REPORT OF THE

COMMITTEE ON PROTECTION, PARKS AND CULTURE

DATED JUNE 3, 1996

On motion of Councillor Prystanski, Clause 3 of the Report of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture, dated June 3, 1996, was considered.

Her Worship the Mayor and Councillors:

Extreme Fighting Events
File GF-2 (Vol. 45)

1026 - 3. On May 6, 1996, the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture requested the Chief of Police to reference the article in the May 2, 1996, issue of the Globe and Mail newspaper pertaining to the Extreme Fighting Events being held in Vancouver, British Columbia, and report back on the particulars of this type of vicious combat sport taking place here in Winnipeg.

The Winnipeg Police Service advised that the event of extreme fighting is currently before the Courts in Quebec where nine persons (participants and promoters) were arrested under Section 83 of the Criminal Code of Canada. A promoter in Vancouver is attempting to circumvent the Criminal Code on a technicality but so far the Police and Courts have not been involved.

In order for the Winnipeg Police Service to effectively police this type of event, it is necessary to examine, understand and if required, implement a specific by-law to deal with it.

Section 83 of the Criminal Code deals with “prize fighting” and includes extreme fighting events. It is explicit that unless the event is authorized by a legislated board or commission, it does not meet the requirements of the Act and is therefore illegal under this section.

The Criminal Code outlines the following:

Section 83 Engaging in a prize fight - definition of a “prize fight”

(1) Every one who
  (a) engages as a principal in a prize fight,
  (b) advises, encourages or promotes a prize fight, or
  (c) is present at a prize fight as an aid, second, surgeon, umpire, backer or reporter, is guilty of an offence punishable on summary conviction.

(2) In this section, “prize fight” means an encounter or fight with fists or hands between two persons who have met for that purpose by previous arrangement made by or for them, but a boxing contest between amateur sportsmen, where the contestants wear boxing gloves of not less than one hundred and forty grams each in mass, or any boxing contest held with the permission or under the authority of an athletic board or commission or similar body established by or under the authority of the legislature of a province for the control of sport within the province, shall be deemed not to be a prize fight.

All events of a promotional nature in Manitoba are under the control of the Manitoba Boxing and Wrestling Commission. Randy Anderson, a consultant for Sport Manitoba, relates that Section 14 of The Boxing and Wrestling Act states that anyone conducting such events must apply for and receive a licence. He also advised that for extreme fighting events, it would not be sanctioned nor licensed.

The Justice Department, Public Prosecutions have examined this type of event and are of the opinion that extreme fighting could be prosecuted successfully under Section 83 (1) of the Criminal Code. In a published article, they state, “As a result, if these events were not regulated by a commission established under the authority of the legislature then the public prosecution would certainly be in a position to succeed with a prosecution for these types of activities under Section 83".

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The City of Winnipeg License Branch advises that there is no provision in the by-law that governs this type of event. The City of Winnipeg Act however provides the City with the authority to pass by-laws where necessary.

It would seem that Section 83 of the Criminal Code of Canada has the authority to deal with events such as "extreme fighting". The power to arrest and compel the persons involved to appear in court is encompassed in the Act. The guarantee, like any other Criminal Code offense, that a conviction will result in such a charge is not something that anyone can assure.

The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture passed the following motion, and submits the following for consideration by Council, namely:

WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg does not have any provisions within its licensing and regulatory by-laws that govern events known as extreme fighting;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg has the authority under The City of Winnipeg Act to pass by-laws where necessary;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legal Services Division be instructed to prepare a by-law that would disallow any closed caption circuit televisions or live performances classified as extreme fighting.

The Executive Policy Committee reiterates its previous recommendation of July 17, 1996, that Clause 3 of the Report of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture be filed, inasmuch as The City of Winnipeg Legal Services Division has advised that extreme fighting events are legislated by Section 83 of The Criminal Code of Canada and the City of Winnipeg has no jurisdiction or authority to enact a by-law to legislate these events.

