REPORT OF THE

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

DATED JULY 8, 1998

On motion of Her Worship Mayor Thompson, the Report of the Executive Policy Committee, dated July 8, 1998, was considered clause by clause.

Moved by Her Worship Mayor Thompson,
That the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11 and 12, be adopted.

Councillor Lazarenko requested that Clause 8 be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Councillor Murray requested that Clause 9 be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Councillor Vandal requested that Clause 10 be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Councillor Thomas requested that Clause 12 be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

The motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 and 11 was put and declared carried.

Expenditure from Land Dedication Reserve Fund - purchase of a passenger van for the United Filipino-Canadian Seniors of Manitoba Inc. - Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee
File EP-2 (Vol. 24)

853 - 1. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee has concurred in the allocation of $10,000.00 from the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Land Dedication Fund for the purchase of a passenger van for the United Filipino-Canadian Seniors of Manitoba Inc.

The Executive Policy Committee concurs with the above and recommends that funds in the amount of $10,000.00 be approved from the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Land Dedication Reserve Fund for the project.

Adopted by consent.

Expenditure from Land Dedication Reserve Fund - Churchill Drive Parkway - City Centre Community Committee
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854 - 2. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that the City Centre Community Committee has concurred in the allocation of $25,000.00 from the City Centre Land Dedication Reserve Fund for the completion of the Churchill Drive Parkway and has recommended that the existing contract not be closed in order that the project can be completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the original tender.

On May 13, 1998, the Executive Policy Committee referred the matter to the Chief Administrative Officer for report providing background information as to what monies have been expended to date and whether there will be operating costs to the City.

In report dated June 22, 1998, the Administration recommended that an expenditure in the amount of $25,000.00 be approved from the Land Dedication Reserve Fund for the completion of the Churchill Drive Parkway.

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The Executive Policy Committee concurs with the recommendation and recommends that funds in the amount of $25,000.00 be approved from the City Centre Land Dedication Reserve Fund for the project.

Adopted by consent.

Expenditure from Land Dedication Reserve Fund - former McGowan House property - Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee
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855 - 3. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee has considered a request from the Superintendent of Parks Planning for funding in the amount of $8,000.00 to $10,000.00 from the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Land Dedication Reserve Fund for the hiring of a consultant to undertake the community consultation process, preparation of the required concept plan, and to create a preliminary cost estimate and has concurred in the allocation of $10,000.00 from the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Land Dedication Reserve Fund for the purpose as outlined.

On May 13, 1998, the Executive Policy Committee referred the matter to the Chief Administrative Officer for report providing background information. The Administrative report dated June 22, 1998, was considered on July 8, 1998.

The Executive Policy Committee concurs with the recommendation from the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee that funds in the amount of $10,000.00 be approved from the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Land Dedication Reserve Fund for the project.

Adopted by consent.

Expenditure from Land Dedication Reserve Fund - Centennial Pool - Assiniboia Community Committee
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856 - 4. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that the Assiniboia Community Committee has concurred in the allocation of $20,000.00 from the Assiniboia Land Dedication Reserve Fund for the repair of asphalt deterioration on the east side of Centennial Pool, inasmuch as it is an area used by emergency vehicles to access the building and that there is no funding available to repair the surface of the Centennial Pool.

On May 13, 1998, the Executive Policy Committee referred the matter to the Chief Administrative Officer for report providing background information.

In report dated June 22, 1998, the Administration recommended that $20,000.00 from the Land Dedication Reserve Fund be utilized for the repair of asphalt deterioration on the lane way and parking lot of St. James-Assiniboia Centennial Pool located at 644 Parkdale Street.

The Executive Policy Committee concurs with the Administration and recommends that funds in the amount of $20,000.00 be approved from the Assiniboia Community Land Dedication Reserve Fund for the repair of asphalt deterioration on the lane way and parking lot of St. James-Assiniboia Centennial Pool located at 644 Parkdale Street.

Adopted by consent.

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Expenditure from Land Dedication Reserve Fund - repairs to the playground structure at Toilers Memorial Park on Riverside Drive and Byng Place - Assiniboia Community Committee
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857 - 5. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that the Assiniboia Community Committee has concurred in the allocation of $10,000.00 from the Assiniboia Land Dedication Fund to be utilized for repairs to the playground structure at Toilers Memorial Park on Riverside Drive and Byng Place.

The Executive Policy Committee concurs with the above and recommends that funds in the amount of $10,000.00 be approved from the Assiniboia Land Dedication Reserve Fund for the project.

Adopted by consent.

Expenditure from Land Dedication Reserve Fund - Ray Fennel Park - Assiniboia Community Committee
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858 - 6. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that the Assiniboia Community Committee has concurred in the allocation of $62,500.00, from the Assiniboia Land Dedication Fund to be utilized for site improvements at Ray Fennel Park; $37,500.00 for the baseball field, and $25,000.00 for the football field.

The Executive Policy Committee concurs with the above and recommends that funds in the amount of $62,500.00 be approved from the Assiniboia Land Dedication Reserve Fund for the project.

Adopted by consent.

Expenditure from Land Dedication Reserve Fund - Victoria Lindenwood Community Centre - Assiniboia Community Committee
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859 - 7. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that the Assiniboia Community Committee has concurred in the allocation of $85,000.00, from the Assiniboia Land Dedication Fund to be utilized for land drainage at Victoria Lindenwood Community Centre.

The Executive Policy Committee concurs with the above and recommends that funds in the amount of $85,000.00 be approved from the Assiniboia Land Dedication Reserve Fund for the project.

Adopted by consent.

