REPORT OF THE

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

DATED MARCH 1, 2000

On motion of His Worship Mayor Murray, the Report of the Executive Policy Committee, dated March 1, 2000, was considered clause by clause.

Moved by His Worship Mayor Murray,
That the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,2 and 3 be adopted.

Carried.

Mosaic Market Business Improvement Zone - Amendment to Membership of the Board File FL-7.10 (Vol. 3)

420 - 1. On November 17, 1993, Council adopted By-law No. 6220/93, being a By-law of The City of Winnipeg to designate a Business Improvement Zone to be known as the North Main Business Improvement Zone and to establish a Management Board for the Zone. Council on January 26, 2000 adopted Clause 11 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated January 19, 2000 changing the name to the Mosaic Market Business Improvement Zone.

Subsection 6. (1) of the By-law stipulated that the Board shall consist of eight (8) members who shall be appointed by resolution of Council. On March 24, 1999, Council passed By-law No. 7418/99 amending the Board Membership as outlined in Subsection 6 (1), to ten (10) members.

On March 1, 2000, the Executive Policy Committee considered a request from the Mosaic Market Business Improvement Zone to change the number of Board Members to seven (7) members.

The Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services be requested to prepare the necessary by-law amendment to change the Board Membership to seven (7) members.

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.

Expenditure from Land Dedication Reserve Fund - Tuxedo Tennis Club - Assiniboia Community File EP-2 (Vol. 26)

421 - 2. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that the Assiniboia Community Committee has concurred in the allocation of $6,000.00 from the Assiniboia Land Dedication Reserve Fund to assist with the costs associated with improvements to the Tuxedo Tennis Club, located at 370 Southport Boulevard.

The Executive Policy Committee concurs with the above and recommends that funds in the amount of $6,000.00 be approved from the Assiniboia Community Committee Land Dedication Reserve Fund for the project.

Adopted by consent.

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Expenditure from Land Dedication Reserve Fund - St. James Assiniboia Minor Baseball Association Inc. - Assiniboia Community

File EP-2 (Vol. 26)

422 - 3. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that the Assiniboia Community Committee has concurred in the allocation of $66,000.00 from the Assiniboia Land Dedication Reserve Fund to assist with the cost of funding Phase IV of the Optimist Park Baseball Facility “Field of Dreams”.

The Executive Policy Committee concurs with the above and recommends that funds in the amount of $66,000.00 be approved from the Assiniboia Community Committee Land Dedication Reserve Fund for the project.

Adopted by consent.

REPORT "A" OF THE

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

DATED MARCH 8, 2000

On motion of His Worship Mayor Murray, Report "A" of the Executive Policy Committee, dated March 8, 2000, was considered clause by clause.

Moved by His Worship Mayor Murray,
That the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1 and 2 be adopted.

Councillor Prystanski requested that Clause 2 be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

The motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, Clause 1, was put and declared carried.

Amendment to the Program Authorizations for Winnipeg Development Agreement Programs 11: Downtown Revitalization and 12A: Riverbank Development
Files FR-3.2 (PA-11) (Vol. 4)
FR-3.2(PA-12) (Vol. 1)

423 - 1. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that the Winnipeg Development Agreement was signed into effect on March 10, 1995 by the City of Winnipeg, Province of Manitoba and the Government of Canada. All WDA programs are guided by a program authorization (PA), which directs the implementation of the program. One component of the PA outlines the date of which the activities of the program are to be completed by. As stipulated in the Agreement (s. 2.2), no program completion date shall extend beyond September 30, 2001.

The program authorizations for these two programs were originally approved by City Council in 1995, amendments to the programs would require the approval by Council. The two amendments are also subject to the approval of the WDA Policy Committee for tri-lateral consent.

The completion date for all City WDA programs, with the exception of Programs 11 and 12A, is September 31, 2001. Programs 11 and 12A have completion dates of March 31, 2000. The program managers have indicated that additional time will be required to complete the implementation of their respective programs.

Program 11: Downtown Revitalization is entering into the final implementation stage. All funding (less $107,000 as allocated to the Portage Avenue Investment Fund) has been committed to projects. The activities of a number of projects within the program will not be completed by March 31, 2000. Program 12A: Riverbank Development is awaiting final approval of the North Winnipeg Parkway project. It is anticipated that this project will utilize all remaining funds in the program (approximately $1.2 million). The construction of the parkway will continue through the year 2000 and into 2001. Both programs will require an extension to the completion date to September 30, 2001, to meet the financial obligations of the Agreement.

There are no financial implications related to this request.

The Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That the amendment to the program authorizations for WDA Programs 11: Downtown Revitalization and 12A: Riverbank Development, extending the completion dates to September 30, 2001, be approved;

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.

