COMMUNICATIONS

From the Acting City Auditor,

Submitting communication dated May 21, 2015 advising that pursuant to provisions of the *Councillors' Representation Allowance (CRA) Fund Policy* ("the Policy"), they have audited the fund expenditures of each City Councillor for the year ended December 31, 2014. Councillors are responsible for maintaining compliance with the Policy for expenditures incurred. The City Clerk's Department is responsible for processing expenditures in accordance with the provisions of the Policy; they are also responsible for such internal controls as are determined necessary to maintain compliance with the Policy, and to enable disclosure of fund expenditures free of material misstatement on the City's website. The Corporate Finance Department is responsible for disclosing fund expenditures monthly on the City's website. Also advising that it is their responsibility to express an opinion on the compliance of fund expenditures, and on the fair presentation of expenditures in this report, based on the audit. The audit has been conducted to satisfy the provisions of the Policy and, therefore, may not be suitable for use for other purposes.

The audit was conducted in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards. Those standards requires them to plan and perform and audit to obtain reasonable assurance that fund expenditures complied with the Policy, and that the allowance reports are free from material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the amounts presented in the allowance reports. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, and include risk assessments of non-compliance and material misstatement. Accordingly, they considered the internal controls relevant to the expenditure processes, and the preparation of allowance reports, in order to design procedures that were appropriate under the circumstances. The evidence obtained is believed to be sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for their audit opinion.

In their opinion, fund expenditures of all City Councillors were found to be in compliance, in all significant respects, and the allowance reports for all periods in the year ended December 31, 2014 have fairly presented the fund expenditures, in all material respects, in accordance with the provisions of the Policy. The individual reports are attached for your information and include summaries of each Councillor's expenditures.

They have also provided their *Councillors' Representation Allowance Fund Report to Governance Committee of Council* discussing their finding and recommendations on the internal controls for the fund. The additional report is an integral part of performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards.

Communications (continued):

From the Campaign Expenses and Contributions Officer,

Submitting communication dated July 2015 advising that, in accordance with By-law No. 22/2006, passed by Council on January 25, 2006, he was engaged to fulfil the duties and obligations of Campaign Expenses and Contributions Officer (CECO) for the City of Winnipeg.

Further advising that he is pleased to submit his report to Council on the filing of audited financial statements by registered Mayoralty and Councillor Candidates in the 2014 Civic Election, in accordance with Section 4(3) of the Campaign Expenses and Contributions By-law No.10/2010.

The report identifies the 73 registered candidates who, in accordance with the by-law, are required to submit audited financial statements. 65 of the 73 candidates have filed their audited financial statements, with 8 candidates failing to file by the required deadlines. Also included in the report are recommendations for amendments to the Campaign Expenses and Contributions By-law for future consideration. The City Clerk's Department will provide copies of this report to all inquiries.

In conclusion, he acknowledged and thanked the Senior Election Official and the City Clerk's Department for their on-going assistance during the 2014 Election.

From the Director of Legal Services and City Solicitor,

Submitting as instructed by Council on July 17, 2013, draft by-law to close part of the public lane at the rear of 474 Wellington Crescent, which by-law may receive all three readings. (By-law No. 73/2015)

From the Director of Legal Services and City Solicitor,

Submitting as instructed by Council on May 25, 2011, draft by-law to open the east side of Ramblewood Road North (Being Part Lot 9 Plan 41533), which by-law may receive all three readings. (By-law No. 74/2015)

From the Director of Legal Services and City Solicitor,

Submitting as instructed by Council on July 17, 2013, draft by-law to approve a plan of subdivision and amend Winnipeg Zoning By-law No. 200/2006 to rezone land located at 1101-1121 Wabasha Street in the East Kildonan-Transcona Community, which by-law may receive all three readings. File: DASZ 31/2013 (By-law No. 75/2015)

Communications (continued):

From the Director of Legal Services and City Solicitor,
Submitting communicated dated July 8, 2015, advising that an amendment to the Reduced Speed School Zones By-law No. 76/2014, is being submitted for all three readings.

Also advising that the amending by-law replaces the entirety of the schedule attached to the existing by-law, while there are in fact only four school zones that are being added to the schedule, as follows:

- Reduced speed school zones around Minnetonka School in the Louis Riel School Division and Laidlaw School in the Pembina Trails School Division are being added to rectify an oversight in the original By-law.
- École Charleswood School in the Pembina Trails School Division will be adding Grades 5 and 6 in the fall and Westgate Mennonite Collegiate School, an independent funded school, will be adding Grade 6. This brings them within the guidelines established by Council for the establishment of reduced speed school zones and it is therefore proposed that school zones around these schools be established.

Pursuant to past practice and Recommendation 2 of Item 4 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated July 16, 2014, adopted by Council on July 16, 2014, this amendment is submitted by way of Council Communication. (By-law No. 79/2015)