Status of concerns over mosquitoes and other insects File PA (Vol. 10)

860 - 8. Council, at its meeting held on May 27, 1998, 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:

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Moved by Councillor Lazarenko,
Seconded by Councillor Golden,

That Council instruct the Chief Administrative Officer to instruct the City's Entomologist to advise the public and the media on the status of concerns over mosquitoes and other insects.

On June 15, 1998, the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services passed a motion that the City Entomologist be requested to submit monthly reports during the insect season for review by the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services.

The Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services referred the council motion to the Executive Policy Committee, as the matter falls under its purview.

The Executive Policy Committee recommends that the motion be filed inasmuch as the Standing Committee on Protection and Community Services has already requested monthly reports from the City Entomologist during the insect season for their review.

Moved by Her Worship Mayor Thompson,
That the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, that the motion be filed, be adopted.

The recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee that the motion be filed, was put.

Councillor Lazarenko called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:-

Yea: Councillors Prystanski, Angus, Lubosch, Murray, O'Shaughnessy, Phillips, Silva, Steek, Thomas, Timm-Rudolph, Deputy Mayor Eadie, Her Worship Mayor Thompson and Councillor Clement. 13

Nay: Councillors Golden, Lazarenko and Vandal. 3

and the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, that the motion be filed, was declared carried.

Tax Assistance for new or renovated buildings to create multiple unit properties within the downtown area
Files GG-2 (Vol. 23) & FL (Vol. 5)

861 - 9. On June 24, 1998 Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Executive Policy Committee, under Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law No. 5400/90:

Moved by Councillor Angus,
Seconded by Councillor Silva,

WHEREAS it is desirable to have a vibrant and successful downtown;

AND WHEREAS the City has taken steps to reconstruct the downtown including making it clean, attractive and safe;

AND WHEREAS Winnipeg's downtown has numerous spaces suitable for multi-use development including housing;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to encourage multiple family dwellings and particularly high density dwelling units in the downtown;

AND WHEREAS By-law No. 7199/98 established a program of property tax credits or refunds to encourage and to assist in the construction or purchase of new dwellings;

AND WHEREAS there are a number of Heritage incentive programs which can be applicable to designated buildings;

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 7199/98 be amended to allow for all tenure forms of owner-occupied dwellings, whether as condominiums or free-holds: and all built-forms such as detached, attached ground floor access, or multi-story for tax assistance to new or renovated buildings to create multiple unit properties within the downtown area as defined by By-law No. 4800/88;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administration be requested to prepare a zoning by-law amendment to allow for residential, mixed use, commercial and live/work spaces on properties in the downtown;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administration prepare building code equivalencies on building conversion projects in the downtown;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City include funding for a public awareness program to promote the opportunities for incentives for development including housing in the downtown area.

The Executive Policy Committee concurs in the resolution and forwards same to Council for approval.

Moved by Councillor Angus,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Proposed Referendum during the next Civic Election - Removal of the Provincial Education Levy from The City of Winnipeg Property Tax

File GL-5 (Vol. 5)

862 - 10. On June 24, 1998 Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Executive Policy Committee, under Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law No. 5400/90:

Moved by Councillor Vandal,
Seconded by Councillor Murray,

WHEREAS property taxes in Winnipeg are among the highest in Canada;

AND WHEREAS the provincial education levy of property taxes contribute significantly to the high level of property taxes in the City of Winnipeg;

AND WHEREAS a disproportionate amount of the provincial education levy collected from the City of Winnipeg is used to support the education system in rural Manitoba;

AND WHEREAS section 120 of the City of Winnipeg Act states:

> *The council may submit any question, within or without the powers of the council, to an expression of opinion of the electors or resident electors of the whole or any part of the City...*

AND WHEREAS the cost of conducting a referendum during a general election will be minimal;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that during the next civic election the following question be added:

> *Do you support the removal of the provincial education levy from the City of Winnipeg property tax?*

On July 8, 1998, Councillor Clement, Charleswood-Fort Garry Ward, appeared in delegation before the Executive Policy Committee in opposition to the resolution for a proposed referendum during the next civic election regarding the removal of the Provincial Education Levy from the City of Winnipeg property tax bill. He suggested that the Province of Manitoba should allow the City of Winnipeg to have its own assessment act, separate from the remainder of the Province. He further suggested that the $250.00 property tax credit currently offered by the Province of Manitoba be applied to the education levy.

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The Executive Policy Committee recommends that the resolution not be concurred in and be filed, inasmuch as 71% of Winnipeg citizens indicated in the recent budget survey that they support the removal of the provincial education levy from the City of Winnipeg property tax bill, which has also been endorsed and adopted by Council in its Financial Management Plan.

For the information of Council, the Chief Administrative Officer has been requested to prepare a report for consideration by the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee articulating Councillor Clement's suggestions, namely:

1) That the Province of Manitoba be requested to allow the City of Winnipeg to have their own Assessment Act separate from the rest of the Province;

2) That the Province of Manitoba be requested to utilize the $250.00 property tax credit, currently being deducted from the property tax bills, towards the education levy.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Eadie,

That the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, that the motion be filed, be adopted.

The Speaker called the Deputy Speaker, Councillor Prystanski, to the Chair in order to participate in the debate, and after speaking, resumed the Chair.

The recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, that the motion be filed, was put.

The Speaker called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:-

Yea: Councillors Angus, Lubosch, O'Shaughnessy, Phillips, Silva, Timm-Rudolph, Deputy Mayor Eadie, Her Worship Mayor Thompson and Councillor Clement. 9

Nay: Councillors Golden, Lazarenko, Murray, Steek, Thomas and Vandal. 6

and the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, that the motion be filed, was declared carried.

