CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF THE

COMMITTEE ON PROTECTION, PARKS AND CULTURE

The Executive Policy Committee has had before it the Report of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture, dated May 11th, 1992, has concurred in the recommendations contained therein and submits same to Council for approval and adoption.

On motion of Councillor Gilroy, the Report of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture, dated May 11th, 1992, was considered clause by clause.

North Committee Room,
Council Building, Winnipeg.
May 11th, 1992.

His Worship the Mayor and Councillors:

Your Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture submits the following Report and recommends:

Leo Mol Sculpture Garden - Operation Agreement File PR-7.1

982 - 1. On June 12th, 1991, the City entered into an agreement with artist, Leo Mol, wherein the City agreed to develop an outdoor sculpture garden and indoor gallery together with ancillary facilities at Assiniboine Park and Leo Mol agreed to gift to the City upon completion of the Sculpture Garden an extensive collection of his sculptures and other art work to be displayed at the Sculpture Garden. In this operating agreement the City and Leo Mol Garden Inc. agree to co-operate to achieve mutually agreed to objectives in respect to the operation of the Sculpture Garden in a manner consistent with the City's Parks and Recreation By-law No. 3219/82.

In brief, the objectives agreed to are:

(a) To honour the artistic achievements of Leo Mol;

(b) To provide proper care and security for the Collection;

(c) To operate and maintain the Sculpture Garden for the enjoyment of the public;

(d) To enhance the Sculpture Garden through programming;

(e) To promote the Sculpture Garden as a tourist attraction.

The City, through this agreement, agrees to maintain the Sculpture Garden and equipment and services in good repair and operating order including providing all janitorial services, garbage collection and snow removal. The City is responsible for providing or arranging for security staff during normal operating hours as deemed necessary by the General Manager.

Leo Mol Inc. agrees to provide the curatorial services as may be required in the display and upkeep of the collection.

In order that the intent of this agreement is maintained, the City is charged with the responsibility of establishing a co-ordinating committee of four persons consisting of two persons appointed from the Parks and Recreation Department by the General Manager of Parks and Recreation and two persons appointed by the Board of Directors of Leo Mol Inc. The Committee shall make recommendations to both Leo Mol Inc. and the City with respect to the operation of the Sculpture Garden.

The agreement, prepared by the Law Department, has received the endorsement of Leo Mol Inc. and the Corporation has expressed a desire to remain involved in the operation of this facility and has requested that an agreement be entered into in this regard.

Report of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture, dated May 11th, 1992.

Your Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture recommends:

1. That the agreement between Leo Mol Inc. (the Corporation) and the City of Winnipeg, which clearly identifies the responsibilities of both parties respecting the ongoing operation of the Leo Mol Sculpture Garden, be approved.

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

Moved by Councillor Gilroy,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Councillor Boychuk asked to be recorded as having voted against the clause in accordance with Section 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

Windsor Community Centre Building
Redevelopment Project
Files PR-2 and FC(1992)

983 - 2. For the past few years the Windsor Community Centre has been working with the Parks and Recreation and Civic Properties Departments on the redevelopment and upgrading of the centre's aging recreation facilities.

In the fall of 1990, the Windsor Community Centre approved a concept plan for the redevelopment of the centre's two old buildings and the upgrading of the park site, including athletic fields, play spaces, improved drainage and landscaping. The centre further agreed that the highest priority of need was for the replacement of the deteriorated skate change building and the inadequate, deficient, fifty plus year old original club house building.

In the spring of 1991, the Windsor Community Centre originally approved a building program for a 7,218 square foot replacement building at an estimated cost of $598,485.00. The replacement building's cost estimates were based on $75.00 per square foot plus a 10% contingency and on the basis that the project would be tendered as a design built project.

