REPORT OF THE

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

DATED JUNE 2, 1993

On motion of Deputy Mayor Clement, the Report of the Executive Policy Committee, dated June 2, 1993, was considered clause by clause.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Clement,
That the Consent Agenda items, Clauses 1 and 2 be adopted.

Carried.

Her Worship The Mayor and Councillors:

Extension of Terms of Office - Winnipeg Safe City Committee File GF-2.7 (Vol. 4)

707 - 1. On March 4, 1992, Council adopted Clause 7 of the Report of your Executive Policy Committee, dated March 2, 1992. The clause established, amongst other items, the composition and terms of office for the Winnipeg Safe City Committee.

The terms of office as adopted by Council are as follows:

D. Terms of Office

1)Appointments to the Urban Safety Committee will be for two years.

2)Initially half the Committee will be appointed for one year so that the two year appointments will be staggered for reason of continuity.

3) No member of the Committee shall serve more than two consecutive two year terms.

The Winnipeg Safe City Committee has advised that a Civic Administration Member from the Transit Department, Ms Rhonda Temple, has resigned from the Civic Service and therefore, the Committee is pursuing a replacement.

The Winnipeg Safe City Committee has also expressed the view that it would be desirous to maintain its current membership during the initial review of the recommendations contained within the report, "A Safer Winnipeg For Women and Children" and therefore recommended that the terms for its current membership in its entirety be extended by one year, namely, the one year memberships would become two year memberships expiring July 29, 1994, and the two year memberships would become three year memberships expiring July 29, 1995.

I.Your Executive Policy Committee concurs in the recommendation of its Winnipeg Safe City Committee as follows:

That the terms for its current membership in its entirety be extended by one year, namely, the one year memberships would become two year memberships expiring July 29, 1994, and the two year memberships would become three year memberships expiring July 29, 1995.

Community Members

OneYear Term (to expire July 29/94)	Two Year Term (to expire July 29/95)
Lena Anderson	Florencio B. Antonio
Ken De Lisle	Chris Balicki
Norma P. Dietz	Lucille Bruce
Patricia C. Holbrow	Sashi Chitharanjan
Wendy Zink	Michelle Forrest *
	Willow Malchy
	Cateland Penner
	Rumani Singh

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City Administration Members

One Year Term
(to expire July 29/94)

Joan Anderton, Director of Public Health Nursing
Fred deJong, Transportation Supervisor, Winnipeg Transit
Laura Fowler, Youth Services Librarian
Chris Knoll, District Planner
Frank Kowalski, Board of Commissioners
Tony Zielonko, Development Engineer, District 4 Operations

Two Year Term
(to expire July 29/95)

Ross R. Adamson, Manager of Traffic Engineering
Annitta Arpin, Manager of Community Parks and Recreation
Ken Biener, Staff Sergeant, Winnipeg Police
Sharon Boyd, Program Supervisor, Social Services
Duane Shuttleworth, Supervisor of Staff Services, Civic Properties
(vacant) 1 position
Bob Tillotson, Distribution Engineer, Winnipeg Hydro

II.That the proper officers of the City of Winnipeg do all things necessary to effect the intent of the foregoing.

*Notice of resignation filed at meeting of Safe City Committee on June 7, 1993.

Adopted by consent.

Land Dedication Reserve - Wheelchair Accessible Ramp at Bruce Park South Bridge
Files EP-2 (Vol. 22) & PR-7.26 (Vol. 2)

708 - 2. On May 18, 1993, the Assiniboia Community Committee approved a transfer of funds from the Assiniboia Land Dedication Reserve Account. These funds are to be used for a wheelchair accessible ramp at Bruce Park.

Your Executive Policy Committee concurs in the recommendation of the Assiniboia Community Committee and recommends:

I.That funds in the amount of $7,500.00 be transferred from the Assiniboia Land Dedication Reserve Account for a wheelchair accessible ramp at Bruce Park;

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

Adopted by consent.

REPORT OF THE

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

DATED JUNE 9, 1993

On motion of Deputy Mayor Clement, the Report of the Executive Policy Committee, dated June 9, 1993, was considered.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Clement,

That the Consent Agenda item, Clause 1 be adopted.

Carried.