Appointments to Winnipeg 2000 Leaders and Advisory Committees
File G-8 (Vol. 5)

863 - 11. On May 9, 1990, Council adopted Clause 1 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated May 9, 1990, appointing a number of persons to the Winnipeg 2000 Leaders Committee and the Leaders Advisory Committee and directed that any new appointment changes be approved by Council.

On June 22, 1998, a communication was received from John Loewen, Chair of Winnipeg 2000 Economic Development Corporation recommending the appointment of the following new members to the Winnipeg 2000 Leaders and Advisory Committees:

Leaders Committee	Advisory Committee
Ms Serena Kraayeveld	Mr. Arthur DeFehr
Mr. Gerald Price	Mr. Allan MacKenzie
Mr. Marc Raymond	Mr. William Parrish
Mr. Ken Ross	

The Executive Policy Committee concurs with the recommendations and submits same to Council for approval.

Adopted by consent.

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River Walk Way Systems
File PR-4 (Vol. 12)

864 - 12. On July 8, 1998, the Executive Policy Committee passed the following resolution, namely:

WHEREAS Winnipeg's river walkways are an attractive and aesthetic part of the River System in Winnipeg;

AND WHEREAS many of Winnipeg's citizens and visitors enjoy the opportunity to utilize these walkways;

AND WHEREAS during the spring and other times of high river water, many of these pathways are underwater and not accessible;

AND WHEREAS the City and the Province share in the operation of the Winnipeg Floodway to control high water during times of flooding;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City and the Province cooperate in finding a solution that will allow for the adjustment of river water levels in the City in order to maximize the utilization of the River Walk Way Systems;

AND FURTHER, that this work be done so as to have no negative impact on our neighbouring communities particularly south of the City;

and submits same to Council for approval.

Moved by Councillor Angus,
Adoption of the clause.

Council recessed at 11:56 a.m., and reconvened at 1:34 p.m., same members present.

Councillors Prystanski, Golden, Lubosch, Murray and Steek entered the meeting after Council had reconvened.

The motion for the adoption of the clause was put and declared carried.

Councillors Murray and Thomas asked to be recorded as having voted against the clause, in accordance with Rule 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

REPORT OF THE

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

DATED JULY 15, 1998

On motion of Her Worship Mayor Thompson, the Report of the Executive Policy Committee, dated July 15, 1998, was considered clause by clause.

Moved by Her Worship Mayor Thompson,
That the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,2,3,4 and 5, be adopted.

Councillor Lazarenko requested that Clause 3 be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

The motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,2,4 and 5 was put and declared carried.

2000 Senior Softball World Championships
File GC-8 (Vol. 5)

865 - 1. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that the Senior Softball World Championships were founded in Sacramento in 1998 and have been held annually since that year. Most recent hosts are/will be:

1995	Kansas City, Kansas
1996	Phoenix, Arizona
1997	Salt Lake City, Utah
1998	Chicago, Illinois
1999	Phoenix, Arizona
2000	Winnipeg, Manitoba (bid)

In 1995, the Canadian Polar Bear Classic Inc., with letters of support from the Government of Canada, Province of Manitoba and the City of Winnipeg, made application to the Senior Softball World Championships Inc. to host the event in Winnipeg in 1999. This date was subsequently changed to 2000 in order to avoid conflict with the 1999 Pan American Games.

World Softball Qualifying tournaments have been held at the John Blumberg Softball Complex since 1995 and similar qualifiers are scheduled to be held in 1998 and 1999. These qualifiers and their winners participation in the World Championships have positioned Winnipeg as a potential host for the 2000 event.

The Senior Softball World Championships offer Winnipeg a tremendous opportunity to showcase our city to an estimated 4450 players, officials, dignitaries and accompanying guests representing 150 teams from across Canada and the United States. Based on previous championships, it is estimated that 93% of those attending the tournament will come from the United States, many of whom will visit Winnipeg for the first time.

An organizing committee for the event is already in place and are active in the areas of operations, facilities, transportation, food, security, marketing/sponsorship, protocol, special events and volunteers. Their preliminary business plan articulates a critical path which lays the foundation for effective planning and organization of the event.

The budget for the championships show gross expenses of $345,046 are offset by equivalent revenues. Proposed revenue sources include City of Winnipeg ($35,000 including GIK), Provincial and Federal Government ($140,000), Corporate Sponsorship and other fundraising ($125,206), Operations ($44,840).

The economic impact associated with hosting the event has been projected by Tourism Winnipeg is outlined in Appendix “A”. It includes impacts associated with the 2000 championships and the 1998 and 1999 qualifying events and related activities.

This event is important in Winnipeg’s evolution as a major event host center. The 1998 Grey Cup, 1999 World Junior Hockey Championships and the 1999 Pan American Games will firmly establish Winnipeg as a city capable of successfully hosting international caliber events. The facility, organization, volunteer and community spirit legacies

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resulting from these events must be tapped in order to fully realize their value. The Senior Softball World Championships are a perfect opportunity to do that.

Allocation of funds for the event are required approximately one year in advance. The cash portion of the City's funding commitment ($29,000) will be included in the preparation of the 1999 current budget estimates. The gift-in-kind impact (offset of facility rental) will be realized in 2000. The financial impact is outlined on Appendix "B".

Tourism Winnipeg as part of their mandate to identify tourism opportunities has assessed the economic impact of the World Senior Softball Championships and recommended support for the proposed bid.

