REPORT OF THE

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

DATED OCTOBER 24, 1994

On motion of Councillor Eadie, the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated October 24, 1994, was considered clause by clause.

Moved by Councillor Eadie,
That the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9 and 10, be adopted.

Carried.

Her Worship the Mayor and Councillors:

Request for Extension of Loan Guarantee -
Transcona East-End Community Club
File PR-2 (Vol. 78)

162 - 1. On January 27, 1993, Council waived its policy that loans the City is being asked to guarantee should not represent more than 50% of the total funding of a project, and approved a loan guarantee in the amount of $600,000.00 for the development and expansion of the Transcona East-End Community Club arena.

On September 13, 1994, the East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee ratified a request from the Transcona East-End Community Club that their loan guarantee be increased from $600,000.00 to $800,000.00, and submitted this request to the Committees on Finance and Administration and Protection, Parks and Culture, for favourable consideration.

It is the opinion of the administration that the policy and criteria for considering requests for loan guarantees sets out the minimum requirements for the City to guarantee a loan, and the requirements should not be waived unless there are very unusual or extraordinary circumstances.

One of the requirements of the Policy states the following:

> "I. The loan that the City is being asked to guarantee should not represent more than 50% of the total funding of the project. The organization requesting the loan guarantee must have raised at least 20% of the total project cost from non-City of Winnipeg sources as a down-payment, i.e. if the organization is receiving a City grant for their project, the grant cannot be counted as part of the 20% down-payment".

In December, 1992, the City Treasurer recommended that the City should not guarantee a loan for any more than $450,000.00, as the total project cost was estimated to be $900,000.00.

The Transcona East-End Community Club is proposing to expand the current building project with the following items:

heated dressing rooms for rink two	$ 51,000.00
upgraded ice plant	$ 52,000.00
insulation of rink two	$ 30,000.00
spectator stands	$ 35,000.00
heat for rinks	$ 32,000.00
	$200,000.00

If these additional items are added to the project the estimated total cost of the project will now be $1,225,000.00.

On October 3, 1994, the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture concurred in the request to increase the loan guarantee to the Transcona East-End Community Club.

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On October 24, 1994, Councillor Boychuk, together with Sid Stine, President, and Norm Vesey, Treasurer, Transcona East-End Community Club, appeared in delegation before the Committee on Finance and Administration in support of the request and advised that the expansion of the project will provide them with two year-round artificial rinks and greatly enhance their revenues.

The Committee on Finance and Administration recommends:

I. That Council's policy and criteria for considering requests for loan guarantees be waived in this instance and that the City of Winnipeg increase the amount of its loan guarantee to the Transcona East-End Community Club from $600,000.00 to $800,000.00.

II. That the Proper Officers of the City be instructed to take all the necessary steps to give effect to the above recommendation, including obtaining approval from the Minister of Finance in accordance with Section 313 of The City of Winnipeg Act.

Adopted by consent.

Appointment of Special Constables - Transit Department
File GF-2.3 (Vol. 4)

163 - 2. The Committee on Finance and Administration has been advised by the Law Department that the Superintendent of Transportation, Transit Department, has requested that the following employees of the Transit Department who will be required to perform by-law enforcement duties, be sworn in as Special Constables; namely: Cathryn Lenora Brydges, Blaine Richard Early, Peter Neville Elwick, Dennis Andrew Kaleta and Daniel Richard Kirk.

The Committee on Finance and Administration recommends that the Acting City Solicitor be authorized to make the necessary application to the Attorney-General's Department to have the above-named employees sworn in as Special Constables.

The Committee also recommends that the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to execute the required Forms of Indemnity of whatsoever kind or nature arising out of the acts and conduct of anything done, said or written by the said Special Constables when they function as a Special Constable under the said appointment.

Adopted by consent.

Amendment to Tax Penalty By-law No. 5796/91 File FL-2 (Vol. 12)

164 - 3. Amendments to The Municipal Act and The City of Winnipeg Act which came into effect on July 5, 1994, require The City of Winnipeg to pass a by-law providing for the compounding of tax penalties.

Section 774 of The Municipal Act provides that penalties added by municipalities to unpaid taxes shall be compounded at year end and transferred to the tax roll for the next year. Prior to July 5, 1994, that provision applied to The City of Winnipeg as well as to other municipalities.