By the summer of 1991, the centre had been able to secure confirmed funding in the amount of $338,592.00 from the various grant programs along with the centre's funds. The centre had negotiated a loan with the Royal Bank for an additional $80,000.00, bringing the total funding available to $418,592.00. This then left a shortfall of funding of $176,893.00 and the centre feeling that they had exhausted all possible funding sources. On July 30th, 1991, the centre requested the St. Boniface-St. Vital Community Committee's support for a City of Winnipeg Loan Guarantee for the $80,000.00 loan with the Royal Bank and approval of the additional funds needed to proceed with the project in the amount of $176,893.00. The St. Boniface-St. Vital Community Committee recommended that favourable consideration be given to three recommendations, namely:

1. That the City of Winnipeg guarantee Windsor Community Centre's loan in the amount of $80,000.00 with the Royal Bank of Canada.

2. That the policy established with respect to the tendering process be waived in this instance, in order to allow the project to be tendered.

3. That no tender be awarded unless the bid is affordable and acceptable to both the City of Winnipeg and the Windsor Community Centre.

The Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture requested a complete administrative report on the redevelopment project and did not concur in the Community Committee's request to waive the City Policy regarding tendering.

The Committee on Finance and Administration laid over consideration of the loan guarantee and referred it to the Commissioner of Finance for a report/analysis, confirmation of funds and any other potential sources of funding.

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Building Redevelopment Project Proposal

During the fall of 1991, the Parks and Recreation and Civic Properties Departments conducted several meetings with the Windsor Community Centre. Discussions took place on alternative approaches to address the $176,893.00 shortfall in funding that would be required prior to tendering the 7,218 square foot building redevelopment project. There were three alternatives discussed at length with summary conclusions as follows:

Alternative 1 - Additional Funding Sources

The idea of pursuing service clubs, corporations and additional major fund raising initiatives by the Community Centre was discussed as to their potential for raising the necessary funds and the length of time it would take.
The centre representatives advised that they already had plans to approach the service clubs for funding of a new tractor and ice machine. They also indicated that they have reason to believe, from preliminary discussions, that more favourable consideration would be given to this type of request.

The centre also has a major fund raising initiative planned that would include pursuing corporate and private contributions. This fund raiser is planned to be instituted once the building project and loan guarantee is approved by the City. The intention of this fund raiser is to pay down the building loan.

Therefore, it was concluded that this alternative would not be a realistic approach to raise the funding required and would jeopardize other fund raising initiatives planned by the centre.

Alternative 2 - City of Winnipeg, Capital Budget

This discussion evolved around the current reality of the City's Capital Budget during these times of serious restraint, which did not suggest that the timing was right for the Community Centre to be optimistic about pursuing this alternative. Although the Community Centre was hopeful that the City would provide the additional $176,893.00 shortfall in funding as requested, it became evident by the lack of support for this recommendation, that it might be futile to continue pursuing this alternative at this time.

Alternative 3 - Reduce the Building Program to Match Existing Confirmed Funding

Discussion took place on the feasibility of reducing the building program to match the available funds, while still being able to maintain the integrity of the building and provide adequate spaces to meet the intended purpose.

It was determined the building program of requirements would need to be scaled-down by approximately 2,000 square feet from 7,218 to 5,200 square feet, to be affordable with the $420,000.00 of confirmed funding available at that time. Although the Community Centre representatives were reluctant and concerned about such a substantial reduction in the building program, they agreed that this approach may be the only realistic alternative.

Therefore, in October, 1991, the Windsor Community Centre agreed to reduce the building redevelopment program to approximately 5,200 square feet and further advised that they would prepare a new reduced building program for review as quickly as reasonably possible.

At a meeting on February 5th, 1992, with representatives in attendance from the Windsor Community Centre, Civic Properties and Parks and Recreation Departments, the centre reaffirmed their agreement to a scaled-down building program, but indicated that they have been unable to prepare a new reduced program. The centre representatives requested the City's assistance in the preparation of the new scaled-down building program, cost estimates and if possible a proposed floor plan.