The presentation by representatives of the Hosting Committee of the Canadian Polar Bear Classic Inc. is outlined on Appendix "C".

The Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That the City of Winnipeg support the efforts of the Canadian Polar Bear Classic Inc. in their bid to host the Senior Softball World Championships in Winnipeg August 25 to September 9, 2000.

II. That should the Canadian Polar Bear Classic Inc. be successful in their bid, the City of Winnipeg commit to providing financial assistance to the event in the amount of $29,000 cash contribution and up to $6000 gift-in-kind to offset the rental of City facilities, to be charged to the 1999 Current Operating Budget.

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

Copy of attachments referred to in the above clause are on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted by consent.

2001 Canadian Figure Skating Championships File GC-8 (Vol. 5)

866 - 2. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that for a number of years, Tourism Winnipeg has maintained contact with the Canadian Figure Skating Association regarding the feasibility of Winnipeg hosting a national championship. Recent enquiries to the Association and more specifically, the Skating Events Trust, have resulted in a positive response.

The Skating Events Trust forwarded an outline of conditions that had to be met by the host center and after clarification of expectations and costs, Tourism Winnipeg responded with a demonstration of interest on behalf of Winnipeg.

A visit to Winnipeg by the Vice President, Marketing for the Skating Events Trust resulted in a favorable impression and the City through Tourism Winnipeg was requested to submit a formal letter of intent to the Skating Events Trust by July 15, 1998 for presentation to the Trust's July, 1998 Board of Directors meeting.

The Canadian Figure Skating Championships have been a very successful event in recent years. Local market interest has been high as demonstrated at the 1998 event held in Hamilton where attendance exceeded 90,000 for seven events over 4 days. In addition, a national viewing audience of over 1.8 million tuned in to the Saturday evening competition. Additional broadcast exposure throughout the event as well as international media coverage will provide tremendous profile for Winnipeg.

The economic return to the City from the event is substantial. The Skating Events Trust projects a $12M total economic impact. Tourism Winnipeg more conservatively projects a $6M impact with tax value to the City in the range of $300,000.

In submitting a letter of intent, Winnipeg must commit to several conditions. These host site requirements are outlined on Appendix "A" from Tourism Winnipeg including comment on the manner in which each will be handled.

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This event is important in Winnipeg's evolution as a major event host center. The 1998 Grey Cup, 1999 World Junior Hockey Championships, 1999 Pan American Games and possibly the 2000 Senior Softball World Championships (in bid stage) will firmly establish Winnipeg as a city capable of hosting international caliber events. The facility, organization, volunteer and community spirit legacies resulting from these events must be tapped in order to fully realize their value. The Canadian Figure Skating Championships will contribute to that and further strengthen Winnipeg's profile and hosting capability.

The host financial commitment for the event is $125,000 in cash and $3,360 in gift-in-kind (banner installation and removal). Negotiations with the Province of Manitoba are underway with a view to cost sharing the host commitment. Initial indications are that the Province will support the event financially although the amount has not yet been finalized. The financial impact is outlined on Appendix "B".

Council approval is required for Tourism Winnipeg to submit a formal letter of intent to the Skating Events Trust indicating the City of Winnipeg commitment to hosting the 2001 Canadian Figure Skating Championships.

The Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That the City of Winnipeg endorse the efforts of Tourism Winnipeg to secure the 2001 Canadian Figure Skating Championships.

II. That should Winnipeg be awarded the event, funding for the City's portion of costs be budgeted in the 1999 and 2000 fiscal years.

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

Copy of attachments referred to in the above clause are on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted by consent.

Re-Engineering a New Emergency Response Services Department
Files GF-1(Vol. 16) and GF-3 (Vol. 24)
[c/r GL-5.6 (Vol. 9)]

867 - 3. On March 20, 1997, Council approved the "Reshaping Our Civic Government" document which contained a number of Strategic Initiatives for 1997 and 1998 Budgets. One of the Restructuring Initiatives called for the "complete evaluation of potential alternatives, and to move forward with implementation of plans to re-engineer Fire and Ambulance Department Operations."

In October 1997 Equinox Management Consultants (Gary R. Richardson) were retained by the City of Winnipeg "to facilitate the development of a complete model for integrating the City's Fire Department and Ambulance Service and the design of a new emergency service and service delivery model . . . "

The merger of the Winnipeg Fire and Ambulance Departments has been considered for many years. As far back as 1980, a team of consultants concluded that initial first medical response should be provided by the Fire Department. In 1981, City Council provided the authority for the merger to occur. In 1983, a task force examined the issue and concluded that a merger of the two departments would threaten "organizational harmony."

In April 1994, Council approved "A New Direction for Civic Administration" which anticipated an eventual amalgamation of the Fire Department and the Ambulance Department into an "Emergency Response" Department by 1997.

A master's thesis submitted in 1996 by Gary Richardson (a member of Winnipeg and then Ottawa Fire Department) concluded that "amalgamation is necessary."

On October 29, 1997, Council adopted Clause 1 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee regarding George B. Cuff- Organizational Review and Performance Assessment Report which in part established the Emergency Response Services Department.

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The October 29 decision was confirmed in the Organizational By-law, most recently on March 25, 1998.

In July 1998, the Final Report of Equinox Consultants Ltd. and the RES Committee was formally submitted to the Chief Administrative Officer.