During the last legislative session, the Province of Manitoba enacted amendments to The Municipal Act and The City of Winnipeg Act with the result that Section 774 of The Municipal Act no longer applies to The City of Winnipeg. A corresponding amendment was made to The City of Winnipeg Act which permits the City to provide, by by-law, for the compounding of tax penalties at year end.

The Committee on Finance and Administration submits draft by-law to amend the Tax Penalty By-law No. 5796/91 in order to provide for the compounding, at year end, of penalties added to unpaid taxes.

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The Committee also recommends that the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing, including the execution of any documents related thereto.

Adopted by consent.

By-law to Authorize the Expenditure of Monies in 1995 prior to the adoption of the 1995 Estimates, Under Section 281(1)(d) of The City of Winnipeg Act
File FC-2 (Vol. 17)

165 - 4. The City is authorized under Section 281(1)(d) of The City of Winnipeg Act to pass a by-law authorizing the expenditure in any year prior to the adoption of the annual estimates for that year, of amounts not exceeding, in the aggregate, thirty percent of the estimate of expenditures adopted for the previous year.

The by-law provides for spending in 1995 amounts not exceeding 30% of the 1994 adopted budgeted expenditures for both current and capital purposes totalled $1,202,383,171.00, or $360,700,000.00, prior to the adoption of the 1995 annual estimates.

The Committee on Finance and Administration submits draft by-law approved as to financial details by the Deputy City Treasurer and certified as to form by the Acting City Solicitor, and recommends:

I. That Council authorize the expenditure of up to $360,700,000.00 in 1995 prior to the adoption of the 1995 annual estimates.

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

Adopted by consent.

By-Law to Authorize the Borrowing of Monies During the Year 1995, Under Section 281(1) of The City of Winnipeg Act
File FC-2 (Vol 17)

166 - 5. The City is authorized under Section 281(1) of The City of Winnipeg Act to pass a by-law to provide for the borrowing for capital and current purposes from banks or from any other persons or corporations, in such amounts as the Council may deem necessary, and to issue promissory notes in respect thereof.

On December 16, 1992, Council adopted a policy whereby the annually approved short-term borrowing limit is established based on an analysis of cash flow projections and estimates requirements. The short-term borrowing limit for 1994 was $250,000,000.00.

An analysis of the City's cash flow projections for the balance of 1994 and 1995, indicates that a short-term borrowing limit of $250,000,000.00 will meet the City's requirements for 1995.

The Committee on Finance and Administration submits draft by-law, approved as to financial details by the Deputy City Treasurer and certified as to form by the Acting City Solicitor, and recommends:

I. That Council authorize the City of Winnipeg to borrow monies for capital and current purposes during the year 1995, not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of $250,000,000.00 at any one time, and to authorize the issuance and delivery of promissory notes in respect thereof.

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

Adopted by consent.

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Recommendations for Amusement Tax Exemption File FL-2.5 (Vol. 8)

167 - 6. The Committee on Finance and Administration has considered recommendations received from the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council for exemption to the Amusement Tax By-law.

The Committee on Finance and Administration submits draft by-law and recommends:

I. That the following list of exemptions be added to Subsection 7(6) of the Amusement Tax By-law No. 3107/81, namely:

University of Winnipeg Music Committee:
Virtuosi Concerts on February 15, 1995 at Westminister Church and on May 14, 1995 at the Winnipeg Art Gallery;

Contemporary Dancers:
Performances on December 1 to 3, 1994 at the Melnychenko Gallery and on May 31 to June 3, 1995 at the Manitoba Theatre Centre;

Primus Theatre:
"Alkoremmi" on December 12 and 13, 1994 and May 23 to 24, 1995; "The Night Room" on December 15 to 17, 1994, March 21 to 25 and May 26 and 27, 1995; "Old Woman of the Bones" on April 26 to 28, 1995;

Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra:
Concerts on January 12 to 15; February 9, 11, 12, 16, 18, 23 to 26; March 17 to 19, 23 and 25 and 31; April 6 to 8, 27, 29 and 30; May 5 and 6, 1995 at the Centennial Concert Hall;

Groundswell:
1994-95 Performances on November 22, 1994 at the Winnipeg Art Gallery; January 14, 1995 at Prairie Theatre Exchange; March 6 at Crescent Fort Rouge Church; April 26 to 28, 1995 at Centre Culturel Franco-Manitobain; and,

Women's Musical Club:
Concerts on January 2 and April 9, 1995 at the Winnipeg Art Gallery.

