, namely: -

a) The organization is to be a non-profit community recreation and sport organization or a non-profit organization offering recreational services;

b) The project is to make a significant contribution to the long-term benefit of the community-at-large in terms of improved facilities;

c) The project is not to compete with or duplicate other community facilities;

d) The project is to benefit the community-at-large and remain accessible to all members of the community;

e) The application does not include confirmation of sufficient resources to maintain and operate completed projects;

f) The project is to clearly articulate a plan of activities including projected work schedules, material, labour, equipment and other project requirements and lead to the completion of a substantial physical product, and

g) The project is feasible within the project management capabilities of the applicant.

II. That a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $15,000.00 be approved to the Murdoch Mackay Millennium Landscape Committee for the purpose requested, subject to the following conditions:

a) Approval of final plans and specifications for the project by the City of Winnipeg, and

b) The applicant entering into a formal agreement with the City of Winnipeg.

III. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Adopted by consent.

(See Minute No. 529 for opposition recorded by Councillors Clement and Eadie)

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Community Incentive Grant Application - Corydon Avenue Business Improvement Zone File PR-2.6(32) (Vol. 7)

534 - 5. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has been advised that the City Centre Community Committee, at its meeting on March 21, 2000, considered an application from the Corydon Avenue Business Improvement Zone for a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $2,137.50, to assist with the cost of installing benches on Corydon Avenue (between Harrow Street and Pembina Highway) and Lilac Street.

The application does not meet the eligibility criteria contained in the Community Incentive Grant Program.

The City Centre Community Committee recommended approval of a Community Incentive Grant to the Corydon Avenue Business Improvement Zone in the amount of $2,137.50, for the purpose requested.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services concurred in the recommendation of the City Centre Community Committee, and recommends:

I. That the following eligibility criteria for the Community Incentive Grant Program, be waived in this instance, namely: -

a) The organization is a non-profit community recreation and sport organization or is a non-profit organization offering recreational services, and

b) The project is to make a significant contribution to the long-term benefit of the community-at-large in terms of improved facilities.

II. That a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $2,137.50, not to exceed a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the total project cost, be approved to the Corydon Avenue Business Improvement Zone for the purpose requested, subject to the following conditions:

a) Confirmation of other funding sources;

b) Approval of final plans and specifications for the project by the Director; and

c) The applicant entering into a formal agreement with the City of Winnipeg.

III. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Adopted by consent.

Community Incentive Grant Application - Portage Avenue Mennonite Brethren Church File PR-2.6(32) (Vol. 7)

535 - 6. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has been advised that the City Centre Community Committee, at its meeting on March 21, 2000, considered an application from the Portage Avenue Mennonite Brethren Church for a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $6,000.00, to assist with the cost of Kick Start 2000, a Drop-In Centre.

The application does not meet the eligibility criteria contained in the Community Incentive Grant Program.
The City Centre Community Committee recommended approval of a Community Incentive Grant to the Portage Avenue Mennonite Brethren Church in the amount of $5,000.00, for the purpose requested.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services concurred in the recommendation of the City Centre Community Committee, and recommends:

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I. That the following eligibility criteria for the Community Incentive Grant Program, be waived in this instance, namely: -

a) The project is to make a significant contribution to the long-term benefit of the community-at-large in terms of improved facilities;

b) The project is not to compete with or duplicate other community facilities;

c) The project clearly articulates a plan of activities including projected work schedules, material, labour, equipment and other project requirements and leads to the completion of a substantial physical project, and

d) Total project funding is not confirmed.

II. That a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $5,000.00, not to exceed a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the total project cost, be approved to the Portage Avenue Mennonite Brethren Church for the purpose requested, subject to the following conditions:

a) Confirmation of other funding sources;

b) Approval of final plans and specifications for the project by the Director; and

c) The applicant entering into a formal agreement with the City of Winnipeg.

III. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Adopted by consent.

(See Minute No. 529 for opposition recorded by Councillors Clement and Eadie)

Community Incentive Grant Application - Grosvenor Square Business Improvement Zone File PR-2.6(32) (Vol. 7)

536 - *Note: Clause 7 has been laid over by the Executive Policy Committee.*

Laid over by the Executive Policy Committee

Community Incentive Grant Application - Brock-Corydon School File PR-2.6(32) (Vol. .7)

537 - 8. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services, at their meeting on April 10, 2000, considered an application from Brock-Corydon School for a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $15,000.00, to assist with the cost of the school library resource centre, located at 1510 Corydon Avenue.

The application does not meet the eligibility criteria contained in the Community Incentive Grant Program.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services recommended approval of a Community Incentive Grant to Brock-Corydon School in the amount of $15,000.00, for the purpose requested.