Report "A" of the Executive Policy Committee dated March 8, 2000

Grant to reimburse Veterans' Associations for 1995 School Taxes and 1996 School and Municipal Property Taxes
Files FL-2.5 (Vol. 11) and FE(2000-2002)

424 - 2. On October 20, 1999, Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Executive Policy Committee, under Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law No. 5400/90:

Moved by Councillor Prystanski,
Seconded by Councillor Smith,

WHEREAS on September 29, 1998, Council referred to the Executive Policy Committee a motion requesting the rebate of tax money wrongfully collected from veterans' associations in the 1996 tax year;

AND WHEREAS the Executive Policy Committee, then Council, chose to deny the requested rebate;

AND WHEREAS companion notes on the administrative reports of October 6 and November 10, 1998 have not been read and supporting affidavits and actions have been filed that completely refute the administrative reports;

AND WHEREAS, in due course, the information now assembled has placed on Council an onus to provide a political solution to the undertaking given by Mr. Brent Gillen for the rebate of 1995 school tax and 1996 school and municipal property tax;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council provide a grant to reimburse those veterans' associations that were in appeal under Section 13(1)(c)(ii) and Section 13(2) of the Municipal Assessment Act for 1995 school tax and 1996 school and municipal property tax.

On October 27, 1999, the Executive Policy Committee referred the matter to the Current Budget deliberations.

Inasmuch as the Executive Policy Committee, on March 8, 2000, finalized its recommendations with respect to the 2000-2002 Current Estimates, the Executive Policy Committee recommends that the motion be filed.

Moved by His Worship Mayor Murray,
That the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, that the clause be filed, be adopted.

Moved by Councillor Prystanski,
That the clause be referred back to the Executive Policy Committee.

The motion to refer the clause was put.

Councillor Prystanski called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:-

Yea: Councillors Lazarenko, Golden, Prystanski, Timm-Rudolph and O'Shaughnessy. 5

Nay: Councillors Clement, De Smedt, Gerbasi, Lubosch, Smith, Steek, Deputy Mayor Thomas, Vandal, Eadie and His Worship Mayor Murray. 10

and the motion to refer the clause back to the Executive Policy Committee was declared lost.

The Speaker called the Deputy Speaker, Councillor Lazarenko, to the Chair and left the Chamber.

The recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, that the clause be filed, was put.

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Councillor Timm-Rudolph called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:-

Yea: Councillors Clement, De Smedt, Gerbasi, Lubosch, Smith, Deputy Mayor Thomas, Vandal, Eadie and His Worship Mayor Murray. 9

Nay: Councillors Golden, Prystanski, Steek, Timm-Rudolph and Lazarenko. 5

and the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, that the clause be filed, was declared carried.

REPORT OF THE

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

DATED MARCH 14, 2000

On motion of His Worship Mayor Murray, the Report of the Executive Policy Committee, dated March 14, 2000, was considered clause by clause.

Moved by His Worship Mayor Murray,
That the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 and 9 be adopted.

Councillor Timm-Rudolph requested that Clause 2 be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Councillor Prystanski requested that Clause 9 be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

The motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,3,4,5,6,7 and 8 was put and declared carried.

Pan Am Games Legacy Fund
File GC-8.9 (Vol. 7)

425 - 1. On February 22, 1995, Council approved the Pan Am Games Agreement (the Funding Agreement) which included provisions for the disbursement of surplus funds from the Games.

On March 25, 1998, Council approved an amendment to the Pan Am Games Agreement which in part further defined terms and conditions for the disbursement of surplus funds from the Games.

The Pan Am Games funding agreement stated that a trust would be established to direct and manage the legacy fund of the Games. The subsequent amending agreement directed that 50% of the surplus would be returned equally to the Federal and Provincial Governments in consideration of the additional funding they provided to the operation of the Games and that the remaining 50% be directed to a Legacy Fund. The agreement further stated that a Trust was to be established to manage the Legacy Fund and that the objective of the Fund was to support the activities of the National Sports Center - Manitoba.

It has been established that the 1999 Pan Am Games have generated a net surplus on its operations. As per terms of the funding and amending agreements, 50% of the surplus will be directed to the Federal and Provincial Governments. The Pan Am Games Society has recommended that the remaining 50% be turned over via agreement to The Winnipeg Foundation to manage and disburse in accordance with the terms of the amending agreement, that is, in support of the National Sports Center - Manitoba.

In that the amending agreement states that a Trust is to be established with representation from each of the funding partners and the Canadian Olympic Association (COA) to manage the legacy fund and the Pan Am Society is recommending a variation, Council approval is required.

