REPORT OF THE

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON

PROTECTION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

DATED APRIL 12, 1999

On motion of Councillor Vandal, the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services, dated April 12, 1999, was considered.

Moved by Councillor Vandal,

That the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,2,3,4,5,6 and 7, be adopted.

Carried.

Parking Enforcement for Out of Province Vehicles File GF-2 (Vol. 50)

510 - 1. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has been advised that on January 24, 1996, City Council passed a resolution, as outlined on Schedule "A", that Parking Offence Notices issued to out of province vehicles would include an insert indicating that if it was a First Offence and that the Parking Offence Notice would be considered a warning.

Changes explained below require the previous resolution to be rescinded and a new one adopted to reflect the intent of the original resolution. Alternately, City Council has the option to rescind the resolution and not offer warnings to Out of Province Vehicles, resulting in increased revenues realized from voluntary payments.

The current process requires that after the Parking Offence Notice is issued, it is tracked and then "terminated" (canceled, withdrawn) at a later time. Historically, all Parking Offence Notices to be considered for termination for any reason were subject to an internal police process and reviewed by the Traffic Division Staff Sergeant and the Traffic Division Commander. This practice placed Police Officers in the position of adjudicating or intervening in a legal process started by its own agents. A conflict of interest was perceived and the Traffic Division sought a legal opinion.

The procedure was examined by the Winnipeg Police Service Legal Counsel and Provincial Crown Attorneys. Research revealed that the authority for "staying" a charge rests with the Attorney General, a prosecutor, or magistrate directed by a prosecutor. As a result, the power to terminate or stay charges initiated by a Parking Offence Notice will be transferred to Provincial Magistrates and the discretionary termination of Parking Offence Notices by Police will be discontinued. This brings the resolution of City Council into conflict with new processes being developed. City Council cannot guarantee that an issued Parking Offence Notice will by "stayed" by Provincial Magistrates.

In addition to the above, the process currently used results in considerable costs. All Parking Offence Notices are data entered and then reviewed. Out of Province Notices are then culled and researched to determine if this is a First Offence. If it still falls within the resolution, it is reviewed by the Traffic Division Staff Sergeant prior to being "terminated." In some instances, the Parking Offence Notice is paid prior to the "termination" and a refund process is then initiated. If it is a second or subsequent Parking Offence Notice, it remains in the usual system. Our current computer system does not allow us to retrieve information regarding revenues realized from voluntary payments from Out of Province Parking Offence Notices. In addition, there is no effective collection vehicle for unpaid Out of Province Parking Offence Notices and they are often "terminated" as uncollectible. At present, 33.7% of all terminated Parking Offence Notices are for Out of Province vehicles.

Out of Province Vehicles committing major parking offences and disrupting traffic flows could still be served with a Parking Offence Notice and towed away if required.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services recommends:

I. That City Council rescind its previous motion dated January 24, 1996, as outlined on Schedule "A".

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II. That the City of Winnipeg adopt a new Parking Offence Warning Notice for minor parking infractions committed by out of province vehicles.

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

In amendment,

The Executive Policy Committee recommends that Recommendation II. be amended by adding the following at the end thereof, namely:

"by issuing a "warning" for minor parking infractions rather than issuing a parking violation."

Adopted by consent.

(See Minute No. 539 for attachment)

Variation and Extension of the Contract for the Provision of Local Area Network (Lan) and Software Development Support Services - Request for Proposal No. 128-96
File GL-9 (Vol. 12) [c/r GCP (Vol. 9)]

511 - 2. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has been advised that the Request for Proposal No. 128-96 was awarded to Lynx Graphics Ltd., in February, 1996, for the provision of Local Area Network (LAN) support and software development services to the Fire Department. The Contract called for a three year term, expiring March 1, 1999, but provided for a two year extension to March 1, 2001, unless either the City or the Contractor wished to terminate the agreement after the initial three year period.

The Contract was for the provision of a Lynx Graphics Ltd. staff member, as required, at the cost of $40.00 per hour for an estimated 37.5 hours per week (approximately $80,000.00 per year). It also called for an annual increase to be reflected by the annual Year over Year Consumer Price Index for Winnipeg.

