REPORT OF THE

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON

PROTECTION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

DATED NOVEMBER 17, 1998

On motion of Councillor Vandal, the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services, dated November 17, 1998, was considered clause by clause.

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

Carried.

City of Winnipeg Owned, Leased or Occupied Facilities - Compliance with Current Fire and Building Codes
File GF-1 (Vol. 16)

69 - 1. On September 29, 1998, Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services, under Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law No. 5400/90, namely:

Moved by Councillor Lubosch,
Seconded by Councillor Silva,

WHEREAS October 4th to October 10th is National Fire Prevention Week;

AND WHEREAS The City of Winnipeg has the responsibility to ensure that all its owned and/or leased and occupied workplaces and facilities meet all current fire codes and building codes and/or code equivalencies as prescribed by law in The City of Winnipeg and The Province of Manitoba;

AND WHEREAS the practice of fire prevention strategies has been demonstrated to save costs measured in human life, injury and dollars;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, The City of Winnipeg inspect and ensure that all of the City's owned and occupied buildings and facilities comply with all current fire and building codes as prescribed by law in The City of Winnipeg and The Province of Manitoba.

Inasmuch as this matter has been referred to the Fire Prevention (Emergency Response Services), the Civic Accommodations Division and the Planning and Land Use Division (Property and Development Services Department) for report back to the December 3, 1998 meeting of the Standing Policy Committee of Protection and Community Services, the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services recommends that Council approve an extension of time of 60 days for further consideration of this matter.

Adopted by consent.

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Recommendations for Amusement Tax Exemption File FL-6 (Vol. 17)

70 - 2. 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:

North Kildonan Community Players for:
Anne of Green Gables at the Centre Culturel Franco-Manitobain on March 17 to 20, 1999

Winnipeg International Children's Festival for:
Winnipeg International Children's Festival at the Forks National Historic Site/Forks Renewal Corporation on June 10 to 13, 1999

Dance Manitoba Inc. for:
1999 Manitoba Provincial Dance Festival at the Centre Culturel Franco-Manitobain on May 17 to 29, 1999

Alapan Association of Manitoba for:
"The Legend and Me" A Tribute to Frank Sinatra at the Pantages Playhouse Theatre on December 5, 1998

Winnipeg Mennonite Theatre Society for:
Low German Plays at the Planetarium Auditorium on November 27 and 28, 1998

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.

Community Incentive Grant Application - Ralph Maybank Parent Advisory Council File PR-2.6(31) (Vol. 5)

71 - 3. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has been advised that the Assiniboia Community Committee, at its meeting on September 22, 1998, considered an application from the Ralph Maybank Parent Advisory Council for a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $30,850.00, and recommended approval of $13,467.58, not to exceed a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of total project cost, to assist with the cost of a community school yard project, located at 20 Donnelly Street. The Administration advised that the application meets the eligibility criteria contained in the Community Incentive Grant Program.

On September 22, 1998, the Assiniboia Community Committee further recommended approval of a first charge against the 1999 Community Incentive Grant Program once funding is approved in the Capital Budget, in the amount of $17,382.42, not to exceed a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the total project cost, to assist with the cost of the community school yard project.

The Administration advised that the application meets the eligibility criteria contained in the Community Incentive Grant Program, however, a first charge on the 1999 Capital Budget Program would require approval by Council.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services concurred in the recommendation of the Assiniboia Community Committee and recommends:

I. That a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $17,382.42, not to exceed a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the total project cost, be approved to the Ralph Maybank Parent Advisory Council, for the purpose requested, and be a first charge on the 1999 Community Incentive Grant Program (Assiniboia Community), subject to the following conditions:

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a) Confirmation of other funding sources;

b) Approval of final plans and specifications for the project by the Director; and

c) The applicant entering into a formal agreement with the City of Winnipeg.

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

Adopted by consent.

Community Incentive Grant Application - Beaverlodge Elementary Home and School Association File PR-2.6(31) (Vol. 5)

72 - 4. The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services has been advised that the Assiniboia Community Committee, at its meeting on September 22, 1998, considered an application from the Beaverlodge Elementary Home and School Association for a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $33,000.00, and recommended approval of $19,771.23, not to exceed a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of total project cost, to assist with the cost of a new play structure at Beaverlodge Elementary School, located at 6691 Rannock Avenue. The Administration advised that the application meets the eligibility criteria contained in the Community Incentive Grant Program.

On September 22, 1998, the Assiniboia Community Committee further recommended approval of a first charge against the 1999 Community Incentive Grant Program once funding is approved in the Capital Budget, in the amount of $13,228.77, not to exceed a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the total project cost, to assist with the cost of the new play structure.