The recommendation of the Pan Am Society that The Winnipeg Foundation manage the legacy fund is reasonable in that the Foundation has national credibility, the understanding and trust of the local community and the infrastructure in place to immediately accept, invest, manage and administer the fund. This will save all concerned parties the time, effort and cost of creating a new trust solely for the purpose of administering this fund.

The draft agreement proposed by the Pan Am Society contains an item (#7) that deals with the status of the fund in the event that the National Sports Center - Manitoba ceases to exist. It suggests that the net income earned after that date be directed to " . . .such charitable organization or organizations selected by the Foundation with purposes, aims and objectives similar to those intended by the establishing of this fund, or if no such charitable organization then exists, to such other charitable organization as the Foundation may in its discretion select." It is recommended that this item be changed to have the funds directed specifically to amateur sport in Manitoba, the purpose for which it was originally intended, should the National Sports Center - Manitoba for any reason cease to exist in its present form.

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The National Sports Center - Manitoba presently has representation on its Board from the Canadian Olympic Association, Government of Canada (through Sport Canada), and the Government of Manitoba (through Sport Manitoba). It is recommended that the City of Winnipeg be granted the option of having representation on the Sports Center Board for the purpose of having input into the use of the legacy funds. Equally important, the City should be an active participant and partner in the support of amateur athletes in this province given the important role we play in the developmental continuum most notably at the entry level and in the area of facility development and operation.

There is no financial impact associated with the recommendations of this report.

Council approved the funding agreement for the Pan Am Games and a subsequent amendment to that agreement. Any further amendment to the terms and conditions of those agreements require the approval of Council.

The Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That the City of Winnipeg support the recommendation of the Pan American Games Society (Wpg. 1999) Inc. to establish a fund with The Winnipeg Foundation to manage and disburse a portion of the surplus from the 1999 Pan Am Games substantially in the form as outlined in the draft agreement outlined on Schedule "A" subject to:

a) clause 7 of the subject agreement being amended to ensure that should the National Sports Center - Manitoba cease to exist, earned income after that date be directed to benefit amateur sport in Manitoba; and

b) The National Sports Center - Manitoba agreeing to allow the City of Winnipeg to name a representative to their Board.

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

Copy of attachment referred to in the above clause is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted by consent.

CentreVenture Funding
File EP-1.2.3 (Vol. 2)

426 - 2. On May 13, 1999, Council amended and adopted the CentreVenture - Downtown Revitalization Report and its companion, CentreVenture: A New Approach to Downtown Revitalization Report, dated May 5, 1999. Council endorsed the creation of CentreVenture Development Corporation to provide leadership in creating and sustaining business opportunities and economic growth in downtown Winnipeg.

On July 9, 1999, CentreVenture Development Corporation was duly incorporated under the laws of the Province of Manitoba.

On September 20, 1999, the City provided a workshop and tabled the preliminary draft of Plan Winnipeg … 2020 Vision for review and consideration. This document identifies a "downtown first" philosophy as the number one priority for the City of Winnipeg.

Also on September 20, 1999, CentreVenture Corporation presented a workshop for all members of Council and tabled its Preliminary Draft Business Plan.

On September 24, 1999, the CentreVenture Board adopted their Start-Up Business Plan for final submission to a special September 29, 1999 Council Meeting.

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On September 29, 1999, Council adopted, among other things:

> "That Council approve a total of $3 million in endowment funding for the CentreVenture Development Bank, as well as an annual operation grant of $250,000 for the years 2000 through 2002 inclusive, subject to:
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> A) shareholder agreement to re-allocate $1.3 million in WDA program funds in 1999, to the CentreVenture Development Bank's endowment fund;
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> B) budget approval for a $1.7 million endowment payment in the year 2000, the source of which is to be determined within the budget process;
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> C) budget approval for annual operating grant payments of $250,000 for each of the years 2000, 2001, and 2002, to be identified as line items within the respective current budgets, and;
>
> D) the signing of a contribution agreement between the City and CentreVenture, to be finalized by the Executive Policy Committee."

On December 15, 1999, Council directed that $300,000 from Winnipeg Development Agreement - Downtown Revitalization Program 11 be provided to CentreVenture Development Corporation as an initial contribution to the Development Bank. This funding was disbursed to CentreVenture via separate agreement prior to December 31, 1999.

Also on December 15, 1999, Council confirmed that $1.7 million, identified as an over-expenditure to be charged to the 1999 operations (as previously approved by the Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues on December 7, 1999), be made as payment for the year 2000 endowment funding for the CentreVenture Development Bank.

On January 12, 2000, the Executive Policy Committee approved the CentreVenture Contribution Agreement.

On February 7, 2000, the Director of Corporate Finance issued the 1999 Unaudited Year-End Results, which included provision for a $1.0 million increase in expenses representing Council's commitment to fund CentreVenture's Development Bank's endowment fund.

