CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF THE
COMMITTEE ON WORKS AND OPERATIONS

The Executive Policy Committee has had before it the Report of the Committee on Works and Operations, dated February 10th, 1992, has concurred in the recommendations contained therein and submits same to Council for approval and adoption.

On motion of Councillor Duguid, the Report of the Committee on Works and Operations, dated February 10th, 1992, was considered.

North Committee Room,
Council Building, Winnipeg.
February 10th, 1992.

His Worship the Mayor and Councillors:

Your Committee on Works and Operations submits the following Report and recommends:

Street Lighting along Portage Avenue between Moorgate Street and the Sturgeon Creek Bridge
File SC-6 and FC(1991)

653 1. The existing street lighting along the north side of Portage Avenue between Moorgate Street and the Sturgeon Creek Bridge, which was installed between 1960 and 1963, consists of 400w mercury vapour luminaires on 30 foot high poles of various different configurations set on an alignment of approximately 60 cm from the curb of the street. However, variations of this alignment exist along some portions of the street presenting a somewhat scattered appearance to the eye and also providing non-uniform illumination on the street.

Manitoba Hydro's proposal is to install new high pressure sodium lighting on 45 foot poles located near the property line with almost double the pole spacing compared to the existing Illumination design levels will be 13 lux at a uniformity ratio of 3 to 1 in accordance with the Transportation Association of Canada current guidelines. This installation will improve the visibility for motorists and also improve the appearance of the street.

Similar renewal of street lighting has taken place over the last number of years (whenever funding became available) along Portage Avenue from the downtown area and in the westbound direction along Portage Avenue. Installation is planned to take place during the summer construction season of 1992.

Funding for this lighting was omitted during the budgeting process for the 1991 repair and resurfacing project for Portage Avenue in this area. However, actual costs on other components were lower than estimated, resulting in a project surplus of $411,000.00.

The renewal of street lighting along this portion of Portage Avenue will enhance the aesthetic appearance of the street in keeping with its "Image Route" designation. Also energy consumption will be reduced due to installation of high pressure sodium illumination in place of the existing mercury vapour.

Your Committee on Works and Operations therefore recommends:-

1. That the street lighting along the north side of Portage Avenue between Moorgate Street and the Sturgeon Creek bridge be renewed.

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2. That the cost in the amount of $285,000.00 for the installation of the above street lighting be allocated from surplus funds available from the 1991 Capital Project of repair and resurfacing Portage Avenue from Moorgate Street to Sturgeon Road.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Moved by Councillor Duguid,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF THE
COMMITTEE ON WORKS AND OPERATIONS

The Executive Policy Committee has had before it the Report of the Committee on Works and Operations, dated February 18th, 1992, has concurred in the recommendations contained therein and submits same to Council for approval and adoption.

On motion of Councillor Duguid, the Report of the Committee on Works and Operations, dated February 18th, 1992, was considered clause by clause.

North Committee Room,
Council Building, Winnipeg.
February 18th, 1992.

His Worship the Mayor and Councillors:

Your Committee on Works and Operations submits the following Report and recommends:

Closing of Part Isabel Street between Logan and Alexander Avenues - City Centre-Fort Rouge Community
File DAC 22/91

654 1. At the time of the construction of the Slaw Rebchuk Bridge, the street pavement at the above-described location was realigned in such a manner resulting in the formation of a large odd-shaped boulevard adjacent to the Dufferin School shown as Proposed Closing on Misc. Plan No. CCFR 8212/2.

In 1990, the Neighbourhood Programs Branch proposed the transfer (and closing) of the odd-shaped portion of the boulevard (being part of Isabel Street) to the Winnipeg School Division No. 1 to allow the school yard to be squared-off which will result in the improvement of the school's athletic facilities for use by the School, the Parks and Recreation Department and the local community.

The subject proposal was circulated to various City departments and public utilities in the usual manner. The Streets and Transportation Department, however, after reviewing the proposal, objected to the closing as illustrated on Misc. Plan No. CCFR 8212/2, informing that it had no objections to the closing of the street in the manner shown on Misc. Plan No. CCFR 8212/1. The Streets and Transportation Department recommended, further:

"1. That the City retain Title to the land.

2. That the Winnipeg School Division No. 1 enter into a lease agreement for the subject lands with the standard cancellation clause.

