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FOR THE ***REGULAR MEETING OF RED DEER CITY COUNCIL***

TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1997

COMMENCING AT **4:30 P.M.**

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DATE: September 8, 1997

TO: KELLY KLOSS
City Clerk

FROM: LOWELL R. HODGSON
Director of Community Services

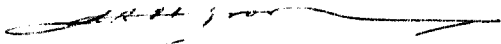
RE: MICHENER CENTRE CONSOLIDATION OF PARKLAND PROPOSAL
(GAETZ LAKES SANCTUARY)

City Council is reminded of an opportunity that was presented us to acquire some land at the top of the bank of the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary at a cost of \$1.00, subject to a geo-technical investigation of this escarpment. City Council declined this offer; however, asked us to negotiate with the Province for a fifty percent sharing of this geo-technical cost (\pm \$18,000). However, the Province has since declined that offer.

The Environmental Advisory Board is recommending that the City proceed with this geo-technical investigation at a cost of approximately \$18,000, in order to consolidate anything from 12 to 20 acres of land with the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary, and to preserve the integrity of the escarpment area. I am supportive of their recommendation because this not only protects this environmentally sensitive area, but it would also make the remaining lands belonging to the Province more marketable for residential development. This "in-fill" development should be encouraged as the cost of providing services to this property is less and we are not so quickly expanding roadways, utilities, etc. to other subdivisions and, thus, adding to the issue of urban sprawl.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council of the City of Red Deer support the recommendation of the Environmental Advisory Board to proceed with a geo-technical investigation of the escarpment above the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary, at a cost of approximately \$18,000 in order that these lands can be consolidated with the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary at a cost of \$1.00 from the Province, with this \$18,000 to be funded from the Public Reserve Trust Fund.



LOWELL R. HODGSON

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DATE: September 10, 1997

TO: KELLY KLOSS
City Clerk

FROM: MONICA BAST, Chair
Recreation, Parks & Culture Board

RE: MICHENER CENTRE:
PROPOSED CONSOLIDATION OF PARKLAND PROPOSAL

The Recreation, Parks & Culture Board, after considering the response of June 6, 1997 from the Province of Alberta regarding a hydro-geotechnical study, and purchase of escarpment land adjacent to the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary, passed the following resolution at their regular Board meeting of September 9, 1997:

"That the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board, having considered the memo from the Recreation, Parks & Culture Manager dated August 15, 1997 re: Michener Centre - Consolidation of Parkland Proposal, hereby recommend that Council of the City of Red Deer authorize full payment for the undertaking of a hydro-geotechnical evaluation of approximately 12.72 - 20.22 acres of land to be consolidated with the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary, to preserve the integrity of the escarpment area."



MONICA BAST

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c. Lowell R. Hodgson, Community Services Director

DATE: August 27, 1997

TO: KELLY KLOSS
City Clerk

FROM: WAYNE PANDER, Chair
Environmental Advisory Board

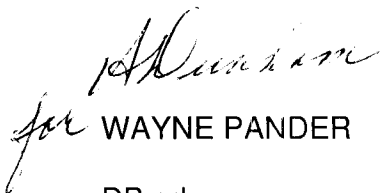
RE: MICHENER CENTRE:
CONSOLIDATION OF PARKLAND PROPOSAL (Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary)

The Environmental Advisory Board considered the response dated June 6th from Alberta Public Works, which outlined that they declined to fund 50% of the cost of a hydro-geotechnical study, and would not agree to sell a minimum 100 meter setback from the top of the escarpment adjacent to the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary.

After considerable discussion, the Board is of the opinion that, if the City were to fund the necessary study, it could acquire a suitable setback which would be based on the recommendations of the study, and that the land would be acquired for one dollar (\$1.00), plus the cost of the study (\pm \$18,000). This would be a very good investment for the City, while ensuring the preservation and integrity of the Gaetz Lakes Escarpment. In addition, resolving a suitable setback adjacent to the Sanctuary may stimulate interests to proceed with residential development in this area.

The Board passed the following resolution during their regular meeting of August 26, 1997:

"That the Environmental Advisory Board, having considered report from the Recreation, Parks & Culture Manager dated August 5, 1997 re: Michener Centre - Consolidation of Parkland Proposal, hereby recommend to Council of the City of Red Deer authorize the expenditure of approximately \$18,000.00 to undertake a hydro-geotechnical evaluation of approximately 12.72 - 20.22 acres of land to be consolidated with the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary, to preserve the integrity of the escarpment area, on the condition that the City acquire the setback area at a cost of \$1.00."


for WAYNE PANDER

DB:ad
Atts.

- c. Lowell R. Hodgson, Community Services Director
Paul Meyette, Principal Planner, P.C.P.S.
Alan Scott, Land & Economic Development Manager

DATE: August 5, 1997

TO: ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD

FROM: DON BATCHELOR
Recreation, Parks & Culture Manager

RE: MICHENER CENTRE - CONSOLIDATION OF PARKLAND PROPOSAL

The Environmental Advisory Board, Recreation, Parks & Culture Board and City Council previously considered a proposal for The City of Red Deer to purchase, from The Province of Alberta, land along the escarpment of the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary, and to conduct a hydro-geotechnical study to determine a proposed new property line. A detailed report was considered at the January 14, 1997 meeting of the Environmental Advisory Board. The resolutions of the two Boards and Council are as follows:

- "That the Environmental Advisory Board, having considered the report from the Recreation, Parks & Culture Manager dated January 7, 1997 re: Michener Centre - Consolidation of Parkland Proposal, hereby support and recommend to Council of The City of Red Deer the transfer of approximately 12.72 - 20.22 acres of land from The Province of Alberta to be consolidated with the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary and that the funding necessary to complete the land survey, subdivision, land transfer and hydro-geotechnical evaluation be funded by The City of Red Deer Public Reserve Trust Fund."
- "That the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board support and recommend to City Council the transfer of approximately 12.72 - 20.22 acres of land (based on a hydro-geotechnical study) from The Province to be consolidated with the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary."

Further the Board recommends to Council that the funding necessary to complete the land survey, subdivision, land transfer and hydro-geotechnical evaluation be funded by The City of Red Deer's Public Reserve Trust Fund."

- "Resolved that Council of the City of Red Deer, having considered report from the Director of Community Services dated January 17, 1997, re: Michener Centre: Consolidation of Parkland Proposal, hereby agrees to share 50/50 with the Province the cost of a geotechnical study and that same be funded from the Public Reserve Trust Fund, contingent upon a guarantee from the Province of a minimum of 100 metres setback from the top of escarpment, plus any additional land indicated by the geotechnical survey, for the sum of \$1.00."

Environmental Advisory Board
 Page 2
 August 5, 1997

A sales agreement has been signed by The City to purchase the two areas outlined on Attachment 1, and we are proceeding with the necessary plan of subdivision and land transfer.

The Province, in their letter of June 6, 1997 (Attachment 2) have responded to Council's resolution and have declined to share in the cost for a hydro-geotechnical study.

The City, therefore, cannot proceed with the purchase of the large parcel adjacent to the Sanctuary. The City may now wish to reconsider its position with respect to funding the entire cost of the hydro-geotechnical study. The Recreation, Parks & Culture Board and the Environmental Advisory Board previously supported funding the total cost of such a study.

Based on the response from the Province, they not only declined to fund 50% of the hydro-geotechnical study, but it appears unlikely that they would agree to a minimum 100 m setback from the top of the escarpment (see Attachment 3), but would prefer the setback to be determined by the study. A preliminary estimate for this type of study is \$15,000.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Environmental Advisory Board receive the response from The Province and forward it to City Council for information.
2. That the Environmental Advisory Board consider recommending an alternative position to City Council regarding a hydro-geotechnical study and the possibility of obtaining the area adjacent to Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary.

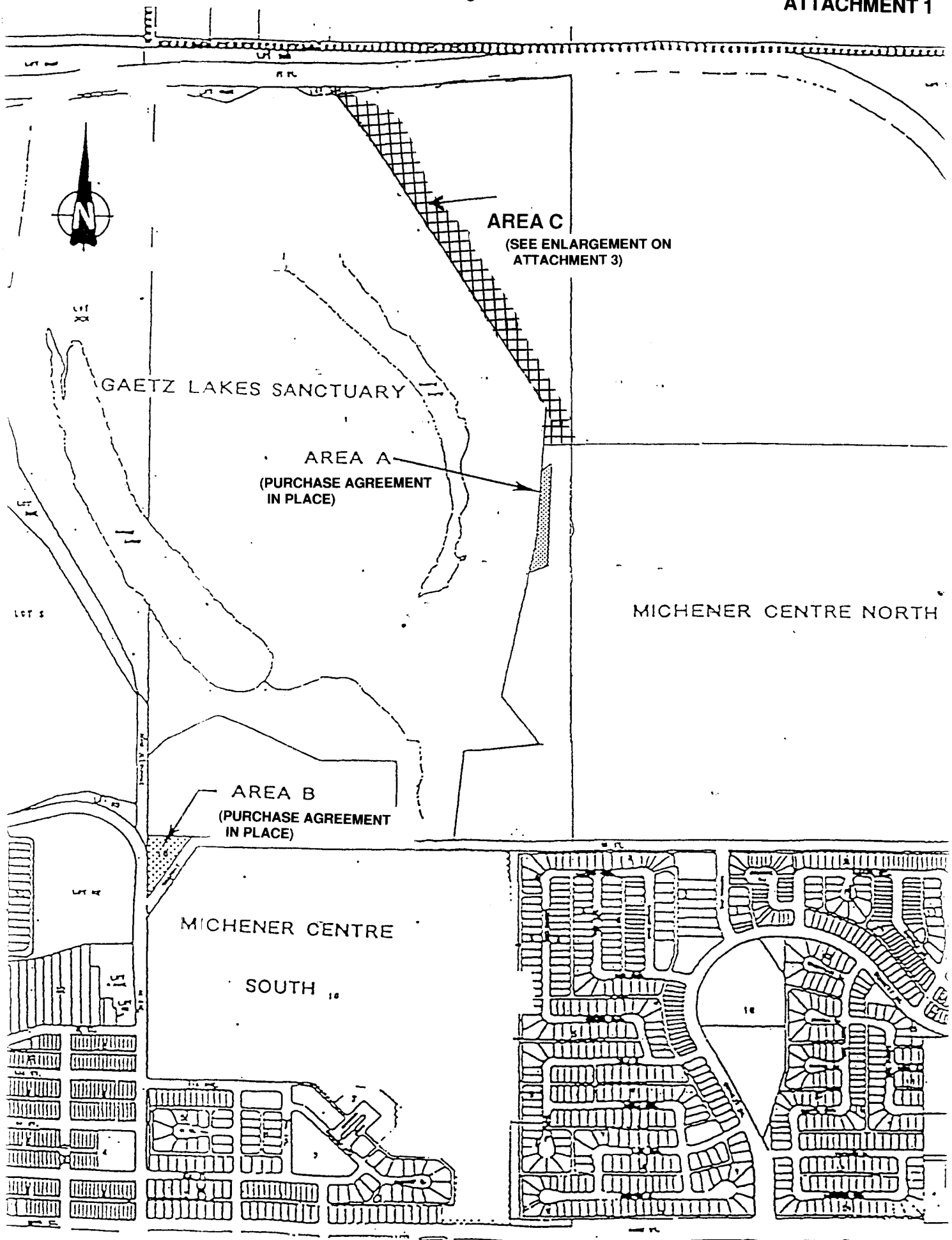


DON BATCHELOR

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Atts.

- c. Lowell R. Hodgson, Community Services Director
 Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee
 Paul Meyette, Principal Planner, P.C.P.S.
 Alan Scott, Land & Economic Development Manager
 Recreation, Parks & Culture Board



Land Acquisition Branch

3rd floor, PWSS Building
6950 - 113 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
Canada T6H 5V7

Telephone 403/427-6179
Fax 403/422-5419

June 6, 1997

Our File: S0661

The City of Red Deer
Recreation, Parks & Culture Department
P.O. Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

Attention: Mr. Don Batchelor, Manager

Dear Mr. Batchelor:

RE: MICHENER CENTRE - LAND SALE TO CITY OF RED DEER

We have reviewed your letter of January 29, 1997 on this subject and advise that Alberta Public Works, Supply and Services ("APWSS") is not in agreement to cost sharing a geotechnical study on Lot 2 Block 1 Plan 792 1758. It appears unlikely that any land owner would agree to guarantee a minimum setback of 100 metres and then do a geotechnical study to increase the area to be given up, as is suggested by the City's resolution. The 100 metre setback is likely excessive so that the purpose of a geotechnical study should be to possibly reduce the 100 metre setback area. APWSS can see no benefit to expending funds on lands it will be giving up for \$1.00.

In view of our respective positions on the geotechnical study, we suggest that the Thirdly described parcel in the Offer to Purchase (Area "C") delivered to you in November 1996, be deleted as well as paragraph 2(b) dealing with the geotechnical study. We could then proceed with an Agreement on the Firstly (Area "A") and the Secondly (Area "B") described parcels in the said Offer. The area of Area "A" would be amended to be 1.12 acres, subject to survey, based on the 1.12 acre area outlined in the attached sketch. The 0.33 acre area in the same sketch is currently being utilized as a storage area for Michener Centre and would not be available for sale.

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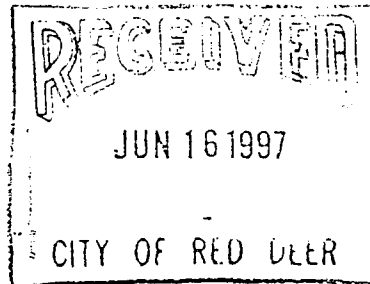
Please review and advise if the City is still interested in proceeding to acquire the Areas "A" (1.12 acres) and "B" (1.31 acres) for the nominal amount of \$1.00. Be further advised that APWSS may be proceeding to transfer ownership of the Michener Centre to a Foundation in the Fall of 1997 and arrangements would need to be finalized on the above noted parcels prior to this occurring. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 422 - 1391.

Yours truly,

Frank Kowalski
Frank Kowalski
Property Agent/Appraiser

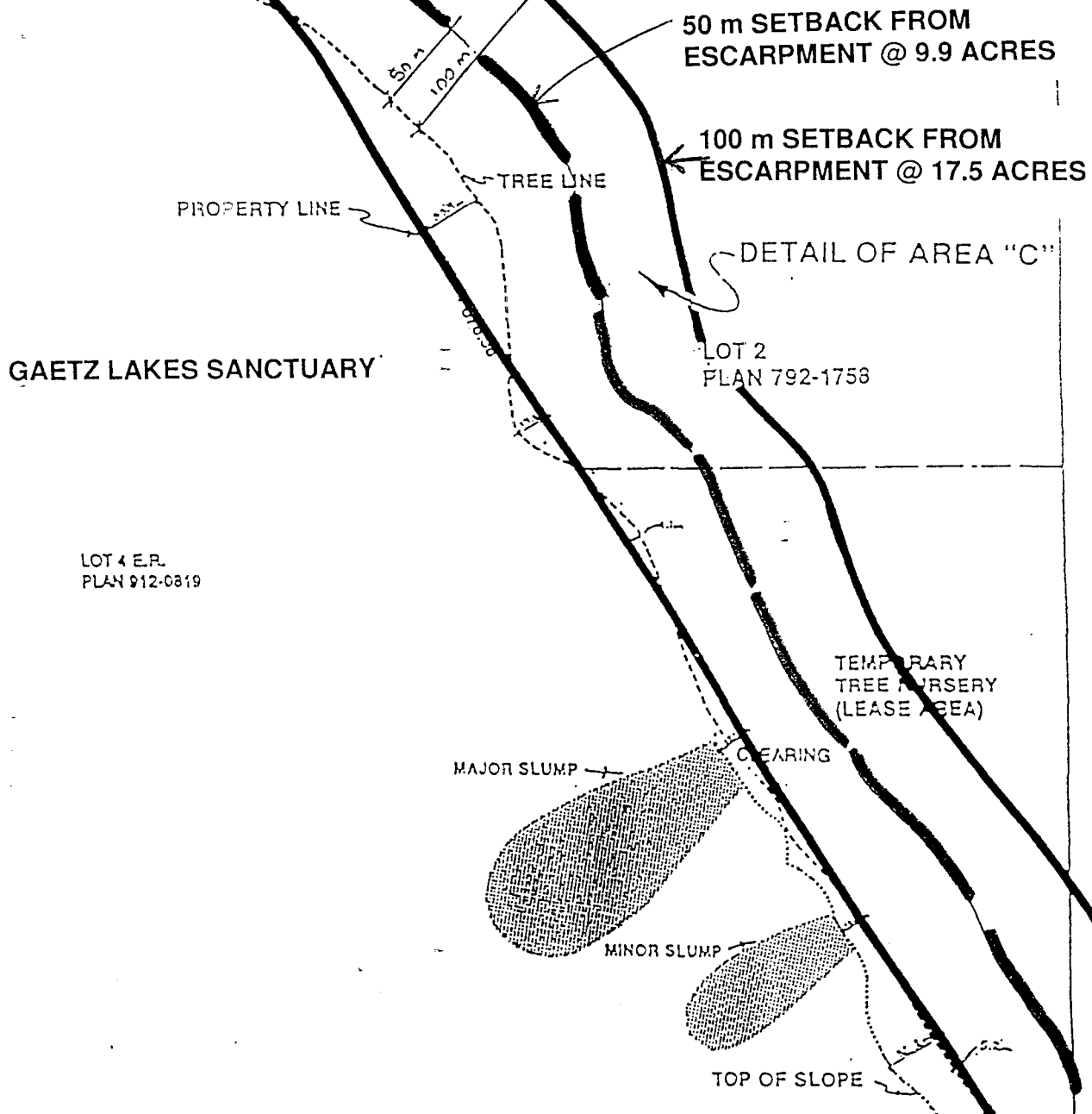
c.c. Lorrina Belland

Attachments



67 STREET

PLAN 072 0079



PLAN 792-1758, NW¼ 22-38-27-W4
EAST HILL AREA STRUCTURE PLAN/
MICHENER LANDS (41.29 acres)

PREPARED BY
CITY OF RED DEER
PARKS DEPARTMENT

NOVEMBER 1992

NOTE:
TOP OF SLOPE FOLLOWS
TREE LINE, EXCEPT AS SHOWN

SCALE 1:2500

Comments:

We concur with the recommendations of the Director of Community Services.

"G. D. Surkan"
Mayor

"H. M. C. Day"
City Manager

BACKUP INFORMATION
NOT SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL

July 22, 1997

Mr. Alan V. Scott
Land and Economic Development Manager
City of Red Deer
Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

Dear Mr. Scott:

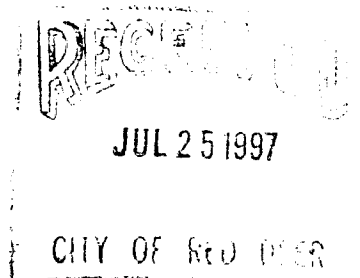
RE: MICHENER CENTRE LAND - LOT 2 AND 3, PLAN 792-1758

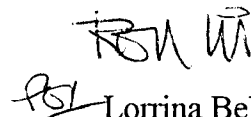
Your June 10, 1997 letter to Mr. Frank Kowalski expressing interest in acquiring land at Michener Centre has been referred to me for a response.

Michener Centre is in the process of being transferred to the Development Foundation Board; therefore, Public Works, Supply and Services (PWSS) is not in a position to consider sale of any portion of the site.

Please continue to correspond with Frank Kowalski on the portion of Lot 3, containing 1.12 acres.

Yours truly,




Lorrina Belland
Manager, Land Planning

cc: L. James, PWSS
F. Kowalski, PWSS

Land and Economic Development Department

BACKUP INFORMATION
NOT SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL

June 10, 1997

COPY

Mr. Frank Kowalski, Property Agent/Appraiser
Alberta Public Works Supply and Services
Land Acquisition Branch
3rd Floor, PWSS Building
6950 - 113th Street
Edmonton AB T6H 5V7

Dear Mr. Kowalski:

**RE: MICHENER CENTRE LAND - LOT 2, PLAN 792-1758
AND LOT 3, PLAN 792-1758**

Further to our telephone conversation of June 10, 1997, The City of Red Deer would be interested in negotiating the purchase of all or a portion of the above two lots, presently owned by the Province of Alberta. It would appear that Lot 2 consists of approximately 48.5 acres while Lot 3 totals approximately 22 acres. We understand, from conversations with Don Batchelor, that a portion of Lot 3 containing 1.12 acres will be made available to The City under a separate agreement.

Should the balance of the land described above be declared as surplus to the Province's needs, The City would appreciate being given the opportunity of negotiating an acquisition.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Alan V. Scott
Land and Economic Development Manager

AVS/rp

Council Decision - September 22, 1997 Meeting

DATE: September 23, 1997
TO: Director of Community Services
FROM: City Clerk
RE: ***MICHENER CENTRE CONSOLIDATION OF PARKLAND PROPOSAL
(GAETZ LAKES SANCTUARY)***

Reference Report: Director of Community Services dated
September 8, 1997

Resolution:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer, having considered report from the Director of Community Services, dated September 8, 1997, re: Michener Centre Consolidation of Parkland Proposal (Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary), hereby agrees as follows:

1. to proceed with a geo-technical investigation of the escarpment above the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary, at a cost of approximately \$18,000.00, in order that these lands can be consolidated with the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary;
2. that the cost of the geo-technical investigation be funded from the Public Reserve Trust Fund;
3. that said lands be purchased from the Province at a cost of \$1.00;
4. that the Land Acquisition Branch of the Provincial Government be advised of the above action,

and as presented to Council September 22, 1997."

Report Back to Council Required: No

Director of Community Services
September 23, 1997
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Comments/Further Action:

It would now be appropriate to proceed with the geo-technical investigation as noted above and to proceed with the sale of the noted lands from the Province.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

/clr

- c Director of Corporate Services
 Recreation, Parks & Culture Manager
 Land & Economic Development Manager
 Principal Planner
 Recreation, Parks & Culture Board
 Environmental Advisory Board
 Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee

DATE: September 17, 1997

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Director of Development Services

**RE: NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR DAWSON
RESIDENTIAL SIDEWALK SNOW REMOVAL**

On August 12, 1997, Council passed the following resolution:

“RESOLVED that the Council of The City of Red Deer, having considered report from the Public Works Manager dated May 30, 1997 re: Notice of Motion: Councillor Dawson - Residential Sidewalk Snow Removal, hereby agrees that Administration be directed to develop a more specific implementation plan for sidewalk snow removal for Council's further consideration, and as presented to Council August 11, 1997.”

Subsequent to that, a meeting was arranged with all affected parties to discuss the best way of implementing Council's instruction. At the meeting were representatives of the Social Planning, Public Works, Recreation and Parks, and Engineering Departments, as well as Inspector Sutton of the RCMP.

After considerable discussion, it was decided that certain initiatives be considered as a first phase of implementation prior to implementing a program that will likely require additional budget funds.

The first initiative would be a formalized system to record the number and nature of the complaints so that we could pattern a program to deal effectively with the issue.

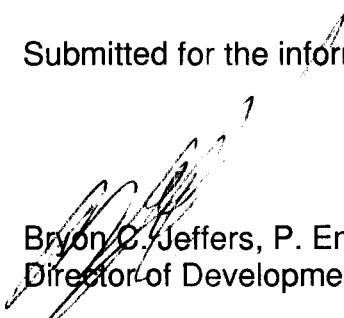
The second and more important initiative would be to develop a public awareness program and support system to help certain individuals deal with the issue. The group was concerned that expansion of the present by-law, to include residential sidewalks without first having a program in place to assist those that may not be able to clean their walk, may hurt the people we are most trying to help. This program is explained in detail in the submission from Colleen Jensen, the Social Planning Manager.

City Clerk
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September 17, 1997

RECOMMENDATION

It is respectfully recommended that the points described in the various reports be implemented for the winter of 1997/1998 as a first phase in the implementation of a more comprehensive program/by-law.

Submitted for the information and direction of Council.



Bryon C. Jeffers, P. Eng.
Director of Development Services

BCJ/emr

DATE: September 15, 1997

TO: KELLY KLOSS
City Clerk

FROM: LOWELL R. HODGSON
Community Services Director

RE: NOTICE OF MOTION: COUNCILLOR DAWSON
RESIDENTIAL SIDEWALK SNOW REMOVAL

I am very supportive of the reports from the Social Planning Manager and the Inspector of the R.C.M.P. in recommending an interim step in addressing the issue of sidewalk snow removal. I do not believe we can impose a standard on the community that we are not imposing on ourselves, and thus, the "blanket" approach that a bylaw amendment would affect would be quite unfair. Therefore, I strongly encourage an approach similar to what is recommended by the Social Planning Manager as, at least, an interim step in an attempt to get compliance.



LOWELL R. HODGSON

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DATE: September 12, 1997

TO: KELLY KLOSS
City Clerk

FROM: COLLEEN JENSEN
Social Planning Manager

RE: NOTICE OF MOTION: COUNCILLOR DAWSON
RESIDENTIAL SIDEWALK SNOW REMOVAL

I have reviewed the Notice of Motion regarding residential sidewalk snow removal, as submitted by Councillor Dawson, along with the comments of the Mayor and City Manager, and the resulting Council resolution of August 11, 1997. I respectfully submit the following comments.

I strongly support the need to have sidewalks cleared in residential areas, particularly as snow buildup often keeps seniors and the disabled community house bound for a large portion of the year. I understand the intent of a proposed change in bylaw which would mean that cleaning of walks could be enforced, thus dealing with the inconvenience and safety issues caused by some citizens. Having said this, however, I have a concern that some of the people, such as seniors and disabled, for whom we are trying to make it easier, will be some of the same people who are not cleaning their walks because of physical or financial constraints. As a bylaw cannot be selectively enforced, we may find ourselves prosecuting the very people we are seeking to assist.

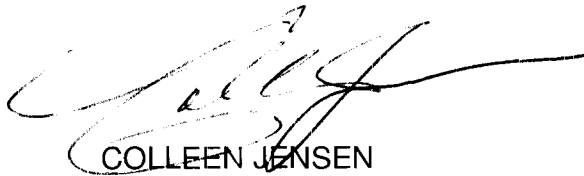
As an implementation plan is considered, I believe there could be some interim steps that should be tried, before we move to change the bylaw. These are as follows:

- Develop a public awareness program that will inform people of the impact on many people in our community, the majority being seniors and the disabled, when snow is not removed from sidewalks.
- When complaints are received, letters could be sent out from the Social Planning Department to the person who has not cleaned their walks, explaining that their action could be keeping people house bound and creating unsafe conditions for many who need to walk to buses or go for walks. They would be informed that if they are a senior or are disabled, a volunteer snow removal program (as noted below) is available to assist those who are unable to clean their own walks. This approach would be part of the awareness program and may be more successful than a letter or call from Public Works or Engineering.
- Explore the development of a snow removal program, that could be done by volunteers, where those who are unable to clean their walks could seek assistance. This would be done in partnership with a community agency, who could match those in need of assistance with the volunteers. The fines option program could also be a source of labor for such a program.

City Clerk
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September 12, 1997

RECOMMENDATION:

That, as a first stage, the above noted steps be undertaken in an effort to avoid implementing a bylaw which could negatively affect those we are trying to help, and which could cause complaints to increase substantially, such that enforcement and administration would be very difficult and costly.



COLLEEN JENSEN

cc. Lowell Hodgson, Director of Community Services

DATE: 10 SEP 97

TO: Colleen JENSEN - Social Planning Manager

FROM: Insp. G.G.S. SUTTON - OIC Red Deer City RCMP


**RE: NOTICE OF MOTION: COUNCILLOR DAWSON
RESIDENTIAL SIDEWALK SNOW REMOVAL**

The following is in follow-up to our meeting of September 8th.

I would like to preface my remarks by saying that I appreciate the position that Councillor DAWSON has taken and I empathize with those in our community who are inconvenienced by the lack of concern of others. In saying this however, should a bylaw be implemented in an effort to lessen this inconvenience, one must be aware that any bylaw would impact a larger population than those I feel we are trying to target. Simply put, the application of all bylaws extend to the entire population of the community and I will not partake in selective enforcement.

This being the case, if we were to implement a bylaw that required all residents to clear snow from walkways within 48 hours, we will more than likely be faced with prosecuting some elderly, some disabled as well as those that create constant problem areas. I do not wish to be seen as shirking responsibility and should it be Council's wish to implement a bylaw, we would be prepared to enforce it as we do with other municipal bylaws. This means that after a complaint is lodged, a violation notice will be issued. That action, unfortunately, does not bring total resolve to the problem, as thereafter there will be a requirement to arrange cleaning and collection of a fee.

I have reviewed this Notice of Motion and have made enquiries with other communities. I appreciate our existing bylaw could be amended without difficulty, however, in my opinion, all other alternatives should be explored first.



(G.G.S. SUTTON) Insp.
Officer In Charge
Red Deer City Detachment

Comments:

As outlined in the attached reports, the Administration is recommending as a first phase in the implementation of a more comprehensive residential sidewalk snow removal program, that we begin with a public education and voluntary compliance program. The recommendation is that we not pass a bylaw to come into effect for the winter of 1997/98, using this season instead to gather data relative to complaints and initiation of the voluntary compliance and assistance program. We concur with the recommendations.

"G. D. Surkan"
Mayor

"H. M. C. Day"
City Manager

FILE

Council Decision - September 22, 1997 Meeting

DATE: September 23, 1997
TO: Director of Development Services
FROM: City Clerk
RE: **NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR DAWSON: RESIDENTIAL SIDEWALK SNOW REMOVAL**

Reference Report: Director of Development Services, dated September 17, 1997

Resolution:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer, having considered report from the Director of Development Services dated September 17, 1997, re: Residential Sidewalk Snow Removal, hereby agrees as follows:

1. That the Administration develop a public awareness program to inform citizens of the impact on many people in our community, the majority being seniors and the disabled, when snow is not removed from sidewalks;
2. The 1997/98 winter season shall be used to gather data relative to complaints and concerns regarding voluntary compliance;
3. That the Administration explore the development of a snow removal program that could be done by volunteers, where those who are unable to clean their walks could seek assistance,

and as presented to Council September 22, 1997."

Report Back to Council Required: Yes

Comments/Further Action:

It would now be appropriate to proceed as noted above with a follow-up report being submitted back to Council in due course.


Kelly Kloss
City Clerk
/clr

c Director of Community Services
Social Planning Manager
Insp. S. Sutton, R.C.M.P.
Public Works Manager

Item No. 3

DATE: SEPTEMBER 5, 1997
TO: MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL
FROM: HOME OCCUPATIONS STUDY AD HOC COMMITTEE
RE: CORRESPONDENCE DISCUSSED BY COUNCIL AUGUST 25, 1997
FROM DEBBIE SKINNER
RESTRICTION OF OPEN HOUSES ON HOME BASED OCCUPATIONS

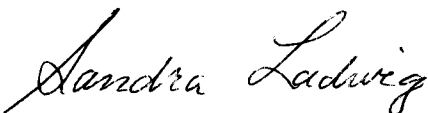
At the August 25, 1997 Council meeting, Council agreed that the Home Occupations Study Ad Hoc Committee be reinstated to review the issue of restricting Open Houses in residential areas of the city.

Members of this Committee met with Ms. Skinner on September 3, 1997, following which the recommendation as set out hereunder was unanimously agreed to.

"THAT the Home Occupations Study Ad Hoc Committee, in considering Open Houses in residential areas, recommends to City Council that there be no change to the current Land Use Bylaw 3156/96 [Section 60(1)], which restricts all home-based businesses to no retail sales."

The above recommendation is based on concerns surrounding additional traffic in residential areas, moving commercial activities and sales into residential neighbourhoods and the fact that the current Land Use Bylaw does enable The City to have some control when a problem occurs in a residential area.

Respectfully submitted,

for 
COUNCILLOR BEV HUGHES
Chairman

Home Occupations Study Ad Hoc Committee

Comments:

We concur with the recommendations of the Committee.

"G. D. Surkan"
Mayor

"H. M. C. Day"
City Manager

FILE

Council Decision - September 22, 1997 Meeting

DATE: September 23, 1997
TO: Home Occupations Study Ad Hoc Committee
FROM: City Clerk
RE: ***RESTRICTION OF OPEN HOUSES - HOME BASED OCCUPATIONS
(CORRESPONDENCE FROM DEBBIE SKINNER)***

Reference Report: Home Occupations Study Ad Hoc Committee,
dated September 5, 1997

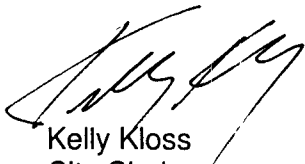
Resolution:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer, having considered report from the Home Occupations Study Ad Hoc Committee dated September 5, 1997, re: Restriction Of Open Houses - Home Based Occupations (Correspondence from Debbie Skinner), hereby agrees that no change be made to Section 60(1) of Land Use Bylaw 3156/97 - which restricts all home-based businesses to no retail sales, and as presented to Council September 22, 1997."

Report Back to Council Required: No

Comments/Further Action:

As noted above, Council concurred with your recommendations and no amendment to the Land Use Bylaw was approved.


Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

/clr

c Inspections & Licensing Manager

FILE

Office of the City Clerk

September 23, 1997

Ms. Debbie Skinner
66 Osmond Close
Red Deer, AB T4N 6Y1

Dear Ms. Skinner:

RE: RESTRICTION OF OPEN HOUSES - HOME BASED OCCUPATIONS

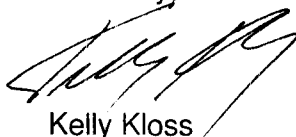
At the City of Red Deer's Council meeting held Monday, September 22, 1997, considered was again given to the above. At that meeting the following resolution was passed:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer, having considered report from the Home Occupations Study Ad Hoc Committee dated September 5, 1997, re: Restriction Of Open Houses - Home Based Occupations (Correspondence from Debbie Skinner), hereby agrees that no change be made to Section 60(1) of Land Use Bylaw 3156/97 - which restricts all home-based businesses to no retail sales, and as presented to Council September 22, 1997."

Although Council did not agree to a change in the Land Use Bylaw, we appreciate you taking the time to bring this matter to Council's attention. For your information, I have attached hereto the report from the Home Occupations Study Ad Hoc Committee for your information.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

/clr
attchs.

c Home Occupations Study Ad Hoc Committee

The City of Red Deer

Box 5008

Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4



DATE: September 17, 1997

TO: City Council

FROM: City Clerk

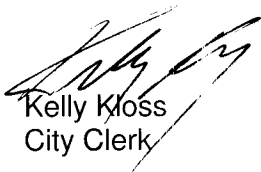
RE: ***LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 3156/W-97 / 6009 - 63 A STREET /
HIGHLAND GREEN (Lot 7, Block 2, Plan 619 HW)***

A Public Hearing has been advertised for the above noted Land Use Bylaw Amendment to be held on Monday, September 22, 1997 in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m.

Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/W-97 provides for the redesignation of Lot 7, Block 2, Plan 619 HW from R1 Residential (Low Density) District, to R1A Residential (Semi-detached Dwelling) District, subject to the front elevation of each unit (half) being significantly different from the other so as to resemble a single family housing structure.

RECOMMENDATION

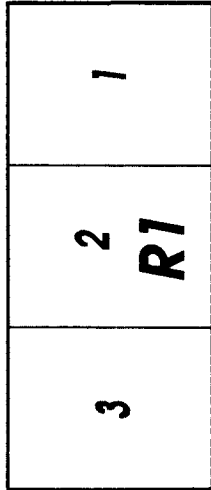
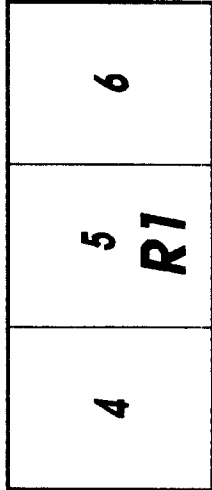
That following the Public Hearing, Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/W-97 may be given 2nd and 3rd Readings.


Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

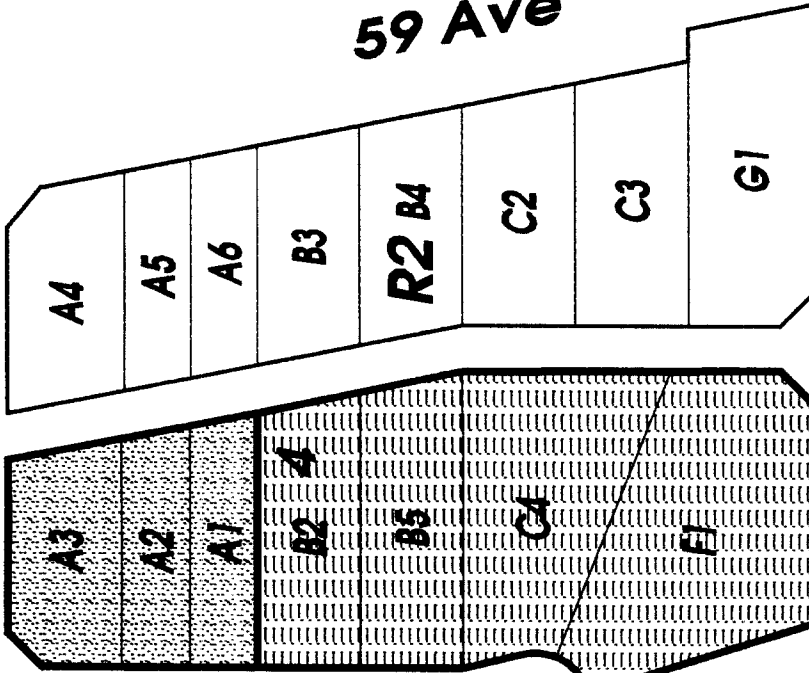
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64 St

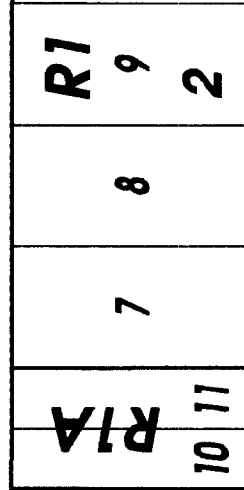
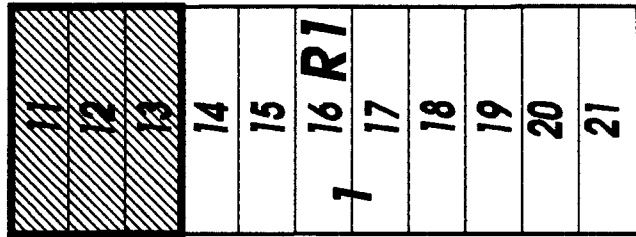


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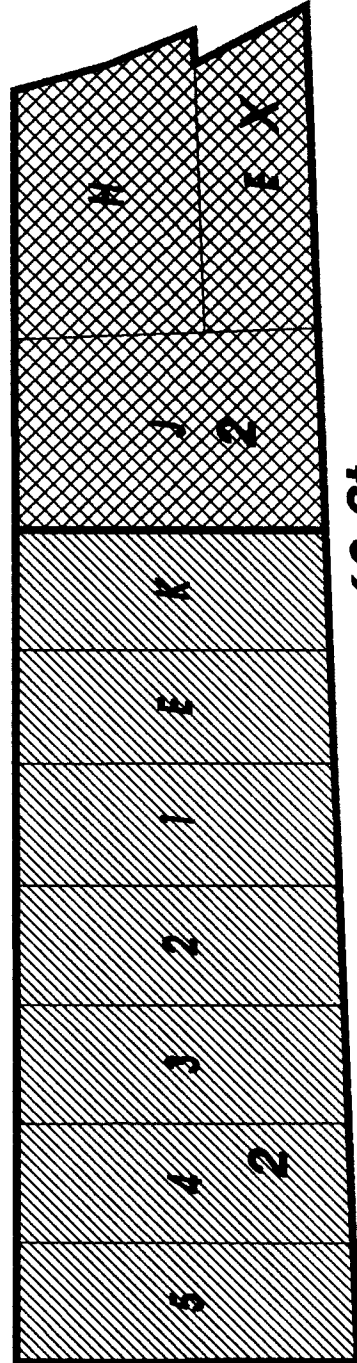


59 Ave

63A St



61 Ave



63 St

Change from: R1 to R1A



R1 to R2



MAP NO. 18 / 97
BYLAW NO. 3156 / W - 97

R2 to R1



R2 to R1A



WHERE AS:
R1 - Residential (low density) District
R1A - Residential (semi-detached dwelling) District
R2 - Residential (medium density) District

FILE

Council Decision - September 22, 1997 Meeting

DATE: September 23, 1997
TO: Principal Planner
FROM: City Clerk
RE: **LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 3156/W-97 (6009 - 63 A Street),
HIGHLAND GREEN (Lot 7, Block 2, Plan 619 HW)**

Reference Report: City Clerk, dated September 17, 1997

Bylaw Passed: Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/W-97 given
2nd & 3rd Readings. A copy is attached hereto.

Report Back to Council Required: No

Comments/Further Action:

Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/W-97 provides for the redesignation of Lot 7, Block 2, Plan 619 HW from R1 Residential (Low Density) District, to R1A Residential (Semi-detached Dwelling) District, subject to the front elevation of each unit (half) being significantly different from the other so as to resemble a single family housing structure.

A Public Hearing was held with respect to Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/W-97, following which same was given second and third readings. Our office will now be updating the office consolidation copy of the Land Use Bylaw and distributing same in due course.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

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attchs.

c Director of Development Services
 Director of Community Services
 E. L. & P. Manager
 Fire Chief
 City Assessor
 Land and Economic Development Manager
 Tony Woods, Engineering
 Council and Committee Secretary, S. Ladwig
 C. Rausch

FILE

Office of the City Clerk

September 25, 1997

Mr. Jim Wilson
Sutton Group
4819 - 48 Avenue
Red Deer, AB T4N 3T2

Dear Mr. Wilson:

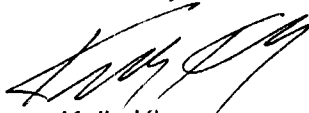
**RE: LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 3156/W-97,
 (6009 - 63 A Street), HIGHLAND GREEN (Lot 7, Block 2, Plan 619 HW)**

At the City of Red Deer's Council meeting held Monday, September 22, 1997, a Public Hearing was held with respect to Land Use Bylaw Amendment No. 3156/W-97. Following the Public Hearing, 2nd and 3rd Readings were given to same.

Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/W-97 provides for the redesignation of Lot 7, Block 2, Plan 619 HW from R1 Residential (Low Density) District, to R1A Residential (Semi-detached Dwelling) District, subject to the front elevation of each unit (half) being significantly different from the other so as to resemble a single family housing structure. I have attached hereto for your information a copy of Land Use Bylaw Amendment No. 3156/W-97.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further clarification or information.

Sincerely,



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

/clr
attchs.

c Principal Planner



Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

The City of Red Deer

Item No. 2

DATE: September 17, 1997

TO: City Council

FROM: City Clerk

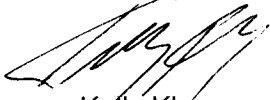
RE: **LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 3156/X-97 / EDGAR INDUSTRIAL PARK**

A Public Hearing has been advertised for the above noted Land Use Bylaw Amendment to be held on Monday, September 22, 1997 in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m.

Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/X-97 provides for the relocation of a local commercial site.

RECOMMENDATION

That following the Public Hearing, Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/X-97 may be given 2nd and 3rd readings.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

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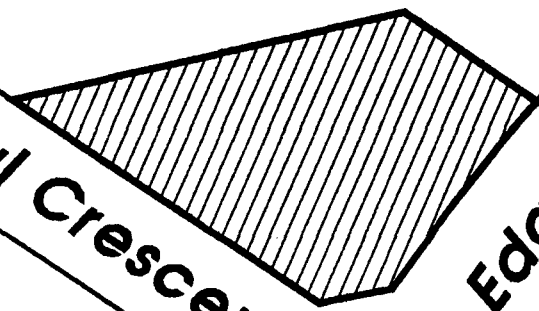


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I1

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Proposed Edgar
Truck Wash



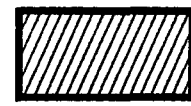
Edgar Industrial Drive

I2

I1

23

Change from: I1 to C3



Where as:

I1 - Industrial (Business Service) District

C3 - Commercial (Neighborhood
Convenience) District

MAP NO. 19 / 97
BYLAW NO. 3156 / X - 97

FILE

Council Decision - September 22, 1997 Meeting

DATE: September 23, 1997

TO: Principal Planner

FROM: City Clerk

RE: LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 3156/X-97 - EDGAR INDUSTRIAL PARK

Reference Report:

City Clerk, dated September 17, 1997

Bylaw Passed:

Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/X-97 given
2nd & 3rd Readings. A copy is attached hereto.

Report Back to Council Required:

No

Comments/Further Action:

Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/X-97 provides for the relocation of a local commercial site.

A Public Hearing was held with respect to Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/X-97, following which same was given second and third readings. Our office will now be updating the office consolidation copy of the Land Use Bylaw and distributing same in due course.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

/clr

attchs.

- c Director of Development Services
- Director of Community Services
- E. L. & P. Manager
- Fire Chief
- City Assessor
- Land and Economic Development Manager
- Tony Woods, Engineering
- Council and Committee Secretary, S. Ladwig
- C. Rausch

DATE: September 17, 1997
TO: City Council
FROM: City Clerk
RE: ***LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 3156/Y-97***
FORMER YMCA SITE (Part Parcel C, Plan 837 HW)

A Public Hearing has been advertised for the above noted Land Use Bylaw Amendment to be held on Monday, September 22, 1997 in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m.

Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/Y-97 provides for the redesignation of Part of Parcel C, Plan 837 HW (Former YMCA Site) from PS Public Service (Institutional Government) District, to R1 Residential (Low Density) District and R1A Residential (Semi-Detached) Districts.

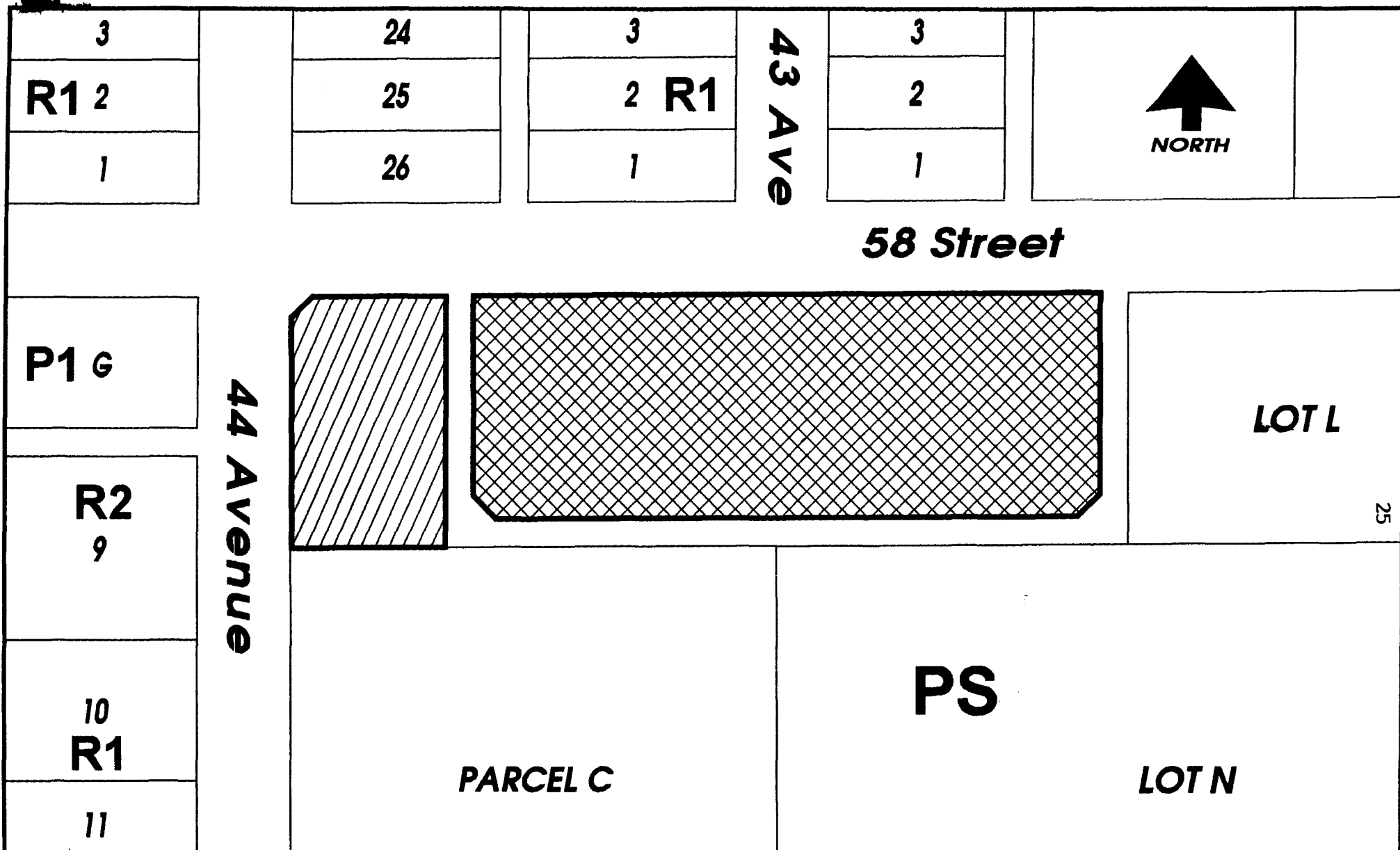
RECOMMENDATION

That following the Public Hearing, Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/Y-97 may be given 2nd and 3rd Readings.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

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Change from: PS to R1A



PS to R1



Where as:

R1 - Residential (Low Density) District

R1A - Residential (Semi-Detached Dwelling) District

PS - Public Service (Institutional or Governmental) District

MAP NO. 20 / 97

BYLAW NO. 3156 / Y - 97

FILE

Office of the City Clerk

September 25, 1997

Mr. Robert Smitten, Consultant
Bemoco Land Surveying Ltd.
21, 7895 - 49 Avenue
Red Deer, AB T4P 2B4

Dear Mr. Smitten:

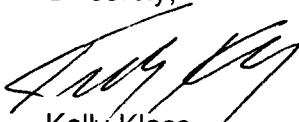
RE: LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 3156/Y-97
FORMER YMCA SITE (Part Parcel C, Plan 837 HW)

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Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/Y-97 provides for the redesignation of Part of Parcel C, Plan 837 HW (Former YMCA Site) from PS Public Service (Institutional Government) District, to R1 Residential (Low Density) District and R1A Residential (Semi-Detached) Districts. I have attached hereto for your information a copy of Land Use Bylaw Amendment No. 3156/Y-97.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further clarification or information.