Moved by Councillor Prystanski,
Adoption of the clause.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Eadie,
That the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee, that the clause be filed, be adopted.

Moved by Councillor Vandal,
That the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee be deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following motion:

Moved by Councillor Vandal,
Seconded by Councillor Thomas,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Winnipeg urge the Province of Manitoba to explicitly outlaw extreme Fighting in their current revision of the Manitoba Boxing and Wrestling Act;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of Winnipeg urge the Federal Government to regulate the broadcast of extreme fighting in any public venue.

Carried.

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

REPORT OF THE

COMMITTEE ON PROTECTION, PARKS AND CULTURE

DATED SEPTEMBER 9, 1996

On motion of Councillor Prystanski, the Report of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture, dated September 9, 1996, was considered clause by clause.

Moved by Councillor Prystanski,
That the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,2,3,4,6,7 and 8 be adopted.

Carried.

Her Worship the Mayor and Councillors:

Community Incentive Grant Program - Proposed Amendment to Assessment Process File PR-2.6 (Vol. 9)

1027 - 1. The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture has been advised that the Assessment Process of the Community Incentive Grant Program provides that the Community Committee will forward the application, along with their recommendation as to its disposition (whether for approval or denial), to the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture.

On July 8, 1996, the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture requested the Administration to outline the appropriate wording to amend the Council Policy on the Community Incentive Grant Program providing each Community Committee, upon voting unanimously, the authority to deny an application for a Community Incentive Grant.

Based on experience with administering the Community Incentive Grant Program, the above noted addition to the Assessment Process is recommended by the Parks and Recreation Department.

The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture therefore recommends:

I. That the Assessment Process for the Community Incentive Grant Program be revised to include the following statement:

Applications that are denied by Community Committee with a unanimous vote are not forwarded to the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture.

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

Adopted by consent.

Request for a Fee Waiver for Use of a Portion of the Fort Rouge Leisure Centre Parking Lot - Osborne South Business Improvement Zone File PR-2.10 (Vol. 9)

1028 - 2. The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture has been advised that the City Centre Community Committee considered a request from the Osborne South Business Improvement Zone requesting permission to use the parking lot area on the east side of the Fort Rouge Leisure Centre for its Annual Street Festival on August 31 and September 1 and 2, 1996. The Business Improvement Zone also requested that the City waive the fees for the use of the parking lot.

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As background information, on May 9, 1995, the City Centre Community Committee passed the following motion in connection with the requests from the Osborne South Business Improvement Zone, namely:

WHEREAS the Main Stage and Beer Garden of the South Osborne Street Festival have to be moved onto the Fort Rouge Leisure Centre parking lot from Osborne Street to satisfy the requirement of the City of Winnipeg Fire Department;

AND WHEREAS there was no additional cost to the arrangement to leave the stage on the street as has been the practice in the past;

AND WHEREAS this event is a non-profit community event which cannot absorb the $450.00 in assorted City charged for the use of a portion of the Leisure Centre parking lot and the use of 250 chairs;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture be requested to give favourable consideration to use of a portion of the Fort Rouge Leisure Centre parking lot and waive all fees associated with the use of the parking lot and the 250 chairs for the South Osborne Street Festival.

On May 29, 1995, the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture concurred in the recommendation from the City Centre Community Committee, and on June 14, 1995, Council approved the waiver of all fees associated with the use of the Fort Rouge Leisure Centre parking lot and the 250 chairs required for the South Osborne Street Festival.

The Administration advised that in previous years, the Osborne South Business Improvement Zone has received a favourable response to their request to use 250 chairs and for access to the parking lot for the Annual Street Festival. Discussions between the representatives of the Parks and Recreation Department and the Osborne South Business Improvement Zone confirm that the 1996 request is similar in nature to that of other years. The east portion of the parking lot area at the Fort Rouge Leisure Centre is large enough to accommodate both individuals utilizing the facility and the request by the applicant.