3. That a 25-foot depth portion of the subject property immediately adjacent to Isabel Street and the Logan Avenue right-of-ways be reserved for future streetscaping purposes in conjunction with streetscaping programs of the Parks and Recreation Department.

4. That the Winnipeg School Division No. 1 submit a concept plan for the redevelopment of the subject property to the General Manager of Parks and Recreation for approval.

5. That the Parks and Recreation Department have access to the adjacent school grounds for neighbourhood recreation purposes when not in use by the school."

It is intended, however, that the right-of-way, while physically becoming part of the school site (either by way of a lease agreement or by some other form of land management agreement) will remain in City ownership. The above recommendations, therefore, except for Item 3 (re: depth of the proposed closing) are anticipated to be addressed in the land management agreement to be entered into between the City and the School Division.

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District No. 1 Operations also advised that an existing sewer within the right-of-way to be closed can be abandoned at an estimated cost of less than $1,000.00 - at the expense of the Neighbourhood Program Branch.

Notwithstanding the Streets and Transportation Department's preference that the closing be as illustrated on Misc. Plan No. CCFR 8212/1, the City Centre-Fort Rouge Community Committee, on November 5th, 1991, concurred in the recommendation made by the Subdivision Branch that the closing be as shown on Misc. Plan No. CCFR 8212/2.

At its meeting held on December 2nd, 1991, the Committee on Planning and Community Services approved as to planning considerations the subject closing in the manner shown on said Misc. Plan No. CCFR 8212/2.

In anticipation of the closing of the subject right-of-way being approved by Council by enactment of a closing By-law, an agreement between the School Division No. 1 and the City is presently being negotiated by the Parks and Recreation Department.

The Committee on Finance and Administration, at its meeting on January 28th, 1992, approved the transfer of jurisdiction of the street right-of-way proposed to be closed, to the Parks and Recreation Department.

Your Committee on Works and Operations has approved the proposal and recommends:-

1. That the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law for submission to Council to effect the closing of part Isabel Street between Logan and Alexander Avenues as shown on Misc. Plan No. CCFR 8212/2; the cost of the by-law, estimated at $200.00, to be borne by the Neighbourhood Programs Branch.

2. That upon first reading of the by-law being subsequently given, the City Clerk be authorized to post the necessary notices in accordance with The City of Winnipeg Act.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Copy of Misc. Plan No. CCFR 8212/2 regarding this proposal is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Moved by Councillor Duguid,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Regent Avenue Widening - Part 1486/1490
Regent Avenue West - East Kildonan-Transcona Community File DAC 3/92

655 2. On March 8th, 1989, Council approved the 1989 Capital Program, which includes funding for land acquisition for the Regent Avenue Widening Project.

The Regent Avenue Widening Project will require the total reconstruction of Regent Avenue from Rougeau Avenue to Plessis Road to provide a six-lane divided thoroughfare. In addition, the eastbound pavement from Stapon Road to Rougeau Avenue will be widened from two lanes to three lanes resulting in a six-lane divided cross-section from Panet Road to Plessis Road.

At its meeting held February 14th, 1990, Council authorized the City Solicitor to initiate expropriation proceedings in the acquisition of the remaining properties required for this project and adopted By-law No. 5361/90 authorizing the expropriation.

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Council at its meeting on July 11th, 1990, confirmed the expropriation and the Committee on Finance and Administration, on July 17th, 1990, authorized the City Solicitor to submit an Offer of Compensation for the expropriated portion of the subject property.

On January 28th, 1992, the Committee on Finance and Administration authorized the City Solicitor to settle the expropriation of the subject property in accordance with its specified terms and conditions, subject to the East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee's approval to dispose of the lands identified on Misc. Plan No. EKT 8374, and subject to term No. 8 being amended as recommended by the Land Surveys and Real Estate Department.

In conjunction therewith, the Committee on Works and Operations has approved the proposal and recommends:-

1. That the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law for submission to Council to effect the closing as shown on Misc. Plan No. EKT 8374; the cost of the by-law, estimated at $200.00, to be charged to the 1989 Capital Program of the Streets and Transportation Department.