As general background, several variations of combined Emergency Response Services can be found in Canada and the United States. In British Columbia, there has been a merger of fire and ambulance communications. The City of Edmonton merged its Fire and Ambulance Departments, but has abandoned the initiative. In Toronto, where the Fire Department has gone through a consolidation with neighbouring fire departments, methods are being explored to share resources with the Ambulance Service including shared dispatch. Thompson and Brandon, Manitoba both have fire department-based emergency response systems. Phoenix, Norfolk, San Diego and Indianapolis are considered examples of leading Emergency Response systems. But Winnipeg requires a unique "made in Winnipeg" solution, recognizing special circumstances and local emergency service needs.

With specific reference to Winnipeg, the Final Report dated July 6, 1998, (copy on file in the office of the City Clerk) focuses on the process toward integration and is essentially organized into four parts:

1. The Richardson Report, which is the substantive report of the consultant and outlines a series of recommendations regarding a two year, three phase action plan for re-engineering the Emergency Services Department.

2. The findings of the Fire\Ambulance RES Committee, which is essentially the consensus reached by the stakeholder representatives on the future vision of the new emergency services system, and guiding principles and the means to achieve their shared vision.

3. The Operational Prototype, which is a *prima facie* description of a model that is proposed by the RES Committee to optimize real-time ambulance and fire resources into an integrated system.

4. Report on the Re-engineering of the Ambulance and Fire Communications Centres, which recommends an integrated “Emergency Services Communications Centre” as submitted by the communications Task Force.

Fundamentally, the report supports a merger of the Ambulance and Fire functions in order to better serve the changed number and character of emergency response needs in Winnipeg; as well as to reflect budgetary realities and changes in technology, in communications and in emergency service philosophies. The report also recognizes the new role of the Winnipeg Hospital Authority as a change agent, and the opportunity for more seamless emergency medical service.

Finally, the report is based on the recognition that the integration process is long-term and requires the continuous commitment of all stakeholders, particularly the existing staff in both departments, to ensure success.

The Richardson Report identifies potential initial savings of approximately $4 million annually in 1998 dollars, primarily through continuation of vacancy management in 1998, and the deletion of additional positions for a total of 61 positions.

Savings in infrastructure and equipment costs have not been included in the report.

The Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That Council endorse the current broadly based recruitment, being conducted by the Chief Administrative Officer, of a new “Chief Operating Officer” of the Emergency Response Services Department. Every effort should be made to have this person in place no later than October 15, 1998. In the meantime, the Fire Chief would remain as department head until his retirement date. No major organizational changes would occur until this position is filled.

II. That the report entitled “Fire\Emergency Medical Services: The Final Report,” dated July 6, 1998, be received as information.

III. That the Chief Administrative Officer, through instructions to the new “Chief Operating Officer” of the Emergency Response Services Department, be mandated to immediately develop and execute a merger implementation plan using the “Fire\Emergency Medical Services: The Final Report” as a guideline, and continue the commitment to collaborate with all stakeholders.

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IV. That the existing Re-engineering Steering Committee (RES Committee), including additional formal representation from the Office of the Fire Commissioner, be maintained as a technical steering committee to advise the "Chief Operating Officer" throughout the first two years of implementation.

V. That the "Chief Operating Officer" shall regularly report to the Chief Administrative Officer on progress toward merger implementation.

VI. That the Proper Officers of the City of Winnipeg do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Moved by Councillor Silva,
Adoption of the clause.

In amendment,

Moved by Councillor Lubosch,
Seconded by Councillor Silva,

WHEREAS the re-engineering of a new Emergency Response Services Department should provide better emergency services to the citizens of Winnipeg;

AND WHEREAS this re-engineering should provide a more efficient emergency service and significant operational budget savings;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg has a greater number of fires and costs due to fire loss than other comparable Canadian cities;

AND WHEREAS fire prevention and public education are an effective means to prevent and reduce the incidence of fires;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Administrative Officer, through instructions to the new "Chief Operating Officer" of the Emergency Response Services Department and Re-engineering Steering Committee (RES) Committee be mandated to review the operations and budget for the Fire Prevention Branch and develop a new Fire Prevention Action Plan and that the action plan be incorporated into any re-engineering and integration plans and forwarded to Council for consideration and approval.

Moved by Councillor Thomas,
That the clause be referred to the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services.

The motion to refer the clause was put.

The Speaker called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:-

Yea: Councillors Lazarenko and Thomas. 2

Nay: Councillors Prystanski, Angus, Golden, Lubosch, Murray, O'Shaughnessy, Phillips, Silva, Timm-Rudolph, Vandal, Deputy Mayor Eadie, Her Worship Mayor Thompson and Councillor Clement. 13

and the motion to refer the clause was declared lost.

The amendment was put and declared carried.

The motion for the adoption of the clause, as amended, was put and declared carried.

Councillor Thomas asked to be recorded as having voted against the clause, as amended, in accordance with Rule 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

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Reward for Information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the shooting attacks on Dr. Romalis in Vancouver, B.C., Dr. Short in Ancaster, Ontario and Dr. Fainman in Winnipeg, Manitoba
File GF-2(Vol. 50)

868 - 4. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that on November 8, 1994, Dr. Romalis was shot through a window by a sniper, while sitting in his home, in Vancouver, British Columbia. On November 10, 1995 Dr. Short was shot in Ancaster, Ontario through a back window of his residence. Again, on November 11, 1997, Dr. Fainman was shot through the back window of his home in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

All of the doctors survived with varying degrees of permanent disability and all of them were performing abortions as part of their practice, to a lesser or greater degree. In all these crimes, the weapon and crime preparation appear to be similar and there has been no "claim of responsibility" by any person or group.

