Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services dated July 23, 2002

Community Incentive Grant Application - Manitoba Sikh Cultural and Seniors Centre Inc.
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1. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has been advised that the Manitoba Sikh Cultural and Seniors Centre Inc. requested that their Community Incentive Grant application be referred to all Community Committees for consideration. The Manitoba Sikh Cultural and Seniors Centre Inc.'s Community Incentive Grant application, in the amount of $225,000.00, is to assist with the costs for the construction of a new facility at the corner of Redwood Avenue and Fife Street.

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

On March 12, 2002, the Assiniboia Community Committee requested that for the balance of the 2002 calendar year, the Community Committee will not receive or consider applications for Community Incentive Grant projects located outside the boundaries for the Assiniboia Community.

On June 11, 2002, the Riel Community Committee denied the application for a Community Incentive Grant.

On June 18, 2002, the Lord Selkirk - West Kildonan Community Committee considered the application for a Community Incentive Grant and recommended approval of a Community Incentive Grant to the Manitoba Sikh Cultural and Seniors Centre Inc. in the amount of $50,000.00, not to exceed a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the total project cost, for the purpose requested.

On July 9, 2002, the East Kildonan - Transcona Community Committee considered the application for a Community Incentive Grant and recommended approval of a Community Incentive Grant to the Manitoba Sikh Cultural and Seniors Centre Inc. in the amount of $10,000.00 for the purpose requested.

On July 9, 2002, the City Centre Community Committee considered the application for a Community Incentive Grant from the Manitoba Sikh Cultural and Seniors Centre Inc. and laid over further consideration to its first meeting scheduled for January, 2003.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services concurred in the recommendations of the Lord Selkirk - West Kildonan and East Kildonan - Transcona Community Committees, 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 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.

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

A. $50,000.00 from the Lord Selkirk - West Kildonan Community Committee, and

B. $10,000.00 from the East Kildonan - Transcona Community Committee;

C. That the Community Incentive Grant, not to exceed a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the total project cost, be approved to the Manitoba Sikh Cultural and Seniors Centre 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 of Community Services; 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.