Councillors Fraser and Golden asked to be recorded as having voted against the clause, in accordance with Rule 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

Her Worship The Mayor and Councillors:

Negotiations For Revision To The Collective Agreement Between The City of Winnipeg and the Winnipeg Civic Nurses Association, MNU, Local 1
File GU-4.4 (Vol. 5)

709 - 1. On December 26, 1992, the Collective Agreement between the City of Winnipeg and the Winnipeg Civic Nurses Association, MNU, Local 1, expired. Your Executive Policy Committee on January 20, 1993, approved the City's proposals for amendment to the Collective Agreement. The Parties began negotiations on February 2, 1993, and reached a tentative agreement on May 20, 1993.

The tentative agreement offers cost savings that are comparable to the cost savings achieved in the revised Collective Agreements with CUPE and other Civic Unions.

Your Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That the terms of settlement (as outlined in the Cost Summary) be approved and that the Proper Officers of the City of Winnipeg be authorized to execute a Memorandum of Agreement in accordance with those terms;

II. That the Proper Officers of the City of Winnipeg be authorized to execute a revised Collective Agreement for the term December 27, 1992 to the end of Pay Period #26, 1995 (December 23, 1995), following ratification by the Winnipeg Civic Nurses Association.

Adopted by consent.

(Note:See Minute No. 710 for attachments)

710 - Executive Summary - Clause 1 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated June 9, 1993

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Language Items

-The collective Agreement is for a three year period, 1993, 1994, and 1995.

-The parties have agreed to rewrite the Collective Agreement into two separate agreements, one covering Public Health and Occupational Health Nurses, and another covering Municipal Hospital Nurses.

-Vacant positions shall be bulletined for 7 days instead of 10.

-Positions vacant due to maternity/parental leave do not have to be bulletined i.e. they can be filled by management's discretion or a new employee can be hired off the street.

-Negotiation Committees for both sides shall be limited to two employees from the Department.

-Maternity/Paternity/Adoption leave payment will be used to replace regular scheduled hours of work as opposed to a lump sum payment.

-Union Leave will be considered a leave of absence with pay, however, the Union shall reimburse the City for total recovery of payroll and related costs.

-Overstaying a leave of absence without valid reason may be deemed a resignation.

-Increase recall rights for laid off nurses from one year to eighteen months.

-Provide the nurses with the prevailing City of Winnipeg Transportation Policy.

-Provide a Letter of Understanding on No Harassment.

-Amend Job Sharing Supplementary Agreement to reflect operational concerns.

-The City agrees that there will be no furloughs for the duration of this agreement.

-The City agrees that as a result of the wages reduction, there will be no adverse impact on an employee's pension or sick pay cash-out benefits.

-A variety of clarification items were also agreed.

Executive Summary - Clause 1 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated June 9, 1993 (continued)

MANITOBA NURSES UNION AND THE CITY OF WINNIPEG

1993 Contract Negotiations: PHN's & OHN's

YEAR 1: 1993

WAGES:	IN YEAR %	END RATE %	IN YEAR $
Freeze wages effective P.P. 1/93	0.00%	0.00%	$0
Reduce all wages by 4% P.P. 14/93	-2.00%	-4.00%	($49,738)
TOTAL:	-2.00%	-4.00%	($49,738)
BENEFITS			
Increase vision coverage to $175/24	0.02%	0.02%	$539
Increase dental coverage to current MDA	0.03%	0.03%	$830
Voluntary retirement option	0.06%	0.06%	$1,506
Provide 3 year benefit continuance to severed EE's	0.02%	0.01%	$265
TOTAL:	0.13%	0.12%	$3,140
YEAR 1 TOTAL:	-1.87%	-3.88%	($46,598)

YEAR 2: 1994

WAGES:			
Increase wages by 2% effective P.P. 14, 1994	1.00%	2.00%	$23,868
Increase wages to pre-reduction level (2%) P.P. 26/94	0.08%	2.00%	$1,985
TOTAL:	1.08%	4.00%	$25,853
YEAR 2 TOTAL:	1.08%	4.00%	$25,853

YEAR 3: 1995

Increase wages by 1.47% effective P.P. 8,1995	1.07%	1.47%	$26,714
Increase wages by 2% effective P.P. 18, 1995	0.70%	2.00%	$17,469
TOTAL:	1.77%	3.47%	$44,183
YEAR 3 TOTAL	1.77%	3.47%	$44,183
NET COST: 3 YEARS: (sum of 3 years)	0.98%	1.89%	($20,745)

REPORT OF THE

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

DATED JUNE 16, 1993

On motion of Deputy Mayor Clement, the Report of the Executive Policy Committee, dated June 16, 1993, was considered clause by clause.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Clement,
That the Consent Agenda items, Clauses 1,2,3,4,5 and 6 be adopted.