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

Adopted by consent.

Home Renovation Tax Credit Program File FL-2.2 (Vol. 8)

168 - 7. On October 20, 1993, Council recommended that the Province of Manitoba be requested to provide legislation to allow the City to implement a tax credit for home renovations; and, that the program be reviewed three years after implementation.

At the last session of the Legislature, the Province passed Bill 17, providing that Council may by by-law establish a program of property tax credits to encourage and assist in the renovation of residential premises.

On July 7, 1994, the Committee on Finance and Administration re-established the Ad Hoc Committee on Tax Forgiveness/Home Renovations to examine the issue, and on October 24, 1994, considered the Ad Hoc Committee's Report, finalizing details of the Program, as outlined in Exhibit "A".

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The Committee on Finance and Administration recommends:

I. That a Tax Credit Program be implemented in the City of Winnipeg to encourage and assist in the renovation of residential premises, details of which are in accordance with the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on Tax Forgiveness/Home Renovations as outlined in Exhibit "A".

II. That the existing Housing Branch of the Planning Department be mandated to assume sponsorship of, and delivery responsibility for, the Tax Credit Program.

III. That the Acting City Solicitor be requested to submit draft by-law to implement the above intent.

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

Adopted by consent.

(See Minute No. 172 for attachment)

Option to Purchase - St. Boniface Industrial Park - Premier Printing Ltd.
File FI-2.4.5 (Vol. 16)

169 - 8. Premier Printing Ltd. purchased a site in St. Boniface Industrial Park (Misc. Plan RIEL 9268/2), from the City in 1987 and have since constructed, in three stages, 36,500 square feet of building on the site. In order to provide sufficient room for future expansion, Premier Printing Ltd. has requested to Option the adjoining site. The Option provides for a deposit of one dollar, is for a period of three years but provides that Premier Printing Ltd. pays the taxes over the Option period.

The sale price is based on the current price for lands in the St. Boniface Industrial Park although deductions of $17,000.00 and $20,000.00± have been or will be made for the installation of a fire hydrant and the estimated cost of relocation of hydro lines respectively.

With the latest additions to the plant, the fire hydrant required relocation onto the site itself which meant an additional cost of $17,000.00 plus Premier Printing Ltd. is now responsible for ongoing maintenance of the hydrant. The hydro relocation expense, currently estimated by Manitoba Hydro at $20,000.00, is necessary in order for Premier Printing Ltd. to expand onto the subject property.

The proposed Option to Purchase requires the City to pay for the relocation of the hydro lines at such time as Premier Printing Ltd. expands its existing facility onto the subject property. This future expenditure will result in net sale proceeds of $92,782.00.

The Committee on Finance and Administration recommends:

I. That an Option to Purchase the subject property be granted to Premier Printing Ltd. as outlined herein and in a form satisfactory to the Acting City Solicitor.

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

Adopted by consent.

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Proposed Leave and License for Use of a Portion of the Easterly Extension of Chief Peguis Trail North of 171 Donwood Drive (Donwood Manor)
File FI-2.2(33) (Vol. 1)

170 - 9. The LM Architectural Group has applied on behalf of Donwood Manor Personal Care Home at 171 Donwood Drive to lease by way of leave and license a portion of Chief Peguis Trail (Misc. Plan No. EKT 9303/2), for the purpose of a contractor marshaling yard during renovations and additions to the Donwood Manor. Construction is expected to commence in November of this year with anticipated completion in December, 1996.

The Streets and Transportation Department has no objection to the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- All uses including material storage to be confined to the subject site;

- Blowing material and debris are to be cleaned up at the end of each day;

- Upon completion of construction, the site is to be leveled, seeded and the grass restored to its existing condition as determined by the City;

- A provision to permit the City and Utility Companies to enter upon the lands and repair and/or place utilities; and,

- The agreement be subject to immediate cancellation upon default of any of the terms and conditions.