2. That upon first reading of the by-law being subsequently given, the City Clerk be authorized to post the necessary notices in accordance with the requirements of The City of Winnipeg Act.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Copy of Misc. Plan No. EKT 8374 regarding this proposal is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Moved by Councillor Duguid,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Closing of Portions of Belfast Street -
St. Boniface-St. Vital Community
File DAC 7/87

656 3. In 1987, District No. 5 Operations recommended to the St. Boniface-St. Vital Community Committee that portions of Belfast Street, shown dotted on Misc. Plan No. SBSV 6933/2, be closed and that a cul-de-sac be opened according to established Transportation Standards.

The District intended that the portion of Belfast to be closed be retained by the City because (a) part may be needed for a servicing corridor and/or emergency access, and (b) future reduction of minimum lot sizes might allow for the closed street portions to become buildable sites.

On January 6th, 1987, the St. Boniface-St. Vital Community Committee passed the following motion:

" That Belfast Street be legally closed except for the portion fronting the Ingimundson property, which is approximately 210 feet in length, and that a cul-de- sac to City standards be opened at the intersection of Centre Avenue and Belfast Street; and

(The Ingimundson property is shown as Parcel B, Plan 26219.)

That the street right-of-way, once closed, be offered for sale to the adjacent property owners; and also

That the watermain and concrete pavement Local Improvement on Belfast Street be not undertaken until the cul-de-sac right-of-way is legally implemented and the Ingimundson property has formally petitioned for a land drainage sewer."

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The then proposed closing, that is as shown on Land Surveys and Real Estate Misc. Plan No. SBSV 6933/2, was circularized in the usual manner and no objections were received, however, the Streets and Transportation Department indicated that the proposed cul-de-sac design is substandard and therefore not acceptable. The proposal was approved as to planning concerns by the Commissioner of Planning and Community Services on March 31st, 1987.

Notwithstanding concern raised by the Streets and Transportation Department, services incorporating the substandard turnaround at the esterly end of Victoria Grove, have since been installed in Victoria Grove and Belfast Street. The Planning Department has advised that a further circularization is not required for the revisions in this proposed closing as shown on Land Surveys and Real Estate Department's Misc. Plan No. SBSV 6933/4.

The purpose of closing portions of Belfast Street is to facilitate the request of the St. Boniface-St. Vital Community Committee to have these portions included in the proposed waste water sewer local improvement project.

Once the street is closed, the Land Surveys and Real Estate Department will examine alternatives in the disposition of Belfast Street through the creation of building lots and/or the sale to adjoining owners in order to regularize the new street alignment and the potential resubdivision of lands in the immediate area.

Your Committee on Works and Operations has approved the proposal and recommends:-

1. That the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law for submission to Council to effect the closing of portions of Belfast Street in the manner shown on Misc. Plan No. SBSV 6933/4; the cost of the by-law, estimated at $200.00, to be borne by the City-at- large.

2. That upon first reading of the by-law being subsequently given, the City Clerk be authorized to post the necessary notices in accordance with The City of Winnipeg Act.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Copy of Misc. Plan No. SBSV 6933/4 regarding this proposal is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Moved by Councillor Duguid,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Widening of Part of Maralbo Avenue, West of St. Mary's Road and Proposed Lane Opening West of St. Mary's Road between Maralbo Avenue and Hastings Boulevard - St. Boniface-St. Vital Community File DAO 8/92

657 4. The lands identified as "Proposed Street and Lane Openings" on Misc. Plan No. SBSV 8304/2 have been acquired by the City at the request of the Streets and Transportation and the Works and Operations Departments through acquisition or dedication. The north/south lane is physically open.

The proposal has been circularized to all interested City departments and public utilities with no objections having been received and has been approved as to planning considerations by the Committee on Planning and Community Services. It now remains to legally open these lands as public street and lane.

Your Committee on Works and Operations has approved the proposal and recommends:-

1. That the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law for submission to Council to effect the opening of part of Maralbo Avenue, west of St. Mary's Road and lane opening west of St. Mary's Road between Maralbo Avenue and Hastings Boulevard in accordance with Plan No. SBSV 8304/2; the cost of the by-law, estimated at $200.00, to be borne by the City-at-large.