Sincerely,


Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

/clr
attchs.

c Principal Planner

FILE

Council Decision - September 22, 1997 Meeting

DATE: September 23, 1997
TO: Principal Planner
FROM: City Clerk
RE: LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 3156/Y-97 - FORMER YMCA SITE
(Part of Parcel C, Plan 837 HW)

Reference Report: City Clerk, dated September 17, 1997


Bylaw Passed: Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/Y-97 given
2nd & 3rd Readings. A copy is attached hereto.

Report Back to Council Required: No

Comments/Further Action:

Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/Y-97 provides for the redesignation of Part of Parcel C, Plan 837 HW (Former YMCA Site) from PS Public Service (Institutional Government) District, to R1 Residential (Low Density) District and R1A Residential (Semi-Detached) Districts.

A Public Hearing was held with respect to Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/Y-97, following which same was given second and third readings. Our office will now be updating the office consolidation copy of the Land Use Bylaw and distributing same in due course.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

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attchs.

c Director of Development Services
 Director of Community Services
 E. L. & P. Manager
 Fire Chief
 City Assessor
 Land and Economic Development Manager
 Tony Woods, Engineering
 Council and Committee Secretary, S. Ladwig
 C. Rausch

DATE: September 17, 1997
TO: City Council
FROM: City Clerk
RE: ***LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 3156/Z-97, REZONING REQUEST -
6720 - 67 STREET (Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 872-2260)***

A Public Hearing has been advertised for the above noted Land Use Bylaw Amendment to be held on Monday, September 22, 1997 in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m.

Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/Z-97 provides for the redesignation of Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 872-2260 (6720 - 67 Street) from A1 Future Urban Development District to C4 Major Arterial District.

RECOMMENDATION

That following the Public Hearing, Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/Z-97 may be given 2nd and 3rd Readings.

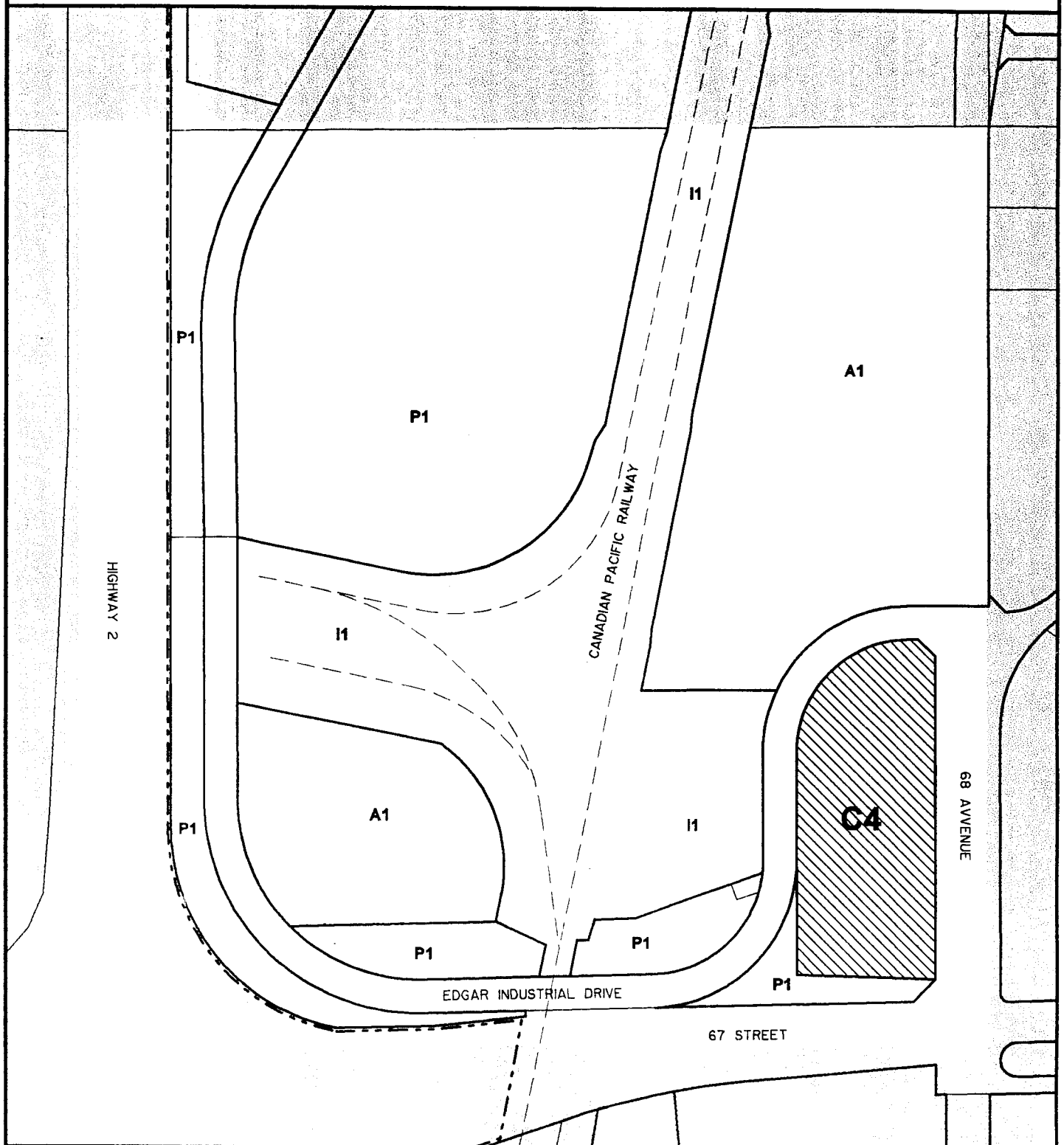


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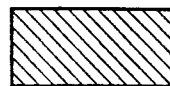
THE CITY OF RED DEER - LAND USE BYLAW LAND USE DISTRICTS

C12



BYLAW NUMBER - 3156 / Z-97
Map No. 21 / 97

Change from: A1 to C4



SEE SECTION SIX FOR
LANDUSE DISTRICT DEFINITIONS

B13	C13	D13
B12	C12	D12
B11	C11	D11



SCALE 1:5000
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S.W. 1/4 -30-38-27-4

FILE

Office of the City Clerk

September 25, 1997

Mr. Terry Bearden
Bearden Engineering
1, 4646 Riverside Drive
Red Deer, AB T4N 6Y5

Dear Mr. Bearden:

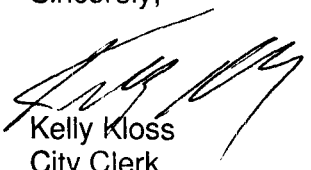
**RE: LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 3156/Z-97, REZONING REQUEST -
 6720 - 67 STREET (Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 872-2260)**

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further clarification or information.

Sincerely,


Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

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attchs.

c Principal Planner

The City of Red Deer

Box 5008

Red Deer, Alberta

T4N 3T4



FILE

Council Decision - September 22, 1997 Meeting

DATE: September 23, 1997
TO: Principal Planner
FROM: City Clerk
RE: **LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 3156/Z-97 - REZONING REQUEST,
6720 - 67 STREET (Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 872-2260)**

Reference Report: City Clerk, dated September 17, 1997

Bylaw Passed: Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/Z-97 given
2nd & 3rd Readings. A copy is attached hereto.

Report Back to Council Required: No

Comments/Further Action:

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Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

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attchs.

c Director of Development Services
 Director of Community Services
 E. L. & P. Manager
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 City Assessor
 Land and Economic Development Manager
 Tony Woods, Engineering
 Council and Committee Secretary, S. Ladwig
 C. Rausch

Item No. 1
Reports

Memo

To: City Council

From: Paul Meyette
Principal Planner

Date: 09/16/97

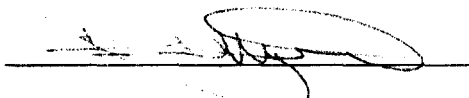
Re: Land Use Bylaw 3156/AA-97

Enclosed please find Bylaw 3156/AA-97, which proposes to allow a limited expansion of the McKee Manufacturing Business, located in Lancaster Meadows. This bylaw will limit expansion to one new Butler Building and an extension of an existing Butler Building. No further expansion would be allowed through this Bylaw.

The proposed site plan, which is attached to this Bylaw, allows for a new access road which will be required by the Engineering Department in the future. The site plan will also result in the removal of approximately 372 square metres of older buildings.

Recommendation

Planning staff recommend that Council give first reading to Bylaw 3156/AA-97.



Paul Meyette, Principal Planner

Comments:

We concur with the recommendations of the Principal Planner.

"G. D. Surkan"
Mayor

"H. M. C. Day"
City Manager



Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

The City of Red Deer

Office of the City Clerk

September 23, 1997

FILE

McKee Manufacturing Ltd.
Box 441
Red Deer, AB T4N 5E9

Fax: 347-7492

Dear Sir:

**RE: LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 3156/AA-97 / PROPOSED LIMITED
EXPANSION OF McKEE MANUFACTURING / LANCASTER MEADOWS**

At the City of Red Deer's Council meeting held Monday, September 22, 1997, consideration was given to Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/AA-97, a copy of which is attached hereto.

Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/AA-97 proposes to allow for a limited expansion of the McKee Manufacturing business located in Lancaster Meadows. This bylaw amendment will limit the expansion to one new Butler building and an extension of an existing Butler building. No further expansion would be allowed through this bylaw.


This office will now proceed with the advertising for a Public Hearing to be held on Monday, October 20, 1997, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as Council may determine, in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

In accordance with the Land Use Bylaw, you are required to deposit with the City Clerk, prior to public advertising, an amount equal to the estimated cost of advertising, however, as agreed, in this instance you will only be responsible for 50% of the estimated \$600.00 cost of advertising - the City will be responsible for the other 50%. We require your \$300.00 deposit by no later than 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 1, 1997, in order to proceed with the advertising. Once the actual cost of advertising is known, you will either be invoiced for or refunded the difference.

McKee Manufacturing Ltd.
September 23, 1997
Page 2

If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

/clr
attchs.

- c Director of Development Services
- Director of Community Services
- Land and Economic Development Manager
- E. L. & P. Manager
- Fire Chief
- City Assessor
- Principal Planner
- Council and Committee Secretary, S. Ladwig

Office of the City Clerk

September 23, 1997

McKee Manufacturing Ltd.
Box 441
Red Deer, AB T4N 5E9

Fax: 347-7492

FILE

Dear

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4814 - 48th Avenue, Red Deer, AB Canada T4N 3T4
Tel: (403) 342-8182 Fax: (403) 346-8108 E-mail: cityclerk@city.red-deer.ab.ca Web: http://www.city.red-deer.ab.ca

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Council Decision - September 22, 1997 Meeting

DATE: September 23, 1997
TO: Principal Planner
FROM: City Clerk
RE: **LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 3156/AA-97 / PROPOSED LIMITED
EXPANSION OF McKEE MANUFACTURING / LANCASTER MEADOWS**

Reference Report: Principal Planner, dated September 16, 1997

Bylaw Passed: Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/AA-97 given
1st Reading. A copy is attached hereto.

Report Back to Council Required: Yes, Public Hearing to be held October 20, 1997 at
7:00 p.m.

Comments/Further Action:

Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/AA-97 proposes to allow for a limited expansion of the McKee Manufacturing business located in Lancaster Meadows. This bylaw amendment will limit the expansion to one new Butler building and an extension of an existing Butler building. No further expansion would be allowed through this bylaw.

This office will now proceed with the advertising for a Public Hearing. The City of Red Deer and McKee Manufacturing will split the cost of advertising in this instance on a 50/50 basis. McKee Manufacturing has been advised of their responsibilities regarding advertising costs.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

/clr
attchs.

c Director of Development Services
 Director of Community Services
 E. L. & P. Manager
 Fire Chief
 City Assessor
 Land and Economic Development Manager
 Council and Committee Secretary, S. Ladwig

Item No. 2

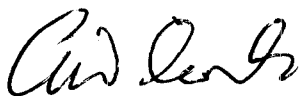
DATE: September 9, 1997
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Director of Corporate Services
RE: PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR THE
1998 - 2000 BUSINESS PLAN REVIEW BY COUNCIL

Attached is the above for Council consideration.

Council may want to set aside one additional day (say Wednesday, January 28, 1998) in the event not all review is completed within the proposed four days.

Requested Action

Council approval of the attached schedule for review of the 1998-2000 Business Plans plus Wednesday, January 28, 1998 as a spare.



A. Wilcock, B. Comm., C.A.
Director of Corporate Services

Att.

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COUNCIL 1998/99/00 BUDGET REVIEW SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Description</u>
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	5:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Community Services Division Three Year Business Plans
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	7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Community Services Division Three Year Business Plans
Tuesday, January 20, 1998	4:30 - 6:00 p.m.	Community Services Division Three Year Business Plans
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	7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Corporate Services Division Three Year Business Plans
Wednesday, January 21, 1998	4:30 - 6:00 p.m.	Personnel Mayor & City Manager Corporate Services Division Three Year Business Plans
	6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Supper
	7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Development Services Division Three Year Business Plans
Tuesday, January 27, 1998	4:30 - 6:00 p.m.	Development Services Division Three Year Business Plans
	6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Supper
	7:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Development Services Division Three Year Business Plans
	8:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Budget Completion

Comments:

We recommend that Council approve the dates outlined.

"G. D. Surkan"
Mayor

"H. M. C. Day"
City Manager

FILE

Council Decision - September 22, 1997 Meeting

DATE: September 23, 1997
TO: Director of Corporate Services
FROM: City Clerk
RE: *PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR THE 1998-2000 BUSINESS PLAN REVIEW BY COUNCIL*

Reference Report: Director of Corporate Services, dated September 9, 1997

Resolution:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer, hereby approves the following dates for special meetings of Council for the purpose of the 1998-2000 Business Plan Review and that said meetings shall be held in the Council Chambers of Red Deer City Hall, commencing at 4:30 p.m.:

Monday, January 19, 1998
Tuesday, January 20, 1998
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Wednesday, January 28, 1998."

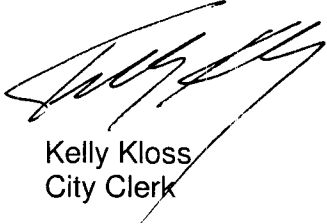
Report Back to Council Required: No

Comments/Further Action:

The Council Chambers and Lounge have been reserved for the above noted special meetings of Council. By way of a copy of this memo I will advise the appropriate staff and media of the approved meeting dates and will attach for their information the schedule that appeared on the agenda.

Director of Corporate Services
September 23, 1997
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Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require further assistance.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

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attchs.

c Mayor
 Councillors
 City Manager
 Director of Community Services
 Director of Development Services
 Assistant City Clerk
 City Assessor
 E. L. & P. Manager
 Engineering Services Manager
 Fire Chief/General Manager Emergency Services Department
 Information Technology Services Manager
 Inspections & Licensing Manager
 Land and Economic Development Manager
 Personnel Manager
 Public Works Manager
 Insp. S. Sutton, R.C.M.P.
 Recreation, Parks & Culture Manager
 Social Planning Manager
 Transit Manager
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Red Deer, Alberta
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The City of Red Deer

FILE

Office of the City Clerk

September 23, 1997

MEDIA - CITY OF RED DEER

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

At the City of Red Deer's Council meeting held Monday, September 22, 1997, the following resolution was passed:

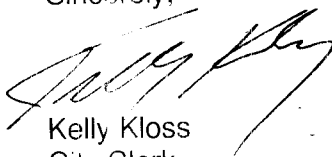
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Wednesday,	January 28, 1998."

Please find attached hereto a more detailed meeting schedule as provided by the Director of Corporate Services.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the Director of Corporate Services, Mr. A. Wilcock.

Sincerely,


Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

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attchs.

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DATE: September 11th, 1997

TO: KELLY KLOSS
City Clerk

FROM: LOWELL R. HODGSON
Community Services Director

RE: RIVER BEND GOLF & RECREATION SOCIETY AGREEMENT

Our current lease agreement with the River Bend Golf & Recreation Society terminates April 24th, 1998. This agreement has been in place since 1989, but has been amended twice in order to reflect changes in the *rent due* clause.

In the interest of strategic planning, both the society and City Administration saw benefit in negotiating a new agreement now, so that operations at River Bend are not in any way disrupted. Our current agreement will remain in effect for the 1997 golf season and the beginning of the winter ski season. The revised agreement, as prepared by the City Solicitor, will then come into effect January 1st, 1998.

Highlights of this new agreement are as follows:

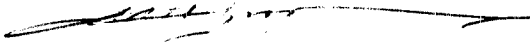
1. The agreement has successive annual renewals, subject only to alterations respecting revenue sharing. We jointly commit to a user-pay philosophy with annual increases in fees and charges tied to the consumer price index.
2. The agreement acknowledges the need for reinvestment in the facility and equipment and shares the risk financially between the City and the society. We have acknowledged that \$1,200,000 (1997 dollars) is needed for annual operation.
3. The City assumes more of the risk in achieving the same levels of *rent due*, as is the case in the existing agreement. Therefore, revenues generated in excess of \$1.2 million are shared with the society portion directed to repairs and reinvestment in the facility, and The City portion is used to offset the overall maintenance costs of Waskasoo Park.
4. The agreement, through the appendices, better describes service standards and benchmarking.
5. The new agreement describes more clearly than in the existing document, the responsibilities for major infrastructure maintenance.
6. Board membership is altered from two-year terms with a possible two-year extension, to one three-year term, with three members being replaced each year, thus, providing more continuity and less chance of significant turnover in any one year.

I would like to publicly thank the society-appointed committee of Terry Susut and Larry Purpur for their business-like approach to these negotiations, and to the River Bend Society for their obvious pride in operating a first-class facility. I believe that this new agreement will permit the society to continue the current high level of service and will protect the City's investment in this facility.

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September 11th, 1997

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council of The City of Red Deer approve the new lease agreement with the River Bend Golf & Recreation Society, as prepared by our City Solicitor.



LOWELL R. HODGSON

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Att.

Comments:

We recommend that approval be given to the said lease agreement.

"G. D. Surkan"
Mayor

"H. M. C. Day"
City Manager

FILE

Council Decision - September 22, 1997 Meeting

DATE: September 23, 1997
TO: Director of Community Services
FROM: City Clerk
RE: **RIVER BEND GOLF AND RECREATION SOCIETY AGREEMENT**

Reference Report:

Director of Community Services, dated
September 11, 1997

Resolution:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer, having considered report from the Director of Community Services dated September 11, 1997, re: River Bend Golf & Recreation Society Agreement, hereby approves the agreement as presented to Council September 22, 1997 between The City of Red Deer and River Bend Golf & Recreation Society."

Report Back to Council Required:

No

Comments/Further Action:

It would now be appropriate to proceed with the execution of the noted agreement.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

/clr

c Director of Corporate Services

COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 22, 1997

**ATTACHMENT TO REPORT ON
OPEN AGENDA**

RE:

**RIVERBEND GOLF & RECREATION SOCIETY
AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT made this ____ day of _____, 1997, TO PROVIDE FOR THE OPERATION OF THE RIVER BEND GOLF COURSE AND RECREATION AREA.

BETWEEN:

THE CITY OF RED DEER

(the "City")

- and -

THE RIVER BEND GOLF AND RECREATION SOCIETY (RED DEER)

(the "Society")

WHEREAS:

- A. The City is the registered owner of lands in the Province of Alberta, the legal description for which is set out in Schedule "A" to this agreement (the "Lands") and which are known as the River Bend Golf Course and Recreation Area.
- B. The City has developed upon the Lands a golf course and other improvements which are collectively referred to in this agreement as the "Facilities" and which include:
 - 1. an 18-hole golf course, mini links, situation golf driving range and associated practice facilities and club house, generally known as River Bend Golf Course;
 - 2. a cross-country ski course and biathlon range;
 - 3. picnic sites;
 - 4. a children's recreation area known as Discovery Canyon "Recreation Area";
 - 5. miscellaneous shops, a residence, storage facilities and buildings related to the operation of the golf course;
 - 6. natural areas; and

7. a boat launch facility and associated parking area.
- C. The City owns chattels which are necessary for the care, maintenance, and upkeep of the Facilities.
- D. The Society and the City are dedicated as separate but equal parties to the operation and improvement of the River Bend Golf Course and Recreation Area and furthermore, the Society is committed to operate the Facilities as a publicly accessible golf course and recreation area.
- E. This agreement is intended to provide to the Society an exclusive License whereby the Society agrees to carry out the business of operating the Facilities and their related services with the co-operation of the City, the respective obligations of the parties being as follows:

1. **DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION**

- 1.1 **Definitions:** For the purposes of this Agreement, unless there is something in the subject matter or context inconsistent therewith, the following expressions shall have the following meanings respectively:

1.1.1 "Depreciation Listing" means a list of all equipment, fixtures, capital assets and the value of all inventories held or maintained by the Society from time to time in connection with the operation of the Facilities, without exception;

1.1.2 "Gross Revenue" means the revenues of the Society from all sources whatever, excepting:

(i) charitable donations to the Society;

(ii) sales of merchandise for which cash has been refunded, but only to the extent of such refund, if the selling price of such merchandise has been previously included in Gross Revenue;

- (iii) the selling price of merchandise returned by customers for exchange, if the selling price of such returned merchandise has been previously included in Gross Revenue and if the selling price of merchandise delivered to the customer in exchange has been included in Gross Revenue;
- (iv) the amount of any tax imposed by any federal, provincial, municipal or other government authority directly on sales or rentals or both, and collected from customers at the point of sale or rental by the Society acting as agent for such authority, as long as the amount thereof is added separately to the selling or rental price and does not form part of the quoted price for the article or service and is actually paid by the Society to such authority; and
- (v) the Green Fees generated from the golf course facility from a maximum of one of each of the following sanctioned events during each year of the Term or renewal thereof:
 - (aa) a charitable fund raising event;
 - (bb) an Alberta Golf Association or Alberta Ladies Golf Association Tournament; and
 - (cc) a Royal Canadian Golf Association Tournament; and
- (vi) interest on the funds held in trust by the City and donations from the City for infrastructure repair.

1.1.3 "Occupancy Costs" means every operating, maintenance, building occupancy and land occupancy cost, expense, rate, tax or charge in any way related to the Facilities without variation, set-off, or deduction whatsoever, including:

- (a) the cost of gas, oil, power, electricity, water, sewer, communications, and all other utilities and services, together with the direct cost of administering such utility services;
- (b) janitorial costs and services;

- (c) the cost of servicing and maintaining all heating, air-conditioning, plumbing, electrical and other machinery and equipment; and
- (d) all taxes and assessments, irrigation, landscaping, maintenance, planning and legal fees thereof.

1.1.4 "Operations Plans" means those plans of the Society for the long and short term operation of the Facilities including the Society's Business Plans, Tactical Plan and Master Plan;

1.1.5 "Policies" means the policies and procedures developed by the Society from time to time for the operation of the Facilities;

1.1.6 "Threshold Amounts" means the amounts set out in Articles 5.2.1 and 5.2.2, i.e. \$1,200,000.00 and \$1,400,000.00.

1.2 Partial Invalidity: If any term of this Agreement is to found by a court to be invalid, unenforceable or illegal, then such term:

1.2.1 is deemed to be independent of the remainder of this Agreement and to be severable therefrom and its invalidity, unenforceability or illegality does not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Agreement; and

1.2.2 continues to be applicable and to be enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law against any person and in all circumstances other than those as to which it has been held to be invalid.

2. GRANT OF LICENSE

2.1 Subject to the conditions and provisions of this agreement, the City hereby grants to the Society an exclusive license to:

2.1.1 occupy and use the Lands and Facilities for the purpose of operating the same in order to provide to the public a golf course and related facilities, recreation

areas, cross-country ski course, biathlon range and picnic sites;

2.1.2 to use the Chattels and Equipment for the purpose of maintaining, repairing and improving the Facilities.

3. **TERM AND RENEWAL**

- 3.1 The term of this agreement shall be a period of one year from January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998 (the "Term").
- 3.2 Subject to the provisions of Articles 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, and 3.6, this agreement shall automatically be renewed from year to year (the "Renewal Terms") on the same terms and provisions contained herein excepting thereout those provisions which the City and the Society may mutually agree to amend from time to time.
- 3.3 Notwithstanding the foregoing, either party may notify the other that it does not wish to renew the agreement, in which case the agreement shall terminate on the expiry of the then current term. To be effective, such notice must be in writing and be delivered not less than 90 days prior to the expiry of the current term.
- 3.4 Notwithstanding the foregoing, either party may notify the other that it wishes to terminate the current agreement, in which case the agreement shall terminate 90 days following such notice. To be effective, such notice must be in writing and be delivered not less than 90 days prior to the effective termination date.
- 3.5 Should the payments owing hereunder to the City, or any part thereof, be unpaid after fifteen (15) days written notice of such default, or if any of the Society's covenants herein contained shall not be performed or observed after thirty (30) days written notice of the default, or if the Society shall be adjudicated as bankrupt or enter into an agreement for the benefit of its creditors, or suffer any distress or execution to be levied on its goods, or if the Society should enter into liquidation or receivership either compulsorily or voluntarily, then this agreement at the option of the City may be terminated and it shall be lawful for the City at any time thereafter to re-enter upon the Facilities and thereupon this agreement and license shall be absolutely determined.

- 3.6 The City may terminate this agreement without notice if any member of the Board of Directors of the Society shall breach the Conflict of Interest provisions of the by-laws of the Society and if the Society shall fail to terminate the appointment of such Director to the Board within a reasonable period of time after the discovery of the conflict.

4. SOCIETY'S PLANS OF OPERATION

- 4.1 On or before the 1st day of the month of October prior to the commencement of the Term, the Society shall prepare and submit in writing to the City, its Business Plan, and prepare and submit to the City by January 1 of each year its Tactical Plan and Master Plan (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Operations Plans"), policies and procedures (hereinafter referred to as the "Policies") and annual budget for the operation of the Facilities during the Term.
- 4.2 On or before the 1st day of February of the Term the City shall review and confirm the Operations Plans.
- 4.3 If the City disapproves the Operations Plans or any part thereof or the Policies or any part thereof, the City shall forthwith notify the Society in writing of the disapproval and the reasons therefore (the "Notice of Disapproval"). The Society and the City shall then enter into negotiations to resolve the issues raised by the Notice of Disapproval.
- 4.4 The provisions of Articles 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 shall apply to all amendments, revisions, updates which the Society wishes to make to its Operational Plans and the Society's Annual Budget, in each of the Renewal Terms.

5. LICENCE FEE AND PERCENTAGE FEES

- 5.1 The Society shall pay to the City an annual license fee of One Dollar (\$1.00) (the "Annual License Fee") payable in advance on the 1st day of January of the Term and each Renewal Term.
- 5.2 In addition to the Annual License Fee, the Society shall pay to the City, in the manner and at the times hereinafter set forth during each Term and Renewal Term, as a percentage

licence fee (the "Percentage Licence Fee") an amount calculated as follows:

5.2.1 Seventy (70%) per cent of the Gross Revenue of the Society during the Term (and in each Renewal Term) in excess of \$1,200,000.00 to and including \$1,400,000.00; and

5.2.2 Eighty (80%) percent of the Gross Revenue of the Society during the Term (and in each Renewal Term) in excess of \$1,400,000.00.

5.3 The Percentage Licence Fee, if any, is payable by the Society to the City as follows:

5.3.1 an amount equal to seventy-five (75%) per cent of the Percentage Licence Fee is due and payable on the 31st day of December in each Term and each Renewal Term; and

5.3.2. the balance of the Percentage License Fee is due and payable on the 90th day following the expiration of the Term and each Renewal Term.

5.4 The Society and the City agree that:

5.4.1 the Percentage License Fee shall be computed separately for the Term and each Renewal Term;

5.4.2 if the Term or any Renewal Term does not correspond to a twelve (12) calendar month period, the dollar amount set out in Article 5.2 hereof shall be adjusted for each Term or Renewal Term on a per diem basis based on the number of days in such period.

5.5 The initial payment of the Percentage License Fee will be accompanied by a statement prepared by the Society setting forth the Gross Revenue for the relevant Term or Renewal Term. The subsequent payment of the Percentage License Fee for that Term or Renewal Term shall be accompanied by an audited statement prepared by the Society's auditor verifying the Gross Revenue for the relevant Term or Renewal Term.

- 5.6 It is the intention of both the Society and the City that any increase in costs incurred (or to be incurred) by the Society in the operation of the Facilities shall be recovered by the Society by way of an increase of the fees charged by the Society to the public for the use of the Facilities. Therefore, the Society and the City agree that the Threshold Amounts may increase as a result of changes in the Alberta Consumer Price Index from one year to the next. The increase in the Threshold Amounts each Renewal Term shall be an amount determined by multiplying the Threshold Amounts by a fraction, the numerator of which is the average of the Alberta Consumer Price Index during the relevant Renewal Term and the denominator of which is the Alberta Consumer Price Index as it existed as at January 1, 1998. By January 30th of each year, a letter signed by both parties shall be exchanged, which acknowledges the Alberta Consumer Price Index for the previous year and specifies the adjustment in the revenue sharing totals.

6. CITY'S LOANS TO SOCIETY

- 6.1 During the Term and each Renewal Term, in order to assist the Society with its capital purchases and site improvements pending receipt of revenue by the Society, the City agrees to lend money to the Society from time to time in such amounts and on such terms as to interest and repayment as may be approved by the City's Director of Corporate Services from time to time, provide that such loans shall not exceed the total annual approved Capital budget of the Society.
- 6.2 Unless otherwise specifically agreed in writing, all money lent by the City under Article 6.1 shall be repaid by the Society not later than the last day of the Term or Renewal Term in which the funds were advanced.

7. SOCIETY'S INCOME

- 7.1 All revenue received by the Society during the Term or Renewal Term in excess of its expenses in such Term or Renewal Term shall be paid by the Society to the City to be held in trust by the City for the benefit of the Society.
- 7.2 Upon the written request of the Society, the City shall pay all or a portion of the money held in trust to the Society.

8 . COVENANTS OF THE SOCIETY

8.1 The Society covenants with the City as follows:

8.1.1 In the operation of the Facilities, the Society shall use its reasonable best efforts:

- (a) to operate the Facilities in accordance with the then approved Operational Plan, Policies and Annual Budget;**
- (b) to provide a high standard publically accessible golf course and recreation area consistent with the design of the Facilities and in such a manner that it is an attraction for tourists, conventioners and other visitors to the City of Red Deer;**
- (c) to ensure that the Facilities are available for use by the public at large subject to the payment of fees in such amounts as approved by the Society and confirmed by the City in the Annual Budget;**
- (d) to operate the Facilities pursuant to those standards and guidelines set out in Schedule "B", as those may be modified or amended by the mutual agreement of the parties from time to time;**
- (e) to operate each component of the Facilities and all services thereon in a manner that will maximize public use, generate revenues and reserves for Facilities enhancements and repair, maximize revenue, and operate as a non profit business;**
- (f) to operate the golf course portion of the Facilities in such a manner that the fees will be competitive with the fees charged by golf courses and facilities of similar location, condition and demand;**
- (g) to operate the Facilities safely, efficiently and effectively and in a manner that will provide fair and equitable treatment for all potential users within policies, procedures and fee structures;**

- (h) to ensure that tournament bookings shall not exceed approximately 10% of the total bookings available and that they shall be booked over the seven days per week and not focussed primarily on weekends.
- (i) to assume responsibility for the day to day programming of the Facilities, and for all activities carried on therein;
- (j) not to carry on or permit to be carried on upon the said premises, any activity in contravention of the laws of the City of Red Deer, County of Red Deer, the Province of Alberta or the Dominion of Canada, or to allow anything to be done which may cause an increased premium of fire insurance on the buildings included in the Facilities or which may make void or voidable any policy of insurance thereon;
- (k) to provide the City such financial information as the City may require from time to time and to provide to the City an audited financial statement within three months following the end of each fiscal year end of the Society;
- (l) to provide to the City's Director of Community Services all minutes of all board meetings of the Society, the annual budget documents and to provide such other documents and information as he may require from time to time with respect to the maintenance and operation of the Facilities and, furthermore, to provide minutes of all committee and board meetings to the Recreation Parks & Culture Manager and Recreation Facilities Superintendent;
- (m) to remain in good standing at all times as a registered society pursuant to the Societies Act of Alberta or any replacement legislation;
- (n) not to hold itself out as an agent of the City, but at all times, to operate as an independent non-profit society and not to make any financial commitments on behalf of the City.

8.1.2 in the maintenance of the Facilities the Society shall:

- (a) repair and maintain the Facilities in accordance with the standards set out in Schedule "B" and Article 11;
- (b) provide to the City annually a Depreciation Listing of all equipment, fixtures, capital assets and the value of all inventories;
- (c) pay amounts owing to the City on the days provided for herein;
- (d) pay all the Occupancy Costs of the Facilities set forth herein;
- (e) to pay all taxes, charges and license fees levied or imposed by any competent authority in respect of the personnel, business, sales, equipment, machinery or income of the Society;
- (f) to keep in good and substantial repair those parts of the Facilities as are allocated to the Society pursuant to the provisions of this agreement, including all chattels and equipment and excepting only:
 - (i) repairs required by this agreement to be made by the City; and
 - (ii) repairs necessitated by damage from hazards against which the City is required to insure hereunder;

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Society and not the City shall be responsible to pay for the cost of repairs which are required as a result of the negligence of the Society or its officer, agents, servants and employees.

- (g) to observe and comply with all municipal and County by-laws and regulations, all health regulations, and all statutory provisions and regulations made by any duly constituted authority, and all provisions contained in any policy of insurance related to the Facilities;

- (h) to forthwith notify the City of any defect in the structural components of the Facilities;
- (i) to permit the City to inspect the Facilities at all reasonable times; and
- (j) to leave the Facilities and all of the chattels and equipment in good repair and condition upon termination of this agreement;
- (k) to pay the annual premiums on all policies of insurance for licensed vehicles and motorized equipment which are owned by the Society, and to cause the City to be listed as an additional named insured on all such policies;
- (l) The Society may at its discretion enhance at its cost any insurance obtained by the City as described in Paragraph 10.

9 . BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOCIETY

9.1 The Society acknowledges that the Facilities are intended for public use and therefore the City and the Society have a fundamental interest in ensuring the interests of the public at large are protected and served in the operation of the Facilities. The Society therefore covenants that it will cause its bylaws to reflect the following requirements with respect to appointments to its Board of Directors:

9.1.1 The Board shall consist of nine members, one of whom shall be a City Council representative and a minimum of seven others of whom shall be citizens of the City;

9.1.2 Members of the Board should have declared or demonstrated interest in the Golf Course and Recreation Area;

9.1.3 Appointments shall be for one three-year term which may not be extended;

9.1.4 Two or three board members will be replaced each year on a 3 year cycle,

excepting the Council appointee, who shall be replaced each year;

9.1.5 Members of the Board can be off the board for one year, then be reappointed to an additional term;

9.1.6 The Society shall make recommendations on all new board appointments to Council for its consideration;

9.1.7 A representative of the City Administration, to be known as the City Advisor, shall be entitled to be present at all meetings of the Board, including all in-camera sessions, but shall not be entitled to vote thereat. The role of the City Advisor to the Board should be that of a friend and resource, providing information and clarification as may reasonably be required by the Board from time to time.

10. COVENANTS OF THE CITY

10.1 The City covenants with the Society as follows:

10.1.1 The City shall place and maintain at its cost all insurance necessary for the protection and replacement of all assets, inventories, and liabilities in accordance with City insurance standards and policies, listing the Society as a Co-insured; and

10.1.2 The City shall place and maintain, during the term of this agreement, comprehensive tenants and public liability insurance protecting and indemnifying the Society and the City as an additional named insured against any and all claims for injury or damage to person or property or for loss of life occurring upon, in or about the Facilities, such insurance to offer immediate protection of the limit of not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) and which policy shall name the City and the Society as insured, and shall contain a clause that the insurer will not cancel or change the insurance without first giving the City and the Society prior written notice;

10.1.3 the City shall annually provide a copy of all insurance policies to the Society.

11. MAINTENANCE OF THE FACILITIES

11.1 Except for those repairs for which the City has assumed responsibility hereunder, the Society shall be responsible to maintain and to provide the capital repair and infrastructure maintenance of the following parts of the Facilities:

11.1.1 Golf Course;

11.1.2 Club House and other buildings;

11.1.3 Discovery Canyon Recreation Area;

11.1.4 Cross-country Skiing Trails and Biathlon;

11.1.5 Park areas;

11.1.6 Golf teaching and practice facilities.

11.2 The Society may contract with the City for the use of any City equipment or other resources to be used in fulfilling its maintenance obligations, but shall pay the City on a fee-for-service basis for the use of such equipment and resources. The City shall provide annually a schedule of City labour and equipment rates.

11.3 The City shall be responsible for the capital repair and infrastructure maintenance of:

11.3.1 Road;

11.3.2 Parking Lot;

11.3.4 Swale (Road); and

11.3.5 Clubhouse Septic.

12. IMPROVEMENTS

- 12.1 Except as herein provided, the Society may at any time make such improvements to the Facilities in such manner as shall, in the opinion of the Society, best adapt the Facilities for public purposes. "Improvements" shall be those repairs, changes, alterations, maintenance and enhancements agreed upon by the City and the Society as identified and confirmed in the Operational Plans and Annual Budget.
- 12.2 The Society shall not, under any circumstances, whether in respect of changes, alterations and improvements of the Facilities or otherwise, permit any builder's lien to be filed against the Facilities, and shall forthwith discharge any builder's lien which may be filed.
- 12.3 Any improvement, enlargement, or development of any buildings or features of the Facilities shall conform to the then current City standards and follow the overall Waskasoo Park standards as provided in the Waskasoo Park Standards Manual including standards for signage, fencing, gates, bollards, trails and similar Facilities features as confirmed through the City's Director of Community Services.

13. CHATELS AND EQUIPMENT

- 13.1 The Society shall maintain and repair the Chattels and Equipment to a standard acceptable to other golf and recreation area facilities of similar location, condition and demand.
- 13.2 The Society may from time to time sell or trade in or acquire new Chattels and Equipment as may be approved in the Operation Plans and Policies.
- 13.3 All Chattels or Equipment which may be acquired by the Society for the operation of the Facilities shall belong to the City on termination of this agreement. The Society shall provide a Depreciation Listing to the City annually by March 31 in each year commencing with March 31, 1998, which shall contain a complete list of all Chattels and Equipment.

14. ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- 14.1 The City shall be responsible for environmental issues arising out of or related to the original construction of the Facilities as they stood as at April 23, 1989. The Society shall be responsible for all environmental issues arising from the operation of the Facilities thereafter. The City and the Society shall discuss any environmental issues that may be discovered or imposed by others as they arise and shall negotiate solutions to such issues as a shared responsibility.

15. FIRE OR NATURAL DISASTER

- 15.1 If any part of the Facilities shall be damaged or destroyed by any insured cause, such as fire, explosion, lightning or tempest, the City shall use its best efforts to repair and/or replace with all reasonable speed that portion of the Facilities which has been destroyed or damaged. Where such damage occurs, the amounts owing to the City hereunder shall be abated commensurate with the loss in revenue-generating capacity resulting from such damage as may be agreed by the parties. If the parties are not able to agree on the amount of the abatement, then such disagreement shall be resolved by City Council.
- 15.2 If any part of the Facilities shall be damaged and there is insufficient or no insurance coverage available to repair the damage, then upon written notice from the City this agreement shall terminate, and the Society shall surrender possession to the City, and pay any amount owing to the date of termination.

16. SUBLICENSING

- 16.1 The Society may grant sub-licenses for parts of the Facilities.

17. ASSIGNMENT

- 17.1 Except for the sublicensing of portions of the Facilities as contemplated in Article 16, the Society shall not transfer or assign this agreement or the Facilities or any part thereof without the consent of the City, which consent shall be in the sole discretion of the City.

- 17.2 From time to time the Society may enter into third party agreements with respect to maintenance or upkeep of the Facilities without the consent of the City.

18. PROMOTION

- 18.1 All informational, promotional and operational brochures for the Facilities shall follow the format established by the City for the Waskasoo Park and shall include therein the Waskasoo Park, City of Red Deer and River Bend Logos.

19. FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

- 19.1 The area of the former gravel excavation known as the "south lake" may in future be developed as a recreation area by the City, in consultation with the Society.

20. NOTICE

- 20.1 Any notice may be served under the agreement upon the City by personal service upon the City Clerk at City Hall, Red Deer, Alberta, or by mailing the same in a registered letter addressed to the City at:

P.O. Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

or at such address as the Society may be notified of in writing. Any notice required to be given to the Society shall be sufficiently given by personal service upon the Chairman of the Society, or by mailing the same in a prepaid registered letter addressed to the Society at:

P.O. Box 157
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 5E8

or at such address as the City may be notified of in writing. Such notice shall be deemed to have been received by the City or the Society respectively on the date on which it shall

have been so delivered or five days after it is so mailed, provided that in the event that there is an obvious and known disruption of the postal service, then notice required to be served shall be served by actual delivery to the address for service as hereinbefore provided.

21 . GENERAL

21.1 This agreement shall be binding upon the parties and their successors and assigns.

21.2 This agreement, including any schedules hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties regarding the Facilities. There are not now and shall not be any verbal statements, representations, warranties, undertakings or agreements between the parties. This agreement may not be amended or modified in any respect except by written instrument executed by all parties hereto in the same manner and with the same formality as this agreement is executed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF THE PARTIES HAVE CAUSED THIS AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED AT RED DEER, ALBERTA THE DATE FIRST ABOVE WRITTEN.

CITY OF RED DEER

**THE RIVER BEND GOLF AND
RECREATION SOCIETY (RED DEER)**

PER: _____
City Clerk

PER: _____

PER: _____

SCHEDULE "A" - LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF LANDS

- A. ALL THAT PORTION OF THE NORTH WEST QUARTER OF SECTION THIRTY FOUR (34) TOWNSHIP THIRTY-EIGHT (38) RANGE TWENTY SEVEN (27) WEST OF THE FOURTH MERIDIAN LYING EAST OF THE RIGHT BANK OF THE RED DEER RIVER AS SHOWN ON A PLAN OF SURVEY OF THE SAID TOWNSHIP SIGNED AT OTTAWA ON THE 16TH DAY OF MAY A.D. 1892 AND WHICH LIES NORTH OF A LINE DRAWN PARALLEL TO THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF THE SAID QUARTER SECTION AND THIRTEEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY NINE (1329) FEET PERPENDICULARLY DISTANT SOUTHERLY THEREFROM CONTAINING 26.7 HECTARES (65.89 ACRES) MORE OR LESS

EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS

- B. FIRST: ALL THAT PORTION OF THE SOUTH EAST QUARTER OF SECTION TWO (2) TOWNSHIP THIRTY-NINE (39) RANGE TWENTY SEVEN (27) WEST OF THE FOURTH MERIDIAN LYING SOUTH AND WEST OF THE RED DEER RIVER AS SHOWN ON A PLAN OF SURVEY OF THE SAID TOWNSHIP SIGNED AT OTTAWA ON THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE A.D. 1893 CONTAINING 24.3 HECTARES (60 ACRES) MORE OR LESS

EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS

SECONDLY: THE WHOLE OF LEGAL SUBDIVISION THREE (3) AND SIX (6) THOSE PORTIONS OF LEGAL SUBDIVISION FOUR (4) NOT COVERED BY THE WATERS OF THE RED DEER RIVER ALL THOSE PORTIONS OF LEGAL SUBDIVISIONS FIVE (5), TEN (10) AND ELEVEN (11) LYING SOUTH OF THE SAID RED DEER RIVER ALL IN SECTION TWO (2) SAID TOWNSHIP AND RANGE AS SHOWN ON A PLAN OF SURVEY OF THE SAID TOWNSHIP SIGNED AT OTTAWA ON THE 17TH DAY OF APRIL A.D. 1885 CONTAINING 58.3 HECTARES (144 ACRES) MORE OR LESS

EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS

- C. PLAN 852 1440
BLOCK ONE (1)
LOT THREE (3)
CONTAINING 1.454 HECTARES, MORE OR LESS
(N.E. 34 - 38 - 27 W4TH)

EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS

- D. PLAN 852 1440
BLOCK ONE (1)
LOT TWO (2)
CONTAINING 37.58 HECTARES (92.86 ACRES), MORE OR LESS
(N.E. 34 - 38 - 27 W4TH)

EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS

SCHEDULE "B" - MAINTENANCE STANDARDS

1. The Board's Annual Tactical Plan shall be used as a basis for establishing maintenance standards on all Facilities as defined in the agreement. In addition, the standards shall include reference/comparisons to other golf courses in Central Alberta to establish a benchmark for River Bend to compare to.
2. The greens shall specifically be described as Penncross, quick, smooth, true and original size.
3. There shall be an annual review of the Annual Tactical Plan and the River Bend Master Plan to be conducted by the Agreement Committee (Chairman and General Manager of the Riverbend Golf Course and Recreation Society, Director of Community Services, Recreation Parks and Culture Manager, Recreation Facilities Supervisor).
4. The shape, contouring and length of grass in the roughs and fairways are at the discretion of the Board based on the Annual Tactical Plan.
5. At the signing of this agreement, the slope rating of the Riverbend Golf Course is 108 white and 113 blue; it is the intent to target at 113 for white and 120 for blue over the period of implementing the Master Plan.
6. Trees shall be a major focus over the term of the Master Plan at \pm 50 trees planted per year (2 1/2 caliper deciduous, 2m coniferous) from commercial nurseries until the Golf Course nursery can be used as the source for plant material, at which time additional planting will be considered.

DATED: _____ 1997.

BETWEEN:

THE CITY OF RED DEER
(the "City")

- and -

**THE RIVER BEND GOLF AND RECREATION
SOCIETY (RED DEER)**
(the "Society")

AGREEMENT

CHAPMAN RIEBEEK
Barristers & Solicitors
208, 4808 Ross Street
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 1X5

Solicitor: **DONALD J. SIMPSON**

Telephone: (403) 346-6603
Facsimile No.: (403) 340-1280

File No. 23,106 DJS

DATE: September 16, 1997

TO: City Council

FROM: City Clerk

RE: 1997 AUMA CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS

During the upcoming AUMA Convention, the attached resolutions will be considered by the AUMA membership, which includes the Mayor and Councillors.


To assist Council in considering the attached resolutions, the City Administration has provided comments on some of the resolutions and same have been placed on the agenda to provide Council with the opportunity to discuss them as a group prior to the Convention.

Council is not required to pass a resolution indicating support or non-support for any resolution. Individual members of Council can vote as they see fit based on discussion at the Council meeting, comments from the City Administration and comments at the debate during the Convention.

As a reminder, please bring the attached "1997 Convention Resolutions" booklet to the AUMA Convention with you as no additional copies will be supplied.

RECOMMENDATION

Submitted for Council's information.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

/clr
attchs.

DATE: September 12, 1997

TO: KELLY KLOSS
City Clerk

FROM: LOWELL R. HODGSON, Community Services Director
DON BATCHELOR, Recreation, Parks & Culture Manager
COLLEEN JENSEN, Social Planning Manager
PAUL MEYETTE, Principal Planner, P.C.P.S.

RE: A.U.M.A. CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS

What follows are the comments of the Community Services Division and respective departments and agencies of the Division. We only comment on those resolutions that impact this Division.

A-8 Protection of Significant Natural Areas

We encourage support for this resolution.

This resolution is consistent with recommendations in our Environmental Action Plan and the Ecological Profile process. It is also supportive of our Strategic Plan where we commit to leadership in environmental management. With current legislation, these plans and processes can only be implemented for tree and natural area preservation at the time of development. By changing the Municipal Government Act and the Environmental Protection & Enhancement Act, these areas could be protected in advance of development and would eliminate the possibility of a landowner's removing significant vegetation and destroying unique natural areas.

A-10 Seniors Foundation Requisitioning Power

We encourage support for this resolution.

The Housing Act leaves the Municipality in a very vulnerable position, as they have no choice but to pay for a requisition. In Red Deer, we have tried to address this issue by putting into the provincial agreement that City Council must approve any budget that anticipates a deficit before it is spent. This does not, however, address any circumstance that might arise during a year that would produce a deficit; nor does it specifically address capital costing. Thus, we support this resolution.

A-13 Police Services Costs

We encourage support for this resolution.

It seems reasonable to have all who receive a service to share in the cost of providing that service. If, by having all municipalities doing that, resulting in even modest savings to those now paying for them, that should be pursued.

