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 13th, 1991, has concurred in the recommendations contained therein and submits same to Council for approval and adoption.

On motion of Councillor Douglas, the Report of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture, dated May 13th, 1991, was considered clause by clause.

North Committee Room,
Council Building, Winnipeg.
May 13th, 1991.

His Worship the Mayor and Councillors:

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

Renewal of the Rental Agreement for use of Rainbow Stage by Rainbow Stage Inc.
File PR-7.9.1

931 - 1. Summer plays were first presented at Rainbow Stage in 1956 by the Winnipeg Summer Theatre Association. This organization rented the facility each year during July and August, until 1966 when Rainbow Stage Inc. commenced operations.

Rainbow Stage Inc. has rented Rainbow Stage for the months of June, July and August each year since 1966 except during 1975 when construction prevented its use. Rainbow Stage Inc. paid $6,000.00 annual rent during the period 1976 to 1980. During the next five year period from 1981 to 1985, the rent had risen from $6,720.00 to $9,125.00. During the past five years their annual rental has risen from $9,580.00 to $11,550.00.

The present rental agreement, which expired on August 31st, 1990, provides Rainbow Stage Inc. with an option to renew for a further five (5) year period and on May 3rd, 1990, Rainbow Stage Inc. advised of its intention to exercise said option.

Over the past ten months discussions were held between Parks and Recreation Department Officials and representatives of Rainbow Stage Inc. to discuss the renewal of the present Agreement. During these meetings proposals were put forward and agreed upon and will be incorporated into the new agreement as noted hereunder:-

1. The time frame for occupancy to commence on May 1st of each year and terminate on the Labour Day Monday at 12:01 A.M. of that year for the years 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994 and 1995 for the rehearsal and presentation of musical productions to a total of fifty performances in each year.

2. The annual rental fee for the years 1991-1995 inclusive, will be charged based upon an annual rental rate of $11,550.00 from 1990 plus an annual adjustment equal to the lesser of a Cost of Living Allowance adjustment or 5% to be added in each year. The Cost of Living Allowance adjustment is to be determined by measuring the Consumer Price Index for Winnipeg for the period January 1 to December 31 for the year preceding the new rental season.

3. An additional rental for extra performances for the years 1991-1995 inclusive, will be charged based upon a daily base rate of $585.00 from 1990 plus an annual adjustment equal to the lesser of a C.O.L.A. adjustment or 5% to be added in each year.

4. A change in the reporting date for presentation of financial statements to the City from December 31st to January 31st of the year immediately following their fiscal year end.

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5. Clause 7 of the expired Agreement which prohibited Rainbow Stage Inc. from the rental of cushions during performances be deleted.

6. Rainbow has the right to offer a non-food related souvenir sales program to its patrons related to productions only under the following terms:

   a) A list of souvenirs and other items intended for sale be submitted in advance to the General Manager of Parks and Recreation for approval.

   b) The proposed design, construction and location of the "small portable kiosks" be submitted to the General Manager of Parks and Recreation for evaluation and approval regarding safety, durability, and aesthetic quality. Responsibility for storage and security of kiosks shall be the responsibility of Rainbow Stage Inc.

   c) That there be no interference with the existing sale of refreshments by the food concessionaire.

7. Rainbow will have the right to hold up to two fund raising events, per annum, in the facility. The provision of food services not to conflict with the terms in the food concession agreement.

8. Rainbow Stage Inc. be granted a further five (5) year renewal option, in 1995 for the years 1996 through 2000, at a rental rate to be negotiated at the time the option to renew is exercised.

Rainbow Stage continues to be a significant tourist attraction and according to a survey completed by Rainbow Stage Inc., twenty-nine percent of all attendance is by tourists. Attendance for the past three seasons has been as follows: 1990 - 104,781; in 1989 - 83,950 and in 1988 - 97,895. Based on the survey conducted by Rainbow Stage Inc. this has resulted in approximately 31,800 tourists per year attending stage productions or an increase of 6,800 tourists over the previous rental agreement.

