CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

The following clause contained in the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated September 25th, 1990, was referred on October 17th, 1990, by the Executive Policy Committee to the Board of Commissioners for report. The Executive Policy Committee has further considered this clause together with Report from the Chief Commissioner, dated January 3rd, 1991, and has taken the action noted below.

On motion of Councillor Selinger, Clause 5 of the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated September 25th, 1990, was considered.

Amendment to the Civic Charities By-law No. 350/73 File GL-5.2

385 - 5. On January 24th, 1990, the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau discussed its concerns about the increasing usage of professional promoters by charitable concerns in the City and the remuneration being exacted from the latter. To clarify the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau's policy in this regard to all concerned, the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau discussed establishing a definition of "gifted dollar". "Gifted dollar" would mean that money available for apportioning between the professional promoter and the charitable concern after the costs of a fundraising event have been deducted from gross receipts. The Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau proposed that no more than 55% of the "gifted dollar" go to the professional promoter, and no less than 45% go to the charitable concern.

On January 25th, 1990, Mr. T. S. Durham, a member of the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau, submitted a memorandum to the Bureau to stimulate further discussion amongst its members and to elaborate upon the rationale and meaning of "gifted dollar". On February 28th, 1990, the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau approved the memorandum in principle and instructed the Law Department to prepare a proposed amendment to the Civic Charities By-law No. 350/73.

On July 25th, 1990, the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau approved the proposed amendment and instructed the Law Department to have it brought before the Committee on Finance and Administration with a view to eventual passage by City Council.

The Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau is composed of thirteen volunteer citizen members, being two members from each of the City communities and one member from the Better Business Bureau. As well, one City Councillor sits as a non-voting member of the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau and acts as a liaison and representative of the Bureau to Council. The Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau is established and governed by Section 409 of The City of Winnipeg Act, By-law 350/73 and amendments thereto, and The Charities Endorsement Act of Manitoba. The purpose of the Bureau is to "examine into the character and bona fides of all charitable concerns seeking aid from the City or residents." If the requirements of the legislation and the by-law are met, the Bureau issues a permit authorizing the fundraising activities described in the application for that permit.

The Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau meets on a scheduled monthly basis. During its meetings, the Bureau considers applications for permits, hears presentations from applicants who desire or are requested to appear, requests appearances from new applicants, and examines financial reports from completed fundraising campaigns. In the examination of these reports, special attention is paid to the amount which was actually raised by the campaign in relation to the earlier projected amount and the actual expenses incurred in fundraising.

In exercising its functions, the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau has noted an increasing usage of professional promoters by charitable concerns fundraising within the City. Such professional promoters typically raise substantially more funds than the charitable concern could raise through its own efforts. In exchange for its professional services, the promoter usually negotiates for a percentage of the funds collected in the particular campaign.

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The Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau recognizes that a charitable concern using a professional promoter will often raise substantially more funds than would be obtained otherwise. The Bureau also recognizes that there are large expenses involved in fundraising activities, and professional promoters are entitled to receive fair compensation for the services they provide to their clients. However, the Bureau is also concerned with the total amount of fundraising conducted within the City as a whole. The Bureau is aware that the amount of funds that could be donated by the City's citizens in a given year is not unlimited and, therefore, the public is entitled to trust that as much as possible of a particular charitable contribution will actually be used for the stated charitable purpose.

The Charities Endorsement Act presently allows the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau to approve of the basis for the remuneration where promoters are involved. For the benefit of charities considering fundraising campaign involving promoters, and for the benefit of the general public, the Bureau considers it desirable that the conditions for approval by the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau be expressly stated in the by-law.

Your Committee on Finance and Administration recommends that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law to amend the Civic Charities By-law No. 350/73 which amendments are described in the appended attachment in order to effect the above intent.

Your Executive Policy Committee recommends that this clause be filed in light of the attached report from the Chief Commissioner, dated January 3rd, 1991.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

In amendment,

Moved by Councillor Brown,
That the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee that the clause be filed be adopted.

Carried

CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

The Executive Policy Committee has had before it Report "B" of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated December 3rd, 1990, has concurred in the recommendations contained therein and submits same to Council for approval and adoption.

On motion of Councillor Selinger, Report "B" of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated December 3rd, 1990, was considered.

West Committee Room,
Council Building, Winnipeg,
December 3rd, 1990.

His Worship the Mayor and Councillors:

Your Committee on Finance and Administration submits the following Report "B" and recommends:-

Appointments of Citizen Members to the Board of Revision File GC-7

386 - 1. Your Committee on Finance and Administration has considered applications to fill twenty-seven citizen member positions on the Board of Revision and recommends that the following persons be appointed as citizen members on the Board of Revision for the year 1991, namely:-

1. Gordon W. McGarva
2. Nancy Ann Parkhill
3. James M. Robb
4. Donald I. Gerrie
5. Jane A. Frain
6. Kevin Lyons
7. J. Les Matheson
8. Dennis V. Scott-Herridge
9. John Petrinka
10. William K. Greenaway
11. B. R. Wolfe
12. Roland Boivert
13. Michelle Bradet
14. Tom L. Butterworth
15. Wayne Ritcher
16. John A. Cardoso
17. Peter J. Manastyrsky
18. Duncan St. Clair Menzies
19. Les Sytkowski
20. Claro Paqueo
21. John McLeod
22. R. J. Fergusson
23. D. W. Muirhead
24. Louis L. Maric
25. Michael Walter
26. Grant Wilson
27. Denis J. J. Hamel

Your Committee also recommends that Mr. Donald I. Gerrie be appointed as Chairman of the said Board.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Report "B" of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated December 3rd, 1990

Appointments of Citizen Members to The
Winnipeg Convention Centre Corporation
File GC-7

387 - 2. Your Committee on Finance and Administration has considered applications to fill six citizen member positions on the Winnipeg Convention Centre Corporation and recommends:-

1. That the following persons be appointed as citizen members for a three-year term, namely:-

   (a) Seaford Jack
   (b) Roger B. King
   (c) Peter Grant Verbin

2. That the following persons be appointed as citizen members for a two- year term, namely:-

   (a) Hersh Wolch
   (b) Carol Cowles
   (c) Rene Robidoux

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Proposed Expropriation - Widening and
Intersection Improvements at Main Street
and Red River Boulevard
Files SC-2.11and DAO 19/90.

388 - 3. Your Committee on Finance and Administration has considered the proposal from the Streets and Transportation Department to expropriate lands identified on Misc. Plan No. LSWK 7728/3 required for the Main Street/Red River Boulevard intersection improvements.

In 1987, City Council approved the Capital Estimates which included funding for the Kildonan Corridor Bridge project. The Kildonan Bridge project involves the reconstruction of Main Street from the former C.P.R. Bergen Cut-off to Murray Avenue.

On September 20th, 1989, the Streets and Transportation Department indicated that the reconstruction of Main Street from LePeress Avenue to Red River Boulevard is required in addition to the Kildonan Corridor project and requested the Land Surveys and Real Estate Department to negotiate the acquisition of corner cuts located at the North/West and North/East corners of Main Street at Red River Boulevard. A widening along Main Street was also requested from the Property located at the North/East corner. Negotiations were undertaken with the two owners but, to date, have not resulted in agreement.

The Streets and Transportation Department has advised it cannot complete the roadway and signal works, making the intersection properly operational, until the property is acquired. It has indicated its wish to complete the works in the Spring of 1991 and has requested the Land Surveys and Real Estate Department to proceed with a report recommending the expropriation of the properties.

The Committee on Works and Operations at its meeting held January 7th, 1991 approved the necessary street opening in connection with this proposal.

Your Committee therefore recommends that the City Solicitor be authorized to initiate expropriation proceedings in the acquisition of the properties herein identified and required by the City for the Main Street/Red River Boulevard intersection improvement project.

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Your Committee also recommends that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary street opening by-law in accordance with Misc. Plan No. LSWK 7728/3 for submission to Council, and that the cost of the by-law be charged to Capital Account No. 03-118117-5187010703.

Your Committee submits for favourable consideration, draft by-law to expropriate lands for intersection improvements at Main Street and Red River Boulevard.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

(Note: See Minute No. 389 for attachment.)

389 - Attachment referred to in Clause 3 of Report “B” of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated December 3rd, 1990.

(NOTE: SEE PAGES 415 TO 417 FOR OFFICIAL SET OF MINUTES FOR ATTACHMENTS)

CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF THE
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

The Executive Policy Committee has had before it the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated January 8th, 1991, has concurred in the recommendations contained therein, except as noted below, and submits same to Council for approval and adoption.

On motion of Councillor Selinger, the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated January 8th, 1991, was considered clause by clause.

West Committee Room,
Council Building, Winnipeg,
January 8th, 1991.

His Worship the Mayor and Councillors:

Your Committee on Finance and Administration submits the following Report and recommends:-

Leave and License Agreement to use Part Bishop Grandin Boulevard/Dakota Street - St. Boniface- St. Vital Community.
File FI-2.2(25)

390 - 1. Your Committee on Finance and Administration has considered the attached Item 1 of Report No. 1 of the Technical Advisory Committee on City Properties dated December 18th, 1990, (File SV 4408) relative to a Leave and License Agreement between the City of Winnipeg and Pratt McGarry Inc./St. Vital Square, 845 Dakota Street, to use a portion of street right-of-way at Bishop Grandin Boulevard and Dakota Street as shown on Misc. Plan No. SBSV 7959 for parking purposes. The use of the City's land will provide eight additional parking stalls to the Centre and easier traffic flow in the lot.

Your Committee on Finance and Administration recommends that a Leave and License Agreement to Pratt McGarry Inc. and/or St. Vital Square Ltd. to use the portion of Bishop Grandin Boulevard/Dakota Street be approved in accordance with the terms and conditions as outlined on Schedule "A".

Your Committee also recommends that the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the above recommendation, including the execution of any documents related thereto.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

(Note: See Minute No. 403 for attachment.)

Sale of Part Public Reserve to 68888 Manitoba Ltd. - Park Place West - South Tuxedo - Assiniboine Park- Fort Garry Community File FI-2.4(21)

391 - 2. Your Committee on Finance and Administration has considered the attached Item 2 of Report No. 1 of the Technical Advisory Committee on City Properties dated December 18th, 1990, (File AP 7100/A) relative to the proposed sale of Parcel 'A', Plan 24261 north of the sound attenuation wall as shown on Misc. Plan No. APFG 7561/4.

Pursuant to Section 156(2) of The City of Winnipeg Act (S.M. 1989/90, C. 10) the disposal of property designated or acquired for park purposes requires the approval of at least two-thirds majority of Council.

Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated January 8th, 1991

Your Committee on Finance and Administration recommends that the transfer of the subject property to 68888 Manitoba Ltd. for the sum of One ($1.00) Dollar be approved subject to the following:

1. That the City creates a plan to subdivide the subject property into parcels which are to be consolidated with the respective adjacent lots, the Purchaser to be responsible for paying to the City the sum of One Thousand ($1,000.00) Dollars due and payable prior to the transfer of the subject property, to cover the costs of the preparation of the plan; the South boundary of the subject property is to be no less than 0.1 m North of the North face of the sound attenuation wall.

2. That the developer agrees to allow the registration of a 1.5 metre wide easement on the subject property adjacent to and immediately North of the sound attenuation wall, for the purposes of the City having access to and for the purpose of maintenance of the sound attenuation wall.

3. That the developer agrees to allow a caveat to be placed on the property restricting the property owners from making any attachments or unauthorized changes to the sound attenuation wall.

4. That the developer agrees to the registration of a hydro easement across the total subject property.

Your Committee also recommends that the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the above recommendation, including the execution of any documents related thereto.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

(Note: See Minute No. 404 for attachment.)

Sale of property at south-east corner of
Keewatin Street and Gallagher Avenue West
to Advance Communications Inc. - City
Centre-Fort Rouge Community
File FI-2.4(22)

392 - 3. Your Committee on Finance and Administration has considered the attached Item 4 of Report No. 1 of the Technical Advisory Committee on City Properties dated December 18th, 1990, (Files 4262/11, /12 and /13) relative to the sale of property located at the south-east corner of Keewatin Street and Gallagher Avenue West, in the City Centre-Fort Rouge Community as outlined on Misc. Plan No. CCFR 8088.

Your Committee on Finance and Administration recommends:

1. That the subject property be declared surplus to the City's requirements;

2. That Arthur Eric Tendies be granted an Option to Purchase the subject property for the price of $61,900.00 subject to the terms and conditions as outlined and the Option to Purchase Agreement (Schedule "A") as well as other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the Law Department and the Land Surveys and Real Estate Department of the City to protect the interest of the City;

3. That Arthur Eric Tendies be authorized to initiate an application to have the property rezoned at the time the Option is granted.

4. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the above recommendations, including the execution of any documents related thereto.

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Moved by Councillor Selinger,
That the clause be referred back to the Committee on Finance and Administration.

Carried

(Note: See Minute No. 405 for attachments.)

Sale of Rearage Lands Mission Street and Exchange of Mission Street Properties - St. Boniface-St. Vital Community.
File FI-2.4(25)

393 - 4. Your Committee on Finance and Administration has considered the attached Item 3 of Report No. 1 of the Technical Advisory Committee on City Properties dated December 18th, 1990, (File SB 7249/3) relative to the sale of Mission Street rearage lands and the exchange of Mission Street properties as outlined on Misc. Plan No. SBSV 7071/2, St. Boniface-St. Vital Community.

Pursuant to Section 156(2) of The City of Winnipeg Act (S.M. 1989-90 C. 10) the disposal of property designated or acquired for park purposes requires the approval of at least two-thirds majority of Council.

Your Committee on Finance and Administration recommends:

1. That the City properties as identified in the proposed transactions including the option lands be declared surplus to the City's requirements;

2. That the sale and option of City lands as outlined to Peter Lohr and Jocelyn Swainson or Nominee be approved subject to the terms and conditions as outlined as well as other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the Law Department and the Land Surveys and Real Estate Department to protect the City's interest;

3. That the exchange of lands with Arne's Welding as outlined be approved subject to the property being rezoned to 'M3' Industrial zoning and the enactment of the closing By-law for Paris Street and the adjacent lane as well as other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the Law Department and the Land Surveys and Real Estate Department to protect the City's interest;

4. That the Land Surveys and Real Estate Department be requested to take whatever steps as are necessary to sell the surplus lots;

5. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the above recommendations, including the execution of any documents related thereto.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

(Note: See Minute No. 406 for attachment.)

Exchange of lands with Seven Oaks School Division No. 10 - West side of Allan Blye Drive, North of Leila Avenue - Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community.
Files DASSF 607/90 and FI-2.4.4(School)

394 - 5. Your Committee on Finance and Administration has considered the attached Item 1 of Report No. 1A of the Technical Advisory Committee on City Properties dated December 18th, 1990, (Files WK 7414, 7530) relative to the exchange of lands located on the west side of Allan Blye Drive, north of Leila Avenue as outlined on Misc. Plan No. LSWK 8095.

Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated January 8th, 1991

Pursuant to Section 156(2) of The City of Winnipeg Act (S.M. 1989-1990 C. 10) the disposal of property designated or acquired for park purposes requires the approval of at least two-thirds majority of Council.

Your Committee on Finance and Administration recommends that the exchange of lands with the Seven Oaks School Division No. 10 as outlined on Misc. Plan No. LSWK 8095 be approved in accordance with the terms and conditions as outlined.

Your Committee also recommends that the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the proposed land exchange including the execution of any documents related thereto.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

(Note: See Minute No. 407 for attachment.)

Appointment of Special Constables - Finance Department. File GF-2.3

395 - 6. Your Committee on Finance and Administration has been informed by the City Solicitor that the Chief Inspector of Licenses, has requested the following employees of the License Branch, Finance Department who are employed as Poundkeepers and will be required to serve summonses under certain circumstances, be sworn in as Special Constables:

JAMES NORMAN STEPHEN

GLEN PETER MAZOWITA

Your Committee on Finance and Administration recommends that the City Solicitor be authorized to make the necessary applications to the Attorney-General's Department to have the above-named employees from the License Branch sworn in as Special Constables. Your Committee also recommends that the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to execute the required Forms of Indemnity of whatsoever kind or nature arising out of the acts and conduct of anything done, said or written by the said Special Constables when they function as Special Constables under the said appointments.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Proposed Amendment to License By-law No. 4007/85 - Transfer of Exemption - Ms Purdy's Women's Club. File EL-1

396 - 7. On September 30th, 1987, the City of Winnipeg enacted By-law No. 4697/87 thereby exempting Ms Purdy's Women's Club from licensing of a pool table and amusement devices at its premises located at 226 Main Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Ms Purdy's Women's Club advises that it is changing the location of its premises from 226 Main Street to 272 Sherbrook Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

As the original license exemption related to a specific location, a by-law amendment is necessary to continue the club's exempt status.

The License Branch has received no complaints in connection with the activities of Ms Purdy's Women's Club.

Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated January 8th, 1991

Your Committee on Finance and Administration submits for favourable consideration draft by-law transferring the existing license exemption provided to Ms Purdy's Women's Club to its new premises located at 272 Sherbrook Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried

Proposed Amendment to License By-law No. 4007/85 - License Exemption - Isaac Brock Community Centre Inc. File EL-1

397 - 8. The City of Winnipeg Act permits the City to license amusement devices and games which are operated for gain as well as to provide that all amusement devices and games had or kept for the use of its members by any club or had or kept by any corporation shall be deemed to be kept for gain. The Act further provides that the City may by by-law exempt any club from the operation of the License By-law or from the operation of a provision of the License By-law deeming its amusement devices and games to be kept for gain.

Section 3(6) of the License By-law provides that any game or amusement device had or kept in premises to which the public is admitted or had or kept for the use of its members by any club shall be deemed to be kept for gain. Section 3(12) of the By-law exempts 39 private clubs from licensing of any games or amusement devices kept for the use of the club members at specific designated locations.

Your Committee on Finance and Administration has been advised that in September 1990, the License Branch issued notices to the Isaac Brock Community Centre Inc. requiring licensing of all games and amusement devices found within its premises. Since that time licenses have been obtained by the community centre for two coin-operated electronic games. Information has been provided by the Parks and Recreation Department in support of an application by the community centre for a licensing exemption in relation to three games kept on its premises which are operated without payment of a fee or charge.

Isaac Brock Community Centre Inc. presently has five machines on its premises which fall under the License By-law as follows:

1. Two coin-operated electronic games (which have now been licensed);

2. Three games (shuffleboard, air hockey game, foosball game) which are not coin-operated and can be played by persons attending the community centre without payment of any fee or charge.

Isaac Brock Community Centre Inc. has requested that the City amend the License By-law to exempt it from the licensing provision which deems the latter three machines to be kept for gain and therefore brings them within the scope of the License By-law.

The request by Isaac Brock Community Centre Inc. for a license exemption differs from previous requests which have been approved for private clubs in the following respects:

1. While Isaac Brock Community Centre Inc. can be characterized as a club in the broadest sense of the word and therefore falls within the City's exempting jurisdiction, the community centre has an unrestricted membership and its premises are open on a drop-in basis to any member of the public including children. The Parks and Recreation Department advises that access to the non-revenue bearing games is restricted in terms of provision of supervision and that a supervisor is on-site to regulate time spent on these machines and to control inappropriate behaviour.

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2. Application for a licensing exemption is being made only in relation to those machines which are operated without payment of a fee or charge and it is intended that those machines on the premises which are coin-operated will continue to be licensed.

In order to provide the exemption requested, it is necessary to create a new subsection within the License By-law, applicable only to non-revenue bearing machines.

Your Committee on Finance and Administration submits for favourable consideration draft by-law to amend By-law No. 4007/85, being The City of Winnipeg License By-law, exempting Isaac Brock Community Centre Inc. from licensing those amusement devices and games kept at its premises located at 715 Telfer Street North which are not operated for gain, pursuant to the provisions of License By-law No. 4007/85.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Amendment to Civic Employees Pension
By-law No. 5300/89 File GU-3.9

398 - 9. The Employee Benefits Board on December 14th, 1990 approved an amendment to the Civic Employees Pension By-law No. 5300/89 which presently includes a subsection prohibiting the Sinking Fund Trustees from serving as members of the Investment Committee.

The Board of Commissioners, members of the Employee Benefits Board, the Investment Committee and the members of the Sinking Fund Trustees, agree that Subsection 27(2) should be repealed to permit the Sinking Fund Trustees to be hired as a Portfolio Manager, to manage a portion of the assets of the Civic Employees and Police Pension Funds.

The proposed amendment also includes changes to provide (1) vesting on termination from, five to two years of service, and (2) changing the qualifying period for formula survivor pension and (3) providing separating spouses who have pension benefits within 20% of each other the right to waive the mandatory splitting of their pension benefits. The changes identified in (1) and (3) were legislated by The Manitoba Pension Benefits Act.

The Actuary has indicated that the increase to actuarial liability of the fund is $113,000.00 which equates to .02% of covered payroll which is considered by the Actuary to be insignificant and no change to the City's contribution rate is recommended. The Board of Commissioners concurs with the recommendation that the City's contribution rate not be changed.

Your Committee on Finance and Administration submits for favourable consideration draft by-law to permit Sinking Fund Trustees to serve as members of the Investment Committee and to comply with changes to The Pension Benefits Act.

Your Committee recommends that the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing including execution of any documents related thereto.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

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Renewal of General Insurance Policies - 1990. File FI-3

399 - 10. Subsection (e) of Section 51 (1) of The City of Winnipeg Act requires the City Treasurer to attend to the placing of such insurance as may be decided by Council.

In addition, under Section 113 of The City of Winnipeg Act - "The Council may provide for comprehensive insurance to protect the City against loss through damage to the real or personal property, or both, of the City by reason of fire or any other cause; and may provide insurance against claims for loss or damage for which the City may become liable."

Furthermore, the Council Order relative to General Insurance, dated May 2nd, 1979, states in part as follows:

"The Consortium, through the Principal Broker, in consultation with the appropriate officers of the City, shall place or bind such insurance as may be required, subject to the approval of the Council, and in the event of disapproval of the Council, the Consortium shall be reimbursed through the Principal Broker the appropriate premium for 'time-on-risk'."

The insurance policies contained in Appendix "A" are issued on an annual basis and the majority of them have an expiry date of December 31st. Automobile insurance policies are written with an expiry date of March 1st to coincide with the Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation insurance year.

A number of policies are written on a 'continuing-till-cancelled' basis (travel and accident, registered mail), Appendix "B". Other policies are written on an 'as-required' basis (mosquito abatement program, aerial surveys, etc.), Appendix "C".

The attached appendices provide the relevant details respecting categories of coverage, deductibles, insurers and annual premium costs. The following is a summary of premium costs for the current year 1990 compared with 1989:

	1990	1989	% Inc (Dec)
Appendix "A" (Policies renewed or placed)	$3,292,110	$3,288,331	.11
Appendix "B" (Policies written on a "Continuing-till-cancelled" basis)	13,850	15,700	(11.78)
Appendix "C" (Policies written on an "As required" basis)	26,051	26,570	(1.95)
	Total	$3,332,011	$3,330,601 .04

APPENDIX "A" - Main Insurance Program

Item 1 PROPERTY

All Property except Bridges and Overpasses, Municipal Hospitals and Ambulance Service Item 1 (a)

The City's General Insurance Consortium approached a total of thirteen separate underwriters.

Coverage was placed under a Subscription Policy underwritten by five Insurance Companies at a rate of .0209 per $100 of property values, which represents a 5% decrease from the previous rate. For 1990, the single loss limit increased to $250,000,000.00, which is in excess of any single property value on the insurance schedule. The policy provides for extra expense of up to $1,000,000.00 at each of the three transit bus storage garages to enable operation of bus services in the event of a catastrophic loss of garage and/or buses.

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Bridges & Overpasses Item 1 (b)

The City's General Insurance Consortium attempted to combine the bridges and overpasses insurance under the main property policy and did approach a total of thirteen separate Underwriters. This was unsuccessful, however, as many insurance companies had restrictions on their reinsurance treaties which precluded them from participating on this risk. Renewal of the policy was placed with two of the existing underwriters at a 5% reduction from last year's premium.

Municipal Hospitals Properties Item 1 (c)

Municipal hospitals are funded by the Province. As such, it was considered prudent for the City to protect the insurance claims reserve by purchasing separate insurance with a minimal deductible. Coverage was renewed with the same insurers at a 12.5% reduction in rate.

Ambulance Service Item 1 (d)

This policy insures mobile equipment and supplies including mobile radio equipment and radio base station normal to ambulance service and office equipment and supplies.

Coverage was renewed at an 8.3% reduction from 1989 rate.

Boiler and Machinery Item 1 (e)

In this category of risk, it is essential that the successful underwriting company is able to provide resident engineering facilities and personnel to service the specialized requirements. This includes regular inspection of a complex machinery, boilers and pressure vessels that exist at the sewage treatment plants, swimming pools, Transit, Hydro and Steam Utilities.

In view of the existing Underwriter's willingness to renew at the same premium and their familiarity with the City's facilities, coverage was renewed with the Royal Insurance Company.

Comprehensive Crime Item 1 (f)

The capacity offered by Chubb Insurance Company of Canada is unique at the current premium levels.

The policy was renewed with Chubb with no change in coverage or premium from 1989.

Item 2 AUTOMOBILES

Licensed Fleet Item 2 (a) (i) and (ii)

The City's fleet of approximately 1,548 licensed automobiles is covered by Autopac and a separate first excess liability insurance policy to limit of $5,000,000.00. Additional coverage is provided in the third and subsequent layers, or excess liability insurance. (See Item 5 (c) - Appendix "A")

Basic Autopac costs increased 8.1% while the first excess liability policy with The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation increased 9.2%. The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation's quotation for the first excess liability policy was less than that of alternate suppliers.

Transit Bus Fleet Item 2 (b) (i) and (ii)

Basic Autopac for the 571 transit buses is on a self-insured basis through an arrangement with The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation who manage the program for a deposit premium of $120,000.00 plus adjustments for actual claims paid and reserved. Liability coverage to $5,000,000.00 above the basic Autopac $200,000.00 is provided in a separate first excess liability insurance policy. As with the licensed fleet, additional liability coverage for transit buses is provided in the 3rd and subsequent layers of excess liability insurance. (See Item 5 (c) - Appendix "A")

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Unlicensed Vehicles Item 2 (c)

Liability coverage is provided for approximately 1,424 unlicensed vehicles. In 1989 the number reported was approximately 840. The increase of 584 is due to identification and categorization of items such as attachments to and equipment towed by vehicles which are considered to be unlicensed vehicles. Although these items were not specifically identified and counted, coverage was in effect during 1989 pending completion of same.

Coverage was renewed with The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation at a 5% reduction in premium cost.

Non-Owned Vehicles Item 2 (d)

Non-owned automobile liability insurance policy was renewed with The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation at a 1.94% decrease over 1989 cost.

Garage Liability Item 2 (e)

Exposure to liability for damage to "parking customers" vehicles in the Civic Centre Car Park is insured under a garage liability insurance policy underwritten by The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation on the same basis and cost as in 1989.

Item 3 AVIATION LIABILITY

Aviation Premises Item 3 (a)

Liability coverage for the use of City owned land as an airport by the lessee, Springfield Flying Club, is excluded from the City's liability insurance policies. As such, an aviation policy is maintained. Coverage was renewed at the same cost as the previous year.

Non-Owned Aircraft Item 3 (b)

The City hires aircraft and pilot for aerial surveys and chemical spraying as part of the mosquito abatement program.

Aircraft liability is a specialized coverage excluded from primary and excess liability layers. Therefore, a policy covering the City's exposure to non-owned aircraft liability is carried. Renewal for 1990 was effected at a 10.3% reduction irrespective of an increase in coverage for chemical spray drift.

Item 4 PRIMARY LIABILITY

General and Malpractice Liability Item 4 (a) (i), (ii) and (iii)

- Public Health Department and Municipal Hospitals Item 4 (a) (i) and (ii)

Primary liability coverage to $250,000.00 was renewed with The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation. Additional limit of $2,000,000.00 malpractice is provided in the first layer of excess liability insurance.
(See Item 5 (a) - Appendix "A")

- Ambulance Service Item 4 (a) (iii)

Coverage of $250,000.00 general and $2,000,000.00 malpractice was renewed with The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation at a 5% reduction in premium. Additional limit of $3,000,000.00 for malpractice is provided under the 2nd layer of excess liability insurance for a total malpractice coverage of $5,000,000.00. (See Item 5 (b) - Appendix "A")

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General Liability Item 4 (b) (i) to (iv)

These primary insurance policies, subject to minimal deductibles provide coverage for the $250,000.00 self-retained limit under the 1st excess liability policy. (See Item 5 (a) - Appendix "A")

The type of activities covered are described in the Appendix detail and pertain to specific situations and operations where permission has been granted by the City for use of facilities and which could result in claims against the City.

While other markets were canvassed, coverage was placed with The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation who is the underwriter of the first layer of excess liability insurance. The main advantage of utilizing the same insurer is to avoid confusion where these exposures overlap with the excess coverage.

NOTE: Additional general liability coverage for operations listed in Item 4 above is included in excess liability layers 1 through 10. (See Item 5 (a) to (j) - Appendix "A")

Item 5 EXCESS LIABILITY

Excess Liability Insurance Item 5 (a) to (j)

The 1st layer of excess liability insurance provides a $2,000,000.00 limit excess of a $250,000.00 each claim self-insured retention. Additional layers were added over the years as markets became available.

The City continued to benefit from a softening of the insurance market that began in the latter part of 1987 with premium savings of 3.7% on layers 1 through 9, or $50,250,000.00 limit of liability.

The state of the insurance market was such that a further layer of $50,000,000.00 was purchased effective December 31st, 1989 thereby increasing the total limit of liability insurance by 100% to $100,250,000.00, subject to a $250,000.00 deductible. Cost of the entire excess liability insurance program increased a modest 1.9% over 1989 premiums.

APPENDIX "B" - Incidental Coverages

Items 1, 2 and 3

Continued till Cancelled policies

While the policies are written to renew automatically, the Consortium does test alternate markets to ensure the competitiveness of premium costs. The policies remain with the existing underwriters for 1990 at a slight reduction in cost.

APPENDIX "C" - Incidental Coverages

Items 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

As Required Policies

Exposures which can not be covered under the City's major insurance program are insured separately. Policies were renewed with existing Underwriters.

It is the view of the City's General Insurance Consortium that the total insurance program for 1990 compares quite favourably with insurance programs carried by other cities and municipalities across Canada.

An excellent day-to-day rapport exists between the City's officers and members of the General Insurance Consortium. The Consortium continues to work closely with City personnel advising of changing exposures and risks in the light of trends in the industry and economic conditions. All coverages and self-retained limits are constantly examined in conjunction with the City's Insurance Reserve Fund which approximated $2.6 million as at December 31st, 1989.

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Your Committee on Finance and Administration recommends:-

(1) That formal approval be given to the City's General Insurance Consortium to place insurance coverages as detailed in Appendices "A", "B" and "C";

(2) That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to sign whatever insurance documents as are necessary;

(3) That the written insurance policies be approved as to form by the City's General Insurance Consortium and the City Solicitor and as to financial detail by the City Treasurer;

(4) That the actions of the City's officers of providing the coverages from expiry dates to present date, be approved, ratified and confirmed.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

(Note: Appendices A, B and C referred to in the above clause are on file in the Office of the City Clerk.)

Proposed Land Acquisition - Proposed Watermain - South Side of Inkster Boulevard from Ramsey Street (Now Closed) to 195 Meters East File FI-2(24)

400 - 11. Your Committee on Finance and Administration has been advised that on October 15th, 1990, the Director of Operations authorized the Director of Land Surveys and Real Estate Department to obtain an easement on the privately-owned property identified on the accompanying Misc. Plan No. LSWK 8031 to accommodate the alignment of a proposed watermain along the south side of the Inkster Boulevard right-of-way. This proposed work formed part of the District No. 3 Operations proposal to install a new watermain on the south side of Inkster Boulevard from Brookside Boulevard to 397 Meters West of Tallman Avenue, which was successfully advertised as a local improvement as part of the 1990 Capital Estimates. Your Committee has considered the attached report from the Commissioner of Finance and Administration dated January 3rd, 1991 relative to the proposed land acquisition - proposed watermain - south side of Inkster Boulevard from Ramsey Street (now closed) to 195 meters east to accommodate the alignment of a proposed watermain along the south side of the Inkster Boulevard right-of-way.

Your Committee on Finance and Administration recommends that the purchase of the subject property be approved at an all inclusive price of $575.00 in accordance with the terms and conditions outlined in the above noted report.

Your Committee also recommends that the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the above recommendation, including execution of any documents related thereto.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

(Note: See Minute No. 408 for attachment.)

Tax Forgiveness for Home Renovations
File FL-2.2

401 - 12. Council at its May 9th, 1990 meeting referred the following resolution to your Committee on Finance and Administration, namely:

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"WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg does not provide a tax break on any home renovations;

AND WHEREAS home owners are reluctant to renovate their residences because they are immediately assessed and faced with an increase in taxes;

AND WHEREAS a five-year program of tax forgiveness on assessable home renovations suggested herein will give an incentive for the owners of any single family owner-occupied home to renovate and upgrade their homes;

AND WHEREAS the City would not be losing any revenue with such a program, because the additional renovation work would not otherwise be done;

AND WHEREAS the City will make a major tax gain after expiration of the five-year period;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Committee on Finance and Administration be asked to explore the feasibility of the City forgiving the taxes for a period of five years on all assessable home renovations up to a maximum of $10,000.00 made by the owners of any single family owner-occupied home."

Your Committee on January 8th, 1991 struck an Ad Hoc Committee comprised of Councillors Demare and Prystanski to investigate the matter of tax forgiveness for home renovations and in accordance with Section 16.4 of The Procedure By-law, your Committee requests that Council grant it a 90-day extension of time in which to report on the above resolution referred to it by Council.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Citizen Appointments to the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau, 1991.
Files GC-7 and GL-5.2

402 - 13. Your Committee on Finance and Administration has considered recommendations from the various Community Committees and organization with respect to the appointments to the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau.

Your Committee on Finance and Administration recommends that the following persons be appointed to the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau for a two-year term, namely:-

Assiniboine Park-Fort Garry Community	J.E. Rutledge, 207-97 Swindon Way; Elva Fletcher, 787 Jubilee Avenue;
City Centre-Fort Rouge Community	Harold Pinder, 1511 Pacific Avenue; Doug S. Thomas, 1410-134 Smith Street;
East Kildonan-Transcona Community	Ms N. Beattie, 702-225 Arby Bay;
Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community	Brian Mitton, 75 Jonathan Crescent; Sheldon Turbovsky, 110-193 Watson Street;
St. Boniface-St. Vital Community	Andy Moffat, 82 Stranmillis Avenue;

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St. James-Assiniboia Community	Mrs. Margaret Sheridan, 320 Linwood Street
Better Business Bureau of Winnipeg & Manitoba	T.S. Durham, Secretary-Manager;

For Council's information, the East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee, the St. James-Assiniboia Community Committee and the St. Boniface-St. Vital Community Committee will be recommending another person for appointment from each of their communities at a future date.