It should be noted however that the request which was originally scheduled for the dates of the Festival only, August 31 to September 2, 1996, have now been moved back to August 29, 1996, to allow adequate time for the set-up of rides and the stage area. In this regard, the Fort Rouge Leisure Centre facility parking requirements will allow for extended use of the area on the days required for set-up purposes. Furthermore, subject to approval of the request, the applicant has been advised that evidence of insurance to meet the City's requirements would need to be forwarded to the Claims and Insurance Branch of the Corporate Finance Department prior to the event. As well, the Osborne South Business Improvement Zone will be responsible for all costs associated with the event, clean-up of the parking lot and for repair of any damages to the parking lot and chairs.

On July 16, 1996, the City Centre Community Committee recommended that favourable consideration be given to the use of a portion of the Fort Rouge Leisure Centre parking lot and to waive all fees associated with the use of the parking lot for the South Osborne Street Festival.

The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture therefore recommends:

I. That the fee of $450.00 associated with the use of a portion of the Fort Rouge Leisure Centre east parking lot and 250 chairs, required for the South Osborne Street Festival held on August 31, September 1 and September 2, 1996, be waived.

II. That all other costs of the Street Festival event be covered by the Osborne South Business Improvement Zone.

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

Adopted by consent.

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Disbursement of Funding under Phase II of the Winnipeg Sport Facility Program
File GC-8.8 (Vol. 10)

1029 - 3. The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture has considered a communication dated May 14, 1996, from the Chairperson, Winnipeg Sport Facility Committee, submitting the following additional recommendation for Phase II of the Winnipeg Sport Facility Funding Program, namely:

1. That Athletics Manitoba be granted a maximum of $6,000.00 in additional funds to complete the Sisler High School track project.

The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture therefore recommends:

I. That additional funding to a maximum amount of $6,000.00 be approved to Athletics Manitoba from the Winnipeg Sport Facility Program in order to complete the Sisler High School track project.

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

Adopted by consent.

Pan Am Pool - Space and Pool Time Allocation Policy and Procedures
File PR-2.2 (Vol. 18)

1030 - 4. The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture has been advised that in 1989, the four Aquatic Sports Groups (swimming, diving, waterpolo, synchronized swimming) requested to negotiate an access agreement for the use of the Pan-Am Pool. Negotiations and several draft documents in the form of legal agreements were prepared during 1989 and 1990 but were not executed. Early in 1995 a "Memorandum of Understanding" was developed by all of the parties involved. Subsequent review by the Law Department and the Aquatic Sports Groups resulted in a stalemate regarding responsibilities and liabilities of the proposed signatories.

The Legal Services Division, the Aquatic Sports Groups and the Parks and Recreation Department agreed the issues and procedures could be best identified and developed as a policy statement, which would reflect the principles of the previously agreed upon legal agreements and memorandums of understanding. In May 1996, the policy was drafted and reviewed, and approved in June 1996, by all of the partners.

The City of Winnipeg currently operates 13 indoor and 10 outdoor pools which serve the population in a variety of different ways. The proposed policy will formally recognize the Pan-Am Pool as the facility in Winnipeg for high performance competition, and as a training facility for the Aquatic Sports Groups. The policy and proposed procedures will allow the facility to be scheduled in such a manner as to ensure reasonable access for the aquatic sports groups, other organizations, and the general public.

The policy reflects current operating procedures and the principles on which the pool has and will continued to be scheduled. All of the parties involved (the Legal Services Division, the four Aquatic Sports Groups, and the Parks and Recreation Department) are in support of the policy and the proposed implementation procedures as outlined on Appendix "A".

The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture therefore recommends:

I. That the Pan-Am Pool Space and Time Allocation Policy and Procedures, as outlined in Appendix "A", be approved for implementation as at September 30, 1996, for the 1996-97 aquatic season.

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

Adopted by consent.