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

Councillor Golden requested that Clause 1 be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

The motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, Clauses 2,4,5 and 6 was put and declared carried.

Her Worship The Mayor and Councillors:

Amendments to Alarm By-law No. 4676/87File GF-2 (Vol. 40)

711 - 1. Council on March 24, 1993, passed By-law No. 6155/93, amending By-law No. 4676/87, being a by-law of the City of Winnipeg to regulate and control burglary and robbery alarm systems and to require permits therefor. The amendment provides for an annual permit fee for an alarm system (residential - $20.00; commercial - $30.00), effective July 1, 1993.

On June 7, 1993, the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture heard representation from members of the Manitoba Burglar and Fire Alarm Association in opposition to the by-law amendment.

The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture advises that the annual fee is strongly favoured by the Police Department to provide more accurate records as well as provide a better response to all alarms.

Your Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That By-law No. 4676/87 be further amended to require the implementation date for alarm permit fees to become effective one month later on August 1, 1993, to enable the matter to be resolved prior to the implementation date of August 1, 1993.

II. That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary amending by-law in this connection.

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

Moved by Deputy Mayor Clement,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Appointment of Civic Administration Member - Winnipeg Safe City Committee File GF-2.7 (Vol. 4)

712 - 2. On April 14, 1993, the Winnipeg Safe City Committee accepted the resignation of Ms Rhonda Temple, Transit Department, which resignation created a vacant position in the Civic Administration membership of its Committee.

On June 7, 1993, the Winnipeg Safe City Committee considered an application from Mrs. Margaret Dyck, 155 Crofton Bay, Winnipeg. Mrs. Dyck is a bus operator within the Winnipeg Transit Department, and therefore meets the criteria with respect to filling the vacant Civic Administration position.

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Your Executive Policy Committee concurs with the recommendation of the Winnipeg Safe City Committee and recommends the appointment of Mrs. Margaret Dyck, Transit Department, to the Winnipeg Safe City Committee, in the capacity of a Civic Administration Member, for the two-year term expiring July 29, 1995.

Adopted by consent.

Minimum Property Tax
File FL-2 (Vol. 11)

713 - 3. Council, at its meeting held on April 28, 1993, ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Executive Policy Committee, under Section 16.1 of the Procedure By-law No. 5400/90:

"Moved by Councillor Golden,
Seconded by Councillor Fraser,

THAT Executive Policy Committee investigate whether the City of Winnipeg can, at this late date, charge a minimum tax on all property tax bills at a level that would allow all taxpayers so billed to qualify for the maximum property tax credits.

The intent is that there shall be no net cost to City property taxpayers after property tax credit."

Your Executive Policy Committee has been advised that the $250.00 threshold for the property tax credit introduced in 1993 by the Province does provide the Province with a reduced tax credit liability.

If a gross minimum tax was set at $500 to allow all taxpayers so billed to qualify for maximum property tax credits the following three example tax bills illustrate what the financial impact would be:

Example Tax Bills

Example before Minimum Tax	1	2	3	Total
Gross tax received by the City	$500	$400	$300	$1,200
Property tax credit paid by Province	$250	$150	$ 50	$ 450
Net tax paid by property owner	$250	$250	$250	$ 750
Example after Minimum Tax				
Gross tax received by the City	$500	$500	$500	$1,500
Property tax credit paid by Province	$250	$250	$250	$ 750
Net tax paid by property owner	$250	$250	$250	$ 750

As demonstrated, the City would benefit by a total of $300 in these three cases, with a corresponding increase in the tax credit paid by the Province. The major question is whether the City can implement a minimum tax under the current legislation, and if not, whether the Province would change the legislation to provide same.

Property taxes are the product of portioned assessment and the mill rate. The Municipal Assessment Act and The City

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of Winnipeg Act govern the manner in which assessment of property is conducted and the general tax roll is prepared. Under present legislation, the City is unable to implement a minimum tax through the assessment process.

Through the taxation process, another option which could be examined is a special levy such as a surtax for properties with gross taxes under $500.00. Again, it would be necessary to obtain enabling legislation in order to implement.

For the following reasons, it is unlikely that the Province would consider granting the City any such legislation:

1.Although the City would benefit, there would be no benefit to the taxpayer.

