Meeting No. 6 Council Chamber
Winnipeg, January 27, 1999

Council met this day at 9:32 a.m.

The Speaker called the meeting to order.

Opening Prayer read by Councillor Gerbasi.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: The Speaker Councillor O'Shaughnessy, Councillors Angus, Clement, De Smedt, Gerbasi, Golden, Lazarenko, Lubosch, Prystanski, Smith, Steek, Deputy Mayor Thomas, Timm-Rudolph, Vandal, Eadie and His Worship Mayor Murray.

In attendance: Mrs. D. Browton, City Clerk, Mr. R. Kachur, Deputy City Clerk and Mrs. J. Park, Committee Clerk.

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME OF GUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

193 - The Speaker introduced the Pages for the Council meeting as follows: Joanne Schwartz and Tami Lezack of Joseph Wolinsky Collegiate.

194 - The Speaker acknowledged Jim Carson and Stuart Murray of the 1999 World Junior Hockey Championship Host Committee, who presented His Worship Mayor Murray and Members of Council with a plaque in appreciation for hosting the 1999 World Junior Hockey Championship held December 26, 1998 to January 5, 1999 and for setting a new record for World Junior Event Ticket Sales.

MINUTES

Councillor Vandal moved that the minutes of the meetings held on December 15 and 16, 1998, be taken as read and confirmed, which motion was carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

From the Designated Administrator, Civic Charities,
195 - Submitting Statement of Fund Raising Reports for the year ended December 31, 1998, and advising that the statement was prepared from the fund raising reports submitted to the Designated Civic Charities Administrator by various charitable organizations during the period January 1 to December 31, 1998. File GL-5.2

From the Honourable Jack F. Reimer, Minister of Urban Affairs,
196 - Submitting communication dated June 16, 1998, in accordance with subsection 581(1) of The City of Winnipeg Act, to provide written notice to Council of the decision to approve the proposed Plan Winnipeg By-law.

Advising that The Province of Manitoba has reviewed The City of Winnipeg By-law No. 7021/97, which proposes to amend Plan Winnipeg by deleting the provision that now allows for the conversion of single-family dwellings to limited multiple-family development, at a maximum density of 35 units per acre within Area 1 of the Airport Vicinity Protection Area.

Also advising that pursuant to Section 581(1) of The City of Winnipeg Act, the proposed Plan Winnipeg amending By-law No. 7021/97 is approved.

Also advising that it is now in order to place By-law No. 7021/97 before Council for third reading.
File EP-1.1 (PW 5/98)

Communications (continued)

From the Honourable Minister of Finance, Eric Stefanson,
197 - Submitting communication dated January 13, 1999, advising that By-law No. 7335/98, being an initial borrowing by-law of The City of Winnipeg to authorize the borrowing of money by the issue and sale of debentures of the City of Winnipeg in the aggregate principal amount of $22,085,000.00, which received first reading by City Council on December 15, 1998, is hereby approved. It is hereby ordered, however, that the maximum term of the debentures to be issued pursuant to this authorization be limited to thirty (30) years.