The Waterworks, Waste and Disposal Department has advised that a 600 mm diameter water feedermain (North Kildonan Feedermain), which is a key component of the City's regional water distribution system, is located 2.44 metres North of the Southerly limit of the Chief Peguis Trail right-of-way. The Department, although hesitant, is prepared to enter into an agreement subject to the following:

- A 10 metre wide crossing over the feedermain will be a permitted link between the marshaling yard site and the Donwood Manor site. A bridging structure over the feedermain will be required and shall be designed by a qualified municipal engineer with experience in design of large diameter pre-stressed concrete pressure pipe water pipelines. The selection of the municipal engineer would be subject to the approval of the Waterworks, Waste and Disposal Department;

- The Donwood Manor site, the proposed marshaling yard and the crossing of the Feedermain Corridor shall be appropriately fenced such that the vehicular and construction equipment traffic will only cross the feedermain at the feedermain bridging structure;

- Within the marshaling yard site the closest a crane could be positioned to the Feedermain Corridor would be 7.56 metres. Should a crane be positioned less than the restricted distance, the proponent would be responsible for any negative effects on the existing feedermain and be responsible for an analysis of the impact, if any, to be performed by a qualified municipal engineer; and,

- The proponent to be responsible for all costs associated with the development of the marshaling yard, including the costs of engaging a qualified municipal engineer to address any concerns of the Department.

The Committee on Finance and Administration recommends:

I. That a Leave and License be granted to the LM Architectural Group or Nominee, in accordance with the terms and conditions outlined herein and in a form satisfactory to the Acting City Solicitor.

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

Adopted by consent.

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Remediation of the former Canada Packers Site - 600 Marion Street
File FI-2(35) (Vol. 2)

171 - 10. The Committee on Finance and Administration has learned that the Province of Manitoba has participated in the work being done by the Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment to develop a set of principles for dealing with contaminated sites. Based on the principles adopted by the Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment in May 1993, the Minister of Environment has produced proposed legislation dealing with the question as to how to allocate responsibility for the clean up of contaminated sites, where there are several potentially responsible parties. This issue has been a significant source of uncertainty for potential developers and lenders who fear prohibitively expensive remediation of contaminated sites, and for the public who are concerned that these sites are cleaned up but without excessive outlay of public money. This proposed legislation has been tabled in the Legislature. The Province is now holding public meetings on this proposal.

The proposed legislation would provide for the exemption of Municipal Corporations from responsibility for the remediation of contaminated sites where the Municipality involuntarily "acquired an ownership interest in the contaminated site, through tax sale proceedings or property abandonment." By way of further explanation, the Province's Discussion Document advises that "the following plan is proposed for situations where no viable "responsible parties" for such "inherited" land can be found:

- the Province will assume responsibility for any necessary remediation
- Following remediation, the property will be sold, with proceeds of sale to be applied as follows:

  (a) Payment of back taxes to the Municipal Corporation;
  (b) Payment of remediation costs to the Province;
  (c) Remainder to the Municipal Corporation, or, where the government portion was a share of the total costs, to the other contributors on a pro rata basis."

It is unknown as to whether this proposal will survive and be proclaimed into Law or when, although it is thought that the Legislature will deal with this proposal at its next sitting.

With respect to the former Canada Packers property located at 660 Marion Street, the Committee on Finance and Administration is of the view that it may be possible to obtain the Province's agreement to finance the demolition and, either by tax sale or in essence by abandonment, remediation costs, especially in view of its stated intentions with regard to the proposed legislation. Should the City proceed to acquire this property, it will be necessary to determine if the City intends to dispose of this property after the clean-up or if it intends to use the property for its own purposes, which could influence the Province's determination. It will also be necessary to clarify that for the purposes of this potential arrangement with the Province that demolition costs are to be deemed as the remediation costs in the context of these discussions and in compliance with the proposed legislation.

The Tax Department has advised that as of October 31, 1994 the outstanding taxes are $146,796.61 inclusive of penalties and interest. On November 16, 1994 the property will go into Tax Sale and one year thereafter the City will be entitled to become owner should the property not be redeemed from Tax Sale.

The Committee on Finance and Administration recommends that the Province of Manitoba be requested to assume responsibility of the necessary remediation/demolition of the former Canada Packers site located at 600 Marion Street, should the property be acquired by the City through tax sale proceedings or property abandonment.