Lynx Graphics Ltd., were the primary architects and developers of the Fire and Ambulance Computer Communications System (FACCS) and currently are the contracted support agency for this mission critical dispatch system. The long term direction of the Emergency Response Service is to integrate all of our IT systems to share information, avoid duplication of effort, and eliminate data redundancy among our systems. Given that the majority of services we provide begins with a dispatch, it follows that most information processing emanates from the FACCS, our dispatch system. Therefore, the integration of FACCS with the rest of our systems is paramount to all of our systems working in a cohesive, efficient manner. The LAN contract provides the Department with not only LAN support but also software development and support for these other systems. Having Lynx Graphics provide these services as well as FACCS support services allows for this development and integration of our systems in as seamless a manner as possible.

To-date, the Department has been very satisfied with the service and support provided by Lynx Graphics and have been provided with a consistently high level of support, and with well designed and highly functional systems. For this reason, it is being recommended that Council approve the extension of the contract for another two year period to March 1, 2001, as outlined in the contract.

While the Department is very happy with the quality of support we have received from Lynx Graphics, we are no longer happy with the "quantity" of that support, through no fault of the contractor. When this contract was awarded, the Fire Department had 30 computers, 1 local area network, 3 servers, 3 operating systems, 4 databases using 3 different products, no E-mail, and one site, 151 Princess Street. Over the past three years, the Department's IT infrastructure has grown and diversified immensely, fuelled by new development, relocation of some departmental branches, and the establishment of the Emergency Response Service from the former Fire and Ambulance Departments. We now have 105 LAN-connected computers running 4 different operating systems using 6 different database products spread across 32 sites, with high speed connections to each. There are departmental LAN's and servers at three sites, and a departmental database server holding enterprise-wide database with up to 60 concurrent users.

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The integration of the former Fire and Ambulance Departments will call for additional effort over the next two years and beyond as administrative systems are rationalized and harmonized with each other to provide efficient and effective IT systems in support of service delivery by the new Emergency Response Service.

This massive growth of our IT infrastructure over the past three years has placed great stress on the Department in that Lynx Graphics are no longer able to deliver the service the Department needs to operate effectively. One person is simply not able to keep up with the workload. This causes delays in implementing needed changes to our administrative systems, neglected or delayed problem resolution efforts, and generally negatively impacts on the implementation and support of our IT systems. This situation is certain to exacerbate itself as we move forward with further integration of the two Departments.

It is felt that the variation requested to the existing contract will alleviate this resource shortage over the next two years, until such time as a new request for proposals is issued. The provision of a second resource at the same cost as the first will provide the type of support that is now required.

Financial Impact

The variation in the contract will result in a further cost to the City of approximately $80,000.00 per year. This is based on the requirement of a second person for 37.5 hours per week at $40.00 per hour (includes CPI increases since 1996). The total cost of the contract, if the variation is approved, will be approximately $160,000.00 per year. The cost of the contract for these services was provided for in departmental estimates. Therefore, no additional funds will be required.

Council has the authority to approve an extension of Contract where the funds are required from future budgets and may approve a variation to a contract when it is in the "interest of the City" under Section 8(j) of the Policy on Purchasing Procedures and the Disposal of Surplus Supplies.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services recommends:

I. That an extension of the Contract with Lynx Graphics Ltd., to expire March 1, 2001, in the estimated amount of $160,000.00 per year, be approved.

II. That the existing contract (including the extension) be varied to include additional support personnel (cost included in the above recommendation), to accommodate the growth of the Fire Department's Information Technology network over the past three years and the expanded needs of the newly formed Emergency Response Service.

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

Adopted by consent.

