REPORT OF THE

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

DATED JULY 7, 1994

On motion of Councillor Eadie, the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated July 7, 1994, was considered clause by clause.

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

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

The motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, Clauses 1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11 and 12 was put and declared carried.

Her Worship the Mayor and Councillors:

Proposed Amendment to License By-law No. 4007/85 - Massage Therapists
File EL-1.35 (Vol.4)

897 - 1. Council, at its meeting held March 24, 1993, adopted Clause 8 of Report "A" of the Committee on Finance and Administration dated March 1, 1993, with respect to amendments to the License By-Law No. 4007/85 relating to the licensing of massage therapists. Effective September 1, 1993, massage therapists are distinguished from the general license category of "massagists" by providing evidence that the applicant has successfully completed the requirements of a training program in massage therapy and has received accreditation from a registered educational facility named in the by-law. That clause recognized that additional schools over and above those initially identified likely existed and stated that "minor amendments to the by-law may be necessary in future to address such situations".

Three individuals have made application to The City of Winnipeg for licensing as "massage therapists". The applicants have supplied the necessary documentation indicating successful completion of a program of study in massage from three different schools, two in the United States and one in the Ukraine as follows: The International School of Massage Therapy in San Francisco, California, the East-West College of Massage Therapy in Portland, Oregon, and the Faculty of Medicine, Uzhgorod State University in the Ukraine.

All three applicants have provided documentation from the respective state governments which confirm that these schools were or are approved to operate as educational institutions in their respective States.

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

I. That License By-Law No. 4007/85 with respect to massage therapists be amended by adding the following schools to the list of registered educational institutions recognized under the License By-law; namely, the International School of Massage Therapy, San Francisco, California; the East-West College of Massage Therapy, Portland, Oregon; and the Faculty of Medicine, Uzhgorod State University, Ukraine.

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 Amendment to Amusement Tax By-law No. 3107/81 - Exemptions
File FL-2.5 (Vol. 9)

898 - 2. Council on September 22, 1993, adopted as amended by Executive Policy Committee, Clause 8 of the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration dated September 3, 1993, to enact amendments to the Amusement Tax By-law in order to change the exemption process and eliminate the perceived abuse in the current amusement tax system.

Under the proposed amendments to the Amusement Tax By-law, applications for exemption require review by the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council, subsequent consideration by the Committee on Finance and Administration, and implementation through a by-law of Council for recommended approvals.

The Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council at its meeting on June 13, 1994, considered and recommended that the Hinode Taiko Drum Festival, the Manitoba Historical Society, the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra, the Prairie Theatre Exchange, the Manitoba Association of Country Arts Ltd., the Committee for Promotion of Black Cultural Activities Inc., and the Batangas Association, all be granted amusement tax exemptions for their respective events.

The Committee on Finance and Administration concurs in part with the recommendation of the Winnipeg Arts Advisory Council, and therefore submits draft by-law and recommends:

I. That subsection 7(6) of Amusement By-law No. 3107/81 be amended by adding the following at the end of the list of exemptions contained therein:

"The 1994 Drum Festival to be held by Hinode Taiko on September 24, 1994, at the Pantages Theatre.

Museum events entitled Heritage Summer Camp to be held by the Manitoba Historical Society from July 12 to August 19, 1994, at the Dalnavert and Ross House Museums, as well as My House - Your House, from June 15, 1994 to March 31, 1995, at Dalnavert Museum.

Concerts to be held by the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra on September 15, 17, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30; October 1, 13, 14, 15, 16; November 4, 5, 6, 25, 26, 27; December 1, 3, 9, 10, 11, 18, 1994, at the Centennial Concert Hall.

Plays to be held by the Prairie Theatre Exchange from September 14 to 25, September 28 to October 15, October 26 to November 5, November 16 to December 4, December 18 to 30, 1994; January 18 to 29, February 1 to 18, March 8 to 25, April 5 to 16, 1995, at the Prairie Theatre Exchange building.

A play to be held by the Winnipeg Jewish Theatre from September 29 to October 9, 1994, at the MTC Warehouse Theatre.

An Annual Award Show to be held by the Manitoba Association of Country Arts Ltd. on September 4, 1994, at the Pantages Theatre."

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 Amendment to The City of Winnipeg Act - One-Time Bicycle Registration Program
File EL-1 (Vol. 28)

899 - 3. Council, on May 26, 1993, adopted a proposal for The City of Winnipeg to implement a bicycle registration system contingent upon receiving support from the insurance industry for the donation of 10,000 decals and a computer system. On April 29, 1994, the City received a letter from the insurance industry to the effect that funding is not forthcoming.