(See Minute No. 1079 for attachment)

Community Incentive Grant Program - West Broadway Gardening Group
File PR-2.6 (32) (Vol. 3)

1031 - ***Note: Clause 5 has been referred back by the Executive Policy Committee to the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture.***

Referred back by the Executive Policy Committee to the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture

Certificate Court Evidence
File GF-2 (Vol. 46)

1032 - 6. The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture has considered a proposal with respect to the introduction of Certificate Evidence into court hearings where police evidence is not being disputed.

At present, each time a citizen pleads not guilty under The Summary Convictions Act, the police officer(s) issuing the notice is subpoenaed to attend court. Often the attending member is not required to give evidence because the accused changes his/her plea to guilty or guilty with an explanation; the accused is not disputing police evidence, but rather, presenting a case on a point of law or circumstance. This results in unnecessary court overtime costs should the member(s) be off duty, or loss of productivity if the court appearance occurs during working hours.

The introduction of the proposed and statute amendments will result in the following changes:

(a) Certificate Court Evidence would be employed in instances where the accused is not disputing police evidence.

(b) The accused would complete a declaration at the Provincial Clerk of the Court indicating whether or not police evidence will be required.

(c) If police evidence is not required, the issuing officer(s), will complete a Court Evidence Certificate which will be submitted to the Clerk of the Court, and the Winnipeg Police Service officers will not be required to attend court.

The benefits of the legislation would accrue to not only the Police Service but also other departments, such as Streets and Transportation, and the License Branch of the Community Services Department. In addition, the Province of Manitoba will benefit because it will affect all Police Services in Manitoba.

Unfortunately, at this time, the Police Service has no hard data on potential cost savings and productivity increases. Court overtime expense related to Provincial Statutes and City by-laws is estimated in excess of $250,000.00. Certificate Court Evidence could be used in approximately 20% of the hearings that generate this expense.

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The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture therefore recommends:

I. That the City of Winnipeg request the Province of Manitoba to pass legislation enabling the introduction of Certificate Evidence into court hearings where police evidence is not being disputed.

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

Adopted by consent.

Proposal from the Manitoba Health Department for additional Ambulance Services in the City of Winnipeg
File GF-3 (Vol. 24)

1033 - 7. The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture has considered a request received on July 3, 1996, from the Assistant Deputy Minister of Health, Province of Manitoba Health Department, to prepare a proposal representing three possible scenarios for additional funding, to provide ambulance coverage in the City of Winnipeg.

In September 1995, the Ambulance Department was approached by representatives of the Manitoba Health Department for input into a contingency plan being developed for an impending strike by Emergency Physicians at Winnipeg's hospitals.

It was evident that in the event of a strike, several Emergency Departments would have to be closed. Ambulance Services response and transport times would be affected by a strike or closure of Emergency Departments, and emergency pre-hospital patient care could be significantly compromised in the process.

It was the Ambulance Department's position that with the recent introduction of a roving non-transporting Paramedic system, and with the addition of one additional transporting ambulance crew, exposure to any potential compromise directly affecting the public could be held to a minimum.

An agreement was reached that the Provincial Government would cover any additional overtime costs associated with the staffing of an additional vehicle. Provincial officials also authorized the City's Director of Ambulance Services to increase coverage subject to call volume and unexpected changes during the strike. It should be noted that this arrangement requires call in of two off duty members for approximately 50% of the time to maintain a minimum ten vehicle configuration at all times.

A post-strike analysis supported the decisions made during the strike relative to ambulance services. Neither pre-hospital patient care nor the public were compromised. The community's standards for ambulance services have been maintained by continuing this staffing and funding arrangement.

Due to a continuation of labour unrest, pending health reform, and changes being managed in the health care system, this additional coverage has been maintained to date. This additional coverage is still funded by the Manitoba Health Department. Call in of staff is on an as-needed basis. While the media focus on service demands is not as high profile at this point, hospital Emergency Department overloading, diversions, and increased demands nevertheless still justify the need to maintain the additional coverage.

It is highly unlikely that the Ambulance Department will ever return to a point where response and transport times would not be compromised if a ten transport vehicle per shift configuration were not sustained.