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The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services recommends:

I. That the following eligibility criteria for the Community Incentive Grant Program, be waived in this instance, namely:-

a) The organization is to be a non-profit community recreation and sport organization or a non-profit organization offering recreational services;

b) The project is to make a significant contribution to the long-term benefit of the community-at-large in terms of improved facilities;

c) The project is not to compete with or duplicate other community facilities;

d) The project is to benefit the community-at-large and remain accessible to all members of the community, and

e) The project is to clearly articulate a plan of activities including projected work schedules, material, labour, equipment and other project requirements and lead to the completion of a substantial physical product.

II. That a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $15,000.00, not to exceed a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the total project cost, be approved to the Brock-Corydon School for the purpose requested, subject to the following conditions:

a) Confirmation of other funding sources;

b) Approval of final plans and specifications for the project by the Director; and

c) The applicant entering into a formal agreement with the City of Winnipeg.

III. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Adopted by consent.

(See Minute No. 529 for opposition recorded by Councillors Clement and Eadie)

Corporate Sponsorship for Winnipeg Public Library Membership Cards
File L-1 (Vol. 16)

538 - 9. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has been advised that on December 15, 1993, Council adopted Clause 8 of the Report of the Committee on Planning and Community Services dated November 23, 1993. This report established fundraising guidelines for the Library (Policy C389) that includes soliciting corporate sponsorship and the use of corporate logos.

In 1999, the Administrative Coordinator of Support Services (Public), working with a local firm, designed a new library card and logo for the Library Services Division. The final design was approved by the Library Administration with input from staff and the Winnipeg Public Library Board, as outlined on Schedule “A”.

The newly designed membership card includes the library’s website address, a library logo, a library hours telephone number and a library material renewal telephone number. Also, as the new design is fully bilingual, it eliminates the need for separate print runs for French and English cards.

In an effort to help reduce/offset increased library operating costs, the Library Services Division of the Community Services Department began researching corporate sponsorship for library membership cards. Other Library systems, including Vancouver Public Library and Thunder Bay Public Library, have been successful in obtaining corporate sponsorship for their cards.

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The Library Services Division plans to approach targeted organizations with the intent of generating interest in a subsequent Request for Proposal. The RFP would ask for proposals for a corporate logo to be included on approximately 300,000 membership cards. The sponsorship would cover a 3 or 5 year period.

This would allow the Library Services Division to replace all existing library membership cards as well as provide cards for new members and ongoing replacements. The approximate cost of these cards is $200.00 per thousand, or $60,000.00 for 300,000 cards. Any funds, over and above the cost of the cards, obtained through the sponsorship, would be placed into the Library Technology Reserve Fund.

The Library Services Division anticipates saving approximately $8,000.00 annually in purchasing costs for new membership cards over the 3 or 5 year term of the sponsorship.

If there is no successful award of sponsorship, the Library Services Division will print a smaller quantity of the newly designed membership cards. However, these cards will be used only for new members and replacement of lost cards. They would be purchased from existing operating funds.

Council approval is required for directing surplus revenue to the Library Reserve Fund on this corporate sponsorship initiative.

Financial Impact:

A three to five year agreement is being sought for sponsorship of library cards. It is assumed that 300,000 would be produced in the first year, which would be sufficient to meet the needs of the Library Services Division for new and replacement cards for the minimum three year term of the agreement. This would save the Division the $8,000 annual expense of purchasing cards as the sponsor is expected to pay the $60,000 production cost.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services recommends:

I. That the Community Services Department, Library Services Division, solicit corporate sponsorship for its library membership cards, and include a corporate logo on the cards.

II. That the revenue generated from this corporate sponsorship be used to recover the costs of producing new library membership cards; and that any surplus revenue be directed to the library reserve fund.

III. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to effect the intent of the foregoing.

A copy of the Financial Statement is on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

Adopted by consent.

Assiniboine Park Enterprise
File PR-7.1 (Vol. 10)

539 - 10. Assiniboine Park is one of the most important community assets owned by the City as it is not only the premiere regional park in the City (known also as “City Park”), but also includes such attractions as the Assiniboine Park Zoo, Conservatory, and English Gardens. In addition, it has evolved as of late to include a number of non-profit organizations establishing and operating new amenities within the Park which has acted to enhance the value of the Park as a whole.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has been advised that the Park has now evolved to a point where it is being conceptualized as a major urban destination. With the addition of the Pavilion Gallery and Restaurant, Lyric Bandshell, and the proposed establishment of a Butterfly House as a first phase of a system of Botanic Gardens by the Friends of the Conservatory, it is felt that there may be enough of a critical mass within the Park to treat it as a destination.