The East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee, on January 15th, 1991, recommended that Ms. Mary Andree, 434 Yale Avenue West, be appointed to the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau for a two-year term.

Your Executive Policy Committee concurs in the above recommendation and recommends that Ms. Mary Andree, 434 Yale Avenue West, be appointed as a representative of the East Kildonan-Transcona Community, to the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau for a two-year term.

Moved by Councillor Selinger,
Adoption of the clause.

In amendment,

Moved by Councillor Brown,
That the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee be adopted.

Carried.

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

403 - Attachment referred to in Clause 1 of the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated January 8th, 1991

(NOTE: SEE PAGES 431 TO 434 FOR OFFICIAL SET OF MINUTES FOR ATTACHMENTS)

404 - Attachment referred to in Clause 2 of the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated January 8th, 1991

(NOTE: SEE PAGES 435 TO 437 FOR OFFICIAL SET OF MINUTES FOR ATTACHMENTS)

405 - Attachment referred to in Clause 3 of the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated January 8th, 1991

(NOTE: SEE PAGES 438 TO 445 FOR OFFICIAL SET OF MINUTES FOR ATTACHMENTS)

406 - Attachment referred to in Clause 4 of the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated January 8th, 1991

(NOTE: SEE PAGES 446 TO 449 FOR OFFICIAL SET OF MINUTES FOR ATTACHMENTS)

407 - Attachment referred to in Clause 5 of the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated January 8th, 1991

(NOTE: SEE PAGES 450 TO 452 FOR OFFICIAL SET OF MINUTES FOR ATTACHMENTS)

408 - Attachment referred to in Clause 11 of the Report of the Committee on Finance and Administration, dated January 8th, 1991

(NOTE: SEE PAGES 453 TO 455 FOR OFFICIAL SET OF MINUTES FOR ATTACHMENTS)

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MOTIONS

Moved by Councillor Kaufmann,
Seconded by Councillor Lazarenko,
409 - WHEREAS mobile homes have had an increase of 9.25% in license fees from the City of Winnipeg this year;

AND WHEREAS this rate increase is too high, given current economic circumstances, and places great hardship on these residents;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the increase be rolled back to 5% effective immediately.

Referred to Committee on
Finance and Administration.

Moved by Councillor Kaufmann,
Seconded by Councillor Mendelson,
410 - WHEREAS business operating in the City of Winnipeg pays business tax and property tax at a higher rate than residential;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City raise its rate of license for a business operating out of a home to $250.00 per annum and charge taxes based on commercial portioning for that portion of the home used for business purposes.

* This would raise over $1.5 million in additional revenue.

There are printing shops, hairdressers, insurance agents, computer services, car dealers and a variety of businesses operating out of residential neighbourhoods.

*(Source: Greg McGibbon, License Branch - 3500 licensed businesses operate from their home.)

Referred to Committee on
Finance and Administration.

CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

411 - On motion of Councillor Selinger, By-law No. 5555/90, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to authorize the borrowing of money by the issue and sale of debentures of the City in the principal amount of Thirty-eight Million, Two Hundred and Seventy-five Thousand, Five Hundred and Seven Dollars and Eighty-three Cents ($38,275,507.83), for the purpose of repaying in full the principal of the Debentures issued and sold pursuant to By-law No. 3807/84, was read a second and third time, and was passed and ordered to be signed and sealed. File No. FC-2. On motion of Councillor Selinger, 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. 5597/91, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 5300/89 being The Civic Employees' Pension Plan By- law. File No. GU-3.9.

By-law No. 5598/91, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 4007/85, being The City of Winnipeg License By-law. File No. EL-1.

By-law No. 5599/91, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to amend By-law No. 4007/85, being The City of Winnipeg License By-law. File No. EL-1.

By-law No. 5600/91, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to acquire land for the purpose of public street for the widening of Main Street at the north-west corner of Main Street and Red River Boulevard West at the north-east corner of Main Street and Red River Boulevard in the City of Winnipeg, in Manitoba. File Nos. SC-2.11 and DAO 19/90.

By-law No. 5601/91, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to fix the date on which realty taxes for the year 1991 become due and payable and to establish a rate for penalties on arrears. File No. FL-1.

By-law No. 5602/91, a By-law of the City of Winnipeg to fix the date on which business taxes for the year 1991 become due and payable and to establish a rate for penalties on arrears. File No. FL-1.

The hour of midnight having arrived, Council continued in session.

Thursday, January 24th, 1991.

QUESTION PERIOD

412 - Councillor Fleisher referred to a request that he had made on New Year's Day to the Emergency Services Section to have a frozen pipe thawed. He advised that his request was denied because the crew did not want to work on the holiday. He asked for information and clarification on the Emergency Services Section, particularly whether or not the delivery of service is actually provided on a 24-hour basis including statutory holidays.

Councillor Fraser agreed to investigate the request and provide information on the operation of the Emergency Services Section of the Operations Department.

Councillor Prystanski referred to concerns expressed by a constituent regarding the priority for plowing back lanes. The resident had advised that although there did not appear to be sufficient snowfall to warrant plowing, the backlanes in his area had been plowed. He asked what priority was being assigned to lane plowing. Councillor

Fraser replied that while Priority I and Priority II streets are being maintained under the maintenance program of the Operations Department, Priority III streets and alleys were being addressed only on an individual basis as needed. He added that in emergency situations or where need is evident, clearing is being done.

Councillor Fraser suggested that Councillor Prystanski refer specific calls for service to the local Operations District. He agreed to have the Committee on Works and Operations investigate the referenced complaint if the exact location were provided.

Councillor Prystanski asked if more than one plowing of backlanes would be carried out this year as a general policy within the City.