Recommendations for Amusement Tax Exemption File FL-6 (Vol. 19)

512 - 3. 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:

Alapan Association of Manitoba for:
The Best of Jun Polistico at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall on May 30, 1999

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Hispanic Dance Theatre for:
"Latin Carnival" at the Deaf Centre Manitoba on April 24*, 25*, 30, 1999, May 1, 2, 1999

Manitoba Opera for:
Tosca at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall on November 6, 9, 12, 1999

Hansel and Gretel at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall on February 12, 15, 18, 2000
MacBeth at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall on April 8, 11, 14, 2000

Manitoba Sacred Music Choir for:
"Gloria in Excelsis Delo!" at St. Alphonsus R.C. Church on May 16, 1999

Manitoba Theatre Centre for:
MTC Mainstage Season at the Manitoba Theatre Centre Mainstage on October 6, 1999 to May 6, 2000:
Art on October 6 to 30, 1999
King Lear on November 9, 1999 to December 11, 1999
2 Pianos, 4 Hands on December 27, 1999 to January 15, 2000
A Streetcar Names Desire on January 26, 2000 to February 19, 2000
Wingfield Unbound on February 23, 2000 to March 18, 2000
Overcoat on April 12, 2000 to May 6, 2000
Winnipeg Fringe Festival in the Exchange District on June 28, 1999 to July 11, 1999

Rose and Max Rady Jewish Community Centre for:
Fred Penner Concert at the Rady Jewish Community Centre on April 25*, 1999
Jazz on the Crescent at the Asper Jewish Community Campus on May 27, 1999

Rossdale Ukrainian Dance School Inc., for:
Annual Dance Recital at the Pantages Playhouse Theatre on May 8, 1999

School of Contemporary Dancers for:
Dance Reflections at the Gas Station Theatre on May 13 to 15, 1999
Dance Discovery at the Gas Station Theatre on May 16, 1999
Spring Concert at the MTC Warehouse Theatre on May 29, 1999
Basement Projects at the Gas Station Theatre on December 9 to 12, 1999

S.P.K Iskry for:
Polish Dance Ensemble at the Pantages Playhouse Theatre on May 16, 1999

The Mennonite Literary Society for:
Wild Mothers, Dancing at the West End Cultural Centre on May 9, 1999

The Musical Offering for:
Tracy Dahl in Recital at 298 Yale Avenue on October 16, 17, 1999
The Order of Good Cheer at 298 Yale Avenue on January 22, 23, 2000
The Musical Offering at 298 Yale Avenue on April 22, 23, 2000

The Royal Winnipeg Ballet for:
Ballet in the Park at Assiniboine Park on July 27 to 29, 1999
Guest Company at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall on September 18 to 20, 1999
Winnipeg I at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall on October 19 to 24, 1999
Winnipeg IA at the Pantages Playhouse Theatre on October 29 to 31, 1999
Winnipeg II at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall on December 17 to 27, 1999
Winnipeg III at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall on March 7 to 12, 2000
Winnipeg IV at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall on May 15 to 21, 2000

Ukrainian National Federation School of Dance for:
Dances of Ukraine at the Pantages Playhouse Theatre on May 9, 1999

Winnipeg Mennonite Theatre Society for:
"Private Ear" and *"Black Comedy"* at the Technical Vocational School on May 7, 8, 1999

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Winnipeg Youth Orchestra for:
Sounds of Spring at the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall on May 3, 1999

* Events marked with an astrix (*) will have taken place before the recommendation is considered by Council on April 28, 1999.

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.

Amusement Tax - The Little Opera Company - Hansel and Gretel Opera
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513 - 4. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has been advised that due to the application for exemption being received too late, the Director of the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council, could not make a recommendation for the following amusement tax exemption:

The Little Opera Company for :
Hansel and Gretel Opera at the Berney Theatre, Asper Jewish Community Campus on November 18, 19 and 21, 1998.

On January 11, 1999, the Standing Committee on Protection and Community Services considered the matter and recommended, “That the request for an Amusement Tax exemption for The Little Opera Company for Hansel and Gretel Opera at the Berney Theatre, Asper Jewish Community Campus which was held on November 18, 19 and 21, 1998, be laid over to the next meeting of Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services scheduled for March 8, 1999 pending an Administrative report”.

Council may by By-law cancel in whole or in part any taxes, debt, or monies owing to the City under Section 242 of The City of Winnipeg Act.

On November 30, 1998, The Little Opera Company completed an Application for Exemption from the Amusement Tax for the show entitled “Hansel and Gretel Opera” which was held on November 18, 19 and 21, 1998. The application for this event was received too late by the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council and could not be processed before the event took place nor was it received in sufficient time to be considered.