The Committee further recommends that the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the above intent.

Adopted by consent.

172 - Exhibit "A" referred to in Clause 7 of The Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration dated October 24, 1994

HOME RENOVATION TAX CREDIT PROGRAM

Objective of Program

To provide an economic incentive for the home renovation industry; reduce the perception that property owners are penalized for improving their properties; and encourage property owners to take out building permits thereby promoting the quality of construction in meeting applicable building, electrical and plumbing codes.

Program Details - General

This Tax **Credit** Program will function as a unique Municipal Program and be a complementary program to the Provincial Manitoba Home Renovation Program as well as the City - delivered Federal Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program.

The Program where feasible will parallel eligibility requirements used by the Manitoba Home Renovation Program, and the Program will be operated out of the City's existing Home Repair Office by the Housing Branch. The Housing Branch will assume ownership of and responsibility for the Program and the Manager of Housing will act as Program Director.

Program Details

- $15.00 tax credit per $1,000 of work done (no pro-rating of costs, $1,000 increments only).
- Maximum credit is $150 per dwelling unit.
- No additional costs for 1995 operation (based on continuation of existing Housing Branch).
- 1996/1997 Budget for Tax Credit Disbursement would be an upset budget of $500,000 per year.
- In 1998, the Housing Branch will prepare a full Program evaluation.
- In the fifth year of the Program, Council will review the Program for its continuation as required by the Act.
- Program will be delivered City-wide and the following eligibilities will apply.

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ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES

- Must be owner-occupied, single family dwelling (includes s x s and townhouse).
- *Must have been built prior to January, 1971.
- *Must have a market value (property and land) of less than $80,000.
  Note: (based on 1994 assessed market value of 1994 Property tax purposes).
  *Note: This value will increase from $80,000 to $100,000 by 1998, and the build date will shift to 1981 as the benchmark.

ELIGIBLE RENOVATIONS INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

- Reinforcing / repairing a foundation, weeping tile or basement (including related excavation and landscaping).
- Installing and/or repairing a water or sewer system (including related excavation and landscaping).
- Repairing or upgrading a primary heating system.
- Installing, repairing or upgrading a plumbing system.
- Repairing or upgrading an electrical system.
- Repairing or replacing exterior sheathing.
- Repairing roofs, shingles, soffits and eavestroughs.
- Insulating walls or an attic.
- Bathroom renovations (including the installation of basic sinks, tubs and vanities).
- Kitchen renovations (but not including the purchase or installation of appliances).
- Installing, repairing or upgrading a ventilation system (but not including air conditioning systems).
- Replacing doors and windows, other than skylight windows.
- Finishing an unfinished basement.
- Modifications to accommodate a disabled person.
- Building an addition (to be used as year-round living space) to a primary dwelling.
- Renovations made for reasons of health or safety may be deemed eligible.
- Any repairs / renovations that would normally be required to ensure compliance with the Maintenance and Occupancy By-law 4903/88.

INELIGIBLE RENOVATIONS WOULD INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- Alterations to permit a commercial use on the premises.
- Alterations to permit multi-family use on the premises.
- Repairs to damage caused by fire or flood.
- Repairs to damage caused by an insured hazard (windstorm, vehicle impact).
- Work required under a Health Department Order.
- Repairs to mobile homes located in mobile home parks (these are licensed, not taxed).
- * Building or repairing a deck, patio or fence.
- * Building or repairing a veranda.
- Building or repairing any space that will not be used as year-round living space.
- * Building or repairing a garage.
- Building or repairing an adjunct building (gazebo, greenhouse, etc.)

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- * Building or repairing a driveway or sidewalk.
- Building or repairing a play structure, swing set, etc.
- Installing or repairing a swimming pool.
- * Landscaping.
- Purchasing or installing a household appliance, whether it is built-in or free standing.
- Purchasing or installing a skylight window.
- Purchasing or installing a radio or TV antenna or satellite dish.
- Purchasing or installing a lawn sprinkler system.
- Interior decorating, including wallpaper, blinds and drapes.
- * Exterior or interior painting.
- * Purchasing or installing a floor covering.
- Purchasing or installing a fireplace.
- Purchasing or installing a hot tub, spa or jacuzzi.
- Purchasing or installing a secondary heating source.
- Purchasing, installing or repairing a back up generator or an air conditioner.
- * Purchasing or installing an air purification system.
- Purchasing or installing a security system.
- Purchasing or installing any equipment or other thing that is not permanently affixed to the dwelling.