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2. That the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Copy of Misc. Plan No. SBSV 8304/2 regarding this proposal is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Moved by Councillor Duguid,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Street Corner Widening at the South-east Corner of Pembina Highway and University Crescent - Assiniboine Park-Fort Garry Community
File DAO 7/92

658 5. The property identified as "Proposed Acquisition for street widening" on Misc. Plan No. APFG 7241/1 located at the south-east corner of Pembina Highway and University Crescent has been acquired by the City for street purposes as part of a Capital Works program adopted by Council. The proposal has been circularized as part of the Capital Works process with no objections having been received. The construction of the street corner widening has now been completed and it remains to legally open the land as public street.

Your Committee on Works and Operations has approved the proposal and recommends:-

1. That the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law for submission to Council to effect the street corner widening located at the south-east corner of Pembina Highway and University Crescent in accordance with Plan No. APFG 7241/1; the cost of the by-law, estimated at $200.00, to be borne by the City-at-large.

2. That the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Copy of Misc. Plan No. APFG 7241/1 regarding this proposal is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Moved by Councillor Duguid,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Street Corner Widening at the South east Corner of Ellice Avenue and ColonyStreet - City Centre Fort Rouge Community
File DAO 6/92

659 6. The property identified on Misc. Plan No. CCFR 6259/2a as "Proposed Street Widening" located at the south east corner of Ellice Avenue and Colony Street was acquired for that purpose by the City in 1991 in accordance with a Servicing Agreement (AG 409A/85) between the City and the North Portage Development Corporation. The construction of the corner widening is now complete and it remains to legally open the land as public street.

Your Committee on Works and Operations has approved the proposal and recommends:

1. That the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary by law for submission to Council to effect the street corner widening located at the south east corner of Ellice Avenue and Colony Street in accordance with Plan No. CCFR 6259/2a; the cost of the by law, estimated at $200.00, to be borne by the City at large.

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2. That the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Copy of Misc. Plan No. CCFR 6259/2a regarding this proposal is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Moved by Councillor Duguid,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried

Opening and Closing Extension of Gaylene Place - Assiniboine Park Fort Garry Community
File DAOC 2/92

660 7. Council, at its meeting on January 22nd, 1992, adopted Clause 7 of the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration dated January 9th, 1992, and thereby approved a land extension between the City of Winnipeg and the Manitoba Housing and Renewal Corporation to facilitate the opening and closing extension of Gaylene Place in the Assiniboine Park Fort Garry Community.

In conjunction therewith, your Committee on Works and Operations has approved the proposal and recommends:

1. That the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary by law for submission to Council to effect the opening and closing extension of Gaylene Place, in accordance with Plan No. APFG 7371/12; the cost of the by law, estimated at $200.00, to be charged to the Land Operating Reserve Account, and to be reimbursed from the sale proceeds.

2. That upon first reading of the by law being subsequently given, the City Clerk be authorized to post the necessary notices in accordance with the requirements of The City of Winnipeg Act.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Copy of Misc. Plan No. APFG 7371/12 regarding this proposal is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Moved by Councillor Duguid,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

A) Closing of Part of Allen Dyne Road, File DAC 19/91;
b) Opening (Corner Cut) at the South-east Corner of Sargent Avenue and Ferry Road, File DAO 21/91;
St. James-Assiniboia Community

661 8. On July 10th, 1991, Council approved a negotiated settlement (land sale/exchange) between the City and Standard Aero Ltd., whereby Standard Aero granted the City an option to purchase the Company's land shown as parcel lettered "E" on Misc. Plan No. SJA 8055/4 for the purpose of adding the land to the Highlander Sports-Plex complex for a proposed expansion of the facility. In exchange, Standard Aero would acquire from the City those lands shown as parcels lettered "A", "B", "C" on said Misc. Plan No. SJA 8055/4, and purchase as well subsequent to the closing of part of Allen Dyne Road, part of the subject right-of-way (parcel "D" on the sketch) at the agreed rate of $1.50 per square foot.

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To implement Council's approval of the sale of parcel "D", the necessary closing proposal of part of Allen Dyne Road was circulated to various applicable City departments and public utilities for information and comments. There were no objections received in reply although some concerns were noted by District No. 2 Operations regarding services (watermains/sewers) which will require easements. These requirements for sewer/watermain easements, however, can be addressed at such time when the City is in a position to issue transfer to parcel "D".

On November 19th, 1991, the St. James-Assiniboia Community Committee recommended that the proposed closing be approved.