A-14 Establishment of Community Lottery Boards

We encourage support for this resolution.

This resolution is expressing the sentiments that were put forward by The City of Red Deer during the input process, suggesting that the process of communities determining where the money is to be spent is a good one. Further, that community should also be able to choose the best method of distribution.

A-20 Senior Tax Deferral Program

We encourage support for this resolution.

Often, one of the reasons that seniors, particularly, older women, have to leave their own homes is because they cannot afford the maintenance and taxes. A program such as this one could assist in keeping costs down; thus, preventing institutionalization, which, in the long term, is a cost saving. It also promotes independent living.

A-22 Country Residential Subdivisions

We encourage support for this resolution.

The Province should do everything within their power to encourage effective inter-municipal Planning and agreements on multi-lot country residential development. This section should not be deleted at this time until inter-municipal plans are effectively in place.

A-23 Rural/Urban Fringe Planning

We encourage support for this resolution.

It is important that there be incentives for inter-municipal planning. With these amendments, there is even stronger policy to protect urban/rural fringe from speculative, conflicting or unsustainable development.

A-24 Redesign of Services to Children and Families

We encourage support for this resolution.

The need to have the "buy-in" of all related provincial departments is crucial to the success of this initiative. At present, there is talk of this being the case. However, the support has not been demonstrated in practical terms, such as, the contribution of dollars and other staff resources. The redesign process is being seen as a redesign of social services, not children's services.

The need to support preventative and early-intervention programs, particularly, with adequate funding, is also crucial. There is, as well, a great deal of concern and confusion about the respective roles of Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) and Children's Services. FCSS is a model that works, and it would appear that perhaps a better harmonization of the Children's Services Early Intervention Program, with FCSS using the structure already in place through FCSS, would be a good one.

A-26 Taxation of Public Buildings

We encourage support for this resolution.

Should there be a further move to tax public buildings and those owned by community, non-profit groups that provide benevolent services for access by the whole community, we would have a great deal of concern. Any volunteer groups operating either from publicly owned buildings or from their own buildings cannot afford to pay property taxes. The majority of these groups would cease to exist if these taxes were imposed. This most certainly would not be a positive benefit to the community.

B-9 Grants to Municipalities

We do not recommend support for this resolution.

While we can support this resolution as it applies to decreases, we have some concerns with the wording, as it could be possible to delay increases for three years. The wording of "Changes to Grants" needs to be "decreases or changes in methods of distribution"

B-19 F.C.S.S. Funding

We encourage support for this resolution.

As outlined in the background, the reductions to FCSS funding, combined with changing and increasing need and increasing population, have severely impacted this program. There is a significant need for more funding for this program that models prevention and a community based approach.

P-1 Municipal Input

We encourage support for this resolution.

This resolution is very much in keeping with our Strategic Plan (4.1.1), where we state that "work with the provincial and federal governments to define programs/services that are truly a federal or provincial responsibility and refuse to

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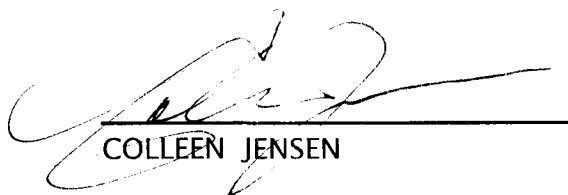
fund any of these programs/services other than those incorporated in The City's Business Plan". This resolution goes further and suggests that regulations, etc., also can have a substantial impact on municipalities and so we should have input up front in their development.



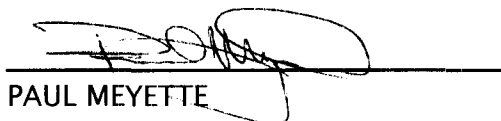
LOWELL R. HODGSON



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COLLEEN JENSEN



PAUL MEYETTE

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DATE: September 17, 1997
TO: City Clerk
FROM: City Assessor
RE: 1997 A.U.M.A. CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS

Following are comments on Resolutions that will come before the conference for discussion and vote. We will comment on issues pertinent to assessment and tax.

1. Resolution A1

There is a committee (Regulated Assessment Review) currently researching the farm assessment legislation in the Province of Alberta. I am not sure what stage it is at or when draft or final reports are going to be available.

This is an issue that should be resolved. Support of this Resolution, subject to the existing, current review, is recommended.

2. Resolution A2

As Council is aware, we do not have an airport in the City boundary. The issues outlined in the Resolution and background are legitimate. The County does assess and tax the lessees at the airport at Penhold. Support of this would depend on the philosophy and each individual's point of view. I personally support assessment and taxation of the owner of the property.

3. Resolution A3

The issue is straightforward. Support of this Resolution is recommended.

4. Resolution A4

I do not agree with the position taken by the City of Calgary on this issue. There are options within the legislation as noted; however, the resulting valuations (assessments), either depreciated replacement cost or market value, are both measured against the same criteria. This is quoted in Regulation 365/94, which outlines accepted coefficients of dispersion and ratios of assessment to market value. Therefore, in my opinion, the option does not create an uneven playing field or inequities in cost sharing programs. Further, I do not believe that all municipalities have the data available to complete an assessment utilizing one approach - the Income Approach. I cannot recommend support of this Resolution. I could recommend support of a Resolution that would specify recognition of all approaches to value - cost, income, and sales comparisons, or

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combinations thereof, all to reflect the valuation standard as set by existing Regulation 365/94. This is essentially what presently exists but is not interpreted as such.

5. Resolution A5

This issue should be addressed by the Regulated Assessment Review Board. Support of this Resolution, in the interim, is in order.

6. Resolution A25

The current legislation is not impossible to work with. However, if all pertinent legislation were consolidated in one area, and it probably would be easier to follow. Recommend support.

7. Resolution A26

At first blush, one would have sympathy for the position put forward. However, after due consideration and thought, it is evident that, in some situations, the "volunteer" groups are operating facilities that are in competition with private facilities or business. Support of this should be only after due deliberation and thought.

8. Resolution A27

Recommend support of this Resolution or amend the legislation to have tax savings passed on to the lessee by way of reduced rental. The same issue arises in other situations where an exempt group leases property in a taxable property (e.g. School Board leases area in a commercial property).

9. Resolution P2

A long-standing issue. A political issue! Recommend support.

10. Resolution B1

The Province has implemented Order in Council 280/97, effective on passing June 25, 1997, that requires information exchange and presentation before and at the Assessment Review Board, and that new evidence cannot be presented at the Municipal Government Board. This proposal to dismiss could assist and be an asset, providing it is enforced equitably and realistically throughout the Province. Recommend support of this Resolution.

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11. Resolution B20

From a tax perspective, we have no objection to this proposal. We trust the Engineering and Parks Departments will comment on the need for this.

12. Resolution C1

There is provision in the Municipal Government Act to appeal to the Court of Queen's Bench on a point of law. I think the situation as stated could fall to this appeal process, but would request the opinion of the City Solicitor on that position. Based on the above, I cannot recommend support of this Resolution.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Al Knight', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Al Knight, A.M.A.A.
City Assessor

AK/ngl

DATE: September 12, 1997
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Director of Corporate Services
RE: 1997 AUMA CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS

Attached are my comments.

I have restricted my comments to those resolutions likely to be considered. If a resolution was related to an area I am not familiar with, I indicated "no comment".



A. Wilcock, B. Comm., C.A.
Director of Corporate Services

Att.

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RESOLUTION	RECOMMENDATION
A1. Farm Property Assessment	Support. Assessment is now supposed to be at market value. If some properties are kept below market value it means they don't pay their share of Education taxes.
A2. Property Assessment and Taxation of Leases, Licenses or Permits at Regional Airports	Do not Support. The City's Airport is in the County. At the present time each tenant is separately billed by the County. If an Airport Authority was to be responsible for the collection of all taxes, it would transfer the workload to the Authority and the additional liability for unpaid taxes.
A3. Lease, License or Permit on Property Owned by the Crown (Alberta or Canada) or a Municipality	Do not Support. The City's Airport is in the County. If the vacant land under lease was to be taxed, the return from the lease rental to the City could be reduced.
A4. Valuation Standard Under Standards of Assessment Regulation	Support subject to the comments of the City Assessor. It is important that properties be assessed on a comparable basis across the Province to ensure the allocation of Provincial Education taxes is fair.
A5. Farm Operations Definition	Support. To ensure that Provincial Education taxes are fairly shared across all taxpayers it is important the assessments be prepared on a comparable basis.
A6. Provincial Funding - Contaminated Properties	Do not Support. Major gasoline suppliers could avoid legal responsibilities by not paying taxes. Until it is confirmed the change would not take these companies off the hook, the resolution could not be supported.
A7. Funding - Contaminated Properties	Support. See comments for A6. There is a need for a plan that considers the overall implications .
A8. Protection of Significant Natural Areas	No comment
A9. Seismic Testing	No comment.
A10. Seniors' Foundation Requisitioning Power	Support. Local Taxpayers should not be required to

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	provide capital funding. This should be a Provincial responsibility.
A11. Equity Grant	<u>Support.</u> Income taxes are a fairer way to provide funding for municipal services. Property taxes fall hardest on the low income families while income taxes recognize ability to pay. The assistance grants need to be increased to at least reflect the effect of inflation and growth.
A12. Provision of Fire Investigation Services	<u>Do not Support.</u> Municipalities with their own fire investigation services have to pay the cost. It is only equitable those municipalities contracting the service out be required to pay the cost.
A13. Policing Services Cost	<u>Support.</u> Each Municipality should pay its fair share of costs.
A14. Establishment of Community Lottery Boards	<u>Support.</u> Municipalities should be involved in selecting the membership for local lottery Boards
A15. Unified Municipal Government Communications	No comment.
A16. Ground Ambulance Funding	<u>Support.</u> This would ensure the cost of ambulance service is fairly shared between municipalities.
A17. Ground Ambulance Rates	<u>Support.</u>
A18. Protection of Treated and Raw Water Supply	No comment.
A19. Petitions on Matters of Municipal Jurisdiction	No comment.
A20. Senior Tax Deferral System	<u>Support</u> for seniors in need of assistance. With the aging population it could become a problem if such a program became wide open for all seniors.
A21. Off Site Charges	<u>Do not Support</u> While there is a need to include the recovery of additional items the request includes too many.
A22. Country Residential Subdivisions	No comment
A23. Rural/Urban Fringe Planning	No comment
A24. Redesign of Services for Children and Families	No comment

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A25. Senior Citizens' Use Properties	<u>Support</u>
A26. Taxation of Public Buildings	City Assessor to comment
A27. Regional Health Authorities	City Assessor to comment
P1. Municipal input	<u>Support</u>
P2. Education Tax	<u>Support</u>
B1. Dismissed Complaints-Assessment review Board	<u>Support</u>
B2. Inclusion of Public Land in Petty Trespass Act	No comment
B3. Snowmobile Fines and Offenses	No comment
B4. Unsightly and Untidy premises	No comment
B5. Household Hazardous Waste	<u>Support</u>
B6. RCMP Auxiliary Constable Program	No comment
B7. Natural Disasters	No comment
B8. Safety Codes Council Levy	No comment
B9. Grants to Municipalities	<u>Do not Support</u> The resolution does not restrict itself to only reductions. Does it mean we have to wait three years if the government decides to increase grants?
B10. Roadway Tree Planting and Naturalization	No comment
B11. School Infrastructure Funding	No comment
B12. Petitions	No comment
B13. Mobile Unit Ownership Registry	City Assessor to comment
B14. Petitions-Road Closure Bylaws	No comment
B15. Use of Own Equipment- Provincially Owned Projects	No comment
B16. Municipal Government Act-Section 619	No comment
B17. Intermunicipal Co-operation	<u>Support</u>
B18. Notification of Municipal Address	No comment
B19. FCSS Funding	<u>Support</u>
B20. Adding Costs to the Tax Roll	<u>Support</u>

DATE: September 5, 1997

TO: City Clerk

FROM: E. L. & P. Manager

RE: 1997 A.U.M.A. CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS
RESOLUTION NO. C4 - WIND POWER

The resolution on Wind Power is somewhat ambiguous in what is being requested and contradictory in its supporting statements.

In one statement it is claimed that the generation of electricity by wind power is economically viable while the next statement claims that wind power generation requires a Provincial Government incentive to encourage wind power. The suggestion is made that the Province must act to provide for adequate compensation for wind power producers.

The Electric Utilities Act which became effective January 1, 1996 allows any party to build power generation regardless of location or the generation technology used. The Act also ensures fair and open access to the power pool and the transmission facilities in the province. A truly viable project within the Alberta competitive, market-driven economic structure can, and will, proceed without any provincial incentives.

In my opinion the resolution really calls for specific regional economic and employment development under the guise of an electricity generation technology which is not economically viable and requires government incentives to enable it to proceed in a competitive market.

RECOMMENDATION

It is my recommendation that this resolution not be supported.



A. Roth,
Manager

AR/jjd
c.c. Director of Development Services

Submitted To City Council
Date: Sept 22/97

DATE: September 16, 1997
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Director of Development Services
RE: 1997 A.U.M.A. CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS

We have provided below, comments on the resolutions that impact the Development Services Division. We have kept our comments brief in the report, but we would be pleased to expand upon our comments at Council.

A6 and A7 - Funding - Contaminated Properties

Both of these resolutions address the same issues. We would recommend support of these resolutions. In some cases, cleanup of contaminated property can be very expensive to deal with and place a severe strain on limited budgets.

A16 - Ground Ambulance Funding

While we agree with the resolution proposed, we would be concerned that the Province may consider funding on a selective basis to those communities that either do not have the service now, or are in imminent danger of losing it. While we certainly feel that all communities should have at the least BLS service, if they are going to fund for one community, they should fund all. Funding of some communities and not others would create inequities in municipal budgeting.

A17 - Ground Ambulance Rates

This resolution was submitted by The City of Red Deer. Council has the background information on this issue.

A18 - Protection of Treated and Raw Water Supply Protection

We would recommend support of this resolution. While we have not encountered insurmountable problems at our plant, we do have annual problems with water treatment, resulting in part from livestock operations upstream. We believe that these operations should be regulated in some form to limit the pollution to our rivers.

A21 - Off-Site Charges

We can appreciate that most communities in Alberta are operating with limited budget resources, and growth while desirable in a community, may bring with it costs that the new tax revenue will not cover. We do not object to the broadening of the application of off-site levies to include those indicated; however, we would want to consider carefully whether we would alter our present policy. We certainly must be careful not to tack so much on the "bill" that we discourage growth in our community.

A22 - Country Residential Subdivisions
A23 - Rural/Urban Fringe Planning
B17 - Intermunicipal Cooperation

These resolutions are similar in nature. The intent of the resolutions is to facilitate intermunicipal communication and cooperation. We would recommend support of these resolutions.

P1 - Municipal Input

We would certainly recommend support of the principle proposed in this resolution.

B5 - Household Hazardous Waste

We strongly recommend support of this resolution. It is our understanding that financial assistance for this program may be phased out, thereby downloading the costs once again to the municipality. We consider it vitally important that the Province continue to provide assistance in this program.

B9 - Grants to Municipalities

We would also recommend support of this resolution. The City's planning for major capital works will often extend into the 3 - 10 year time frames. It is essential that we have some stability in Provincial funding in order to plan effectively.

B20 - Adding Cost to the Tax Roll

We would recommend support of this resolution.

C2 - Incineration

While we consider incineration a viable technical solution to solid waste management, we are not certain that it has been proven to be economically viable, even with power or steam generation. We would support continued investigation of the process, and if it is viable, would recommend support of such a resolution.

C3 - Recycling

We would recommend support of this resolution. Recycling is an environmentally positive approach to waste management, but remains a very expensive method of solid waste handling.

C7 - Waste Reduction

We would recommend support of this resolution. Municipalities do not have the influence or resources to effect the packaging industry.

C9 - Alberta Fuel Tax

We would recommend support of this resolution. The present grant of \$25 per capita is totally inadequate to cope with required capital road improvements. The fact that this same grant now funds transit bus purchase increases the problem of financing road improvements.

C12 - Per Capita Grants

This issue is addressed above in C9.

C24 - The Need for Additional Provincial Funding for the Development and Maintenance of Urban Transportation System

Again, this issue is addressed in C9 above. The fact that this resolution appears in three different resolutions shows this to be a crucial issue in Alberta municipalities.

C28 - Vehicle Rights Of Way

Red Deer submitted this resolution. Council has the background on the issue.

Respectfully submitted.



Bryon C. Jeffers, P. Eng.
Director of Development Services

BCJ/emr

- c. Public Works Manager
- c. Emergency Services Manager
- c. Engineering Services Manager
- c. Land and Economic Development Manager

DATE: September 2, 1997

TO: Mayor
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FROM: City Clerk

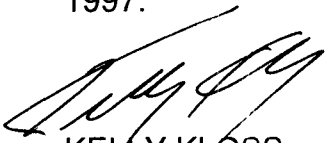
**RE: 1997 A.U.M.A. CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS
REQUEST FOR COMMENTS**

Enclosed herewith is the "1997 Convention Resolutions" document outlining resolutions to be considered by the delegates at the 1997 A.U.M.A. Convention, to be held in Banff, October 1 - 4, 1997.

The procedure that has been followed in the past regarding the consideration of these resolutions is:

- 1) Resolutions circulated to Council members and staff;
- 2) Comments requested from Council members and staff regarding concerns or support for specific resolutions;
- 3) Comments submitted to the Council Meeting just prior to A.U.M.A. for discussion;
- 4) Council discusses resolutions, however, a motion indicating support or non-support for any particular resolution is not required. At the A.U.M.A. Conference, individual members of Council may vote as they deem fit based on the discussion at the Council Meeting, the Administration's comments and the debate at the Convention.

Your comments are requested for Council's consideration at the September 22, 1997 Council Meeting. The deadline for receipt of your comments is Friday, September 15, 1997.


KELLY KLOSS
City Clerk

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BACKUP INFORMATION
NOT SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL

TO: CITY CLERK

FROM: Insp. G.G.S. SUTTON

RE: 1997 A.U.M.A. CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS
REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

Your correspondence of 97 SEP 02 with attached A.U.M.A. Convention Resolutions refers.

I have nothing new to add, however, in light of a recent fatality in the City of Red Deer, I support fully resolution C26. I would ask that support from this community for this resolution be presented.



(G.G.S. SUTTON) Insp.
Officer In Charge
Red Deer City Detachment

FILE

DATE: September 25, 1997
TO: Council - Bring Forward File
FROM: City Clerk
RE: **AUMA CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS**

At the Council meeting of September 22, 1997, Council requested that, if possible, the AUMA resolutions be submitted to The City on diskette so that any Administrative Comments could be placed at the bottom of each resolution.

This would result in making the review of the resolutions more convenient.


Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

KK/clr

COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 22, 1997

ATTACHMENT TO REPORT ON OPEN AGENDA

RE:

1997 AUMA CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS

1997 Convention Resolutions



Alberta Urban Municipalities Association

**91st Annual Convention
Banff, Alberta
October 1 - 4, 1997**



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August 1997

Dear Mayor & Members of Council:

RE: 1997 CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS

Enclosed are the resolutions to be presented to delegates for debate at the 1997 Annual Convention, October 1 - 4, 1997.

There are 84 resolutions eligible for debate this year. Time permitting, the resolutions will be debated in the order of A, B, C and D. Resolutions not debated will be forwarded to the AUMA Board of Directors for action following the convention. The resolutions have been categorized by the Convention Resolutions Committee as they determined important to municipalities. The organization of the resolutions within each category is of no significance.

Please be sure to bring your copy of the resolutions book to the convention. A limited supply of additional copies will be available at the registration desk at a charge of \$10.00 per copy.

The Town of Banff will be the host of another exciting and challenging convention this year. We look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,

Mayor Lorne Olsvik
Chairman, Convention Resolutions Committee

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Resolutions Sessions**

Convention Policy and Resolution Procedures

Alberta Urban Municipalities Association

Convention Policy and Resolution Procedures

1. Preparation of Resolutions

Sponsors of resolutions for the AUMA Annual Convention should take care to ensure that the resolutions meet the following criteria:

- (a) Resolutions must address a topic of concern to municipalities throughout the Province. (Local concerns should be addressed specifically to the Board of Directors).
- (b) Preliminary clauses should clearly and briefly set out the reasons for the resolution. There should be as few preliminary clauses as possible.
- (c) All resolutions should have accompanying background information. This material will assist the Convention Resolutions Committee, and later the convention body, in understanding the issue.
- (d) The operative clause of the resolution (ie the one beginning NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT...) must clearly set out what the resolution is meant to achieve, and state a specific proposal for action. Its wording should be straightforward and brief so that the intent of the resolution is clear. Generalizations should be avoided.
- (e) Resolutions may be submitted by any municipality that is a Regular Member* of the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association. Each resolution must bear an official endorsement by the sponsoring municipal council.
- (f) Resolutions are to be in the hands of the Executive Director no later than the third Friday in May of each year or other such date as may be established by the Executive Director.

*** A Regular Member means any City, Town, Village, or Summer Village, or Specialized Municipality in the Province of Alberta that has fully paid the Association's annual regular membership fee.**

2. Late Resolutions

- (a) Resolutions received after the submission deadline for receipt of resolutions will be returned to the originating municipalities. Such resolutions may be resubmitted as Late Resolutions.
- (b) Resolutions dealing with matters of urgent concern which arise following the deadline for receipt of convention resolutions should be directed to the Executive Director as a Late Resolution.
- (c) Late Resolutions must be received by the Executive Director ten (10) days prior to the date of the opening of the convention.

3. Extraordinary Resolutions

- (a) Resolutions arising from the proceedings of the convention and being presented to the Executive Director after the first day of the convention, will be considered Extraordinary Resolutions.

4. Disposition of Resolutions

- (a) The Executive Director may return any submitted resolutions, including Late Resolutions, to their sponsors to have deficiencies corrected. Deficiencies include:
 - (i) the lack of a clear supporting narrative where the rationale of the resolution is unclear;
 - (ii) the resolution lacking any indication of being endorsed by the sponsoring council;
 - (iii) the resolution not containing preliminary clauses or containing contradictory clauses to the operative clause.

The need to resubmit any resolution(s) due to these deficiencies will not have a bearing on its categorization nor will it make a timely resolution late.

- (b) The Convention Resolutions Committee shall review all resolutions intended for submission to each annual convention and may refuse to submit to the convention any resolutions which is deemed inappropriate for consideration by the Association.
- (c) The Convention Resolutions Committee will ensure that the originators of adopted policy statements have ample preparation time to address any resolutions intended to amend or defeat the policy. Late Resolutions intending to amend or defeat policy statements will be deemed inappropriate and categorized as Section D resolutions.
- (d) In conducting its review, the Convention Resolutions Committee may:
 - (i) amend the grammar or format of the resolution;
 - (ii) consolidate resolutions of similar intent or subject matter;
 - (iii) provide comments on each resolution with regard to its background;
 - (iv) inform the sponsoring municipality where the resolution is deemed to be inappropriate.
- (e) The Convention Resolutions Committee shall categorize all acceptable resolutions received as Section P, A, B, C, or D resolutions as follows:
 - (i) **Section "P"** of the Policy and Resolutions Book may contain resolutions relating to position papers being presented at the pending convention or those policies adopted at past conventions (ie policy statements). A Section P resolutions shall be numbered to correspond to the policies being addressed.

Section P resolutions relating to the position papers for the pending convention may be presented for debate immediately following debate and determination on each of the position papers.

Section P resolutions relating to policy statements adopted at past conventions will be brought to the convention floor after all Section A resolutions have been debated.

- (ii) **Section "A"** of the Policy and Resolutions Book will contain resolutions of a major concern to member municipalities that are not addressed by the AUMA's policy statements. All Section A resolutions will be presented for debate.
- (iii) **Section "B"** of the Policy and Resolutions Book will contain less critical resolutions. Those resolutions in Section B will be brought to the convention floor after all Section A and Section P resolutions have been debated, if time permits.
- (iv) **Section "C"** of the Policy and Resolutions Book will include resolutions which, in the opinion of the Convention Resolutions Committee, address less critical issues or amendments to legislation or similar requests of other governments.
- (v) **Section "D"** of the Policy and Resolutions Book includes resolutions either deemed inappropriate or consolidated with other resolutions, with an accompanying explanatory note for each of the resolutions.
- (f) Late Resolutions shall be categorized subject to the Convention Resolutions Committee review established in Section 4. One thousand (1,000) copies of the resolution, as reviewed and accepted by the Convention Resolutions Committee, shall be provided by the sponsor.
- (g) Extraordinary Resolutions shall be categorized subject to the Convention Resolutions Committee and may be brought to the convention floor individually for debate only upon a motion approved by a two-thirds majority of voting delegates at the convention session.
- (h) Resolutions which are not debated at a convention resolutions session because of insufficient time or lack of quorum, will be presented by the Legislative Services Committee, with its recommendations, to a meeting of the Board of Directors following the convention.

5. Disposition of Policy and Position Papers

- (a) Task forces and committees appointed by the Board will prepare position papers which are intended for presentation and adoption by delegates at the annual convention.
- (b) Position papers being offered for presentation will be provided to the Convention Resolutions Committee for inclusion in the Policy and Resolutions Book.
- (c) The resolutions relating to position papers proposed for adoption will appear following the position papers in the Resolutions Book and upon adoption of the position paper, may be presented in an omnibus motion by the session chairman for adoption by the convention.
- (d) Upon rejection by the convention of a position paper, all related resolutions will be dealt with immediately.

6. Handling of Position Papers and Resolutions

The guidelines for the handling of position papers and resolutions during the convention are as follows:

- (a) Position Papers;
 - (i) The session chairman will allow a spokesman or designate a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes to introduce the position paper and place the resolution on the proposed policy before the convention.
- (b) Resolutions:
 - (i) The chairman will introduce the resolutions by number and name of the sponsoring municipality(ies). In order to save time, he/she will move the resolutions and a member of the Committee will second it. The chairman will then read the operative clause of the resolution.
 - (ii) The chairman or a member of the Convention Resolutions Committee will then give the views of the Convention Resolutions Committee if necessary, and any suggestions and reasons thereof.

- (iii) The session chairman will then call for a spokesman from the sponsoring municipality(ies) to speak to the resolution and open the debate. The first speaker or his/her designate will have the right to close the debate.
- (c) Upon request of a sponsoring municipal council for a resolution to be withdrawn the session chairman shall notify the delegates.
- (d) Amendments from the floor will be accepted when duly moved and seconded. Amendments shall be submitted in writing when requested by the chairman. Discussion procedures shall be the same as outlined in the clauses above.
- (e) The session chairman will rule whether or not such amendments comply with the intent of the original resolutions or the scope of the position paper.
- (f) The voting on position papers and resolutions shall be a show of delegate accreditation cards, or if necessary, the session chairman can call for a standing count.
- (g) For resolutions, the spokesman of the sponsor or their designate, will be allowed two (2) minutes for the opening and one (1) minute for the closing of debate. All other speakers to resolutions will have a two (2) minute time limit and shall not speak more than once on any one question unless and until other delegates desiring to speak have been heard, subject to the discussion procedures in the clauses above.

**1997 Convention
Resolutions Committee**

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Section "A" Resolutions

Section "A" of the Convention Resolutions book contains resolutions of major concern to municipalities, categorized as determined by the Resolutions Committee. All Section "A" Resolutions will be presented for debate.

Farm Property Assessment

WHEREAS property assessment is a major source of funding for the cost of education via the Alberta School Foundation Fund; and

WHEREAS the application of assessment to farmland and farm residence within rural municipalities is not related to market value; and

WHEREAS this inequity in assessment policy creates a disproportionate burden for the cost of education within municipalities; and

WHEREAS the government should move to introduce consistent assessment policies; and

WHEREAS it may be necessary to introduce specific tax policies relative to sectors of ratepayers; and

WHEREAS the Minister of Municipal Affairs has received a discussion paper on Farm Property Assessment;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Minister of Municipal Affairs undertake an immediate review of the Farm Property Assessment Discussion Paper to provide consistency in assessments across Alberta.

BACKGROUND

Under present assessment regulations the first three acres of an occupied farmsite is assessed at market value, and the balance at productivity value. Productivity value is usually much less than market value. In addition, improvements other than the principle residence are 100% exempt.

Based on the amount of land a farmer owns, he can receive an assessment exemption of up to \$62,000. The assessment exemption increases in direct relation to the amount of farmland owned.

**1997 Resolution No. A2
Assessment**

Calgary

**Property Assessment and Taxation of Leases,
Licenses or Permits at Regional Airports
Authorities**

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act provides that lessees, licensees or permittees of a regional airports authority must be separately assessed and taxed for municipal taxation purposes; and

WHEREAS the provision of separately assessing and taxing tenants is a provision that is usually reserved for occupants of Crown or municipal property; and

WHEREAS a regional airports authority has care and control over its airport property and should be treated no differently than other property owners;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request that the Government of Alberta delete the provision contained in Section 304(1)(e) of the Municipal Government Act that requires a municipality to assess and tax separately, for municipal property taxation purposes, all lessees, licensees or permittees at a regional airports authority.

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BACKGROUND

The Municipal Government Act currently provides that tenants of a regional airports authority (such as the Calgary Airport Authority) be assessed and taxed separately for property assessment and taxation purposes. In effect, the Assessment Department must assess and tax separately all airport tenants, from a food outlet in a food court to a hangar of a major national airline.

The above process is in place due to a special provision in the Municipal Government Act that provides that a regional airports authority has the same rights as the Crown or a municipality when the regional airports authority leases, licenses or permits its property to another body. That is, a regional airports authority is not subject to assessment and taxation for the leased, licensed or permitted property, but the lessee, licensee or permittee of the regional airports authority is made subject to property assessment and taxation.

The above provision is an exception to the rule. All other commercial or residential property owners, regardless of whether or not they have tenants on their properties, are deemed as the “assessed persons” and are responsible for the payment of municipal property taxes for their entire properties. The property owner is responsible for the payment of taxes to the municipality and any tenants are responsible for the payment of rent (that will usually include an amount for taxes) to the property owner.

As an “intermediary” between a regional airports authority and its tenants in the matter of municipal taxation, there is no benefit to the municipality. There is a substantial amount of additional effort required to track and monitor movements of tenants. Further, as the regional airports authority is subject to any municipal taxes that are not allocated to tenants, it will be difficult, if not impossible, to satisfy both sets of parties.

**1997 Resolution No. A3
Assessment**

Calgary

**Lease, License or Permit on Property Owned by the
Crown (Alberta or Canada) or a Municipality**

WHEREAS the Crown or a municipality may grant a lease, license or permit on Crown or municipal property; and

WHEREAS the lessee, licensee or permittee on Crown or municipal property is intended to be the assessed person; and

WHEREAS Section 304(1)(c) states that the lessee, licensee or permittee can only be the assessed person on Crown or municipal property if there are both land and improvements on the property held under a lease, license or permit; and

WHEREAS the lessee, licensee or permittee of vacant Crown or municipal land should also be the assessed person.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request that the Government of Alberta amend Section 304(1)(c) of the Municipal Government Act (MGA) to include a “parcel of land, improvement, or a parcel of land and any improvements to it” as a description of the assessed property held under lease, license or permit from the Crown in the right of Alberta or Canada or a municipality.

BACKGROUND

There appears to be a technical omission in the wording of Section 304(1)(c) which provides that, if vacant Crown or municipal land is held under lease, license or permit, the lessee, licensee or permittee could not be assessed or taxed for property taxation purposes. However, a lessee, licensee or permittee of improved Crown or municipal land would be the subject of property assessment and taxation.

The suggested amendment in this Resolution attempts to clarify that lessees, licensees or permittees of vacant Crown or municipal land should be assessed and taxed in the same manner as lessees, licensees or permittees of improved Crown or municipal land.

**Valuation Standard Under Standards of
Assessment Regulation**

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act has defined “property” for property assessment purposes, as being a parcel of land, an improvement, or a parcel of land and the improvements to it; and

WHEREAS the Alberta Government has as its intent the application of a market value standard for property assessment purposes throughout Alberta; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act currently provides that the valuation standard for a parcel of land is market value; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act currently provides that the valuation standard for improvements is either depreciated replacement cost or market value; and

WHEREAS a Provincial committee has been established to ensure there is consistency in the application of the market value standard among all Alberta municipalities; and

WHEREAS the application of two different valuation standards may result in inconsistent applications of valuation standards among Alberta municipalities, which could have negative financial implications for some Alberta municipalities; and

WHEREAS the application of a market value standard for property assessment purposes does not require differentiation between land and/or improvements;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request that the Government of Alberta amend the Municipal Government Act to provide for only one valuation standard for property assessment purposes, that being market value, and that all references to “parcels of land” and/or “improvements” for property assessment purposes, be replaced with a single reference to “property” as defined in Section 284(r) of the Municipal Government Act.

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BACKGROUND

The Alberta Government has been clear in indicating its view that, for equalization (education tax) purposes, all Alberta properties will be subject to a market value standard. However, the Municipal Government Act currently provides that municipalities may, for property assessment purposes, use either a market value standard or a depreciated replacement cost standard. This means that in determining education tax requisitions for Alberta municipalities who have used a depreciated replacement cost standard, property assessment for those municipalities will have to be adjusted by the Alberta Government to bring those property assessments to a point where they reflect market value.

The City of Calgary's Assessment Department believes that the above process will be both difficult to manage and will result in inequities in the process of ensuring fairness in the allocation of education tax requisitions among Alberta municipalities.

The City of Calgary's Assessment Department is aware that some Alberta municipalities are reluctant to move to a market value standard due to their familiarity with the depreciated replacement cost standard. However, a provincial committee has been formed to research the total array of issues involved in moving to a market value standard in Alberta, and it is intended that a provincial guidebook be established for all municipalities that will ensure consistency in the application of market value property assessments throughout Alberta.

The City of Calgary's Assessment Department therefore believes that one standard, that being market value, should be used for property assessment purposes throughout Alberta.

With the implementation of a sole market value standard for property assessment purposes, much of the Municipal Government Act's current devotion to a differentiation between land and improvements can be eliminated. The market value standard, for property assessment purposes, focuses on the preparation of a single value for the "property" or a combination of the improvements on a site.

The consolidation of the many separate references to land and improvements would both simplify and streamline many parts of the Municipal Government Act that deal with property assessment.

Farm Operations Definition

WHEREAS the definition of “farm operations” was changed when the Municipal Taxation Act was incorporated into the Municipal Government Act; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act Standards of Assessment Regulation (365/94) defines “farming operations” as the raising, production and sale of agricultural products; and

WHEREAS processing or agri-businesses are not defined in the regulation; and

WHEREAS farm buildings are exempt from assessment; and

WHEREAS many agri-businesses could be exempt under the new definition of “farming operation”.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association recommend to the Minister of Municipal Affairs that She amend the Standards of Assessment Regulation be amended to provide a clear definition of farming operations that excludes the processing of farm commodities; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regulation ensure that the farm residence and farm building exemptions remain only for bonafide farming operations.

BACKGROUND

The Municipal Taxation Act had previously defined farming operations as:

- (i) the planting, growing and sale of trees, shrubs or sod,
- (ii) the raising or production of crops, livestock, fish, pheasants or poultry, or
- (iii) fur production and beekeeping

Under the current Municipal Government Act the corresponding definition (Standards of Assessment Regulation 365/94) has been expended as follows:

“farming operations means the raising, production and sale of agricultural products and includes...”

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Provincial Funding - Contaminated Property

WHEREAS the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, Chapter E-13.3 Division 2 Section 109 and 111 states owners of contaminated properties are financially responsible for the decontamination of all such properties; and

WHEREAS the act also states the Minister may establish a program to provide financial assistance;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association requests the Alberta Minister of the Environment to reconsider the financial implications of his current instructions and assure Municipal Governments that Provincial funding will be provided to enable decontamination of properties obtained through tax recovery action.

BACKGROUND

Reference the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, Chapter E-13.3, Division 2, Sections 109 and 111. This portion of the Act advises that owners of contaminated properties must remove all such contamination of their own expense. The Act also states the Minister may establish a program to provide financial assistance. Because of the uncertainty of Provincial assistance, municipalities are reluctant to commence Tax Recovery action lest they become land owners and financially responsible for property decontamination.

It is evident, current owners of contaminated properties are aware of the situation. Some are walking away from ownership while others are allowing taxes to go unpaid.

Presently our problem involves a vacated gasoline service station which sits in limbo.

Undoubtedly, this situations has or will arise at other locals throughout the Province and corrective action should now be pursued.

**1997 Resolution No. A7
Environment**

Bowden

Funding - Contaminated Properties

WHEREAS the changes in environmental policies and the new MGA, private landowners within the Municipalities are faced with clean-up costs of contaminated properties; and

WHEREAS landowners are unable or unwilling to pay for the reclamation of these lands and there properties are being returned to municipalities through abandonment and tax recovery; and

WHEREAS the provincial government was responsible for regulations of and enforcement of standards at the time these lands were contaminated AND as the issue of dealing with these contaminated properties is universal across the province;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association requests that the Provincial Government develop a plan, policy and/or guidelines and provide funding to deal with contaminated property being returned to municipalities through abandonment and/or tax recovery.

Protection of Significant Natural Areas

WHEREAS The Municipal Government Act (MGA) Part 17, grants municipalities specific powers through a land use bylaw; and

WHEREAS Part 17 of the MGA grants the powers to regulate signs, landscaping, fences and many details of site planning and building form to ensure that development is consistent with community expectations and sound development practices; and

WHEREAS the MGA allows a subdivision authority to require, without compensation, the dedication of land as environmental reserve during subdivision, though the intent appears to be to protect persons or property from hazards such as flooding or slumping; and

WHEREAS the MGA does not provide for the protection of ecological systems, trees, wildlife habitat or aesthetically pleasing natural areas although one of its stated purposes is “to maintain and improve the quality of the physical environment within which patterns of human settlement are situated”; and

WHEREAS the stated purpose of the “Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act (EPEA) is to “support and promote the protection, enhancement and wise use of the environment”; and

WHEREAS the EPEA does not address significant natural areas within urban municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta, through the Minister of Municipal Affairs and the Minister of Environmental Protection, amend the Municipal Government Act and the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act so that a municipality may protect the natural areas within its jurisdiction at least until completion of an environmental significance assessment by the land owner prior to applicable statutory community plan preparation.

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BACKGROUND

Periodically, significant natural vegetation is removed from private lands within a municipality without the prior knowledge of local authorities.

There are no explicit provisions under existing, empowering legislation which enable local authorities to protect significant natural areas in their native state on private lands. Natural areas may be acquired by the municipality through Environmental Reserve (ER) and/or Municipal Reserve (MR) dedication at time of subdivision. The primary intent of Environmental Reserve dedication as stipulated with Part 17 of the Municipal Government Act appears to be the protection for persons or property from hazards such as flooding or slumping. Lands dedicated as ER are not necessarily intended to protect significant natural areas. MR lands (technically municipal reserve, school reserve or municipal and school reserve) may be used by a municipality or school authority or by them jointly only for the following purposes:

- Public Park
- Public Recreation Area
- School Authority Purposes
- To separate areas of land that are used for different purposes

It is not uncommon within urban municipalities for a significant portion of MR lands owing at time of subdivision to be allocated to school sites.

In any case, neither anticipated MR or ER dedication necessarily protects the natural vegetation from partial or total destruction prior to transfer to the municipality. Urban municipalities, empowered primarily through the Municipal Government Act, and who seek the means to protect significant natural areas within their jurisdiction should pursue changes to that empowering legislation which would enable them to reasonably protect those areas of greatest concern.

The proposed resolution does not unduly limit the rights of a private landowner. The requirement for a “significant assessment” prior to applicable statutory community plans, subdivision or development applications if not dissimilar to slope stability analyses or storm water management plans. Results of the “significance assessment” may influence allocation and positioning of MR lands, may result in acquisition by some other fair and reasonable means, or may result in an agreement to protect and preserve the significant natural feature on private lands.

WHEREAS municipalities in Alberta with water wells wish to protect their underground aquifers; and

WHEREAS seismic testing and exploration may cause damage to the underground aquifers which is not readily detectable and consequently harm the municipal water supply;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request that appropriate regulations be amended so that the energy source for all seismic exploration is at least 800 metres from the site of any municipal water well.

BACKGROUND

The current regulations specify that an energy source from a non-explosive seismic device must be 100 feet distant for testing done through vibroseis, and 50 feet for testing other than vibroseis.

While we realize that energy exploration is vital to Alberta's economic health, we must also protect our supply of potable water.

Our concern arises from past experience regarding deterioration of a municipal water well following seismic activity.

Seniors' Foundation Requisitioning Power

WHEREAS Seniors' Foundations were established in Alberta to provide lodging or assisted living accommodations for seniors; and

WHEREAS the Foundations were funded in part by the Province and in part by the property tax base of contracting municipalities; and

WHEREAS the traditional role of the Province was to pay the annual operating deficit of the Foundations from the property tax base; and

WHEREAS the new Alberta Housing Act, being Chapter A-30.1, S.A., 1994, created "Management Bodies" with requisitioning authority on the property tax base of municipalities for both capital and operational costs of providing lodge accommodations; and

WHEREAS the Province of Alberta has deemed it will no longer provide capital for new lodge facilities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association actively lobby the Provincial Government to continue its traditional role of providing capital funding for approved new seniors' lodge facilities and to amend the Alberta Housing Act, being Chapter A-30.1, S.A., 1994 to remove the requisitioning powers of the "Management Bodies" for new capital works.

**1997 Resolution No. A11
Finance**

**Coalhurst
Equity Grant**

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has withdrawn much of its financial support to municipal governments previously provided by conditional and unconditional grants; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Assistance Grant was seen as a legitimate transfer of funds from the Province of Alberta to the Municipal Governments of Alberta; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has not reduced the income tax level of Albertans to reflect the loss of this transfer to their Municipal Governments; and

WHEREAS this withdrawal of funds has seriously hindered municipal governments in their supply of services to local residents; and

WHEREAS members of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties are experiencing the same concerns;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, that Alberta Urban Municipalities Association join with the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties in lobbying the Government of Alberta for the reinstatement of the Municipal Assistance Grant or to implement another form of equalized funding for Alberta's Municipal Governments.

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Provision of Fire Investigation Services

WHEREAS The Safety Codes Act requires that those fires resulting in property damage, injury requiring medical attention or loss of life, be investigated by a Safety Codes Officer in the fire discipline; and

WHEREAS for municipalities that are not accredited to perform fire investigations, services have been provided by Alberta Labour Safety Codes Officers without charge; and

WHEREAS effective January 1, 1998 Alberta Labour will begin invoicing non-accredited municipalities for all fire investigation service costs related to all fires that occur within their municipal boundaries which require Alberta Labour or agency assistance; and

WHEREAS Alberta Labour have stated “the decision to invoice non-accredited municipalities for fire investigations is in keeping with the policy that individuals and organizations benefiting from services should pay for those services”; and

WHEREAS it is not reasonable for a municipality to be deemed a collection agency for Alberta Labour or an authorized agency for services rendered;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta to rescind the unfair and unequitable regulation of invoicing municipalities for their required fire investigation services.

BACKGROUND

It is debatable whether a municipality benefits from fire investigation services. If it does and specifically requests same it is only fair the municipality pay for the services. On the other hand, in almost all instances, the requirement of this service relates to requests or benefits of others. Others being RCMP for determination of criminal or other activities and insurance companies in the determination of claim adjudications.

Those that request or need investigation should be invoiced directly for services rendered and not the municipalities.

BACKGROUND

AAMD&C Resolution 1-97S, Spring Convention - Equalization Funding for Municipalities

WHEREAS the Municipal Assistance Grant was implemented by the Province of Alberta recognizing the different financial capabilities amongst Alberta Municipalities; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Assistance Grant was initially intended to provide a form of equity between municipalities within Alberta; and

WHEREAS the Government of the Province of Alberta has stated that the Municipal Assistance Grant will be discontinued in 1998 for all Alberta Municipalities; and

WHEREAS the discontinuance of the Municipal Assistance Grant creates inequities between Alberta Municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties urge the government of Alberta to implement another form of equalization funding for Alberta municipalities.

Policing Services Costs

WHEREAS the larger urban municipalities pay from their own sources a substantial part of the cost of policing their own communities; and

WHEREAS rural municipalities and many smaller urban municipalities receive policing services from the Province of Alberta for which they are not required to contribute; and

WHEREAS in the interests of fairness and equity, all municipalities should contribute to the costs of police services that they receive;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Government of Alberta require all municipalities that receive policing service provided by the Province to contribute to the costs of these police services in an amount that is appropriate to the level and type of the services that is received by the municipality.**
- 2. The funds received be used to increase the amount of funds available for distribution within the law enforcement component of the Alberta Partnership Transfer grant to those municipalities that provide their own police services.**

BACKGROUND

The cost of providing police services is expensive especially for those municipalities that maintain their own municipal police services. It is inequitable that certain municipalities receive police services free. Admittedly the service level received by these municipalities is often lower than that available when a municipality provides its own service and the contribution required certainly should reflect the service level provided. Nevertheless, all municipalities should be required to pay a fair portion of policing services received.

Convention Resolutions Committee Comment:

AUMA has been involved on the Police Equity Task Force, a report may be available at the time of convention.

Establishment of Community Lottery Boards

WHEREAS in 1994, the Government of the Province of Alberta established a Lottery Review Committee to ask Albertans for their ideas and opinions about the future of lotteries and gaming in the province; and

WHEREAS the report of the Lottery Review Committee, *New Directions for Lotteries and Gaming*, was submitted to the Government of the Province of Alberta in the fall of 1995; and

WHEREAS Alberta municipalities responded to a questionnaire "Community Lottery Board Consultation" from the Lotteries Review Committee in early 1997 respecting the composition, roles and responsibilities and similar questions concerning proposed community lottery boards, based on the Review Committee report's recommendation that municipal councils have a central role in the establishment of those board; and

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta issued a press release on February 11, 1997 that stated a number of Community Lottery Boards will be set up to distribute these dollars beginning April 1, 1998, with board selection and responsibilities to be finalized by June 1997; and

WHEREAS it continues to be critical that municipalities have autonomy in the establishment of the local boards, and in determining the composition, roles and responsibilities and the like of Community Lottery Boards, given the Government of Alberta's stated intention to begin selecting Community Lottery Boards to be finalized in June 1997, irrespective of the Review Committee's recommendation for a central role for municipal councils;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Municipalities Association urge the Government of Alberta to grant autonomy to local municipalities to determine the structure, selection and responsibilities of local Community Lottery Boards within provincial guidelines.

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BACKGROUND

The August 31, 1995 report of the Lotteries Review Committee, *New Directions for Lotteries and Gaming*, focused on use and distribution of lottery funds, allocations, and accountability, VLTs and casinos, problem gambling and professional team sport.

On December 7, 1995 the Government responded to the recommendations in the Committee's report. Two items were of particular interest to municipal governments:

1. For the fiscal year 1996/97, the existing system for distributing lottery revenues would continue to be used; \$125 million would go to Alberta Communities.
2. A proposal would be developed to cover a recommended umbrella foundation and community lottery boards that would distribute lottery funds at the local level. Should the development of this prove successful, it could be implemented in 1997-98.

The Government of Alberta issued a news released dated February 11, 1997 that stated:

“Beginning April 1, 1998, all Alberta communities will share equally, on a per capita basis, an additional \$50 million in lottery revenue. A number of Community Lottery Boards will be set up to distribute these dollars beginning April 1, 1998. Details on board selection and responsibilities will be finalized by June 1997.”

Because the formation and activities of these local boards will impact on the operation of municipal governments and local not-for-profit organizations, it is important that municipalities be represented and involved in establishing the structure, selection and responsibilities of local Community Lottery Boards. This was acknowledged by the Lotteries Review Committee through a questionnaire distributed in late 1996, which noted the central role which municipal councils will have in their establishment.

There is no evidence that the Committee or the Commission intends to consult further with municipalities, despite their important role and despite the approach of the June, 1997 date when board issues are to be “finalized”. The Provincial Government clearly should operate this process in a partnership with municipalities, and consult with and involve municipalities in the final decisions.

**1997 Resolution No. A15
Governance**

Olds

Unified Municipal Government Communications

WHEREAS members of Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) and the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties (AAMD&C) are presently faced with many common concerns; and

WHEREAS there are local Government concerns that are presently being addressed with the Government common to both Rural and Urban Municipalities with a lack of endorsement by both Associations; and

WHEREAS it would be in the best interest of every rate payer in the Province for AUMA and AAMD&C to co-ordinate their communications with Provincial Government;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association, amend its bylaws to allow a broader base of membership which would then include Counties and Municipal Districts.

Convention Resolution Committee Comment:

This issue was raised at the Central Alberta Mayors meeting to which the Town of Olds sponsored this resolution which reflects the position of the Central Alberta Mayors.

Ground Ambulance Funding

WHEREAS the cost of ground ambulance service is not always fully covered by the rates set by the Minister of Health under the Ambulance Act, Government of Canada (Indian Affairs), senior and social services, private insurance companies; and

WHEREAS there exists a lack of action by the Government of Alberta to address ambulance use/delivery cost; and

WHEREAS ambulance operators are seeing increased costs due to further distances for transport of patients resulting from hospital closures, operational/capital costs and bad debt; and

WHEREAS municipalities have been forced into further subsidizing the increased costs for ambulance service delivery to maintain the same level of service;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association lobby the Provincial Government to provide base line funding to municipalities as addressed in the Ground Ambulance Services Task Force Discussion Paper.