On December 2, 1998, the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council received the Application for Exemption from the Amusement Tax for the above mentioned show. The Amusement Tax By-law states that the organizations may apply for an exemption from the amusement tax for that amusement by filing with the Chief License Inspector, at least 90 days before tickets are to be offered for sale. The Little Opera Company was aware of this requirement but did not submit their application in sufficient time for the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council to review and prepare a recommendation for Amusement Tax exemption to the Committee on Protection and Community Services.

The Administration and the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council concur that the Little Opera Company would have received an amusement tax exemption for the performances as it complies with the criteria set forth in Schedule “C” of the Amusement Tax By-law. The Little Opera Company did collect and remit the amusement tax to the City.

On March 8, and April 12, 1999, the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services considered the matter.

The Amusement Tax By-law 3107/81 does not permit granting an exemption retroactively, but the monies owing can be cancelled under Section 242 of the City of Winnipeg Act by By-law.

The cancellation of monies would reduce the amusement tax revenue to the City by $154.52.

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The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services recommends:

I. That monies in the amount of $154.52 owing in respect of the amusement tax for The Little Opera Company for Hansel and Gretel Opera at the Berney Theatre, Asper Jewish Community Campus which was held on November 18, 19 and 21, 1998, be cancelled under Section 242 of The City of Winnipeg Act and that the By-law be forwarded to Council for approval.

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.

Amusement Tax - Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Winnipeg Inc. - Gilbert & Sullivan Plus File FL-6 (Vol 19)

514 - 5. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has been advised that due to the application for exemption being received too late, the Director of the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council could not make a recommendation for the following amusement tax exemption:

The Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Winnipeg Inc. for :
Gilbert & Sullivan Plus at the Westminister United Church on January 24, 1999

On February 8, 1999, the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services considered the matter and recommended, “That the request for an Amusement Tax exemption for The Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Winnipeg Inc., be laid over to the next meeting of Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services scheduled for March 8, 1999 pending an Administrative report”.

Council may by By-law cancel in whole or in part any taxes, debt, or monies owing to the City under Section 242 of The City of Winnipeg Act.

On January 24, 1999, the Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Winnipeg Inc., performed the show “Gilbert & Sullivan Plus” at the Westminister United Church.

On January 25, 1999, the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council received an Application for Exemption from the Amusement Tax for the above mentioned show. The Amusement Tax By-law states that organizations may apply for an exemption from the amusement tax for that amusement by filing with the Chief License Inspector, at least 90 days before tickets are to be offered for sale. The Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Winnipeg Inc., was unaware of this requirement and therefore did not submit their application in time for the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council to review and prepare a recommendation for Amusement Tax exemption to the Committee on Protection and Community Services.

The Administration and the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council concur that the Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Winnipeg Inc., would have received an amusement tax exemption for the performance as it complies with the criteria set forth in Schedule “C” of the Amusement Tax By-law. The Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Winnipeg Inc., did not collect the required tax on behalf of the City.

On March 8, and April 12, 1999, the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services considered the matter.

The Amusement Tax By-law 3107/81 does not permit granting an exemption retroactively, but the monies owing can be cancelled under Section 242 of the City of Winnipeg Act by By-law.

The cancellation of monies is estimated to reduce the actual 1999 amusement tax revenue to the City by $450.00.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services recommends:

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I. That monies in the amount of $450.00 owing in respect of the amusement tax for the Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Winnipeg Inc., for the Gilbert & Sullivan Plus show at the Westminister United Church which was held on January 24, 1999, be cancelled under Section 242 of The City of Winnipeg Act and that the By-law be forwarded to Council for approval.

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.

Amusement Tax - Trip Dance Company - A Cloud in Trousers File FL-6 (Vol 19)

515 - 6. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has been advised that due to the application for exemption being received too late, the Director of the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council, could not make a recommendation for the following amusement tax exemption:

Trip Dance Company for:
A Cloud in Trousers at the Gas Station Theatre on January 21-23, 1999.