Based upon parallel investigations and inter-agency cooperation, the Police Services in Vancouver, Hamilton-Wentworth and Winnipeg came to the conclusion that these crimes were committed by the same person or persons and have therefore formed a National Task Force, to bring these domestic terrorists to justice. The RCMP have agreed to participate as coordinating agency.

There is little doubt these crimes appear to be related to the abortion issue. There has been a substantial amount of media coverage across Canada, the United States and even overseas but little information has come to light from the public. Because of this and because of circumstances related to the current investigation it is believed that Crime Stoppers, although a valuable tool in many investigations, will be of little value in solving these terrorist attacks. The Task Force is of the opinion that a substantial reward may produce the results needed in this important case.

The Task Force has agreed to begin efforts to raise moneys to support a substantial reward. As an initial step the Civic leaders from Vancouver, Hamilton-Wentworth and Winnipeg are being asked to consider offering money to support this initiative. As recently as Monday, July 13, 1998 the Hamilton-Wentworth Police asked their Police Services Board to authorize moneys in the amount of $20,000.00. The Police Service in that area has recently learned of a by-law cap limiting the amount of reward they can offer to $10,000.00. There is current discussions ongoing to determine whether the amount can be elevated or not.

There has been indications from the Manitoba Medical Association that they may assist by also offering $20,000.00 toward a larger reward.

Should the City agree with this request in principle, discussions will commence with the other involved agencies to determine a proper procedure regarding a combined reward. This would involve advice from the City's Legal Services, and later, final authorization from the Chief Administrative Officer.

Council authority is required inasmuch as Council, on April 24, 1996, adopted Clause 5 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated April 17, 1996 with respect to a Policy on Maximum Rewards for Serious Offences which increased the amount from $5,000 to $10,000 as a maximum reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of suspects.

The Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That the City of Winnipeg agree in principle to offer an amount of $20,000.00 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the shooting attacks on Dr. Romalis in Vancouver, British Columbia, Dr. Short in Ancaster, Ontario and Dr. Fainman in Winnipeg, Manitoba. That the amount offered by the City of Winnipeg would form part of a larger reward from funds supplied by other agencies for the same purpose.

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.

Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated July 15, 1998

Proposed Amendment to Winnipeg Streets By-law No. 1481/77 - Soliciting Business in a Roadway File ST-5.3 (Vol. 6)

869 - 5. On May 1, 1998, Council amended and adopted Clause 1 of the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services dated April 9, 1998, which amendment included the following motion:

> "That the City Council request the Social Planning Council of Winnipeg to lead an inter-agency working group to examine the so-called "squeegee issue" and make recommendations leading to a reasonable civic strategy which addresses regulation/prohibition, public safety, employment and shared public space.
>
> That City Council review Section 2.18 of By-law No. 1481/77 (being the Winnipeg Streets By-law) within thirty days of receiving the report and recommendations of the Social Planning Council of Winnipeg."

On June 17, 1998, the Executive Policy Committee referred the report submitted by the Task Force on Squeegee Issues to the Administration for review and report back to the Executive Policy Committee by July 15, 1998; and further that the Administration determine whether a Winnipeg Development Agreement application can be applied for in connection with the recommendations outlined in said report.

Inasmuch as the Executive Policy Committee has not completed its deliberations on the matter, the Executive Policy Committee recommends that Council approve an extension of time of 30 days for consideration of the matter.

Adopted by consent.

REPORT OF THE

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

DATED JULY 22, 1998

On motion of Her Worship Mayor Thompson, the rule was suspended and the Report of the Executive Policy Committee, dated July 22, 1998, was considered clause by clause.

Lord Selkirk Neighbourhood Revitalization Strategy for the Winnipeg Development Agreement, Sub-Program 3A, Neighbourhood Revitalization Program
File FR-3.2 (PA-3) (Vol. 2)

870 - 1. The Executive Policy Committee has been advised that the Program Authorization for the Winnipeg Development Agreement, Sub Program 3A, was approved by all three levels of government on August 4, 1995. The objectives of the Neighbourhood Revitalization Program are to:

- Revitalize older residential neighbourhoods;
- Empower local residents to take ownership of their neighbourhood by making them full partners in setting program priorities;
- Apply the concept of multidisciplinary neighbourhood resource centres as a key tool for more effective delivery of community based services.

The 1997-98 Work Plan for delivery of Sub Program 3A, Neighbourhood Revitalization was approved by Council on September 26, 1996. The Work Plan was approved for implementation in the Spence and Lord Selkirk Neighbourhoods. The following activities have been accomplished as outlined in the Work Plan Approval:

- Organization of Administrative Support Committee (ongoing)
- Recruitment of staff (Vacancy Management Approval to hire internally, November 5, 1996. Hiring process for a Neighbourhood Planner, two Community Development Workers and a Clerk A completed on April 15, 1997)
- Neighbourhood presence established in Lord Selkirk and Spence through the identification of sites in which to house neighbourhood resource centres (Turtle Island Recreation Centre in the Lord Selkirk Neighbourhood and Magnus Eliason in the Spence Neighbourhood).
- Contact and liaison with the communities established through the deployment of staff dedicated to each of the neighbourhoods (completed)
- Neighbourhood research to develop neighbourhood characterizations, neighbourhood specific inventories and neighbourhood needs profiles (ongoing)
- Promotion of resident awareness, interest and participation in the Neighbourhood Revitalization Program (ongoing)
- Recruitment, orientation and development of Neighbourhood Committees (Lord Selkirk Neighbourhood Council established in September, 1997, Spence Neighbourhood Council established in February, 1997)
- Completion of a Preliminary Strategic Plan for the Spence Neighbourhood and implementation of projects based upon issues identified, completion of the Strategic Plan for the Lord Selkirk Neighbourhood

The Lord Selkirk Neighbourhood Revitalization Strategy has been endorsed by the Lord Selkirk Neighbourhood through community consultations and public meetings. At their meeting of June 10, 1998, the Lord Selkirk Neighbourhood Council unanimously adopted the Strategy as a concept plan to guide their efforts, in partnership with City, Provincial, Federal and other appropriate resources to revitalize their neighbourhood. The plan requires approval of Council to facilitate program implementation.

