Meeting No. 12

Council Chamber
Winnipeg, June 25, 1997

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

The Speaker called the meeting to order.

Opening Prayer read by Councillor Prystanski.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: The Speaker Councillor Angus, Councillors Prystanski, Clement, Golden, Lazarenko, Lubosch, O'Shaughnessy, Phillips, Silva, Steek, Thomas, Timm-Rudolph, Vandal, Deputy Mayor Eadie and Her Worship Mayor Thompson.

Councillor Murray entered the meeting after roll call.

In attendance: Mrs. D. Browton, City Clerk, Mr. R. Kachur, Deputy City Clerk and Ms B. Greschuk, Committee Clerk.

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME OF GUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

739 - The Speaker introduced the Pages for the Council meeting as follows: April Pritchard and Sarah Joseph of Miles Macdonell Collegiate, Lanna Chau of Mennonite Brethren Collegiate Institute and Agnes Godlewski of St. John's High School.

MOTIONS

Moved by Her Worship Mayor Thompson,
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Eadie,
740 - THAT Council place on record its profound sorrow at the death of Stanley Knowles which occurred on June 9, 1997;

Mr. Knowles served as an Alderman for Ward 2 of the former City of Winnipeg in 1941 and was elected as a Member of Parliament for Winnipeg North Centre in November 1942, serving the citizens for over 37 years;

Mr. Knowles was a renowned parliamentarian known for his social conscience;

Mr. Knowles was an Officer of the Order of Canada and held many honorary degrees;

This Council extends to his brother Warren, sister-in-law Dr. Donna Friesen, son David, daughter Margaret and their families, its deepest sympathy and condolences in their bereavement.

Carried by Silent Standing Vote.

MINUTES

Deputy Mayor Eadie moved that the minutes of the meeting held on May 28, 1997, be taken as read and confirmed, which motion was carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

From the Accountant and Secretary, Sinking Fund Trustees,
741 - Submitting communication dated June 5, 1997, enclosing copies of the annual report of the Sinking Fund Trustees of The City of Winnipeg for the year ended December 31, 1996. File F-1.

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
742 - Submitting as instructed by Council on January 29, 1997, draft by-law to enter into an Agreement with Alexander Beda and Lucy Jessie Beda to redeem certain property from Tax Sale by instalments in accordance with Section 255 of The City of Winnipeg Act, which by-law may receive all three readings.
File FL-2.4 (Vol. 13) (By-law No. 7048/97)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
743 - Submitting as instructed by Council on February 26, 1997, draft by-law to enter into an Agreement with Ameer Ahmad Khan to redeem certain property from Tax Sale by instalments in accordance with Section 255 of The City of Winnipeg Act, which by-law may receive all three readings.
File FL-2.4 (Vol. 13) (By-law No. 7049/97)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
744 - Submitting as instructed by Council on March 26, 1997, draft by-law to amend Zoning By-law No. 6400/94 for the enactment of a zoning change on land located at 600 Redwood Avenue in the Lord Selkirk - West Kildonan Community, which by-law may receive all three readings.
File DAZ 223/96 (By-law No. 7050/97)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
745 - Submitting as instructed by Council on April 30, 1997, draft by-law to change the names of certain highways in The City of Winnipeg (Silver Spring Bay to Silver Springs Bay) in the East Kildonan - Transcona Community, which by-law may receive all three readings.
File SC-3.14(33) (Vol. 1) (By-law No. 7051/97)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
746 - Submitting as instructed by Council on May 28, 1997, draft by-law to amend Zoning By-law No. 6400/94 for the enactment of a zoning change on lands located between Willowlake Crescent and Bluewater Crescent west of the C.P.R. Emerson Subdivision in the Riel Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File DAZ 227/96 (By-law No. 7052/97)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
747 - Submitting as instructed by Council on May 28, 1997, draft by-law to amend Zoning By-law No. 6400/94 for the enactment of a zoning change on lands located at 757 Lyon Street in the Assiniboia Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File DAZ 203/97 (By-law No. 7053/97)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
748 - Submitting as instructed by Council on October 14, 1992, draft by-law to widen the southeast corner of St. James Street and Wellington Avenue, in the Assiniboia Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File DAO 32/92 (By-law No. 7055/97)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
749 - Submitting memorandum dated June 18, 1997, advising that on January 26, 1994, Council adopted Clause 9 of the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration dated January 6, 1994.

Also advising that the Committee report outlined the status of a vacant property on Wellington Crescent which had been sold in tax sale and was subject to four registrations in favour of Her Majesty The Queen to secure indebtedness to Revenue Canada Taxation. Council approved a settlement of the competing claims between the City and the Federal Government as follows:

1. The City would allow its tax sale proceedings on the property to lapse.

2. The Federal Government would conduct a sale of the property when an opportunity arose.

3. The sale proceeds would be divided on a pro rata basis as between the City of Winnipeg and the Federal Government.

4. Council undertook, upon payment by Her Majesty The Queen of the City's pro rata share, to enact a by-law pursuant to Section 242 of The City of Winnipeg Act cancelling any amounts remaining on the tax roll.