Admission prices during 1990 were as follows:

Adults -	$14.50	$12.50	$10.50	$ 6.50
Children -	$ 7.25	$ 6.25	$ 5.25	$ 3.25

Admission prices during 1991 are as follows:

Adults -	$16.60	$14.50	$ 7.00
Children -	$ 8.30	$ 7.25	$ 3.50

Seniors continue to be admitted for half-price on Sundays. On the opening performance night of each of the two yearly productions, tickets continue to be provided free to approximately 90 social service agencies.

While Rainbow Stage is a unique facility, its popularity is primarily attributed to the quality productions presented by Rainbow Stage Inc.

Your Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture recommends:

1. That Rainbow Stage Inc. be granted a five year renewal of its existing Agreement, for the years 1991 through 1995, to expire on September 3, 1995, in accordance with the terms outlined herein.

2. That the proper officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Moved by Councillor Douglas,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

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Riverlife Inc./Player's Ltd. 1991 Powerboat Championships - File PR-4

932 - 2. On January 24th, 1990 Council approved, in principle, and at no cost to the City, the hosting of the International Outboard Grand Prix (I.O.G.P.) event in July, 1990, subject to Riverlife Inc. fulfilling the following conditions:

1. Riverlife Inc. to be responsible for securing all necessary funding for capital development and event operation prior to the final approval of this event.

2. Riverlife Inc. is to submit a proposal for capital development of the subject properties. This proposal is to include detailed site development plans, associated cost's funding sources and a long term land use agreement request, if desired.

3. Riverlife Inc. to enter into a Facility Use Agreement and fulfill all stated conditions (i.e. insurance, etc.). Riverlife Inc. is also to post an acceptable performance bond.

4. Riverlife Inc. is to commission and submit an Environmental Impact Study by an independent professional consulting firm. The study must be acceptable in form, content and detail to the City of Winnipeg.

5. Riverlife Inc. is to submit a plan for safety and security of all competitors, spectators, volunteers/organizers, etc. during the course of the event.

6. Riverlife Inc. is to apply and receive permission from all appropriate regulatory bodies, including but not limited to: Rivers and Streams Authority, Harbour Master, Police Department, Health Department, Planning Department, Manitoba Liquor Control Commission, Department of Environment, Department of Natural Resources, Coast Guard, Environment Canada, Department of Fisheries and Oceans.

7. In the event that the Alexander Dock site is leased to River Rouge Tours Ltd. that Riverlife Inc. negotiate appropriate cooperative use with the lessees.

8. That the approval be given for use of the subject properties from July 27th - 29th, 1990, and subject to a review/evaluation by the Parks and Recreation Department for suitability of the site and organization for future similar events.

By letter dated April 8th, 1991, Riverlife Inc. advised the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture of its intention to again host the Player's Ltd. Powerboat Championships, and requested that:

1. Official permission from the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture be granted, recognizing that support would be conditional on Riverlife Inc. responding to any conditions set out by the Committee.

2. Site Development of the area north of the Alexander Dock be approved, including the grading and sodding of 4,900 square meters of riverbank, to expand the availability of spectator areas for the event.

3. Site Preparation and Support Services be provided by the City on a complimentary basis: fencing, docks, fire safety apparatus, emergency ambulance services, water rescue, and permission to secure a portion of Juba Park to minimize free viewing of the event.

For the 1990 Powerboat Championships, the first to be held in Winnipeg, the Parks and Recreation Department provided, from within the approved maintenance budget, and at no cost to Riverlife Inc.:

- 4,500 feet of snowfence, installed and removed by City forces, around the entire perimeter of the spectator site and pit area;

- 160 feet of dock, constructed by joining and anchoring 20 foot sections of dock from various locations;

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- administrative co-ordination to ensure that both the City's and the Riverlife organizers' commitments in regard to Facility Use Agreements and conditions of Council, were met.

The total cost of providing that service for last year's event has been estimated at $5,000.00, not including the indirect cost of the administrative co-ordination. In order to accommodate the requirements of the 1990 event in a relatively short time, maintenance programs in the area were deferred or delayed and staff were reassigned to the Powerboat project.