2.The Province would experience a negative financial impact.

The concept of a flat-rate tax applied to all properties with the proceeds paying for basic services such as police and fire is one of the solutions being reviewed in the development of a revenue strategy for the City of Winnipeg.

Your Executive Policy Committee submits this report for the information of Council.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Clement,

Adoption of the clause.

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

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

Councillors Angus, Fraser and Golden asked to be recorded as having voted against the clause, in accordance with Rule 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

Sick Leave Report Fees

File GF-2 (Vol. 40)

714 - 4. The Winnipeg Police Department has provided the service of completing Sick Leave Reports to the Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation and to various law firms, free of charge.

These requests are as a result of Department members being injured off duty and proceeding through Autopac or their private lawyer in civil litigation. If the members win their case and are awarded money, they have the option of buying back their sick leave credits or keeping the money.

The Sick Leave Reports that are requested involve research in determining how many hours have been lost due to the off duty injury, calculating hourly wages and filling out reports relative to this.

Completion of Sick Leave Reports is a time consuming task, and the numbers of requests for such information is increasing. Due to these factors, it is in the Police Department's best interests to begin charging a fee for this service.

A fee of $17.21 is based on recovering the salary costs of those persons involved with completing the report.

If this fee is approved, it will generate approximately $700.00 in new revenues annually. Collections for this service will be deposited into Account 01-445422-220101, Record Search Revenue.

For your information, Council has sole authority to approve new fees.

Your Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I.That a new sick leave report fee in the amount of $17.21 for the provision of Sick Leave Reports be approved, effective June 1, 1993.

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

Adopted by consent.

Collective Bargaining Between the City of Winnipeg and the Association of Senior Emergency Medical Service Officers (ASEMSO) File GU-4.8 (Vol. 1)

715 - 5. On March 24, 1993, City Council approved an extension to the Collective Agreement between the City of Winnipeg and the Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 500 (CUPE). City council also expressed a preference to negotiate an arrangement with its employee groups based on wage or benefit concessions so that municipal services to the public may be maintained while at the same time, alleviating some of the financial pressure on taxpayers.

The City approached ASEMSO to discuss a similar approach, that is, extending the Collective Agreement while providing some financial relief to the City. After a series of negotiations and discussions, a tentative agreement was reached with ASEMSO pursuant to the terms outlined in the executive summary.

The tentative agreement reached on June 4, 1993, is comparable to the settlements between the City and the Winnipeg Police Association, the United Fire Fighters of Winnipeg, Local 867, and the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, Local 2589.

Your Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I.That the terms of settlement be approved and that the Proper Officers of the City of Winnipeg be authorized to execute a Memorandum of Agreement in accordance with those terms.

II.That the Memorandum of Agreement be approved and that the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to execute a revised Collective Agreement that will expire at the end of Pay Period #26, 1995 following ratification by the ASEMSO membership.

Adopted by consent.

(Note:See Minute No. 717 for attachment)

Negotiations for Revision to the Collective Agreement between the City of Winnipeg and the Winnipeg Civic Nurses Association, MNU, Local 1 File GU-4.4 (Vol. 5)

716 - 6. On December 21, 1992, the City and the Winnipeg Civic Nurses Association, MNU, Local 1, exchanged proposals and commenced negotiations.

On May 20, 1993, the City reached a tentative agreement with the Union on a revised collective agreement that would apply only to the Public Health/Occupational Health component of the bargaining unit. On June 9, 1993, Executive Policy Committee gave the City's negotiating committee authority to sign a Memorandum of Agreement with respect to the above tentative agreement.

On June 10, 1993, the City resumed negotiations with the Union with respect to the other component of the bargaining unit, nurses employed at the Winnipeg Municipal Hospital. On June 15, 1993, the City reached a tentative agreement

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with the Union.

The financial aspect of the agreement falls within the facility's funding mandate, and mirrors the Central Table agreement. The language items have the approval of the Executive Director of the hospital. Highlights of the tentative agreement are outlined in the Executive Summary.

The terms outlined in the tentative agreement would, if approved, form the terms of settlement for the revised Collective Agreement.

Your Executive Policy Committee recommends:

I. That the terms of settlement contained in the Executive Summary be approved and that the Proper Officers of the City of Winnipeg be authorized to execute a Memorandum of Agreement in accordance with those terms.

