REPORT OF THE

COMMITTEE ON WORKS AND OPERATIONS

DATED MAY 30, 1995

On motion of Councillor Duguid, the Report of the Committee on Works and Operations, dated May 30, 1995, was considered clause by clause.

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

Carried.

Her Worship the Mayor and Councillors:

Concrete Sidewalk on Robson Street -
1994 Local Improvement Project
File SL(1994) (Vol. 1)

855 - 1. The Committee on Works and Operations has been advised that on October 11, 1994, the East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee favourably considered construction of the subject local improvement, which was successfully advertised on April 22, 1995, upon budget availability from the 1994 Local Improvement Budget.

The Administration advises that the required $14,000.00 funding for the project is available in the 1994 Unused Capital Borrowing Authority, Local Improvement category.

The Administration further advises that the property on both sides of the street will be assessed for the construction of the improvement.

The Committee on Works and Operations therefore recommends:-

I. That funds in the amount of $14,000.00 for the installation of a five foot concrete sidewalk on the west side of Robson Street from the south line of Kernaghan Avenue to a point approximately 109.6 feet south of the south line of Stewin Avenue, be allocated from the 1994 Unused Borrowing Authority, Local Improvements category.

II. That the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services be requested to prepare the necessary Local Improvement By-law in accordance with the foregoing and submit same directly to Council for approval.

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

Adopted by consent.

Wastewater Sewer in Lavallee Road -
1995 Local Improvement Project
File SL(1995) (Vol. 1)

856 - 2. On May 30, 1995, the Committee on Works and Operations considered a recommendation of the Riel Community Committee that a local improvement for the installation of a wastewater sewer in Lavallee Road from a point approximately 66m (215 feet) east of the East line of St. Anne's Road to a point approximately 156m (512 feet) east of the East line of St. Anne's Road be proceeded with in 1995.

The Administration advises construction of the subject local improvement was 63.8% petitioned against. Manitoba Hydro property containing Hydro electric lines and transmission towers on the north side of Lavallee Road, in the above limits, represents 50% of the total assessable frontage.

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On October 19, 1994, Council adopted Clause 2 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated October 5, 1994, which declared the property owned by Manitoba Hydro unfit for building purposes and accordingly exempted from local improvement levies.

On January 19, 1995, a "Petition For" the subject local improvement, excluding the Manitoba Hydro property, was received with signatures representing only 39.06% of the privately owned frontages. Subsequently, on April 3, 1995, a "Petition For" the same local improvement was received representing 72% of the privately owned frontages, representing a substantial percentage of private property owners on the south side of Lavallee Street now in favour of the installation of the wastewater sewer.

The Administration further advises that properties representing the 28% of the privately owned frontages not included in the "Petition For" are presently serviced by holding tanks.

The Committee on Works and Operations therefore recommends:-

I. That funds in the amount of $35,000.00 for the installation of a wastewater sewer in Lavallee Road from a point approximately 66m (215 feet) east of the East line of St. Anne's Road to a point approximately 156m (512 feet) east of the East line of St. Anne's Road, be allocated from either the 1994 or 1995 Unused Borrowing Authority, Capital Estimates, Local Improvements category.

II. That the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services be requested to prepare the necessary Local Improvement By-law in accordance with the foregoing and submit same directly to Council for approval.

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

Adopted by consent.

Ornamental Lane Lighting on the First East-West Lane North of Gosford Avenue from the First North-South Lane West of St. Anne's Road to the First North-South Lane East of Gascon Road - 1995 Local Improvement Project
Files FC(1995) and SL(1995) (Vol. 1)

857 - 3. On May 30, 1995, the Committee on Works and Operations considered a recommendation of the Riel Community Committee that a local improvement for the installation of ornamental lane lighting on the first east-west lane north of Gosford Avenue from the first north-south lane west of St. Anne's Road to the first north-south lane east of Gascon Road be proceeded with in 1995.

On November 22, 1994, the subject local improvement was advertised and no adverse petitions were submitted.