It is the opinion of the Administration that the bicycle registration system continues to be a desirable plan to assist in the prevention of bicycle theft and the return to owner of lost or stolen bicycles.

The proposed bicycle registration system was the result of the work of a Cycle Theft Committee made up of representatives from the R.C.M.P., the Brandon City Police, the insurance industry, the Winnipeg Police Service, and the License Branch of the Finance Department of the City of Winnipeg.

Some of the features of the proposed registration system are as follows: registration is one-time and voluntary; there are fees of $5.00 for new registrations and $3.00 for a transfer; a computerized data base of registered bicycles as well as for those stolen and recovered; and an identification decal for placement on a bicycle.

The Committee on Finance and Administration, at its meeting on July 7, 1994, approved an additional appropriation in the amount of $40,000.00 to the Finance Department for start up funds for the program inasmuch as the 1994 Current Budget has already been adopted.

The Committee on Finance and Administration therefore recommends as follows:

I. That the City of Winnipeg enact a by-law under the authority of Section 137 of The City of Winnipeg Act to implement a voluntary, one-time bicycle registration program with the following fees:

Registration Fee	$5.00
Transfer Fee	$3.00

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

Moved by Councillor Eadie,
Adoption of the clause.

Moved by Councillor Prystanski,
That the clause be referred back to the Committee on Finance and Administration.

Lost.

Moved by Councillor Angus,
That the question be now put.

The motion was put.

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

Yea: Councillors Boychuk, Clement, Duguid, Eadie, Lazarenko, Murray, O'Shaughnessy, Silva, Thomas, Her Worship Mayor Thompson and Councillor Angus. 11

Nay: Councillors Golden, Hyman, Fraser and Reese. 4

and the motion that the question be now put was declared carried.

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

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

Loan Guarantee - Gateway Community Centre Inc. - Phase II of Sportsplex Development File PR-2 (Vol. 78)

900 - 4. The Committee on Finance and Administration, at its meeting on June 27, 1994, considered a request from the Gateway Community Centre Inc. for the City to guarantee a loan for Phase II of the Sportsplex Development at 600 Bonner Avenue.

Section 313 of The City of Winnipeg Act states the following:

"Subject to the approval of the Minister of Finance, the City may, on such terms and conditions as the Minister of Finance may approve, make loans and grants for, and guarantee indebtedness incurred for, any community undertaking not otherwise authorized under this Act, and the Minister of Finance may refer any application for approval under this section to The Municipal Board for its advice and recommendation."

The City has been concerned that there has been an increasing number of requests for loan guarantees over the past few years, as loan guarantees do, in fact, constitute meaningful commitments by the City. These commitments have to be recorded in the notes to the City's financial statements and are factors in determining the City's potential liabilities, with the possibility of ultimately negatively affecting the City's credit rating. As a result of its concern, the City adopted a "Policy and Criteria to be used as a Guideline in the Consideration of Requests for Loan Guarantees", on June 17, 1992.

On July 16, 1991, City Council approved a $300,000.00 loan guarantee for Gateway Community Centre for Phase I of the development of a "Sportsplex" (a two-rink indoor arena and related facilities). The total project cost of Phase I was estimated to be $660,000.00, of which $260,000.00 (39.4%) was provided by non-City funds, $100,000.00 (15.2%) was provided by City funds, and the balance of $300,000.00 (45.4%) was provided by a loan that the City guaranteed. As of May 31, 1994, the amount still owing on the loan for Phase I is $160,000.00.

Gateway Community Centre is now proposing Phase II to complete the Sportsplex development that will allow it to function as a complete year-round facility. The Parks and Recreation Department is very supportive of this project in that it meets the recreational needs of citizens in the north-east section of the City. The Finance Department is of the opinion that City Council should consider approving the loan guarantee as it would appear to be economically viable and it meets the majority (all but one) of the criteria of the City's loan guarantee policy.
The one criteria of the City's loan guarantee policy that the Gateway Community Centre request does not meet is, "the loan that the City is being asked to guarantee should not represent more than 50% of the total funding of the project". The loan of $1,000,000.00 will represent 60.6% of the total project cost of $1,650,000.00.

