Your Committee has considered this matter and recommends that this procedure be adopted and followed by Council immediately.

Moved by Councillor Wankling,
Adoption of the clause.

In amendment,

Moved by Councillor Cherniack,
Seconded by Councillor Yanofsky,
That Clause 13 of the report of the Committee on Finance, dated April 11th, 1972, be amended by adding after the word "supported" the words "and that the mover of the motion to refer be allowed to close debate."

Carried.

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

Arrears of Taxes - Tax Sale and Redemption. File AA-3.

609 - 14. Your Committee has received the following letter from the City Treasurer, under date of April 4th, 1972, namely:-

"Re: Arrears of Taxes - Tax Sale & Redemption

1. Under the provisions of The Municipal Act, the area municipalities included in their 1971 tax sale lists all lands in arrears of taxes for any part of 1969 plus all of 1970.

2. Under the authority of its Charter, the City of Winnipeg included in its 1971 tax sale list all lands in arrears of taxes for any part of 1968 plus all of 1969 and 1970.

3. Section 245(1) of The City of Winnipeg Act would seem to permit the Council be resolution to elect either of the foregoing procedures in 1972.

4. In 1971, there was also lack of uniformity in the area municipalities as to whether or not arrears of taxes subsequent to tax sale were demanded at time of redemption and this matter is left to the discretion of the Treasurer under Section 260(3) of The City of Winnipeg Act.

After consideration of the various policies being pursued by the member municipalities in 1971, it is respectfully recommended to the Committee on Finance that the following uniform policy be adopted.

1. That a resolution be introduced under Section 245(1) which would have the effect of including in the 1972 tax sale list all lands in arrears of taxes for any part of 1969 plus all of 1970 and 1971.

   This would mean that lands would become eligible for tax sale in 1972 after being in arrears for three instead of two years, and that in 1972 the bulk of the lands in the tax sale would be situated in the former City of Winnipeg. With odd exceptions, there would be no lands in the 1972 tax sale situated in the area municipalities, but by 1973 and thereafter, the tax sales would involve lands on an area-wide basis.

2. That the Treasurer be directed to include in the advertisement required under Section 245(3) the notification referred to in Section 250(6) by reason of the City's having exercised its prior right to purchase as set out in Section 250(5).

   This would mean that the City would have adopted a policy to purchase all tax sale lands and that no public auction would be held.

3. That in accordance with Section 260(3), the Treasurer's intention, before giving a certificate of redemption, to demand all arrears of taxes subsequent to the taxes for which the lands were sold, be affirmed."

Your Committee concurs in the recommendation contained in the foregoing communication and submits it to Council for approval and adoption.

Moved by Councillor Wankling,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Assignment of Tax Sale Certificate - 1969 Tax Sale, St. Vital Community. File AA-3.

610 - 15. The City Treasurer has advised that a request has been received for an assignment of the tax sale certificate respecting 392 Beliveau Avenue, in favour of the Mortgagee.

Your Committee recommends that this assignment be granted, subject to payment of the amount in sale, plus subsequent taxes to date, and any other related costs or charges, subject to the approval of the City Solicitor.

Moved by Councillor Wankling,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.

Appointment of Deputy City Treasurer. File GP-1.5.

611 - 16. Council at its last meeting referred the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee that Mr. J. C. Gilmour be appointed Deputy City Treasurer, to your Committee for consideration.

Your Committee reports that it has considered this matter and recommends that Mr. J. C. Gilmour be appointed Deputy City Treasurer.

Moved by Councillor Wankling,
Adoption of the clause.

Carried.