Approval of the Lord Selkirk Neighbourhood Revitalization Strategy will facilitate the development of project proposals by the community in conjunction with civic departments, other WDA partners, and the private sector.

Approval of Budget Categories outlined below, which are amended subsequent to the report (copy on file in the office of the City Clerk), will provide a framework in which to develop projects while providing sufficient flexibility as other funding sources are identified or as priorities change within the community:

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Housing	$ 400,000
Safety	$ 300,000
Employment	$ 250,000
Image	$ 200,000
Health and Community Well Being	$ 250,000
Lord Selkirk Developments	$ 150,000
TOTAL	$1,550,000

All projects recommended for funding will be forwarded for approval.

Neighbourhood Revitalization Strategies developed by Neighbourhood Resident Committees require the approval of Council as outlined in Section 7 d) of the Program Authorization for Sub Program 3A of the Winnipeg Development Agreement, Neighbourhood Revitalization Program.

The Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That the Lord Selkirk Neighbourhood Revitalization Strategy be adopted as a concept plan to guide the activity of the Neighbourhood Revitalization Program in the Spence Neighbourhood within the budget and time frame outlined in the Program Authorization.

II. That the budget categories, as amended, for Housing, Safety, Employment, Image, Health and Community Well Being and Lord Selkirk Developments be approved to facilitate development of projects within priority neighbourhood issues identified in the plan.

III. That the projects developed and recommended by the Lord Selkirk Neighbourhood Council be forwarded for approval.

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

Moved by Councillor Silva,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Elmwood Cemetery File PC (Vol. 4)

871 - 2. On July 22, 1998, the Executive Policy Committee passed the following resolution, namely:

WHEREAS the Elmwood Cemetery is located on the land municipally known as 132 Henderson Highway in Winnipeg, which land is owned by Elmco Ventures Ltd.;

AND WHEREAS Elmco Ventures Ltd. is in arrears of taxes to the City for the said land and the land has been sold for taxes;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba has allocated approximately $90,000.00 for a matching grant to the City to cover the costs of 1998 grave relocations, tree works projects and tree spraying and the City of Winnipeg has previously allocated $70,000.00 for its share of the costs of that work;

AND WHEREAS a group of concerned citizens plan to incorporate a non-share capital (non-profit) corporation to be known as Friends of Elmwood Cemetery Inc. and are negotiating with Elmco Ventures Ltd. to have Elmco Ventures Ltd. transfer the Elmwood Cemetery lands to them. The transfer is scheduled to take place effective August 1, 1998. The proposed Friends of Elmwood Cemetery Inc. would then be the owner and operator of the Elmwood Cemetery and be responsible for the cemetery's ongoing maintenance;

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AND WHEREAS if the Elmwood Cemetery land were to have been redeemed from tax sale as at May 31, 1998, the owner would have been required to pay to the Province of Manitoba's Winnipeg Land Titles Office $211,324.42 excluding solicitor's costs for the taxes and penalties outstanding prior to 1991 and to the City of Winnipeg the sum of $254,851.26 for taxes and penalties for the years 1991 through 1998. No payments have been made and penalties have continued to accrue;

AND WHEREAS the principals of the proposed Friends of Elmwood Cemetery, have requested that all outstanding municipal and school taxes be cancelled effective when Friends of Elmwood Cemetery Inc. becomes the registered owner of the Elmwood Cemetery land and that the tax sale notices be discharged from the Certificates of Title;

AND WHEREAS the principals of the proposed Friends of Elmwood Cemetery Inc. have requested a grant from the City of Winnipeg and from the Province of Manitoba to assist them in the interim maintenance and operation of the Elmwood Cemetery pending preparation of a business plan for fund raising and for the long term operation and maintenance of the Elmwood Cemetery. It is anticipated that the said business plan will be completed within the next six months and that Friends of Elmwood Cemetery Inc. will then be requesting additional financial assistance from both the Province of Manitoba and the City of Winnipeg;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a further allocation of $18,500.00 be made by Council to cover the shortfall in allocation for 1998 grave relocations, tree works projects, tree spraying and grass cutting;

AND BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that upon Friends of Elmwood Cemetery Inc. becoming the registered owner of the lands municipally known as 132 Henderson Highway and legally described as:

Parcel 1: All that portion of RL 65 Parish of St. Boniface, which lies between the Western limit of Birds Hill Road and a line drawn parallel thereto from a point in the Northern limit of said lot distant Wly thereon 660 feet from said western limit

Parcel 2: RL 53 Parish of St. John

Parcel 3: All those portions of RL 64 and 65 Parish of St. Boniface, which lie between the Main Highway as shown on a plan filed with Application 13853, WLTO, and the Red River, exc. that portion conveyed by Instrument 4229, WLTO

Parcel 4: All that portion of RL 52 Parish of St. John which lies south of Public Lane Plan 1190 WLTO and between the Western Limit of Birds Hill Road and a line drawn parallel with the said Western Limit and distant Wly on the Northern limit of said Lot, 1465 feet from the aforesaid Western limit

(herein called the "Elmwood Cemetery Lands"):

1. That a grant be given to Friends of Elmwood Cemetery Inc. in an amount equivalent to the amount that would be required by Friends of Elmwood Cemetery Inc. to redeem the Elmwood Cemetery Lands from the City of Winnipeg's tax sale proceedings (approximately $470,000.00), the said grant to be used only for that purpose. This grant is to be paid out of the Allowance for Uncollectible Taxes account.