In response to this demand for service, and addressing the current situation of staffing an additional vehicle at overtime rates, it is timely to examine alternatives and attempt to formalize a funding arrangement with the Manitoba Health Department that would add the additional staff needed to maintain this coverage on a long term basis.

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In her letter addressed to the Commissioner of Protection, Parks and Culture, the Assistant Deputy Minister requests that the Ambulance Department prepare proposals given three different scenarios.

Scenario No. 1 - Extend the present arrangement for an additional six months.

For a six month continuation of this program, it would be impractical to recruit and train the additional staff needed to provide this coverage on a 7 by 24 hour basis.

It would be the Ambulance Department's position to simply maintain the current arrangement of calling in off-duty staff as needed and paying the contractual overtime rates.

This arrangement can be sustained on an interim basis provided they agreed to continue funding the program.

A review of the current billing experience for this arrangement would indicate that this would result in an approximate expenditure of $130,000.00.

Scenario No. 2 - Extend the additional coverage for a one year period.

This scenario would not significantly alter the practicality of proposal No. 1. A one year time frame would not justify the expense of adding the eight additional positions needed to recruit, train and staff a vehicle on a full time basis with additional permanent employees.

In view of the fact that the current arrangement is nearing its first year, it would be the Ambulance Department's position that we continue the status quo of replacing with overtime as needed.

It would be anticipated that the current cost experience would not alter dramatically if this arrangement were to continue. This would result in an approximate expenditure of $260,000.00.

Scenario No. 3 - Extend this level of service for an indefinite period.

It would be the Ambulance Department's position that a formal agreement be drafted committing both parties to this level of service delivery. It would be prudent to negotiate a funding arrangement whereby the Manitoba Health Department would assume all costs associated with the salaries for eight additional staff. The agreement should also have provisions to review this arrangement on an annual basis.

If funding were withdrawn or certain elements in the community changed, indicating that the additional coverage was no longer needed, the program could be suspended provided the terms of the agreement were met. Staff would be laid off and the department would return to staffing levels as determined by City Council at that point.

Both parties' interests should be protected, where neither side takes on a long-term commitment that they choose not to fund at some point in the future. The primary issue is the eight additional positions and related costs associated with this increase in the permanent staff establishment of the Ambulance Department.

The Ambulance Department currently has the ability to absorb the additional equipment, vehicle and station facilities needed to support this proposal within its normal operations.

The cost for staffing of this option is as follows:

First Year Costs	
Permanent salaries and benefits based on current rates:	
8 Additional Attendant Trainees	$331,288.00
After month 48 of continuous employment, employees progress to the current EMA "C" level	$532,273.00
After 10 years of service, members progress to EMA "C" Senior Rate	$546,474.00

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Pending approval of this, the aforementioned proposals would be submitted to the appropriate officials of the Manitoba Health Department. If an agreement can be reached, a further report setting out the details of an agreement would be prepared for review and approval.

The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture therefore recommends:

I. That the Director of Ambulance Services be authorized to pursue a potential funding agreement with the Manitoba Health Department for the addition of eight additional staff positions needed to add one transporting ambulance vehicle to the City's normal ambulance response complement.

II. That subject to the outcome of these discussions, the Proper Officers of the City of Winnipeg be authorized to prepare an agreement to facilitate an expanded level of ambulance coverage for 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.

Computerized Provincial Data Collection Program - Winnipeg Ambulance Service
File GF-3 (Vol. 24)

1034 - 8. The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture has been advised that on July 3, 1996, a request was received from the Assistant Deputy Minister of Health, Province of Manitoba Health Department, to prepare a proposal to be presented to the Provincial Government for additional funding and support to implement a new computerized ambulance reporting system being introduced by the Province of Manitoba. The City of Winnipeg Ambulance Department's continued participation in the program is important to the success of the undertaking. Sufficient data must be collected to draw meaningful conclusions relating to the delivery of ambulance services in Manitoba.