Also advising that it is now in order to place By-law No. 7335/98 before Council for second and third reading. File FC(1999) (Vol. 1)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
198 - Submitting as instructed by Council on December 15, 1998, draft by-law to provide for the assessment by special rate of the cost of installing Watermains in the said City of Winnipeg, which by-law may receive all three readings. Files FC(1999) & SL-1 (Vol. 20) (By-law No. 7350/99)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
199 - Submitting as instructed by Council on December 15, 1998, draft by-law to provide for the assessment by special rate of the cost of installing Wastewater Sewers in the said City of Winnipeg, which by-law by receive all three readings. Files FC(1999) & SL-1 (Vol. 20) (By-law No. 7351/99)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
200 - Submitting as instructed by Council on December 15, 1998, draft by-law to provide for the assessment by special rate of the cost of installing a Sewer Connection in an area of the said City of Winnipeg set forth in Agreement No. 60, which by-law may receive all three readings. Files FC(1999) & SL-1 (Vol. 20) (By-law No. 7352/99)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
201 - Submitting as instructed by Council on December 15, 1998, draft by-law to provide for the assessment by special rate of the cost of installing a Sewer Connection in an area of the said City of Winnipeg set forth in Agreement No. 61, which by-law may receive all three readings. Files FC(1999) & SL-1 (Vol. 20) (By-law No. 7353/99)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
202 - Submitting as instructed by Council on December 15, 1998, draft by-law to provide for the assessment by special rate of the cost of installing a Sewer Connection in an area of the said City of Winnipeg set forth in Agreement No. 62, which by-law may receive all three readings. Files FC(1999) & SL-1 (Vol. 20) (By-law No. 7354/99)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
203 - Submitting as instructed by Council on December 15, 1998, draft by-law to provide for the assessment by special rate of the cost of installing Land Drainage Sewers in the said City of Winnipeg, which by-law may receive all three readings. Files FC(1999) & SL-1 (Vol. 20) (By-law No. 7355/99)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
204 - Submitting as instructed by Council on December 15, 1998, draft by-law to provide for the assessment by special rate of the cost of installing Street Pavement with Boulevards in the said City of Winnipeg, which by-law may receive all three readings. Files FC(1999) & SL-1 (Vol. 20) (By-law No. 7356/99)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
205 - Submitting as instructed by Council on December 15, 1998, draft by-law to provide for the assessment by special rate of the cost of installing Sidewalks in the said City of Winnipeg, which by-law may receive all three readings. Files FC(1999) & SL-1 (Vol. 20) (By-law No. 7357/99)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
206 - Submitting as instructed by Council on December 15, 1998, draft by-law to provide for the assessment by special rate of the cost of installing Lane Oiling in the said City of Winnipeg, which by-law may receive all three readings. Files FC(1999) & SL-1 (Vol. 20) (By-law No. 7358/99)

Communications (continued)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
207 - Submitting as instructed by Council on December 15, 1998, draft by-law to provide for the assessment by special rate of the cost of installing Lane Lighting in the said City of Winnipeg, which by-law may receive all three readings. Files FC(1999) & SL-1 (Vol. 20) (By-law No. 7359/99)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
208 - Submitting as instructed by Council on December 16, 1998, draft by-law to authorize the undertaking of certain local improvements during the year 2000, in the East Kildonan-Transcona Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File SL(1999) (Vol. 1) (By-law No. 7361/99)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
209 - Submitting as instructed by Council on December 16, 1998, draft by-law to amend Zoning By-law No. 6400/94 for the enactment of a zoning change on land located on the north side of Hallonquist Drive between Setter Street and Sturgeon Road, in the Assiniboia Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File DAZ 233/98 (By-law No. 7362/99)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
210 - Submitting as instructed by Council on September 29, 1998, draft by-law to close Estabrook Bay in the Riel Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File DAC 11/98 (By-law No. 7365/99)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
211 - Submitting as instructed by Council on December 16, 1998, draft by-law for the enactment of an increase in fees to By-law No. 6965/97, being the Property and Development Services Department, Development Fees By-law, which by-law may receive all three readings. File EP-1 (Vol. 19) (By-law No. 7366/99)

Moved by Councillor Eadie,
That the following communications which were received too late to be placed on the regular agenda, be received as information.

Carried.

From the Honourable Jack F. Reimer, Minister of Urban Affairs,
212 - Submitting communication dated January 21, 1999, advising that The Province of Manitoba has reviewed The City of Winnipeg By-law No. 7282/98, which proposes to amend Plan Winnipeg by redesignating lands located south of McGillivray Boulevard and east of Kenaston Boulevard from an "Industrial" Policy Area to a "Neighbourhood" Policy Area. In addition, one objection to this by-law filed with his office under Section 580 of The City of Winnipeg Act, has also been reviewed.

Also advising that the applicant requesting the amendment has indicated that it wishes to develop approximately 400,000 square feet of commercial space on this 52 acre site. The exact nature of the development is not known at this time, but is thought to involve a series of small to large scale independent retail outlets laid out in a "Power Centre" format.