2. That a grant in the amount of $25,000.00 be given to Friends of Elmwood Cemetery Inc. to assist that corporation in the operation and maintenance of the Elmwood Cemetery on the understanding that the City of Winnipeg will apply to the Province of Manitoba for a Grant in the amount of $12,500.00 to reimburse the City for one half of the amount of the said grant to Friends of Elmwood Cemetery Inc.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officers of the City be authorized to designate sources of funds for the additional allocation of $18,500.00 and for the grant of $25,000.00;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to effect the intent of the foregoing;

and submits same to Council for approval.

Moved by Councillor Angus,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

MOTIONS

Moved by Councillor Steek,
Seconded by Councillor Lazarenko,

872 - WHEREAS all the former municipalities that joined to form The City of Winnipeg in 1972 were in a surplus position;

AND WHEREAS between 1899 and 1968 the former City of Winnipeg submitted money by-laws and referenda to the electorate on a regular basis;

AND WHEREAS in a 1998 Tax Supported Budget of $672 dollars $132 million is to service the payment of principal and interest;

AND WHEREAS with each new Council the philosophy regarding incurring debt varies;

AND WHEREAS the citizens of Winnipeg expect the governing process to be transparent, fair and accessible;

AND WHEREAS the City Financial Management Plan is to stabilize its per capita net external debt to $1000 by the year 2017;

AND WHEREAS on December 7, 1995 the City Clerk advised that using new automated voting equipment, and a limited number of polling locations the cost of a plebescite/referendum in tandem with a general election would be primarily comprised of advertising and printing costs;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the matter of money by-laws and referenda be reintroduced during general elections to the electorate of Winnipeg to ensure that taxpayers have the opportunity to indicate their acceptance or lack there of on items such as major capital expenditures.

The Speaker ruled automatic referral to the Executive Policy Committee in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law.

Moved by Councillor Lazarenko,

That the rule be suspended to allow consideration of the motion at this time.

The motion to suspend the rule was put.

The Speaker called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:-

Yea: Councillors Golden, Lazarenko, Murray, Steek, Thomas and Vandal. 6

Nay: Councillors Prystanski, Angus, Lubosch, O'Shaughnessy, Silva, Timm-Rudolph, Deputy Mayor Eadie, Her Worship Mayor Thompson and Councillor Clement. 9

and the motion to suspend the rule was declared lost.

Executive Policy Committee - Motions (continued)

Moved by Councillor Prystanski,
Seconded by Councillor Silva,

873 - WHEREAS the merchants of Main Street between Higgins Avenue and the Disraeli Freeway will be impacted by over six months of road reconstruction;

AND WHEREAS these impacts and losses of revenues exist;

AND WHEREAS City Council has supported marketing plans for Provencher Avenue;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct an amount of $5000.00 to be reprofiled from the budget for the Main Street reconstruction for the purpose of developing a “Marketing - public relations” strategy for the merchants of Main Street between Higgins Avenue and the Disraeli Freeway;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the area merchants, along with the Director of Public Works and the area Councillors develop the “Marketing - public relations” strategy.

Automatic Referral to Executive Policy Committee in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law

Moved by Her Worship Mayor Thompson,
Seconded by Councillor Silva,

874 - WHEREAS Council at its meeting held on January 28, 1998 authorized completion of a Venue Agreement between Pan American Games Society (Wpg. 1999) Inc. and The City of Winnipeg with respect to use of City facilities in conjunction with the XIII Pan American Games to be held in and around Winnipeg, Manitoba from July 23 to August 8, 1999 subject to amending the terms and conditions of such agreement to provide “that the loss of revenue accruing as part of the Pan Am Games Venue Agreement be considered as part of The City of Winnipeg’s $2,000,000.00 gifts-in-kind (services) contribution to the Pan American Games Society (Wpg. 1999) Inc.”;

AND WHEREAS it is anticipated that increased revenues through concession sales will offset losses in admission revenues at City-owned facilities included in the Venue Agreement;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the amendment to the Venue Agreement as adopted by Council on January 28, 1998 be deleted and that the Administration be directed to do all things necessary to finalize the Venue Agreement.

The Speaker ruled automatic referral to the Executive Policy Committee in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law.

Moved by Her Worship Mayor Thompson,
That the rule be suspended to allow consideration of the motion at this time.

Carried.

Councillors Murray and Thomas asked to be recorded as having voted against the suspension of the rule, in accordance with Rule 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

The motion was put and declared carried.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

875 - On motion of Her Worship Mayor Thompson, By-law No. 7255/98, a by-law of the City of Winnipeg to designate a Business Improvement Zone to be known as the "Grosvenor Square Business Improvement Zone" and establish a management board for the zone, was read a first, second and third time, the rule being suspended for the third reading of the by-law, and was passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.
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EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

QUESTION PERIOD

876 - Councillor Murray referenced the "squeegee" report dealing with street youth and questioned why Council was not considering this matter, given that Council had said it would deal with it within 30 days.

The Speaker advised that Council had followed procedure. He stated that Council directed that the issue had to be back to Council within 30 days after the Social Planning Council report had been filed, which was June 17. He noted that the Executive Policy Committee had requested an extension of time to consider the matter, which had been adopted.