Communications (continued)

Further advising that the sale of the subject property has now been concluded by the Federal Government on the strength of the above arrangement and payment in the amount of $16,844.54 representing the City's pro rata share has been provided under trust conditions that the City cancel the remaining outstanding taxes so that a clear tax certificate can be provided to the purchaser. The City is therefore obliged to enact a by-law cancelling the remaining taxes. File FL-2.4 (By-law No. 7056/97)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
750 - Submitting as instructed by Council on April 30, 1997, 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 on the south side of Regent Avenue, north side of Pandora Avenue West, east of Starlight Drive in the East Kildonan - Transcona Community, which by-law may receive all three readings.
File DASZ 1/97 (By-law No. 7057/97)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
751 - Submitting as instructed by Council on May 28, 1997, 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 south of McGillivray Boulevard north of Chevrier Boulevard east and west of Dovercourt Drive in the Assiniboia Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File DASZ 6/97 (By-law No. 7058/97)

From the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services,
752 - Submitting as instructed by Council on November 20, 1996, draft by-law to close the existing public lane south of Boyd Avenue, west of McGregor Street and to open a new public lane south of Boyd Avenue, west of McGregor Street, in the Lord Selkirk West Kildonan Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File DAOC 2/96 (By-law No. 7059/97)

From the Land and Development Services Department,
753 - Submitting memorandum dated June 17, 1997 regarding the proposed lane opening and closing south of Boyd Avenue, West of McGregor Street.

Advising that the lane width as shown on the plan of survey prepared with respect to the above referenced has been extended by 1.28 metres and consequently disagrees with Miscellaneous Plan No. LSWK 9675/1 attached as Schedule "A" to Clause 5 of the Report of the Committee on Planning and Community Services dated October 29, 1996. This extended width was proposed by the Civic Buildings Department in order to preserve two mature trees located on the boulevard at Boyd Avenue. Consequently, the closing of a portion of public lane will be 1.28 metres narrower than originally proposed under DAOC 2/96 as adopted by Council on November 20, 1996. The 1.28 metre strip of Public Lane Plan 32376 that is not being closed has been included in the opening portion simply to clean up title by rededicating it as Public Lane under a new plan number.
File DAOC 2/96 (By-law No. 7059/97)

DELEGATIONS

754 - Daria Tittenberger, on behalf of Winnipeg Art Festival Inc., accompanied by Monica Gartman, Seven Oaks House Museum, appeared before Council regarding Clause 2 of the Report of the Committee on Planning and Community Services dated April 8, 1997, the Listing of the McGowan Residence - 127 Rupertsland Avenue, and in support of the recommendation of the Committee on Planning and Community Services. File G-3.1.1 [c/r PR-7(34) (Vol. 1)]

Lorraine Freeman, on behalf of the Metis Resource Centre, also appeared before Council regarding Clause 2 of the Report of the Committee on Planning and Community Services dated April 8, 1997, the Listing of the McGowan Residence - 127 Rupertsland Avenue, and in support of the recommendation of the Committee on Planning and Community Services.

755 - Martin Hak, on behalf of the Downtown Business Improvement Zone, appeared before Council in support of Clause 2 of the Report of the Committee on Works and Operations dated June 10, 1997, regarding Proposed Parking Meter Changes. File ST-2 (Vol. 21)

756 - Dave LaBelle, on behalf of the Provencher Boulevard Merchants Association, appeared before Council regarding Clause 7 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated June 11, 1997, regarding Marketing Public Relations Strategy for Merchants along Provencher Boulevard. File SB-13 (Vol. 3)

Delegations (continued)

Guy Prefontaine, on behalf of rues Principales, also appeared before Council in regard to Clause 7 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated June 11, 1997, regarding Marketing Public Relations Strategy for Merchants along Provencher Boulevard.

757 - Bill Burns, Chairman, Citizens Hall of Fame Program, appeared before Council in support of Clause 2 of the Report of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture dated June 13, 1997, regarding the establishment of the "Citizens Hall of Fame" in the Formal Garden of Assiniboine Park. File PR-7.1.1 (Vol 15)

758 - Hendrik Herfst, on behalf of The Friends of the Assiniboine Park Conservatory Inc., appeared before Council in support of Clause 3 of the Report of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture dated June 13, 1997, regarding the construction and operation of a gift shop at the Assiniboine Park Conservatory by The Friends of the Assiniboine Park Conservatory Inc. File PR-7.1 (Vol 9)

759 - Debbie Woodall, on behalf of Archwood School Parent Council, appeared before Council in opposition to Clause 2 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated June 18, 1997, regarding Deficit Avoidance Plan - 1997, specifically the possible closing of Happyland and Windsor Pools and submitted a petition to the City Clerk. File F-1 (Vol. 14)

760 - Jeff Lowe, on behalf of Greening the Forks, appeared before Council in opposition to Clause 8 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated June 18, 1997, regarding a Multi-Purpose Sports and Recreation Centre including a Youth Activity Centre on City-owned lands on the Portage Avenue East Site - North of the Forks. File PR-2(32) Vol. 1

Moved by Councillor Lubosch,

That Rule No. 54.5 of the Procedure By-law be suspended to allow Andy Burgess, President, United Firefighters of Winnipeg, to address Council.

Carried.

Andy Burgess, President, United Firefighters of Winnipeg, also appeared before Council in opposition to Clause 2 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated June 20, 1997, regarding the Deficit Avoidance Plan - 1997, specifically the matter of Fire Department salaries and overtime.
File F-1 (Vol. 14)