The East Kildonan - Transcona Community Committee, at its meeting on May 17, 1994, ratified the recommendation of its Sub-Committee on Parks and Recreation, and therefore unanimously supports, in principle, the request for a loan guarantee from Gateway Community Centre Inc.

The Committee on Finance and Administration therefore recommends:

I. That the request from Gateway Community Centre Inc. that the City guarantee its proposed loan financing to a maximum of $840,000.00 for Phase II of the Sportsplex development, and an overall maximum of $1,000,000.00 for the combined two phases of the Sportsplex development, be approved.

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2. 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.

Proposed Amendment to License By-law No. 4007/85 - House Movers
File EL-1 (Vol. 28)

901 - 5. Council, on October 18, 1989, adopted a report from the Committee on Works and Operations on October 18, 1989, amending the definition of a house mover to include only those persons moving buildings. Prior to the enactment of this by-law amendment on November 29, 1989, the definition had included persons who moved boats, machinery and so forth as well.

The current definition of a house mover in the License By-law states that a "house mover" means a person who moves any building of a height greater than 4.15 metres on or across any street within the City.

The Streets and Transportation Department has requested an amendment to the definition contained in the License By-law to clear up any ambiguity about the height restrictions of buildings being moved across City streets by licensed house movers. The height restriction in the above definition did not clearly indicate that it referred to the loaded height of the building.

The proposed by-law amendment should not create any difficulties with companies in the house moving business as the proposed definition reflects existing practice. Twelve businesses were licensed in 1993 in this category. House movers are required to post a bond of indemnity in the amount of $10,000.00 as a prerequisite to license issuance. Annual license fees for 1994/95 are $110.00, generating annual license fee revenue of approximately $1,320.00.

The Committee on Finance and Administration therefore recommends:

I. That License By-law No. 4007/85 with respect to House Movers be amended by substituting the definition of a "house mover" as follows:

"house mover" means a person who moves any building on or across any street within the limits of the City when the highest point of such building while being moved extends more than 4.15 metres above the surface of such street."

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.

Proposed By-law to Authorize the Issuance of Debentures to Replace Debentures Lost by The Canada Trust Company
File FC-2 (Vol. 17)

902 - 6. Section 303 (5) of The City of Winnipeg Act provides that where a debenture is defaced, lost, or destroyed, the council may by by-law, provide for the replacing of the debenture on the payment of such fee, and on such terms as to evidence and indemnity, as the by-law may provide.

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On November 8, 1993, $200,000.00 of The City of Winnipeg 10.00% Series VH Debentures due on December 14, 2009, and represented by Debenture numbers: VH-00541 and VH-00542 currently registered in the name of Lake & Co.; and $200,000.00 of The City of Winnipeg 10.25% Series VF Debentures due on February 23, 2003, and represented by Debenture numbers: VF-00852 and VF-00853, currently registered in the name of Lake & Co. were sent via registered post to The City of Winnipeg. The VH Debentures and the VF Debentures were not received by the City and Canada Post has advised that they cannot confirm delivery of the above mentioned Debentures.

The Canada Trust Company has requested The City of Winnipeg to issue new Debenture Certificates in like amounts. The Canada Trust Company has provided evidence in respect to the loss of said Debentures satisfactory to the City Treasurer, and a Bond of Indemnity on terms satisfactory to the City Solicitor, as required under Section 303(5) of The City of Winnipeg Act.

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

I. That authorization of the issuance of debentures to replace the debentures lost by The Canada Trust Company duly approved as to financial details by the City Treasurer, and certified as to form by the Acting City Solicitor, be approved.

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.

Proposed Amendment to the License By-law No. 4007/85 - Application for Exemption - Elim Chapel Fellowship
File EL-1 (Vol. 28)

903 - 7. Council at its reconvened meeting on June 23, 1994, referred back Clause 2 of the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration dated May 30, 1994, with respect to an application for exemption of licensing from the Elim Chapel Fellowship, 299 Young Street.

The Elim Chapel Fellowship applied for an exemption from the licensing of a billiard parlour at its premises at 299 Young Street. The applicant is a non-profit organization operating as a religious fellowship and falls within the City's jurisdiction to exempt.

The License Branch of the Finance Department inspected the premises and reports that it has not received any complaints regarding the operation. The Elim Chapel Fellowship keeps two billiard tables on the premises for which no fee for use is charged. Access to the club is restricted to members as the club is locked unless members contact security for admission. The Administration is of the view that the exemption from licensing should be granted.