On December 2nd, 1991, the Committee on Planning and Community Services approved as to planning considerations the subject closing of part of Allen Dyne Road in the manner shown on said Misc. Plan No. SJA 8055/4.

The need for a corner cut opening at the south-east corner of Sargent Avenue and Ferry Road was identified earlier at the time the disposition of the City's land was being considered. The subject corner cut, therefore, was excluded from the land being acquired by Standard Aero Ltd. from the City (parcel "A" on the sketch exclusive of the corner cut).

The proposed corner cut opening was circulated to applicable City departments and public utilities for information and comments with no objections being received in reply.

The Community Committee, on November 10th, 1991, approved the proposed opening.

On December 2nd, 1991, the Committee on Planning and Community Services approved as to planning considerations the opening at the south-east corner of Sargent Avenue and Ferry Road as shown on said Misc. Plan No. SJA 8055/4.

It is to be noted that the Committee on Finance and Administration, in recommending the sale of the City's Parcel lettered "A" exclusive of the corner cut portion, is aware of the need of the land for corner cut purposes. The Committee, therefore, is deemed to have approved the dedication of the land for the said corner cut opening.

Your Committee on Works and Operations has approved the proposal and recommends:-

1. That the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law for submission to Council to effect the closing of part of Allen Dyne Road and the opening (corner cut) located at the south-east corner of Sargent Avenue and Ferry Road in the manner shown on Misc. Plan No. SJA 8055/4; the cost of the by-law, estimated at $200.00, to be borne by the City-at-large.

2. That upon first reading of the by-law being subsequently given, the City Clerk be authorized to post the necessary notices in accordance with the requirements of The City of Winnipeg Act.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Copy of Misc. Plan No. SJA 8055/4 regarding this proposal is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Moved by Councillor Duguid,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Report of the Committee on Works and Operations, dated February 18th, 1992

Volume of Flyers, et al, delivered to Residential Households File WT-1.3

662 9. Council, at its meeting on December 19th, 1991, referred to your Committee on Works and Operations, the following motion, namely:

"WHEREAS many households in Winnipeg want to reduce the amount of paper that comes into their homes;

AND WHEREAS City Council is attempting to develop incentives to reduce waste, to re-use and recycle;

AND WHEREAS flyers are not recyclable and thus add to the volume of waste in our landfill sites;

AND WHEREAS long term strategies are necessary to address environmental issues and to discourage delivery of flyers to households which clearly indicate that they do not want such material;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioner of Works and Operations, together with the Law Department, be requested to develop a by-law to stop the inordinate volume of flyers being delivered to such households."

On January 9th, 1992, the Committee on Works and Operations referred this matter to the Technical Advisory Committee on Waste Minimization for appropriate attention, addressing inter alia the recycling issue, type and volume of paper, etc., raised in the motion; and further, the Administration was requested to report regarding experience in by-law enforcement respecting this issue in Winnipeg and other municipalities.

Pursuant to Section 16.4 of the Procedure By-law No. 5400/90, your Committee on Works and Operations recommends a further 60-day extension of time be granted in which to report back to Council in this matter, inasmuch as the Technical Advisory Committee on Waste Minimization has not yet reported back.

Moved by Councillor Duguid,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

COMMITTEE ON WORKS AND OPERATIONS
CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

663 On motion of Councillor Duguid, By-law No. 5789/91, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to close public lane south of Douglas Park Road to the Assiniboine River, was read a second and third time, and was passed and ordered to be signed and sealed. File No. DAC 30/89.

On motion of Councillor Duguid, 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. 5881/92, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to amend The Solid Waste By-law No. 1340/76. File Nos. WT-1 and WT-1.2.

By-law No. 5882/92, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 820/74, being a by-law of the said City concerning the reservation of certain portions of streets for the purpose of parking vehicles and the use of parking meters in connection therewith. File Nos. ST-2 and ST-5(22).

By-law No. 5883/92, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to authorize the undertaking of certain local improvements during the year 1991. File No. SL.

Councillor Prystanski asked to be recorded as having voted against first, second and third readings of By-law No. 5881/92, in accordance with Section 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

On motion of Councillor Duguid, the rule was suspended and By-law No. 5896/92, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to widen the southwest corner of Sargent Avenue and St. James Street, was read a first, second and third time, the rule being suspended for third reading, and was passed and ordered to be signed and sealed. File No. DAO 20/91.