BACKGROUND

With the closure of hospitals, loss of inter-hospital transfers due to these closures, etc., this has affected the viability of several ambulance delivery services. The cost to continue the service has had to be picked up by the municipalities, and if not, the ambulance service either ceased to exist or provided a lower level of service. One of the difficulties our ambulance service has encountered is a municipality that will not pay the required per capita because another ambulance service within their jurisdiction is providing for a lot less. This municipality fails to realize that the other ambulance service in their jurisdiction still receives funding from inter-hospital transfers plus receives federal funding for the Indian reservations they serve.

With the closure of hospitals in communities, ambulance service is, and should become more necessary than ever before in these communities. The minimum level of service we would like to see is Basic Life Support. By asking the Provincial Government to provide baseline funding, it will help to maintain the service where it is most needed without becoming a real burden to the municipalities.

Ground Ambulance Rates

WHEREAS it was recognized in 1991 that the rates set for ground ambulance service fees by the Province of Alberta were inadequate and a committee of ambulance operators, both public and private, Alberta government officials, and other stakeholders was established to determine a fair rate; and

WHEREAS the recommendations of this committee were not implemented, and the adjusted rate unilaterally established by the Province fell short of the committee's documented costs to provide ground ambulance services; and

WHEREAS there has been no adjustment to the rate set by the Alberta Government since 1992 for ground ambulance services provided to their clients by public or private ambulance providers; and

WHEREAS Alberta Blue Cross, who provides the administrative services for government clients as well as a large number of other users, has with only one increase since 1992 for Blue Cross individual plan subscribers, used the government rate as the "official" rate to reimburse service providers for government clients; and

WHEREAS the resultant 1997 rate falls short of providing reasonable cost recovery for the service, and municipalities, are in fact funding Provincial Social Programs,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association approach the Provincial Government to immediately address this inequity by adjusting the rate to one mutually agreed upon by the government and the providers that accurately reflects the cost of the service delivery, and that the Province develop a process for annual review of the rates that involves the service providers.

**1997 Resolution No. A18
Health**

Coalhurst/Nobleford/Picture Butte/Acme

**Protection of Treated and Raw Water Supply
Protection**

WHEREAS there are common human pathogens which are readily identified in animals such as E.Coli 0157H7, Campylobacter, Salmonell, Giardia and Cryptosporidium; and

WHEREAS these organisms are frequent causes of human food poisoning readily transmitted through direct contact with infected animals and may be transmitted through water supplies; and

WHEREAS recreational water can also be a source for the development of intestinal symptoms and solid evidence exists that bathing in contaminated water does result in the development of illness in bathers; and

WHEREAS Cryptosporidium has become a major cause of waterborne outbreaks in communities and has been one of the instigating factors in a revolution of new standards, and newer water treatment facilities at substantive expense to the provincial government and municipalities in upgrading water treatment systems; and

WHEREAS the Chinook region typically has the highest rate of E. Coli infections and one of the highest rates of Campylobacter and Salmonella reports annually and a review of the enteric reports received through Communicable Disease Control confirm that a high proportion are agriculturally related; and

WHEREAS within the County of Lethbridge alone intensive livestock operations are feeding a total of 929, 799 animals as of January 1, 1996, with the proposed expansions in 1997, the equivalent of a city of 8,000,000 people without sanitary sewage facilities; and

WHEREAS the fecal matter from these animals is finding its way in to the drinking water supplies of municipalities; and

WHEREAS municipalities have found it cumbersome to locate the authority or department responsible, able or willing to accept responsibility for the protection of our water supplies;

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association advocate to the Provincial Government to introduce legislation to treat intensive livestock operations as an industry with regulations, permits and approvals.

AND FURTHER that the protection of the Province's raw and treated water resources be designated to one provincial authority or department.

BACKGROUND

Water quality effects of agricultural activity can be classified as:

- surface water contamination
- groundwater contamination
- perception problems

Water is used for a variety of purposes, each purpose may have a specific set of water quality standards, these can be classified as:

- human consumption
- human recreation
- man made environments
- natural environments
- livestock consumption
- environmental standards
- irrigation

In Alberta, standards are established through a series of legislations. Human consumption standards are established under the Canadian Drinking Water Act Guidelines. Recreation standards are found under the Public Health Act. Irrigation and livestock consumption guidelines are found in the Agricultural Codes of Practice but are not regulated. Environmental standards are established for purposes of monitoring, investigating and encouraging compliance.

Guidelines are established for a wide range of organisms and chemicals, and are established on a combination of documented and perceived risks (some guidelines for water are based predominately on perceived risk due to odour and clarity problems). For simple surveillance and monitoring purposes, routine standard testing includes total coliforms, fecal coliforms and standard plate count.

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Chemical analysis may include, but not be limited to, nitrate levels. Clarity is added as a measure in relation to human consumption.

Coliforms are bacteria which are found in the intestinal tracts of animals. Of themselves, they may not be pathogenic, but do provide a reasonable approximation of fecal contamination of the water source. As fecal contamination tends to be a culmination of a variety of animals, pathogenic organisms in circulation amongst animals will tend to be found in a linear correlation to the coliform counts. Refinements of microbiological testing can be accomplished but will increase cost and are also less reliable on matters of identification. Coliforms and other bacteria will be reduced through dilution and filtration, but are most effectively treated through chlorination/ozonation of water.

Nitrate is a by-product of animal protein metabolism, generally produced through renal excretion of urine. Nitrate is not broken down through normal chemical reactions in the environment, but is metabolized as a source of energy by some bacteria. The process of de-nitrification can be catalyzed through appropriate physical structures such as cess pools, septic tanks and settling ponds. Nitrate in raw water is not easily treated through high volume water treatment systems.

Clarity of water was mostly an issue of personal preferences for clearer water. More recently clarity of water has been used as a surrogate for parasite loads in the water. Parasites are not easily killed through chlorination (somewhat better through ozonation), they are however well managed through routine sand filtration. It is this correlation which led to changes in the Canadian Drinking Water Guidelines in the past decade. It is the failure of existing water plants to adequately filter water to the new standards which have led to boil water disorders throughout the province. It is also the failure of water treatment systems which have led to the *Cryptosporidium* community-wide outbreaks in Cranbrook, B.C., and Owen Sound Ontario within the last year.

Petitions on Matters of Municipal Jurisdictions

WHEREAS during the drafting of the new Municipal Government Act the Provincial Government drastically increased the items that a municipality can be petitioned on; and

WHEREAS municipalities are now facing petitions on items outside municipal jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS petition on frivolous or petty matters are interfering with the efficient and responsible governance of municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request that the Government of Alberta amend the Municipal Government Act to make it clear that only matters of municipal jurisdiction are petitionable.

BACKGROUND

Only one phrase is required - Video Lottery Terminals

Senior Tax Deferral Program

WHEREAS the Alberta Government, in 1994, cancelled the “Alberta Senior Citizen Property Tax Reduction Benefit”; and

WHEREAS the senior citizens, owning their own property are still experiencing difficulty in meeting their annual property tax obligations; and

WHEREAS the Province of British Columbia sponsors a deferral program which allows seniors to defer each year the full amount of their property tax;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta to consider a seniors property tax deferral program similar to that of the Province of British Columbia, a program in which deferred taxes plus accrued interest are placed as a lien against the property and recovered upon the sale of the property.

BACKGROUND

In their report of 1996 September to Calgary City Council, the Calgary Tax Review Committee (CTRC) made the following recommendation:

Recommendation #7

The Committee recommends that the City adopt a tax deferment program to be available for senior citizens using such criteria as Council deems appropriate.

In response to the CTRC recommendation, the Administration, in their 1997 February report to Council made the following recommendation:

“Administration recommends that the City formally approach the province to establish a seniors deferment program similar to that in British Columbia. Failing this, the Administration will investigate the establishment of a City run program.”

Off Site Charges

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act, Section 3, directs municipalities to provide services, facilities and other things deemed necessary by Council, and to develop and maintain safe and viable communities; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act, the Section 648(1) of the planning provisions restricts municipalities to collecting off-site levies to capital costs of certain water, sanitary and storm sewer drainage facilities; and

WHEREAS the Province will continue to cut back on grants and other financial support to municipalities; and

WHEREAS Capital funding now available to municipalities is insufficient to provide adequate levels of service to new residential and commercial properties to ensure safe and viable communities; and

WHEREAS Development of new residential and commercial properties creates the need for an array of hard and soft services to ensure safe and viable communities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Alberta Provincial Government to amend the Municipal Government Act to broaden the application of Off-Site levies under Section 648(1) to include the Capital Costs associated with the construction of access roads, public parks, playgrounds, recreational facilities and provision of fire, ambulance, police, economic development and other community facilities and services necessary for development and maintenance of safe and viable community.

BACKGROUND

The historical philosophy behind the imposition of off-site levies, was to allow municipalities to create a “development charge” on new developments in order to fund all “local” service needs arising as a result of the new development. It was realized that the entire community should not subsidize the occupants of new developments through the increases in mill rates. Amendments to section 648(1) as set out above, providing for a broader application of off-site levies, will enable municipalities to develop and maintain safe and viable communities through the cost-efficient provision of necessary services.

WHEREAS Section 11 of the Subdivision and Development Regulation restricts the approval by a subdivision authority of an application for country residential subdivision within specified distances of the boundaries of urban municipalities of various sizes without some form of consent of the neighbouring municipality; and

WHEREAS Section 11 of the Subdivision and Development Regulation is scheduled to expire on September 1, 1997; and

WHEREAS Section 632 of the Municipal Government Act specifies that the adoption of the Municipal Development Plan is mandatory for municipalities with populations of 3500 or more but is voluntary for municipalities with populations under 3500, and Sections 631 and 632 of the Municipal Government Act specify the general contents of Intermunicipal Development Plans and Municipal Development Plans; and

WHEREAS Section 707 of the Municipal Government Act requires that Intermunicipal Development Plans (if jointly undertaken by neighbouring municipalities) and Municipal Development Plans consistent with Sections 631 and 632 of the Municipal Government Act must be adopted prior to September 1, 1998; and

WHEREAS a one year time gap exists after the expiry of Section 11 of the Subdivision and Development Regulation and before the adoption deadline for Municipal Development Plans, and this gap may create a situation where no provisions are in place to manage applications for country residential subdivisions near urban boundaries; and

WHEREAS the deletion of the date reference would allow the provision to remain in effect until intermunicipal development plans or agreements have been adopted by the affected municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association requests that the Minister of Municipal Affairs delete the reference to September 1, 1997, in Section 11 of the Subdivision and Development Regulation.

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BACKGROUND

A protective framework intended to encourage effective intermunicipal planning and agreements on multi-lot country residential development is provided in Section 11 of the Subdivision and Development Regulation. This provision is due to expire on September 1, 1997. Instead, it should remain in place without a time frame, until municipal neighbours are able to establish satisfactory alternative intermunicipal measures. This would allow the original intent of the regulation to be fully achieved. Municipalities are engaging in productive intermunicipal planning on many diverse issues, most often with a goal of completion by September 1, 1998, the deadline for adoption of a Municipal Development Plan. These planning and negotiation processes should not be constrained by the pending expiry of Section 11.

Convention Resolution Committee Comment:

The Department of Municipal Affairs is currently addressing this issue and AUMA will communicate with the membership as updates are made available.

In 1996 a similar resolution was presented and carried.

WHEREAS regional planning commissions have been disbanded creating a gap in the Alberta Planning system; and

WHEREAS Section 622 of the Municipal Government Act Statutes of Alberta, 1994, Chapter M-26.1 as amended (the MGA) now requires intermunicipal development plans (or municipal development plans) (MDPs) which must address the co-ordination of land use, future growth patterns, and other infrastructure with adjacent municipalities as a negotiated process; and

WHEREAS the MGA allows for the establishment of land use policies which have been passed as Order in Council 522/96, November 6, 1996 by the Lieutenant Governor In Council (the policies); and

WHEREAS the Subdivision and Development Regulation Alberta Regulation 212/95 Section 11 has a policy to protect an urban fringe for country residential subdivisions until September 1, 1997; and

WHEREAS key policies and regulations may be overturned by the Municipal Government Board or a Subdivision and Development Appeal Board; and

WHEREAS the legislative framework to ensure intermunicipal co-operation and proper urban/rural fringe planning must be strengthened;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request that the Government of Alberta strengthen policies for the urban/rural fringe as follows:

(1) Amend the MGA so provincial regulations to protect the urban/rural fringe may not be overturned by the MGB or a Subdivision and Development Appeal Board; and

(2) Amend the Subdivision and Development Regulations and Land Use Policies as necessary to ensure that no development or subdivision may occur within 3.2 Km of an urban boundary unless such development and subdivision is agreed to by the affected urban and rural municipalities as laid out in their municipal development plans and other planning documents.

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BACKGROUND

Alberta no longer has regional planning commissions which prepared regional plans to implement inter-jurisdictional planning policies.

Also, the Province has only passed interim regulations controlling country residential developments within proximity to urban centres.

No provincial regulations exist to protect urban centres from detrimental fringe developments like intensive agricultural or premature urban sprawl of a type other than country residential.

Intermunicipal development plans or municipal development plans (by September, 1998) and land use policies (Order 522/96) exist to address these issues. Those arrangements lack the certainty to prevent undesirable urban/rural fringe land uses. Thus, this resolution to the AUMA calls for specific stronger provincial regulations to achieve more orderly planning.

Purpose

The proposed recommendation will create stronger provincial policies to protect the urban/rural fringe from speculative, potentially conflicting and unsustainable development thereby overcoming the gap due to the abolishment of regional planning.

This recommendation would require the agreement by all affected municipalities before the fringe may be intensified with subdivision or development. That is an essential policy to make the planning system work in Alberta.

Moreover, the recommendation ensures that any uses in the fringe are planned in MDPs and other planning bylaws with the acceptance of all affected local governments.

Therefore, it is possible to have fringe development but only where agreed to by affected jurisdictions and where properly planned.

Justification

Substantial planning literature demonstrates the urban/rural fringe requires special policy treatment. Those lands are not only the expansion area for most urban settlements but are subjected to pressure for premature conversion from agricultural to urban uses due to their proximity to towns and cities.

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While the fringe developments in question may be better served by urban infrastructure, urban municipalities find themselves being asked to contribute to an unsustainable development pattern if they provide such services. As well, the urban municipalities potentially experience economic inefficiencies in serving population outside their boundaries with public services.

Where municipalities yield to land owner pressures to develop in the fringe, an inefficient development pattern typically results.

A growth pattern which is not sustainable, causes the premature loss of valuable farmland and leads to requests for the adjacent urban municipalities to provide soft and hard services outside of their boundaries which is unacceptable and not in the greater public interest. Consequently, the above recommendation aims to rectify problems in how the legislation is drafted. This will ensure better planning for Alberta.

Redesign of Services for Children and Families

WHEREAS the Child and Family Services Authorities Act was passed by the Alberta Legislature and given Royal Assent on May 24, 1996; and

WHEREAS the 18 appointed Regional Steering Committees for regionalization of services for children and families have been developing preliminary service plans, and many have completed and forwarded them to the Commissioner of Children and Families for his approval; and

WHEREAS thousands of volunteers, both service-users and service-providers, have selflessly donated tens of thousands of hours of their own time to this initiative, with the objective of improving services for children and families in our Province; and

WHEREAS children and families across Alberta are receiving services that need to be monitored and evaluated; and

WHEREAS Provincial Child Welfare caseloads have increased since this initiative began; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Departments of Alberta Family & Social Services, Justice, Education, Health, and Advanced Education and Career Development, and the Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission provide resources and services that are essential for children and families; and

WHEREAS the Alberta Government announced in its action plan, entitled "Focus on Children", that a plan would be developed for effective, integrated community services for children and their families;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association requests the Government of Alberta ensure all provincial government departments providing services for children and families participate immediately as full partners in commitment and action to providing adequate human and financial resources to plan and deliver co-ordinated, seamless services for children and families across the Province; and

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FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Alberta co-operate with municipal authorities to support the preventive social services infrastructure for children and families built by communities over the past 30 years, so that a future system can be built upon its foundation.

BACKGROUND

The City of Edmonton has expressed its appreciation to the members of the Steering Committee in Region 10 for their tremendous effort in this time consuming consultation process. However, it is apparent from reading the Committee's Preliminary Service Plan that the Provincial department have not yet co-ordinated their planning efforts, nor identified the governance structure and resources that will be available for integrated service delivery.

Co-ordination

There are numerous planning and restructuring initiatives occurring at all three levels of government, in many different departments. Citizens are being asked to give considered input to community health, mental health, transportation, social services and recreation issues all at the same time.

In this time of fiscal restraint, no authority can afford to misuse scarce resources. The Ministers of the various provincial departments (Family & Social Services, Education, Health and Justice and the Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission) did not co-ordinate the areas of work that overlapped during is redesign of children's services.

In order to achieve the goal of integration, which is one of the four pillars of the redesign of children's services as articulated by the Government of Alberta, all stockholders including government department officials must clearly demonstrate an ability and willingness to do their work differently.

Resources

Resources are critical to the success of this initiative. The Preliminary Service Plans are written in such a way as to lay out a framework on which to build a comprehensive, integrated system of services for children and families. These plans can only be implemented if, and when, resources and structures enable service providers to put the plans into action.

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Existing Infrastructure

While plans are underway to design a new system, existing agencies and municipal governments are seeing their resources reduced by all three levels of government. There is genuine concern that there will be an erosion of the infrastructures that have been built over the last three decades since the Preventive Social Services Act of 1966. Preventive social services which are provided in the community, by the community, take many years to evolve and develop. Streamlining and evaluation needs to take place, but caution is necessary to ensure that the foundations that were built in the past are not wasted unnecessarily.

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta intends to exempt from taxation certain properties that are used by senior citizens; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act contains a number of separate provisions that refer to exemptions from taxation for seniors' use properties; and

WHEREAS those provisions sometimes refer to other legislation outside the purview of the Municipal Government Act; and

WHEREAS it is often unclear as to whether certain seniors' properties are exempt from taxation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta consolidate all exempt from taxation references for seniors' use properties into one subsection of Section 362 of the Municipal Government Act and include any clarification definitions that are required in Section 284 of the Municipal Government Act.

BACKGROUND

Many definitions of seniors' use properties are unclear. For example, the current definition of lodge accommodation could be interpreted to include property occupied by seniors who do not desire to maintain their own home. This would include self-contained apartments and residences where a senior pays to have the property maintained.

The definitions are also found in several other Acts and Regulations, some of which are repealed (Senior Citizens Housing Act)

The seniors' use exempt from taxation provision are also contained in several subsections of Section 362 of the Municipal Government Act.

There is a need to consolidate all seniors' use property, tax exemption legislation into one subsection of Section 362 of the Municipal Government Act, along with clear definitions of seniors' use properties that are exempt from taxation.

Taxation of Public Buildings

WHEREAS the Province has somewhat legislated that some municipally owned buildings which meet certain criteria should be taxable; and

WHEREAS most of the municipally owned buildings which meet with the criteria which would make them taxable are run by “not for profit groups” who put all their excess funds back into the facility; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government of Alberta has promoted and honoured volunteerism; and

WHEREAS the “not for profit groups” are made up of community minded people who commit their time and energy on a volunteer basis; and

WHEREAS if the facilities that they operate on a volunteer basis are now to be taxable they will cease to volunteer their time and effort to the facilities; and

WHEREAS if the volunteers cease to exist and the facilities are taxed then the cost to the general public for the use of these facilities will be prohibitive;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Provincial Government to review their stand on the taxation of municipal owned property with the understanding that Municipalities will be further consulted before this taxation process moves ahead.

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BACKGROUND

The Provincial Government has recently provided a set of guidelines for the assessment and taxation of Municipally owned buildings. Although these guidelines are open to interpretation it must be generally agreed that most municipally owned buildings are operated by non-profit organizations and are run by volunteers. To now make these non-profit organizations pay municipal property taxes would be a slap in the face of those who give of their time and energy on a volunteer basis. The Province has given no direction to municipalities or contracted assessors as to how these assessments are to be made or to what alternatives the municipalities may have.

In some communities Municipal Golf Courses have been assessed and taxed while other municipalities have chosen to ignore the assessment or have written the assessment off at the Assessment Review Board level. This whole scheme by the Provincial Government is a further attempt to download costs onto the municipalities but in doing so they have shown their contempt for those who contribute so much to the Province; the volunteers.

Regional Health Authorities

WHEREAS in the Alberta Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26.1 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1994, Section 362 (g.1) states that “property use in connection with health region purposes and held by a health region under the Regional Health Authorities Act that receives financial assistance from the Crown under any act” shall be exempt from taxation, with “held by” being defined to include property rented by a Regional Health Authority; and

WHEREAS this means that the property owners, who are not Regional Health Authorities, receive all the benefits and services provided by the municipality and the benefit of renting their property and earning revenue from the same, but make no financial contribution to the municipality in the way of tax payment; and

WHEREAS this is unfair to ratepayers owning rental property in the municipality who must pay taxes on the property they have for rent in the municipality;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request that Section 362(g.1) of the Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26.1 of the Statutes of Alberta, be amended by deleting the words “held by” and substituting the words “owned by” the Regional Health Authority so that the properties which are earning revenue for the landlords will not be included in the exemption from taxation but shall be considered a taxable property and the only tax exempt properties used by the Regional Health Authorities shall be those which are actually owned by the Regional Health Authority.

BACKGROUND

Most Regional Health Authority offices are located in urban centres. The benefits of these offices are also provided to the rural residents in surrounding areas as well as to residents of other urban municipalities located nearby. The Village of Onoway feels that it is unfair for the hosting municipality to be required to subsidize the Regional Health Authority’s landlord who is receiving the benefit of rental revenue but contributing no taxes to the municipality for the provision of services.

This change will allow most or all agri-business involved in the washing, brushing, spraying, drying, sizing, culling, grading or packaging of farm commodities in order to prepare a product for retail market; to qualify for an exemption on their buildings as they can be considered a “farming operation”.

Agri-business such as contract hay drying facilities and pellet plants which have historically been assessable (and consequently provided tax dollars to the municipalities) would in all likelihood be exempted from further assessment.

Past decision by the Municipal Government Board on this issue indicate that they are placing a very broad definition on what constitutes a “farming operation” and if this loose interpretation continues it may necessitate removing the farm exemption entirely in order for municipalities to prevent large decreases in their assessment base.

Section "P" Resolutions

Section "P" of the Convention Resolutions book contains resolutions relating to those policies adopted at past conventions.

WHEREAS the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association represents the collective voice of urban municipalities in Alberta; and

WHEREAS the member municipalities expect the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association to be privy to all particulars on all matters being considered by the Province of Alberta as they affect local government; and

WHEREAS member municipalities feel they are not made aware of all matters in the preliminary stages of the consideration process to effectively make their views known; and

WHEREAS it causes the local municipal councils distress when trying to take a proactive view of possible changes rather than to react after they have been implemented;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association lobby the Province of Alberta to have input into all matters pertaining to Local Government in the first stage of consideration and all stages of the development of regulations pertaining to the accompanying legislation.

Convention Resolution Committee Comments:

This resolution is consistent with and supportive of the AUMA's guiding principle #6, autonomy: "Amendments to the Municipal Government Act and Regulations will be sponsored by or receive approval from the AUMA prior to presentation to the Legislature or Cabinet".

This resolution has been classified as a "P", support of which would re-endorse guiding principle #6, autonomy.

**1997 Resolution No. P2
Taxation**

**Lacombe
Education Tax**

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has assumed the responsibility for the funding of primary and secondary education; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government continues to use the local property tax as a major source of revenue for education funding; and

WHEREAS local property tax should be used to fund municipal services only;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Government of Alberta remove education funding from local property taxes allowing the Municipality the exclusive use of the local property tax for present municipal responsibilities and local services.

BACKGROUND

This is a common position stated in a number of ways over time by the AUMA and many of its members. The Lacombe Town Council is stating further that they are not prepared to accept new responsibilities from the Province (as seen in the Ontario experience) should the Provincial Government agree to remove education taxation.

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Convention Resolution Committee Comment:

Guiding Principle #1 - Property Tax

“The Property Tax is for the exclusive use of Municipal Government.”

The goal of the AUMA is to work towards the reduction of the Province’s reliance upon the local property tax to fund education.

1996 - Annual Convention Resolution A1.

Guiding Principles #1 was re-endorsed by membership at last year’s convention. The operative clause of the resolution is as follows:

“Now therefore be it resolved that the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta to undertake an immediate discussion in partnership with the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association to address:

- a) the merits of removing the education tax levy from municipal property tax, including the implications and options;
- b) the core responsibilities of Provincial, Federal and Municipal governments are related to property and people services with appropriate sources of income;
- c) the change in Acts, Regulations, Procedures or Policies that are necessary to initiate any change.

Government Position :

To date the AUMA has been clearly notified by Government that the Province will not vacate the Property Tax Base without some shifting of Provincial responsibilities.

Section "B" Resolutions

Section "B" of the Convention Resolutions book contains less critical resolutions. Those resolutions in Section "B" will be brought to the convention floor after all Section "A" resolutions have been debated, time permitting.

Dismissed Complaints-Assessment Review Board

WHEREAS Section 467(1) of the Municipal Government Act states: An assessment review board may make any of the following decisions: (a) dismiss a complaint that was not made within the proper time; (b) make a change with respect to any matter referred to in Section 460 (5); (c) decide that no change to an assessment roll or tax roll is required; and

WHEREAS Section 470 of the said Act states “The decision of an assessment review board may be appealed to the Municipal Government Board”; and

WHEREAS Section 460 (7) of the Act states; A complaint must explain why the complainant thinks the information shown on an assessment or tax notice is incorrect;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Government of Alberta to amend Section 467 of the Municipal Government Act by adding the following after 467(1)(c):

“(d) dismiss a complaint, when in the opinion of the assessment review board the complaint filed did not comply with Section 460(7).”

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BACKGROUND

Some assessed persons and/or their tax agents are known to file complaints against the assessment of properties without stating the grounds of complaint as required by Section 460(7) of the said act.

Without attending the assessment review board hearing, and without the supply of grounds of complaint it is clear that the assessed person and/or the tax agent does not intend to state his/her case before the assessment review board. Section 467 requires the assessment review board to make a decision that can later be appealed to the Municipal Government Board.

Preparing for the assessment review board and the scheduling of complaints is an expensive function.

The intention of the proposed amendment is to compel the complainant to full disclosure to the satisfaction of the assessment review board. If the board is not satisfied that the complainant has complied with Section 460(7) the board could dismiss the complaint. On an appeal to the Municipal Government Board the appellant would have the opportunity to state his/her position and argue that the complaint complies with Section 460(7). The proposed amendment may have the effect of reducing the number of appeals going to the Municipal Government Board.

Inclusion of Public Land in Petty Trespass Act

WHEREAS the Government has identified agricultural land under the Petty Trespass Act; and

WHEREAS the Petty Trespass Act should include publicly owned land and buildings; and

WHEREAS the owner, operator or custodian of such publicly owned land would be able to use the Petty Trespass Act to remove person(s) from the property where warranted;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta to include publicly owned land and buildings under the Petty Trespass Act.

BACKGROUND

Historically when members of the general public were loitering, used abusive language, displayed unacceptable behaviour or were in non-compliance with the rules and regulations within publicly owned facilities, they could be charged under the Petty Trespass Act by either a member of a Police Agency or a representative of the land owner in the presence of a Peace Officer.

In 1996, (reference to cases R vs. Mohammed 31 ALR (3RD) 149 and R vs. Elias QB #9601-001154) the judge ruled that the Petty Trespass Act was only applicable to agricultural lands. It did not apply to private or publicly owned land or buildings accessed and used by the general public. As a result of the judge's ruling, the Police Agencies will not enforce the Petty Trespass Act as it relates to publicly owned land and buildings. This has resulted in an increasing problem for Calgary Parks & Recreation.

Changes to Petty Trespass Act would enable the land owners, its agents or Police Agencies to enforce the act in these instances.

Snowmobile Fines And Offences

WHEREAS there have been a number of accidents and fatalities involving snowmobiles in Alberta; and

WHEREAS there is existing legislation identifying fines for unregistered and uninsured snowmobiles; and

WHEREAS the legislation does not make it an offence if a snowmobile operator does not stop for a Peace Officer; and

WHEREAS public protection must be ensured through compliance with legislation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Government of Alberta to review the current legislation regarding fines for unregistered and uninsured snowmobiles and the lack of a requirement for a snowmobile operator to stop for a Peace Officer. Consideration should be given to increase the fines for unregistered and uninsured snowmobiles, and for the provision for legislation requiring a snowmobile operator to stop for a Peace Officer and a penalty for failing to stop.

BACKGROUND

The issue of public protection has become a concern in recent months due to reports of snowmobile accidents causing serious injury and fatalities.

The Off Highway Vehicle Act Section 2 requires registration of off highway vehicles. The fine for contravention of the Section is \$100.

Section 6 of the Off Highway Vehicle Act states that it is an offence to operate or permit any other person to operate an off highway vehicle that is not insured. The fine for this offence is \$100 and is outlined in the General Penalty Section 28.

The fine for this offence appears particularly low in comparison with the fine for driving an uninsured motor vehicle which is \$2,500 under the Motor Vehicle Administration Act.

The Off Highway Vehicle Act does not specify that failing to stop for a Peace Officer is an offence.

Unsightly and Untidy Premises

WHEREAS Section 174(1) of the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, S.A. 1992, c. E-13.3 (“the Act”) provides for the issuance of an environmental protection order to clean up unsightly property if an inspector or investigator considers a property “when viewed from a highway” to be unsightly; and

WHEREAS many municipalities deal with unsightly property through the vehicle of the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act and designate inspectors and investigators to carry out the provisions of the Act; and

WHEREAS citizen complaints regarding unsightly premises are often received by local authorities in instances where property is not viewable from a highway; and

WHEREAS an environmental protection order cannot be issued unless the unsightly property is viewable from a highway;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta to amend Section 174(1) of the Act to remove the reference “when viewed from a highway”.

BACKGROUND:

Municipalities may address the remediation of unsightly properties through either the Environmental Protection & Enhancement Act or the Municipal Government Act.

The Environmental Protection Act & Enhancement Act provides for the issuance of an environmental protection order to the registered owner (or person in control) of a property in those instances where an inspector or investigator considers a property, when viewed from a highway to be unsightly. The Order so issued may require that person to remedy the condition of the property in the manner and to the extent directed. The Act further provides that a municipality may, when certain conditions are met, perform the necessary work and collect any expenses of doing so as an additional tax against the land concerned.

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The Municipal Government Act also allows municipalities to deal with unsightly properties. Under the Act, municipalities may either enact a bylaw respecting unsightly property or a designated officer of the municipality, if that officer believes a property, because of its unsightly condition, is a detriment to the surrounding area, may by written order require an owner of property to improve the appearance of the property in a specified manner.

The enforcement provisions under the Municipal Government Act are similar in nature to those set out under the Environmental Protection & Enhancement Act. The only significant difference between the two pieces of legislation is the requirement, under EP & EA, that the unsightly property be viewable from a highway. Because many Alberta Municipalities already deal with unsightly properties through the Environmental Protection & Enhancement Act, it would be appropriate to remove that condition under the Act. This would provide municipalities with greater flexibility in dealing with unsightly properties without the necessity and expense of transferring the processes of administration and enforcement to another Act.

Household Hazardous Waste

WHEREAS the municipal residential waste stream in Alberta includes numerous products in common household use that are poisonous, flammable, explosive, corrosive or otherwise dangerous to human health and safety or to the environment if not properly handled (“Household Hazardous Waste”) including paint and paint products which are the largest single component of the municipal Household Hazardous Waste stream; and

WHEREAS increasing numbers of Albertans have recognized the importance of special handling of Household Hazardous Waste so that it does not cause illness or injury and does not enter municipal wastewater treatment systems of municipal landfills; and

WHEREAS the full cost of proper handling, transportation and disposal of Household Hazardous Waste in general, and paint products in particular, would be an onerous financial burden on municipalities if they were required to bear all of that costs; and

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta has recognized the financial hardship on municipalities in assuming the full cost of dealing properly with Household Hazardous Waste, and has since 1988 provided funding through Action of Waste program to cover the cost of disposal of Household Hazardous Waste; and

WHEREAS the financial support of the Government of Alberta has enabled many Alberta municipalities to establish local programs that are widely used and supported by the public, for safe and effective collection and disposal of paint products and other Household Hazardous Waste;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association recommends the Government of Alberta be:

- 1. Commended for its past and present financial support for Household Hazardous Waste programs in Alberta municipalities; and**
- 2. Strongly encouraged to continue its financial support for local Household Hazardous Waste programs and to broaden the base of that support so as to enable this important and well received public service to be expanded and improved; and**
- 3. Strongly encouraged to work with the paint and paint product manufacturing industry to develop equitable and effective methods of dealing with this important component of the Household Hazardous Waste stream.**

**1997 Resolution No. B6
Finance**

Grande Prairie

RCMP Auxiliary Constable Program

WHEREAS RCMP Auxiliary Constable Program is in place in Alberta with 400 Auxiliary members in place; and

WHEREAS the Auxiliary Constable Program is a volunteer program intended to enhance community based policing and provide an opportunity for citizens to participate in law enforcement on an organized basis; and

WHEREAS Auxiliary Constables provide a complimentary and valuable service to the regular RCMP force; and

WHEREAS increased funding for this Program would allow for an increased number of volunteer constables for local detachments; and

WHEREAS all costs associated with the program are the responsibility of the Provincial Government;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Government of Alberta to increase funding for the RCMP Auxiliary Constable Program to allow an increased number of volunteer constables for local detachments.

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BACKGROUND

The RCMP Auxiliary Constable Program was created in 1978 and presently there are 400 Auxiliary members in the Province of Alberta. The auxiliaries are Special Constables appointed by the Province's Solicitor General.

The Auxiliary Police Program is a volunteer program intended to enhance community based policing and provide an opportunity for citizens to participate in law enforcement on an organized basis.

Auxiliary Constables provide a complimentary service to the regular force (Auxiliary Constables assist members of the Force while under supervision). Many local programs are enhanced through efforts of auxiliary constables in organizing and manning Child Find Programs, Ski/Bike Identification, Bike Rodeos, Foot Patrols and Special Events.

All costs associated with the Auxiliary Constable Program are the responsibility of the Provincial Government.

Natural Disasters

WHEREAS the Provincial Government and the Federal Government through the Disaster Financial Assistance Program provide assistance to municipalities, businesses and residents which suffer catastrophic natural disasters caused by tornadoes, landslides, severe weather, flooding, dangerous goods and fire; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government, in its assistance formula, has applied a funding cap of \$100, 000 which applies equally to eligible businesses and residences for each event; and

WHEREAS the Town of Peace River suffered a catastrophic natural disaster by way of a flood which occurred on Saturday, the 19th of April, 1997; and

WHEREAS 47% of the downtown business community was flooded and rendered unable to carry out normal business for a significant period of time; and

WHEREAS those said businesses provide essential services to the residents of the Town of Peace River; and

WHEREAS some of those businesses sustained losses well in excess of \$100,000 and were unable to re-establish their businesses for an extended time period and some will go into bankruptcy without adequate assistance;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association lobby the Province of Alberta to review the funding cap of \$100,000 in the case of businesses which are affected by a natural disaster event and further that the Disaster Recovery Committee of the Provincial Government be given authority to approve funding to those businesses, on a site specific basis, who qualify for losses above the \$100,000 cap.

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BACKGROUND

On Saturday, April 19th, 1997 the ice in the Peace River, in its spring break up, jammed north of the Town and caused substantial flooding to the downtown core. Approximately sixty (60) businesses were affected and most of them to this date have not returned to business. Those businesses provided essential services to the Town. At present there is no children's clothing store, no shoe store, no store which offers reasonably priced household essentials. In addition, the Town has lost 47% of its downtown retail space.

Without the lifting of the \$100,000 cap some of the those businesses will be out of business permanently. In the opinion of Peace River Council this is a situation that not only affects Peace River but could easily affect any other municipality in the Province as disasters are not limited to flooding.

Safety Codes Council Levy

WHEREAS municipalities have been given the responsibility by the Province to administer all parts of the Alberta Building code under the Safety Codes Act.

WHEREAS the responsibility of administering the Alberta Building code has placed an increased demand on resources; and

WHEREAS the Safety Codes Council deem it necessary that, they receive a \$3.00 or \$5.00 levy on each permit issued; and

WHEREAS the cost of a \$3.00 or \$5.00 levy is an additional cost to the builder or the municipality, and not necessarily conducive to new construction;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta to delete the \$3.00 or \$5.00 levy on each permit issued as imposed by the Safety Codes Council.

BACKGROUND

With the responsibility of administering and enforcing the Alberta Building Code, the municipalities have once again felt the affects of Provincial down loading, and a further drain on municipal resources. The responsibility of administering and enforcing the Alberta Building Code has been accepted and the proper mechanisms put in place. However, we object to the collection and remittance of set fees to the Safety Codes Council. Fees if not passed on to the builder, must be absorbed by the municipality. Either way the fees are not conducive to the Alberta advantage.

It is our feeling, if the Province deem it necessary to monitor municipalities in the enforcement of the Alberta Building Code, through the Safety Codes Council; then those costs should be funded entirely by the Province.

We find it ironic that, there is a mechanism in place to ensure the municipalities are enforcing the Alberta Building Code. When the Province was solely in charge that concern did not appear to be evident.

**1997 Resolution No. B9
Finance**

St. Albert

Grants to Municipalities

WHEREAS the Province of Alberta has adopted a three year Business Plan and Budget Cycle; and

WHEREAS municipalities receive grants from the Province for various municipal operations; and

WHEREAS it is imperative that municipalities have adequate time to accommodate changes in Grant Programs in planning for their service delivery and long term budgets; and

WHEREAS the Province of Alberta has not provided assurances of three year funding to municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request that the Government of Alberta provide municipalities with three years notice for changes to grant programs.

Roadway Tree Planting and Naturalization

WHEREAS trees and natural areas produce oxygen essential for human survival; and

WHEREAS trees and natural areas reduce carbon monoxide levels and other airborne pollutants; and

WHEREAS trees and natural areas provide an aesthetically pleasing urban environment in which to live, thereby increasing the liveability of our cities; and

WHEREAS naturalized areas adjacent to urban roads can be less expensive to maintain than manicured grass; and

WHEREAS automobiles are a major contributor to urban pollution as well as being integral to daily life in Alberta's urban centres; and

WHEREAS the provincial government has contributed and continues to contribute financially to construction of municipal roadways; and

WHEREAS experience has shown that residents of urban areas request of their municipal governments the planting of trees after major urban municipal roadways are constructed and in use, often at increased "retro-planting" costs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Government to develop a funded urban tree-planting program to provide for all provincially-funded, shared-cost urban roadways the planting of trees along new urban roadways in accordance with agreed standards of planting, to reduce or counter the harmful effects of vehicular pollution.

BACKGROUND

Protecting the environment and making towns and cities liveable is a concern for most municipalities. In some cases it is stated as part of a corporate municipal government mandate. Municipalities are also concerned with managing and developing their infrastructure, including roadway. One way to improve the aesthetic and environmental qualities of the urban environment and reduce future maintenance costs, as they relate to roadways, is to use naturalization as a component of and during roadway construction.

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Unfortunately, roadway construction costs do not always include a provision for landscaping that meets these objectives, or if cost overruns occur, the first element to be eliminated is the landscape component. In recent years municipalities are increasingly finding that their citizens want trees planted along major roadways where they were not included and planted as part of the construction phase. At that point the cost is a municipal cost, rather than being cost-shareable as part of construction.

With the Provincial Government's commitment to the environmental values that it has declared, it must endeavour to not compromise the future condition of the environment. It can work towards the achievement of these values by ensuring some amount of landscaping is provided in roadway construction. Recognizing that funds should be provided according to some standard of planting, the province should develop the components of a funding-for-planting program as a part of its urban roadway construction program. The dedication of funds to the planting of trees will, in the short and long term, provide greater benefits and reduced costs to society.

School Infrastructure Funding

WHEREAS the Province of Alberta has reduced funding to School Boards and limited the construction of new elementary, junior and senior high schools; and

WHEREAS the demand for transportation to existing schools has increased due to: the addition of portable classrooms, the existing “bus before you build” policy, open boundaries, specialized schools, and current society norms; and

WHEREAS there is an increased demand for school-related infrastructure improvements on roadways and school/park sites to address requests for crosswalks, fencing, bus bays, parent drop-off zones, and related parking/access changes which increased demands result from school program or bussing changes initiated by the school boards, and all of which result in safety concerns at schools; and

WHEREAS there is an issue as to who should fund these infrastructure improvements or upon what basis should these costs be shared;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the government of Alberta:

- to initiate a program to ensure that the responsibility for construction and maintenance of school related infrastructure is clearly defined; and
- to provide funding on that basis to both municipalities and school boards to sufficiently address the safety issues arising out of these increased demands.

BACKGROUND

The intent of this resolution is to address the issue of funding and other responsibility issues for school related infrastructure improvements on roadways and school/park sites to address requests for crosswalks, fencing, bus bays, parent drop-off zones and related parking/access changes. The issue develops in situations where the problem or traffic increase results from school program or bussing changes initiated by the school boards and the question arises as to who should fund or cost share.

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Since the seventies there has been a significant change in how elementary schools operate and how students travel to school. Elementary schools now operate within open boundaries and tend to have a specialization such as a second language , academic excellence, learning disabilities, etc. In addition, elementary schools are no longer constructed in each neighbourhood as it is developed. Today schools often have extensions or portable classrooms attached to the school. The net result is many of these local elementary schools now have a larger student enrolment from a larger catchment area than originally envisaged.

These changes in operation, together with the increasing number of parents driving their children to school, have significantly changed the number of students at each school and how elementary students travel to school. Changes in how junior and senior high school students travel to school have also occurred over the same period. Today more of these students travel by public transit or drive themselves.

As a result of the changing travel patterns and distances that students travel to schools, additional amenities such as student parking, parent drop-off zones, transit bus bays, yellow bus drop-off zones, yellow bus transfer locations and signalized pedestrian crosswalks are now in demand.

With the separate existence of the school board and municipalities and the fiscal restraint both operate under, a government program is required to outline the financial responsibilities for these amenities now in demand.

WHEREAS the Province of Alberta, during the drafting of the Municipal Government Act, amended the sections dealing with the petitioning powers of the public; and

WHEREAS 10% of the population, in a small community is exceedingly easy to achieve within the criteria set forward; and

WHEREAS no matter what size of the municipality, a valid petition requires only 10% of the electors to force Council action; and

WHEREAS the rights of the public to influence their local government is vital, and absolute, but must be tempered with the effective, efficient and responsible management of municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request that the Government of Alberta amend section 223 of the Municipal Government Act to include a sliding scale for the number of petitioners required to sign a valid petition.

BACKGROUND

Municipalities are facing a more vocal and educated public, which of course is a good sign. However, petitions in small communities seem to be exceeding easy to get before Council as valid. Issues like the VLT's have been forced upon many communities with valid petitions. The Town of Barrhead requires only 416 signatures within a six week period (easy) whereas the City of Edmonton requires over 60,000 (hard). The Town of Barrhead would propose a sliding scale such as follows:

Population	% required for valid petition
0 - 10,000	20%
10,001 - 25,000	15%
25,000+	10%

Further the government states that the stringent requirements for petitions (signatures, etc.) are valid balancers, but political reality would state otherwise. Political reality will force Council of a small town to react to even improper petition as has been shown (Town of Barrhead- Twice, Rocky Mountain House).

Mobile Unit Ownership Registry

WHEREAS mobile units are now subject to property taxation under the Municipal Government Act (MGA); and

WHEREAS unlike Land Titles registry where municipalities are provided with accurate and up to date ownership information, no such central registry exists for mobile units;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association requests the Government of Alberta to institute a mobile unit registry similar to the Land Titles Office.

BACKGROUND

There are approximately 2,700 mobile units in Calgary with an annual tax levy of about \$750,000. The bad debt for mobile unit property taxes is approximately 10% as compared to 2% for the remainder of the property tax roll. As property taxes on mobile units are not a secured debt as with real property, any provisions for making the collection of property taxes on mobile units more efficient should reduce the bad debt experienced by the municipality.

Convention Resolutions Committee Comment:

Currently the issue of Manufactured Housing Taxation is being considered, and may be addressed by the time of the Convention.

Petitions - Road Closure Bylaws

WHEREAS Section 231(1) of the Municipal Government Act states that after a proposed bylaw or resolution that is required to be advertised under this or another enactment has been advertised, *except a bylaw or resolution under Part 17*, the electors may submit a petition for a vote of the electors to determine whether the proposed bylaw or resolution should be passed; and

WHEREAS Section 231 of the Municipal Government Act applies to Section 22 of the Municipal Government Act; and

WHEREAS Section 22 of the Municipal Government Act refers to a bylaw closing a road; and

WHEREAS Section 231(1) of the Municipal Government Act does not except Section 22 of the Municipal Government Act; and

WHEREAS not excepting Section 22 of the Municipal Government Act from Section 231(1) of the Municipal Government Act provides an opportunity to petition a proposed road closure bylaw provided the petition is filed with the chief administrative officer within 60 days of the last date on which the proposed bylaw is advertised and the petition is signed by the electors of the municipality equal in number to a least 10% of the population; and

WHEREAS in the case of the City of Edmonton, within 60 days of the last date on which the proposed bylaw is advertised, the petition would require 64,300 signatures and within the prescribed time, it is unlikely that the required number of signatures would be obtained while withholding the passing of the road closure bylaw; and

WHEREAS to include Section 22 of the Municipal Government Act as an exception under Section 231(1) of the Municipal Government Act would eliminate the 60 day hiatus before the road closure is passed by Council; and

WHEREAS the public hearing process for road closure bylaws provides members of the public with an opportunity to express their concerns about the passage of a road closure bylaw directly to Council without having to go to the expense and time of putting forward a petition; and

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WHEREAS to include Section 22 of the Municipal Government Act as an exception under Section 231(1) of the Municipal Government will eliminate the unnecessary delay to pass an amendment to a land use bylaw or endorse a plan of subdivision in the event that a road closure bylaw is associated with the aforementioned;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association requests that the Minister of Municipal Affairs amend Section 231(1) of the Municipal Government Act to read as follows:

After a proposed bylaw or resolution that is required to be advertised under this or another enactment has been advertised, *except Section 22 under Part 3* and a bylaw or resolution under Part 17 the electors may submit a petition for a vote of the electors to determine whether the proposed bylaw or resolution should be passed.

BACKGROUND

Section 231(1) of the Municipal Government Act states that after a proposed bylaw or resolution that is required to be advertised under this or another enactment had been advertised, *except a bylaw or resolution under Part 17*, the electors may submit a petition for a vote of the electors to determine whether the proposed bylaw or resolution should be passed.

Section 231(1) of the Municipal Government Act does not exempt Section 22 of the Municipal Government Act. Section 22 of the Municipal Government Act refers to a bylaw closing a road.

Considering that before a road is closed by bylaw, a public hearing is required pursuant to Section 22 of the Municipal Government Act, the opportunity to further petition Council pursuant to Section 231(1) of the Municipal Government Act is redundant, costly, and unnecessarily delays development.

It is the position of the City of Edmonton that the public hearing process for road closure bylaws provides the public with the opportunity to express their concerns about the passage of the road closure bylaw directly to Council. There is no need to prolong the road closure process by including the opportunity to petition. It is redundant and delays the passing of an amendment to the land use bylaw and ultimately development in the event that a road closure bylaw is associated with the amendment to the land use bylaw.

Consequently, it is the position of the City of Edmonton that Section 231(1) of the Municipal Government Act be amended to exempt Section 22 of the Municipal Government Act.

**1997 Resolution No. B15
Legislative**

Glenwood

**Use of Own Equipment
Provincially Funded Projects**

WHEREAS the Provincial Government does not allow municipally owned equipment to be used for Provincial government funded projects; and

WHEREAS certain municipalities are unable to locate private enterprises which are able to supply suitable equipment for projects; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has reduced funding to municipalities; and

WHEREAS it is desirable that municipalities become more fiscally responsible:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Provincial Government to allow municipalities to use their own equipment for government funded projects if it can be demonstrated that no private enterprise near the municipality is able to supply adequate equipment.

BACKGROUND

On Provincial funded street projects, the Village of Glenwood contracts with private enterprise for street repair and maintenance. Our road contractors have generally been unable to supply a grader which is essential for street projects. Since the Provincial Government will not allow us to use our grader for these projects, we have had to hire another company or individual who has a grader.

There are no local private grader operators who own their own equipment. We, of necessity, have had to hire owner/operators from larger centres which means that we have extra costs in terms of contracted services with additional move-in and move-out expenses.

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It would be fiscally beneficial to our community to allow us to use our equipment for these projects. For non-provincially funded projects we have often hired local people certified in grader operation. By allowing us to use Village equipment on Provincial funded projects and hire local people to operate our equipment as necessary, our Village would be able to further benefit our community.

Convention Resolution Committee Comments:

Urban municipalities are eligible for funding through the Streets Improvement Program but all (100%) construction and related services must be obtained from the Private Sector.

Municipal Government Act - Section 619

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act was amended September 1, 1995 to incorporate Part 17 which provides planning and development authority to municipalities; and

WHEREAS Section 619 of the Municipal Government Act provides that approvals granted by the Natural Resources Conservation Board (NRCB), Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB), and Alberta Energy & Utilities Board (AEUB) prevail over any statutory plan, land use bylaw, subdivision decision or development decision by subdivision authority, development authority or subdivision and development appeal board; and

WHEREAS the operation of Section 619 effectively eliminates any local planning authority over projects that have been approved by the NRCB, ERCB and AEUB and results in municipalities being unable to have any meaningful input or control over the significant impact that these provincially approved projects have upon the local community;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta to Amend Section 619 of the Municipal Government Act so that it is clear that this section shall only apply to those projects approved by the NRCB, ERCB and AEUB after September 1, 1995.

