Council here proceeded to continue to consider the order of business "Clause 1 of the Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services, dated April 9, 1998 with respect to the proposed amendment to the Winnipeg Streets By-law No. 1481/77 - Soliciting Business in a Roadway".

With the concurrence of the seconder, Councillor Murray, and with the permission of Council, Councillor Vandal withdrew his motion.

In amendment,

Moved by Councillor Murray,
Seconded by Councillor Vandal,

WHEREAS the issue of squeegee kids in the City of Winnipeg raises concerns about public safety, employment, poverty, use of public spaces, and individual and collective rights and responsibilities;

AND WHEREAS a prohibition of cleaning car windows in the public right of way is the only option immediately available to Council as an alternative to the existing very unsafe situation;

AND WHEREAS alternatives to prohibition such as licensing and regulation needs further research as does the development of other accessible employment options;

AND WHEREAS Council has received correspondence and proposals from business improvement zones, the Social Planning Council, members of Council and others with requests to look at other solutions to the problems raised;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the clause be amended by adding the following recommendations:

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.

With the concurrence of the seconder, Councillor Vandal, and with the permission of Council, Councillor Murray amended his motion by deleting the second Whereas, namely:-

AND WHEREAS a prohibition of cleaning car windows in the public right of way is the only option immediately available to Council as an alternative to the existing very unsafe situation;

The amendment was put and declared carried.

The recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee was put and declared carried.

Councillor Golden asked to be recorded as having voted against the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, in accordance with Rule 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

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

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

Yea: Councillors Prystanski, Lubosch, Murray, O'Shaughnessy, Phillips, Silva, Steek, Thomas, Timm-Rudolph, Vandal and Clement. 11

Nay: Councillor Golden. 1

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

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CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

605 - On motion of Councillor Silva, 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. 7204/98, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 1481/77, being The City of Winnipeg Streets By-law. File ST-5.3 (Vol. 6)

By-law No. 7219/98, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 1481/77, being The City of Winnipeg Streets By-law. File ST-5.3 (Vol. 6)

On motion of Councillor Silva, the following by-laws, as amended, 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. 7218/98, as amended, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend the Amusement Tax By-law No. 3107/81. File FL-6 (Vol. 16)

By-law No. 7220/98, as amended, a by-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 3107/81, being the Amusement Tax By-law. File FL-6 (Vol. 16)

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QUESTION PERIOD

606 - In reference to the closing of Wellington Crescent, Wolseley and Scotia Avenues to traffic, Councillor Steek questioned if Police Services had the right to ticket vehicles, excluding local residents, proceeding past the street barricades under The Highway Traffic Act.

Councillor Silva agreed to consult with Police Services to ascertain how they enforce the bicycle routes and the closure of streets, and that he would circulate the response to all Members of Council.