The City of Winnipeg has the power to exempt non-profit clubs from licensing under Section 524(1)(t) of The City of Winnipeg Act and can accomplish same by proceeding with an amendment to License By-law No. 4007/85.
As information to Council, the Committee on Finance and Administration has referred the matters of issuance, enforcement and revocation of licenses, inter alia, to its Ad Hoc Committee on Licensing and Control for review and recommendation on proposed amendments to License By-law No. 4007/85.

The Committee on Finance and Administration therefore reiterates its previous recommendations, namely:

I. That the Elim Chapel Fellowship be exempted from licensing of a billiard parlour at its premises at 299 Young Street pursuant to the provisions of the License By-law No. 4007/85.

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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Lease of 427 Togo Avenue to non-profit organization, Golden Rule Seniors
File FI-2.2(33) (Vol. 1)

904 - 8. The Committee on Finance and Administration has considered Item No. 1 of the Report No. 1A of the Technical Advisory Committee on City Properties dated June 10, 1994, (File 441/5-B) with respect to the above referenced lease of property in the City Centre Community.

In January 1990, the Manitoba Freestyle Ski Association purchased the building located on the City-owned property on Osborne Street and Togo Avenue as shown on Misc. Plan No. CC 8731. Currently, negotiations with the Freestyle Ski Association have resulted in their agreement to sell the building to the City.

On January 26, 1994, Council directed that the following be undertaken: that the Director of the Land Surveys and Real Estate Department be authorized to enter into negotiations with all parties having a financial interest in the Winnipeg Ski Club building from the perspective of achieving a settlement; undertake all necessary steps to sell the subject property to the Golden Rule Seniors Organization; and, declare an appropriate portion of City-owned land as surplus to Parks and Recreation Department needs and dispose of accordingly, excluding the riverbank area required for the Churchill Drive Riverbank Parkway.

Negotiations with the Golden Rule Seniors have resulted in their offering to lease the subject City property shown on Misc. Plan No. CC 9031/1 in compliance with all of the requirements of the City's policy on the sale/lease of City lands to non-profit organizations.

The Technical Advisory Committee on City Properties is of the opinion that the developer be apprised of the following information as advised by the Waterworks, Waste and Disposal and Operations Departments; namely, that development on the subject lands could result in the need to upgrade off-site services and that the costs thereof must be incurred by the developer; costs to be incurred as a result of the closure of part of Don Avenue must also be incurred by the developer; and, as the subject property is not protected by the "primary line of flood defense", which is located along Osborne Street, the developer may have to design his facility to meet the appropriate flood proofing criteria.

On July 7, 1994, Councillor Murray, Fort Rouge Ward, appeared in delegation before the Committee on Finance and Administration in support of a long term lease of 407 Togo Avenue to the non-profit organization, Golden Rule Seniors.

Pursuant to Section 156(2) of The City of Winnipeg Act, approval of at least two-thirds of the members of Council is required on the lease and sale of the subject property that has been designated or acquired for park purposes.

Your Committee on Finance and Administration therefore recommends:

I. That the long term non-profit lease be approved, subject to the following two additional terms:

a) It is understood and agreed that the lessee is responsible for all costs related to the lease and development of the property including but not limited to all off-site costs and costs related to the closing of Don Avenue;

b) The lessee has been advised and understands that the subject property is not protected by the primary line of flood defense which is located along Osborne Street.

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.

Copies of Misc. Plan Nos. CC 8731 and CC 9031/1 are on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted by consent.

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Proposed Amendment to Lease of City Land - North of Leila Avenue, West of Allan Blye Drive - Seven Oaks School Division No. 10 File FI-2.2(34) (Vol. 1)

905 - 9. The Committee on Finance and Administration has considered Item No. 1 of the Report No. 2A of the Technical Advisory Committee on City Properties dated June 10, 1994, (File 7357) with respect to the above referenced lease of property in the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community.

Council at its meeting held on January 23, 1991, approved an exchange of lands with the Seven Oaks School Division No. 10 whereby the City acquired Parcel C, Plan 28252 for open space purposes in exchange for the School Division acquiring Parcel A, Plan 28252, as shown on Misc. Plan No. LSWK 8095/1.

Council, on April 28, 1993, adopted the proposed terms and conditions of lease agreement between the City and the Seven Oaks School Division No. 10, including an additional clause which would provide for cancellation of the lease in whole or part in the event that the City required a portion of Lot 3, Plan 23200 for a street right-of-way.