The Administration advised that the application meets the eligibility criteria contained in the Community Incentive Grant Program, however, a first charge on the 1999 Capital Budget Program would require approval by Council.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services concurred in a further recommendation of the Assiniboia Community Committee and recommends:

I. That a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $13,228.77, not to exceed a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the total project cost, be approved to the Beaverlodge Elementary Home and School Association, for the purpose requested, and be a first charge on the 1999 Community Incentive Grant Program (Assiniboia Community), subject to the following conditions:

a) Confirmation of other funding sources;

b) Approval of final plans and specifications for the project by the Director; and

c) The applicant entering into a formal agreement with the City of Winnipeg.

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

Adopted by consent.

Community Incentive Grant Application - St. Vital Mustangs Football Club Inc. File PR-2.6(35) (Vol. 6)

73 - 5. On July 6, 1998, the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services considered and approved a Community Incentive Grant for the St. Vital Mustangs Football Club Inc., in the amount of $15,318.50, to assist with the cost of the press box/filming tower and field lighting at Maple Grove Park, located at 190 Frobisher Road.

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On September 22, 1998, the Riel Community Committee considered an additional communication from the St. Vital Mustangs Football Club Inc., recommending that the criteria be waived in order for the grant to exceed a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the total project cost, and be approved in the full amount of $15,318.50. Further, the Community Committee recommended that the project description be amended, namely, that funding will be used for repair/replacement of field lighting and facility and grounds upgrading.

When this application was first considered on July 6, 1998, it met the eligibility criteria contained in the Community Incentive Grant Program. However, since the St. Vital Mustangs Football Club Inc., is requesting the waiver of a criteria, it now requires Council approval.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services concurred in the recommendations of the Riel Community Committee and recommends:

I. That the following eligibility criteria for the Community Incentive Grant Program, be waived in this instance, namely: -

   a) The applicant has requested one hundred percent (100%) of the total project cost and therefore would not be contributing fifty percent (50%) of the capital costs from their own sources.

II. That a Community Incentive Grant in the amount of $15,318.50, be approved to the St. Vital Mustangs Football Club Inc., for the purpose requested, subject to the following conditions:

   a) Approval of final plans and specifications for the project by the Director; and

   b) 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.

Adopted by consent.

Operation of Outdoor Wading Pools to the end of August, 1999
File PR-2.2 (Vol. 18)

74 - 6. On September 10, 1998 Council, ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services, under Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law No. 5400/90, namely:

Moved by Councillor Lazarenko,
Seconded by Councillor Steek,

WHEREAS The City of Winnipeg has 97 outdoor wading pools of which 16 were privately operated during 1998;

AND WHEREAS the total operating budget for 81 pools over a 42 day operation period was $454,000.00;

AND WHEREAS wading pools are the primary source of summer recreation for many youth in all wards of the City but particularly those in the inner city;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that all City of Winnipeg wading pools be kept open an additional 10 days in 1999 (until the end of August, weather permitting) and that the additional appropriation of approximately $100,000.00 be given favourable consideration during the 1999 budget review.

Inasmuch as this matter has been laid over for consideration during the 1999 Budget Review, the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services recommends that Council approve an extension of time of 90 days for further consideration of this matter.

Adopted by consent.

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Appointment of Council Representative to the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council Files FG-3 (Vol. 36) and GC-7 (Vol. 28)

75 - 7. Council, at its Organizational Meeting on November 12, 1998, referred to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services, the matter of the review of Council membership on the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services recommends for appointment Councillor Lubosch and Councillor Thomas as the Council representatives to the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council.

Adopted by consent.

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CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

76 - On motion of Councillor Vandal, By-law No. 7327/98, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend the Amusement Tax By-law No. 3107/81, 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. 17)

Councillor Golden asked to be recorded in opposition to all three readings of By-law No. 7327/98 in accordance with Rule 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

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QUESTION PERIOD

77 - In reference to the amalgamation of the Fire Department and Ambulance Services, Councillor Steek noted the name change to Emergency Response Service and questioned if consideration would be given to retain the word “Fire” in the new title.

Councillor Vandal stated that the Fire Department and members had expressed interest in retaining “Fire” in the new name and suggested that the decision should come from within and not from above.

Councillor Steek noted that the Fire Department had an incredible museum on Maple Street in the old No. 3 Firehall and questioned when it would be open to the public.

Councillor Vandal agreed to find out and report back to all Members of Council.