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On March 2nd, 1992, the new scaled-down building redevelopment project proposal was presented to the executive and board members of the Windsor Community Centre. The Centre approved the proposed 5,200 square foot building redevelopment project at an estimated total cost of $449,379.00, the approval of the project funding totalling $449,937.00, including the expenditure of $133,000.00 of the Centre's funds and a loan for $100,000.00 from the Royal Bank and approval of the building concept plans as the basic concept for the new facility.

Review of the Windsor Community Centre Building Redevelopment Project Proposal

The Parks and Recreation and Civic Properties Departments have reviewed Windsor Community Centre's report on the Building redevelopment proposal and have provided the following comments:

1. The Building Program

   The administration supports the decision to reduce the building program from 7,218 to 5,200 square feet, making the project affordable with the available confirmed funding. This is a realistic approach that will not require special considerations and the waiver of the City Policy on tendering.

   The scaled-down building program, (summary of space requirements), appears to provide the basic requirements of the 7,218 square foot program and should not compromise the integrity of the original building redevelopment concept. The building's floor plan appears to indicate that the scaled-down 5,200 square foot building program can reasonably provide adequate spaces to meet the functional requirements. The building program's space requirements and floor plan concept presented in the proposal, should be considered as a conceptual guide, to be refined during the design phase of the building redevelopment process. The building elevations of a single storey structure tends to blend well with the neighbouring residential architecture. The building site location also appears to be the most appropriate for this site.

2. Building Project Cost Estimates

Building Construction, 5,200 sq. ft. @ $69.00		$358,800.00
Additional Required Work -		
Demolition of Existing Buildings	$ 8,000.00	
Landscaping	$15,000.00	$ 23,000.00
Construction Total		$381,800.00
Contingency 10% Inc. G.S.T.	$ 38,180.00	
Sub-Total		$419,980.00
Consultant & Design Fees 7%		$ 29,399.00
Total Project Cost		$449,379.00

   The projected total cost estimate of $449,379.00 to construct the 5,200 square foot building appears to be adequate in today's market. The recent experience of the Civic Properties Department for similar facilities would indicate that the $69.00 per square foot for the building construction should be adequate.

3. Building Project Funding

Windsor Community Centre funding	$133,000.00	
City of Winnipeg, Community Incentive Grant		$124,937.00
Province of Manitoba, Community Places Grant		$ 67,000.00
Province of Manitoba, Lotteries Grant		$ 25,000.00
Royal Bank Loan		$100,000.00
Total Funding	$449,937.00	
Total Project Estimates		$449,379.00
Surplus Funds	$ 558.00	

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It appears that adequate funding has been secured to meet the building's projected cost estimates. (The Committee on Finance and Administration on May 12th, 1992, reviewed the Community Centre's financial position, and is recommending approval of a loan guarantee in the amount of $100,000.00 from the Royal Bank of Canada.)

The administration of the Parks and Recreation and Civic Properties Departments are in support of the building redevelopment project at the Windsor Community Centre. The two old buildings that the proposed new building will replace are in poor condition and are no longer adequate to meet the recreational needs of the residents. The Windsor Community Centre serves a population of about 4,125 people and has over the past few years experienced some revitalization with young families moving into the area. School enrolment in the younger grades has increased, as has the interest in the minor sports programs at the Community Centre. The centre has also experienced a revitalization of their volunteer base with renewed interest from past active members and many new younger residents becoming actively involved.

The neighbourhood revitalization and increased interest in the activities and role of the Community Centre has resulted in a serious commitment over the past several years to improve the Centre's recreation facilities. The positive results to the City, beyond improving the quality of life in the neighbourhood, is that community initiated capital improvement projects increase the asset value of the City's inventory at a fraction of the cost. In this situation the $450,000.00 new facility has a direct cost of only $125,000.00 through the City's Community Incentive Grant Program.

Your Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture therefore recommends:

1. That Windsor Community Centre be permitted to proceed with Invitations to Tender for a 5,200 square foot Community Centre Redevelopment Building Project at an estimated cost of $449,379.00 subject to the Community Centre having all of the required funding in place, including City approval of a loan guarantee in the amount of $100,000.00 from the Royal Bank of Canada.

