No. 14

Council Chamber, Winnipeg,
May 6th, 1992.

Council met this day at 1:22 p.m.

The Speaker called the meeting to order.

Opening Prayer read by Councillor Reese.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: The Speaker Councillor Eadie, Councillors Boychuk, Brown, Clement, Demare, Diamant, Douglas, Duguid, Fleisher, Fraser, Gilroy, Golden, Hyman, Kaufmann, Lazarenko, Lorenc, Mendelson, Murray, O'Shaughnessy, Prystanski, Reese, Selinger, Thomas, Timmers, Young, Yuen and His Worship Mayor Norrie.

Councillor Mitchelson entered the meeting after roll call.

In Attendance: Mrs. D. Browton, City Clerk, Mrs. P.M. Egan, Acting Deputy City Clerk and Mr. T. Pomes, Committee Clerk.

## INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME OF GUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**841 -** His Worship Mayor Norrie advised Council that he is in receipt of a copy of communication from Councillor Wade, addressed to the City Clerk, in which Councillor Wade advised of his resignation from Council effective at midnight, May 5th, 1992.

**842 -** His Worship the Mayor also announced that this was the last meeting at which Mr. Henry Plenert, Microphone Console Operator, would be serving in this capacity as this function will now be carried out as part of Hansard. In recognition of Mr. Plenert's service, His Worship presented, on behalf of City Council, a framed resolution as follows:

Moved by Mayor Norrie,
Seconded by Councillor Brown,

WHEREAS this meeting will be the last at which the microphone console operator, Mr. Henry Plenert, will be in attendance due to the introduction of Hansard;

AND WHEREAS Mr. Plenert has served the many members of Council over the years with impartiality and distinction in ensuring that the audio broadcast of Council proceedings are accessible to members of Council, the media and citizens of Winnipeg;

AND WHEREAS Mr. Plenert has performed this function for many years, first sharing the responsibility with another employee in April, 1969, and two years later acting as the sole operator;

AND WHEREAS Mr. Plenert has continued to provide this service after his official retirement from the Civic Service in October, 1988;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council assembled extend its appreciation to Mr. Plenert for his faithful and conscientious attention to his duties over the past twenty-three years and extend best wishes to him for the future.

Carried.

**843 -** The Speaker, Councillor Eadie, drew Council's attention to the presence in the gallery of some eighteen students from the University of Winnipeg Enrichment Mini-course Program entitled the Symbiosis and Ethics of Politics and the Press, under the direction of a former Council colleague, Mr. Harold Taylor.

**844** - Councillor Murray introduced Instructor Katherine Chorette of the Institute of Urban Studies Group, seated in the gallery, together with a number of students from across Manitoba, in Winnipeg to study Inner Cities.

The Speaker here announced that Council would recess until 2:00 p.m.

Council stood recessed at 1:30 p.m.

Council reconvened at 2:14 p.m.

Same members present, except for Councillor Yuen.

Councillor Mitchelson and His Worship Mayor Norrie entered the meeting after Council reconvened.

**845** - Councillor Lorenc drew to the attention of Council that Winnipeg is the first City in Canada to introduce Hansard recording of debates, which commences with this Council meeting, and provided members of Council with some historical background in this regard.

## MINUTES

Councillor Thomas moved that the minutes of the special meeting held on March 23rd, 1992, be taken as read and confirmed, which motion was carried.

## COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received as information:

**846** - From the City Solicitor,
Submitting, as instructed by Council on November 21st, 1990, draft by-law to rezone the northwest corner of Wilkes Avenue and Brock Street, in the Assiniboine Park - Fort Garry Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File No. DAZ 253/92. (By-law No. 5943/92)

**847** - From the City Solicitor,
Submitting, as instructed by Council on March 4th, 1992, draft by-law to rezone 3670 Portage Avenue, in the St. James-Assiniboia Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File No. DAZ 262/91. (By-law No. 5945/92)

**848** - From the City Solicitor,
Submitting, as instructed by Council on April 15th, 1992, draft by-law to rezone 418 Horace Street, in the St. Boniface-St. Vital Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File No. DAZ 269/91. (By-law No. 5946/92)

**849** - From the City Solicitor,
Submitting, as instructed by Council on April 15th, 1992, draft by-law to rezone 484 Wellington Crescent, in the City Centre - Fort Rouge Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File No. DAZ 203/92. (By-law No. 5947/92)

**850** - From the City Solicitor,
Submitting, as instructed by Council on June 20th, 1990, draft by-law to subdivide land on the north side of McGillivray Boulevard, west of Beaumont Street, in the Assiniboine Park - Fort Garry Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File No. DASZ 2/90. (By-law No. 5948/92)

Moved by Councillor Douglas,
That the rule be suspended and the following communication which was received too late to be placed on the regular agenda, be received as information.

Carried.

**851** - From the City Solicitor,

Submitting, as instructed by Council on November 27th, 1991, draft by-law to widen the southeast corner of Waverley Street and Grant Avenue, in the Assiniboine Park - Fort Garry Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File No. DAO 25/91. (By-law No. 5950/92)

## DELEGATIONS

**852** - Mr. Robert Ages appeared before Council on behalf of CHOICES, in opposition to part of the proposal as outlined in Clause 8 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee, dated April 29th, 1992, with respect to the City of Winnipeg Economic Initiative - North West Company Inc. Distribution Centre. Mr. Ages suggested that if the City proceeds with the arrangement proposed therein, it should at least ensure that the 174 Manitobans presently employed with the Hudson's Bay Company be offered job protection.

Mr. Alan de Jardin also appeared before Council on behalf of CHOICES and reiterated the above concern.

On motion of Councillor Boychuk, the rule was suspended to permit Mr. Dan Oswald, to be heard at this time.

Mr. Oswald, Local Organizer Representative, Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union, AFL-CIO-CLC, also spoke to the proposal contained in Clause 8 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee, indicating that as representative of the Hudson's Bay employees located at the distribution centre at 100 Murray Park Road, the Union has concerns relative to successor rights for its members.

Moved by Councillor Brown,

That Rule 54.6 of the Procedure By-law be suspended to permit a 5-minute extension of the total period of time allotted for questions to the delegate speakers.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,

That Rule 54.6 of the Procedure By-law be suspended to permit a further 5-minute extension, of the total period of time allotted for questions to the delegate speakers.

Carried.

**853** - Ms Elva Fletcher, on behalf of Jubilee Avenue District Residents Association appeared before Council with respect to Clause 10 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee, dated April 29th, 1992, regarding policy on temporary street closures for entertainment purposes, and registered opposition to having the annual Jubilee Avenue residential block party included in an administrative listing of major events.

**854** - Councillor Diamant rose on a point of personal privilege, advising Council he is filing a Voluntary Declaration of Assets, Liabilities and Interest with the City Clerk, and that this declaration will be available for viewing by interested parties in the office of the City Clerk during normal office hours.