Riverlife's 1991 request for site preparation and support services from Parks and Recreation, as explained by Riverlife in a meeting with City officials April 29th, 1991, involves:

- installation and removal of 1,000 feet of snow fence around the perimeter of the media and patron area, at an estimated cost of approximately $1,000 (3,000 feet of chain link fencing is being rented and installed by Riverlife Inc. to control the perimeter of the venue).

- installation and removal of 300 feet of dock, at an estimated cost of $4,000.00. To supply that much docking would necessitate the use of the floating docks from Whittier Park, Kildonan Park, St. Vital Park, and all spare sections of dock currently on the bank at Alexander Dock. Some negative reaction could be anticipated from the users of these public docking facilities, as these docks would be limited in their availability for a period of 5 - 6 days during the racing event.

- granting permission to Riverlife to install temporary chain link fence, at their own expense, in Juba Park to restrict public access, and free viewing of the race, during the weekend of July 19th - 21st. The fenced area will be much smaller than in 1990, and does not substantially restrict public use of Juba Park.

- repairs as necessary, following the event: e.g. damaged turf, litter, fence repairs, estimated at $500.00.

Riverlife Inc. is also anxious to have the final portion of the riverbank, to the north of the Alexander Dock, graded and sodded to accommodate an improved spectator seating arrangement. Last year, a 4,500 square meter section was completed, with sod provided by Riverlife, to enhance the park and improve the site as a race venue. This year, the organizers plan to have the final phase completed, adjacent to last year's section, and have asked the Parks and Recreation Department to provide fine grading and top soil over the entire 4,900 square meter area at an estimated cost of $6,500.00. As this riverbank development project also involves the Planning Department, the Riverbank Management Committee, and a number of other parties (St. Andrew's Society, River Rouge Tours), a co-ordinated effort must be ensured, and all necessary development agreements and approved plans must be in place before any work can proceed.

In 1991, the operating budget of the Parks and Recreation Department was substantially reduced, and there were significant cuts to temporary, permanent, and administrative positions. In the Regional Parks Branches, for example, where events such as the Manitoba Marathon, the Teddy Bear Picnic, or the Kidney Foundation Cyclathon were previously accommodated at no charge, services can now be provided only where the user agrees to pay all costs for water tanks, picnic tables, barricades, etc. In these circumstances, there is no flexibility within the Parks and Recreation Department to reassign staff to unscheduled projects, such as the Powerboat Championships, without compromising the maintenance program in the Council approved 1991 Budget. The following projects, if approved by Committee, would be postponed in order to provide the requested service, estimated at $12,000,00 to Riverlife Inc.:

- asphalt maintenance and renewal of existing walkways within Kildonan Park

- construction of one wheelchair accessible washroom inside the Duck Pond shelter at St. Vital Park.

As an alternative to absorbing these services to Riverlife Inc. in 1991, an additional appropriation of $12,000.00 would allow the Parks and Recreation Department to accommodate the needs of the Powerboat Championships this year without deferring the scheduled maintenance programs noted above. This option, however, has the disadvantage of increasing the cost to the City, contrary to the instructions of Council as of January, 1990.

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On April 22nd, 1991, the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture agreed, in principle, with a request from Riverlife Inc. to host the 1991 Player's Ltd. Powerboat Championships and asked that the Administration report on what aspects of the Organization's request could be accommodated within the approved current estimates.

Your Committee has expressed the opinion that services as outlined hereunder for the 1991 Player's Ltd. Powerboat Championships should be provided to Riverlife Inc. and that there be no commitment beyond 1991 for further funding to provide services, etc.

Your Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture therefore recommends:-

1. That the City provide services to Riverlife Inc. for the 1991 Powerboat Championships, including installation and removal of docks and snow fence, and site repairs, as necessary, estimated to cost $5,500.00.

2. That the City provide fine grading and top soil, at an estimated cost of $6,500.00, on a one-time only basis, to contribute to the development of the 4,900 square meter riverbank area, north of the Alexander Dock, subject to such development satisfying all City requirements.

3. That the following Council-approved programs contained in the 1991 Current Estimates of the Parks and Recreation Department be deferred to 1992, and that the funds obtained from such deferral be utilized to pay for the above services:

   - Kildonan Park walkway asphalting
   - St. Vital Park washroom renovations.

