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Minute No. 346
Report - Standing Policy Committee on Public Works - September 9, 2003

Item No. 2 Parking Meters at the Main Post Office
File ST-2

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works and submits the following to Council:

1. That the nine (9) parking meters on the south side of Graham Avenue adjacent to the Main Post Office between Smith Street and Garry Street be changed to operate normal hours.

2. That Section 8 (c), and the title of Schedule "C", of The City of Winnipeg Parking Meter By-law No. 6547/95 be amended by adding thereto to the end of the sentence the words "between the hours of 09:00 and 17:30 except on Sundays and holidays."

3. That the City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services be requested to prepare the necessary amending by-law in accordance with the foregoing and submit same directly to Council.

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

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Angus,
That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works be concurred in and forwarded to Council.

Carried

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On September 9, 2003, the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works concurred in the administrative recommendation and submitted the matter to Executive Policy Committee and Council.

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File No. OM-01

Re: **PARKING METERS AT THE MAIN POST OFFICE**

For Submission To: **STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS**

Original Report Signed By: **J. A. Thomson, P. Eng. Director of Public Works**

Report Date: **July 24, 2003**

Recommendations: That;

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2. Section 8 (c), and the title of Schedule "C", of The City of Winnipeg Parking Meter By-law No. 6547/95 be amended by adding thereto to the end of the sentence the words ***"between the hours of 09:00 and 17:30 except on Sundays and holidays."***
3. The City Solicitor/Manager of Legal Services be directed to prepare the necessary amending by-law for submission directly to Council for adoption.

REPORT SUMMARY:

Key Issues:

1) Parking meters on City streets are in effect between 09:00 and 17:30, Monday to Saturday, including 2 hours of free parking on Saturdays.
2) The parking meters on the south side of the frontage roadway south of, and parallel to, Graham Avenue in front of the Main Post Office are in effect 24 hours a day on all days of the year.
3) Complaints have been received respecting these parking meters being in effect on Sundays.
4) Implementation of these recommendations will result in the parking meters in front of the Main Post Office being in effect between 09:00 and 17:30, on any day except Sundays and public holidays, which is similar to that which is in effect at on-street parking meters City-wide.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATION(S):

General Implications:

- [ ] None
- [ ] For the organization overall and/or other departments
- [X] For the community and/or organizations external to the City
- [ ] Involves a multi-year phase in process

Comment(s): Implementation of these recommendations will enable motorists to park at the parking meters in front of the Main Post Office on weekday evenings and on Sundays without charge.

Policy Implications:

- [X] No
- [ ] Yes

Comment(s):

Environmental Implications:

- [X] No
- [ ] Yes

Comment(s):

Human Resource Implications:

- [X] No
- [ ] Yes

Comment(s): Implementation of these recommendations will be undertaken with the existing complement of human resources.

Financial Implications:

- [X] Within approved current and/or capital budget
- [ ] Current and/or capital budget adjustment needed

Comment(s): The cost associated with implementing this recommendation, which involves changing the message on a few parking control signs and inserts in the parking meters, is minimal and will be funded by existing budgeted resources identified in the current operating budget. There will be a reduction in parking meter revenue associated with these 9 parking meters because they will be in effect for fewer hours.

REPORT

REASON FOR THE REPORT:

An amendment to the Parking Meter By-law requires approval by the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works and adoption by Council.

HISTORY:

Mr. Gilles Pambrum, Facilities Manager, Canada Post Corporation, 266 Graham Avenue, recently advised that motorists using the parking meters on the south side of the driveway in front of the Main Post Office on Graham Avenue have been complaining about being tagged on Sundays for not activating the meters. He requested a review of the feasibility of making the time during which these meters are in effect similar to that which is in effect at the parking meters on the surrounding streets.

DISCUSSION:

There are 9 parking meters in place on the south side of the frontage roadway parallel to, and on the south side of, Graham Avenue in front of the Main Post Office. These parking meters, which are on Post Office property, have been installed, and are operated and maintained, by the City as per a 1995 Agreement between The City of Winnipeg and Canada Post Corporation. They have a 30-minute time limit, and are currently in effect 24 hours a day on all days of the year.

Section 8 (c) of The City of Winnipeg Parking Meter By-law No. 6547/95 identifies Schedule "C" as a listing of where *"No vehicle shall be parked for more than 30 consecutive minutes at any time."* Schedule "C" specifies the location as being *"on the south side of the driveway parallel and adjacent to the south side of Graham Avenue between Smith Street and Garry Street in front of the Canada Post Corporation Building, 266 Graham Avenue."* Such a "24-hour a day" and "all days of the year" provision was compliant with the expressed preference of the then Post Office management representative.

Implementation of the above recommendations will make these parking meters in effect between 09:00 and 17:30, on all days except Sundays and public holidays, which will be similar to that which is in effect at on-street parking meters City-wide. In order to promote parking turnover, no change to the existing 30-minute time limit at these parking meters is being recommended at this time.

Mr. Pambrum is supportive of maintaining the "Free Saturday Parking, Maximum 2 Hours" provision at these parking meters so as to be consistent with a similar provision that is currently in effect for all City-owned on-street and off-street parking meters.

Financial Impact Statement

Date: July 24, 2003

Project Name:

First Year of Program 2003

PARKING METERS AT THE POST OFFICE

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Capital					
Capital Expenditures Required					
Less: Existing Budgeted Costs					
Additional Capital Budget Required	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Funding Sources:					
Debt - Internal					
Debt - External					
Grants (Enter Description Here)					
Reserves, Equity, Surplus					
Other - To Be Determined					
Total Funding	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Total Additional Capital Budget Required	$ -				
Total Additional Debt Required	$ -				
Current Expenditures/Revenues					
Direct Costs	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Less: Incremental Revenue/Recovery	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Net Cost/(Benefit)	$ (1,000)	$ (1,000)	$ (1,000)	$ (1,000)	$ (1,000)
Less: Existing Budget Amounts	-	-	-	-	-
Net Budget Adjustment Required	$ (1,000)	$ (1,000)	$ (1,000)	$ (1,000)	$ (1,000)

Additional Comments:

The costs of implementing these changes is minimal. There will be a reduction in parking meter revenue associated with these 9 parking meters because they will be in effect for fewer hours. The total loss of revenue for all nine meters is estimated to be $1,000 per year. This amount will not significantly affect the annual meter revenue of $2.3 Million, due to the minimal number of meters affected.

approved by R. Pelletier, CA
on behalf of Manager of Finance & Administration

Approved by Divisional Accountant Trainee: ☑

In preparing this report, there was consultation with and concurrence by**:** Mr. Gilles Pambrum, Facilities Manager, Canada Post Corporation, 266 Graham Avenue.

THIS REPORT SUBMITTED BY:

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