On September 29, 1999, Council approved a total of $3.0 million in endowment funding for the CentreVenture Development Bank. On December 15, 1999, the City of Winnipeg re-allocated only $300,000 of a proposed $1.3 million from WDA program funding. All remaining WDA funds are required for their program purposes.

The $1.0 million short-fall from Council's commitment to CentreVenture has therefore been identified as an increase in expenses within the 1999 Year-End Results. This proposed $1.0 million payment for CentreVenture's Development Bank will fulfill Council's $3.0 million total commitment to the CentreVenture Development Bank, and is therefore recommended for approval. No further re-allocation from the WDA program will be necessary to meet Council's intent.

The funding identified herein was previously approved by Council on September 29, 1999. As such, there is no financial impact.

Although the total amount of funding identified herein was originally approved by Council, the source for a portion of the funds for the CentreVenture Development Bank has been changed, and therefore requires Council endorsement.

The Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That the City of Winnipeg waive the requirement for an additional $1.0 million of re-allocated funding from the Winnipeg Development Agreement, and approve the payment of $1.0 million from the City of Winnipeg General Revenue Fund to the CentreVenture Development Bank.

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

Moved by His Worship Mayor Murray,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Councillor Timm-Rudolph asked to be recorded as having voted against the clause, in accordance with Rule 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

Award of Contract for Banking Services for the City of Winnipeg RFP No. 1664-99 File GL-9 (Vol. 14)

427 - 3. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that the Bank of Montreal has been the City's principal Banker since January 1, 1995. The City and the Bank of Montreal had the mutual option to extend the contract for a further five years. The Bank of Montreal declined to exercise the option primarily due to compensation considerations. The Bank submitted a revised contract extension offer to the City in January. The offer effectively tripled the City's banking fees. After carefully considering the options available, a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Banking Services was released to the Financial Institutions in late January.

The RFP for Banking Services was issued to the Bank of Montreal, Bank of Nova Scotia, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Royal Bank of Canada, Toronto-Dominion Bank, Assiniboine Credit Union, Astra Credit Union and Cambrian Credit Union. The submission deadline was February 14, 2000 and proposals were received from the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce and the Royal Bank of Canada.

The RFP specified core-banking services would be awarded as a package and certain other value added services might be awarded individually. Our objective was not to preclude proposals for certain services from Financial Institutions that were not capable of providing comprehensive service delivery.

The Royal Bank's proposal was in accordance with the requirements of the Request for Proposal. The proposal submitted by the CIBC should be determined to be non-responsive due to their failure to complete the RFP cover page. The completion of the cover page is a mandatory requirement. It contains the formal offer to perform the work, incorporates the RFP into the proposal and makes the proposal irrevocable for a specified period of time. The proposal submitted by CIBC contains an offer to perform the work irrevocable for 90 days but does not contain a statement incorporating the terms and conditions of the RFP. Those terms and conditions are fundamental to the eventual contract.

The Royal Bank has an excellent reputation in the local banking community and was the City's principal banker prior to the Bank of Montreal. They provide banking services to other municipal and provincial governments whose requirements are similar in nature, scope and value. The Royal Bank has demonstrated that they have the necessary qualifications and resources to meet the requirements of the Contract for Banking Services. Our evaluation was based on the criteria as outlined below:

1. Conformance with mandatory requirements;
2. Qualifications of the offeror;
3. Demonstrated ability to provide banking services to the City of Winnipeg as evidenced by the proposed submission, during interviews or in the course of client references;
4. Willingness to work with the City of Winnipeg in the provision of innovative solutions to achieve our Corporate Mission of providing constant improvement in the quality of service to citizens;
5. Experience of the individuals assigned to our account;
6. Appropriateness and quality of the banking arrangements proposed;
7. Anticipated timeliness of service delivery;
8. Presence in the City of Winnipeg;
9. Cost of services; and
10. The City of Winnipeg's administrative cost.

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The offer is valid for acceptance until they receive a written response from the City.

There was an option in the RFP to renew the contract for up to two additional three year periods, subject to mutual agreement as to compensation. The Royal Bank has acknowledged this option in their proposal.

The cost of banking services is estimated to average $30,000 a month or $360,000 annually. Funding for the Banking Services Contract is provided through the Financial Services Division's budget and has been incorporated within the three-year business plan. A financial impact statement is outlined on Schedule "A".

Only Council can approve an award of Contract when the contract commits the City to an expenditure where there are not sufficient funds in a budget approved by Council.

The Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That the proposal submitted by Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC), be determined to be non-responsive.

II. That the contract for Banking Services for the period of May 1, 2000 to March 31, 2003 be awarded to the Royal Bank of Canada who submitted the Proposal determined to be most advantageous to the City, on the basis of Sections A, B and C, for the total estimated amount of $1,080,000 which equates to $360,000 annually.