Also advising that pursuant to Section 581(1) of The City of Winnipeg Act, the proposed Plan Winnipeg amending By-law No. 7282/98 is approved. Further advising that it is necessary to make a number of points, since the careful review of this Plan Winnipeg amendment has highlighted several emerging trends that the City of Winnipeg should consider as part of the Plan Winnipeg Review which is currently underway:

- Big box and power centre commercial development appears to be a growing segment of the retail marketplace. At present, Plan Winnipeg does not provide policy direction to decision-makers to assist in assessing the merits of this type of development. As noted in his December 17, 1998 letter, the Province of Manitoba considers a study of the commercial retail market in Winnipeg a priority and is prepared to equally contribute to a joint Provincial-City study to a maximum of $25,000.00;

- There appears to be an evolutionary shift in the character of land use patterns in the southwest quadrant of the City which may, at some point in the future, have an impact on regional traffic patterns. In developing the new Plan Winnipeg, the City should have regard to this emerging trend and may wish to consider undertaking a traffic study for the area;

Communications (continued)

- Downtown Winnipeg continues to be a high priority for both our governments. Together, we have invested significant funds in revitalizing Portage Avenue, Main Street, Graham Avenue, The Forks and other strategic downtown sites. At this time, the impact of the City's continuing outward expansion on the downtown is unclear; and

- As part of the Plan Winnipeg review process, there is a need to examine the City's current development pattern and, in consultation with the public, to come to a conclusion on future directions for urban growth.

Also advising that the ongoing work of the Capital Region Review Panel highlights the importance of regional approaches to future development decisions which may have an impact outside a municipality's boundary. Consequently, as part of the current Plan Winnipeg Review, we would encourage the City of Winnipeg to consult with its neighbours on the City's proposed plans for future urban growth.

Also advising that The Plan Winnipeg Review process provides an excellent opportunity to consider many of these emerging trends and to develop plans and policies to strengthen Winnipeg's strategic assets, to support sustainable growth, and to make the city a dynamic urban centre.

Also advising that the Province of Manitoba look forward to reviewing a draft of the new Plan Winnipeg.

Further advising that is now in order to place By-law No. 7282/98 before Council for third reading.
File EP-1.1 (PW 7/98)

From His Worship Mayor Murray and Chairperson, Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues,
213 - Submitting communication dated January 21, 1999, advising that the City of Winnipeg, in financing its capital expenditures, is required to approach public and/or private markets and this is done through the Fiscal Agency Co-Managers, CIBC Wood Gundy Inc. and Scotia McLeod Inc.

Also advising that Council has appointed and authorized a Special Committee composed of His Worship the Mayor and the Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues (or in their absence, the Deputy Mayor and appointee of the Chairperson, of the Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues) to negotiate the sale of debentures as required at a suitable price through the Fiscal Agency.

Further advising that it is now proposed to issue debentures in the Canadian Public Market, details of which are as follows;

Amount	-	$50,000,000
Date of Issues	-	February 2, 1999
Maturity	-	February 2, 2009
Interest Rate	-	5.35%
Price	-	99.534
Yield	-	5.411%

Amount	-	$30,000,000
Date of Issue	-	February 2, 1999
Maturity	-	February 2, 2029
Interest Rate	-	5.90%
Price	-	99.387
Yield	-	5.944%

Also advising that the rates are very favourable to the City in today's Capital Markets and, therefore, your Special Committee appointed by Council, comprising of the Mayor and the Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues, has negotiated the $50 million sale and the $30 million sale.

Further advising that the two sinking fund issues take advantage of the historically low long term interest rates resulting in a 5.411% yield on the 10 year issue and 5.944% on the 30 year issue.
File FC-2 (Vol. 18) (By-law Nos. 7368/99 and 7369/99)

Communications (continued)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,

214 - Submitting as instructed by Council on December 16, 1998, draft by-law to approve a Plan of Subdivision and to amend Zoning By-law No. 6400/94 for the enactment of a zoning change on land located at the southeast corner of Kenaston and McGillivray Boulevards, in the Assiniboia Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File DASZ 22/98 (By-law No. 7371/99)

DELEGATIONS

215 - John Petrinka, on behalf of The Veteran's Association, appeared before Council in opposition to Clause 11 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated January 20, 1999, regarding the Tax Rebate to Veteran's Associations enacted by Bill 36 amending the Municipal Assessment Act, and filed a brief with the City Clerk. File FL-2.5 (Vol. 11)