4. That Riverlife Inc. be advised that there is no financial commitment by the City of Winnipeg beyond 1991 to provide site preparation and support services for future events.

5. That the proper officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Moved by Councillor Douglas,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

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

Dutch Elm Disease Control
File PB-2

933 - 3. On May 13th, 1991, your Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture was advised by way of communication addressed to His Worship Mayor Norrie from the Deputy Minister of Natural Resources that the level of funding available to the City of Winnipeg from the Provincial Government for the City's 1991/92 Dutch Elm Disease Program would be reduced from last year's amount of $700,000 to $350,000.

The communication from the Deputy Minister reads in part as follows:-

"Our Province faces an unprecedented combination of severely constrained federal transfers, reductions in provincial revenues as a result of the recession, and heavy and continuing interest costs on past borrowing. As a province, the challenge set before us is to keep on a course of a prosperous future in these extremely difficult and trying circumstances. It is important that we all focus on those most important components of our mandate to ensure we meet the challenges together successfully.

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Facing these circumstances, the department will be returning to the traditional level of $350,000.00 for its grant for the 1991/92 fiscal year. This information has been provided to ensure the city is able to plan as accurately as possible, but our estimates have not as yet been approved by the legislature. Final, official notification of the grant will have to await completion of that process."

Your Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture recommends adoption of the following motion, namely:-

WHEREAS a reduced Dutch Elm Disease (D.E.D.) Sanitation program will result in the loss of thousands of Winnipeg Elm trees;

AND WHEREAS the annual loss of Elm trees has been in the 2% range but could greatly accelerate if there is not an aggressive D.E.D. sanitation program;

AND WHEREAS cutbacks in D.E.D. sanitation programs in other jurisdictions (e.g. Minnesota), have resulted in much greater costs in future years including decreasing property values in affected neighbourhoods and millions of dollars in tree removal and tree planting costs;

AND WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg will fulfill its 1991 commitment to the D.E.D. program but the Provincial Government has cut $350,000.00 from its previous level of funding over the previous 2 years;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Official Delegation bring this issue before the Provincial Government at the earliest opportunity and urge the Government in the strongest possible terms to fulfill its D.E.D. funding commitment for 1991;

AND THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture immediately communicate the concerns of the City of Winnipeg to the Minister of Natural Resources.

Moved by Councillor Douglas,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Image Route Enhancement Strategy for the City of Winnipeg - Files SC-2 & PB-1.1

934 - 4. By report dated January 12th, 1989 to the Commissioner of Protection, Parks and Culture, the General Manager of Parks and Recreation requested authorization for the utilization of $95,000.00 remaining in the account for "Aesthetic Improvements to the Downtown Streets System" for the purpose of undertaking a study to define a new strategy and guidelines for aesthetic upgrading of streetscapes in the Downtown Area as well as the visual appearances of the primary Image Routes leading directly to the Downtown.

On February 20th, 1989, the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture considered the aforementioned report and recommended to Council that the necessary Capital Program Change to the "Aesthetic Improvements to the Downtown Streets System" program be approved in order to enable the undertaking of the subject study.

Following the approval for the McGowan Design Group to undertake the Study, an inter-departmental steering committee, chaired by the Parks and Recreation Department, with representatives from the Streets and Transportation, Environmental Planning, and Parks and Recreation Departments was established to provide guidance and review of the work undertaken by the consultants.

Between January and March of 1990, the consultants provided a series of preliminary design presentations of the Study to the City's six Community Committees, the Standing Committees of Council, and the Provincial Highways Department.

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During the course of the study the consultants have solicited the input of information and comments of no fewer than 35 individuals throughout the civic administration towards the preparation of the Study, as identified on the listing of "contact people" in the attached Appendix A.

Plan Winnipeg identifies policy statements regarding Image Routes, within the Parks and Recreation Department Section of the Plan, which state: -

> "Image Routes and Scenic Drives shall offer a sense of the structure and organization of Winnipeg and its landscapes."

AND

> "Image Routes and Scenic Drives should be used to define Winnipeg's Structure by creating a hierarchy of 'Points of Entry' and 'Points of Arrival' and by creating and preserving views and view sequences to major structures, the Downtown and major landscape features."