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

Copy of attachment referred to in the above clause is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted by consent.

Date of Tax Sale Number 105
File FL-2.4 (Vol. 15)

428 - 4. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that Section 230(1) of The City of Winnipeg Act requires a resolution of Council to initiate Tax Sale proceedings. The Chief Financial Officer has forwarded the recommendations as outlined herein.

The Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That the next City of Winnipeg Tax Sale (Tax Sale No. 105) be held November 20, 2000, for lands which are in arrears of taxes for any part of 1998, plus 1999 and 2000.

II. That all lands included in Tax Sale be advertised and sold in accordance with the applicable sections of The City of Winnipeg Act and that the City of Winnipeg exercise its prior right to purchase the property sold in Tax Sale in accordance with Section 235(5) of said Act.

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

Adopted by consent.

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Business Improvement Zones - Proposed Program, Zone Levy and Budget Estimates - 2000 Files FL-7 (Vol. 5), FE (2000-2002) (Vol. 1)

429 - 5. The City of Winnipeg Act S.M. 1989-90, c.10 Subsection 200(8) and Subsection 200(6) states the following:

"Approval of estimates.
200(8) Subject to Subsection (6), Council may pass a By-law approving all or part of the Board's proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates and, upon that approval, may direct the payment to the Board or on behalf of the Board of an amount not exceeding the amount approved.

Notice of Objection.
200(6) The board's proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates shall not be forwarded to council if the committee of council receives written notice of objection on or before the date specified under Subsection 200(5)(b) from at least 1/3 of the businesses in the zone that represent at least 1/3 of the total business assessment in the zone.

The details and the relevant dates in the annual budget process for the sixteen established Business Improvement Zones are outlined on Schedule "B". Save for the Grosvenor Square BIZ, the process followed by the remaining 15 BIZ's fully complies with the requirements of The City of Winnipeg Act and the respective by-laws of each Zone. Moreover, Council, on January 26 and February 23, 2000 adopted the Executive Policy Committee's recommendation for each Zone's proposed 2000 program, zone levy and budget estimates.

Council is precluded from considering the Grosvenor Square BIZ 2000 program, zone levy and budget estimates as the City Treasurer has certified that the notices of objection from more than 1/3 of the businesses in the zone that represent more than 1/3 of the total business assessment in the zone were received by the prescribed in s. 200(6).

Schedule "C" illustrates the 1999 to 2000 comparison of the budget, zone levy, annual rental value (A.R.V.) and zone levy rates for each of the 16 Business Improvement Zones.

As the Business Improvement Zones have complied with both the legislation and their individual by-laws governing the budget processes, it is now left to Council to pass a by-law approving all or part of the Board's proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates.

The Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That the 16 by-laws approving the Business Improvement Zone's Management Board's programs, zone levies and budget estimates be passed by Council and to impose the 2000 Zone levy for each of the Zones.

II. That the zone levy rates, as outlined on Schedule "A", be applied to the annual rental value (A.R.V.) of individual properties in each listed zone.

III. That Council direct the City Treasurer to make payment to the Board in each zone in accordance with the following schedule:

(a) 75% of the approved budget on June 30;
(b) 15% of the approved budget on August 31;
(c) 10% of the approved budget on October 31.

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

Copy of attachments referred to in the above clause are on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted by consent.

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Cultural Policy Review
Files FL-6 (Vol. 20) and FG-3 (Vol. 38)

430 - 6. On December 8, 1999, the Executive Policy Committee laid over Clause 3 of the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services dated November 29, 1999, with respect to the referenced matter, for up to 90 days..

In accordance with Section 61.5 of the Procedure By-law No. 5400/94 as amended, the Executive Policy Committee recommends that Council grant an extension of time of 60 days for consideration of the matter.

Adopted by consent.

Evaluation of Alternative Roadway Networks Connecting the Provencher Bridge and Main Street
File DAZ 215/99 (Vol. 3)

431 - 7. On January 19, 2000, the Executive Policy Committee laid over Clause 3 of the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works dated January 11, 2000, with respect to the referenced matter.

On February 23, 2000, Council approved a 30 day extension of time for consideration of the matter.

In accordance with Section 61.5 of the Procedure By-law No. 5400/94 as amended, the Executive Policy Committee recommends that Council grant a further extension of time of 30 days for consideration of the matter.

Adopted by consent.

Proposed Amendment to the Richmond West Development Agreement AG 44/74 - Ladco Company Limited - Riel Community
File DASZ 44/74

432 - 8. On December 8, 1999, the Executive Policy Committee laid over Clause 2 of the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development dated November 23, 1999, with respect to the referenced matter.