On February 8, 1999, the Standing Committee on Protection and Community Services considered the matter and recommended, "That the request for an Amusement Tax exemption for Trip Dance Company for A Cloud in Trousers at the Gas Station Theatre which was held on January 21, 22 and 23, 1999, be laid over to the next meeting of Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services scheduled for March 8, 1999, pending an Administrative report".

Council may by By-law cancel in whole or in part any taxes, debt, or monies owing to the City under Section 242 of The City of Winnipeg Act.

On January 21, 22 and 23, 1999, the Trip Dance Company performed the show "A Cloud in Trousers" at the Gas Station Theatre.

On January 25, 1999, the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council received an Application for the Exemption from the Amusement Tax for the above mentioned show. The Amusement Tax By-law states that the organizations may apply for an exemption from the amusement tax for that amusement by filing with the Chief License Inspector, at least 90 days before tickets are to be offered for sale. The Trip Dance Company was unaware of this requirement and therefore did not submit their application in sufficient time for the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council to review and prepare a recommendation for Amusement Tax exemption to the Committee on Protection and Community Services.

The Administration and the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council concur that the Trip Dance Company would have received an amusement tax exemption for the performances as it complies with the criteria set forth in Schedule "C" of the Amusement Tax By-law. The Trip Dance Company did not collect the required tax on behalf of the City.

On March 8, and April 12, 1999, the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services considered the matter.

The Amusement Tax By-law 3107/81 does not permit granting an exemption retroactively, but the monies owing can be cancelled under Section 242 of the City of Winnipeg Act by By-law.

The cancellation of monies owing would reduce the amusement tax to the City by $298.00.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services recommends:

I. That monies in the amount of $298.00 owing in respect of the amusement tax for the Trip Dance Company for A Cloud in Trousers at the Gas Station Theatre which was held on January 21, 22 and 23, 1999, be cancelled under Section 242 of The City of Winnipeg Act and that the By-law be forwarded to Council for approval.

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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.

Adopted by consent.

Manitoba Speed Skating Association - User Fees at Susan Auch Speed Skating Oval File PR-2.1 (Vol. 23)

516 - 7. On December 11, 1996, Council adopted five recommendations dealing with the Manitoba Speed Skating Association and user fees at the Susan Auch Speed Skating Oval. In summary of these recommendations, the Manitoba Speed Skating Association, Sport Manitoba, and the Community Services Department (formerly Parks and Recreation Department) were to review and analyze efficiency methods to lower the City subsidy of operations at the Oval with a view to eliminating any City subsidy.

The numbers below coincide with the 1996 recommendations of Council, which are answered in this discussion, as follows:

1. That the proposal from the Manitoba Speed Skating Association for the operation of the Speed Skating Oval at Sargent Park for the 1997, 1998 and 1999 Seasons only, which involves a subsidy to the group each year as outlined below, be approved subject to revisions as deemed necessary by the Director of Community Services:

SEASON	REVENUE	EXPENSE	SUBSIDY
1996 - 1997	$9,000.00	$42,061.00	$35,061.00
1997 - 1998	$13,000.00	$42,061.00	$29,061.00
1998 - 1999	$17,000.00	$42,061.00	$25,061.00

Through the collective efforts of the Manitoba Speed Skating Association, Community Services Department and Public Works Department, a 42% cost reduction was achieved. The Manitoba Speed Skating Associations user fee has also increased resulting in a substantially lower subsidy as shown in the following chart:

SEASON	REVENUE	EXPENSE	SUBSIDY
1996 - 1997	$9,000.00	$42,061.00	$35,061.00
1997 - 1998	$13,000.00	$31,646.00	$18,646.00
1998 - 1999	$17,000.00	$31,646.00 (anticipated)	$14,646.00
1999 - 2000	$20,000.00	$31,646.00 (anticipated)	$11,646.00

It is worthwhile noting that the Manitoba Speed Skating Associations user fees have escalated as follows:

Prior to 1989	$900.00
1992 - 1993	$3,175.00
1993 - 1994	$3,959.00
1994 - 1995	$4,000.00
1995 - 1996	$5,350.00
1996 - 1997	$9,000.00
1997 - 1998	$13,000.00
1998 - 1999	$17,000.00
1999 - 2000	$20,000.00 (recommended)

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2. That the Director of Community Services be requested to initiate a review and analysis of the Sargent Park Speed Skating Facility issues as referenced in the proposal by the Manitoba Speed Skating Association with a view to improving the efficiency and use of the Facility.