The School Division has requested the City to reconsider its requirement for the future extension of Birtle Street, due to the substantial investment that is required in this regard.

Lot 3, Plan 23200 was acquired by the City under a development agreement with the School Division for the future extension of Birtle Street. In the event that Lot 3 is not opened as a street by December 31, 1999, the School Division has the option to re-acquire the lot. As at April 14, 1994, the Streets and Transportation Department advised that Lot 3, Plan 23200 is no longer required for the future extension.

The Committee on Finance and Administration therefore recommends:

I. That Clause 11(d) as follows be deleted from the lease: "In the event the City requires a portion of the leased area, namely Lot 3, Plan 23200 for the construction of a street right-of-way, this lease may be cancelled in whole or in part, at no cost to the City".

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.

Copy of Misc. Plan No. LSWK 8095/1 is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted by consent.

Involvement by the City of Winnipeg in Renting/Converting the Royal Bank Tower Building - 500 and 504 Main Street File G-3.1.1 (Vol. 5)

906 - 10. Council on April 27, 1994, referred back Clause 2 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated April 20, 1994, along with a motion to make recommendations on property values, utility of space and viability of civic uses for the Royal Bank Tower Building at 500 and 504 Main Street under the civic campus policy.

On July 7, 1994, an informational report submitted to both the Committee on Finance and Administration and the Committee on Planning and Community Services (Appendix "A"), was considered and addressed the following issues pertaining to the involvement by the City in renting/converting the Royal Bank Tower Building, namely:

- Obligation on the part of the City in the Royal Bank Tower building if same was listed as a Grade I building on the Buildings Conservation List;

- Recommendations on policy options on how the building can be appropriately restored and/or reused;

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- The outstanding problems associated with the Bank of Hamilton building at 395 Main Street, as to whether or not the landlord is complying with the leasing agreement.

After due consideration, the Committee on Finance and Administration submits the aforementioned for the information of Council.

Copy of attachment referred to in the above clause is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted by consent.

Offer to Purchase Options on Two Parcels of City-Owned Lands - 368-374 Edmonton Street - 393 Kennedy Street - Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation
File FI-2.4(32) (Vol. 1)

907 - 11. The Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation has offered to purchase from the City Option Agreements for the City's interest in each of 368-374 Edmonton Street and 393 Kennedy Street shown as Parcels "A" and "B" on Misc. Plan No. CC 9191, respectively.

As part of a 1985 Core Area Initiative Program, the City assembled land on which the Shelter Corporation agreed to build two apartment structures; which are now commonly known as 368-374 Edmonton Street and 393 Kennedy Street. Each apartment building is on a separate parcel of land held under separate title.

The Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and the Manitoba Housing and Renewal Corporation provided the financing to 72081 Manitoba Ltd. and 72082 Manitoba Ltd. as the developers c/o Shelter Corporation for the improvements. The City retained freehold interest in the lands while the limited companies and Shelter Corporation maintained ownership of the improvements constructed on the lands.

On June 1, 1986, the City entered into a 99-year ground lease on each land parcel, with the limited companies as the developer and Shelter Corporation as the covenantor. Based on past decisions made for this Core Area Initiative project, provisions within these Lease Agreements has resulted in no generation of income for the City to date, nor apparently was any income ever expected to be forthcoming. The lease is structured to provide government with a return in the event that the developer makes windfall profits. At the conclusion of the ground leases, the land and improvements revert to the City.

A Postponement/Waiver Agreement between the City, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and the Manitoba Housing and Renewal Corporation in November 1986, states, among other things as follows: so long as the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation is in possession of the buildings, the City shall waive the payment of all rent due to it under the Ground Lease (including any arrears); the term of the ground lease is reduced from 99 to 50 years; and in the event Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation sells the buildings it must use only its "best efforts" to require the purchaser to pay rent to the City having regard for Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation recovering its monies expended under a mortgage insurance claim. If the City were to continue to own the land the leasing arrangements, together with the Postponement/Waiver agreement, may result in the City not being able to earn future rent under the ground lease.

Through mortgage default on the part of the principle debtor and covenantor, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation is now "Mortgagee in Possession". The Housing Corporation wants to sell the improvements to private parties, and have determined that the marketability would be enhanced if freehold title to the properties were available to a purchaser. Canada Housing and Mortgage Corporation has approached the Land Surveys and Real Estate Department wanting to negotiate an Option to Purchase the City's interest in the above properties.