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

Moved by Councillor Gilroy,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Assessment of Forested Trees on the
Richardson Property in Charleswood
File Nos. PF and DASZ 8/91

984 - 3. On April 15th, 1992, Council referred the following motion to your Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture, namely:

"WHEREAS the survival rate of replanting mature trees in the 100+ age bracket is almost nil;

AND WHEREAS the 90 lot subdivision will allow a small percentage of the trees on the Richardson property to be saved;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture direct the City Forester to provide an assessment of the following on the Richardson property;

1) the survival probabilities of replanting mature trees; and

2) the percentage of mature trees that can be realistically preserved in this proposed 90 lot subdivision;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this information be available for the three readings of the by-law regarding the Richardson property subdivision."

Your Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture submits for the information of Council, the attached report dated May 7th, 1992, from the Commissioner of Protection, Parks and Culture (Appendix 1), outlining an assessment of forested trees on the Richardson property in Charleswood.

This information will again be circulated to all members of Council when the subdivision by-law is introduced for consideration.

Moved by Councillor Gilroy,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

(Note: See Minute No. 987 for attachments.)

Proposed Agreement for the former Sir John Franklin School Site (Assiniboine Park-Fort Garry Community) for Parks and Recreation Purposes
Files FI-2 & PR-2

85 - 4. On December 4th, 1990, the Winnipeg School Division No. 1 contacted the Commissioner of Protection, Parks and Culture regarding the potential use of the former Sir John Franklin School site for parks and recreation purposes.

On December 7th, 1990, the Manager of Parks and Recreation requested the City Assessor to review the tax assessment status of the school site and on December 19th, 1990, the City Assessor provided comments regarding the assessment status. On March 5th, 1991, the General Manager of Parks and Recreation requested the Director of Land Surveys and Real Estate to prepare capital cost estimates for the school site. The following are the particulars of the Sir John Franklin School site:

"As identified on Plan No. 33/91, (Appendix 1) the Sir John Franklin School site is legally described as Lot 58/59 and is located on the north side of Grosvenor Avenue between Lanark and Beaverbrook Streets and comprises an area of 4.40 acres. The property is currently level and has an existing school building situated upon the property. The Winnipeg School Division has applied to the Public Schools Finance Board for permission to demolish the structure, and subsequently transfer the vacant site to the City.

The parcel is situated in the Sir John Franklin School site neighbourhood of the Assiniboine Park-Fort Garry Community; the neighbourhood being bounded by the Assiniboine River to the north, the Canadian Pacific Railway LaRiviere line to the east, Corydon Avenue to the south and Kenaston Boulevard to the west, as defined on Plan No. 33/91A. (Appendix 2).

The current population of the Sir John Franklin School site neighbourhood is 2,572 residents. In accordance with the departmental standard of 3.86 acres of open space per 1,000 population, the subject neighbourhood should have 9.9 acres of suitable open space.

The City owns 16.69 acres of parkland in the Sir John Franklin School neighbourhood, as identified as Plan No. 33/91A."

As of this date, the Winnipeg School Division does not require the site for the construction of a new school. Although the School Division does not have a need for the site at this time, it wishes to protect the long term (15-20 years) development option for this site in the event that a new school may be required at this location. During the interim period, the School Division has proposed that The City of Winnipeg utilize the site for additional active recreational open space purposes in the neighbourhood.

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The Parks and Recreation Department, in conjunction with the Land Surveys and Real Estate Department, has completed an investigation of several alternatives for the utilization of this property. The options are as follows:

1. Acquisition

   The property is currently valued at approximately $1,300,000.00. The School Division is prepared to transfer the property to The City of Winnipeg for $1.00. This would exempt the property from property tax, estimated at $39,795.00 per year. The School Division also wants an option to reacquire the lands in 15 to 20 years for school purposes, should that need become obvious. Prior to 1990, the property was not taxable, as it was utilized for school purposes. The transaction would be subject to GST and as such, would involve the expenditure of some $39,000.00.