Although it is acknowledged there are, potentially, several thoroughfares in Winnipeg which appropriately qualify as Image Routes of the City; nevertheless there are six routes which, unquestionably, qualify as "Primary" Image Routes, insofar as they are the thoroughfares most frequently utilized by tourists and visitors to the City as well as residents in directly accessing the Downtown. The Primary Image Routes have been defined as:

1. Portage Avenue (Trans Canada) West
2. Main Street North
3. Henderson Highway
4. Fermor Avenue/Osborne Street (Trans Canada East) 5. Pembina Highway/Donald Street South
6. Wellington Avenue/St. James Street/Portage Avenue (Airport Route)

For review and implementation purposes, the Study has been prepared as seven individual documents. The first document, termed the Executive Summary, encompasses all the general guidelines and recommendations of the Study; with the six successive documents each focusing on one of the six Image Routes for specific recommendations of streetscaping.

A major undertaking, the Study will provide guidance for the visual upgrading of the City's principal rights-of-way for the next two decades; resulting in a substantially improved image of the City to residents and visitors alike. The Study compliments the recent endeavours of both the "Take Pride Winnipeg" Committee and the recently Council-adopted "Guidelines on Aesthetics in Public Works Projects".

Of major significance to the overall visual impressions of the City's Image Routes are the visual aspects of the properties fronting along the public rights-of-ways. The public sector alone cannot fully achieve the objectives of favourably enhanced visual 'images' of the City's primary street environments; the co-operation and participation of the private sector in such image enhancements is essential. As an incentive towards private sector upgrading of property aesthetics, it is being proposed that the City institute an annual award, or awards, recognizing outstanding achievements by individual property owners towards improving the visual aesthetics of properties fronting along the City's Regional Street System. Such an award, to be termed 'The Mayor's Award', and accorded appropriate publicity, should be the first of several incentives considered by the City towards encouraging private sector co-operation in Image Route aesthetics.

Related to the Study, four issues of particular concern have been identified and presented hereafter for consideration in conjunction with the review and disposition of the Study. These issues are:-

1. Capital Funding
2. Maintenance Funding
3. Revisions and Updating
4. Administrative Implementation Process

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1. CAPITAL FUNDING

The "Guidelines on Aesthetics in Public Works Projects", as adopted by City Council, incorporates the commitment of the Committee on Works and Operations to provide adequate funding for aesthetic enhancement in conjunction with every major construction or reconstruction project in the various Capital Budgets. Such a budgeting process, directly integrating aesthetic enhancements with major Capital Projects of the Streets and Transportation Department, will ensure ongoing progress in upgrading the City's Image Routes. The "Downtown Aesthetic Streetscaping" Program of the Parks and Recreation Department is an optional source for funding the streetscaping of sections of roadways not scheduled for reconstruction within the foreseeable future. However, this Program is typically only recipient of approximately $140,000.00 annually. A portion of the annual revenue accrued from Tipping Fees affords a further funding option for streetscaping along the City's Image Routes.

2. MAINTENANCE FUNDING

Although the consultant has conscientiously attempted to reduce the additional financial impact of streetscape enhancements upon the City's various operating budgets; nevertheless, Image Route enhancement projects will incur additional maintenance funding responsibilities by virtue of adding to the City's inventory of street furnishings (signage, benches, waste receptacles, planters) requiring repairs and replacement over time.

Moreover, the placement of "special" streetscape features, such as fountains, pools, and statuary, in highly prominent locations; while intrinsically important to image enhancement; must certainly increase annual operating and maintenance costs to the City. As well, increased usage of shrub plantings, flower beds, and planters of colourful flowers, while essential components in the urban streetscape, must incur maintenance commitments for labour and materials.

It is fundamental that the initial investment of Capital funding for streetscape enhancements be "protected" thereafter by appropriate levels of ongoing maintenance if the overall intent of the Program is to be successful. As the Study defines "guidelines" which must be still translated into various site specific project designs, it is not possible at this time to realistically project representative annual maintenance costs for Image Route enhancements. Only with the benefit of site specific designs can maintenance cost be computed.