* Renovations that may be approved if determined the renovations should be made for occupant health reasons and/or the structural integrity of the dwelling unit, and/or By-law compliance.

Program Process

The Housing Branch (Planning Department / Community Services Department) operating out of the City's designated Home Repair Office would be responsible for:

- Program advertising / promotion.
- Program staffing.
- Application intake / verification.
- Permit issuance.
- Renovation inspection.

For 1995 the Housing Branch will provide advertising (minimal) with no additional budget, will provide staff with no additional budget, will do application intake and application screening / verification, will provide inspections and permit closure.

All renovations seeking tax credit would require a building permit. Permits will be issued by the City's Home Repair Office located at 555 Ross Avenue, and will be specially notated, streamed and monitored, (as that office currently does with RRAP Permits).

These permits will be tracked in house on a custom formatted and existing computer system and monthly reports will be generated and circulated.

Renovation inspections, ie. writing off the permit will be handled by the existing qualified inspectors of the Housing Branch.

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For the years following 1995, the Housing Branch, dependant on the success of the 1995 Tax Credit Program may require additional budget for staffing, advertising, etc.

Program Guidelines

- Program commences January 1, 1995.
- Work must be completed within 12 months of application.
- Renovations cannot be retroactive beyond the Program commencement.
- There is a right of appeal from the decision of the Program Director to the appropriate Standing Committee of Council.
- The five year Tax Credit Program will be deemed to be started at the beginning of the year in which the construction was completed.
- There will be a pre-term expiry of the tax credit if:
  - Owner occupancy ceases.
  - The dwelling is demolished.
  - Fire or other insurable damage causes replacement of 50% or more of the main structure.
  - A commercial use is established on premises.
  - Multi-family use is established on premises.
- In the instance of building sale, the tax credit stays with the building.

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MOTIONS

Moved by Councillor Lazarenko,
Seconded by Councillor O'Shaughnessy,

173 - WHEREAS the City's present single form tax bill includes;

1) school levies in total only, i.e. the Provincial Government's support levy plus the appropriate School Board's special levy;

2) the City's general municipal levy;

3) sewer and water maintenance levies, and

4) local improvement levies and/or other special charges, if applicable;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a review be undertaken of the possible separation of tax levy billings into two, one for municipal tax levies and a separate bill for school tax levies.

Required to Stand as Notice of Motion in accordance with Rule 17.1 of the Procedure By-law

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

174 - On motion of Councillor Eadie, 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. 6501/94, a By-law of The City of Winnipeg to authorize the expenditure of monies in 1995 before the adoption of the 1995 annual estimates File FC-2 (Vol. 17)

By-law No. 6502/94, a By-law of The City of Winnipeg to authorize the borrowing during the year 1995 of monies not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Million Dollars ($250,000,000.00) at any one time for capital and current purposes, and to authorize the issue and delivery of promissory notes in respect thereof File FC-2 (Vol. 17)

By-law No. 6511/94, a By-law of The City of Winnipeg to amend the Tax Penalty By-law No. 5796/91 to provide for the compounding of the interest charged as a penalty on taxes that are due and unpaid File FL-2(Vol. 12).

On motion of Councillor Eadie, the rule was suspended and By-law No. 6519/94, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to amend the Amusement Tax By-law No. 3107/81 was read a first, second and third time, the rule being suspended for the third reading, and was passed and ordered to be signed and sealed. File FL-2.5 (Vol. 8)

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QUESTION PERIOD

175 - Councillor Murray requested an update on the Chairperson's recent trip to Ottawa.

Councillor Eadie noted that he had attended a meeting of a Parliamentary Committee in Ottawa in his capacity as the Chairperson of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Finance Committee, as requested by the Federal Minister of Finance, to outline the concerns of municipal governments on the possible loss of the municipal rebate under the current GST, and he noted that he also spoke on the "Federal Payment of Property Tax" issue, advocating that municipalities could not shoulder any further tax burdens.