REPORT OF THE

STANDING COMMITTEE ON FISCAL ISSUES

DATED OCTOBER 9, 2001

On motion of Councillor Clement, the Report of the Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues, dated October 9 2001, was considered.

Moved by Councillor Clement,

That the Consent Agenda, Clause 1, be adopted.

Carried.

Recommendations for Entertainment Funding By-law Exemptions - October, 2001
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941 - 1. The Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues has been advised that in accordance with due process, the Corporate Finance Department has conducted a consistent and thorough review of all applications received for exemption from the Entertainment Funding By-law in accordance with the criteria set forth in the By-law and Schedule "B" thereto.

Pursuant to its review, the Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues concurred in the administrative recommendation and determined that the following amusements and/or places of amusement, which do not meet the criteria set forth in Schedule "B" of the Entertainment Funding By-law, be denied listing in Schedule "A", for the reason(s) outlined below.

Name of Organization	*Name of Event*	*Criteria Not Satisfied*
Prairie Theatre Exchange	*Production of "A Room of One's Own View"*	*Limited local content*

The Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues further concurred in the administrative recommendation that the amusements and/or places of amusement, which meet the criteria set forth in Schedule "B" be listed, as set out below.

The financial impact of approving (and denying) these applications for exemption from the entertainment funding tax is unknown. The tax revenue that could be generated from events hosted by these organizations cannot be quantified as the events have not yet occurred.

The Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues therefore recommends:

I. That the following amusements and/or places of amusement, which meet the criteria set forth in Schedule "B" of the Entertainment Funding By-law No. 7710/2000, be listed in Schedule "A" thereto, namely:

1. Zoological Society of Manitoba

II. That the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services be directed to prepare the necessary amending By-law in accordance with the foregoing for submission directly to Council for approval.

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.

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CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

942 - On motion of Councillor Clement, By-law No. 7906/2001, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend the Entertainment Funding By-law No. 7710/2000, 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-6 (Vol. 24)

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QUESTION PERIOD

943 - In reference to the proposed amalgamation of school divisions in The City of Winnipeg, Councillor Steeves questioned if there would be any effect on the City tax rolls if there were amalgamations.

Councillor Clement advised that he did not foresee any problems and added that the City does not do anything with the school mill rate except for Council adoption. He added that if some of the school divisions chose to amalgamate that that could change some of the numbers.