Council Chamber
Winnipeg, March 24, 2009

A Special Meeting of Council was held this day at 9:33 a.m., all Members of Council having been notified in accordance with Section 79(1) of The City of Winnipeg Charter.

The Speaker called the meeting to order.

Opening Prayer read by Councillor Smith.

Present: The Speaker Councillor Lazarenko, His Worship Mayor Katz, Councillors Browaty, Clement, Fielding, Gerbasi, Nordman, O'Shaughnessy, Thomas, Pagtakhan, Smith, Steeves, Swandel and Vandal.

Councillor Wyatt entered the meeting after roll call.

In attendance: Mr. M. Lemoine, Deputy City Clerk, Mrs. J. Park, Manager of the Decision Making Process, Ms J. Marques, Senior Committee Clerk, Mr. G. Laubenstein, Chief Administrative Officer, Mr. M. Ruta, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer / Chief Financial Officer, Ms J. Ferrier, City Treasurer, Mrs. B. Holsten Boyer, Manager of Financial Planning and Review and Mr. H. Falk, Fiscal Review Coordinator.

The Notice calling the meeting was read.

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