On January 26, 2000, Council approved a 60 day extension of time for consideration of the matter.

In accordance with Section 61.5 of the Procedure By-law No. 5400/94 as amended, the Executive Policy Committee recommends that Council grant a further extension of time of 90 days for further consideration of the matter.

Adopted by consent.

Draft Housing Implementation Framework
File EX-9.1 (Vol. 4) [c/r EX (Vol. 14]

433 - 9. On March 14, 2000, the Executive Policy Committee passed the following motion, namely:

WHEREAS Council on November 17, 1999 adopted Clause 4 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated November 10, 1999 providing approval in principle of the Draft Winnipeg Housing Policy dated October 25, 1999;

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AND WHEREAS Council also directed that, with the support of the Executive Policy Committee Secretariat, the Directors of Property and Development Services and of Community Services be instructed to:

1. *Review existing mandates, supportive measures and legislation to ensure that they are effectively communicated and are being used to their maximum potential; and*

2. *Prepare an Implementation/Business Plan to effect the intent of the Draft Winnipeg Housing Policy by March 31, 2000*

AND WHEREAS a Steering Committee comprising Councillor Smith, Chairperson and Councillors Gerbasi and Prystanski, with representatives from Planning, Property and Development Services, Community Services and other civic departments, has prepared a Draft Housing Implementation Framework comprising the following major elements:

- *Housing Improvement Zones (Section 4.0)*
- *Municipal Tools (Section 5.0)*
- *Financial Tools (Section 5.0)*
- *Implementation (Section 7.0)*
- *Financial (Section 8.0)*

AND WHEREAS it is essential that the appropriate mechanisms are in place to support community driven housing projects in order to begin to renew housing and strengthen community capacity to revitalize inner city neighbourhoods;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:-

I. *That Council approve the Winnipeg Housing Policy and CentrePlan - Development Framework for housing renewal strategies, as outlined in the "City of Winnipeg Draft Housing Implementation Framework dated March 10, 2000" , copy of which is on file in the office of the City Clerk;*

II. *That the Implementation Schedule as outlined on Appendix "A" be approved with the addition of the following detail under 2. Financial Tools, namely:*

    - *A memorandum of agreement with the other levels of government to ensure financial payback to the City*

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

and submits same to Council for favourable consideration.

Copy of attachment referred to the above clause is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Moved by His Worship Mayor Murray,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

REPORT OF THE

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

DATED MARCH 22, 2000

On motion of His Worship Mayor Murray, the rule was suspended and the Report of the Executive Policy Committee, dated March 22, 2000, was considered clause by clause.

2000 School Tax Levies and Mill Rates
File FL-3 (Vol. 10)

434 - 1. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that in order to comply with the requirements of The Public Schools Act, Schedules “A”, “B”, “C”, and “D” being submitted are pertinent to the subject by-law and include information in comparison with that for the prior year.

The amounts required to be raised by Council include the City's share of the Province's Education Support Program, and the additional requirements of the twelve School Divisions which serve Winnipeg - such additional requirements ("special levies") representing portions of their costs which have been determined to be entirely the City's responsibility to collect, i.e. those parts of a school division's expenditures which do not qualify for Provincial Government assistance under its province-wide support Program.

Some of the more significant results of the provisions for provincial/municipal sharing of school costs in 2000 as they apply to Winnipeg are hereunder itemized:

(1) Property taxes for school levies in Winnipeg will total $380,905,353 in 2000 which is $11,922,245 or 3.2% more than in 1999.

(2) The Provincial Education Support Levy for all Residential Property owners increased by $335,851 or 0.6%. This increase levy requirement corresponds to a 0.1% decrease in the Residential Education Support mill rate due to an increased assessment base in 2000.

(3) The Provincial Education Support Levy for Other (non-residential) property owners has increased by $694,823 or 1.1%. This increase levy requirement corresponds to a 0.8% decrease in the Other Education Support mill rate due to an increased assessment base in 2000.

(4) The City's twelve School Divisions' Special Levy requirements total $255,419,268, an increase of $10,891,571 and range from a 0.8% change in Norwood School Division Number 8, to an increase of 9.8% in Transcona - Springfield School Division Number 12.

It should be noted that the corresponding Special Levy mill rate changes to property tax payers range from a 0% change in Norwood School Division Number 8, to an 7.3% increase in St. Vital School Division Number 6. This mill rate change is determined by the change in levy requirement and the net change in the assessment roll due to net assessment growth and assessment changes related to appeals.

It is also noted that the changes indicated for Norwood School Division Number 8 are impacted by the 1998 amalgamation of that school division with the St. Boniface School Division Number 4. Pursuant to The Public Schools Act, the mill rate for Norwood School Division cannot be greater than the mill rate for that division in the year of the amalgamation. This mill rate "freezing" may be in effect for one additional year (2001).