BACKGROUND

A decision was handed down on February 27, 1997 by the Municipal Government Board that the provision of Section 619 of the MGA is to be applied retroactively. This means that past decisions of the ERCB, NRCB and AEUB are enforceable and affect decisions which Municipal Councils make on planning issues.

When decisions were handed down by the respective Boards prior to September 1, 1995, they were not written as if they were part of the Municipal Government Act and would have the legislative power they now hold. It is conjectured that had this been so, then decisions of the Boards would have been written differently.

The intent of this Resolution is to have the Province consider changing the legislation so that it would **not** be retroactive.

Intermunicipal Co-operation

WHEREAS it is desirable to have joint use of facilities between municipalities for economic and social reasons; and

WHEREAS this area of joint use has been the cause of several inter-municipal conflicts over the years; and

WHEREAS it is desirable to work in close co-operation with neighbouring municipalities for the overall benefit of the residents; and

WHEREAS Section 631 of the Municipal Government Act allows for the adoption of an Inter-municipal Development Plan between two or more municipalities which may provide for matters relating to the physical, social or economic development of the area; and

WHEREAS such Intermunicipal Development plans must include a procedure to be used to solve or attempt to solve any conflict between the municipalities; and

WHEREAS in the formation of the Intermunicipal Development Plan there is no process for setting conflicts prior to its adoption;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request that Government of Alberta to institute necessary regulations which will require municipalities who can not come to an agreement, to enter into binding arbitration to settle areas of conflict.

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BACKGROUND

Binding arbitration to Intermunicipal Disputes:

Section 631 of the MGA allows for the creation of intermunicipal development plans and requires that if such a plan is developed then there are certain items it must contain. One of those items is a conflict resolution clause should conflicts arise. The concern is with the inter-municipal disputes where there is no agreement on how such disputes are to be resolved.

For several years, Urban Municipalities have provided services to their Rural neighbours and there have been agreements in place describing the conditions under which these services would be provided. In a large number of those joint situations, disputes have been ongoing as to the value of these services and who should pay what amount.

It is felt that there should be some method whereby intermunicipal disputes could be arbitrated which would be binding on both parties.

Notification of Municipal Address

WHEREAS Section 692(4)(a)(i) of the Municipal Government Act requires that in the case of an amendment to land use bylaw to change the district designation of a parcel of land, the municipality must include in the notice advertised in the newspaper the municipal address, if any, and legal address of the parcel of land; and

WHEREAS Section 692(4)(a)(i) of the Municipal Government Act causes undue municipal expense when it requires the municipal address to be included in the notice; and

WHEREAS the chance of error or omitting a municipal address of a parcel(s) provides the opportunity to challenge the validity of the amendment to the land use bylaw; and

WHEREAS a parcel of land may have more than one municipal address whereas there is only one legal address for a parcel according to the Land Titles Act; and

WHEREAS the deletion of the municipal address requirement in the notice will not compromise public notification considering that the legal address of the parcel(s) of land will remain in the notification in conjunction with a map showing the location of the parcel(s) of land;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association requests that the Minister of Municipal Affairs delete the reference to the municipal address, if any in Section 692(4)(a)(i) of the Municipal Government Act whereby it reads as follows:

(4) In the case of an amendment to a land use bylaw to change the district designation of a parcel of land, the municipality must, in addition to the requirements of subsection (1),

(a) include in the notice described in section 606 (2)

(i) the legal address of the parcel of land, and

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BACKGROUND

Section 692 (4)(a)(i) of the Municipal Government Act requires that in the case of an amendment to a land use bylaw to change the district designation of a parcel of land, the municipality must include in the notice advertised in the newspaper the municipal address, if any, and the legal address of the parcel of land.

It is the position of the City of Edmonton that the requirement to identify the municipal address and the legal address of a parcel is unnecessary, redundant and costly for a municipality, especially when the area includes numerous parcels of land.

It should also be noted that a parcel of land may have more than one municipal address. In the event that the districting includes multiple parcels, there is always a risk of inaccuracies which exposes the passing of the bylaw to legal challenge.

To minimize the opportunity to challenge the validity of the bylaw, the City of Edmonton recommends that Section 692 (4)(a)(i) of the Municipal Government Act be amended whereby the requirement to list the municipal addresses is deleted.

It is the position of the City of Edmonton that the proposed amendment will not compromise the intent of Section 692 (4)(a)(i) of the Municipal Government Act. The legal address and map will remain a requirement of the notice submitted by the municipality.

FCSS Funding

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has reduced funding for Family and Community Support Services by approximately \$5,000,000 since 1994 (21%); and

WHEREAS the result of this reduction has placed considerable pressure on municipalities and funded projects to deal with the cuts through decreased service, increased fundraising and increased municipal contributions; and

WHEREAS over 50 municipalities in Alberta do not participate in Family and Community Support Services and should they wish to join, the result would require an additional \$1,300,000 which could not be accommodated within the existing limited resources without negatively impacting municipalities currently participating in the program; and

WHEREAS inequities in funding distribution across the province are of great concern to many municipalities, which is projected to require about \$3,600,000 to address; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government continues to use the model prevention and community based service, as demonstrated by Family and Community Support Services for 30 years, as the basis for the redesign of other services; and

WHEREAS Family and Community Support Services programs are being asked to help facilitate the development of other government initiatives because of their knowledge and expertise; and

WHEREAS the need for preventative social programs in communities is increasingly important to assist families to cope with the barriers (financial and emotional) that are being experienced partly due to the many other program changes in their lives;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Provincial Government increase provincial funding for Family and Community Support Services by \$10,000,000 to address inequities in funding, to meet changing demands and to bring on stream new communities.

**1997 Resolution No. B20
Taxation**

Hanna

Adding Cost to the Tax Roll

WHEREAS many municipalities have bylaws in place which require landowners to maintain abutting boulevards and sidewalks; and

WHEREAS most of the above mentioned bylaws provide that if the property owner fails to perform the work, that the municipality may perform the work; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act does not allow for such costs to be added to the tax roll;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AUMA request that when the next changes are made to the MGA that provision be made so that costs as described above may be added to the tax roll.

BACKGROUND

Currently the MGA does not allow for adding municipal costs of sidewalk cleaning etc. to the tax roll. Municipalities may be forced into expensive legal battles to collect costs. Under the old act costs were easily added to the roll.

Section C" Resolutions

Section "C" of the Convention Resolutions book includes resolutions which in the opinion of the Convention Resolutions Committee address less critical issues or similar requests of other governments.

BACKGROUND

Municipal Government Board has been established by the Provincial Government as the last avenue of appeal for assessments. In many cases the Boards' decisions have been based on criteria other than prescribed assessment manuals. The comments of assessors or municipalities have been taken very lightly while the desire to please the appellant has been the main focus of the Board. And when the Board has been requested to provide justification for their decision they have hid behind the Act which gives them the final say. This resolution is an attempt to make the Board more responsive to the desire of municipalities to have a standard set of assessment guidelines which will be applied equally across the Province and if these guidelines are not carried out then there is a further right of appeal.

The Municipal Government Board also acts as the final appeal body in other areas such as linear assessment appeals, equalized assessment appeals, and annexations from which there is no further appeal.

Convention Resolutions Committee Comment:

Municipalities currently have the ability to appeal to the Courts on a point of law. A decision by the Municipal Government Board contrary to accepted assessment standards may be considered a point of law.

**1997 Resolution No. C1
Assessment**

Claresholm

Municipal Government Board

WHEREAS the standards for assessment have been set by the Provincial Government and the private assessment firms contracting assessment services to Municipalities are bound to assess by those standards; and

WHEREAS those same standards should be the basis for decisions of the Assessment Review Boards without exception; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Board can make their decisions based on any criteria even though the Act specifies that their decisions should be based on accepted assessment standards because the Board knows that they are final authority; and

WHEREAS if the Municipal Government Board does not adhere to the assessment standards there is no further appeal for the Municipalities; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Board has the right to review and overturn Municipal Government decisions; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has prepared a discussion paper on the procedures the Municipal Government Board should use at appeal hearings but have not addressed the problem of accountability of the Board for its decisions;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Provincial Government provide for a further appeal to the Court system if a municipality feels that the Municipal Government Board has rendered a decision contrary to accepted assessment standards.

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WHEREAS the amount of material presently being placed in our landfill sites has increased drastically and is presently causing extreme environmental problems in all areas of the province; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has not recognized incineration as a viable alternative to landfill sites; and

WHEREAS the present technology for incineration can provide for a safer environment than can the technology for landfill sites; and

WHEREAS incineration on a regional basis can be more cost effective than can a multitude of municipal landfill sites; and

WHEREAS incineration technology coupled with steam generation and electric power generation will have a great economic benefit to all of Alberta; and

WHEREAS incineration already exists and functions well in all areas of the world;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Provincial Government to proceed with the setting up of regional incineration sites, which will replace municipal landfill sites, in areas where power and steam generation will make incineration economically feasible.

BACKGROUND

The province has provided funding for the establishment of regional landfill operations but has failed to endorse incineration as a method of waste disposal even though the technology for incineration is at hand. Incineration on a regional basis coupled with steam and power generation can be economically feasible and environmentally cleaner than landfill operations.

**1997 Resolution No. C3
Environment**

**Claresholm
Recycling**

WHEREAS the amount of waste generated by industry and the general public that goes to landfill sites is alarming; and

WHEREAS we continue to bury material which could be recycled and used over and over again; and

WHEREAS more emphasis needs to be placed on recycling so that less of our waste will be placed in landfill sites; and

WHEREAS stable markets for recyclable product need to be established in order that recycling can be economically feasible to landfills; and

WHEREAS encouragement needs to be given to those who recycle and to those who collect recyclable goods;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the ALBERTA URBAN MUNICIPALITIES ASSOCIATION request the Provincial Government to take a leading role in the establishment of recycling markets and that recycling initiatives be given to municipalities who establish recycling programs to supplement their landfill operations.

BACKGROUND

If the Provincial Government is serious about waste reduction by recycling then it should be assisting in the establishment of recycling markets. Without the establishment of the market place, recycling can have no future.

WHEREAS windpower represents an alternate source of electrical power production which is environmentally clean and sustainable; and

WHEREAS the use of finite natural resources for power production cannot be sustained for many more years; and

WHEREAS Southern Alberta has shown the Provincial Government that it has the windpower capabilities to support a sustainable and economically viable windpower generation development; and

WHEREAS an incentive program needs to be developed by the Provincial Government to encourage wind power producers to develop in the Province of Alberta thereby increasing the economic viability of the Province and promotion of employment;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Provincial Government to support the concept of windpower as a future source of electrical power generation and that plans be commenced to allow windpower generated electricity a share of the power grid in Alberta.

BACKGROUND

The Provincial Government has failed to provide its support for the wind power initiatives which would provide for an alternate source of electrical energy. The Province must act to provide for adequate compensation for wind power producers as they endeavour to sell their power to the power grid.

**The Need for an Introduction of a Dedicated
Gasoline Tax for Transportation Improvements
and Public Transit Use**

WHEREAS the Government of Canada has acknowledged that reduced air pollution is an important national objective, and have subsequently initiated programs in conjunction with provincial authorities to reduce air pollution and emission levels significantly in the next decade; and

WHEREAS the Government of Canada and the Province of Alberta believe that strategic and competitive economic advantages exist capable of improving energy efficiency of all transportation modes through research and development of new or enhanced technologies, including use of alternate fuels; and

WHEREAS public transit systems have the potential to significantly reduce emissions and air pollution levels by enabling commuters to utilize more efficient and environmentally sound methods of transportation than private vehicles, thus assisting to achieve stabilization of CO₂ emissions; and

WHEREAS the Government of the Province of Alberta acknowledges an ageing population with an increasing disposable income, resulting in increased competition between private and public transit;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urges the Minister of Transportation and Utilities, the Provincial Treasurer, the Minister of Environmental Protection, and other interested provincial Ministers to:

a) establish a process by which a portion of the existing tax on gasoline be allocated as an environmental tax to be used for transportation improvements, including public transit; and

b) ensure that these funds should not be returned to general revenue, but be used for the development and implementation of more efficient transportation technology, including non-polluting energy alternatives;

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c) fund and promote environmentally desirable alternatives such as public transit, and alternative fuels and technology for public transit; and

d) provide additional funding to municipalities to meet the changing needs of the transit user population

BACKGROUND

Canada's emerging population of persons 25 to 54 possess a higher level of disposable income than previous generations. This group is heavily predisposed to using the automobile. In order for transit systems to maintain a competitive position in the transportation marketplace, additional funding to maintain and upgrade infrastructure and fleet is required.

The financing of urban transit in Canada has been an important area of concern to municipalities for a number of years. In 1978, the Federal Government instituted the UTAP program which made funds available to the provinces for grade separations or urban transit capital projects. These projects included the acquisition of commuter rolling stock, the construction of commuter stations, the acquisition of transit buses, the construction of transit maintenance and storage facilities, bus ways, and improved accessibility for the disabled. Funding was discontinued in March of 1984. Other provincially funded programs, including the basic transit operating grant to larger systems in Alberta, have also since been discontinued.

The magnitude of resources required for the provision of transit service to Canadians now living primarily in urban centres necessitates a comprehensive policy which includes provision of provincial and federal funding. The government should be encouraged to amend policies so that automobile users do not receive preferential treatment through existing programs and services. The introduction of a dedicated gasoline tax will assist in the development of new transit programs and strategies, and provide the groundwork for a more transit-supportive environment.

Convention Resolution Committee Comment:

This resolution was defeated at the 1996 Convention.

**1997 Resolution No. C6
Environment**

Edmonton

Co-ordination of Environmental Information

WHEREAS the protection of the environment is a shared responsibility among all parts of society including governments, the private sector and individual citizens; and

WHEREAS the seriousness of environmental issues is of continuing concern to many citizens; and

WHEREAS there are many organizations and programs, supported by the federal and provincial governments, involved in environmental issues; and

WHEREAS it is often very difficult for municipalities to efficiently make use of the assistance available because of a lack of information, inadequate communication and ineffective co-ordination;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association enter into discussions with the Government of Alberta to examine the costs and benefits of establishing a central co-ordinating site or repository of information for all environmental initiatives undertaken provincially and locally, and that there be a comprehensive provincial-municipal strategy to effectively communicate environmental information to municipalities and other local organizations.

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BACKGROUND

All levels of government and some areas within the private sector are in some way involved in protecting or improving the natural environment. The number of agencies, authorities and corporate entities responsible for these programs is continually growing and changing. It is becoming increasingly more difficult to keep track of all these and to effectively make use of the assistance available. One of the main reasons is lack of information, communication and co-ordination of all existing initiatives. This results in confusion and inefficiency. Even though there are government agencies specifically responsible for environmental issues, it is not always easy to identify all useful resources at all levels of government or within the private sector. Many municipalities and local organizations cannot afford to have dedicated staff to keep track of all environmental programs.

A central agency responsible for tracking all initiatives, both from the private and public sector, would enable municipalities to more effectively make use of programs and information that has been gathered. Inquiries and information on any environmental topic and assistance program could be addressed at one location.

Convention Resolution Committee Comment

The Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment have proposed a Canada-Wide accord on environmental harmonization the objectives of which may address this issue.

WHEREAS the City of Medicine Hat has recognized the economic and environmental benefits, both global and local, of substantially reducing the volume of municipal solid waste (MSW) entering its landfill, and has implemented a comprehensive recycling and yard waste composting program to divert as much as MSW as possible from its landfill; and

WHEREAS the efforts of Medicine Hat and other municipalities that support recycling and composting programs are important and necessary, but such efforts cannot and will not allow the full benefits of MSW reduction to be achieved unless senior levels of government and the private sector also co-operate within their own areas of jurisdiction, expertise and activity; and

WHEREAS senior levels of government, and private industry, have between them the authority and the ability to:

- (a) cause a significant reduction in MSW volumes by reducing or eliminating wherever possible unnecessary packaging, especially secondary packaging, used in the handling, transport, and marketing of consumer goods; and
- (b) support the objectives, and enhance the viability, of municipal recycling programs by ensuring that wherever possible consumer products, and the packages associated with them, are manufactured from materials that are either already recycled or recyclable, and are also safe and simple to collect and process at a reasonable cost through municipal recycling facilities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Alberta Urban Municipalities strongly supports past and present efforts, and encourages even greater future commitment and effort, by the Governments of Alberta and Canada and by the private sector to reduce the packaging component of consumer products and to increase wherever possible the recycled content and/or the recyclable potential of such products..

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta controls the AMFC through its majority interest in shareholdings; and

WHEREAS the municipalities of Alberta are now the major users of the AMFC; and

WHEREAS the AMFC is currently lending less and may experience deficits in the short term future; and

WHEREAS current interest rates are significantly lower than the rates on most outstanding debentures; and

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta has current surpluses which could be injected into the AMFC to benefit all of its shareholders;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Government of Alberta to review the corporate structure of the AMFC and provide assistance to restructure the AMFC, including a financial contribution from general revenue, so that the AMFC could be transferred to the control of and management by the municipalities of Alberta. Consideration should be given to the financial restructuring of the AMFC debt with benefits accruing to all shareholders, prior to or following the transfer of the AMFC to the municipalities of Alberta.

**1997 Resolution No. C9
Finance**

**Lacombe
Alberta Fuel Tax**

WHEREAS the Provincial Government collects revenues from a tax on gasoline and fuels sold within the Province; and

WHEREAS the municipalities of the province have an extensive network of streets and roads to maintain; and

WHEREAS most municipalities have accessed the grant programs now available to municipalities for the improvement of streets and roads and their safety;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT as a means of providing ongoing funding for street improvements, the Provincial Government direct to the municipal governments of the province a portion of the Fuel Tax.

BACKGROUND

One of the Provincial Government's priorities is economic development, seen as a key to secure future for Alberta. A natural result of economic growth is increased use of municipal roads and increased fuel sales. Given the fact that the province is soon ending the grant programs for street improvements, a sensible source to assist in covering the increased road maintenance expenses that municipalities will be faced with would be a portion of the fuel tax revenue resulting from the increased fuel sales. This would also be a reasonable source of replacement funding.

This is the same resolution that was presented by Lacombe at last year's convention. In the absence of any action on the part of the Alberta Government to adequately provide for infrastructure funding on a long term sustainable basis, Council remains of the opinion that this remains a viable funding mechanism.

This resolution was adopted at the 1996 Convention and the Province's response reviewed the various conditional grant programs available for transportation infrastructure and the funding allocated in next one or two fiscal years. They conclude with the position that a dedication of fuel tax revenues to specific road programs would restrict municipal flexibility.

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It is because of this short term, ad hoc, program by program approach that the Council of the Town of Lacombe would prefer a funding source that is predictable and stable and which is dedicated and connected to road maintenance and renewal in municipalities. Our planning for roads is longer than one or two years. The current approach induces a boom and bust approach to construction as municipalities try to qualify and spend the funds available before the program ends. We are unable to build up funds for major projects and cannot predict if funds will be available three or four years hence when the construction is needed.

We return the same resolution to the 1997 Convention for consideration in hopes that an endorsement by the membership will convey to the Province that a different approach to funding transportation infrastructure is warranted.

**1997 Resolution No. C10
Finance**

Millet

Debt Limit Regulation

WHEREAS on January 1, 1995 the Government of Alberta, by Ministerial Order, enacted the Debt Limit Regulation under the Municipal Government Act, Chapter M-26.1 RSA; and

WHEREAS the Town of Millet believes that the basis of the calculation formulas contained in the said Regulation are inadequate to determine the debt limit of municipalities; and

WHEREAS the Town of Millet believes that many economic factors must be taken into consideration in determining a municipality's ability to incur debt; and

WHEREAS the Town of Millet believes that the said Regulation does not reflect an accurate picture of a municipality's financial position; and

WHEREAS the Town of Millet believes that the said Regulation may have a detrimental impact on the potential economic growth of a municipality;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta to re-address the Debt Limit Regulation and the basis of its formulas in conjunction with representatives of the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association, the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties and their member municipalities.

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BACKGROUND

On January 1, 1995, the Government of Alberta Debt Limit Regulation came into force by Ministerial Order. The Regulation set a municipality's total debt limit, other than the City of Calgary or the City of Edmonton, at 1.5 times the revenue of the municipality and the municipality's debt service, again other than Calgary or Edmonton, at 0.25 times the revenue of the municipality. For the City of Calgary and Edmonton these factors were set at 2.0 and 0.35. Municipalities may not incur debt above the debt limit without receiving Ministerial approval from the Government of Alberta. On December 31, 1994, under the guidelines of the Local Authorities Board, the Town of Millet was at 3% of the maximum limit of 30% for total debt magnitude and at 21.6% of the maximum limit of 35% for debt service. The following day, under the new Regulation, the Town of Millet's total debt jumped from 78.8% and debt service to 87.6%.

Perceived Problems

There are many perceived problems with the Debt Limit Regulation.

1. The Regulation has no basis on which the factors of 1.5 and 0.25 are calculated.
2. The Regulation does not reflect a municipality's ability to pay as the Regulation does not take into consideration the equalized assessment base for a municipality.
3. The Regulation does not take into the account the municipality's local improvement debt which is not a debt against the municipality at large.
4. The Regulation does not reflect the financial position of a municipality such as its liquidity or economic viability position.
5. The Regulation has the potential impact of a negative economic reflection to the public and potential investors which in particular may have a negative impact on economic growth of smaller municipalities.

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Summary

It is very evident that to base debt limits purely in revenues is a very inefficient, inaccurate method of determining the debt limit of a municipality and therefore it has no reflection on a municipality's ability to pay. No factors such as the municipality's uncommitted reserves or its assessment base are used in the calculation.

Simply put, the more it costs you to operate, the more taxation or user fee revenues required, the higher your debt limit. A municipality could be rich in reserves and have a sound assessment base, however if it has very cost effective and efficient operations, the less revenue required and the less debt limit. Conversely, the exact opposite is also true.

**1997 Resolution No. C11
Finance**

Pincher Creek

Province Wide 911

WHEREAS there is not presently a province-wide 911 emergency system in Alberta; and

WHEREAS the cost to install this service in smaller communities is very expensive; and

WHEREAS a province wide 911 service would make it more affordable for all communities in Alberta, large and small;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Provincial Government to enact and fund a province wide 911 service.

**1997 Resolution No. C12
Finance**

Red Deer

Per Capita Grants

WHEREAS the Provincial Government and the cities in Alberta have worked together in partnership for a number of years to share the costs of establishing and maintaining a safe and cost effective transportation system in each City; and

WHEREAS the cost sharing basis has decreased over the years from a high of \$70 per capita to the current limit of \$25 per capita; and

WHEREAS the current Grant Program does not allow for indexing to cover the cost of inflation; and

WHEREAS the transportation demands within cities are exceeding the current funding limit of \$25 per capita;

WHEREAS the demand for Basic Capital Funds is now spreading to provision and maintaining public transfer facilities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT by the Council of the City of Red Deer, that the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association investigate this matter with other Alberta cities to confirm the extent of the funding shortfall and request the Province to increase the per capita funding limit to cover an appropriate provincial share of the increasing transportation demands and inflation.

**1997 Resolution No. C13
Finance**

Spirit River

Funding Health Care

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has withdrawn much of its financial support to Municipalities previously provided by conditional and unconditional grants thus incorporating more financial burden to the property tax owners; and

WHEREAS this withdrawal of funds has seriously curtailed Municipalities in their supply of services to local residents; and

WHEREAS continued cutbacks in funding in all areas governed by the Provincial Government is a direct threat to the viability of small and medium sized Towns and Villages which are now being requested to contribute property tax dollars to the Regional Health Authorities for issues of Doctor recruitment/retention; and

WHEREAS funding is supplied to the Regional Health Authorities from the Provincial Government to cover the cost of health care for our residents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request that the Government of Alberta supply sufficient funding to the Regional Health Authorities in order that the Municipalities are not required to contribute to Health Care for Doctor Recruitment and/or Doctor Retention and other Health Care Issues.

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BACKGROUND

The Mistahia Regional Health Authority is the Regional Health Authority (RHA) that governs the Central Peace General Hospital located in the Town of Spirit River. This RHA takes in a large area consisting of the Town of Grande Cache in the south, to the Town of Grimshaw in the north, the B.C. boundary in the west and the Town of Valleyview on the east.

The normal contingent of local physicians for the Central Peace General Hospital is three. Last summer the third doctor left and the two remaining Doctors are threatening to leave due to the increased work load. Attempts have been made to attract a third doctor but have not been successful. Municipal discussions with the Mistahia Regional Health Authority have indicated three options the RHA could have. One option would be closure of our local hospital. The Mistahia Regional Health Authority has indicated it would appreciate financial assistance from the local municipalities.

The local municipal Councils realize the economic impact the loss of the local hospital would have. Five of the six local municipalities have indicated they are willing to contribute \$2.00 per capita for Doctor recruitment/retention. The administration process of the contributions has yet to be determined.

Council for The Town of Spirit River is concerned that the Alberta Taxpayer is paying twice: once as income tax and again as property owner, for the same purpose. Council believes that health care should be funded at the Provincial level and that the Property Owners, not be asked to carry the additional burden. The Provincial Government has and continues to cut grants to the municipalities. The concern extends to the point that, once the Doctor recruitment issue has been resolved, what future health care costs are the Regional Health Authorities going to be asking the Municipalities to fund?

Education Funding Collection Costs

WHEREAS under the authority of Section 353(l) and (2)(a)(b) of the Municipal Government Act a municipality must pass a Property Tax Bylaw annually; and

WHEREAS part of the Property Tax Bylaw sets the rate for collection of certain requisitions; and

WHEREAS under the terms of the School Act Section 157.2 the Alberta School Foundation Fund is established; and

WHEREAS under Section 158(2) of the School Act each municipality shall pay into the Alberta School Foundation Fund and by applying mill rates against assessed property; and

WHEREAS each municipality in the Province of Alberta is required to collect the Alberta School Foundation Fund remit this sum to the Provincial Government; and

WHEREAS each municipality incurs considerable expense in establishing assessment values, hearing appeals, levying and collecting taxes on behalf of the Provincial Government;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Provincial Government pay a portion of collection costs in providing these services to the Provincial Government.

BACKGROUND

The City of Spruce Grove is taking the position that the citizens of this community expend substantial dollars through the taxation and assessment process to, in fact, levy, tax and collect revenues on behalf of the Province of Alberta for the Alberta School Foundation Fund. It is our view that the Provincial Government should be paying a portion of these costs.

Funding for Public Libraries

WHEREAS Provincial funding to Public Libraries in communities across the Province has remained static for several years and is based on 1991 population figures; and

WHEREAS the Province's population has increased by more than 5% since 1991 and demands for service from Public Libraries have increased at an even higher rate since that time; and

WHEREAS Public Libraries provide a universal and low-cost point of access to information of Albertans of all ages, in all parts of the Province, who are pursuing the knowledge needed for success in education, business, and personal projects;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Provincial Government to increase its financial support for municipal public libraries to \$4.50 per capita and to base per capita calculations on the most current municipal census.

Municipal Assistance Grant

WHEREAS the Province of Alberta has a responsibility to ensure that all Albertans receive a basic set of high quality municipal services, regardless of where they live; and

WHEREAS wide variations in revenue raising capabilities and assessment per capita exist among municipalities, therefore resulting in great differences in the burden of taxation required to meet basic municipal service requirements; and

WHEREAS historically the Provincial Government has addressed the issue of these inequities in fiscal capacity and fairness in the delivery of basic municipal services through the provision of a Municipal Assistance Grant;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Government of Alberta to restore the equalization provision of the Municipal Assistance Grant for all Alberta municipalities.

BACKGROUND

Restructuring of the Province's public sector has involved fundamental changes to education, health care, the property tax system, municipal equalization funding programs, and many other services. The long term fiscal effect of the restructuring on municipalities has not been determined.

While residents are entitled to receive a minimum set of services and municipalities have a responsibility to provide a minimum set of municipal services to their residents, each municipality's specific wealth attributes and fiscal capacity will vary. In the past, the Provincial Government provided transfer payments through the Municipal Assistance Grant and other grants to enable poorer municipalities to raise their expenditures per capita up to a provincial norm.

To ensure continued viability of strong Alberta communities, the equalization provisions of the Municipal Assistance Grant should be restored.

Emergency 911 Response Billing System

WHEREAS the 911 Emergency Response System has been established in areas outside the major urban centres; and

WHEREAS the cost of the system is being recovered through normal telephone service billings; and

WHEREAS with the expanded computer use on the internet and through data lines, have resulted in additional data transmission lines being installed in residences; and

WHEREAS many of the data and computer links do not have voice capabilities or are not used for voice purposes;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association make a submission to the Government of Alberta and in particular Alberta Public Safety Services to negotiate with Telus to remove 911 service billings on telephone lines installed for computer and data transmission purposes.

BACKGROUND

In 1987, a resolution was CARRIED by the AUMA convention requesting a feasibility study to offer a province wide 911 system. The Provincial Government agreed to undertake the study. Phase one of the study was completed in 1989. Based on the recommendations arising from this study, the Provincial Cabinet approved a second phase of the study to determine the options and costs of implementing this system.

In December, 1988, Alberta Public Safety Services convened a meeting of interested parties to discuss the establishment of a province wide 911 system. At the meeting, a steering group consisting of Alberta Municipal Affairs, Alberta Labour (Fire Prevention) and Alberta Government Telephones was established to determine problem areas in present emergency telephone services, caller expectations, and to conduct a needs assessment for a 911 system.

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Many areas of this province have now implemented the 911 Emergency Response System.

In 1990, it is doubtful that when the cost recovery analysis was undertaken, that the input of the internet and home office technology, that necessitated the additional lines required, was factored into the evaluation.

911 charges on regular voice phones are not in question. What is in question is whether or not the second or additional lines into houses, that are used strictly for fax and modem connections, many of which are not able to be used for voice, should also be charged for 911 services.

**1997 Resolution No. C18
General**

Calgary

**Local Authorities Pension Plan Employees'
Mandatory Participation**

WHEREAS Local Authorities Pension Plan participant communications generally represent the employers' contributions as being equal to, or in excess of participants' contributions; and

WHEREAS employer's accumulated contributions to the Local Authorities Pension Plan, realized in the event of a termination of employment, can be, and, in many circumstances are, significantly less than participants' accumulated contributions; and

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 10 of the Local Authorities Pension Plan, Alberta Regulation 366/93, Local Authorities Pension Plan participation is mandatory for employees of a local authority; and

WHEREAS the apparent misrepresentation of a more than matching employer contribution is seen to be increasingly untenable in pension plan where participation is mandatory;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association encourage the Local Authorities Pension Plan Board of Trustees to undertake a review of the existing Local Authorities Pension Plan design with a view to the adoption of amendments which would both facilitate and encourage voluntary participation in a pension plan offering substantially improved flexibility.

BACKGROUND

Municipalities are being increasingly required to design and introduce compensation programs which are responsive to changing employee demographics and which are competitive in the market place for labour. The Local Authorities Pension Plan is seen to be the antithesis of the flexible pension plan required for the next millennium.

Convention Resolution Committee Comment:

The Local Authorities Pension Plan has been approved to move out of statute. In the future an opportunity may be available to consider this and other items.

WHEREAS there is conclusive evidence of the harmful effects of second hand smoke;
and

WHEREAS the health of the population of Alberta is a provincial responsibility; and

WHEREAS the purpose of tobacco reduction legislation is to enhance the health of Albertans and reduce the potential years of life lost as the result of exposure of Albertans to the harmful effects of second hand smoke; and

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta is on record as promoting the health of Albertans in a healthy Alberta; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government is a major beneficiary of any health care cost reductions resulting from the long term exposure of its citizens to second hand smoke;
and

WHEREAS exposure to tobacco smoke is a major causative or contributive agent of illness and mortality, being associated with upwards of 50% of malignancy, respiratory and cardiovascular illness; and

WHEREAS the implementation of tobacco control bylaws at the municipal level is exceedingly costly and time consuming for local government and health authorities, making it difficult to pass bylaws within a single term of office of a municipal council;
and

WHEREAS local business perceives such bylaws to be financially prejudicial because it drives smoking patrons to competitors in adjoining municipalities without restrictions;
and

WHEREAS enforcement of smoking bylaws is difficult for smaller municipalities who may not have bylaw enforcement personnel; and

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WHEREAS the Government of Alberta has already taken action restricting smoking in government buildings and workplaces; and

WHEREAS children are at high risk of exposure to second hand smoke and have little control over exposure to smoke in their environments;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Government of Alberta to move quickly to pass legislation designating all public places, including restaurants, catering to persons under the age of 18 years as smoke free environments.

Tobacco Legislation

WHEREAS Tobacco is the leading avoidable cause of premature death in Alberta; and

WHEREAS The Municipal Government Act, RSA 1994, CH.M-26 Section 3, and Section 7, provides that a Municipal Council may legislate for the purpose of maintaining safe, healthy and viable communities; and

WHEREAS Over 50 municipalities in Alberta have independently developed various bylaws reducing the effects of tobacco on youth without direction of the Province; and

WHEREAS The Federal Government has enacted the Tobacco Act which regulates the sale, manufacturing, labelling and promotion of tobacco products; and

WHEREAS Alberta is the only province in Canada without provincial tobacco control legislation; and

WHEREAS the economic impact of tobacco sales in Alberta is estimated at three quarters (3/4) billion dollars or \$300 for each individual; and

WHEREAS the prevention and reduction of tobacco represents the single most beneficial achievement for municipalities in being able to maintain safe, healthy and viable communities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta to immediately affect legislation:

- (1) To prevent tobacco use by youth and control tobacco marketing**
- (2) To protect people from tobacco smoke in public areas and establishments where children are allowed.**

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BACKGROUND

Tobacco is a lethal product

Tobacco use is increasing among young people and tobacco addiction almost always starts during the teenage years.

Tobacco causes 1 in 5 deaths in Alberta. The top four causes of death in Region 4 are heart disease, lung cancer, stroke and chronic obstruction pulmonary disease. Smoking is a key risk factor in each of these causes of death. In this region, 35% of females (18-34) and 34% of males (18-34) smoke. Tobacco is the number one cause of preventable disease in Alberta.

At least 40 chemicals found in cigarettes are toxic and cause cancer. Tobacco smoke is the worst polluter of indoor air and kills hundreds of non-smokers in Canada every year. Children are most sensitive to tobacco smoke because their lungs are still growing and they also are not in a position to complain or remove themselves from tobacco smoke. Every day young children are forced to breathe second hand smoke in restaurants and in public places and this has serious effects on children's health. Infants and children exposed to second hand smoke cough and wheeze more and have more colds, ear and lung infections. When a baby breathes second hand tobacco smoke all day, the effect is the same as smoking two to three cigarettes per day, and an infant exposed to second hand smoke is twice as likely to die of SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome). The unborn child of a mother who is exposed to second hand smoke is also affected.

Youth are negatively impacted by the perceived social acceptability of adults smoking in public places.

Over 15,000 Alberta students voted, 81% in favour of the Provincial Government to act to introduce a plan to reduce smoking and tobacco use amongst teens.

Nicotine contained in tobacco is highly addictive and restricts the freedom to quit smoking - 70 - 90% of smokers want to quit.

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Tobacco costs everyone in society in many forms including health care costs, lost income from early death, disability, illness, absenteeism, fire damage and lost productivity. Tobacco costs in Alberta are estimated at three quarters of a billion dollars or \$300 for each individual. The prevention and reduction of tobacco use represents the single most beneficial achievement for health and life expectancy.

Tobacco reduction is consistent with Alberta health goals 3, 6 and 8: “to include a health perspective in public policy”; “to live in a healthy physical environment” and “to choose healthy behaviours”.

Convention Resolution Committee Comment:

Sub-Clause #1 is a Federal Matter

Sub-Clause #2 is a matter of local control for which municipalities have legislated authority.

**1997 Resolution No. C21
Health**

Edmonton

Essential Services

WHEREAS Emergency Medical Services within the Province of Alberta have established themselves as the third emergency service; and

WHEREAS services provided by Emergency Medical Services departments cannot be replaced in the event of labour dispute by alternate health care providers on withdrawal of services; and

WHEREAS the Alberta Ambulance Operators Association has passed as Essential Services Resolution CO2-92-14 at its November 1992 General Meeting, which supports ambulance services being declared as an essential service; and

WHEREAS major centres such as Calgary, Edmonton and others have experienced recent collective bargaining disputes impacting negatively on the provision of pre-hospital care and desired standards; and

WHEREAS considerable and similar difficulties would be encountered in responding to a future withdrawal of labour; and

WHEREAS previous discussions with Alberta Labour, the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association and applicable unions have not resulted in a solution;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association continue negotiations with Alberta Labour, emergency medical services employees and union representatives, the intended result being to amend Division 16 of the Alberta Labour Relations Code in order to declare emergency medical services as an essential service.

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BACKGROUND

Fire fighters, police officers, and nurses provide essential services to the public and are, therefore, precluded from strike action. Ambulance attendants are an integral step in the provision of emergency medical services and their ability to strike may interrupt the chain of these services relative to fire fighters, nurses and physicians who are also part of the chain, but who cannot legally withdraw their respective services.

Convention Resolutions Committee Comment:

This resolution was presented and carried at the 1996 Annual Convention (A16). In May 1996 the AUMA was informed that Alberta Labour would not be initiating changes to the Alberta Labour Code.

Physician Recruitment

WHEREAS many rural Alberta Communities are experiencing great difficulty in recruiting and retaining physicians; and

WHEREAS Alberta taxpayers invest sizeable amounts of money to educate and train students to become physicians;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association encourage the Provincial Government to initiate a process to ensure that Alberta Communities will benefit from provincially trained graduate physicians.

BACKGROUND

Over the last number of years Alberta has had difficulties in retaining physicians to practice in Alberta and in particular, rural Alberta.

Albertans invest sizeable amounts of money to educate and train students to become physicians and it would only seem fitting that we would receive some return on our investment.

We have extremely bright and enthusiastic trained physicians leaving our province to practice in other provinces and countries on a regular basis. We feel that it is time the Alberta Government take a long hard look at this problem and attempt to do all they can to retain these individuals especially for rural practice. We know that the patient/physician ratio is overwhelmingly lopsided in that rural Alberta has a ratio in the neighbourhood of 2000/1 versus the urban ratio of somewhere around 350/1.

Are rural Albertans second class citizens? Is there something that we can do to encourage our locally trained medical students to practice in Alberta?

We need the Alberta Government to set some guidelines for students in the medical community so that it will be a win/win situation for all Albertans including our newly trained physicians.

By setting some standards for our medical students, we as Albertans will have some guarantees that our new physicians may find that working in Alberta, for Albertans is not such a bad deal, especially in rural Alberta.

**1997 Resolution No. C23
Health**

St. Albert

Smoking in Public Areas and Workplaces

WHEREAS more than forty Alberta Municipalities have introduced bylaws to control smoking in public areas and workplaces; and

WHEREAS these bylaws have created inequities in protecting Albertans from the serious health hazards of second-hand tobacco smoke; and

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta has the authority and responsibility to protect the health of all Albertans; and

WHEREAS municipalities should not be charged with the full responsibility of protecting Albertans from the health hazards of second-hand smoke;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta to introduce effective legislation to control smoking in public areas and workplaces throughout the province, in consultation with the AUMA.

**1997 Resolution No. C24
Infrastructure**

Edmonton

**The Need for Additional Provincial Funding for the
Development and Maintenance of Urban
Transportation Systems**

WHEREAS the provision of efficient urban transportation systems for both goods and people is an essential component required to realize and sustain the economic benefits of the Alberta Advantage; and

WHEREAS the costs of maintaining and enhancing urban transportation systems are increasing because of growth in travel demand, aging of the transportation infrastructure, and increasing construction prices; and

WHEREAS the mission of the Alberta Cities Transportation Partnership (A.C.T.P.) is to provide financial assistance and system co-ordination to cities to support their transportation systems consistent with provincial objectives; and

WHEREAS the objectives of the Basic Capital Grant under the A.C.T.P. are to provide safe and cost effective city transportation systems by providing capital grant support for the development of major components of the transportation system; and

WHEREAS the current level of Basic Capital Grant funding provides up to \$25 per capita per annum, subject to annual budget approval by the Legislature;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta consider increasing Basic Capital Grant funding levels under the A.C.T.P. to match cities' identified needs.

BACKGROUND

Ongoing investment is required in urban transportation systems to provide adequate levels of service to support economic development. Cities are facing increasing financial pressures as they try to develop and maintain their transportation systems, because of ongoing growth in travel demand requiring facility upgrading, aging of the transportation infrastructure, and increasing construction prices. In addition, over the period from 1990 to 1996 the Alberta Government Basic Capital Grant level was reduced from \$70 to \$25 per capita per annum.

Solutions are needed for this urban financial problem. Increased funding through the Alberta Cities Transportation Partnership is seen as one method of alleviating the issue. Urban roadway users contribute a significant sum to the Province in fuel tax and vehicle registration costs every year. More of these urban transportation-related revenues should be returned to the communities from which the revenues were raised.

1997 Resolution No. C25
Legislative

St. Albert

Amendment to the Water Resources Act

WHEREAS the Environmental Protection Department of the Provincial Government may issue permits pursuant to the Water Resources Act that would allow a developer to place fill on the floodplain of rivers, streams and lakes in the Province of Alberta within municipal boundaries without giving notice of either the application of said permit or the issuance of a permit;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta to amend the Water Resources Act so as to require Alberta Environmental Protection to file a copy of any application it may receive for a fill permit on any provincial waterway, lake or pond within the boundaries of a municipality with the municipality in which the application applies and the no permit be issued until the municipality has had an opportunity to comment on the application.

**1997 Resolution No. C26
Safety**

**Grande Prairie
Highway Traffic Act**

WHEREAS our community policing vision is making Grande Prairie “The Safest Place to Be”; and

WHEREAS the Highway Traffic Act allows for persons to ride in the box of a truck; and

WHEREAS the protection of our children should be of primary importance;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association petition the Government of Alberta to amend the Highway Traffic Act to prohibit children from riding in an uncovered box of a truck.

BACKGROUND

Several motor vehicle accidents occur each year causing injuries to people riding in uncovered boxes of trucks. Many of these children involve children or youth.

Section 129(1) of the Highway Traffic Act states “No person shall ride or permit any other person to ride on the outside of a motor vehicle”.

Section 129 (2)(b) of the Highway Traffic Act states “subsection (1) does not apply to a person riding in the box of a truck”.

Child safety should be of primary importance when operating a motor vehicle. Allowing Children to ride in an open box of a truck, is dangerous and should be prohibited.

WHEREAS recent incidences have created concern in Alberta over potential vehicle wheel separations; and

WHEREAS there is existing legislation to identify safety regulations related to vehicle; and

WHEREAS the legislation identifies minimum criteria for vehicle inspections; and

WHEREAS the legislation requires annual vehicle inspections;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Government of Alberta to review the current legislation concerning minimum criteria for vehicle safety inspections to determine the sufficiency of the inspection criteria, and to determine if an annual inspection is sufficient.

BACKGROUND

The issue of vehicle safety has become a concern in recent months due to reports of motor vehicle accidents involving truck wheel separations. These incidents have resulted in serious injuries and fatalities.

The Province of Ontario initiated a Task Force on Truck Safety for the Purpose of Developing an integrated, comprehensive and effective truck safety compliance system. This Task Force submitted nearly 80 recommendations to the Provincial Government including increased fines, mandatory wheel installation and air brake training.

In April 1997, the Transportation Minister announced the establishment of a traffic safety services division responsible for all traffic safety and motor vehicle related programs. This will include commercial vehicle safety standards and commercial inspections.

Due to the member of recent commercial vehicle accidents this division should be mandated to determine if the current minimum criteria for annual vehicle safety inspections is sufficient.

Vehicle Rights Of Way

WHEREAS when two vehicles approach an uncontrolled T intersection, most motorists assume the vehicle on the through road has the right of way; and

WHEREAS this situation presents a significant problem within residential subdivisions where a number of small cul-de-sacs represent a T intersection with a connecting roadway; and

WHEREAS if a normal motorist, truck or a public transit bus is operating on the connecting roadway, by current law it has to yield to the single motorist coming out of the cul-de-sac, and this causes numerous 'near misses' and vehicle accidents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alberta Urban Municipalities Association recommends that Section 95(3) of Part 3 of the Highway Traffic Act be amended to read as follows:

'95 (3) When two vehicles approach or enter an uncontrolled T intersection from different highways at approximately the same time, the driver of the vehicle on the stem of the T intersection shall yield the right of way to the vehicle on the other approaches of the intersection.

BACKGROUND

When two vehicles approach an uncontrolled T intersection, most motorists assume the vehicle on the through road has the right of way. This situation presents a significant problem with this residential subdivisions where a number of small cul-de-sacs represents T intersection with a connecting roadway. If a normal motorist or a truck or public transit bus is operating on the connecting roadway, by current law it has to yield to the single motorist coming out of the cul-de-sac. This is the source of numerous "near misses" and vehicle accidents.

**The Need for Provincial Funding for Subsidization
of Transit Fares for Under-privileged and Low
Income Individuals and Groups**

WHEREAS the Government of Canada is committed to improving the quality of life for Canadians through improved business and economic opportunities and job creation strategies; and

WHEREAS the Government of Canada and the Province of Alberta believe that strategic and competitive economic advantages exist in maintaining high employment levels; and

WHEREAS public transit systems have the potential to significantly improve the quality of life for citizens by allowing them the freedom and choice of public transportation; and

WHEREAS the Government of the Province of Alberta acknowledges that, due to changes in health care and other conditions created through the economic downturn, there is a growing demand on public transit systems for assistance by the underprivileged and low income groups for access to reduced or free fares;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipal Association urges the Minister of Transportation and Utilities, the Provincial Treasurer, the Minister of Environmental Protection, and other interested provincial Ministers to:

a) establish a process by which provincial funding be allocated for the use of assistance and subsidization of underprivileged and low income groups using public transit;

b) acknowledge that public transit provides an essential social service, and provide additional funding to municipalities to meet the changing needs of the transit user population.

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BACKGROUND

Shifting demographics and changes in the employment base, particularly as a result of the reductions in staff in both provincial and federal offices, as well as private sector businesses, have contributed to a growing segment of the transit user population which is unable to afford public transit services. These individuals are frequently under-or unemployed. They rely on public transit for access to social service programs, job creation positions, or other employment services and lack of transportation can present a barrier to their employment success.

Public transit should be considered an essential service, and the province is therefore requested to provide additional funding to municipalities to meet the changing needs of the transit user population

Convention Resolutions Committee Comment:

In June 1996 this resolution was presented and carried. The government response was that providing public transportation services to address the changing needs of municipalities continues to be a local responsibility.

Video Lottery Terminals (VLTs) and Gambling

WHEREAS Video Lottery Terminals (VLTs) were first introduced in Alberta by the Alberta Government in 1992; and

WHEREAS the number of VLTs has been increased to where there are currently approximately 5600 VLTs in Alberta, and approximately \$1.7 billion was played on VLTs in Alberta in 1995-96; and

WHEREAS researchers and clinicians have stated that Video Lottery Terminal gambling is a very addictive form of gambling, and that VLTs are now the preferred form of gambling; and

WHEREAS for the Provincial Gambling Line, 60.2% of all contacts received from citizens about gambling (between March 31, 1995 and April 1, 1996) related to VLTs, more than for all other forms of gambling combined; and

WHEREAS for many of those who are compulsive or pathological gamblers, addicted to VLTs, there are severe consequences including job loss, family and marital breakdown, thefts, social isolation, and loss of resources to purchase basic life necessities for self and family; and

WHEREAS gambling, including VLTs, is within the jurisdiction of the Province of Alberta;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta ensure: that sufficient programs are in place across the Province to help prevent or overcome problem gambling; that Video Lottery Terminal machines are made less addictive; and that the treatment needs of all Albertans who are compulsive or pathological gamblers are met; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Provincial Government be requested to resolve the issue of the availability of VLTs on a comprehensive, province-wide basis which is consistent for all parts of the province, including the location and placement of VLTs, the hours of operation of VLTs, and the number of VLTs within a municipality.

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BACKGROUND

Video Lottery Terminals (VLTs) were first introduced in Alberta in 1992. 175 machines province-wide accounted for \$20 million played in that year. In 1995-96 there were approximately 5600 machines province-wide (1,257 in Edmonton in March, 1996) and during that year \$1.7 billion was played.

Prevalence studies in Alberta (1993) indicated that over 90% of the population have no problems with gambling, but 4% of the population are current problem gamblers and 1.4% of the population are current compulsive or pathological gamblers (approximately 39,400 persons). This study was conducted when VLTs were relatively new and the number of VLTs was about a third of the current number. Some researchers and clinicians suggest that the number of Albertans who have gambling problems from playing VLTs is growing. A new gambling prevalence study to be conducted later this year will help determine whether gambling prevalence has increased, decreased or remained the same.

The Provincial Gambling Line, which provides information, referral and support for callers about problem gambling, reports that 60.2% of calls received have to do with VLTs, more than all other forms of gambling combined. The major provider of services for gambling addiction, the Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission, allocated, \$350,000 for gambling education and training and \$400,000 for treatment for gambling problems in 1996-97 (total \$750,000) province-wide). The total amount was later revised upwards to \$1.8 million for 1996-97. For 1997-98 this total will be increased to over \$2 million, suggesting that the need is greater than previously anticipated.

Some advocates state that the addictiveness of VLTs could be reduced through slowing the speed of play (VLT action can be as fast as about 1.5 seconds), reducing the lights and through other means.