2. Donation

   This would be similar to Alternative No. 1. However, the Federal Government probably would not allow the "gifting" of the property to The City of Winnipeg, even though the School Division would not be claiming a tax credit.

3. Trust Agreement

   The property could be managed and operated by The City of Winnipeg in trust on behalf of Winnipeg School Division No. 1.

On March 9th, 1992, your Committee heard a submission by the Sir John Franklin Community Centre with respect to a proposal for use of the site.

Subsequently, there have been a series of discussions regarding the site involving representatives of the Sir John Franklin Community Centre, the Winnipeg School Division No. 1 and the Councillor in whose ward the property is located, resulting in the following proposed terms for a trust agreement, namely:

1. The agreement to have a twenty year term.

2. The City would take possession of the site and would forgive the municipal portion of property taxes.

3. Winnipeg School Division would have the option to reacquire the site only if it is required for the construction of a new school.

4. The land would carry a "PR" Zoning.

5. The City of Winnipeg through the Assiniboine Park-Fort Garry Community Land Dedication Program would commit $30,000.00 for site improvements.

6. Winnipeg School Division No. 1 would retain the responsibility for maintaining the property to minimum standards, (i.e. grass cutting) at no cost to the City.

7. The Sir John Franklin Community Centre would assume the responsibility for any playground preparation and maintenance as well as any playing field preparation and maintenance at no cost to the City.

The above proposal was considered by the Board of Trustees, Winnipeg School Division No. 1, which has advised that it is in agreement with the proposed terms outlined above, subject to an amendment regarding the 20 year term. The Board advised that there would not appear to be a need for a twenty year term for the agreement, and as an alternative suggested that a five-year term with five-year optional renewal periods be considered. The Board of Trustees also requested that site improvements be approved by the Winnipeg School Division No. 1.

The Parks and Recreation Department have provided the following updated assessment of the costs associated with this proposal:

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1. Property Tax

In 1991, taxes in the amount of $42,822.72 were assessed against property situated at 386 Beaverbrook Street otherwise referred to as the Sir John Franklin School Site. The tax bill was comprised of a general municipal levy in the amount of $18,715.77; a school levy in the amount of $23,050.31 and a local improvement levy in the amount of $1,056.64. The 1991 tax bill was developed on a land and building assessment basis.

During 1991, the Sir John Franklin School building formerly situated at 386 Beaverbrook Street was demolished. As such, the building assessment portion of the tax assessment will be deleted resulting in a lower 1992 tax bill estimated to be $35,073.48. The updated tax bill will be composed of a general municipal levy in the amount of $15,153.53; a school levy in the amount of $18,775.27 and a local improvement levy in the amount of $1,144.68. The proposal to forgive the municipal levy on this property for a twenty year term assuming an annual five percent growth in taxes is estimated at $501,066.62.

2. Maintenance Costs

Assuming that the Sir John Franklin Community Centre accepts the responsibility for playground and playing field preparations and maintenance, the City will not incur any maintenance costs for the subject site.

If the Community Centre and School Division do not accept responsibility for the above referenced maintenance, the estimated cost for maintenance to the City is $11,850.00 a year or $391,832.10 over a twenty year period.

After considering all aspects of the matter, your Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture recommends:

1. That negotiations be undertaken with the Winnipeg School Division No. 1 for the purpose of developing a trust agreement for the use of the former Sir John Franklin School site, said agreement to include the following terms:-

   a) the agreement to have a 10 year term, renewable in two consecutive 5 year terms;

   b) the City to take possession of the site and assume responsibility for the municipal portion of property taxes;

   c) Winnipeg School Division No. 1 to have the option to reacquire the site only if it is required for the construction of a new school;

   d) the land to remain a "PR" Parks and Recreation Zoning designation;

   e) the City of Winnipeg through the Assiniboine Park-Fort Garry Land Dedication Reserve to commit $30,000.00 for site improvement;

   f) Winnipeg School Division No. 1 to retain the responsibility for maintaining the property to minimum standards, (i.e. grass cutting) at no cost to the City;

   g) the Sir John Franklin Community Centre to assume the responsibility for any playground preparation and maintenance as well as any playing field preparation and maintenance at no cost to the City.

