REPORTS NOT RELATED TO THE JURISDICTION OF ANY COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE

SECRETARIAT COMMITTEE

DATED OCTOBER 7, 1993

On motion of Councillor Angus, the Report of the Secretariat, dated October 7, 1993, was considered clause by clause.

Her Worship the Mayor and Councillors:

Implementation of Video Recording of Standing Committee and Executive Policy Committee Meetings for 1 Year Pending Consideration of the Use of Hansard for Said Meetings
Files GC-6 (Vol. 7) and GC-6.2 (Vol. 1)

1075 - 1. Council at its meeting held on September 22, 1993, referred the following motion to your Secretariat Committee, under Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law No. 5400/90, namely;

"Moved by Councillor Golden,
Seconded by Councillor Duguid,

WHEREAS Hansard has been a beneficial, useful tool for the conduct of City Council;

AND WHEREAS Standing Committees and Executive Policy Committee do not enjoy the benefit of Hansard for their meetings;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that City Council implement video recording of Standing Committee and Executive Policy Committee meetings for a period of one year while the matter of Hansard for these meetings is being further considered; (the desire is to conduct this experiment with little or no cost, if possible, with a fixed camera operated by the Clerk as is the case at Community Committees with the Clerk operating recording equipment for zoning hearings)."

At its meeting held October 7, 1993, the Secretariat Committee considered the motion and recommends that funds be included in the City Clerk's Department's 1994 Current Estimates for acquisition of the required equipment, and also, that prior to implementation

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of the video taping, the City Clerk report back to the Secretariat Committee detailing all aspects of the proposal (operational guidelines, cost recovery options, etc.).

Moved by Councillor Angus,
Adoption of the clause.

In amendment,

Moved by Councillor Clement,
Seconded by Councillor Reese,

WHEREAS Clause 1 of the report of the Secretariat Committee dated October 7, 1993 recommends that funds for this initiative be included in the 1994 current estimates;

AND WHEREAS the 1994 current budget considerations and budget process has not started yet;

AND WHEREAS the City Clerk's Department budget is to be considered by the Committee on Finance and Administration during the current budget process;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this clause be referred to the Committee on Finance and Administration for 1994 current budget consideration.

Carried.

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

Internship Program for Graduate Studies Students to Serve as Research Assistants to City Councillors File GC-2

1076 - 2. Council on July 21, 1993 adopted Clause 1 of the Report of the Secretariat Committee of Council dated July 16, 1993 in which it was recommended that Winnipeg City Council Internship program be adopted in accordance with the following:

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1) That the Secretariat Committee be authorized to do all things necessary in accordance with the Program Guidelines (Appendix "A"), with the clear understanding that final authorization will be required by Council no later than its meeting of July 21, 1993, in order to implement the Internship Program for September 1993.

2) That the Secretariat Committee be authorized to raise funds from the private sector, unions, clubs, organizations, foundations or private citizens who may wish to contribute to the Internship Program.

3) That an allocation of $1,000 per ward be appropriated from the Councillors Ward Communication Allowance, (Council Service Account No 552000) to be utilized for initial costs (should the program not proceed all unexpended monies will be returned in equal amounts to each Ward).

4) That a selection committee comprising the Speaker, Councillors Duguid and Hyman be authorized to commence the selection process in accordance with Section III of the Program Guidelines (Selection of Interns), on the understanding that no employment agreement be authorized or entered into with any of the interns prior to Council's approval of the Program.

5) That Council undertake an obligation to fund the Program in accordance with Section VIII of the Program Guidelines and commit an annual financial contribution not exceeding $50,000 per year for a four year period commencing 1994;

And that the balance of all required funding be obtained from private sources.

On July 16, 1993, Council approved an extension of time of 90 days in which to report back to Council.

On October 7, 1993, the Speaker advised your Secretariat Committee that consistent with the program requirements approved in principle by Council, he has pursued community support in corporate and other donations and made arrangements for the City to open a special trust account to receive and administer the funds of the program. The Speaker has also reported that it has become apparent that at the present time insufficient funds can be derived through private fund raising to implement the program for 1994. With Council's concurrence, your Secretariat Committee is of the opinion that the initiative to provide Manitoba University graduates an opportunity to experience first hand the legislative and political process within Municipal Government should be further pursued in the future.

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After reviewing the status of the Internship Program, your Secretariat Committee recommends as follows:

I. That the commitment made by Council on April 28, 1993 to contribute on an annual basis, an amount not to exceed $50,000 for a four year period commencing in 1994, be rescinded.

II. That the private donor contributions made payable to the "Special Educational Internship Trust Funds - City of Winnipeg", Account No. 33-448116-000101, be fully reimbursed to all contributors.

III. That the balance of funds (after expenditures are finalized) in the account established as a result of contributions by each Councillor ($l,000 per ward) from the Councillors' Ward Communication Allowance to cover the start-up costs of the Internship Program, be reimbursed to the respective WCA accounts.

IV. That the Speaker be authorized to continue to pursue the implementation of the Internship Program including future financial commitment from Council and the private sector and to report back to Council through the Secretariat Committee for approval and adoption.

Moved by Councillor Angus,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried