## STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

## QUESTION PERIOD

**Minute No. 696**
Councillor Wyatt referred to a recent traffic study on the Winnipeg Model Terminal, which noted that only 14% of the trucks were headed north and cited that studies conducted by his office had this figure as much higher, with this higher volume of truck traffic having an impact on the Transcona area; he questioned what was going to be done to resolve this problem to which Councillor Angus noted that the particular report had not yet come forward to Committee, but when it did, he felt that Council would make a reasonable decision.

Councillor Wyatt questioned what could be done now to resolve the situation to which Councillor Angus replied that he would wait until he received the information from the Administration.

Councillor Wyatt questioned why a solution could not be considered now and moved forward to which Councillor Angus responded that when the report were to come forward to the Standing Policy Committee, it would probably be referred back to the Community Committee for input and comment, which would provide some indication as to resolutions that were possible.

Councillor De Smedt questioned when the Clean Environmental Commission report would be shared and when discussion on a funding strategy might occur, noting that water and sewer rates that may be affected by said report have been proposed in the modeling of taxes generated by the New Deal.

Councillor Angus noted that rate increases on matters such as water or transit usually come forward to Council in November or December so that the impact on next year's budget can be determined, and that he expected that a water rate report with information on what the Clean Environmental Commission was requiring the City to do would come forward during this time period.

Councillor De Smedt questioned when a discussion would take place on all of the proposed infrastructure programs listed in the 10 year plan and why there was not the will to challenge other governments to participate in the funding of these programs.

Councillor Angus stated that for the last 10 years, the City has approached the Provincial and Federal Governments in regards to increased cooperation, increased funding for a crumbling infrastructures and for a better share of the GST, but that despite this, contributions have not increased since 1992; he also noted that the New Deal initiative would allow the City a new and better funding arrangement.