On April 10, 1995, the Riel Community Committee concurred with the subject installations utilizing $10,000.00 in 1995 Used Borrowing Authority.

The Committee on Works and Operations therefore recommends:-

I. That funds in the amount of $10,000.00 for the installation of ornamental lane lights on the first east-west lane north of Gosford Avenue from the first north-south lane west of St. Anne's Road to the first north-south lane east of Gascon Road, be allocated from the 1995 Unused Borrowing Authority, Capital Estimates, Local Improvement category.

II. That the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services be requested to prepare the necessary Local Improvement By-law in accordance with the foregoing and submit same directly to Council for approval.

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

Adopted by consent.

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North End Water Pollution Control Centre (NEWPCC) and South End Water Pollution Control Centre (SEWPCC) Odour Audit and Conceptual Odour Control Project File WS-7 (Vol. 3)

858 - 4. On April 19, 1995, Council adopted Clause 3 of the Report of the Committee on Works and Operations dated April 7, 1995 containing the following Recommendation II., namely:

II. That development be allowed to encroach within the one kilometer odour control line around the NEWPCC and the SEWPCC subject to the completion of the odour control mitigative program and confirmation of its success and the registering of caveats through the normal development approval process on all lots contained within the control zone advising property owners of the presence of the water pollution control centre and the potential for odour emissions on an occasional basis to the surrounding area.

Council also referred the matter to the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan and Riel Community Committees respecting the recommendations for the handling of development within the one kilometer odour control line.

On May 9, 1995, the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee concurred with the recommendations of the Committee on Works and Operations.

The Riel Community Committee considered the matter on May 8, 1995 and recommended that the odour control mitigative program be proceeded with at the earliest opportunity and the one kilometre odour control line be removed only on the property located north of the Perimeter Highway once caveats have been registered on all lots (both City-owned and privately-owned) contained within the control zone advising property owners of the presence of the water pollution control centre and the potential for odour emissions on an occasional basis to the surrounding area. The Riel Community Committee also recommended that the wording of the caveat be approved by the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services and the Committee on Planning and Community Services.

The Committee on Works and Operations concurs in the recommendations of the Riel Community Committee and recommends:

I. That Recommendation II. of Clause 3 of Report dated April 7, 1995, be amended to allow for the encroachment within the one kilometer odour control line only on the property located north of the Perimeter Highway once caveats have been registered on all lots (both City-owned and privately-owned) contained within the control zone.

II. That the wording of the caveat be approved by the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services and the Committee on Planning and Community Services.

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

Adopted by consent.

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Installation of Parking Meters on Dominion Street - Amendment to the Parking Meter By-law No. 6547/95
File ST-2 (Vol. 20)

859 - 5. The Committee on Works and Operations has been advised that the east side of Dominion Street between Portage Avenue and the first private approach north of Portage Avenue is currently posted *Fifteen Minute Parking from 09:00 - 17:30, Monday to Friday*.

A recent parking survey showed that 56% of the available space hours were used, with 188 vehicles using the 13 parking spaces between the 09:00 - 17:30 period, equivalent to a turn-over of approximately 14 vehicles per space. 94% of vehicles parked for a duration of one half-hour or less.

Parking meters facilitate enforcement of a parking time limit to ensure that the maximum number of motorists can be accommodated in areas where the demand for short term parking is high. The installation of parking meters is generally recommended in areas with more than 75% non-residential frontage, when in excess of 50% of the available space-hours are utilized (56% in this case), and where there is a fee for adjoining off-street parking as is the case with the Motor Vehicle Branch parking lot.

The Streets and Transportation Department has advised 30 minute parking meters are warranted on this section of the street to serve the Motor Vehicles Branch at 1075 Portage Avenue. The Department of Highways Motor Vehicles Branch and the R.C.M.P. have indicated no objections to such parking meter installations.