On November 17, 1994, the Ambulance Department was invited to participate on a committee whose mandate was to develop a computerized patient care and financial reporting system, encompassing all ambulance services in Manitoba.

While the need and long term benefits for the reporting system were obvious, it was also predictable that some additional cost would be incurred to facilitate such a major reporting change. From the outset, it has been the Ambulance Department's position that any additional administrative cost related to the program would have to be covered by a new funding agreement with the Province of Manitoba.

While the Ambulance Department's position was duly noted, the committee's primary focus was directed towards a needs analysis and the development of a statistical data base that would profile the delivery of ambulance services on a Province-wide basis.

The concept of a Provincial database and the collection of information relative to the delivery of E.M.S. services was developed by applying sound business principles. Currently, there are 89 ambulance services in Manitoba, all using various systems for the collection of relevant management and patient care information.

In order to standardize these systems and go beyond anecdotal information for the purpose of decision making, a uniform data collection system was absolutely essential.

The committee has standardized a new patient care report, developed a billing system and a computerized financial reporting structure that will allow services to report information in a standardized format.

It has also identified and provided for the immediate hardware and software needs to implement the program for all services in Manitoba.

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The Provincial Government, through its Health Department, will provide the necessary forms and documents for the services to initially collect and electronically transmit their data to a central collection point managed by the Department of Health. This information will, in the future, be used to address patient care, training, and service needs based on an overall Provincial E.M.S. profile.

While the Ambulance Department currently collects a lot of data used for its own decision making needs, it is not in a suitable format or compatible with the Provincial system. With the introduction of this system, it will be a requirement that all relevant information gathered by the department be entered on a terminal housed at Ambulance Headquarters and, subsequently, transmitted to the Provincial system.

The City of Winnipeg Ambulance Department currently generates approximately 52,000 calls a year. Each of these calls will require that a report be submitted for the purposes of data collection. A conservative estimate of time required by office staff to collect, process, and enter this information is two to three minutes per document. Further collation of documents, refiling, and record keeping will be additional functions to be performed by clerical staff.

It is projected that two additional clerical staff (Clerk "A" level) will be needed to complete this additional workload. Unless these additional positions are added to the current staff establishment prior to start up, the department could not participate beyond this point in the program.

The projected cost is as follows:

All additional hardware and software needs provided for by the Manitoba Department of Health	cost to department - nil
Forms and documents	cost to department - nil
Salaries and benefits for two additional positions - regular salary for a Clerk "A", $1,005 bi-weekly x 26 pay periods	$26,130.00
Benefits calculated at 17.47%	4,565.00
Cost per position	$30,695.00
Two positions at $30,695	$61,390.00
TOTAL COST	$61,390.00

On August 15, 1996, the Board of Commissioners endorsed the participation of the Winnipeg Ambulance Service in a computerized Provincial data collection program.

The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture therefore recommends:

I. That the Ambulance Department be authorized to enter into a long-term funding agreement with the Province of Manitoba in order to continue its participation in a computerized Provincial data collection program relating to the delivery of ambulance services in Manitoba.

II. That the funding agreement contain a cost recovery clause, including salaries and benefits, for two additional full time Clerk "A" positions to be added to the permanent staff establishment of the Ambulance Department for the duration of the agreement.

III. That in the event a satisfactory agreement cannot be reached, The City of Winnipeg discontinue its participation in any further development and implementation of the computerized reporting system.

IV. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to facilitate the foregoing, including the execution of any documents related thereto.

Adopted by consent.

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MOTIONS

Moved by Councillor Murray,
Seconded by Councillor O'Shaughnessy,
1035 - THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council grant the West Broadway Gardening Group $2,000.00 from the City Centre Community Incentive Grant Fund.

The Speaker ruled automatic referral to the Committee on Planning and Community Services, in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law.

Moved by Councillor Murray,
That the rule be suspended to allow consideration of the motion at this time.

Carried.

The motion was put and declared carried.

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

The Speaker called the Deputy Speaker, Councillor Prystanski, to the Chair in order to participate in the debate.