EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

MOTIONS

Moved by Councillor Murray,
Seconded by Councillor Thomas,

845 - WHEREAS June 30 is the date by which a decision is required on the purchase of the Winnipeg Jets or the construction of a new arena;

AND WHEREAS the committee known as the "Burns Committee" has failed to submit its report and recommendations for the June meeting of City Council;

AND WHEREAS the cost of subsidizing the Winnipeg Jets is becoming an onerous burden to the citizens of Winnipeg;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Policy Committee review the following options to relieve the City of the need for an ongoing subsidy of the Winnipeg Jets, namely:

1) Examine options for selling the City of Winnipeg (Winnipeg Enterprises Corporation) shares of the Winnipeg Jets or gift the shares in lieu of financial subsidy;

2) Examine options for purchase and sale of the Winnipeg Jets that would cover the costs of the subsidy of the team;

3) Review the need for a special meeting of Council prior to June 30, 1994, to exercise any options available to the City that expire on that date;

4) Request an immediate meeting with Council and the "Burns Committee".

Executive Policy Committee - Motions (continued)

Moved by Her Worship Mayor Thompson,
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Fraser,
846 - THAT Council recess to reconvene at the call of the Chair to allow members to participate in a Special In Camera Meeting of the Executive Policy Committee called by Her Worship Mayor Thompson in the West Committee Room immediately following the recess, to discuss details of the Burns Committee Report with the Chairman, Mr. Jim Burns and members of the Committee.

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

The motion for the question was put.

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

Yea: Councillors Clement, Eadie, O'Shaughnessy, Prystanski, Fraser, Her Worship Mayor Thompson and Councillor Angus. 7

Nay: Councillors Reese, Boychuk, Duguid, Golden, Hyman, Lazarenko, Murray, Silva and Thomas. 9

and the motion that the question be put was declared lost.

With the concurrence of the seconder, Deputy Mayor Fraser, and with the permission of Council, Her Worship Mayor Thompson amended the motion to read as follows:

Moved by Her Worship Mayor Thompson,
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Fraser,
THAT Council recess to reconvene at the call of the Chair, no later than 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 28, 1994, to allow members to participate in a Special Meeting of the Executive Policy Committee called by Her Worship Mayor Thompson, in Conference Rooms 1, 2 and 3, immediately following the recess, to discuss details of the Burns Committee Report with the Chairman, Mr. Jim Burns and members of his Committee.

The motion was put and declared carried.

Council recessed at 10:06 a.m.

Pursuant to Rule 6.2 of the Procedure By-law, Council stood adjourned to reconvene at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 28, 1994.

Adjourned Meeting Tuesday, June 28, 1994

Council reconvened this day at 9:07 a.m.

The Speaker called the adjourned meeting to order.

Present: The Speaker Councillor Angus, Councillors Boychuk, Clement, Duguid, Eadie, Fraser, Golden, Hyman, Lazarenko, Murray, O'Shaughnessy, Prystanski, Reese, Silva, Thomas and Her Worship Mayor Thompson.

In attendance: Mrs. D. Browton, City Clerk, Mr. R. Kachur, Deputy City Clerk and Mrs. J. Park, Committee Clerk.

847 - The Speaker recognized Her Worship Mayor Thompson, who reviewed the progress and responded to questions on the recent meetings of the three levels of government as related to the Jets Agreement, and circulated a press release advising that the Premier of Manitoba, the Minister of Human Resources Development and the Mayor have agreed to pursue:

1 Exploring various financing options that would maximize private sector/community funding;

2. A downtown location adjacent to the Convention Centre as recommended by the Burns Committee;

3. Assigning authority to the new Downtown Development Corporation to make recommendations with respect to assembling the property as well as preliminary site design;

4. Establishing a team comprised of representatives of the public and private sectors to develop a marketing plan and confirm revenue sources for both the facility and the Winnipeg Jets. This will include such elements as individual and premium seating, concessions and advertising.

Council here proceeded to continue to consider the order of business - "Executive Policy Committee - Motions".

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

MOTIONS

Moved by Councillor Lazarenko,
Seconded by Councillor Boychuk,

848 - WHEREAS the Burns Committee Report was only recently received by Council;

AND WHEREAS the agreement entered into by Council outlined the steps necessary to ensure that the Winnipeg Jets remain in Winnipeg at least until 1997 and that a decision relative to a new facility be reached on or before June 30, 1994;

AND WHEREAS Council has dealt in good faith with all parties to the Jets Agreement;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg and the Province of Manitoba owning 36 percent of the shares shoulder 100 percent of the losses to date;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Winnipeg Council and the Province of Manitoba request that the other major shareholders act as good dedicated corporate citizens and allow an extension of the June 30, 1994 deadline, to at least July 31, 1994.