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There are two aspects to this concept. Firstly, there is the notion of a greatly enhanced asset for the community. Secondly, there is the potential for the Park to significantly contribute to the City and region as an economic development generator. Gate surveys at the Zoo in the summer of 1998 indicated that just under fifty (50%) per cent of Zoo visitors are from outside of the City. In addition, representatives of the newly-established Pavilion Gallery indicate that their collections are of national interest in the arts community, and, if established, a Butterfly House would represent a proven tourist attraction.

The concept of Assiniboine Park as a destination includes not only the Park itself and those elements presently within it (Zoo, Conservatory, Pavilion Gallery and Restaurant, English Gardens, Formal Gardens, Lyric Bandshell, and Open and Recreation Spaces), but also adjacent assets, including the Assiniboine Forest.

Maximizing the value of the Park as both a community and economic asset requires coordinated planning and management. It also requires that all operational elements of the Park be under the control of a single administrator so that it can more properly be managed as a business unit. Presently, there are a number of service areas responsible for service delivery in the Park, with the major ones being as follows:

Assiniboine Park Zoo (Community Services/Cultural Amenities)
Assiniboine Park Conservatory (Community Services/Cultural Amenities)
Park Maintenance and Event Management (Public Works/Parks and Open Space)

In addition, support services are provided by other divisions of both departments in terms of facilities and vehicle maintenance and events bookings.

In mid-1998, the Community Services Department began to bring together all of the stakeholders and municipal service areas operating within the Park to form an informal coordinating team. In the first instance, the intent was to coordinate the activities of all parties involved. In the longer term, it was proposed that this form the ground-work for moving towards a more appropriate management structure for the Park.

The Administration is now recommending that the City begin to move toward a structure under which Assiniboine Park can be managed as a business unit as outlined in Schedule "A". Initially, this will consist of renaming the Cultural Amenities and Services Division of the Community Services Department as the Assiniboine Park Enterprise and re-aligning those functions presently provided by the Parks and Open Space Division of the Public Works Department related to maintenance, operation, and event support within Assiniboine Park under it. However, it is recommended at this time, that maintenance services still be provided by Public Works on a "buy-back" basis.

Presently, Cultural Amenities has responsibility for the large majority of civic expenditures within the Park through the Zoo and Conservatory and related garden maintenance functions. With the impending re-alignment of Golf Course operations to the Planning, Property and Development Department, and the re-alignment of Municipal Cemetery Operations as proposed herein, this division will represent a tightly-focused mandate relative to the Park, having direct responsibility for the Zoo, the Conservatory and related functions, City Naturalist Services (responsible for, among other things, maintenance of Assiniboine Forest), and Park maintenance, operations, and events support functions.

The Division will focus on the following areas:

- detail out those activities that will be necessary to operationalize Assiniboine Park as a business unit;
- undertake longer range physical and financial planning for the Park as a whole;
- continue ongoing business planning regarding the discrete components of the Park (i.e., Assiniboine Park Zoo and Conservatory).

As the business planning for each of the component areas unfolds, it will then be possible to ensure that it is operationally, financially and organizationally consistent with the larger Park framework.

The re-focused Division will also provide critically necessary cohesiveness and vision regarding future directions of the Park for those stakeholders presently operating within it on a relatively independent basis.

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Of final note, the Cultural Amenities and Services Division presently has some very limited responsibilities in terms of providing some support services in a small number of discrete areas, including civic museums, riverbank management, and special events. These responsibilities will be reviewed in order to identify those which will be consistent with the Division's focus on Assiniboine Park and those which should be transferred to a more appropriate service area.

On April 4, 2000, the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development considered the same report and laid the matter over to the meeting scheduled for May 2, 2000.

As the initial establishment of the Assiniboine Park Enterprise consists of re-aligning existing service areas there is no incremental financial impact.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services recommends:

I. That the Cultural Amenities and Services Division of the Community Services Department be re-named the Assiniboine Park Enterprise.

II. That budgets for those functions presently provided by the Parks and Open Space Division of the Public Works Department related to maintenance, operation, and event support within Assiniboine Park be immediately re-aligned under this re-named division, with service provision still the responsibility of the Public Works Department.

III. That Municipal Cemetery Operations presently the responsibility of the Cultural Amenities and Services Division of the Community Services Department be immediately re-aligned under the Planning, Property and Development Department.

IV. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to effect the intent of the foregoing.

Adopted by consent.

(See Minute No. 564 for attachment)

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CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

540 - On motion of Councillor Vandal, 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. 7608/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend the Amusement Tax By-law No. 3107/81. File FL-6 (Vol. 21)

By-law No. 7609/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend various by-laws to delete references to the Medical Officer of Health. File EH-1 (Vol. 20)

On motion of Councillor Vandal, the rule was suspended and By-law No. 7631/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 7100/97, being The City Organization By-law, was read a first, second and third time, the rule being suspended for the third reading, and was passed and ordered to be signed and sealed. File PR-7.1 (Vol. 10)