REPORT OF THE

SECRETARIAT COMMITTEE

DATED MARCH 20, 2001

On motion of Councillor Eadie, the Report of the Secretariat Committee dated March 20, 2001, was considered clause by clause.

Councillor's Representation Allowance (CRA) Fund - Policy Requirements
File GC-2 (Vol 11)

419 - 1. On April 28, 1993, Council adopted a Policy for Expenditures - Ward Communication Allowance (WCA) Fund, under Clause 1 of the Report of the Secretariat Committee dated April 23, 1993. The Ward Communication Allowance policy set out guidelines for expenditures by Councillors. The Policy authorized the Secretariat Committee to do all things necessary for the implementation of the policy and to make adjustments to the policy as required.

On July 18, 2000, the Secretariat Committee directed that a Task Force be established to undertake a comprehensive review of the Ward Communication Allowance policy. On October 17, 2000, a Task Force consisting of all members of the Secretariat Committee, Linda Reis, Senior Auditor, Harold Dick, Solicitor and Richard Kachur, Acting City Clerk, was established.

On March 15, 2001, the Task Force convened a seminar for all Councillors and finalized its review of the Ward Communication Allowance Policy.

At its meeting of March 20, 2001, the Secretariat Committee adopted the recommendations of the Task Force as contained in the new policy document titled "The Councillor's Representation Allowance (CRA) Fund - Policy Requirements" to replace the existing Ward Communication Allowance Policy passed by Council on April 28, 1993.

The Secretariat Committee submits for the information of Council, the attached Councillors' Representation Allowance (CRA) Fund - Policy Requirements.

Moved by Councillor Eadie,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Councillors Angus and Thomas asked to be recorded as having voted against receiving the clause as information in accordance with Rule 50.7 of the Procedure By-law.

(See Minute No. 440 for attachment)

Amendment to the 2001 Schedule of Council and Committee Meetings
File GC-4

420 - 2. The Secretariat Committee at its meeting held on March 20, 2001, passed the following motion and submits same to Council:-

WHEREAS on November 22, 2000, Council adopted the 2001 City of Winnipeg Schedule of Council and Committee Meetings;

AND WHEREAS it has been noted that the Standing Committee meeting dates scheduled in December do not allow enough time for the Committee reports to proceed to Executive Policy Committee in a timely manner;

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the 2001 Schedule of Council and Committee meetings be amended as identified on Schedule "A" to provide a better timeframe for Committee reports proceeding to Executive Policy Committee.

Moved by Councillor Eadie,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

(See Minute No. 441 for attachment)