If Norwood School Division was removed from this statistical analysis, the lowest mill rate change to property tax payers is a 1.9% increase in Winnipeg School Division Number 1.

(5) When the Provincial Education Support Mill Rate is combined with the twelve School Divisions' Special Mill Rate, the percentage change of the combined rate for Residential property range from a .04% decrease (Norwood) to a 5.19% increase (St. Vital). If Norwood was removed, then the lowest rate of change is an increase of 1.40% in Winnipeg School Division Number 1.

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The combined school mill rate for Other property indicates a somewhat lesser rate of increase. Excluding Norwood School Division, the rate of increase ranges from 0.81% (Winnipeg School Division Number 1) to 3.48% (St. Vital).

Section 184 of The Public Schools Act requires Council of the City of Winnipeg to fix and impose an Education Support Levy tax. Section 188 similarly requires the fixing and imposition of an Education Special Levy.

The Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That in compliance with the mandatory provisions of The Public Schools Act, Council pass a by-law required to fix and impose taxes sufficient to meet that portion of the cost of education required to be raised through levies on assessable property within the City of Winnipeg in 2000 as outlined on Schedule "A".

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

Moved by His Worship Mayor Murray,
Adoption of the clause.

The Speaker here returned to the Chamber.

The Deputy Speaker called Councillor Eadie to the Chair in order to participate in the debate.

The motion for the adoption of the clause was put.

Councillor Eadie called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:-

Yea: Councillors Lazarenko, Angus, Clement, De Smedt, Gerbasi, Lubosch, Deputy Mayor Thomas, Vandal, His Worship Mayor Murray, Councillor O'Shaughnessy and Eadie. 11

Nay: Councillors Golden, Prystanski, Smith, Steek and Timm-Rudolph. 5

and the motion for the adoption of the clause was declared carried.

(See Minute No. 474 for attachments)

Council recessed at 11:59 a.m., and reconvened at 1:38 p.m., same members present, the Deputy Speaker in the Chair.

Councillor Angus and Deputy Mayor Thomas entered the meeting after Council had reconvened.

The Speaker here resumed the Chair.

Appointment of City Representatives to the Stakeholders Steering Committee - The Winnipeg Football Club
File F-5 (Vol. 21)

435 - 2. On March 22, 2000, the Executive Policy Committee passed the following motion, namely:

WHEREAS the Winnipeg Football Club has initiated a restructuring;

AND WHEREAS the Province, the City and Winnipeg Enterprises Corporation (collectively, "the stakeholders") are participants in the plan to facilitate the preservation of a Canadian Football League professional team in Manitoba;

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AND WHEREAS a Steering Committee will be established comprised of representatives of each of the stakeholders;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City's representatives be Maureen Pendergast and Gene Dunn;

AND THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the proposal including the execution of the necessary agreements.

and submits same to Council for favourable consideration.

Moved by His Worship Mayor Murray,
Adoption of the clause.

Moved by Councillor Golden,
That the recommendations be voted on separately.

Carried.

The first resolve regarding the City's representation was put and declared carried.

The second resolve regarding the execution of the necessary agreements was put and declared carried.

Councillor Golden asked to be recorded as having voted against the second resolve, in accordance with Rule 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

MOTIONS

Moved by Councillor Eadie,
Seconded by Councillor Timm-Rudolph,
436 - WHEREAS the City Clerk has received a communication from the Superintendent of Schools and Secretary Treasurer of the St. Boniface School Division No. 4 advising of an upcoming school trustee by-election in Ward III;

AND WHEREAS the School Division requires use of the 1998 Civic Election Voters List for Ward III;

AND WHEREAS subsection 31(5)(b) of the Local Authorities Election Act states:-

31(5) (b) if the council of the local authority so provides by resolution, may sell or otherwise dispose of any surplus copies of the list

(i) to persons provided for in the resolution who certify in writing that they require the list for a political purpose for federal or provincial electoral purposes; and

(ii) on any terms as to payment at the resolution provides;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of the aforementioned voters list be provided to the St. Boniface School Division No. 4 at no cost.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Lazarenko,
Seconded by Councillor Smith,
437 - WHEREAS since the end of January 2000, gasoline prices in the City of Winnipeg have risen from 61.5 cents a litre to 71.5 cents a litre or more;

AND WHEREAS Statistics Canada has reported that fuel prices in February were up 63.6%, the largest annual increase on record;

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AND WHEREAS the 2000 Preliminary Estimates include the following budget for Account Number 553301, Motive Fuels and Lubricants:

Tax-supported	$1.53M
Utilities	6.94M (of this $4.8M is for Transit)
Total	$8.47M

AND WHEREAS Council will have little choice but to pass on any increased cost to City taxpayers through increased taxes, fees, charges and transit fares;

AND WHEREAS the Public Utilities Board has the ability and section 107 of the Public Utilities Board Act states in part:

> The board may perform duties assigned to it
>
> (a) by Act or resolution of the Legislature;
>
> (b) by order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that through its Secretariat of Intergovernmental Affairs, Council enter into discussions with the Provincial Government on the possibility of directing the Public Utilities Board to investigate and report on the nature and cause of the gas price increase, its effect on Provincial and City operations and on Manitobans in general, and to consider and to recommend possible remedies.