Despite the fact that gambling is a provincial area of responsibility, a number of municipalities have been faced with petitions and other action stemming from citizen concerns about VLTs and their effects. It remains unclear whether individual municipalities have the jurisdiction to regulate VLTs or interfere in the contractual relationship between businesses and the provincial government, or whether the province can regulate them in varying ways according to municipality. A consistent approach to VLTs is needed across Alberta; this can only be achieved at the provincial level.

WHEREAS social policy represents an enduring, public, economic commitment; and

WHEREAS historically, federal, provincial, and municipal levels of government have co-operated in planning, funding, and delivery of social programs; and

WHEREAS the municipal level has long been recognized as the level where social needs are most often identified and felt; and

WHEREAS the greater autonomy vis-à-vis planning and delivery enables municipalities to better and more efficiently respond to the needs of their constituents; and

WHEREAS the federal and provincial governments are in the process of staged withdrawals from long-existent levels of financial commitment to a wide range of social programs; and

WHEREAS the need for social programs at the municipal level has in no way declined; and

WHEREAS the transfer of responsibility for social programs to municipalities, necessarily must be accompanied by adequate funding and support; and

WHEREAS effective planning and efficient delivery relies heavily upon equitable, consistent, and long-term funding commitments; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Government of Alberta make adequate funding and support available to municipalities to ensure that community needs are met.

BACKGROUND

The City of Medicine Hat has also submitted a resolution urging the Government of Alberta to inject significant additional funding into the FCSS Program.

The resolution on social policy provides a useful backdrop for the resolution on FCSS funding.

Section “D” Resolutions

Section "D" Resolutions are those resolutions deemed by the Convention Resolutions Committee as inappropriate for debate.

Privatization of Alberta Treasury Branches

WHEREAS reports have indicated that the Province is now prepared to privatize the Provincially owned Treasury Branches by offering them for sale to chartered banks; and

WHEREAS farmers, ranchers and small businesses in rural areas have made use of the Treasury Branches in support of the Provincial economy and with the desire to keep the profits within Alberta; and

WHEREAS Albertans have come to know and trust the Alberta Treasury Branch for its local approach to assisting with financial needs; and

WHEREAS the citizens of over 100 rural communities in Alberta are dependent upon the services provided by the Treasury Branch; and

WHEREAS Treasury Branches has and is playing a major role in sustaining rural areas;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Provincial Government to abandon any plans to privatize the Treasury Branches and that they be left under the mandate of the Province.

BACKGROUND

At the present time no firm commitment has been made by the Provincial Government for the privatization of the Treasury Branches, however, a united stand should be made by all member municipalities of the AUMA to ensure that this does not happen. It is generally agreed that the number of bad loans provided by the Treasury Branches to big business has increased but this problem can be curtailed by limiting that discretionary power. The Treasury Branch has served small business and rural Alberta for many years and should continue to do so.

Convention Resolutions Committee Comment:

This resolution relates to a private sector issue.

**1997 Resolution No. D2
General**

Lethbridge

Adult Video Review Board

WHEREAS it is desirable to protect the youth of Alberta from the impact of adult material while still allowing business owners to continue to operate in a responsible manner; and

WHEREAS no adult video classification scheme exists in Alberta; and

WHEREAS Bill 214, Amusements Amendment Act, 1997, which attempted to deal with this issue, received first reading but died on the Order Table during the Fifth Session of the 23rd Legislature;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta to develop and maintain an Adult Video Review Board to assist municipalities to legitimately regulate access of adult videos to minors.

BACKGROUND

The City of Lethbridge, in response to requests from many concerned citizens regarding the availability of pornographic material to minors, has attempted to create a bylaw regulating the access and distribution of adult videos.

In researching this issue, it has become apparent that adult videos receive no screening with regard to classification other than through certain Canadian Customs' rules. Other Provinces (Ontario and British Colombia) have chosen to implement film classification schemes. In our opinion, municipal regulation is impossible without this assistance from the Province.

**Preload Drug Administration for Registered
Emergency Medical Technician**

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WHEREAS basic life support with specified advanced skills are available to smaller communities. These communities lack the call volume or tax base to pay for paramedics; and

WHEREAS In the rural setting patient delivery to a tertiary care centre is longer due to distances travelled and closure of rural facilities, more advanced skills are critical; and

WHEREAS drug administration is an important adjunct to lifesaving techniques.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association strongly urge the Alberta Prehospital Professions Association (APPA) and the Health Disciplines Board to change Emergency Medical Technicians' scope of practice to include administration of preload drugs.

BACKGROUND

The Basic therapy in most diseases is to control or stop the disease process and allow the body to heal itself. Many of the patients encountered by prehospital professionals may not live long enough to heal themselves without prompt intervention; as a result most of the drugs used in prehospital care are for stabilization of patients resuscitation.

Preloaded syringes are used for administration of intravenous, intramuscular, of subcutaneous medications. They are usually packaged in tamper-proof containers, the drug solution component and syringe must often be assembled. Many resuscitative drugs are available with this type of packaging.

There is some precedent here for drug administration by EMT-A's .

**Intubation for Registered Emergency Medical
Technicians - Ambulance**

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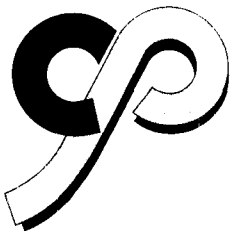
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BACKGROUND

Canadian Heart and Stroke Foundation Criteria for lifesaving skills is Airway, Breathing, Circulation. Airway being first of utmost importance to secure a patent airway. This can best be accomplished by intubation.

Endotracheal Intubation involves the placement of a tube into the patient's trachea to provide a direct route for ventilation as well as for suctioning of the trachea, upper bronchial tree and administration of drugs.



**PARKLAND
COMMUNITY
PLANNING
SERVICES**

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Phone: (403) 343-3394
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E-mail: pcps@telusplanet.net

Date: September 16, 1997

To: Kelly Kloss, City Clerk

From: Frank Wong, Planning Assistant

Re: Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/BB-97
Part of the SW 1/4 Sec. 14-38-27-4
Deer Park - Phases 7C & 7D
Melcor Developments Ltd.

Melcor Developments Ltd. presently have title to the remaining land in Deer Park containing approximately 2.918 ha (7.21 ac). They wish to redesignate the land from A1 Future Urban Development District to R1 Residential Low Density District and P1 Parks and Recreation District.

Phase 7C consists of 17 single family lots and Phase 7D consist of the final 16 single family lots in the Deer Park Subdivision. The proposed redesignation complies with the recently revised Outline Plan approved by Council on January 13, 1997.

Recommendation

Planning staff recommends that City Council proceed with first reading of the Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/BB-97.

Sincerely,

Frank Wong,
Planning Assistant

Attachment

S.W.1/4 SEC.14-38-27-4
of the
for
MELCOR DEVELOPMENTS LTD.



Phase 7B
Increased from 26 to 29 lots

Phase 7C
Minimum Lot Widths of 45 feet

REVISÉ: OCT. 25, 1996

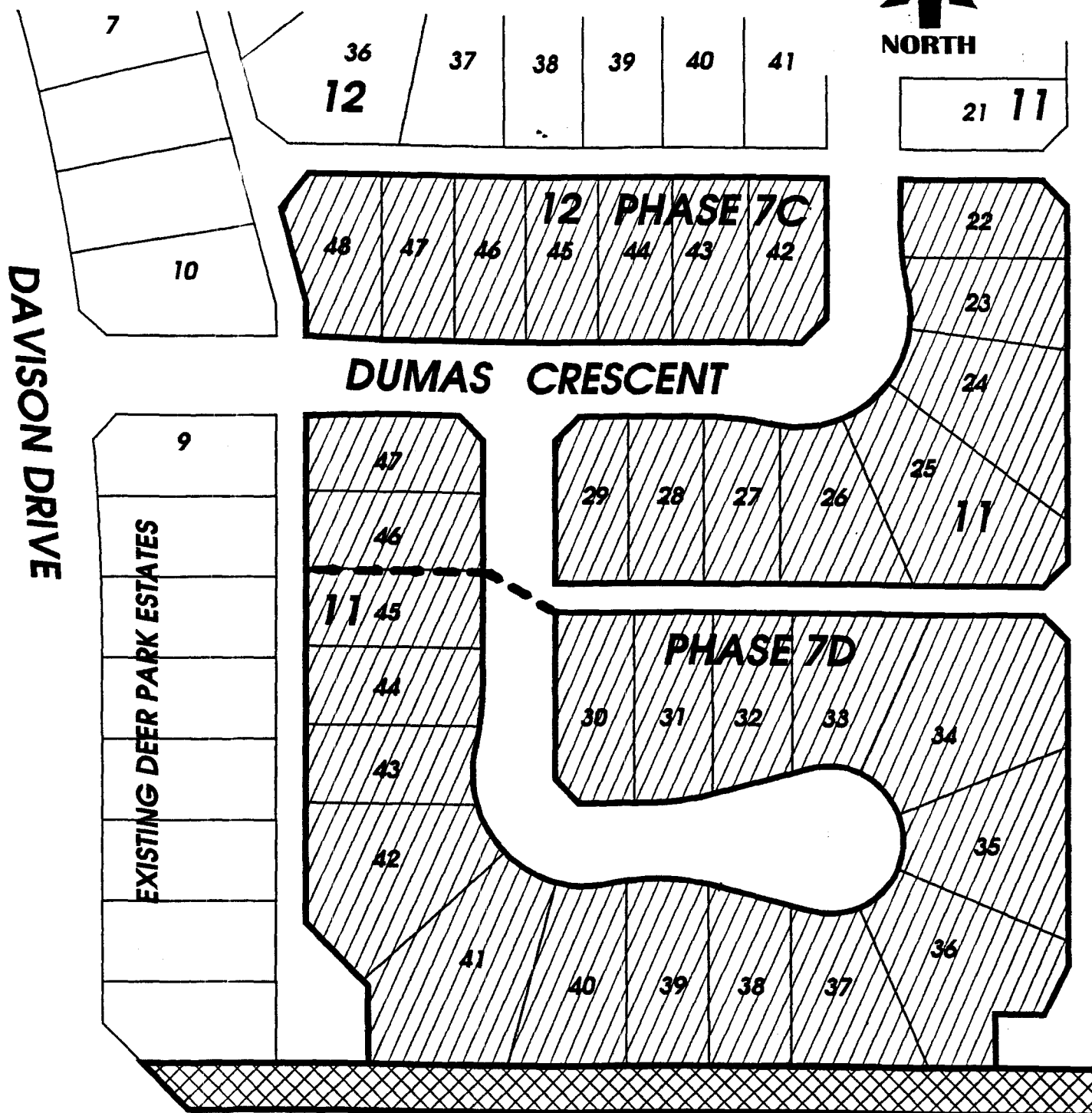
January 7, 1997
Parkland Community
Planning Services

ENGINEERING LTD.

RED DEER



NORTH



Change from: A1 to R1



A1 to P1



WHERE AS:

A1 - FUTURE URBAN
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
R1 - RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT
P1 - PARKS & RECREATION
DISTRICT

Comments:

We concur with the recommendations of the Planning Assistant.

"G. D. Surkan"
Mayor

"H. M. C. Day"
City Manager

FILE

Council Decision - September 22, 1997 Meeting

DATE: September 23, 1997
TO: Planning Assistant
FROM: City Clerk
RE: LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 3156/BB-97 / PART OF THE SW ¼ 14-38-27-4 / DEER PARK - PHASES 7C & 7D - MELCOR DEVELOPMENTS LTD.

Reference Report: Planning Assistant, dated September 16, 1997

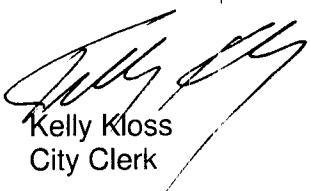
Bylaw Passed: Land Use Bylaw Amendment 3156/BB-97 given 1st Reading. A copy is attached hereto.

Report Back to Council Required: Yes, Public Hearing to be held October 20, 1997 at 7:00 p.m.

Comments/Further Action:

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This office will now proceed with the advertising for a Public Hearing. This office will be advising Melcor Developments Ltd. that they will be responsible for the advertising costs in this instance.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

/clr
attchs.

c Director of Development Services
 Director of Community Services
 E. L. & P. Manager
 Fire Chief
 City Assessor
 Land and Economic Development Manager
 Council and Committee Secretary, S. Ladwig



Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

The City of Red Deer

Office of the City Clerk

FILE

September 23, 1997

Melcor Developments Ltd.
400, 4808 Ross Street
Red Deer, AB T4N 1X5

Att: Mr. Guy Pelletier

Dear Mr. Pelletier:

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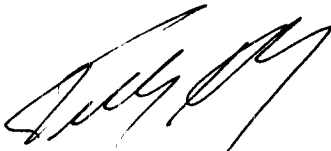
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Mr. Guy Pelletier
Melcor Developments Ltd.
September 23, 1997
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If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

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Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

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attchs.

c Director of Development Services
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September 23, 1997

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Item No. 1
Correspondence

120 Haliburton Crescent
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 6K4
August 29, 1997

To the Mayor and Red Deer city council:

I would like to bring to your attention some of the frustrations we have experienced as a result of the inadequate recreational vehicle waste handling facilities in our city.

After a trip in the early spring we found that the two private facilities weren't even open until the May long weekend. Obviously one of the reasons people own RVs is to extend the camping season. We ended up having to use the dump at the waste treatment plant which has no rinsing water available and therefore creates a lot of extra work and mess.

On two occasions I took the time to drive all the way out to the Shell station on gasoline alley only to find that the dump wasn't available, once due to it being over full and the second time due to the fact that a large truck had parked across it. This has happened to friends of ours also.

When I asked the station attendant about getting the truck moved he informed me that they don't own the property that the dump station is on and that the city is responsible for the maintenance of the station, they only collect the money for the city. Is this true? He suggested that I go into Patty's restaurant and find the driver of the truck and get him to move it since they have no control over the drivers either. Right!

On both of these occasions I ended up travelling up to the sewage treatment plant and dumping there after stopping at home to pick up a jug of water to rinse with. This ends up costing me quite a bit in gasoline and wastes a lot of time, which I have precious little of during the summer months.

The other facility at the R.V. outlet is almost useless to us since their hours of operation are not adequate to meet our needs. We often get home quite late after a weekend trip and leave the dumping till we have time in the evening during the week. My hours of work during the summer season usually make it difficult to get there before they are closed, which is usually between six and seven P.M.

Since we already pay the city through our taxes to handle and dispose of our sewage waste we feel that there should be a city operated dumping station for the use of R.V. owners. Should it make any difference whether the waste goes directly into the sewer system or whether it is temporarily stored in our units holding tank first?

I believe that the ideal and least expensive location for a city operated station would be right at the sewage treatment plant. It should be very easy to add a couple of more dumping stations along the side of the existing loop road where the commercial dump is located. Perhaps some type of timed water valve could be installed to help prevent water waste.

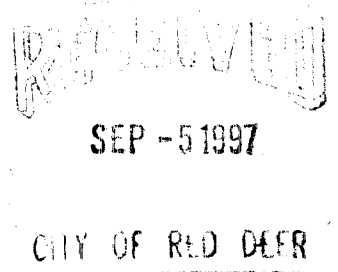
At the very least the city of Red Deer should be thinking about the impression that this lack of facilities and the difficulty of accessing those that are here is leaving with visitors to the area, especially since we tout ourselves as the R.V. capital of Alberta. Does it not imply that we are not that interested in tourism?

We could take a lesson from the town of Rocky Mountain House which has two absolutely free and conveniently located dump stations at their tourist information centre right along the main highway through town. We and many others we know are impressed with and appreciate that type of hospitality. I wish our city could work towards creating more of that type of image to visitors, tourists and residents alike.

Sincerely



Fred C. Bray



DATE: September 15, 1997

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Public Works Manager

RE: FRED BRAY - RECREATIONAL VEHICLE WASTE HANDLING FACILITIES

This issue has been re-occurring since the closure of the RV dump site previously located at the Chamber of Commerce, approximately two years ago.

The Shell station that Mr. Bray refers to in his letter to Council is located outside of the City Limits. Mr. Bray may wish to re-direct his questions regarding that site to the County of Red Deer.

There are four locations that we are aware of in and around Red Deer that provide an RV Dump Site for a fee. Their locations and hours of operation are as follows:

AM Recreation Ltd. - 6736 Golden West Avenue

- open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday
- closed on weekends
- charge \$3.00 per dump

Shell Service - west side of Highway 2 South

- open 24 hours a day, seven days a week
- free dump with fill-up
- charge \$2.00 per dump otherwise

Truck Town - 21, 7511 - 49 Avenue

- open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday through Friday
- open 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. on weekends
- charge \$3.00 per dump

Jumbo Car Wash - 45 Street and 51 Avenue

- open 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. all week
- charge \$5.00 per dump

Our site at the Wastewater Treatment Plant is intended as an industrial dump site. To provide a service to the RV's an additional station would be required, complete with street lights and service water, as there would not be sufficient room for the industrial haulers during peak times.

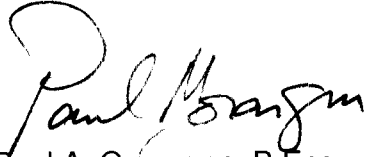
The Wastewater Treatment Plant has two operators on staff during the evenings and weekends when most RV users want to use the site. When queries or problems arise, they are not usually available to respond.

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City Clerk
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The treatment costs of the waste material deposited from RV's is not substantial, the initial capital cost to provide a serviced site would be. The utility rates that City customers pay cover the cost of treating the waste and maintaining the collection system. The initial capital cost of sanitary mains and services is recovered through lot sales by developers. In the case of an RV dump station, the cost would have to be covered by the utility.

RECOMMENDATION

Considering that the private sector is currently providing this service, we respectfully recommend that Council does not approve the installation of an RV dump station at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.



Paul A. Goranson, P.Eng.
Public Works Manager

/blm

c Director of Community Services
 Director of Development Services
 Visitor and Convention Bureau Manager

FAX MEMO

To: Kelly Kloss, City Clerk
City of Red Deer - Fax 346-6195

From: Phil Pearsall, Manager
Visitor & Convention Bureau

Dated: September 8, 1997

Re: Response to letter from Mr. Fred Bray

Kelly,

As you know, this is an on going complaint from some of the local RV owners. This year however, we did get fewer complaints. I believe the fallout surrounding the Chamber shutting down their sani dump has calmed down and the public has become more aware of the other sites.

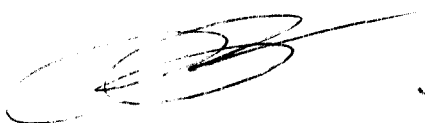
We put out a brochure talking about the four available dumping sites in town. We check each year to make sure the information is current and attached is what we handed out this summer. By sounds of the letter, it looks like the private agencies have not always been reliable in the delivery of their service. Maybe a letter from both the City and the Bureau making them aware of the feedback and encouraging them in their service delivery for tourism might be in order.

In his letter, Mr. Bray talked about the City of Red Deer adding at least a rinse water system at the WasteWater Treatment Plant. This would probably be the simplest and most cost effective solution for the time being seeing that the private sector doesn't always provide the necessary hours or service. The fact that he has to drive a few miles to the Treatment plant is not a problem in my mind.

If the Bureau was to negotiate being a part of the Sports Hall of Fame complex, then consideration of a dumpsite at that location should be discussed. Because there is no sewer line, it would have to be a holding tank, which means a fee for service would have to be charged to have the tank pumped out on an as needed basis. But that is at least two years away and the Sports Hall of Fame people may not like the idea.

Hope I have been of some help to you.

Thanks.....



Red Deer Trailer Dumping Stations

- * **Shell Service 346-9230**
Highway 2 South, on west side of highway
Open 24 hours, year round. No fee.
- * **A.M. Recreation Ltd 347-3400**
6736 Golden West Avenue
Open Mon to Fri, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.,
Sat 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Closed Sundays.
Open April 1 to October 31. \$2.50 fee.
- * **Truck Town Wash 343-8696**
21, 7511 - 49 Ave
Open daily year round, summer
7 a.m. to 8 p.m., winter 9 a.m. to
6 p.m. The dump is inside the wash
bay; if someone is using it you may
have to wait. \$2 fee.
- * **Waste Water Treatment Plant**
7890 - 40 Ave.
Open daily year round. No rinse
water available.

Please note that the dumping stations located at Lions Campground, Woody's RV World and Vellner Leisure Products are for their customers only.

**Information subject to change
without notice.**

DATE: September 15, 1997

TO: KELLY KLOSS
City Clerk

FROM: LOWELL R. HODGSON
Community Services Director

RE: FRED BRAY:
RECREATIONAL VEHICLE WASTE HANDLING FACILITIES

The issue of waste handling facilities for recreational vehicles is not a new one, and has become more of an issue since the closure of the facility at the Chamber of Commerce.

It is our hope that we can one day have an RV dumping station at Heritage Ranch in conjunction with the Visitor Information Services offered there. However, this will not take place until full City services are extended to Heritage Ranch, and that will not happen until the lands west of West Park are developed for residential purposes.

In the meantime, the only services we have are those at the Lions Campground and the one at the Sewage Treatment Plant. In the past, we have investigated the possibility of opening the facilities at the Lions Campground to those not staying in the campground, but we found that was not possible with the traffic circulation system that is in place and the significant inconvenience that it would cause campground patrons. The facilities at the Sewage Treatment Plant are limited, and we are not in a position to supervise and maintain them in a way that would be necessary for full operation. Thus, we have encouraged those who have expressed concern in the past to utilize existing commercial facilities. Mr. Bray, however, points out that these are not always available for any number of reasons and, thus, there is a need not being met.

It is my understanding that the new car wash facility downtown is equipped as an RV dumping station and this may meet many of these expressed needs.

From this Division's perspective, we would intend to see that an RV dumping station is available at the Heritage Ranch site in due course. However, this does not meet any immediate need and we expect the Development Services Division to be commenting further with respect to any enhancement of the existing facility at the Sewage Treatment Plant.



LOWELL R. HODGSON

:dmg

Comments:

We concur with the recommendations of the Public Works Manager. We further recommend that Council request the Sports Hall of Fame & Museum Committee give consideration to a dumping site in their final plans, particularly since this site is shared by the Visitor and Convention Bureau.

"G. D. Surkan"
Mayor

"H. M. C. Day"
City Manager

BACKUP INFORMATION
NOT SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL

September 23, 1997

Mid Point Shell Service
P.O. Box 723
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 1V8

Dear Manager:

RE: Dumping Stations available in Red Deer

Enclosed is a copy of a lure card produced and distributed by the Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau. The card is used for counselling by phone and in person at the Information Centre. Each of the service locations indicated on this card have recently been contacted with regards to accuracy of location, price, times of service and yearly accessibility.

With your co-operation we trust that the information we are providing to our visitors is timely and accurate. The service your business provides is a valuable component to the tourism industry within our city, and we count on you to keep us updated as to any changes that there may be with regards to the provided information.

Thank you again for your co-operation, should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to call us at 346-0180.

Sincerely Yours;

Phil Pearsall, Manager
RED DEER VISITOR AND CONVENTION BUREAU

c.c. Lowell Hodgson, Community Services
Kelly Kloss, City Clerk



Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

The City of Red Deer

Office of the City Clerk

September 8, 1997

BACKUP INFORMATION
NOT SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL

Fred C. Bray
120 Haliburton Crescent
Red Deer, AB T4N 6K4

Dear Mr. Bray:

I am in receipt of your letter dated August 29, 1997, re: Recreational Vehicle Waste Handling Facilities. Your letter will be placed on the Red Deer City Council Agenda of Monday, September 22, 1997.

Your request has been circulated to City Administration for comments. A copy of the administrative comments will be available to you prior to the Council Meeting and can be picked up at our office on the second floor of City Hall on Friday, September 19, 1997.

If you wish to be present and/or speak at the Council Meeting, please telephone our office on Friday, September 19, 1997, and we will advise you of the approximate time that Council will be discussing this item. Upon arrival at City Hall, please enter the park side entrance and proceed to the Council Chambers on the second floor.

Council Meetings are open to the general public and are televised live on Shaw Cable, Channel 3. Council Meetings commence at 4:30 p.m., adjourn for the supper hour at 6:00 p.m., and reconvene at 7:00 p.m. Council agendas are available to the public and media from the City Clerk's Department.

If you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

KK/jb

DATE: September 8, 1997

TO: X DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES
X DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
CITY ASSESSOR
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TREASURY SERVICES MANAGER
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X VISITOR AND CONVENTION BUREAU MANAGER

BACK UP INFORMATION
NOT SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL

FROM: CITY CLERK

RE: FRED BRAY - RECREATIONAL VEHICLE WASTE HANDLING
FACILITIES

Please submit comments on the attached to this office by September 15, 1997, for the Council Agenda of Monday, September 22, 1997.

"Kelly Kloss"

City Clerk



Office of the City Clerk

FILE

September 23, 1997

Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

Alberta Sports Hall of Fame
& Museum
502, 4920 - 51 Street
Red Deer, AB T4N 6K8

Att: Orest Korbitt,
Chairman

Dear Sir:

RE: RECREATIONAL VEHICLE WASTE HANDLING FACILITIES

At the City of Red Deer's Council meeting held Monday, September 22, 1997, consideration was given to correspondence received from Mr. Fred Bray, regarding the above. At that meeting, Council passed the following resolution:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer, having considered correspondence from Mr. Fred Bray dated August 29, 1997, re: Recreational Vehicle Waste Handling Facilities, hereby agrees:

1. that no recreational vehicle dumping station shall be installed at the Wastewater Treatment Plant;
2. that a letter be forwarded to the Alberta Sports Hall of Fame & Museum Committee asking them to consider implementing a dumping site into their final plans and that the City be consulted further,

and as presented to Council September 22, 1997."

As above, Council is requesting the Alberta Sports Hall of Fame & Museum Committee to consider the implementation of a dumping site in the final plans for the Sports Hall of Fame & Museum, as it will share the site with the Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau - a reasonable site for a dumping station.

I have attached hereto the correspondence received from Mr. Bray in this regard and also the administrative comments that appeared on the Council agenda.

The City of Red Deer

Alberta Sports Hall of
Fame & Museum Committee
September 23, 1997
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It would be appreciated if this matter could be explored by your Committee and a reply sent to Council at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

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Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

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attchs.

c Director of Community Services
 Director of Development Services
 Public Works Manager

Mr. Phil Pearsall, Manager
Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau

Mr. Fred Bray
120 Haliburton Crescent
Red Deer, AB T4N 6K4

FILE

Office of the City Clerk

September 23, 1997

Mr. Fred Bray
120 Haliburton Crescent
Red Deer, AB T4N 6K4

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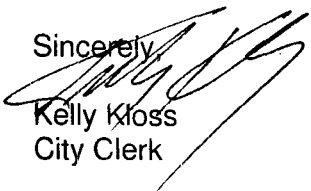
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Thank you for taking the time to voice your concerns to Council regarding this matter. As you are aware, Council directed that the Administration prepare a further report relative to a breakdown of costs to install a dumping station for recreational vehicles at the Sewage Treatment Plant. Once Council has reviewed this report, I will be advising you of the outcome. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require further assistance or information in this regard.

Sincerely,


Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

/clr
attchs.

c Director of Community Services



DATE: September 24, 1997
TO: Public Works Manager
FROM: City Clerk

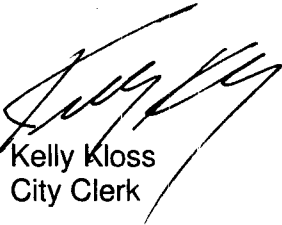
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RE: RECREATIONAL VEHICLE WASTE HANDLING FACILITIES

At the Council meeting of September 22, 1997, discussion was held with respect to the above. At that meeting, Council requested that you provide them with the following information:

1. A detailed break-down of costs associated with installing a recreational vehicle waste handling facility at the Sewage Treatment Plant. In addition, the cost of installing a water line to the existing dump facility is also to be provided.
2. Any other information you feel may be pertinent to this issue.

I look forward to receiving your report in due course.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

KK/clr

- c Director of Community Services
Director of Development Services

FILE

DATE: September 24, 1997

TO: Councillor Hughes
Councillor Volk

FROM: City Clerk

RE: ***RECREATIONAL VEHICLE WASTE HANDLING FACILITIES -
REQUEST TO APPROACH WESTERNER BOARD***

At the City of Red Deer's Council meeting held September 22, 1997, consideration was given to the above. At that meeting the following resolution was passed:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer, having considered correspondence from Mr. Fred Bray dated August 29, 1997, re: Recreational Vehicle Waste Handling Facilities, hereby agrees:

1. that no recreational vehicle dumping station shall be installed at the Wastewater Treatment Plant;
2. that a letter be forwarded to the Alberta Sports Hall of Fame & Museum Committee asking them to consider implementing a dumping site into their final plans and that the City be consulted further,

and as presented to Council September 22, 1997."

In addition to the above, Council requested the following:

1. That the Administration provide Council with a report as to the cost of installing a recreational vehicle waste handling facility at the Sewage Treatment Plant;
2. That the Council representatives on the Westerner Board approach the Board to inquire if there would be interest in providing a recreational vehicle waste handling facility on the Westerner Grounds, that would be accessible to the public.

Some of the options identified with respect to funding included cost sharing between the Westerner and The City or the possibility of the Westerner providing the land and operation of the facility and The City funding the capital costs.

Councillor Hughes
Councillor Volk
September 24, 1997
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In accordance with the above, I ask that you discuss this matter with the Westerner Board and report back to City Council on your findings, in due course.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kelly Kloss', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

c Mayor Surkan
Director of Community Services
Director of Corporate Services
Director of Development Services

REQUEST/INQUIRY RECORD SHEET
THE CITY OF RED DEER
ENGINEERING/PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

TO: City Clerk TIME: 2:30

DATE: Sept 30/97

FROM: Shirley James

REQUESTED BY: Ken Hankinson

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE NO. (RES) 347-5986

(BUS) _____

NATURE OF CALL/RE: City needs a trailer dump station

LOCATION: _____

DESCRIPTION: All other communities around us provide a trailer dump station. Very emphatic Red Deer should also have one - poor image presently for tourists when they have to pay to dump their tanks

REQUESTED ACTION: Get a trailer dump station. I indicated Council is considering one, but he wanted his sentiment passed along.

ACTION TAKEN: _____

BY: _____ DATE: _____

☐ Acted On ☐ Turned Down: ☐ No Need ☐ No Solution
☐ No Funds ☐ Contrary to Policy: ☐ Council ☐ Department

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DATE: September 17, 1997

TO: City Council

FROM: City Clerk

RE: **WRITTEN INQUIRY: COUNCILLOR DAWSON - 1997 PROPERTY TAX**

At the Council meeting of August 25, 1997, the following Written Inquiry was submitted by Councillor Dawson:

"WHEREAS, the Council of The City of Red Deer is required each year to prepare an assessment for each property in the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Council is required to prepare an assessment in accordance with Division One of the Municipal Government Act, Chapter M26.1 revised statutes of Alberta 1994; and

WHEREAS, the Government of Alberta can pass legislation to ensure that property tax is collected in a fair and equitable manner;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Administration investigate and report back to Council on how the change to 'Market Value Assessment' has adversely effected the apportionment of property taxes to retailers in malls, whereby increasing the amount of property tax being paid by small retail stores. And recommend to Council, an approach to take that would encourage the Provincial Government to enact legislation that provides for a fair and equitable system of property taxation for all retail businesses."

Attached is the relevant report regarding this matter.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

/clr
attchs.

DATE: September 2, 1997

TO: City Clerk

FROM: City Assessor

RE: 1997 PROPERTY TAX

At the last Council meeting, a tax issue was brought forward by Mrs. Moore, and a retail bulletin was introduced at the same time. The two issues were not inter-related, but do, in some jurisdictions, have some overlapping properties. I will outline each issue in point form, summarize the scenario, and provide a recommendation.

Firstly, the tax issue of Mrs. Moore (Private Label):

1. "Private Label" is a tenant at Parkland Mall;
2. Parkland Mall is a large, enclosed mall with approximately 150 tenants;
3. The owner of Parkland Mall is the recipient of the property assessment and property tax notice and is responsible for payment of the property taxes;
4. Lease agreements that tenants have with the mall owner often require that expenses relating to the leased area (such as property taxes, in this instance) be collected by the owner from the tenant. The municipality has no part in the internal tax allocation or collection of taxes from the tenant. The total tax is paid by the property owner.
5. In 1997, the reassessment relative to market value increased the assessment of the mall resulting in an increase of approximately 30% in the taxes.
6. According to information available, and statements made by mall management, the 1997 property tax was allocated to all tenants on the same basis as in previous years (i.e. all tenants share the same ratio, as they have always done. This results from their lease agreements, to which we are not privy.).
7. It must be concluded, and we have no jurisdiction to summons information, that any property tax increase the tenants experience is a result of the property tax increase to the mall, overall.
8. City Council has no jurisdiction over the assessment.
9. City Council does have control of the taxes by:
 - a) Setting the tax rate annually, and
 - b) According to the Municipal Government Act, being allowed to refund taxes if they consider it equitable to do so.

Secondly, the Retail Bulletin is requesting support:

1. Once again in the malls, the mall owners are responsible for the property taxes;
2. The Province and/or the municipality have no jurisdiction or legislation that would require or allow them to direct or dictate the "internal" distribution of the property tax among the tenants.

City Clerk
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3. The issue is strictly "internal" distribution of property taxes among tenants. In the lease agreements various clauses, as I understand it, require that the distribution be done differently under certain circumstances, such as valuation techniques utilized for assessment purposes.
4. In discussion with mall personnel, it is evident that the assessment techniques used in Red Deer do not require that the mall change the method they use to allocate taxes internally to their tenants. The status quo can be maintained.
5. However, it is an issue in some malls in some municipalities in Alberta and has been in other jurisdictions nationally and internationally.

SUMMARIZATION OF RECOMMENDATION

The "Moore" (Private Label) issue should not be dealt with because the company, Private Label, and the City have no property tax issues to appeal. It is an internal issue with the mall and tenant.

The assessment and tax on the mall have been appealed to the Assessment Review Board. We would assume that, if an adjustment were made in property assessment, the tenants would have their property tax adjusted accordingly.

We cannot recommend that the Bulletin issue be supported. If the provincial government and municipal government interfere with tax distribution in private malls, then what about strip malls, warehousing that is leased, condo projects, and the list goes on? Perhaps some mediation assistance and advise to tenants on tax clauses in leases would be of assistance.



Al Knight, A.M.A.A.
City Assessor

AK/ngl

c.c. Director of Corporate Services

RETAIL BULLETIN

August 1997

MALL RETAILERS APPEAL TO GOVERNMENT

Alberta's mall retailers, sideswiped by the shift to market value assessment, are appealing to the Government of Alberta to prevent a mall retail catastrophe. The problem is that property taxes for all mall retailers, except anchors, are expected to increase from 100% to 200% in 1999 (see 'How Market Value Assessment Causes This Problem' on the second page of this newsletter).

"Welcome to the 21st century," says Calgary retailer Judy Hunt of JB's Bags. "We have experienced substantial increases in business taxes over the past three years. Now we can expect a far greater increase in property taxes. To add insult to injury, business taxes will go up again because they are in part based on the property taxes we pay," says Hunt. "We want to be more competitive in the next century," she adds, "but this is entirely counterproductive."

"For many retailers the reason for being in business will be eliminated if this increase goes forward," says Grant Hamilton of Rafters Gifts. "Mall retailers will either quit, move out, or be forced out of business by creditors, due to financial losses," he says.

Doug Jacques, Vice-President of The Forzani Group, with 56 stores in Alberta, predicts "no new mall development will take place and existing malls won't be renovated."

WHAT CAN THE PROVINCE DO?

The Alberta Government can pass legislation which ensures that Property Tax is divided among retailers in malls in the same way as it was in the past. This is precisely the recommendation of the Calgary Tax Commission, a respected panel consisting of Mr Justice Herb Laycraft, Chartered Accountant Bruce Dunlop and retired provincial government official Archie Grover. Their actual wording was "the Alberta government should pass

legislation which ensures that Property Tax apportionment within malls will maintain the status quo as between tenants in shopping centres." In their report to the City of Calgary they predicted 'chaos' for mall retailers unless this legislation is passed.

Alberta mall retailers are mobilizing to ensure that the government is well aware of the importance of mall retailers to Alberta's economy, including employment, service, product variety and tourism. West Edmonton Mall has given Alberta a reputation as a tourist destination for retail customers. With the Alberta Advantage, Alberta has the potential to build on this strength and attract shoppers from many parts of North America and the world. "It would be a shame if our province, on the very edge of a retail boom, were to blow it by having its malls close down or cut back to half empty shells," says Jacques.

Municipal Affairs Minister Hon. Iris Evans has promised to give the issue a thorough and fair analysis. It will be her responsibility to take forward to cabinet a recommendation for legislation.

WHAT CAN MALL RETAILERS DO

You can phone or write your MLA. Explain the issue as outlined on the second page of this newsletter. Ask for support of the legislation. Alberta's MLAs are generally very accessible, and want to know what their constituents are thinking. They will not know unless you tell them. You will be receiving MLA names, addresses and phone numbers in early September.

For Further Information Contact:

Judy Hunt, JB's Bags & Baggage Tel: 253 1466

Grant Hamilton, Rafters Tel: 291 3525

Doug Jacques, Forzani's Tel: 230 8200

HOW MARKET VALUE ASSESSMENT CAUSES THIS PROBLEM

In the past the property tax bill was based on the cost of building the shopping centre. This was fair, because it costs about the same amount to build an anchor store and a small store, taking into consideration the space occupied. Taxes based on cost have been predictable, and this allowed store owners to prepare business plans and sign leases with confidence.

Under Market Value Assessment (MVA) the property tax bill will be based on the rent paid by tenants. This is not fair in the case of shopping malls. Anchor stores pay only \$4 to \$6 per square foot, whereas small stores pay anywhere from \$15 to \$40 per square foot, and some in unique circumstances such as food courts pay over \$100 per square foot.

When the mall owner gets the tax bill, his first obligation under his lease with the anchors is to deduct the amount the anchor tenants owe, based on their very low rent.

The landlord must then take the balance and divide it up among all other tenants based on the amount of space they occupy.

Here is an example. Take a one million square foot mall, which is occupied 50% by anchors, and 50% by small stores. Assume the tax bill is \$1 million for the year.

On the old cost basis, the anchors would pay about \$500,000, representing 50% of the cost of construction. On the new rental basis, the anchors will pay only about \$250,000 because they only pay about one quarter of the total rent of the shopping centre. The balance of the tax bill amounting to \$750,000 will be paid by the smaller stores.

In this particular case (which is not real, but is a fair example), the anchors will receive a windfall of \$250,000 for every year in the future, while small stores will be required to pay their apportioned share of the extra \$250,000. A store which pays \$5,000 per year now, could easily find itself paying \$10,000 per year starting in 1999.

Small retail stores subsidize the rents of anchor tenants. They were aware of this when they signed their leases. What they did not count on was having to pay anchor property taxes too!

IT'S NO ONE'S FAULT

The unfair impact of market value assessment on mall retailers is no one's fault. The system worked as long as 'cost' was used as the basis for assessment. Now cities want to use 'market value.'

Using rent paid is a reasonable way of measuring market value in most circumstances...but it doesn't work in malls because leases reflect the unique relationship between anchors and small stores in the original development of the mall. Anchors only agree to be part of shopping centres in exchange for long term leases at low rent.

WHERE DO MALL OWNERS STAND?

Exactly where you do. If they lose you as a tenant, they are in trouble. Mall owners will be making their own presentation to the government.

THIS IS A MATTER OF URGENCY

The last chance before the 1999 tax year, for the province to pass legislation in your favour, will be at the 1998 spring sitting of the legislature. This means the Minister of Municipal Affairs must devote her efforts this fall, beginning immediately, to studying the problem, assessing public opinion, and formulating the legislation.

THE CONSEQUENCES IF THE PROVINCE DOES NOT SUPPORT YOU

There are approximately 5,000 small stores in malls in Alberta. They employ some 100,000 people...long term employees...students...and young people entering the work force. Most Alberta families have someone involved in retail, or who has been in the past or who will be in the future.

Almost all of these stores and their employees will be hurt in the pocket book if the Province does not act. For most, profits will be reduced. Employees' pay will be cut. Some will lose their jobs.

Stores will be closed by creditors, or closed by owners because it is no longer worth it.

Progress To Date

- Calgary City Council voted unanimously in favour of asking the Province to pass the required legislation.
- The Calgary Chamber of Commerce supports the legislation, and has made this known to the City of Calgary.
- The Alberta Urban Municipalities Association is being approached to extend support. This is particularly important, because the tax impact will hit mall retailers in all cities and towns throughout the province. Mall stores in Lethbridge, Red Deer, Medicine Hat, Grande Prairie, Lloydminster, Camrose, Drumheller, etc. McMurray...all these and more can expect to see their taxes jump, if they are in malls which are anchored by major department or chain stores.
- Alberta Economic Development and Tourism Minister Pat Black is being approached, because her department promotes the very strengths that mall retailers offer to the people of Alberta.
- Edmonton City Council is being approached by Edmonton Mall retailers, with a request to pass a motion of support.
- The Edmonton Chamber of Commerce is being asked for support, as the Chamber represents thousands of small businesses which will be negatively impacted.

Private Label

#434, 4747 67th St.
Red Deer, AB, T4N 6H3

CITY OF RED DEER
4914 48th AVE.
Red Deer, AB

August 25, 1997

ATTN: CITY COUNCIL

Dear Council,

In light of some further information provided to me this morning, in the form of a Retail Bulletin, I wish to add to my previous request for consideration of the tax levy affecting mall retail merchants. I realize that my assesment is affective according to my lease with the mall and shall support the mall's appeal and carry on my discussion with the mall owners.

I also realize, due to this new information, that the Market Value Assesment tax bill affecting this situation is a provincial legislation, so I would therefore encourage The City Council for the City of Red Deer to vote in favor of supporting a request to the Province of Alberto to pass the required legislation to ensure property tax is divided among retailers in the malls the same way it was in the past in order to protect small retail businesses from this possibly fatal situation. I do believe that this request is valid to protect all small business in our economic base and therefore will support such action for all affected, not just myself.

I also recommend that the information in the Retail Bulletin be given careful consideration as it is evident that the City of Calgary has already acted in this situation and the City of Edmonton is also being approached for such a motion.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to your response as Red Deer needs the small business industry.

Yours in confidence,



Pat Moore
Owner/Operator

cc: Red Deer Chamber of Commerce
Parkland Mall, Laing Properties-Gary Seher,

Private Label

#434, 4747 67th St.
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CITY OF RED DEER
4914 48th AVE.
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ATTN: CITY COUNCIL

Dear Council,

It is with great disappointment that I address this letter to you. It is regarding changes to the property tax assessments for 1997 resulting in an increase of some 30% over 1996 levies. This change has resulted in a \$228.98 per month increase in an already difficult rent for my new business. To go from \$426.00 + GST per month, which was already adjusted for an increase in '97, to \$640.00 + GST per month is a major cut into budget plans for the year. What could possibly be the basis for a tax increase that could potentially affect so many retailers in such a devastating way?

Though we have been assured that the economy is picking up and that retail will be booming again, this is not presently the case in all businesses and many of us struggle to make ends meet each month. Such a formidable jump in monthly expense and especially with no indication or warning is unfair and almost impossible.

I ask you to take a look at the present affect of this tax increase on many in the city and to please reconsider this levy.

Yours in good faith,



Pat Moore
Owner/ Manager

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cc: Gary Seher, Parkland Mall

Comments:

As can be seen from the attached report, there are two issues for Council to consider.

The first is the increase in assessment as a result of legislative requirements to assess properties based on market value. This is a legislative requirement over which Council has no control. Largely as a result of the reassessment, the taxes for Parkland Mall have increased by about 30%. This assessment has been appealed to the Assessment Review Board, which may or may not result in an adjustment to the assessment and a resulting adjustment to taxes. Following the review by the Assessment Review Board, the mall owners have the right to appeal that decision to the Municipal Government Board, whose decision is final. In summary, the mall owner has two avenues of appeal to the assessment, and as a result possibly an adjustment to taxes. We believe that the Mall owners understand and have reluctantly accepted the move to market value. They are appealing in hopes of altering the amount of the assessment. Parkland Mall has, however, expressed a concern related to the amount of the increase they must manage in a short time frame.

The second issue is the internal distribution of the taxes amongst the various tenants. Currently this is determined by the lease voluntarily entered into by all the tenants of the mall. These leases are private contractual arrangements between two private businesses - the mall owner and the tenant - to which we have no recourse unless the businesses are prepared to provide this information on a voluntary basis.

We understand that the current arrangements allow the mall owners to distribute the taxes to various tenants as they always have - as long as the City continues to provide a statement of the assessed value of each tenant based on its share of the Physical space in the mall. We are still doing this because we are using replacement cost calculations as a significant factor in our evaluation of market value (since comparable sales or income-based evaluation are difficult to fully apply to most commercial property).

The specific concern expressed to the representatives of Cambridge (Bower Mall), is that the Province may, in the future, insist that replacement cost evaluation be totally abandoned in favour of other methods. The resultant inability of the City to provide statements of the individual tenants assessable share based on their physical space would trigger a redistribution of the tax burden under the terms of tenant leases which would negatively impact on smaller tenants. As a result, Cambridge is asking that we request the Province to pass legislation which would ensure taxes could continue to be shared based on physical space. Presumably, this could be achieved through legislative assurance that municipalities can continue to use replacement cost as a significant indicator of market value, in parallel with other evaluation methods.

We understand the issue and its particular implication for small businesses. As mentioned, we currently have no difficulty meeting the need for individual tenant calculations. Given the difficulty we would also have in assessing most commercial property if replacement cost could not be used as a part of our evaluation, we recommend Council join Calgary and Edmonton in requesting the Province to assist in resolving this issue. We believe this could be achieved, ensuring our ongoing ability to use replacement cost as a part of our market value assessment for commercial property, including breakdowns by tenant in shared accommodation such as the malls.

We further recommend that our support be made conditional on the understanding that this method of calculation would not be used to limit the total tax bill for a commercial property should other evaluation methods clearly identify an assessable market value significantly different than replacement cost.

Finally, we should also expect mall owners to be making significant steps to alter the nature of their leases to correct the problem. We appreciate, however, that this may take many years to resolve given the long-term nature of most leases.

"G. D. SURKAN"
Mayor

"H. M. C. Day"
City Manager

Office of the City Clerk

FILE

September 23, 1997

The Honourable Iris Evans
Minister of Municipal Affairs
424 Legislature Building
10800-97 Avenue
Edmonton, AB T5K 2B8

Dear Madam:

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CC: Mayor's Office
Councillors
Director Corporate Services
City Assessor
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Office of the Minister
Responsible for Housing, Consumer Affairs and Registries
MLA, Sherwood Park

October 17, 1997

Her Worship Gail Surkan
Mayor of the City of Red Deer
PO Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

Dear Mayor *Gail* Surkan:

Thank you for the September 23, 1997, letter from your city clerk regarding the City of Red Deer's resolution on market value assessment.

It is my understanding that the resolution, as passed by council, addresses two issues. The first issue deals with the methodology that assessors may use to determine market value assessments. The second issue concerns the effect that this may have on the allocation of property taxes among tenants within regional shopping centres.

Council's resolution seems to suggest that the Province is considering an amendment to the Municipal Government Act to remove the provision dealing with a particular method that assessors may use to derive market value assessments for improvements. It is my understanding that there is no intention to control or limit commonly accepted appraisal approaches to determining market values for property. The Province is, however, committed to ensuring that property assessments are consistently prepared on a market value standard. It is well recognized, as evidenced by its widespread use throughout North America, that the assessment of shopping centres and other types of income-producing properties is best arrived at when based on the income approach to market value.

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Her Worship Gail Surkan
Red Deer, Alberta

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The preparation of property tax assessments in Alberta is a responsibility of the municipalities. Be assured that the Province does not intend to limit or control methods that assessors may use in determining market value assessments. The allocation of property taxes among tenants within regional shopping centres is an issue which the Province is currently reviewing with the various stakeholders.

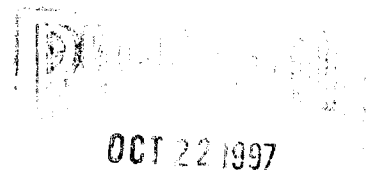
I appreciate you keeping me informed of your council's views.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Iris', written in black ink.

Iris Evans
Minister

cc: Honourable Stockwell Day, MLA

A rectangular stamp from the Government of Alberta. It contains the text 'GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA' at the top, 'OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL' in the middle, and 'OCT 22 1997' at the bottom. There is also a small circular emblem on the left side of the stamp.

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Office of the City Clerk

September 23, 1997

The Honourable Iris Evans
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Date 21-09-24

Time 1:40 p.m.

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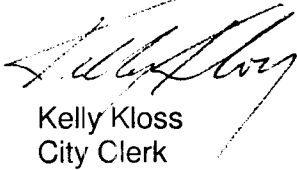
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The City of Red Deer

The Honourable Iris Evans,
Minister of Municipal Affairs
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If any changes to the factors used in calculating market value assessment are to be considered, I trust you will take the above request into consideration which will assist us in serving our customers.

Sincerely,



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

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c Director of Corporate Services
 City Assessor

The Honourable Stockwell Day, M.L.A.
Mr. Victor Doerksen, M.L.A.
Alberta Urban Municipalities Association

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BYLAW NO. 3156/W-97

Being a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 3156/96, the Land Use Bylaw of The City of Red Deer.

NOW THEREFORE, THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RED DEER, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 Section 55(5) is hereby amended by adding the following:
 - “(e) Semi-detached dwelling on:
 - (i) Lot 7, Block 2, Plan 619 HW (6009 - 63A Street) subject to the front elevation of each unit (half) being significantly different from each other thereby resembling a single family dwelling”
- 2 The “Use District Map” referred to in Section 5 is hereby amended in accordance with the Use District Map No. 18/97 attached hereto and forming part of the Bylaw.

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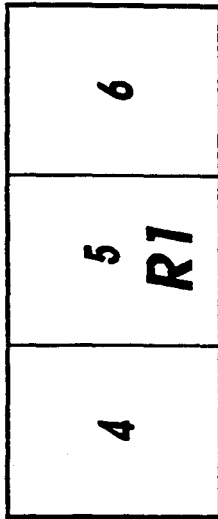
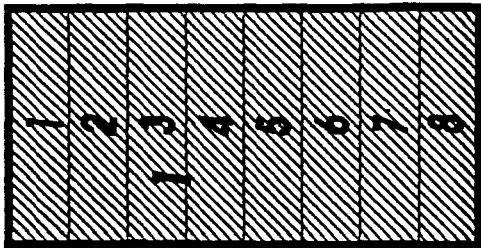
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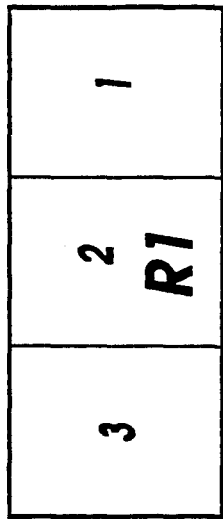
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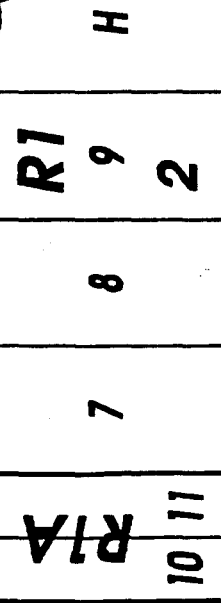
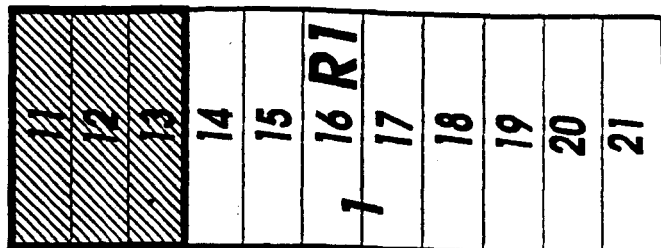
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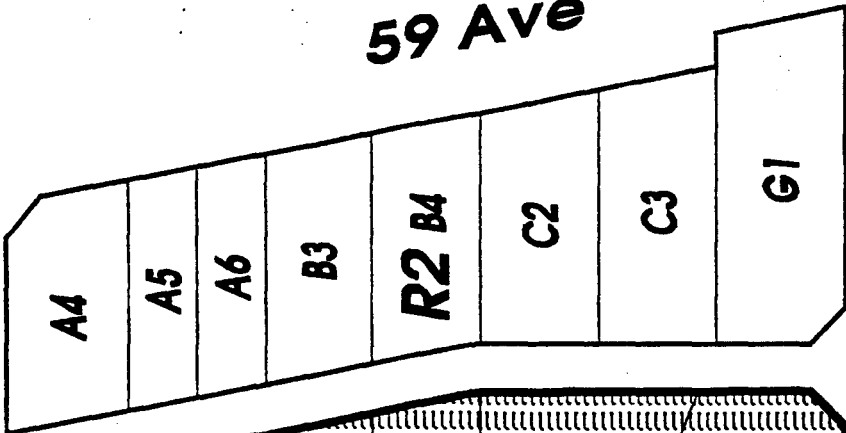
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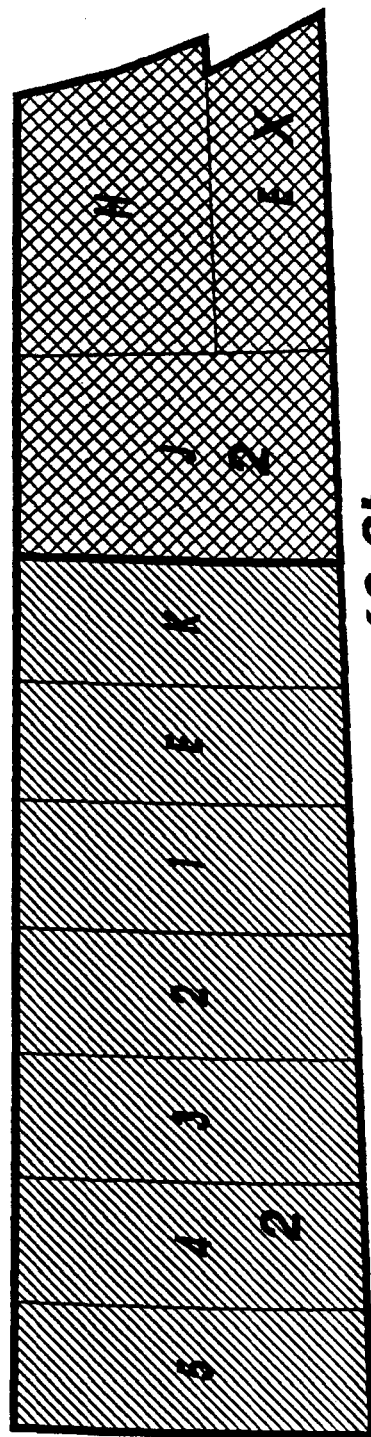


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R1 to R2



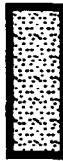
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R2 to R1



R2 to R1A



WHERE AS:

R1 - Residential (low density) District

R1A - Residential (semi-detached dwelling) District

R2 - Residential (medium density) District

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- 1 The "Land Use District Map C15" contained in Schedule "B" of the Land Use Bylaw is hereby amended in accordance with the Use District Map No. 19/97 attached hereto and forming part of the bylaw.

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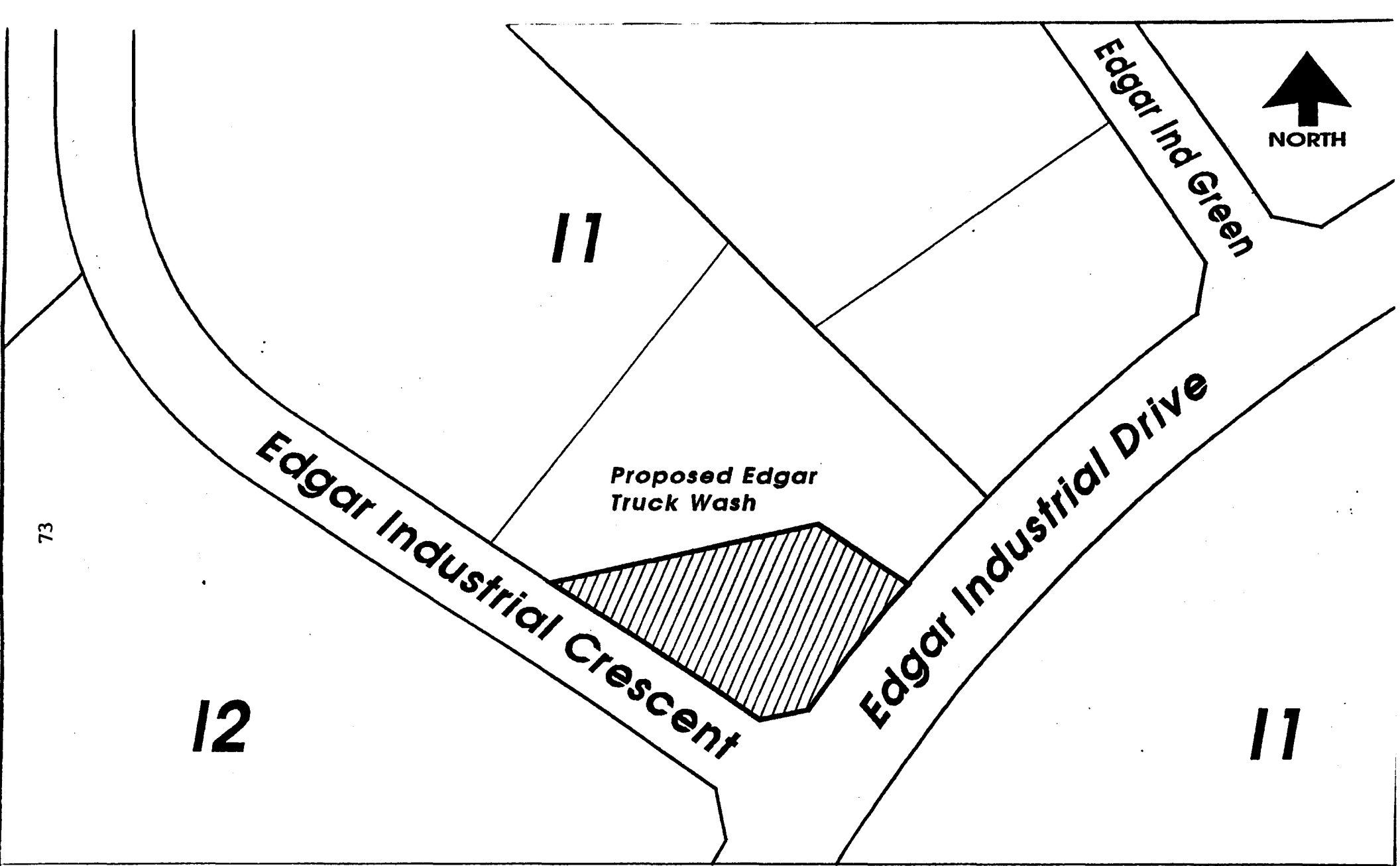
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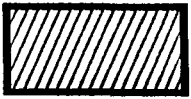
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Change from: I1 to C3



Where as:
I1 - Industrial (Business Service) District
C3 - Commercial (Neighborhood Convenience) District

BYLAW NO. 3156/Y-97

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- 1 The "Use District Map" as referred to in section 5 is hereby amended in accordance with the Use District Map No. 20/97 attached hereto and forming part of the bylaw.

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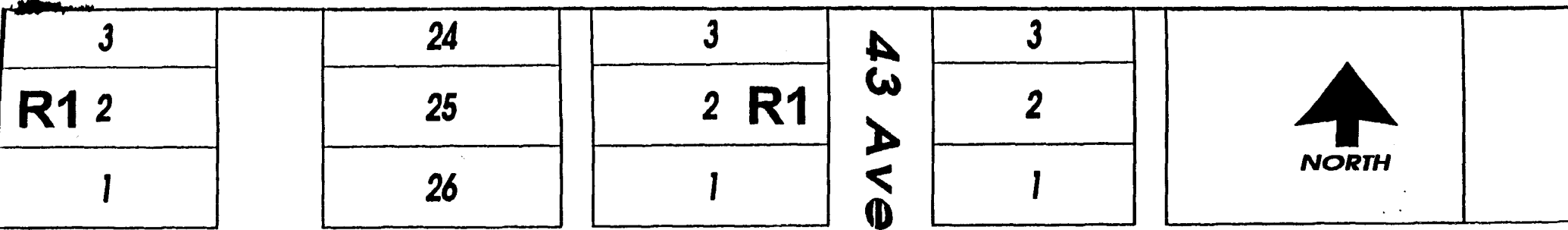
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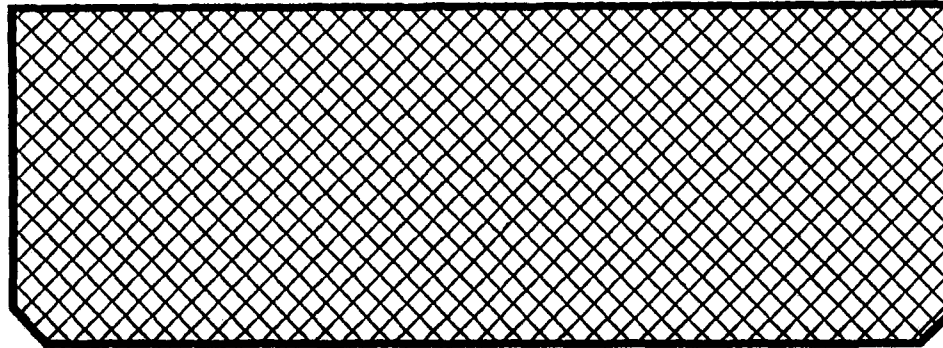
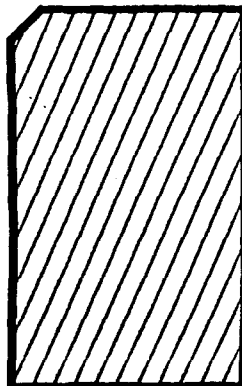
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Change from: PS to R1A 

PS to R1 

Where as:

R1 - Residential (Low Density) District

R1A - Residential (Semi-Detached Dwelling) District

PS - Public Service (Institutional or Governmental) District

BYLAW NO. 3156/Z-97

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NOW THEREFORE, THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RED DEER, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 The "Land Use District Map C12" contained in Schedule "B" of the Land Use Bylaw is hereby amended in accordance with the Use District Map No. 21/97 attached hereto and forming part of the bylaw.

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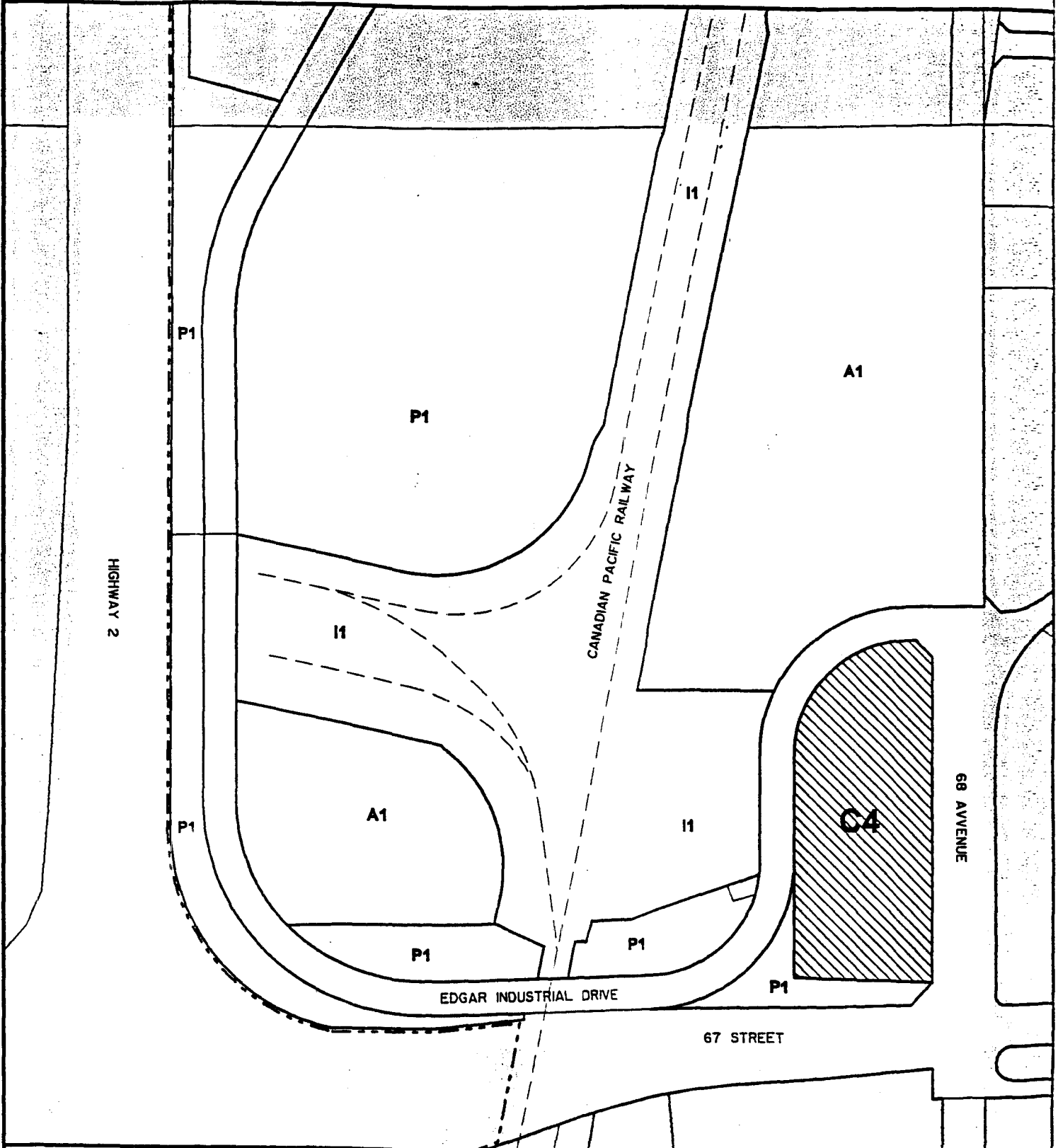
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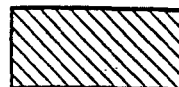
LAND USE DISTRICTS

C12



BYLAW NUMBER - 3156 / Z-97

Map No. 21 / 97

Change from: A1 to C4SEE SECTION SIX FOR
LANDUSE DISTRICT DEFINITIONS

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B12	C12	D12
B11	C11	D11

SCALE 1:5000
18-AUG-97

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Item No. 5

BYLAW NO. 3156/AA-97

Being a Bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 3156/96, the Land Use Bylaw of the City of Red Deer.

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RED DEER, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 55 Exceptions Respecting Land Use is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:

(5) (e) Manufacturing business restricted to the manufacture of truck mounted manure spreaders and related activities and limited to the existing buildings as well as a new 12.2 metre X 36.6 metre Building and a 36.6 metre x 21.4 metre extension to the welding shop

(i) Lot1, Block 7, Plan 952-0967

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BYLAW NO. 3156/BB-97

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NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RED DEER, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 The "Land Use District Map K8" contained in Schedule B of the Land Use Bylaw is hereby amended in accordance with the Use District Map No. 22/97 attached hereto and forming part of the Bylaw.

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MAYOR

CITY CLERK

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EXISTING DEER PARK ESTATES

Change from: A1 to R1



A1 to P1



WHERE AS:

A1 - FUTURE URBAN
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
R1 - RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT
P1 - PARKS & RECREATION
DISTRICT



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Natural Resources Service

Wildlife Management Division

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Submitted To City Council

Date: Sept. 22/97



13107-002-02

September 2, 1997

Mr. John Maddison
Executive Director
Alberta Urban Municipalities Association
8712-105 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T6E 5V9

Dear Mr. Maddison:

Re: Controlled Animals Schedule

Enclosed, for your information, is the new Controlled Animals Schedule which is an excerpt from the Wildlife Regulation that was passed August 12, 1997 and became effective August 31, 1997.

The approach we have taken is to only regulate those non-indigenous animals that are considered a significant ecological threat. These animals require Environmental Protection (EP) permits to authorize possession. All other non-indigenous animals may be possessed in Alberta subject to municipal law. You will note in Part 5 that a transition period until March 31, 1998 has been provided for some animal species which municipalities may wish to regulate the possession of.

As many more species of non-indigenous animals will be available as potential pets, there may be some implications to your Association. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

R. R. Andrews
Director, Wildlife Management Division

RRA/arc

Enclosure

THIS SCHEDULE IS AN EXERPT FROM THE NEW WILDLIFE REGULATION THAT WILL BE EFFECTIVE AUGUST 31, 1997.

SCHEDULE 5

(Section 4(h) of this Regulation)

CONTROLLED ANIMALS

NOTES: 1 Animals listed in this Schedule, as a general rule, are described in the left hand column by reference to common or descriptive names and to scientific names in the right hand column. But, in the event of any conflict as to the kind of animals that are listed, a scientific name in the right hand column prevails over the corresponding common or descriptive name in the left.

2 Also included in this Schedule is any animal that is the hybrid offspring resulting from the crossing, whether before or after the commencement of this Schedule, of 2 animals at least one of which is or was an animal of a kind that is a controlled animal by virtue of this Schedule.

3 This Schedule excludes all wildlife animals, and therefore if a wildlife animal would, but for this Note, be included in this Schedule, it is hereby excluded from being a controlled animal.

4 Animals denoted by this number only become controlled animals with effect from April 1, 1998.

PART 1

MAMMALS (ORDER MAMMALIA)

1. SHREWS (Family Soricidae)

Long-tailed	<i>Genus Sorex</i>
Least	<i>Cryptotis parva</i>
Water	<i>Genus Neomys</i>
White-toothed	<i>Crocidura lasiura, Crocidura russula, Crocidura sibirica</i>
Piebald	<i>Diplomesodon pulchellum</i>

2. MOLES (Family Talpidae)

Russian Desman	<i>Desmana moschata</i>
Pyrenean Desman	<i>Galemys pyrenaicus</i>
Old World	<i>Talpa altaica, Talpa caucasica and Talpa europaea</i>
East Asian	<i>Mogera robusta</i>
Star-nosed	<i>Condylura cristata</i>

3. HORSESHOE BATS (Family Rhinolophidae)

Mediterranean	<i>Rhinolophus bocharicus</i>
Greater	<i>Rhinolophus euryale</i>
Lesser	<i>Rhinolophus ferrumequinum</i>
Mehely's	<i>Rhinolophus hipposideros</i>
	<i>Rhinolophus mehelyi</i>

4. VESPERTILIONID BATS (Family Vespertilionidae)

Little Browns	<i>Genus Myotis</i>
Pipistrelles	<i>Pipistrellus alashanicus</i>
- Yellow-headed	<i>Pipistrellus javanicus</i>
- Common	<i>Pipistrellus nathusii</i>
Noctules	<i>Pipistrellus pipistrellus</i>
- Giant	<i>Nyctalus montanus</i>
- Lesser	<i>Nyctalus lasiopterus</i>
Big Browns	<i>Nyctalus leisleri</i>
- Bobrinsky's	<i>Eptesicus gobiensis</i>
- Northern	<i>Eptesicus bobrinskoi</i>
Frosted (Particolored)	<i>Eptesicus nilssonii</i>
Long-eared	<i>Genus Vespertilio</i>
- Grey	<i>Plecotus auritus</i>
Tube-nosed	<i>Plecotus austriacus</i>
	<i>Murina leucogaster and Murina ussuriensis</i>

5. PIKA-LIKE (Family Ochotonidae)

Pikas	<i>Genus Ochotona</i>
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6. HARES AND RABBITS (Family Leporidae)

Pygmy Rabbit	<i>Brachylagus (Sylvilagus) idahoensis</i>
Cottontails	
- Desert	<i>Sylvilagus auduboni</i>
- Brush	<i>Sylvilagus bachmani</i>
- Eastern	<i>Sylvilagus floridanus</i>
- New England	<i>Sylvilagus transitionalis</i>
Hares	
- Arctic	<i>Lepus arcticus</i>
- European (Brown)	<i>Lepus europaeus</i>
	<i>Lepus mandshuricus</i>
- Woolly	<i>Lepus olostolus</i>
- Alaskan	<i>Lepus othus</i>
- Blue (Mountain)	<i>Lepus timidus</i>

7. SQUIRREL-LIKE (Family Sciuridae)

Chipmunks	<i>Tamias striatus</i>
- Eastern	<i>Eutamias sibiricus</i>
- Siberian	<i>Eutamias umbrinus</i>
- Uinta	<i>Genus Marmota</i>
Marmots	<i>Genus Marmota</i>
Ground Squirrels	<i>Genus Spermophilus</i>
Long-clawed Ground Squirrel	<i>Spermophilopsis leptodactylus</i>
Prairie Dogs	
- White-tailed	<i>Cynomys leucurus</i>
Tree Squirrels	
- Fox	<i>Sciurus niger</i>
- European	<i>Sciurus vulgaris</i>
Flying Squirrels	
- Russian	<i>Pteromys volans</i>
- Complex-toothed	<i>Trogopterus xanthipes</i>

8.

BEAVER (Family Castoridae)

- European

Castor fiber

9.

RAT/MOUSE-LIKE (Family Muridae)

Hamsters

-Black-bellied

Cricetus cricetus

- Ratlike

Genus Cricetulus

Mole Rats

Genus Spalax, Genus Nannospalax and Genus Myospalax,

Jirds

Genus Meriones

Gerbils

- Great

Rhombomys opimus

Red-back mice (Bank Vole)

Genus Clethrionomys

Pere David's (Pratt's) Voles

Genus Eothenomys

High Mountain Voles

Genus Alticola

Martino's Snow Vole

Dinaromys bogdanovi

Water (Bank) Voles

Genus Arvicola

Voles (Meadow Mice)

Genus Microtus

Steppe Lemmings

Genus Lagurus

True Lemmings

Genus Lemmus

Wood Lemming

Myopus schisticolor

Bog Lemming

Synaptomys cooperi

Collared (Varying) Lemmings

Genus Dicrostonyx

Mole Vole (Mole Lemmings)

Genus Ellobius

Wood/Field Mice (Old World)

Genus Apodemus

Harvest Mouse

Micromys minutus

Rats

Genus Rattus

10.

DORMICE (Family Gliridae)

Common Dormouse (Hazel Mouse)

Muscardinus avellanarius

Forest Dormice

Genus Dryomys

Garden Dormouse

Elomys quercinus

Mouselike Dormouse

Myomimus personatus

Desert Dormouse

Selevinia betpakdalaensis

Birch Mouse

Genus Sicista

Woodland Jumping Mouse

Napaeozapus insignis

11.

JERBOAS (Family Dipodidae)

Rough-legged (Northern Three-toed)

Dipus sagitta

Comb-toed

Paradipus ctenodactylus

Desert

Jaculus lichensteini, Jaculus turcomenicus

Thick-tailed Three-toed

Genus Styrodipus

Four and Five-toed

Genus Allactaga

Lesser Five-toed (Little Earth Hare)

Alactagulus pumilio

Flat-tailed

Genus Pygeretmus

Five-toed Dwarf

Cardiocranius paradoxus

Three-toed Dwarf

Genus Salpingotus

12. CAVIES (Family Caviidae)

Patagonian Hare	<i>Dolichotis patagonum</i>
Mara	<i>Dolichotis salinicola</i>

13. DOG-LIKE (Family Canidae)

Foxes	
- Corsac	<i>Vulpes corsac</i>
- Tibetan	<i>Vulpes ferrilata</i>
- Blanford's	<i>Vulpes cana</i>
- Fennec	<i>Fennecus zerda</i>
Raccoon Dog	<i>Nyctereutes procyonoides</i>
Dhole	<i>Canis alpinus</i>

14. BEARS (Family Ursidae)

Asiatic Black	<i>Ursus thibetanus</i> *
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15. WEASEL-LIKE (Family Mustelidae)

Weasels	
- Mountain	<i>Mustela altaica</i>
- Yellow-bellied	<i>Mustela kathiah</i>
- Siberian	<i>Mustela sibirica</i>
Mink	
- European	<i>Mustela lutreola</i>
Polecats	
- Steppe	<i>Mustela putorius</i>
- Marbled	<i>Mustela eversmanni</i>
	<i>Vormela peregusna</i>
Martens	
- Yellow-throated	<i>Martes flavigula</i>
- Beach (Stone)	<i>Martes foina</i>
- European (Pine)	<i>Martes martes</i>
- Sable	<i>Martes zibellina</i>
Badgers	
- Honey (Ratel)	<i>Mellivora capensis</i>
- Old World	<i>Meles meles</i>
Oter	
- Eurasian River	<i>Lutra lutra</i>

16. CAT-LIKE (Family Felidae)

Leopard Cat	<i>Felis bengalensis</i> *
Pallas's Cat	<i>Felis manul</i> *
Spanish Lynx	<i>Felis pardina</i> *
Wild Cat	<i>Felis silvestris</i> *

17. DEER (Family Cervidae)

Musk Deer	<i>Genus Moschus</i>
Chinese Water Deer	<i>Hydropotes inermis</i>
Muntjacs (Barking Deer)	<i>Genus Muntiacus</i>
Tufted Deer	<i>Elaphodus cephalophus</i>

Fallow Deer	<i>Dama dama</i>
Axis Deer	Genus <i>Axis</i>
Red Deer	Genus <i>Cervus</i> *
Perc David's Deer	<i>Elaphurus davidianus</i>
Marsh Deer	<i>Blastocerus dichotomus</i>
Pampas Deer	<i>Ozotoceros bezoarticus</i>
Guemals (Huemuls)	Genus <i>Hippocamelus</i>
Brocket Deer	Genus <i>Mazama</i>
Pudus	Genus <i>Pudu</i>
Caribou (Reindeer)	<i>Rangifer tarandus</i>
Roe Deer	Genus <i>Capreolus</i>

* excluding present and prospective game production animals.

18. ANTELOPE/CATTLE/GOAT/
SHEEP-LIKE (Family Bovidae)

European Bison (Wisent)	<i>Bison bonasus</i>
Central Asian Gazelles	Genus <i>Procapra</i>
Tibetan (Chiru) Antelope	<i>Partholops hodgsoni</i>
Saiga	<i>Saiga tatarica</i>
Scrows	Genus <i>Capricornis</i>
Gorals	Genus <i>Nemorhaedus</i>
Chamois	Genus <i>Rupicapra</i>
Takin	<i>Budorcas taxicolor</i>
Tahrs	Genus <i>Hemitragus</i>
Goats	Genus <i>Capra</i> (except <i>hircus</i>)
Bharals (Blue Sheep)	Genus <i>Pseudois</i>
Aoudad (Barbary) Sheep	<i>Ammotragus lervia</i>
Sheep	Genus <i>Ovis</i> (except <i>aries</i>)

PART 2

BIRDS (ORDER AVES)

1. DUCKS, GEESE AND SWANS (Family Anatidae)

Limited to birds that are not readily distinguishable by size, shape or colour from those protected by the *Migratory Birds Convention Act* (Canada)

2. HAWKS AND EAGLES (Family Accipitridae)

Honey Buzzard	<i>Pernis apivorus</i>
Black Kite	<i>Mitvus migrans</i>
Red Kite	<i>Mitvus mitvus</i>
Harris' Hawk	<i>Parabuteo unicinctus</i>
Pallas' Sea Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucoryphus</i>
White-tailed Sea Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>
Steller's (Black) Sea Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus pelagicus</i>
Short-toed (Serpent) Eagle	<i>Circus gallicus</i>
Western (Eurasian) Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>
Eastern Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus spilonotus</i>
Pallid Harrier	<i>Circus macrourus</i>
Montagu's Harrier	<i>Circus pygargus</i>
Pied Harrier	<i>Circus melanoleucos</i>

Northern (Eurasian) Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>
Levant Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter brevipes</i>
Eurasian Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>
Long-legged Buzzard	<i>Buteo rufinus</i>
Upland Buzzard	<i>Buteo hemilasius</i>
Tawny (Steppe) Eagle	<i>Aquila rapax</i>
Greater Spotted Eagle	<i>Aquila clanga</i>
Lesser Spotted Eagle	<i>Aquila pomarina</i>
Imperial Eagle	<i>Aquila heliaca</i>

3. **FALCONS AND CARACARAS (Family Falconidae)**

Lesser Kestrel	<i>Falco naumanni</i>
Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>
Red-footed Falcon	<i>Falco vespertinus</i>
European Hobby	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>
Laggar Falcon	<i>Falco jugger</i>
Saker Falcon	<i>Falco cherrug</i>

4. **PHEASANTS AND GROUSE (Family Phasianidae)**

Hazel Grouse	<i>Bonasa bonasia</i>
Severtzov's Hazel Grouse	<i>Bonasa sewertzowi</i>
Sharp-winged (Siberian Spruce) Grouse	<i>Dendragapus falcipennis</i>
Caucasian Black Grouse	<i>Tetrao mikostewiczi</i>
Black Grouse	<i>Tetrao tetrix</i>
Black-billed Capercaillie	<i>Tetrao parvirostris</i>
Western Capercaillie	<i>Tetrao urogallus</i>
Lesser Prairie Chicken	<i>Tympanuchus pallidicinctus</i>
Snowcock	<i>Genus Tetraogallus</i>

5. **OWLS (Family Strigidae)**

Eurasian Scops Owl	<i>Otus scops</i>
Eurasian Eagle Owl	<i>Bubo bubo</i>
Blakiston's Fish Owl	<i>Bubo blakistoni</i>
Eurasian Pygmy Owl	<i>Glaucidium passerinum</i>
Hume's (Tawny) Owl	<i>Strix butleri</i>
Eurasian Tawny Owl	<i>Strix aluco</i>
Ural Owl	<i>Strix uralensis</i>

6.

Any other species of bird that is protected by the *Migratory Birds Convention Act* (Canada).

PART 3

REPTILES (ORDER REPTILIA)

1. **SNAPPING TURTLES (Family Chelydridae)**

Snapping Turtle	<i>Chelydra serpentina</i>
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2. FRESHWATER TURTLES (Family Emydidae)

Blanding's Turtle	<i>Emydoidea blandingii</i>
European Pond Turtle	<i>Emys orbicularis</i>
Map Turtle	Genus <i>Graptemys</i>

3. MUD TURTLES (Family Kinosternidae)

Mud Turtles	Genus <i>Kinosternon</i>
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4. SOFT-SHELLED TURTLES (Family Trionychidae)

Soft-shelled Turtles	<i>Trionyx sinenses,</i> <i>Trionyx spiniferus</i>
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5. LIZARDS (Family Lacertidae)

Viviparous Lizard	<i>Lacerta vivipara</i>
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6. TYPICAL (Colubrid) SNAKES (Family Colubridae)

Rear-fanged Snakes (Subfamily Boiginae)

Common Cat Snake	<i>Boiga trigonata</i> *
Night Snake	<i>Hypsiglena torquata</i> *

Fangless Snakes (Subfamily Colubrinae)

American Racer	<i>Coluber constrictor</i>
Sharptail Snake	<i>Contia tenuis</i>
Perc David's Rat Snake	<i>Elaphe davidi</i>
Steppe Rat Snake	<i>Elaphe dione</i>
Himalayan Trinket Snake	<i>Elaphe hodgsoni</i>
Black Rat Snake	<i>Elaphe obsoleta obsoleta</i>
Red-backed Snake	<i>Elaphe rufodorsata</i>
Russian Rat Snake	<i>Elaphe schrencki</i>
Fox Snake	<i>Elaphe vulpina</i>
Hognose	<i>Elaphe platyrhinos, Elaphe simus</i>
Eastern Milksnake	<i>Lampropeltis triangulum triangulum</i>
Pale Milksnake	<i>Lampropeltis multistrata</i>
Smooth Green Snake	<i>Ophodrys vernalis</i>

Watersnakes (Subfamily Natricinae)

Ringnecked Snake	Genus <i>Diadophis</i>
Dice Snake	<i>Natrix tessellata</i>
Butler's Gartersnake	<i>Thamnophis butleri</i>
Eastern Ribbon Snake	<i>Thamnophis sauritus</i>

7. PTT VIPERS (Family Crotalidae)

Himalayan Pit Viper	<i>Agkistrodon himalayanus</i> *
Halys's Viper	<i>Agkistrodon (Gloydius) halys</i> *

Mamushi
 Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnake
 Timber Rattlesnake
 Massasauga Rattlesnake

Akistrodon (Gloydus) saxatilis *
Crotalus adamanteus
Crotalus horridus
Sistrurus catenatus *

PART 4

AMPHIBIANS (ORDER AMPHIBIA)

1. MOLE SALAMANDERS (Family Ambystomatidae)

Northwest Salamander	<i>Ambystoma gracile</i>
Blue-spotted Salamander	<i>Ambystoma laterale</i>
Spotted Salamander	<i>Ambystoma maculatum</i>
Marbled Salamander	<i>Ambystoma opacum</i>
Small-mouthed Salamander	<i>Ambystoma texanum</i>
Cope's Giant Salamander	<i>Dicamptodon copei</i>
Pacific Giant Salamander	<i>Dicamptodon ensatus</i>

2. LUNGLESS SALAMANDERS (Family Plethodontidae)

Red-backed Salamander	<i>Plethodon cinereus</i>
Slimy Salamander	<i>Plethodon glutinosus</i>
Western Red-backed Salamander	<i>Plethodon vehiculum</i>
Red Salamander	Genus <i>Pseudotriton</i>

3. WATERDOGS (Family Proteidae)

Northern Mudpuppy	<i>Necturus maculosus</i>
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4. NEWTS (Family Salamandridae)

Red-spotted Newt	<i>Notophthalmus viridescens</i>
European Fire Newt	<i>Salamandra salamandra</i>
Roughskinned Newt	<i>Taricha granulosa</i>
Alpine Newt	<i>Triturus alpestris</i>
Northern Crested Newt	<i>Triturus cristatus</i>
Palmate Newt	<i>Triturus helveticus</i>
Common Smooth Newt	<i>Triturus vulgaris</i>

5. TRUE TOADS (Family Bufonidae)

American Toad	<i>Bufo alvarius</i>
Woodhouse's Toad	<i>Bufo woodhousei</i>

6. TREE FROGS (Family Hylidae)

Northern Cricket Frog	<i>Acris crepitans</i>
Cope's Grey Tree Frog	<i>Hyla chrysoscelis</i>
Spring Peeper	<i>Hyla crucifer</i>
Pacific Tree Frog	<i>Hyla regilla</i>

7. **TRUE FROGS (Family Ranidae)**

Red-legged Frog	<i>Rana aurora</i>
American Bullfrog	<i>Rana catesbeiana</i>
Green Frog	<i>Rana clamitans</i>
Agile Frog	<i>Rana dalmatina</i>
Pickeral Frog	<i>Rana palustris</i>
Mink Frog	<i>Rana septentrionalis</i>
Eurasian Common Frog	<i>Rana temporaria</i>

PART 5

**OTHER ANIMALS THAT ARE CONTROLLED ANIMALS
UNTIL MARCH 31, 1998**

1. **Bears**

All members of the family Ursidae

2. **Cat-like animals**

All members of the family Felidae except the domestic cat (*Felis catus*)

3. **Lizards**

All gila monsters and beaded lizards (family Helodermatidae)

All monitor lizards (family Varanidae)

4. **Crocodylians**

All members of the order Crocodylia

5. **Snakes**

All rear-fanged snakes (family Colubridae, sub-family Boiginae), all cobras, mambas and kraits (family Elapidae), sea snakes (family Hydrophiidae), pit vipers (family Crotalidae), vipers and adders (family Viperidae), and mole vipers (family Atractaspididae)

6. **Toads**

The marine (cane) toad (*Bufo marinus*)

7. **Frogs**

All poison arrow frogs (family Dendrobatidae)

Sept. 6, 1997

IMPORTANT NOTICE
NEW REGULATIONS

Attn: Manager

My name is Doug Bos, owner/operator of Doug's Exotic Zoo Farm. I'm writing to inform you of the new changes in the Alberta Wildlife Regulations that are effective as of Sept. 1, 1997 (see enclosed copy). This document may not mean much to most people if you are not familiar with the old regulations. A brief translation of this is that the Fish and Wildlife department has de-regulated many types of animals, birds and reptiles and these animals are now legal for anyone to own. Their only concern is for the well-being of the native wildlife of Alberta. They are not concerned about public safety. Now, anyone can own monkeys, elephants, giraffes, etc. For the time being, large cats and venomous snakes are still regulated, but as of March 31, 1998 they will also become de-regulated. Fish and Wildlife believes that this will give all the towns, cities, MD's, counties, etc. time to implement by-laws to regulate these animals in their jurisdictions. I believe this time frame is not adequate to implement new laws unless there is proper guidance and background information.

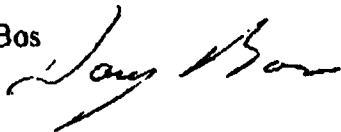
I would like to offer my services as a consultant to assist in setting up regulations pertaining to the owning of exotic animals in your area. I can provide you with information on the risk to the public of different species, minimum housing regulations, recapture procedures in the event of an escape, financial responsibilities, etc. I can also provide assistance in actually recapturing and housing exotic animals that have escaped or been neglected or abandoned. I feel that not everyone should own large cats, poisonous snakes or other potentially dangerous animals and that the people that are qualified to own them should have minimum guidelines to insure the public's safety. This is where I can use my experience in running my zoo to help set these guidelines. We have owned exotic animals and operated a zoo for ten years and in all that time, have never had an accident or injury with any of our visitors. We own and house over 60 species of animals, birds and reptiles, giving us a wide variety of experience with different animals. Also, I was one of the members of a committee that Fish and Wildlife had put together 4 years ago to look at and make recommendations on the regulation of captive bred wildlife in Alberta, so I am aware of the discussions which took place and the information that was provided at that time.

This is an issue that needs to be addressed quickly. When this information hits the general public, an overwhelming number of people will be buying these animals. At our zoo, we have people on a daily basis asking where they can buy monkeys, tigers, lions and other species and I am sure that when the de-regulation of these animals becomes public knowledge, these people will be purchasing these animals. Controls and regulations should be in place before precedents are set, making it difficult to change or enact by-laws.

If you would like to know more about this situation or have myself attend a council meeting and address your council, please feel free to call me at (403) 784-3400 or fax (403) 784-3401.

Thank you for your time.

Doug Bos



**Proclamation of the Wildlife Amendment Act 1996
and passage of the new Wildlife Regulation**
- an explanation of animal category changes effective August 31, 1997

**1. Prior to the effective date
of August 31, 1997**

- Wildlife Act applies permit requirements* and other controls over wildlife species (mostly indigenous) listed in regulations but does not apply controls to listed excluded animals; excluded species include domestic livestock and allowable pet species (excluded animals are exempt from permits);

- Wildlife Act also applies permit requirements and some other controls to exotic animals, a category that includes all other vertebrates (except humans) that are not wildlife or excluded; exotic animals are not listed by species in regulation but are described in a definition (as all other vertebrates).

* There are some exceptions for permit requirements for wildlife. For example, many (but not all) non-licence animals do not require permits to keep live.

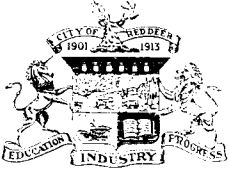
**2. After the effective date of
August 31, 1997**

- Wildlife Act treats listed wildlife the same as before with some additional authorities to address endangered species;

- Wildlife Act no longer addresses excluded animals or exotic animals, instead a new category, controlled animals, are listed by scientific name or by other scientific grouping in regulation; the Act applies permit requirements and some other controls over the keeping of the listed species of controlled animals (in a manner very similar to the previous exotic animal category);

- The Act does not apply permit controls to other species; permits apply only to listed wildlife species and listed controlled animals;

- Some controlled animals are listed only until March 31, 1998, after which they are automatically de-listed.



September 23, 1997

The Honourable Ty Lund
Minister Responsible for Forests, Parks & Wildlife
323 Legislature Building
Edmonton, AB T5K 2B6

Dear Minister Lund:

A private citizen recently informed me that the Province passed a new Wildlife Regulation effective August 31, 1997, which deregulates or removes from the "Controlled Animals Schedule" many animals, birds and reptiles, which—prior to August 31, 1997—were controlled. In addition, I understand further deregulation will take place on March 31, 1998.

This new regulation has come as a surprise, as the Province normally solicits comments from municipalities on new legislation that will directly affect us. In this case, Red Deer was not asked for feedback nor have we ever been informed by the Province that this regulation had come into force. This process deeply concerns me and my Council.

The control of non-indigenous animals is a complex issue and is not one that lends itself to be administered in any other way than through one agency, preferably at the Provincial level. I believe public safety should be paramount in any new law passed, and this legislation does not appear to reflect that. It seems unreasonable to think that the necessary technical expertise to manage this regulation would be available in every jurisdiction across the Province—and at what cost? Certainly, inconsistency in application from one municipality to the next will lead to concerns about public safety and health risk.

I am confident that neither the Province nor municipalities want to face issues such as those referred to in the attached articles that were reported in Red Deer's local paper. To this end, my Council passed the attached resolution asking the Province to reconsider this new legislation.

Honourable Ty Lund
September 23, 1997
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I am aware that the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association is also pursuing this issue with your office and I eagerly await your response.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gail Surkan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Gail" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Surkan".

GAIL SURKAN
Mayor

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- Victor Doerksen, MLA, Red Deer South
- The Honourable Stockwell Day, MLA, Red Deer North
- Cities of Calgary, Edmonton, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, St. Albert,
- Grande Prairie, Drumheller, Wetaskiwin, Leduc, Airdrie, Wood Buffalo
- Doug Bos, Doug's Exotic Zoo
- Lowell Hodgson, Director of Community Services
- Bryon Jeffers, Director of Development Services
- Alan Wilcock, Director of Corporate Services
- Pat Shaw, Executive Assistant to the Mayor and City Manager

► Rules relaxed

Anything goes, from elephants to monkeys

By BRENDA KOSSOWAN
Advocate staff

Provincial rules which tightly controlled ownership of certain exotic animals have been wiped off the board.

As of Sept. 1, anyone can own and breed elephants, monkeys and other previously-controlled species. And starting April 1 next year, the province will no longer prevent people from owning and breeding even more types of animals, from gila monsters and crocodiles to Siberian tigers.

The change to Alberta's Wildlife Act has raised hackles at the County of Red Deer. Senior Patrol Officer Dave Hillman said responsibility for control of exotic species will fall squarely on municipalities.

Every village, county and city in the province will have to create new by-laws to control exotic pets and hire staff or contractors to enforce those by-laws, said Hillman.

"I believe the county should, in the loudest voice possible, demand the province not abdicate their responsibility in this regard," Hillman wrote in a letter to council.

Zoo owner Doug Bos said the dangers of the revised law are far more insidious than what Hillman has stated.

By April 1, people will be able to own and breed animals which are unsuitable and dangerous as house pets.

"It's a done deal. It's happened. You can take an elephant for a walk down Gaetz Avenue. You don't even have to have a permit for it," said Bos.

The law means the family beside you could bring home a Siberian tiger or a Burmese python and not even be required to keep it fenced in, he said. It also means more unwanted pets will be bred and it opens the door to hunt farming, a commercial activity in which people pay a fee to shoot wild animals in a controlled environment, he said.

While the law prevents hunt farming of native wildlife and big game, it does not prevent anyone from setting up a shooting gallery where people can kill other non-native animals, like lions and tigers, said Stan Markham, senior wildlife officer for the Red Deer district.

Bos said Alberta's Wildlife Act, once the most stringent on the continent, was revised to appease animal owners who felt they had the right to own non-traditional pets.

He was among 23 people, including zoo operators, the SPCA, pet shop owners and others, who sat on a committee asked to make recommendations for change.

The committee wanted the revised act, enforced by the Fish and Wildlife division, to accomplish three things: protect native species from harm, protect members of the public from harm and protect the non-native species from falling into the hands of irresponsible owners, said Bos.

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Wildlife: Pose a risk

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The revised regulations serve only to protect native species from harm, he said.

The change includes a list of animals which remain controlled because they pose a risk, either by disease or genetics, to native wildlife, said Markham. All other non-native animals are not controlled.

The Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species, covers only the importation of those animals, said Markham. It does not protect endangered species already living in Canada.

Municipalities will have to move quickly to write new bylaws, said Bos.

Advocate Sept 20/97

Presence of tiger triggers cat fight

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A woman was pulling weeds along her backyard fence when she came face-to-face with a Siberian tiger.

"I was stunned," said 74-year-old Bonnie Wampler. "I haven't been in my backyard since."

And that's how a cat fight began in Greg Anderson's once-quiet city neighborhood.

Prompted by complaints from neighbors, the state said it will revoke Anderson's permit allowing him to keep 55-kilogram Kulia the tiger in his backyard as long as she remains in her cage.

Anderson, 28, admitted he has let his exotic pet romp in his yard several times since he got her eight months ago, but he said it won't happen again.

"Maybe the city isn't the best place" for nine-month-old Kulia, he said.

The city is also trying to send Kulia packing, though Anderson said he will fight, saying he hasn't been given a chance to defend himself.

Anderson's neighbors became aware of Kulia after the elderly woman was startled. The two-metre fence

that divides their property is hardly a hurdle for Kulia, who will weigh 180 to 200 kilograms when fully grown.

Anne and David Hatch, whose backyard is just a tiger's leap away from Anderson's, won't let their children, ages five and three, play outside.

"You're basically asking me to trust this man with the lives of my children," Anne Hatch said.

Like Wampler, the Hatches also saw the tiger running loose and notified authorities.

Anderson lives just down the road from Jackson Middle School, with 800 students, including some who walk past his house.

"The major thing that I'm concerned about is the safety and well-being of the students," Principal Allan Luethe said. "If that tiger were running loose in his backyard, he could go over that fence in a heartbeat."

The city council said it will seek to ban wild pets in the city. The state told Anderson that it will revoke his permit.

**RESOLUTION PASSED BY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RED DEER
AT THE COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 22, 1997**

"WHEREAS, the Province of Alberta has passed a New Wildlife Regulation concerning non-indigenous animals of which parts came into effect on August 31, 1997 and which other parts will come into effect on March 31, 1998; and

WHEREAS, municipalities were not advised that a new wildlife regulation was being considered nor was there any discussion regarding the change and its impact on Alberta municipalities, with either municipal associations or directly with municipalities; and

WHEREAS, no resources have been identified by the Province to assist municipalities in providing services in accordance with this new legislation; and

WHEREAS, the Province has, in the past, provided for a consultation process to review potential changes in legislation that affect a particular segment of the Province; and

WHEREAS, the control of non-indigenous animals is best regulated through one body to ensure consistency throughout the Province and availability of expert resources;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby requests the Province of Alberta to:

1. Repeal the new Wildlife Regulation concerning non-indigenous animals as Red Deer believes that this is one of those responsibilities that should be administered at the Provincial level;
2. If number 1 above is not accepted, then implementation of the new Wildlife Regulation be put in abeyance until such time as a proper consultation process has taken place with those parties affected and additional resources to administer and enforce the regulation are identified."