On motion of Councillor Duguid, the rule was suspended and the following by-laws were each read a first time, namely:-

> By-law No. 5897/92, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 1573/77, being The City of Winnipeg Traffic By-law. File No. ST-5.2.
>
> By-law No. 5898/92, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to close part of Isabel Street between Logan and Alexander Avenues. File No. DAC 22/91.
>
> By-law No. 5899/92, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to close the most northerly portion of Gaylene Place and to open a portion of the cul-de-sac on the northern terminus of Gaylene Place. File No. DACO 2/92.

Councillor Duguid moved that this constitute the first reading of By-laws numbered 5897/92 to 5899/92, both inclusive, which motion was carried.

COMMITTEE ON WORKS AND OPERATIONS
QUESTION PERIOD

664 Councillor Fraser indicated that the Capital Budget recently adopted by Council included the relocation of the central yards, but not the asphalt plant. However, a $350,000.00 environmental study is underway, and he asked why the City is incurring these costs when monies have not been provided for the asphalt plant. Councillor Duguid replied that an environmental study is required by the Provincial Government.

Councillor Hyman asked where the City is going with respect to waste minimization.

Councillor Duguid replied that a number of proposals are in the system, and waste minimization staff had made a presentation yesterday with regard to short-term and long-term. A proposal will be at the next meeting of Committee on Works and Operations regarding a tender, respecting a depot program, and another involving Social Services Department which is currently before the Board. There are a number of initiatives, and proposals are contained in the budget, including public education programs, leaf composting, etc., and he offered to provide a copy for Councillor Hyman.

Councillor Hyman referred to the new policies regarding temporary street closure policies, and asked if the public is being made aware of the new policies and the new costs, responsibilities for picking up barricades, etc.

Councillor Duguid replied that at the time the decisions were made, there was a fair coverage in the newspaper. While responses have been made to individual situations, he is not aware of widespread advertising. However, he expressed the view that the rules, while they are slightly different, in fact the costs have been dramatically reduced. He was of the view that this information has reached the community, and that adequate monies for street closures are in the budget.

Councillor Golden referred to Councillor Fraser's inquiry regarding the requirement for an environmental study in relation to the central yards, and asked if the studies are required if the City does not proceed with the project.

Councillor Duguid replied that it is his understanding that the City will proceed and that it is Council's policy to proceed with the replacement of these facilities. Environmental assessments have to be done before the project proceeds, and should be done well in advance.

Councillor Golden referred to the action of Committee on Works and Operations last year to substantially introduce increased tipping fees to provide monies for environmentally friendly projects such as "Take Pride Winnipeg", to enhance and beautify the entrances to the City. However, it is now his understanding that hundreds of thousands of dollars from this fund are being directed to general revenues in this year's budget.

Councillor Duguid replied that tipping fees are down this year because of a general decline in the economy and there is not as much money to divert to such projects as Take Pride Winnipeg. There is an additional charge, believed to be $20.00 to $25.00, which is to be used to subsidize the mill rate. While supporting the original intent, this desire must be balanced against an increase in the mill rate. Nevertheless, almost a million dollars is being diverted to waste minimization from tipping fees and in the same range, going to Pride Winnipeg.

Councillor Golden reiterated the original intent of the increase.

Councillor Duguid replied that no final decisions have been made with regard to the 1992 Current Estimates, and various possibilities exist.

Councillor Mitchelson referred to the environmental impact study required because of the relocation of the yards, and he asked if the Chairman would ask the Commissioner to clarify how extensive the environmental impact study has to be for report to the next meeting of the Committee, as the study may not have to be as extensive if the City does not build the asphalt plant.

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Councillor Duguid suggested that Councillor Mitchelson, as a member of the Committee, raise this matter during a regular meeting.

Councillor Wade replied that it is his understanding that the study is not required for the "M1" and "M2" portions of the site, but is required for the asphalt plant.

Councillor Mitchelson reiterated his request to have the matter placed on the agenda.

Councillor Duguid apologized, and advised Council that an environmental assessment has been done for the new works yards site, and is available to members of Council. He agreed to discuss the matter with the Commissioner and raise the matter at the next meeting of the Committee.