Your Committee on Works and Operations therefore recommends:

I. That the City of Winnipeg Parking Meter By-law No. 6547/95 be amended to provide for the installation of thirteen 30 minute parking meters on the east side of Dominion Street between a point 25 meters north of Portage Avenue and a point 99 meters further north as follows:

   i) That Schedule "C" be amended by adding thereto the following:

      East side of Dominion Street between a point 25 meters north of Portage Avenue and a point 99 meters further north.

II. That the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services be requested to prepare the necessary amending by-law in accordance with the foregoing and submit same directly to Council for approval.

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

Adopted by consent.

Main Street and Norwood Bridges Project Advance Approval of 1996 Project Expenditures
File SB-11 (Vol. 4), ST-5 (Vol. 35), and SC-3.7 (Vol. 7)

860 - 6. The Committee on Works and Operations has been advised that for the Main Street and Norwood Bridges Project early approval of partial funding is required to permit commitments to be made for Stage III construction involving construction of the Main Street Bridge Northbound Structure in 1995, and thereafter enable this work along with the Stage IV and V construction works funded in 1997 and 1998 to proceed to their completion and ensure the opening of the entire road facility to vehicular traffic in the Fall of 1999, all in conformance with the adopted project scheduling.

On July 8, 1993, Council adopted a final plan for the Main Street and Norwood Bridges Project involving the construction of two new river bridges; replacement structures for the two existing river bridges and the C.N. Rail overpass; and connecting and approach roadways and associated utilities.

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Construction of the adopted plan is scheduled to be undertaken and funded as follows:

CONSTRUCTION STAGE	CAPITAL PROGRAM YEAR	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION OF CONSTRUCTION WORKS
I	1993	$ 7,000,000.00	Utility Relocation Works
II	1994	$19,740,000.00	Reconstruction of the C.N. Rail Overpass
III	1995	$17,590,000.00	Construction of new northbound river bridges and roads
	1996	$17,125,000.00	
IV	1997	$10,675,000.00	Construction of the “Island” area connecting roadways and demolition of the existing river bridges.
V	1998	$13,975,000.00	Reconstruction of the existing river bridges and roads and opening of the completed facility to traffic in November 1999.

Stage I construction of the Main Street and Norwood Bridges Project comprised of utility relocation work required in advance of reconstructing the C.N. Rail Overpass which were undertaken and completed in November 1993.

Stage II construction, involving reconstruction of the existing C.N. Rail Mainline Overpass structure commenced in March, 1994. Five construction contracts associated with the reconstruction of the existing C.N. Rail Mainline overpass structure have been previously awarded, namely: (a) the demolition of the abandoned C.N. Rail "Old Low Freight Line" structure in the amount of $77,105.00; (b) the supply of structural steel for fabrication of a temporary deck plate girder span in the amount of $65,905.00; modifications to the existing C.N. Rail Mainline Structure in the amount of $233,031.88; (d) temporary lane diversion roadworks on Main Street in the amount of $349,833.80; and (e) C.N. Rail Overpass reconstruction. All construction contracts are now complete, except for the C.N. Rail Overpass reconstruction which is currently on schedule for completion in May, 1996.

Stage III construction of the project to be undertaken and funded in 1995 and 1996 involves the construction of new northbound river bridges, primary pipe systems and roads, all scheduled for completion by November 1996. This work was funded over two years in order to level out the funding requirement for the project. Two contracts associated with Stage III construction have been previously awarded, namely, the supply of bridge bearings for the Norwood Bridge Northbound structure in the amount of $467,798.85, and the construction of the new Norwood Bridge Northbound structure in the amount of $17,363,665.30.

Similar to the new Norwood Bridge Northbound structure construction, in order to maintain project scheduling, construction of the new Main Street Bridge Northbound structure over the Assiniboine River must commence in July, 1995 prior to final approval of the 1996 Capital Program, to enable a contract award to be made in July, 1995.