Current Operating Budgets have become increasingly constrained over the past several years. Within the context of persisting financial restraints on Current Budgets for the foreseeable future, the various maintenance services of the City are poorly equipped to "absorb" the degree of maintenance costs implied to sustain the enhancements of the several Image Routes. An alternative source of funding could be identified relative to the annual revenues accrued through Tipping Fees in conjunction with the City's landfill operation. As the Image Route Enhancement guidelines are translated on a project by project basis into design specifics, the projected annual maintenance costs could be determined and become a "first charge" against the subsequent years Tipping Fees revenue.

As well, as an alternative source of maintenance funding for Image Route improvements, consideration could be given towards assessing a surcharge tax against properties fronting on Image Routes which present decidedly negative visual images when viewed from the public right-of-way (i.e. weed infested vacant lots, storage yards, expansive unlandscaped parking lots, dilapidated buildings/structures). Such tax surcharges could be used in funding maintenance of Image Routes.

3. REVISIONS AND UPDATING

As a resource basis for the establishment of guidelines and recommendations, the consultant was provided free access to all the related policies, procedures, practises, regulations and standards pertaining to public rights-of-ways as well as the composite knowledge and expertise of various professionals and specialists within the civic administration. However, voids and deficiencies in resource background knowledge do exist in certain areas such that the Study guidelines represent 'best judgments' on the part of the consultant based upon the current state of available information at the time of the Study. It must be recognized that various of the guidelines may be subject to review and revision over time as more precise and quantifiable background resource data becomes available.

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As for example, the issue of setback distance requirements of the various structural components within the streets rights-of-ways, as proposed in Section 3.1.7 of the Executive Summary, is primarily reflective of a public safety concern of the Streets and Transportation Department based upon currently available resource data. During 1991, the Streets and Transportation Department will be conducting a special study to derive a Set of Roadside Safety Standards specifically pertinent to Winnipeg. Upon completion in 1992, the Streets and Transportation Department will submit a documented summary of conclusions and recommendations for the consideration of City Council in amending the relevant Study guidelines.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS

Referencing Section 3.4 of the Executive Summary of the Study, the Streets and Transportation Department has essentially already commenced consideration of the implementation process of the Image Route Enhancement Program through adaptation of the process for developing Annual Capital Estimates to reflect the recently approved "guidelines on Aesthetics in Public Works Projects".

Such a process will require further minor refinement to accommodate the guidelines of the Image Route Enhancement Study specifically. A procedure (Appendix B) has been prepared by the Streets and Transportation Department in conjunction with the 1992 Capital Program of the Department. While initially it is expected that the capital budget preparation process may cause timing constraints upon the staffing resources of the participating departments in order to conform to review deadlines, it will not be possible to accurately assess the degree of ongoing staffing impacts, if any, created by the added responsibilities of Image Route Enhancement for at least the next two year period. There may not be any long term additional staffing requirements associated with incorporating provisions for streetscaping enhancements into the budgeting preparation process.

There will however be additional costs incurred by the capital budget implementation process in order to hire qualified landscape consulting services to develop detailed streetscape designs which, due to time constraints, cannot be accomplished by in-house design staff. The additional time commitment of appropriately qualified staff towards administration and review of consultant streetscaping design proposals is an aspect which will require at least two years to accurately assess the potential staffing impact.

Just as the preparation of this major Study was an ambitious undertaking, unparalleled in scope and complexity with any other streetscaping program in North America, the successful implementation of the Study's recommendations and design guidelines will present a similar challenge to the ingenuity of the City's financial resources and administrative services.

The table outlined in Appendix C summarizes the key issues to be addressed in the process of implementing the 'Image Route Enhancement Strategy'.

Your Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture recommends:

1. That the "Image Route Enhancement Strategy", as prepared by the McGowan Design Group, be approved for implementation; subject to funding in the amount of $650,000.00 being provided from tipping fees;

2. That on-going maintenance funding for Image Route Enhancement projects be provided from the current estimates of the Parks and Recreation Department on an annual basis;

3. That consideration be given to the establishment of a "Mayor's Award", funded through the annual current estimates of the Parks and Recreation Department, for outstanding aesthetic landscape improvements to properties of private businesses fronting on the City's Regional Streets system, which includes the Primary Image Routes.