The Land Surveys and Real Estate Department is of the opinion that the proposed price is reasonable having regard for the terms of the lease and Postponement/Waiver Agreement. This sum represents the reversionary value of the land and buildings as at the year 2036 (end of the lease term) discounted to the present time.

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Both proposed Option agreements have a term of 10 years and if not exercised within that time, then the transfers of land will be returned to the City. For the full term of these Options, the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation shall pay all real property taxes assessed by the City; and will indemnify and save harmless the City in respect of any expense or liability arising in relation to the land and any landlord obligation arising in respect of the existing leases.

The Land Surveys and Real Estate Department advises that the sale of the City's interests in these properties should be given positive consideration in view of the fact that the existing lease and Postponement/Waiver Agreement will not likely result in receipt of rental income for the duration of the lease; the understanding that these property interests are surplus to the City's requirements; and, the potential for the City to become responsible for a physical and financial liability at the expiration of the lease.

The Committee on Finance and Administration therefore recommends:

I. That the sale of Option(s) to Purchase the City's interests in 368-374 Edmonton Street and 393 Kennedy Street at an Option Price of $100,000.00 in accordance with the terms and conditions identified on Schedule "A", be approved to the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

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 which are in a form acceptable to the Acting City Solicitor, and which are to include such other terms and conditions, deemed necessary by the Acting City Solicitor to achieve the intent of Council.

Copy of Misc. Plan No. CC 9191 and Schedule "A" are on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Adopted by consent.

Proposed Lease - South of Southglen Road, west of Ashworth Street, south of the H.S. Paul School Building
File FI-2.2(35) (Vol. 2)

908 - 12. The Committee on Finance and Administration has considered a request from the St. Vital School Division No. 6 for the use of a portion of the City-owned property south of Southglen Road, west of Ashworth Street, south of the H.S. Paul School building, as identified on Misc. Plan RIEL No. 9207/1, in order to place a portable classroom structure upon the lands for use in September 1994. The School Division will require the use of the classroom pending the completion of the new Ashworth School which was recently approved by the Public Schools Finance Board.

The Parks and Recreation Department has no objection to supporting the lease request, however, concerns have been expressed regarding the approval of the lease request without local neighbourhood input. Accordingly, the Department is supportive of requesting that the St. Vital School Division schedule a public open house meeting to provide development details to local residents and to resolve any potential disputes prior to the signing of the lease agreement.

Pursuant to Section 156(2) of The City of Winnipeg Act, approval of at least two-thirds of the members of Council is required on the lease of any property that has been designated or acquired for park purposes.

The Committee on Finance and Administration therefore recommends:

I. That the Director of Land Surveys and Real Estate be authorized to enter into a lease agreement with the St. Vital School Division No. 6 for the use of the subject City-owned property, in accordance with terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the Acting City Solicitor, subject to obtaining a favourable recommendation from the Riel Community Committee, and confirmation from the St. Vital School Division that all concerns arising out of the public open house have been satisfactorily resolved.

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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CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

909 - On motion of Councillor Eadie, the rule was suspended and 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. 6428/94, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to amend the City of Winnipeg License By-law No. 4007/85. File EL-1 (Vol. 28)

By-law No. 6450/94, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to amend the City of Winnipeg License By-law No. 4007/85. File EL-1.35 (Vol. 4)

By-law No. 6451/94, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to amend the Amusement Tax By-law No. 3107/81. File FL-2.5 (Vol. 8)

By-law No. 6452/94, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to amend the City of Winnipeg License By-law No. 4007/85. File EL-1 (Vol. 28

By-law No. 6453/94, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to replace four lost debentures. File FC-2

The Speaker here resumed the Chair.

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QUESTION PERIOD

910 - Councillor Silva questioned why the Clause of the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration regarding the application for exemption from the Elim Chapel Fellowship had not been referred to the City Centre Community Committee for input.

Councillor Eadie responded that representation was received by the Committee from members of the City Centre Community Committee concerning the matter. He further advised that broader amendments are being proposed to the License By-law with respect to requests for exemptions, to include more consultation with the Community Committees. He advised that proposed amendments to the License By-law are anticipated to be considered by the Committee on Finance and Administration this Fall.

Councillor Silva requested the Chairperson's commitment to ensure the examination of the exemption process with a view to tightening any loopholes and ensuring Community Committee input.

Councillor Eadie requested that members of Council await the administrative report on the suggested amendments to the License By-law and to make representations to the Committee when the issue is discussed.