   The Manitoba Speed Skating Association, Community Services Department and Public Works Department have been examining cost cutting measures and innovative methods of service delivery over the last 24 months. The results of this exhaustive review are significant and successful.

3. That the Director of Community Services request Sport Manitoba and the Manitoba Speed Skating Association to develop a plan for the promotion and development of speed skating at the Sargent Park Speed Skating Oval inclusive of identifying the potential for new additional revenue sources to be used to offset its maintenance costs.

   There will be a continuing search for additional revenue sources, cost reductions and innovative methods of service delivery at the Susan Auch Speed Skating Oval to further offset maintenance costs.

   In a letter dated February 17, 1999, the Manitoba Speed Skating Association is amenable to increasing the user fees to $20,000.00 per year (a further $3,000.00 increase from 1998 - 1999 fees). The fees would be capped for a 10 year period with an annual escalator clause (Manitoba Cost of Living Index). This would decrease the City subsidy from $35,061.00 in 1996 - 1997 to $11,646.00 per year, thus improving the City's financial situation.

4. That the Director of Community Services request Sport Manitoba and the Manitoba Speed Skating Association to develop a business plan to eliminate the City subsidy of operations at the Sargent Park Speed Skating Oval.

   The Business Plan was translated into an ongoing action plan, which was used to achieve these results. Approval of this recommendation would allow a very important sport to continue to operate in the City of Winnipeg, thus benefiting not only Manitoba but also the national and world scene. If the subsidy were to be totally eliminated, speed skating would not survive in Winnipeg. The same holds true for other sports (i.e. hockey, swimming, etc.) if full cost recovery was implemented for any amateur sport using City facilities.

The Financial Impact has been identified, as follows:

1996 - 1997 subsidy level - $35,061.00 x 10 years	=	$350,610.00
1999 - 2000 proposed subsidy - $11,646.00 x 10 years	=	$116,460.00
Total Savings		$234,150.00

Revisions to user fees must be approved by Council.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services recommends:

I That the user fee for the Manitoba Speed Skating Association at the Susan Auch Speed Skating Oval be increased by $3,000.00 from the 1998 - 1999 rate ($17,000.00) to $20,000.00 per year. An annual escalator clause (Manitoba Cost of Living Index) will also be initiated for a 10 year period ending in the 2009 - 2010 season and will be reviewed at the end of that time.

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.

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CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

517 - 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. 7429/99, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend the Amusement Tax By-law No. 3107/81. File FL-6 (Vol 19)

By-law No. 7430/99, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to cancel certain monies owing to the City. File FL-6 (Vol 19)

By-law No. 7431/99, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to cancel certain monies owing to the City. File FL-6 (Vol 19)

By-law No. 7432/99, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to cancel certain monies owing to the City. File FL-6 (Vol 19)

By-law No. 7433/99, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to cancel certain monies owing to the City. File FL-6 (Vol 19)

By-law No. 7434/99, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to cancel certain monies owing to the City. File FL-6 (Vol. 19)

By-law No. 7441/99, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 2443/79 being The Pound By-law. File EL-4 (Vol 29)

Councillor Golden asked to be recorded as having voted against all three readings of By-law Nos. 7429/99, 7430/99, 7431/99, 7432/99, 7433/99, 7434/99, and 7441/99, in accordance with Rule 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

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QUESTION PERIOD

518 - Councillor Timm-Rudolph referenced the issue of parking enforcement for out of Province vehicles and the parking of recreation vehicles on residential streets for short periods. She noted that during the Pan Am Games, persons coming to the City with recreation vehicles will want to park on residential streets across or near their family members' homes and questioned the possibility of waiving the by-law requirements during the Pan Am Games so that recreation vehicles can be parked on residential streets.

Councillor Vandal advised that the policy concerning recreation vehicles should be reviewed, especially given the Pan Am Games scenario, and stated that he would call for the Adminstration to come forward to the next meeting regarding the matter.