The Committee on Works and Operations therefore recommends:

I. That a funding commitment in the total amount of $3,500,000.00 as part of the Stage III construction of the Main Street and Norwood Bridges Project included, at a budgetary sum of $17,125,000.00 in the recommended 1996 Capital Estimates of the Streets and Transportation Department be approved as a first call on the 1996 Capital borrowing authority for related tendering, award of contracts, and construction prior to final approval of the 1996 Capital Program.

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

Adopted by consent.

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Waiving of Permit Fees associated with the Use of Streets for Film Purposes - Amendment to Streets By-law No. 1481/77 File ST-5.3 (Vol. 5)

861 - 7. On March 23, 1994, Council established a Film Commissioner's Office to deal expeditiously with requests for filming in Winnipeg.

The Committee on Works and Operations has been advised that upon occasion, film producers are required to apply for various street closure permits as set out in Schedule "A" to the City of Winnipeg Streets By-law No. 1481/77 to allow for film production within City of Winnipeg street right-of-ways. Of the permits, only Type 'A' and Type 'B' would apply for film shoots.

The City of Winnipeg Streets By-Law No. 1481/77 states as follows:

Every applicant for a permit to use a street in The City of Winnipeg shall pay to the City therefor the following fees:

(a)	*For the erection or removal of poles or alterations to pole lines - per pole*	*$ 6.00*
(b)	*For each permit for the removal, replacement, or hooding of parking meters*	
	(i) for the removal of parking meter posts	*$ 31.00*
	(ii) for the replacement of parking meter posts	*$ 31.00*
	(iii) for the hooding and unhooding of parking meters - first meter - each additional	*$ 62.00 $ 11.00*
	(iv) for each day or portion thereof a parking meter cannot be operated - per meter	*$ 8.50*
(c)	*Crossing permit*	*$ 28.00*
(m)	*Permit for the use of street*	
	(i) Type 'A" - no schedule required	*$ 28.00*
	(ii) Type 'B' - schedule required	*$ 44.00*
	(iii) Type 'C' - schedules/insurance/letters of credit, etc. required	*$136.00*
	(iv) Type 'D' - annual without locations	*$212.00*
	(v) for extension or renewal fee for each permit for the use of a street	*$ 28.00*

The following table indicates the associated revenue realized by the City of Winnipeg for film production purposes over the past four years:

	1991	1992	1993	1994
Permits Issued	12	7	22	5
Revenue Generated	$2,359.36	$2,727.55	$4,410.58	$776.82

The City as a whole realizes economic benefits as approximately thirty to forty percent of an urban film production budget is spent on site on such items as employing local talent, hotel rooms, taxis, restaurants, rentals, etc and as well, local businesses profit from the industry's cash expenditures. It is generally accepted that a million dollar expenditure by a film producer in a city would generate a gross economic impact ranging from $3 to $4 million. Any initiative therefore to encourage local film production and attract such investment should be sanctioned, especially those initiatives which have little relative cost.

Since 1991, the Streets and Transportation Department has received less than $10,275.00 in permit fees associated with film production. The Administration therefore recommends that the City of Winnipeg Streets By-Law No. 1481/77 be amended to allow for the waiving of said permit fees as indicated on Schedule 'A' of said By-Law when applied for under the auspices of film production, given the related economic benefits of such production.

The Administration advises that the Cities of Quebec, Mississauga, and Edmonton do not charge for permits issued for film production and accommodate the closure of streets free of charge wherever possible. All related costs regarding barricades, and traffic signs are also borne by the municipalities.

The Committee on Works and Operations therefore recommends:-

I. That the City of Winnipeg Streets By-Law No. 1481/77 be amended to allow for the waiving of associated permit fees as listed on Schedule 'A' of said By-Law when applied for under the auspices of film production.

II. That the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services be requested to prepare the necessary amending by-law in accordance with the foregoing and submit same directly to Council for approval.

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

Adopted by consent.

COMMITTEE ON WORKS AND OPERATIONS

CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

862 - On motion of Councillor Duguid, By-law No. 6654/95, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to authorize the undertaking of certain local improvements during the year 1995, 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 SL(1995)