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4. That the proper officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.

Moved by Councillor Douglas,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

(Note: The appendices referred to in the above clause are on file in the Office of the City Clerk.)

Fire Protection Service Outside City Limits File GF-1

935 - 5. Council On May 8th, 1991, referred to your Committee Clause 4 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated May 1st, 1991, (Appendix "A") regarding the provision of Fire Protection Service outside the City limits to companies currently under contract.

In this connection, Council also referred to your Committee for consideration the following motion:

"THAT Section 3 of Clause 4 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee, dated May 1st, 1991, be amended to read as follows:-

3. That the rural municipalities who purchase fire services from the City of Winnipeg be charged the full standby fee. The adjoining municipalities be afforded a 60-day period to pay these fees or services will be removed."

After consideration of this matter, your Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture did not concur with the above proposed amendment and recommends that the following recommendations as outlined in Clause 4 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated May 1st, 1991, be approved, namely:-

"1. That the Fire Department continue to provide fire protection service outside the City limits to the companies currently under contract.

2. That the present formula continue to be used to calculate the gross standby fee with the provision for reductions removed.

3. That a provision for phasing-in be established so that the standby fees would be adjusted and payable as follows:-

1/3 of the full standby fee in 1991
2/3 of the full standby fee in 1992; and
the full standby fee in 1993 and thereafter

for all participating facilities except for the University of Manitoba's facility in Glenlea in which instance the full standby fee will commence to be payable in 1991.

4. That the attendance fee be increased to $880.00 per hour for pumpers, aerial ladders, snorkels, service ladders and rescues and to $220.00 per hour for the district chief and driver."

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Moved by Councillor Douglas,
Adoption of the clause.

In amendment,

Moved by Councillor Boychuk,
Seconded by Councillor Wade,
That Clause 5 of the Report of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture, dated May 13th, 1991, be amended by deleting Recommendation 3 in its entirety, to be replaced with the following:-

"3. That full fees be paid for fire protection service outside the City limits, effective June 1st, 1991."

The amendment was put.

Councillor Yuen called for the yeas and nays, which were as follows:-

Yea: Councillors Wade, Boychuk, Demare, Fleisher, Golden, Kaufmann, Lazarenko, Prystanski and Reese. 9

Nay: Councillors Brown, Clement, Diamant, Douglas, Duguid, Fraser, Gilroy, Hyman, Mitchelson, Selinger, Thomas, Timmers, Timm- Rudolph, Young, Yuen, Mayor Norrie and Councillor Eadie. 17

and the amendment was declared lost.

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

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Moved by Councillor Thomas,
Seconded by Councillor Timmers,
936 - WHEREAS the recent provincial budget eliminated, within the City of Winnipeg, 235 jobs, $5.8 million in salaries and approximately $17 million of economic activity;

AND WHEREAS the recent provincial budget also cut $10 million of funding for Winnipeg's community organizations which will eliminate another approximately 200 jobs and up to a further $30 million of economic
activity in Winnipeg;

AND WHEREAS the provincial policy of decentralization has further eliminated from Winnipeg an additional 200 jobs and $5 million of salaries for another loss of about $15 million in Winnipeg's economic activity;

AND WHEREAS the recent provincial budget further cut $6.5 million of resources to the City without notice;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Manitoba objects to federal "down loading" but carries out the same practices with respect to the municipalities, school divisions and community organizations when it puts forward its provincial budget;

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AND WHEREAS the cities of Brandon, Dauphin, Thompson, The Pas and Selkirk have passed a resolution condemning the provincial budget;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Winnipeg go on record as objecting to the provincial budget due to its negative impact on the City;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City request that the Province consult with the City in its budget preparation process in order to improve and build the local economy and strengthen our community.

Required to Stand as Notice
of Motion.

Moved by Councillor Gilroy,
That Council do now adjourn.

The Clerk called the roll.

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

The motion to adjourn was put and declared carried and Council adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

Deputy City Clerk. Speaker.