II. That the Memorandum of Agreement be approved and that the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to execute a revised Collective Agreement for the term December 27, 1992 to the end of Pay Period #26, 1994, following ratification by the Winnipeg Civic Nurses Association.

Adopted by consent.

(Note:See Minute No. 718 for attachment)

717 - Executive Summary - Clause 5 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated June 16, 1993

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

YEAR 1 (1993)

WAGES

PP#14 Reduce wages by 1.47%

PP#14 Suspend payment of Night Shift Premium

PP#14 Permanently eliminate Long Service Pay

BENEFITS

Provide current MDA fee guide

OTHER ISSUES

No furloughs for the duration of the agreement

No affect on pension or sick leave cashout

In the event of layoff, where possible, members will be placed in an "Attendant" position.

YEAR 2 (1994)

WAGES

Introduce new progression rates (add 4 intermediate steps)

Partial suspension of Night Shift Premium

Increase wages by 2.3% effective PP#4, 1995

YEAR 3 (PP #5, 1995 TO PP #4, 1996 INCLUSIVE

WAGES

Increase wages by 2.2% effective PP #9, 1995

Increase wages by 1.0% effective PP #16, 1995

Increase wages by 1.25% effective PP #2, 1996

Executive Summary - Clause 5 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated June 16, 1993 (continued)

Executive Summary - Clause 5 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated June 16, 1993 (continued)

718 - Executive Summary - Clause 6 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated June 16, 1993

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

MOTIONS

Moved by Councillor Fraser,
Seconded by Councillor Angus,

719 - WHEREAS Council on November 16, 1988 adopted a policy providing for the appointment of citizen members to civic boards and commissions;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with council policy, the City Clerk's Department publishes informative hand out materials respecting the work of the various boards and commissions and places newspaper advertisements in the daily newspapers as well as ethnic newspapers or newsletters calling for applications to fill vacancies;

AND WHEREAS all appointments are made in an attempt to engage citizens knowledgeable in each respective area;

AND WHEREAS in the past the appropriate Committee of Council has reviewed the applications received prior to nominating citizen members to the designated boards and commissions;

AND WHEREAS the City Clerk's Department will be advertising in September, 1993 for applications to fill vacant positions for the upcoming year;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Policy Committee be requested to establish a Selection Committee charged with the responsibility to appoint citizens to such Boards and Commissions.

Automatic Referral to Executive Policy Committee in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law

Moved by Councillor Prystanski,
Seconded by Councillor Silva,

720 - WHEREAS City Councillors are elected to represent the citizens of Winnipeg in the most knowledgable and effective manner possible;

AND WHEREAS City Council is committed to the concept of open and accessible government;

AND WHEREAS access to meetings and information concerning the affairs of the City of Winnipeg is integral to a Councillor's capability to efficiently perform their responsibilities;

AND WHEREAS only Executive Policy Committee members are presently allowed access to The Board of Commissioners meetings;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT every City Councillor receive the following:

1.Copies of The Board of Commissioners agendas together with attachments.

2.Permission to attend regular Board of Commissioners meetings.

3.Copies of minutes of all regular Board of Commissioners meetings.

4.Issues relating to personnel and disciplinary matters be excluded.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this inequality be rectified at City Council's meeting of June 23, 1993, and that the aforementioned permission and documents be granted and made available for every Board of Commissioners meeting thereafter.

The Speaker ruled automatic referral of the motion to Executive Policy Committee in accordance with Rule 16.1 of the Procedure By-law.

Executive Policy Committee - Motions (continued)

Moved by Councillor Golden,
That the rule be suspended to allow consideration of the motion at this time.

The motion to suspend the rule was put.

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

Yea: Councillors Reese, Boychuk, Golden, Lazarenko and Prystanski. 5

Nay: Councillors Duguid, Eadie, Fraser, Hyman, Murray, Silva, Thomas, Clement, Mayor Thompson and Councillor Angus. 10

and the motion to suspend the rule was declared lost.

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

721 - On motion of Mayor Thompson, By-law No. 5915/92, as amended, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg setting out long-term plans, policies and proposals of the City respecting land use, development, transportation and measures to improve the physical, social, economic and environmental conditions in the City, was read a third time. File EP-1.1 (PW 1/92)

Moved by Mayor Thompson,
That this constitute the third reading of By-law No. 5915/92, as amended.