Executive Policy Committee - Motions (continued)

Moved by Her Worship Mayor Thompson,
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Fraser,
849 - WHEREAS the Burn's Report respecting the future of the Winnipeg Jets was publicly released on June 24, 1994;

AND WHEREAS City Council had the opportunity to review the recommendations of the Burn's Committee on June 27, 1994;

AND WHEREAS there is concurrence that an extension to the June 30, 1994 deadline in the existing agreement would be desirable;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute an agreement on behalf of the City of Winnipeg prior to the end of Wednesday, June 29, 1994, which would extend the existing June 30, 1994 deadline to exercise the option within the Jets Agreement until June 30, 1995, provided there are no new cost implications and there is no loss of existing rights;

AND FURTHER THAT if the said extension does have cost implications on the City of Winnipeg or threatens any existing rights, or if no extension is negotiated, then the Mayor reconvene Council at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, June 30, 1994, for the purpose of considering the alternative options.

The Speaker called the Deputy Speaker, Councillor Reese, to the Chair in order to participate in the debate, and after speaking, resumed the Chair.

With the concurrence of the seconder, Councillor Thomas, and with the permission of Council, Councillor Murray withdrew the motion that Executive Policy Committee review stated options to relieve the City of the need for an ongoing subsidy of the Winnipeg Jets.

Moved by Councillor Murray,
Seconded by Councillor Thomas,
850 - BE IT RESOLVED that the City develop options to minimize costs to the City if there is not a viable scenario to maintain the N.H.L. franchise in Winnipeg;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners develop options and a negotiating strategy to find alternatives to City subsidies of operating losses;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council request from the Board of Commissioners and the Winnipeg Enterprises Corporation recommendations on the gifting, sale or other options for the use of "our" shares as an alternative to cash subsidies and that said parties be further requested to examine and comment on options for ending public sector participation in ownership of the N.H.L. franchise.

Moved by Councillor Murray,
Seconded by Councillor Thomas,
851 - WHEREAS the cost of constructing an arena/entertainment facility and the subsequent annual cost of financing the resulting debt is critical to the viability of both the facility and the N.H.L. franchise;

BE IT RESOLVED that a careful analysis be undertaken of the costs of the current Polo Park site versus the proposed downtown location.

Moved by Councillor Reese,
Seconded by Councillor Boychuk,
852 - BE IT RESOLVED that there be no borrowing or cash costs towards the building of a new arena by the City.

Executive Policy Committee - Motions (continued)

The motion proposed by Councillors Lazarenko and Boychuk was put.

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

Yea: Councillors Boychuk, Lazarenko, Prystanski and Thomas. 4

Nay: Councillors Reese, Clement, Duguid, Eadie, Golden, Hyman, Murray, O'Shaughnessy, Silva, Fraser, Her Worship Mayor Thompson and Councillor Angus. 12

and the motion was declared lost.

The motion proposed by Her Worship Mayor Thompson and Deputy Mayor Fraser was put and declared carried.

Moved by Councillor Duguid,
Seconded by Councillor Clement,
853 - THAT the motion proposed by Councillors Murray and Thomas regarding an analysis of the costs of the current Polo Park site, be referred to the Board of Commissioners for report to the Executive Policy Committee.

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

Yea: Councillors Clement, Duguid, Eadie, Golden, O'Shaughnessy, Prystanski, Silva, Fraser, Her Worship Mayor Thompson, and Councillor Angus. 10

Nay: Councillors Reese, Boychuk, Hyman, Lazarenko, Murray and Thomas. 6

and the motion to refer with instructions was declared carried.

Council recessed at 11:59 a.m., and reconvened at 1:34 p.m., same members present.

Councillors Duguid, Hyman, Lazarenko, Prystanski and Thomas entered the meeting after Council had reconvened.

The motion proposed by Councillors Murray and Thomas regarding the development of options and alternatives to City subsidies of operating losses, was put and declared carried.

Moved by Councillor Thomas,
That the motion proposed by Councillors Reese and Boychuk be referred to the Board of Commissioners.

The motion to refer was put and declared lost.

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

The motion proposed by Councillors Reese and Boychuk was put.

Executive Policy Committee - Motions (continued)

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

Yea: Councillors Reese and Boychuk. 2

Nay: Councillors Clement, Duguid, Eadie, Golden, Hyman, Murray, O'Shaughnessy, Prystanski, Silva, Fraser, Her Worship Mayor Thompson and Councillor Angus. 12

and the motion was declared lost.