Automatic Referral to Executive Policy Committee in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

438 - On motion of His Worship Mayor Murray, 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. 7595/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to prescribe the annual rate of business tax to be levied in 2000 and to fix the time for payment of licences in lieu of business tax. Files FL-7 (Vol. 5) & FE(2000-2002)

By-law No. 7611/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 6220/93, being a by-law to designate a Business Improvement Zone to be known as the "North Main Business Improvement Zone". File FL-7.10 (Vol. 2)

By-law No. 7612/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 7310/98, being a by-law to designate a Business Improvement Zone to be known as the "Quartier Provencher Business Improvement Zone". File FL-7.17 (Vol. 1)

By-law No. 7613/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the Downtown Winnipeg Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.4 (Vol. 7)

Executive Policy Committee - Consideration of By-laws (continued)

By-law No. 7614/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the Exchange District Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.1 (Vol. 4)

By-law No. 7615/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the Osborne Village Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.3 (Vol. 4)

By-law No. 7616/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the Corydon Avenue Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.2 (Vol. 4)

By-law No. 7617/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the West End Winnipeg Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.7 (Vol. 3)

By-law No. 7618/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the Norwood Grove Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.6 (Vol. 2)

By-law No. 7619/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the West Broadway / South Sherbrook Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.8 (Vol. 3)

By-law No. 7620/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the Selkirk Avenue Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.5 (Vol. 2)

By-law No. 7621/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the Osborne South Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.9 (Vol. 2)

By-law No. 7622/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the Mosaic Market Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.10 (Vol. 2)

By-law No. 7623/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the Academy Road Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.11 (Vol. 2)

By-law No. 7624/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the Old St. Vital Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.13 (Vol. 2)

By-law No. 7625/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the Transcona Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.12 (Vol. 1)

By-law No. 7626/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the St. James Village Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.14 (Vol. 1)

By-law No. 7627/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to approve the proposed program, zone levy and budget estimates of the “ZAC Quartier Français - French Quarter BIZ” Business Improvement Zone for the year 2000. File FL-7.17 (Vol. 1)

By-law No. 7628/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to levy the 2000 Business Improvement Zone levy for each of the Business Improvement Zones located in the City. File FE(2000-2002)

Executive Policy Committee - Consideration of By-laws (continued)

On motion of His Worship Mayor Murray, the rule was suspended and By-law No. 7597/2000, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to fix and impose taxes to raise the amounts required in the year 2000 by The Public Schools Finance Board of the Province of Manitoba and by certain School Divisions for school purposes, 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 FL-3 (Vol. 10)

Councillor Golden asked to be recorded as having voted against all three readings of By-law No. 7597/2000, in accordance with Rule 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

QUESTION PERIOD

439 - Councillor Steek questioned if a Council Seminar would be convened regarding the issue of housing at the Forks prior to Executive Policy Committee's review of the matter in mid April.

His Worship Mayor Murray responded that he would canvas members of Council to see if there was an interest in a seminar. Mayor Murray stated that when Council approved the Forks / North Portage business plan, it specifically singled out housing for separate Council approval. However, he noted that the Forks / North Portage interpretation was different and that they had gone forward with proposal calls.

Councillor Steek asked if there would be a written communication to confirm Councillors' attendance and the Mayor replied in the affirmative.

Councillor Prystanski requested a review of tendering procedures stemming from a concern from Mind Computers regarding an anti competitive procurement practice.

Mayor Murray expressed concern about the City's computer purchasing policy and advised that the Chief Administration Officer had also raised concerns about the issue. Mayor Murray advised that he would direct the Councillor's communication to the Chief Administrative Officer.

Councillor Prystanski questioned if the specific computer contract referred to would be allowed to go out, given the issues surrounding the computer tendering policies, which require resolution.

Mayor Murray noted that it was not up to the Mayor and politicians to interfere in the administrative process, but that the Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues could review the policy. He further indicated that he would discuss the matter with Councillor Clement and see if it could get put on an agenda.

Councillor Angus agreed that the matter should go to Fiscal Issues and advised that the tender provision had been changed from five to three years to allow the City to get on with the acquisition of computers at the lowest price.