In amendment,

Moved by Mayor Thompson,
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Clement,
That "Plan Winnipeg - Toward 2010" attached to and forming part of By-law No. 5915/92, as amended, be further amended prior to third reading thereof as follows:

1.DELETE POLICY 5A-37, WHICH STATES:
"5A-37 Restricted Unserviced Residential Areas
"The City shall support unserviced residential development only in accordance with a secondary plan as provided for under 5A-39."

AND REPLACE WITH THE FOLLOWING NEW POLICY:
"5A-37 Restricted Unserviced Residential Areas
"The City shall limit unserviced residential development to locations characterized by existing unserviced residential land use and shall prepare a secondary plan for any unserviced residential development in these areas in accordance with 5A-39."

2.RENUMBER POLICIES 5A-19 TO 5A-45 OF CHAPTER 5 AS POLICIES 5A-21 TO 5A-47 RESPECTIVELY AND ADJUST CROSS-REFERENCING NUMBERING AS REQUIRED.

3.ADD TO CHAPTER 5 THE FOLLOWING NEW POLICIES:

"5A-19 Service Coordination
The City shall consult with utility companies to assist the servicing needs of new development prior to approval.

"5A-20 Service Corridors
The City shall designate transportation and utilities service corridors in the City and shall consolidate services within the designated corridors unless it is impractical to do so."

Executive Policy Committee - Consideration of By-laws (continued)

4.DELETE POLICY 5C-05 OF CHAPTER 5 WHICH STATES:
"5C-05 Coordinate Municipal and Provincial Transportation Policy"
The City shall coordinate Municipal and Provincial transportation policy by establishing and maintaining a liaison with the Department of Highways to ensure the efficient and effective transportation of goods and people between city streets and provincial highways."

AND REPLACE WITH THE FOLLOWING NEW POLICY:
"5C-05 Coordinate Municipal and Provincial Transportation Policy
The City shall establish and maintain ongoing liaison with Manitoba's Department of Highways and Transportation with the objective that, in matters such as roadway capacity, standards and load restrictions, the appropriate links between the street system and the Provincial Highway System shall provide for the safe, efficient and effective transportation of people and goods."

5.That By-law No. 5915/92 as further amended in accordance with the above be considered for third reading and enactment.

Carried.

Moved by Mayor Thompson,
That this constitute the third reading of By-law No. 5915/92, as further amended, and that same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed, which motion was carried.

On motion of Mayor Thompson, the following By-laws were each 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. 6200/93, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 329/73, being a by-law to regulate the construction, maintenance and removal of private approaches and private walks. File SC-1.1 (Vol. 5)

By-law No. 6202/93, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 1481/77, being the City of Winnipeg Streets By-law. File SC-3 (Vol. 4)

By-law No. 6205/93, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to amend The Solid Waste By-law No. 1340/76. Files FE(1993) and WT-1.2 (Vol. 8)

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

QUESTION PERIOD

722 - The Speaker called the Deputy Speaker, Councillor Reese, to the Chair in order to participate in the debate.

Councillor Angus noted numerous verbal references to budgetary matters and questioned when Council would be apprised of the agenda for the imminent Shoal Lake meeting of the Executive Policy Committee and the Board of Commissioners.

Her Worship Mayor Thompson responded that the purpose of the meeting was to receive a report on the current financial position of the City of Winnipeg and that discussion would ensue on the 1994 Current Estimates, specifically guidelines and priorities, 1994 Capital Estimates and Five Year Capital Program, and a discussion on the progress of the revenue strategy.

Councillor Angus further questioned whether the result of the deliberations would be shared with Council and the timeframe of such.

Executive Policy Committee - Question Period (continued)

Her Worship Mayor Thompson replied that Council would be apprised of budget reform and budget process matters, noting that each Councillor had been asked to provide input and that budget adoption date would be December 15.

Councillor Angus noted that in the past, Council had received quarterly reports on budgetary matters and questioned whether current financial information was available.

Her Worship Mayor Thompson noted that such would be presented at the imminent Shoal Lake meeting and that the information would be forwarded to Council.

Councillor Hyman commended Her Worship on CentrePlan but questioned how the members of the CentrePlan Committee were chosen, who the Committee was to report to, and what type of reporting would be provided.

Her Worship Mayor Thompson noted that the development process for CentrePlan had evolved through meetings with the Commissioner of Planning and Community Services and the Downtown Business Improvement Zones arising out of Plan Winnipeg's priority focus on the Downtown. The members of the Committee were chosen as a result of the Commissioner and the Planning Department's recommendations as to which sectors should be included. The Committee will provide regular reporting through the Executive Policy Committee.