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

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Moved by Councillor Gilroy,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

(Note: See Minute No. 988 for attachments.)

Enhanced Mosquito Larviciding Program
File PA

986 - 5. On April 15th, 1992, Council referred the following motion to your Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture, namely:-

"WHEREAS larviciding is an effective and generally environmentally friendly method of mosquito control;

AND WHEREAS an aggressive and enhanced larviciding program in most years will keep mosquitoes at levels where they are not a public nuisance;

AND WHEREAS all citizens deserve as much relief as possible from mosquitoes during Winnipeg's short summers;

AND WHEREAS Winnipeg's mosquito problems do not enhance the image or reputation of our City nationwide;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the present mosquito program be enhanced, and that the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture determine the degree of enhancement for the 1992 summer season;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City explore the utilization of the unemployed to be involved in an enhanced larviciding program and that this be modelled on the Dutch Elm Disease program used to train social services recipients."

Your Committee has received the following response from the administration:

"Discussions concerning an enhanced mosquito larviciding effort for the City of Winnipeg have occurred regularly during the past number of years. In 1984 and again in 1987 the Province was asked to cost- share an expanded mosquito control program in a way that is similar to the cost-sharing agreement provided for municipalities by the Province of Alberta (i.e. $1.00 per capital). No funds were committed.

Cost estimates for an expanded mosquito larviciding effort were also provided to the then Commissioner of the Environment in reports dated November 14th, 1984 and October 28th, 1986, and in a report approved for submission to the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture dated August 10th, 1989. These estimates for an expanded larviciding effort ranged in cost from $237,902.00 in 1984 to $1,312,500.00 in 1986 reflecting, in part, differences in the extent of program expansion.

The City of Winnipeg has had an organized mosquito control program, aimed at the reduction of nuisance and disease-carrying mosquitoes, since 1927. Until 1974 the program relied heavily on mosquito fogging to reduce mosquito populations. Now mosquito larviciding is the primary method of mosquito control, with fogging relegated to a supplementary status.

The annual cost of adult mosquito control has averaged $122,490.00 in the last 5 years. The majority of this amount has been spent on the residual spray program (i.e. $83,104.00), which involves the application of insecticides to prominent, non-residential, mosquito resting sites. The balance ($39,386.00) has been spent on the residential fogging program, easily the most contentious insect control program offered by the City.

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In contrast, the mosquito larviciding effort, which is ongoing from late April to late August, has direct and indirect costs of approximately $1,150,000.00 annually. Despite this obvious shift in emphasis, the environmental debates continue and the problem of adult mosquitoes remains perennial.

It is reasonable to suggest that an increased larviciding effort would further reduce the need for residential fogging. However, it would also have to be accepted that there would be occasions when even an expanded larviciding program would be inadequate due to extreme weather conditions. Larviciding efforts would need to be extended to at least 12 km beyond the City limits in order to keep mosquito populations at levels where they are not a public nuisance in most years. The Insect Control Branch, with its current resources, regularly larvicides within the City limits, but only occasionally up to 8 km beyond and then only when conditions are abnormally dry and the number of mosquito breeding sites is greatly reduced.

Expanding the larviciding program to the point that regular spraying of mosquito breeding sites is carried out to 12 km beyond the City will involve a significant expense. It will entail additional manpower, aircraft hire, equipment and materials. In total, $701,154.00 is the estimated annual cost of expansion, with an additional $111,300.00 required in the first year for the purchase of spray equipment. A more refined explanation of costs is provided as Attachment 1.