Councillor Fraser replied that at this time due to budgetary constraints, Priority I and II streets would receive attention while Priority III streets and backlanes would be addressed on an individual basis by the respective Operations District and plowed if needed.

Councillor Mendelson advised that she had received a number of complaints over the past year regarding the Emergency Services Section with respect to watermain breaks. It has been reported that crews respond quickly to shut off the water but only return a day later to do the repairs. She asked whether the two field crews are deemed sufficient when previously the staffing level in the Emergency Services Section provided three field crews.

Councillor Fraser agreed to pursue the inquiry. He advised that he would undertake to provide a written explanation or overview of the responsibilities of the Emergency Services Section to all members of Council.

The Speaker returned to the Chamber and resumed the Chair.

Councillor Wade provided clarification with respect to City policy regarding the plowing of backlanes. He advised that each week if there has been a snowfall, the lanes are cleared in advance of the scheduled garbage pickup.

Councillor Mitchelson referred to the recent approval of funds in the 1991 Capital Budget for the Leo Mol Sculpture Garden project. He also referred to the commitment for funding as proposed by corporate donors. He asked what level of funding contributions had been committed to date and if the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture had received any further communication advising of the current status of the financial contributions.

Councillor Mitchelson asked the Chairman of the Committee on Protection, Parks and Culture if the Zoological Society had reimbursed the City for the shortfall for the operation of the Zootique. The funds were to have been submitted prior to December 31st, 1990. He also inquired whether or not the Zoological Society had filed the requested business plan for this year's operation.

Councillor Douglas replied that although the citizen group is active in their fund raising for the Leo Mol Sculpture Garden, the Committee has not received a progress report. He advised that the Zoological Society had been directed to provide a business plan by the end of the year, but had been unable to meet the deadline. Their consultant had requested an extension and early in January, the Committee agreed to extend the deadline to the February 18th scheduled meeting. He agreed to pursue the matter of the shortfall through the Parks and Recreation Department.

Councillor Young referred to a matter raised briefly at the last meeting of the Executive Policy Committee regarding the possibility of terrorist attacks in Winnipeg. There are a number of vulnerable areas such as the City's water supply and public areas. He asked the Deputy Mayor if any special precautions or planning has been undertaken to protect the public.

Councillor Brown replied that this matter had been discussed at the Executive Policy Committee meeting last week and advice had been given by Commissioner Reynolds that precautionary measures are coordinated in conjunction with the R.C.M.P. and the Police Department. He declined to discuss what specific precautions have been taken. He added that Mayor Norrie has written to both the Mayor of Tel Aviv and the Prime Minister of Israel to express concern on behalf of our City regarding the Persian Gulf conflict.

Councillor Boychuk advised that he has been receiving many calls from residents in his ward complaining that residential streets are in deplorable condition. Taxpayers believe it is time to conduct a major plowing operation.

Councillor Brown replied that the situation is currently being looked at by the Works and Operations Department. The decision whether or not to undertake a full plowing operation, including residential streets, is currently under consideration. He agreed to pursue the inquiry with the Board of Commissioners.

Councillor Timmers advised that he had a concern regarding procedure in the Council Chamber. Based on rumours, and depending upon the legal opinion concerning the Chair's ruling on the recycling motion, it is anticipated that a number of Councillors may leave the meeting. He asked if additional constables could be provided to block Councillors from leaving the Chamber.

The Speaker replied that he could not deal with rumours.

Councillor Fraser referred to the City's contract negotiations with CUPE and the Amalgamated Transit Union. He was of the understanding that on January 9th, the Executive Policy Committee received a strategy paper during an In Camera session regarding negotiations. He assumed that the Executive Policy Committee would have deliberated and have given direction to the negotiators on behalf of Council. He asked if the Executive Policy Committee intends to give a briefing to Councillors who are not members of the Committee and if so, when it will occur.

Councillor Brown replied that members of the Executive Policy Committee had attended a meeting of the Board of Commissioners and were presented some preliminary strategies but there was no discussion and no recommendations made. The negotiations are carried on with the negotiating team of administrators, who, from time to time, report back to the Board. Although the Executive Policy Committee has on occasion been invited to hear the reports, the negotiations are handled by the negotiating team.

Councillor Fraser stated that he was in receipt of a report from the Amalgamated Transit Union which outlines a number of points which form a part of the City's position. He believes it is very important for Councillors to understand the position being taken and the options the City has going into negotiations, particularly this year in difficult economic times. He asked that the Executive Policy Committee provide a briefing to all Councillors regarding the two referenced contract negotiations.

Councillor Brown replied that he has never seen a position paper dealing with the Amalgamated Transit Union nor the City's position. He agreed to pursue the inquiries with the Chairman and Members of the Executive Policy Committee.

Councillor Golden referred to confusion on the part of the public regarding snow clearing regulations. The new snow route regulations which were put in effect this year are being misunderstood. He cited confusion between the overnight parking ban and the snow route policy. He asked for clarification of the regulations.

Councillor Brown acknowledged that there indeed had been some confusion for the public. There are two parking restrictions and two types of applications. One is the standard overnight parking ban which, once introduced, stays in effect for the rest of the season. The second restriction is the snow route policy. The overnight parking ban has not been implemented to date. However, due to weather conditions on December 28th, 1990, the City's Major Snowfall Parking Ban was implemented between 11:00 p.m. on December 28th and 6:00 a.m. on December 29th, 1990 on snow routes.

Councillor Golden suggested that given the confusion surrounding the snow route policy, consideration be given to having any parked vehicles towed to the closest possible location and not a towing compound so that violators pay a ticket plus towing charges, but not storage charges at a compound.

Councillor Brown advised that he was of the opinion that even on snow routes, notice must be given through the Mayor's Office to ban the parking. He agreed to verify this information and have Councillor Golden's concerns considered by the Committee on Works and Operations.

Council here reverted to the order of business "COMMITTEE ON WORKS AND OPERATIONS - MOTIONS".