Councillor Murray further responded noting as the Chairperson of the Committee on Planning and Community Services, that he had had no involvement in choosing the members of the Committee and raised concerns regarding this non-involvement and the representativeness of the Committee members.

Councillor Hyman questioned when Council would hear further on the merger between the Forks Renewal and North Portage Corporations.

Her Worship Mayor Thompson noted that a committee had been struck which included Chief Commissioner Frost, to review the merger and that their final report would be tabled at Executive Policy Committee. The Mayor further advised that she would ascertain the date of such and further advise Council.

Councillor Fraser noted the problems that Council will face in implementing Plan Winnipeg, and suggested that a strategy for such be developed at the imminent Shoal Lake meeting.

Her Worship Mayor Thompson responded that she would indeed pursue the matter.

Councillor Fraser noted that the newspapers had announced that the City of Winnipeg was running ten million dollars behind in anticipated revenues and that City by-laws preclude expenditures beyond 30 percent of the previous year in the first quarter, and questioned why a quarterly financial report was not available.

Councillor Clement responded on behalf of Mayor Thompson, noting that they shared these concerns and had requested the report from the Chief Commissioner.

Councillor Fraser reiterated his previously raised question on what policies and procedures the City of Winnipeg would take in response to the Sunday shopping issue.

Her Worship Mayor Thompson noted that she would take up the matter with Executive Policy Committee.

The Deputy Speaker, Councillor Reese called Councillor Eadie to the Chair in order to participate in the debate.

Councillor Reese noted that while it appeared that the budget process had in fact commenced, Council had not met to establish goals, objectives and priorities, which must underlie the process, and questioned what Council involvement would be in establishing goals, objectives and priorities.

Her Worship Mayor Thompson noted that she had previously stated that Council would have a special seminar to deal with the budget process.

Councillor Reese asked whether the Mayor had given priorities to the Board of Commissioners in directing the Board to develop alternative budget scenarios.

Executive Policy Committee - Question Period (continued)

Her Worship Mayor Thompson noted that they were not given priorities, rather they were charged with providing financial data and with the preparation of a list of priorities to be introduced at the Council seminar.

Councillor Reese questioned when the Executive Policy Committee would create a Plan Winnipeg Committee.

Her Worship Mayor Thompson noted that she would be bringing the matter forth to Executive Policy Committee.

Councillor Boychuk noted that the Mayor had changed position on the Video Lottery Terminals (VLTs) in the City of Winnipeg and questioned what action the Mayor would be taking to achieve her position.

Her Worship Mayor Thompson replied that her original position was against the instatement of VLTs and that she would be raising the issue in the community though she recognizes that the matter is out of the City's jurisdiction.

Councillor Murray noted that he had been approached by many organizations with regard to "Gay Pride Week" and was requested to encourage Her Worship to recognize such and create human understanding in the community to foster continued input from members of these organizations.

Her Worship Mayor Thompson noted that public discrimination against the gay or lesbian community would not be tolerated and that all possible efforts would be made amongst the City staff to ensure that there be no discrimination and further noted that these concerns extended beyond the gay and lesbian community to all organizations and their members.

Councillor Murray asked whether the Mayor would include sexual orientation as part of the Employment Equity Program and include spousal benefits for gay and lesbian peoples.

Her Worship Mayor Thompson stated that she was prepared to look at the history of the matter with the Civic Administration and evaluate the issues further.

Moved by Councillor Prystanski,

That Rule 14.12 of the Procedure By-law be suspended to allow question period to extend beyond thirty minutes.

Carried.

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

Councillor Golden requested an update on the Core Area Agreement.

Her Worship Mayor Thompson noted little progress and attributed such to the Federal Government.

Councillor Golden indicated his strong personal interest in Main Street rejuvenation and questioned what the Mayor planned to do on the matter.

Her Worship Mayor Thompson noted the strong interest amongst numerous Councillors relating to a Committee on Main Street rejuvenation and stated that Main Street should be a priority focus of the Core Area Agreement.

The Speaker here resumed the Chair.

Councillor Thomas raised a point of order concerning the provisions in the Procedure by-law regarding automatic referral.

The Speaker agreed to take the matter under advisement and provide a ruling at the next meeting of Council.