Another consideration is the time of year. It is not considered possible to fully implement such an expanded program in 1992. The necessary equipment could not be purchased in time, nor is it certain that the necessary aircraft could be provided immediately as would be required. However, it is estimated that an additional $411,696.00 could be used effectively this season for the purpose of mosquito larviciding (Attachment 2). This would increase the effectiveness of the program by approximately 50% and have a significant impact on the level of mosquito control.

The motion to Committee that the City explore the utilization of the unemployed in an enhanced larviciding program, modelled along the Dutch Elm Disease Job Development Program, has been discussed with the Social Services Department. The idea is thought to have considerable merit and on May 8th it will be introduced by Social Services to the Federal Government. In such a partnership the Federal Government would contribute funding that is equivalent to 50% of the wages paid. All other costs must be assumed by the City. The City will also explore the value of employing the same group of "trainees" for an extended 40 week period to accommodate the already established DED program in combination with an enhanced mosquito larviciding effort. Unfortunately there is considered to be little hope of having such an initiative come to fruition in time for this year's mosquito season.

Also being explored is the possibility of employing residents of the Headingley Correctional Institute. Although Headingley administrators have not been approached in this regard, it is thought through other correspondence that they may be receptive to the idea. The City's Industrial Relations Branch, however, is reviewing the proposal as is the Canadian Union of Public Employees. It is thought that as many as eight residents could be accommodated for the purpose of mosquito larviciding. It is estimated that such an arrangement would increase the effectiveness of the mosquito control program by 12% yet raise costs by only 2.7% or $30,896.00."

Your Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture submits the administration's comments for the information of Council.

Moved by Councillor Gilroy,
Adoption of the clause.

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Moved by Councillor Mitchelson,
That the question be now put.

Carried.

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

(Note: See Minute No. 989 for attachments.)

987 - Appendix 1 referred to in Clause 3 of the Report of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture, dated May 11th, 1992.

SEE PAGES 1466 – 1468 FOR OFFICIAL SET OF MINUTES FOR ATTACHMENT.

988 – Appendix 1 referred to in Clause 4 of the Report of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture, dated May 11th, 1992.

SEE PAGES 1469 – 1470 FOR OFFICIAL SET OF MINUTES FOR ATTACHMENT.

989 - Appendix 1 referred to in Clause 5 of the Report of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture, dated May 11th, 1992.

SEE PAGES 1471 – 1471 FOR OFFICIAL SET OF MINUTES FOR ATTACHMENT.

COMMITTEE ON PROTECTION, PARKS AND CULTURE

MOTIONS

Moved by Councillor Golden,
Seconded by Councillor Kaufmann,
990 - WHEREAS there are presently almost $4 million in parking fines remaining outstanding;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg recognizes the need to pursue cost-effective methods of collecting revenue;

AND WHEREAS impoundment of motor vehicles may result in more cost-effective collections;

AND WHEREAS advertising notices to delinquent payers of parking fines may be more cost-effective than individual repetitive notification methods or incarceration methods presently being employed;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council request the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture to advise Council on the appropriateness of alternative collection methods within 21 days;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Province of Manitoba be requested to enact the necessary enabling legislation to impound vehicles.

In amendment,

Moved by Councillor Mendelson,
Seconded by Councillor Mitchelson,
THAT the above motion be amended to add the following words at the end of the last paragraph, namely:-

"and/or refuse to issue drivers' licenses unless all or a reasonable percentage thereof of outstanding parking fines are paid up."

Automatic Referral to
Committee on Protection,
Parks and Culture in
accordance with Section 16.1
of the Procedure By-law.

COMMITTEE ON PROTECTION, PARKS AND CULTURE

QUESTION PERIOD

991 - Councillor Thomas asked Councillor Gilroy on the status of the hiring of the Police Chief.

Councillor Gilroy responded that they are in the process of "short-listing" and the Selection Committee will be meeting next week to do a final review of that short list. Shortly thereafter interviews will be conducted and if the Committee can come to a consensus they will bring forward a recommendation in mid-June or July.