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DATE: September 25, 1997

TO: Director of Corporate Services

FROM: City Clerk

RE: **ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE TO 1997 BUDGET - SEPTEMBER 16, 1997
SNOW STORM**

Reference Report:

Verbal report from the City Manager

Resolution Passed:

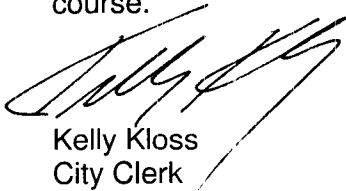
"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby approves an additional expenditure to the 1997 Budget of up to \$200,000.00 to cover the costs incurred as a result of the September 16, 1997 snow storm in the City of Red Deer."

Report Back To Council:

Yes

Comments/Further Action:

A detailed breakdown of the costs of activities is to be provided for Council's information, in due course.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

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- c Director of Community Services
- Director of Development Services
- Public Works Manager
- Recreation, Parks & Culture Manager

FILE


DATE: September 24, 1997

TO: Mayor
Councillors

FROM: City Clerk

RE: **COMMUNITY LOTTERY BOARDS**

At the Council meeting of September 22, 1997, Councillor Dawson requested that the attached material be circulated to all members of Council.



Kelly Kloss
City Clerk

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attchs.

c Director of Community Services
Recreation, Parks & Culture Manager

Community Lottery Boards

Matching community needs with lottery funding

Prepared by:

Judy Gordon, MLA, Lacombe-Stettler

Chairman, Alberta Gaming and Liquor Policy Secretariat

July 1997

Overview

In August 1995, the Lotteries Review Committee released its report and recommendations for new directions for lottery funding. The report was based on an extensive province-wide review process. Throughout that process, members of the Committee consistently heard two messages from Albertans:

- communities should receive a share of lottery revenues and
- communities are in a much better position to assess their own needs, set their own priorities and make their own decisions about how lottery funds could be used to meet local needs.

Consistent with those messages, the Lotteries Review Committee recommended that community lottery boards be formed as the vehicle for communities to receive a share of lottery revenues and make decisions about how those funds should be used in their communities. The recommendation was accepted in principle by the provincial government (December 7, 1995).

Because it was important to assess community support for this new concept, government decided to consult with a wide variety of groups and organizations across the province. A province-wide questionnaire, *What do you think?*, was distributed to 5,726 groups and organizations. Over 76% of respondents supported the concept of community lottery boards. Most supported the creation of a new board to administer community lottery boards. And the vast majority of respondents favoured using existing boundaries for community lottery boards.

Consistent with that advice, this report outlines a preferred model for community lottery boards, boundaries that would be used, the roles and responsibilities for community lottery boards, how community lottery boards would be formed and administered to meet community needs and ensure appropriate accountability.

Highlights are as follows:

- Community-based, community-driven lottery boards should be set up to administer and distribute lottery funds. This approach provides the kind of flexibility and local responsibility that community members want to see.
- A number of options for setting boundaries were reviewed. Most organizations preferred using existing boundaries rather than setting new ones. From the options available, municipal boundaries have the best fit with the needs of communities. Therefore, existing municipal boundaries should be used. However, because it is not practical to have 367 community lottery boards, the recommendation is for 90

community lottery boards to be formed - 14 urban boards, 72 rural boards, 3 First Nations Treaty Council boards and 1 Metis Settlements board. With the approval of the province, community lottery boards could choose to merge with another board if there are clear benefits to their communities.

- Community lottery boards would be responsible for operating within policies, guidelines and funding criteria set by the provincial government, setting funding priorities at the community level, ensuring accountability, calling for applications for funding, reviewing applications and making funding decisions.
- Community lottery funds would be administered and audited by a municipality under the direction of the community lottery board. Municipalities could charge fees to cover the administration costs but only within guidelines set by the province.
- A process is set out for selecting the first community lottery board members. Municipal governments would be responsible for setting up a Nominating Committee consistent with guidelines set by the province.
- The size of community lottery boards should range from 5 to 11, depending on the geographic size of the area served and the amount of lottery funding received from the province. Up to two municipally elected officials could be allowed on the community lottery board.
- Community lottery funds should be used in ways that are consistent with the overall purpose of lottery funding - to enrich the quality of life of Albertans. Because lottery funding is unpredictable, funds should be used to enhance existing programs and activities rather than provide support for new or ongoing, essential community programs.
- Registered charities or non-profit organizations, including community leagues, would be eligible to apply for community lottery funding.
- Community lottery boards could choose to establish themselves as community foundations, incorporated as charitable foundations. This option would allow communities to collect donations and pool money to form a permanent capital fund for more lasting benefits to the communities. The option would also be there for communities to use existing community foundations as the vehicle for distributing lottery funds.
- Consistent with the February announcement in Budget '97, \$50 million will be available for distribution to community lottery boards on April 1, 1998. That amounts to \$18.61 per capita. Decisions on how much lottery funding to provide to communities would be made on an annual basis as part of the budget process.

- The effectiveness of community lottery boards should be reviewed in two years following their establishment.
- The establishment of community lottery funds would not have an impact on the foundations currently supported through lottery funding. The existing foundations including the Alberta Foundation for the Arts, the Alberta Historical Resources Foundation, the Wild Rose Foundation, the Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation and the Government House Foundation would remain unchanged.

Organizing community lottery boards and getting them up and running in communities could take up to six months. For these boards to be in place by April 1, 1998 as planned, the process should begin no later than early this fall. Extensive consultations have been underway since 1995. Now it is important for government to take action and to get the new approach in place so that we can follow through on our commitment to allocate lottery funds to communities beginning in April 1998.

Listening to Albertans

For the concept of community lottery boards to be effective, there must be strong support from a broad cross section of community groups, agencies and organizations. To assess the views of these groups, a questionnaire was sent to 5,726 groups including municipal governments, not-for-profit groups, community organizations in the arts, culture, sports and recreation, social service, environment, health, education and agriculture organizations.

Results from the survey show strong support for community lottery boards. Highlights of the survey results are as follows:

- 76.1% of respondents support community lottery boards as mechanisms for receiving and distributing community lottery funds.
- The majority of those who support community lottery boards believe that **new boards** should be set up rather than use existing boards. Those who prefer to use existing boards suggested that parks, recreation and culture boards, municipal councils or community foundations could be used.
- Of the almost 24% who do not support community lottery boards, over a third believe that existing provincial boards are appropriate and another 20% think that the existing lottery funding system should be maintained.

- Most respondents think that seven members is the optimal size for community lottery boards. The majority agreed that municipal elected officials should be kept to a maximum of two.
- The vast majority of supporters of community lottery boards favour using existing boundaries to establish areas for community lottery boards to serve. Municipal boundaries were the most common choice.
- There was strong support for community lottery boards to be responsible for making decisions, setting priorities, ensuring accountability and monitoring the use of funds, calling for applications, and operating within policy guidelines and funding criteria set by the province.

These findings provide support for moving forward with community lottery boards as well as guidance on how the boards should be formed and operate.

Addressing key issues

The Gaming and Liquor Policy Secretariat addressed five key issues:

1. What is the best model for community lottery boards?
2. What should lottery funds be used for in communities?
3. Who should be eligible to receive lottery funding in communities?
4. How should these funds be administered and accounted for?
5. How much money should be made available for distribution to communities?

The following sections outline specific recommendations in each of those five areas.

1. What is the best model for community lottery boards?

The Policy Secretariat reviewed three alternative models for community lottery boards:

- **Allocating community lottery funds to municipalities and having municipal councils act as community lottery boards**

Under this option, lottery revenues would be allocated directly to municipalities based on a per capita funding formula. Municipal councils would be responsible for identifying local community needs, distributing funds to local groups and organizations, and would be accountable for how funds are used.

Advantages:

- simple to administer
- makes use of existing bodies and boundaries
- effective for urban centres where populations are sufficiently large and concentrated

Disadvantages:

- would require 367 community lottery boards, too many for practical reasons and not cost effective
- for small rural communities, the amount of funding available would be too small to meet community needs and the approach would not be cost-effective
- it does not account for the unique situations of Aboriginal communities
- funding decisions and priorities could be dominated by municipal officials without the much needed involvement and representation of community groups and residents

- **Establishing an umbrella provincial lottery grants board**

Under this model, a provincial lottery grants board or advisory board could be established to provide advice to the government and to set policies and guidelines for the allocation and distribution of lottery revenues to communities. The provincial lottery grants board would have sole responsibility for making recommendations on funding priorities and on projects to be supported. All fund distribution, administration and accountability functions would remain with government.

Advantages:

- a centralized approach provides ease and efficiency of administration, policy development and implementation, and accountability
- administration and accountability remains with government

Disadvantages:

- does not provide communities with direct control and decision-making power over the distribution of lottery funds in their communities - it's a top down rather than bottom up approach
- not consistent with the key message from communities that they are in the best position to assess their own needs, set their own priorities and make their own decisions
- maintains a layer of bureaucracy over distribution of lottery funds to communities

- **Developing a community-based model**

This model provides an arms length, independent community lottery board at either a local or a regional level. The board would be responsible for the administration and distribution of lottery revenues allocated to benefit a geographically defined community. The community can be a city, a rural region, a First Nations Treaty Council or a Metis Settlements Association. Municipal boundaries would be used to determine the communities served by each of the community lottery boards. With the approval of the provincial government, community lottery boards could choose to merge with a neighbouring board to accomplish administrative efficiencies, cost-savings, and to serve the common good in their region.

A community lottery board would be community-based, community-driven and broadly representative of the communities served. The majority of representation would come from a wide cross section of community groups and sectors within the geographic area served. Elected municipal officials would remain a minority on the board.

Financial accountability and accounting services would be provided through a municipality chosen by the community lottery board. Specific provincial guidelines would be provided.

Under this approach, communities could choose to use existing community foundations as the vehicle for distributing lottery funds in their communities. Community lottery boards, once they are established, could also have the option of establishing themselves as a community foundation, incorporated as a charitable foundation. This would allow them to collect donations from individuals, families, corporations and private foundations and pool this money to form a permanent capital fund for more lasting benefits to their communities. The investment income from the capital fund would be accounted for separately and could be distributed as grants to assist any charitable purpose in the community. This approach has been highly successful in a number of Alberta communities.

Advantages:

- gives communities the financial resources, autonomy, power and flexibility to set their own funding priorities and address their own needs
- most consistent with the views heard from community members
- provides the best balance in terms of addressing the diversity of communities to be served

- fosters a cooperative approach among neighbouring municipalities and provides a greater opportunity to leverage lottery dollars with other sources
- provides greater potential for community involvement, community spirit and ownership

Disadvantages:

- requires a system of new boards to be established in communities
- raises issues about what boundaries should be used and how many community lottery boards are needed

Recommendations:

- Establish community lottery boards responsible for setting priorities, making decisions and allocating lottery funds in the communities they serve.
- Following a review of alternative approaches to setting boundaries, existing municipal boundaries provide the best fit and should be used to establish community lottery boards and allocate funding.
- 90 community lottery boards would be established:
 - 14 urban community lottery boards,
 - 72 rural community lottery boards,
 - 3 First Nations Treaty Council boards, and
 - one Metis Settlements board.

Community lottery boards would be able to merge with others if it is in the best interests of their communities. A breakdown of the proposed community lottery boards and the recommended allocation for each board is attached.

- Provide the option for community lottery boards to establish themselves as community foundations.
- The size of community lottery boards would range from 5 to 11 members depending on the size of the geographic area and how much lottery funding they receive from the province.
- Specific guidelines for the operation, establishment and administration of community lottery boards are set out below.

2. What should lottery funds be used for in communities?

The broad purpose for lottery funds - to enrich the quality of life of Albertans - was supported by Albertans during the Lotteries Review. Community lottery boards' funding should generally be used for community projects and activities that are consistent with that broad purpose.

Within that overall framework ...

- Community lottery boards would have the flexibility they need to address their unique local needs and priorities.
- Community lottery funding should be used for enhancements not for funding essential, ongoing core programs. Because lottery revenues are unpredictable from year to year, they should not be used to fund essential programs but used instead to enhance community initiatives in health, education, social or community services and the environment.
- Funding should be used to support innovation where there is a demonstrated need, the likelihood of effectiveness, and strong potential to serve as a model to others.
- All projects should build on the strengths of the community to respond to identified issues and priorities.
- Community lottery funds should not be used for municipal purposes or to supplement municipal revenues.
- Community lottery funds should not be used to initiate capital projects. Capital projects are handled through the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP III) a \$75 million program which commenced in April 1996 and was developed to assist communities with the construction, renovation or re-development of community public-use facilities.
- Funding can not be used to support the business side of professional sports teams. However, community lottery boards may consider funding a portion of the sport facility based on how much it is used by community groups.
- Use of lottery revenues for retroactive funding, debt retirement or deficit reduction would be strictly prohibited.
- Community lottery boards could consider matched funding available through other sources in order to maximize the benefits in their communities.

3. Who should be eligible to receive lottery funding in communities?

- Registered charities or non-profit organizations, including community leagues that provide services and benefits to the community as a whole, would be eligible for receiving lottery funding in communities.
- Programs whose beneficiaries are primarily outside Alberta should not be eligible for community lottery funding.

- Funding could be provided to support talented Albertans such as artists or athletes through sponsorships from their respective communities or non-profit groups.
- Government departments, hospitals, religious and educational institutions should not be eligible for funding unless their projects are considered to be enhancements benefiting the community as a whole.

4. How should these funds be administered and accounted for?

Since lottery revenues are public funds, it is important that clear requirements for accountability and auditing be in place. There also is a public expectation that the process for setting priorities and allocating funds must be open and accountable and that clear results should be achieved. It also is important for administrative costs to be kept to a minimum.

The most effective approach would be for a municipality to administer lottery funds on behalf of a community lottery board. Where community lottery boards serve more than one municipality, the board could choose one municipality to administer community lottery funds on their behalf and ensure that appropriate accounting and auditing procedures are in place. To cover their costs, a municipality could charge fees to cover their costs consistent with guidelines set by the provincial government.

Community lottery boards would continue to be accountable to both the province and their communities for all decisions made about the use and allocation of community lottery funds. The board would be responsible for monitoring the use of funds for all funding recipients and providing a comprehensive list of funded projects on a regular or annual basis. This list would be publicly available to community members.

5. How much money should be made available for distribution to communities?

In February 1997, government announced that total lottery funding for communities would be set on an annual basis through the budget process. Funding would be distributed on a per capita basis. The amount to be available for 1998-99 is \$50 million. No changes to this basic approach or the overall amount are suggested at this time.

Based on a total amount \$50 million and a population count of 2.7 million, the per capita allocation for 1998-99 would be \$18.61 per person.

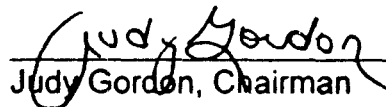
Concluding comments

Following extensive consultations dating back to 1995, the approach outlined in the report is the best fit with government's commitment to share lottery revenues with communities and communities' expectations that they should be able to make decisions themselves about how best to use those funds to meet their communities' needs.

The recommendations and proposed guidelines in this report reflect the advice received from Albertans and provide a workable model for implementing community lottery boards. At the same time, the approach is a new one, and therefore, the effectiveness of community lottery boards should be reviewed two years after the first boards are put in place.

To assist the new community lottery boards during the start up process, the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Policy Secretariat will develop a resource manual covering such things as bylaws, operating policies, setting guidelines, etc. Consultation and advice will be provided to new community lottery boards to help them get up and running.

Based on these recommendations, the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Policy Secretariat is confident that community lottery boards will provide a strong link to community needs and ensure that lottery funds are used to enhance community life across the province.



Judy Gordon, Chairman
Alberta Gaming and Liquor Policy Secretariat

MODEL	WHAT IS IT	ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
Community-based Board (Accepted)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ an <i>arms-length</i> or <i>independent</i> community lottery board or foundation at either a regional or local level ▶ responsible for setting priorities and making decisions on the allocation of lottery revenues to benefit a geographically defined community ▶ existing municipal boundaries together with their official population in Alberta will be the <i>base map</i> to form the geographic service areas ▶ allotment to an individual board based on a per capita funding formula ▶ appoint a municipality within the geographic area to provide administrative support and assistance with financial accountability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 90 community lottery boards including the First Nations and Metis Settlements ▶ community-based, community-driven and broadly representative of the public and the geographic area ▶ ensure that lottery funds are strategically positioned to meet specific community goals and intentions ▶ strikes a <i>balance</i> among spatial, demographic and municipal diversities in the province ▶ gives communities the <i>financial resources</i>, the <i>autonomy</i>, the <i>power</i> and the <i>flexibility</i> to organize their own funding priorities and to address their own needs ▶ fosters collaborative efforts among neighbouring municipalities ▶ provides the option to merge with a neighbouring board for common regional benefits ▶ avoids creating unnecessary bureaucracies by using municipalities as fiscal agent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ requires municipalities to work together in good faith ▶ deriving the first board and appropriate representation is key to success
Community Foundation (Option) (Accepted)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ <i>option</i> of using existing community foundations now being used in some local communities ▶ <i>option</i> of being incorporated as charitable foundation to collect donations and pool the money to form a permanent capital fund for more lasting benefits of its geographic community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ provides greater potential for growth and community development ▶ communities become more self reliant ▶ creates greater opportunity to leverage/access more dollars ▶ lasting gifts and benefits ▶ legacy, community spirit and community ownership ▶ greater potential for community involvement over the long term 	

MODEL	WHAT IS IT	ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
Municipal Council Lottery Board (Rejected)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ lottery revenues would be allocated directly to municipal councils based on the per capita funding formula ▶ municipal councils would be responsible for identifying local community needs, distribute and be accountable for the funds. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ simple to administer ▶ would work for most urban centres where populations are sufficiently large and concentrated ▶ not cost effective for each municipality to be their own board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 367 municipal community lottery boards in Alberta are too many ▶ not practical for each small municipality in rural Alberta to have its own board based on per capita funding ▶ funding decisions and priorities can potentially be dominated by municipal officials ▶ lack of involvement and representation by community groups and residents ▶ does not account for the uniqueness of the Aboriginal communities
Provincial Lottery Board (Rejected)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ a single provincial board to provide advice to the government and set policies and guidelines on issues related to the allocation and distribution of lottery revenues to local communities ▶ manages the granting program on behalf of government ▶ carries out all fund distribution, administration and accountability functions ▶ not grassroots enough - top down rather than bottom up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ centralization in terms of administration, setting policies and guidelines, maintaining accountability and maximizing efficiencies ▶ administration and accountability of the lottery funds remain with the government 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ does not fully address the principal requested by communities for direct control and decision-making power ▶ unnecessarily maintains a layer of bureaucracy over the distribution of lottery revenues ▶ fails to acknowledge the fact that communities have the capacity and are in a position to assess their own needs, set their own priorities and make their own funding decisions ▶ can potentially be dominated by provincial government

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Region Identified As	Municipality Name	Population	Funding
1	M.D. of Mackenzie No. 23	7,260	
	Rainbow Lake	880	
	High Level	2,921	
		11,061	\$205,845.21
2	I.D. No. 24 Wood Buffalo Nat. Park	286	
	Wood Buffalo	37,222	
		37,508	\$698,023.88
3	Manning	1,139	
	M.D. of Northern Lights No. 22	3,789	
		4,928	\$91,710.08
4	M.D. of Clear Hills No. 21	2,903	
	Hines Creek	423	
		3,326	\$61,896.86
5	Nampa	496	
	M.D. of East Peace No. 131	2,445	
		2,941	\$54,732.01
6	M.D. of Opportunity No. 17	3,063	
		3,063	\$57,002.43
7	M.D. of Bonnyville No. 87	16,614	
	Pelican Narrows	95	
	Cold Lake	8,240	
	Glendon	404	
	Bonnyville	5,132	
	Lac la Biche	2,737	
	Bonnyville Beach	60	
	Plamondon	253	
		33,535	\$624,086.35
8	M.D. of Saddle Hills No. 20	2,722	
		2,722	\$50,656.42
9	Fairview	3,262	
	M.D. of Fairview No. 136	1,812	
		5,074	\$94,427.14
10	Spirit River	1,102	
	M.D. of Spirit River No. 133	812	
	Rycroft	634	
		2,548	\$47,418.28
11	Peace River	6,696	
	Berwyn	606	
	Grimshaw	2,812	
	M.D. of Peace No. 135	1,559	
		11,673	\$217,234.53
12	Wanham	216	
	M.D. of Birch Hills No. 19	1,562	
		1,778	\$33,088.58
13	County of Grande Prairie No. 1	12,314	
	Hythe	623	
	Beaverlodge	1,779	
	Wembley	1,463	
	Sexsmith	1,354	
		17,533	\$326,289.13

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14	Girouxville	349	
	Donnelly	421	
	M.D. of Smoky River No. 130	2,613	
	Falher	1,183	
	McLennan	1,026	
		5,592	\$104,067.12
15	Fox Creek	2,257	
	Grande Cache	3,842	
	Valleyview	1,855	
	M.D. of Greenview No. 16	5,269	
		13,223	\$246,080.03
16	Swan Hills	2,348	
	High Prairie	2,932	
	M.D. of Big Lakes	3,848	
	Kinuso	254	
		9,382	\$174,599.02
17	M.D. of Lesser Slave River No. 124	2,564	
	Slave Lake	6,203	
		8,767	\$163,153.87
18	Island Lake	122	
	Island Lake South	76	
	Boyle	862	
	County of Athabasca No. 12	7,157	
	Mewatha Beach	53	
	Bondiss	67	
	Athabasca	2,278	
	White Gull	20	
	Whispering Hills	69	
	West Baptiste	36	
	Sunset Beach	46	
	South Baptiste	75	
		10,861	\$202,123.21
19	M.D. of Woodlands No. 15	2,980	
	Whitecourt	7,056	
		10,036	\$186,769.96
20	I.D. No. 25 Willmore Wilderness	0	
	Jasper Improvement District	5,414	
	I.D. No. 12 Jasper	10	
		5,424	\$100,940.64
21	Edson	7,323	
	Evansburg	723	
	Hinton	9,341	
	M.D. of Yellowhead No. 94	8,692	
		26,079	\$485,330.19
22	Barrhead	4,160	
	County of Barrhead No. 11	5,591	
		9,751	\$181,466.11
23	Clyde	441	
	Larkspur	12	
	Westlock	4,719	
	M.D. of Westlock No. 92	6,994	
		12,166	\$226,409.26
24	Thorhild	502	
	County of Thorhild No. 7	3,085	
		3,587	\$66,754.07

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25	Viina	314	
	Waskatenau	257	
	Smoky Lake	1,057	
	County of Smoky Lake No. 13	2,689	
	Warspite	73	
		4,390	\$81,697.90
26	St. Paul	5,021	
	County of St. Paul No. 19	6,489	
	Horseshoe Bay	29	
	Elk Point	1,341	
		12,880	\$239,696.80
27	Val Quentin	115	
	Castle Island	6	
	Sandy Beach	116	
	Sangudo	405	
	Mayerthorpe	1,692	
	Yellowstone	97	
	West Cove	81	
	Onoway	681	
	Nakamun Park	14	
	Ross Haven	83	
	Sunset Point	89	
	Alberta Beach	562	
	Birch Cove	16	
	Lac Ste. Anne County	8,059	
	Sunrise Beach	80	
	Silver Sands	84	
	South View	43	
		12,223	\$227,470.03
28	Sturgeon County	15,465	
	Redwater	2,090	
	Bon Accord	1,460	
	Morinville	6,255	
	Legal	945	
	Gibbons	2,762	
		28,977	\$539,261.97
29	Lamont	1,574	
	Mundare	596	
	Bruderheim	1,208	
	Chipman	208	
	Andrew	520	
	County of Lamont No. 30	4,266	
		8,372	\$155,802.92
30	County of Two Hills No. 21	2,830	
	Two Hills	1,108	
	Willingdon	355	
	Derwent	109	
	Mymam	342	
		4,744	\$88,285.84
31	Kitscoty	672	
	Marwayne	484	
	Dewberry	203	
	Vermilion	4,258	
	County of Vermilion River No. 24	7,714	
	Paradise Valley	143	
		13,474	\$250,751.14

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32	Mannville	774	
	Innisfree	254	
	Lavoy	124	
	Vegreville	5,138	
	Minburn	105	
	County of Minburn No. 27	3,490	
		9,885	\$183,959.85
33	I.D. No. 13 Elk Island	35	
	Strathcona County	61,559	
		61,594	\$1,146,264.34
35	Betula Beach	4	
	Kapasiwin	10	
	Entwistle	460	
	Edmonton Beach	352	
	Point Alison	5	
	Lakeview	27	
	Stony Plain	7,405	
	Wabamun	600	
	Parkland County	22,550	
	Seba Beach	118	
		31,531	\$586,791.91
36	Breton	532	
	Drayton Valley	5,486	
	M.D. of Brazeau No. 77	6,301	
		12,319	\$229,256.59
37	Sundance Beach	22	
	Warburg	574	
	County of Leduc No. 25	11,503	
	Itaska Beach	3	
	Golden Days	65	
	Calmar	1,779	
	Devon	4,380	
	New Sarepta	404	
	Thorsby	708	
	Beaumont	5,747	
		25,185	\$468,692.85
38	Tofield	1,660	
	Holden	411	
	County of Beaver No. 9	5,430	
	Viking	1,109	
	Ryley	432	
		9,042	\$168,271.62
39	M.D. of Wainwright No. 61	3,919	
	Wainwright	5,055	
	Chauvin	398	
	Irma	442	
	Edgerton	389	
		10,203	\$189,877.83
40	I.D. No. 9 Banff	1,311	
	Banff	7,615	
		8,926	\$166,112.86
41	Kananaskis Improvement District	420	
		420	\$7,816.20
42	M.D. of Ranchland No. 66	130	
	Crowsnest Pass	6,679	
		6,809	\$126,715.49

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43	Cowley	277	
	Pincher Creek	3,660	
	I.D. No. 4 Waterton	167	
	M.D. of Pincher Creek No. 9	3,108	
		7,212	\$134,215.32
44	Cardston	3,480	
	Magrath	1,743	
	Glenwood	303	
	Hillspring	213	
	M.D. of Cardston No. 6	4,490	
		10,229	\$190,361.69
45	Stirling	810	
	Coutts	355	
	County of Warner No. 5	3,677	
	Warner	450	
	Milk River	926	
	Raymond	3,130	
		9,348	\$173,966.28
46	Foremost	582	
	Bow Island	1,509	
	County of Forty Mile No. 8	3,193	
	Burdett	267	
		5,551	\$103,304.11
47	Redcliff	3,806	
	M.D. of Cypress No. 1	5,348	
		9,154	\$170,355.94
48	Coaldale	5,591	
	County of Lethbridge No. 26	8,442	
	Barons	262	
	Picture Butte	1,626	
	Nobleford	546	
	Coalhurst	1,410	
		17,877	\$332,690.97
49	Claresholm	3,297	
	Granum	371	
	M.D. of Willow Creek No. 26	4,764	
	Nanton	1,612	
	Stavely	528	
	Fort MacLeod	3,112	
		13,684	\$254,659.24
50	Barnwell	540	
	Vauxhall	1,024	
	M.D. of Taber No. 14	5,317	
	Taber	6,660	
		13,541	\$251,998.01
51	Longview	304	
	High River	6,893	
	Blackie	303	
	Okotoks	7,789	
	Black Diamond	1,743	
	Turner Valley	1,526	
	M.D. of Foothills No. 31	12,476	
		31,034	\$577,542.74

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52	Lomond	167	
	Carmangay	257	
	Vulcan	1,466	
	Milo	120	
	Champion	401	
	Arrowwood	156	
	County of Vulcan No. 2	3,648	
		6,215	\$115,661.15
53	County of Newel No. 4	6,014	
	Rosemary	337	
	Tilley	350	
	Bassano	1,190	
	Duchess	588	
	Brooks	9,433	
		17,912	\$333,342.32
54	Canmore	8,396	
	M.D. of Bighorn No. 8	1,292	
	Waiparous	53	
	Ghost Lake	53	
		9,794	\$182,266.34
55	Caroline	452	
	M.D. of Clearwater No. 99	10,131	
	Rocky Mountain House	5,684	
	Burnstick Lake	3	
		16,270	\$302,784.70
56	Grandview	56	
	Poplar Bay	47	
	Silver Beach	36	
	Argentia Beach	2	
	Millet	2,005	
	Crystal Springs	41	
	Ma-Me-O Beach	76	
	Norris Beach	20	
	County of Wetaskiwin No. 10	9,816	
		12,099	\$225,162.39
57	Bittern Lake	169	
	Ferintosh	129	
	County of Camrose No. 22	7,475	
	Hay Lakes	327	
	Rosalind	192	
	Bashaw	807	
	Bawlf	360	
	Edberg	145	
	New Norway	273	
		9,877	\$183,810.97
58	Sedgewick	874	
	Heisler	186	
	Daysland	674	
	Hardisty	656	
	Lougheed	266	
	Galahad	158	
	Forestburg	967	
	Alliance	230	
	Killam	1,053	
	Strome	274	
	County of Flagstaff No. 29	4,099	
		9,437	\$175,622.57

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59	Czar	176	
	Provost	1,893	
	Amisk	213	
	M.D. of Provost No. 52	2,536	
	Hughenden	288	
		5,106	\$95,022.66
60	M.D. of Acadia No. 34	522	
		522	\$9,714.42
61	Rimbey	2,133	
	Parkland Beach	66	
	County of Ponoka No. 3	7,896	
	Ponoka	5,861	
		15,956	\$296,941.16
62	Alix	782	
	Birchcliff	63	
	Bentley	930	
	Blackfalds	1,769	
	Eckville	899	
	Lacombe County	9,283	
	Lacombe	7,580	
	Gull Lake	108	
	Clive	497	
	Mirror	478	
	Half Moon Bay	51	
	Sunbreaker Cove	76	
		22,516	\$419,022.76
63	County of Red Deer No. 23	15,049	
	Einora	270	
	Innisfail	6,064	
	Jarvis Bay	33	
	Norglenwold	186	
	Penhold	1,609	
	Sylvan Lake	4,815	
	Bowden	936	
	Delburne	564	
		29,526	\$549,478.86
64	White Sands	21	
	Gadsby	26	
	Donalda	237	
	Botha	174	
	Big Valley	303	
	Stettler	4,947	
	Rochon Sands	36	
	County of Stettler No. 6	5,251	
		10,995	\$204,616.95
65	Castor	933	
	County of Paintearth No. 18	2,324	
	Coronation	1,184	
	Halkirk	150	
		4,591	\$85,438.51
66	Didsbury	3,399	
	County of Mountain View No. 17	9,951	
	Cremona	393	
	Sundre	2,027	
	Carstairs	1,796	
	Olds	5,542	
		23,108	\$430,039.88

Appendix 2: Proposed Community Lottery Board Boundaries, Populations and Funding

A. Rural Regions

Region Identified As	Municipality Name	Population	Funding
67	M.D. of Rocky View No. 44	19,888	
	Crossfield	1,800	
	Irricana	822	
	Beiseker	640	
	Cochrane	6,612	
	Chestermere	1,603	
	Redwood Meadows	1,151	
		32,516	\$605,122.76
68	Munson	159	
	Morrin	251	
	Delia	198	
	M.D. of Starland No. 47	2,115	
		2,723	\$50,675.03
69	M.D. of Badlands No. 7	1,228	
	Drumheller	6,277	
		7,505	\$139,668.05
70	Standard	359	
	Gleichen	331	
	Strathmore	5,273	
	Wheatland County	5,884	
	Rockyford	331	
	Hussar	150	
		12,328	\$229,424.08
71	Linden	563	
	Torrington	177	
	Three Hills	3,298	
	Trochu	907	
	Carbon	437	
	Acme	590	
	M.D. of Kneehill No. 48	4,713	
		10,685	\$198,847.85
72	Veteran	297	
	Cereal	210	
	Consort	714	
	Oyen	1,074	
	Youngstown	245	
	Hanna	2,996	
	Special Areas (2, 3, 4)	5,765	
	Empress	189	
		11,490	\$213,828.90
Rural Region Totals		902,333	\$16,792,417.13

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B. Cities

ion Identified As	Municipality Name	Population	Funding
Calgary	City of Calgary	767,059	\$14,274,967.99
Edmonton	City of Edmonton	626,999	\$11,668,451.39
Lethbridge	City of Lethbridge	64,938	\$1,208,496.18
Red Deer	City of Red Deer	59,834	\$1,113,510.74
St. Albert	City of St. Albert	45,895	\$854,105.95
Medicine Hat	City of Medicine Hat	45,892	\$854,050.12
Grande Prairie	City of Grande Prairie	29,242	\$544,193.62
Airdrie	City of Airdrie	14,506	\$269,956.66
Spruce Grove	City of Spruce Grove	14,123	\$262,829.03
Camrose	City of Camrose	14,121	\$262,791.81
Leduc	City of Leduc	14,117	\$262,717.37
Fort Saskatchewan	City of Fort Saskatchewan	12,313	\$229,144.93
Wetaskiwin	City of Wetaskiwin	10,771	\$200,448.31
Lloydminster	City of Lloydminster	10,042	\$186,881.62
City Totals		1,729,852	\$32,192,545.72

Funding Ranges for Cities (\$)

11,000,000 to 15,000,000	(2)
1,000,000 to 2,000,000	(2)
500,000 to 1,000,000	(3)
150,000 to 500,000	(7)
0 to 150,000	(0)
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Funding Ranges for Rural/Urban Regions (\$)

550,000 to 1,150,000	(6)
300,000 to 550,000	(10)
150,000 to 300,000	(32)
100,000 to 150,000	(7)
30,000 to 100,000	(14)
0 to 30,000	(3)
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C. First Nations Treaties and Metis Settlements

Region I.D.	Municipality Name	Population	Funding
Alexis Band	Alexis	711	
Beaver Lake Band	Beaver Lake	291	
Cold Lake First Nations	Cold Lake	970	
Ermineskin Band	Ermineskin	2,031	
Heart Lake First Nation	Heart Lake	152	
Kehewin Cree Nation	Kehiwin	851	
Louis Bull Band	Louis Bull	1,089	
Montana Band	Montana	479	
O'Chiese Band	O'Chiese	488	
Frog Lake Band	Puskiakiwenin	1,228	
Saddle Lake	Saddle Lake	5,083	
Samson Cree Nation	Samson	4,328	
Enoch Cree Nation	Stony Plain	1,221	
Sunchild Cree First Nation	Sunchild	424	
Paul Band	Wabamun	998	
Alexander First Nation	Alexander	764	
Treaty #6 First Nations		21,108	\$392,819.88
Peigan Nation	Peigan	2,033	
Tsuu T'ina Nation	Sarcee	994	
Siksika Nation	Siksika No.	3,027	
Stoney Tribe	Stoney	3,276	
Blood Tribe	Blood	6,696	
Treaty #7 First Nations		16,026	\$298,243.86
TallCree Band	Beaver Ranch	389	
Dene Tha' First Nation	Bushe River	1,661	
Beaver First Nation	Child Lake	327	
Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation	Chipewyan	15	
Driftpile River Band	Drift Pile River	607	
Duncan's Band	Duncan's	102	
Fort McKay	Fort McKay	221	
Kapawe'no First Nation	Freeman	56	
Fort McMurray First Nation	Grégoire Lake	150	
Horse Lake Band	Horse Lakes	245	
Chipewyan Prairie First Nation	Janvier	212	
Little Red River Cree Nation	John d'Or Prairie	2,222	
Sawridge Band	Sawridge	26	
Sturgeon Lake Band	Sturgeon Lake	966	
Sucker Creek Band	Sucker Creek	446	
Swan River First Nation	Swan River	271	
Whitefish Lake First Nation	Utikoomak Lake	729	
Bigstone Cree Nation	Wabasca	1,734	
Woodland Cree Band	Woodland Cree	587	
Mikisew Cree First Nation	Allison Bay	4	
Treaty #8 First Nations		10,970	\$204,151.70
Paddle Prairie	Paddle Prairie	717	
Gift Lake	Gift Lake	766	
Peavine Lake	Peavine Lake	557	
East Prairie	East Prairie	470	
Fishing Lake	Fishing Lake	542	
Elizabeth	Elizabeth	578	
Kikino	Kikino	944	
Buffalo Lake	Buffalo Lake	881	
Metis Settlements		5,455	\$101,517.55
First Nation and Metis Totals		53,559	\$996,732.99

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

July 11, 1997

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The \$50 million distributed to provincial municipalities will be calculated on a basis of \$18.61 per capita. It will be in addition to the more than \$123 million in lottery funds already allocated to provincial initiatives as well as the existing provincial foundations.

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Glenn Luff
Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission
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Note to Editors: A complete backgrounder on the establishment of community lottery boards and a list of municipalities is available by contacting Glenn Luff at the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission in Edmonton at 422-5646.

Memorandum

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FROM: Judy Gordon
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DATE: August 22, 1997

TO: Premier Ralph Klein
All Government Members

SUBJECT: **ACTION NEWS RESPONSE**

Colleagues, attached please find my response to the "Action News" recently distributed by the Alberta Parks and Recreation Association (A.R.P.A.) In regards to the establishment of Community Lottery Boards.

They are endeavouring to seek comments from their members and I responded to clarify several points.

I trust you will find this copy useful.

If you have further questions or comments please do not hesitate to call.


Judy Gordon

Attachment

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August 22, 1997

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Dear Paul:

It has come to my attention that the Alberta Recreation and Parks Association is seeking comments from its members regarding the establishment of Community Lottery Boards to be submitted to the province sometime in September 1997.

Please allow me to clarify the following points that are raised in your "Action News" dated July 30, 1997:

- ▶ The objective of the Lottery Review was *not* to ensure community agencies were compensated for reduced fund raising proceeds resulting from the introduction of VLTs. The objectives of the Committee were to maintain a well-regulated and streamlined gaming system, to return substantial benefits to communities, to respond to concerns with VLTs and to ensure that lottery revenues continue to be used for the benefit of Albertans.
- ▶ Repeatedly, community organizations and associations told me that communities are in the best position to assess their own needs, set their own priorities and make their own decisions about how lottery funds could be used to meet local needs. Establishing Community Lottery Boards is a response that allows considerable flexibility in how communities spend the money they receive on projects and programs.
- ▶ The \$50 million in new lottery funding will go directly to communities on a per capita basis to be distributed by Community Lottery Boards. This money is in addition to the more than \$123 million in grants currently provided through the Lottery Fund for the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) and for arts, culture, sport, recreation, conservation and other programs, all working toward enriching the quality of life of Albertans.
- ▶ With Budget '97, communities currently share in more than \$51 million in revenues from lotteries through various grants. The additional \$50 million to be distributed by Community Lottery Boards beginning April 1, 1998 will increase the total to an upward of \$100 million earmarked to be returned to communities with Budget '98. This amount to date is consistent with the 20% recommended by the Lottery Review Committee.

- ▶ The new lottery funding is not for replacement or subsidies of municipal revenues and core municipal services. The purpose is for enhancement of various community programs or initiatives that are deemed to be a priority of the community. Because lottery funding is unpredictable, it would be wise to use the funds to enhance existing programs and activities rather than provide support for new or ongoing essential community programs. Communities can continue to access the CFEP funding for facilities and infrastructures, including sport and recreation facilities.
- ▶ Government departments (municipal departments included), hospitals, religious and educational institutions should not be eligible for funding unless their projects are considered to be enhancements benefiting the community as a whole. For example, if it was a priority for the community to support the volunteer counselling program for crime victims operated by their police department, the board may consider funding this initiative.
- ▶ It is the responsibility of Community Lottery Boards to coordinate their funding strategies, planning and priority setting with key stakeholders within their regions. Municipal governments are represented on the boards by their councillors. Community Lottery Boards involving more than one municipality may consider rotating their minority memberships.
- ▶ The 6,000 organizations we consulted preferred to use existing boundaries to form the new boards. The funding has to be administrable based on the official population in Alberta. It would not be practical and effective to have a board for every single town and village in the province. Rural municipalities have to work with each other as a region to have any meaningful funding amount to distribute. If a municipality has a serious problem in working with its neighboring communities currently in their region, I am certainly willing to discuss the issues with its representatives.

Sometime in September I will be inviting stakeholders such as the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) to discuss our guidelines as well as any other issues relevant to the implementation of Community Lottery Boards. The Alberta Recreation and Parks Association (ARPA) will be among them.

As with any new initiative, the effectiveness of Community Lottery Boards will be evaluated in two years against its objectives. Let's give the program a try and work out the minor details along the way.

I am looking forward to your Association's consolidated comments.

Yours sincerely,



Judy Gordon, Chairman
Alberta Gaming and Liquor Policy Secretariat
MLA, Lacombe-Stettler

cc: Premier Ralph Klein
Government MLAs

Appendix 1

How would the new system work?

The following general guidelines are proposed.

Mandate for community lottery boards

- Consistent with provincial policies and guidelines, community lottery boards are mandated to develop bylaws, operating and funding policies, priorities, applications and review procedures, and to govern their own affairs.
- Community lottery boards are accountable to the province and the public for their finances, activities and funding decisions.
- Community lottery boards are responsible for monitoring the use of funds to ensure they are used for the intended purposes and for providing community members with information about all projects that are funded on an annual basis.

Roles and responsibilities of community lottery boards

- The five key responsibilities are:
 - to operate within policies, guidelines and funding criteria set by the provincial government
 - to set funding priorities at the community level and meet community needs
 - to ensure funding accountability to the province and to the community by establishing accountability guidelines for the groups who receive funds, monitoring the use of funds and providing an accounting for all lottery funds to the province
 - to call for funding applications from eligible, non-profit organizations within its service area
 - to review applications and make funding decisions.
- Community lottery boards also have a role in promoting funding of joint initiatives and avoiding duplication in funding to community groups, agencies and projects. Community lottery boards may choose to top up or supplement funding for projects receiving seed money from other funding sources. Matched funding may also be considered.

- Community lottery boards would be expected to work closely and coordinate their funding priorities with the province-wide foundations currently under the Ministry of Community Development.
- As part of the guidelines developed by the province, a common application form would be developed. This would ensure that community lottery boards are aware of other sources of revenue already provided or applied for by each applicant and should serve to reduce duplication of funding.
- Community lottery boards would not be required to spend all of the funds allocated to them in a given fiscal year. Unexpended funds could be set aside and accounted for in a reserve fund for an identified long term with a definite plan in place.
- In communities where a community foundation already exists, communities could choose to use that foundation as the vehicle for distributing lottery funds or they could choose to set up a separate community lottery board.
- A community lottery board could, at some time, choose to establish itself as a community foundation. The following would then apply:
 - the board would be registered as a charity
 - in addition to their role in distributing lottery funds, they would be able to take donations, issue tax receipts, build a community endowment fund, and use income from that fund to contribute to the community on a long term basis.
 - a portion of the lottery funds could be used to create the endowment fund or to provide incentives for other endowment contributions.
 - separate accounts would be kept for lottery funds and for a community endowment.
 - existing community foundations could act as the community lottery board if the community and the foundation agree.

Membership on community lottery boards

Size

- The size of the board should range from 5 to 11 members (odd numbers only) based on the size of the area served and the amount of lottery funding received from the province.

Representation criteria

- Municipal elected officials or councillors must be a minority on the board. Up to two members on each community lottery board could be municipal councillors. Community lottery boards involving more than one municipal council may consider rotating membership among the municipalities in the area they serve.
- Community lottery boards must have a balanced representation reflecting the geographic make up and interests of the community including arts and culture, sports and recreation, community leagues, community/social services, education, health, environment, and community members at large.

Appointment

- Appointment should be for a maximum of three consecutive years with staggered terms to ensure continuity.
- Nominating committees could seek nominations from existing organizations and groups in their communities.
- Members are volunteers and no salaries will be paid. However, members will be reimbursed for expenses incurred through board business.

Geographic boundaries

- Existing municipal boundaries should be used to create community lottery boards.
- Community lottery boards should be encouraged to merge where it is in the best interests of their communities.
- The number of community lottery boards should be practical, efficient and provide a sufficient base of funds to support community needs.
- Allocations to each community lottery board will be based on the official population for local governments recorded by Alberta Municipal Affairs. Native populations on reserves are recorded by Alberta Aboriginal Affairs. Funding will change when municipal boundaries or local populations change.

Administration, expenses and financial accountability

- Financial responsibilities of community lottery boards include:
 - receiving lottery funds from the province
 - cutting cheques and transmitting funds to successful applicants
 - providing annual financial reporting and audits of lottery fund expenditures to the province and the community
 - providing resources for the board to conduct its business.

- Administrative functions can be performed by a municipality selected by the community lottery board. Guidelines for costs for administrative services would be developed by the provincial government, based on a sliding scale reflecting the amount of lottery funding received.

Process for establishing the first community lottery boards

- An independent Nominating Committee would be set up by municipal councillors in the region served. For rural regions, one councillor from each county, municipal district, town and village (no summer villages included) within the area would form the Nominating Committee. For cities, the City Council is the Nominating Committee. The First Nations Treaty Councils and the Metis Settlements Association will form the community lottery boards.
- The Nominating Committee is responsible for:
 - electing its own chairman and honorary secretary
 - publicly seeking nominations from each municipality
 - reviewing nominations and selecting the initial board consistent with the membership criteria set by the province
 - setting staggered terms for the first board in order to provide rotation and continuity of service
 - selecting a municipality to provide administrative and financial support for an initial period
 - forwarding membership appointments to municipal councils for endorsement
 - making public the appointments and terms of board members and the municipality selected to provide administrative support.
- The Nominating Committee is dissolved once the new board is formed. The board would then be responsible for setting its own constitution, bylaws, operating and funding policies, and so on. The board would establish how new members would be selected in future.
- Nominating Committees are expected to have membership appointed by January 15, 1998. The target date for fully functional community lottery boards is April 1, 1998.



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MINISTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM

1997-98 LOTTERY FUND COMMITMENTS

The following is the list of Lottery Fund expenditure commitments for the fiscal year 1997-98, as of April 1, 1997.

Advanced Medical Equipment Purchases	\$ 7,266,000.
Agricultural Societies and Organizations -	9,580,000
Agricultural Initiatives	2,950,000
Alberta Foundation for the Arts	16,104,000
Alberta Historical Resources Foundation	5,913,000
Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation	14,885,000
Calgary Exhibition and Stampede	5,000,000
Community Facility Enhancement Program III	31,000,000
Edmonton Northlands	5,000,000
Human Rights, Citizenship & Multiculturalism Education Fund	1,062,000
New Initiatives	11,700,000
Science Alberta Foundation	750,000
Services for Problem Gamblers	2,294,000
Special Events/Projects - Recreation	2,206,000
Special Projects - Health	990,000
Wild Rose Foundation	<u>6,600,000</u>
Total Commitments:	<u>\$123,300,000</u>

Special Note: in addition, lottery revenues are transferred to the General Revenue Fund.

DATE: August 25, 1997

TO: RECREATION, PARKS & CULTURE BOARD

FROM: DON BATCHELOR
Recreation, Parks & Culture Manager

RE: COMMUNITY LOTTERY BOARDS

For your information, I have enclosed the complete Community Lottery Board release by Judy Gordon, Chairman of the Alberta Gaming & Liquor Policy Secretariat, and some news releases related to the establishment of these boards. In December 1996, and January 1997, the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board had considerable discussion on the assembly of a Community Lottery Board in Red Deer. City Council also directed the administration to provide a response to Judy Gordon in January 1997, that recognized the existence of the existing boards (Recreation, Parks & Culture, F.C.S.S.) and recommended that they be used as a local lottery board with the possibility of regional relationships.

The guidelines announced by the Province (as outlined on the attached releases), contain the following key elements and responsibilities for Community Lottery Boards:

- Are to be appointed by local councils by January 15, 1998, and the boards are to be operating by April 1, 1998.
- Set funding priorities, send out applications, receive and review applications, make funding decisions and allocate funds.
- Establish a fee structure to recover administrative and overhead costs.
- Existing municipal boundaries are to be used to establish boards and allocate funds.
- Funding is to be allocated only to registered charities, non-profit organizations or community associations.
- Funding from this program does not affect other existing agencies and foundations such as C.F.E.P., Wild Rose Foundation, Alberta Sport Recreation Parks and Wildlife Foundation, or the Foundation for the Arts.
- Municipalities, hospitals, religious institutions are not eligible.
- Funding is for enhancement of existing or new programs and is not for basic care programs or facility improvements.
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- Total funding province-wide is \$50 million, based on an allocation of \$18.61/capita. Red Deer's allocation would be approximately \$1,113,000/annum.

Recreation, Parks & Culture Board

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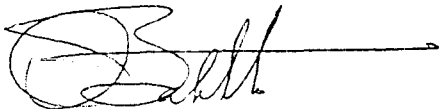
August 22, 1997

In terms of establishing the Red Deer Community Lottery Board, three alternatives are available:

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These three alternatives are being presented to all the existing community boards in the city for their consideration and comment. Lowell Hodgson, Director of Community Services, will assemble the comments and suggestions of the various boards and make a recommendation to City Council before year end.

In conclusion, I am asking the Board to discuss the pros and cons of each alternative, and pass the comments and suggestions, as recorded in the minutes, to Mr. Hodgson for his consideration and to consolidate into a recommendation to City Council.



DON BATCHELOR

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Atts.

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News

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