

**THE FIFTEENTH MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY**

**Committee Room C-11
Tom Davies Square**

**Thursday, September 13th, 2001
Commencement: 6:03 p.m.**

DEPUTY MAYOR DOUG CRAIG, IN THE CHAIR

Present Councillors Bradley; Callaghan; Courtemanche; Davey; Dupuis; Kilgour; Lalonde; McIntaggart; Portelance; Mayor Gordon (A6:07 pm)

City Officials J. Rule, Chief Administrative Officer; D. Belisle, General Manager of Public Works; R. Browning, General Manager of Emergency Services; C. Hallsworth, General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services; M. Mieto, General Manager of Health & Social Services; D. Nadorozny, General Manager of Economic Development & Planning; D. Wuksinic, General Manager of Corporate Services; S. Jonasson, Director of Finance/City Treasurer; R. Swiddle, Director of Legal Services; N. Charette, Manager of Corporate Communications and French-language Services; H. Duff, Director of Social Services; T. Mowry, City Clerk; G. Ward, Council Secretary

Others P. Seccaspina, Oracle Research

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest None declared.

"In Camera" 2001-472 Dupuis/Davey: That we move "In Camera" to deal with those matters which fall within Article 15.5 of the Procedural Rules.

CARRIED

Recess At 7:30 p.m., Council recessed.

Reconvene At 7:35 p.m., Council moved to the **Council Chamber** to continue the regular meeting.

Chair **HIS WORSHIP MAYOR JAMES GORDON, IN THE CHAIR**

Present Councillors Bradley; Callaghan; Courtemanche; Craig; Davey; Dupuis; Kilgour; Lalonde; McIntaggart; Portelance

City Officials J. Rule, Chief Administrative Officer; D. Belisle, General Manager of Public Works; R. Browning, General Manager of Emergency Services; C. Hallsworth, General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services; M. Mieto, General Manager of Health & Social Services; D. Wuksinic, General Manager of Corporate Services; S. Jonasson, Director of Finance/City Treasurer; A. McCauley, Chief of Police, Greater Sudbury Police Services; R. Swiddle, Director of Legal Services; R. Skelly, Manager of Tourism, Programs & Partnerships;

City Officials
(Continued)

M. Charbonneau, Executive Assistant to C.A.O.; J. McKechnie, Executive Assistant to the Mayor; C. Riutta, Administrative Secretary to Mayor; J.P. Graham, Plants Engineer; T. Mowry, City Clerk; G. Ward, Council Secretary

C.U.P.E. Officials

W. McKinnon, President, Local 4207

News Media

Sudbury Star; The Box; MCTV

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

Moment of Silence

Mayor Gordon, on behalf of all Members of Council, requested a moment of silence be observed to extend our condolences to those people who have suffered a loss due to the terrorist attacks in the United States on the World Trade Centre and the Pentagon.

Mayor Gordon announced Books of Condolence were available for the public to sign at Tom Davies Square, the Citizen Service Centres and the Farmers' Market.

DELEGATIONS

Item 3
New Chain of Office

Letter dated September 5th, 2001 from Mayor Gordon regarding presentation of new Chain of Office was received.

J. Knight, President, Rotary Club of Sudbury, and Gerry Lougheed Sr., Past President and Honourary Member of the Rotary Club of Sudbury presented Mayor Gordon with the new Chain of Office for the City of Greater Sudbury.

Rules of Procedure

Council, by a two-thirds majority, agreed to dispense with the Rules of Procedure and allow Ms. S. Faubert to address Council on behalf of the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Ms. Faubert addressed Council regarding the Super Cities Walk sponsored by the Multiple Sclerosis Society to take place on September 16th, 2001.

Change of Chair

At 7:50 p.m., Mayor Gordon vacated the Chair.

DEPUTY MAYOR DOUG CRAIG, IN THE CHAIR

Item 4
Funding Issues - Community Care Access Centres

Report dated 2001-07-05 from the General Manager of Health & Social Services regarding Funding Issues - Community Care Access Centres was received.

Mr. B. Knight, C.E.O., Community Care Access Centre, and Mr. B. Fera, Chair, Community Care Access Centre Board, addressed Council with an overhead presentation regarding the impact of funding reductions on the home care program.

Change of Chair

At 7:55 p.m., Deputy Mayor Doug Craig vacated the Chair.

HIS WORSHIP MAYOR JAMES GORDON, IN THE CHAIR

Item 4

(Continued)

The following resolution was presented:

2001-473 Davey/Dupuis: WHEREAS the need for home care services is rapidly growing in Ontario due to the aging of the population and hospital restructuring;

AND WHEREAS the prices paid by Community Care Access Centres (CCACs) to purchase home care services for their clients are rising due to factors beyond the control of CCACs;

AND WHEREAS the funding provided by the Ontario Government, through the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC), is inadequate to meet the growing need for home care services;

AND WHEREAS the funding shortfall, coupled with the implications of Bill 46, The Public Sector Accountability Act, currently before the Legislature, are forcing CCACs to make deep cuts in home care services;

AND WHEREAS value-for-money audits of CCACs will demonstrate that CCACs are employing good management practices, and that such practices alone may not provide a full solution to their financial challenges;

AND WHEREAS the Equity Funding Formula used to distribute home care funding does not recognize key factors such as population health and their impact on demand for home care;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council's Committee on Seniors' Issues recommends that the council of the City of Greater Sudbury urge the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care in Ontario to recognize the funding issue for home care in Ontario, because of the implications for an aging population and for the stability of the broader health sector;

AND THAT the Ontario Minister of Health and Long-Term Care urge the Provincial Government to review its position concerning the funding of home care;

AND THAT further this resolution be sent to the Federal Minister of Health, local Federal and Provincial Members of Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities of Ontario, and other concerned local organizations.

Item 4
(Continued)

RECORDED VOTE:

YEAS

NAYS

Bradley
Callaghan
Courtemanche
Craig
Davey
Dupuis
Kilgour
Lalonde
McIntaggart
Portelance
Gordon

CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE "IN CAMERA" SESSION

Rise and Report

Deputy Mayor Craig, as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, reported Council met to deal with litigation matters falling within Article 15.5 of the Procedural Rules and no resolutions emanated therefrom.

PART I
CONSENT AGENDA

The following resolution was presented to adopt Items C-1 to C-12 contained in Part I, Consent Agenda:

2001-474 Dupuis/Davey: That Items C-1 to C-12 inclusive, contained in Part I, Consent Agenda, be adopted.

CARRIED

MINUTES

Item C-1
Report No. 14
C.C.
2001-08-14

2001-475 Davey/Dupuis: That Report No.14, City Council Minutes of 2001-08-14 be adopted.

CARRIED

Item C-2
Report No. 12
C.O.W. - Planning
2001-08-14

2001-476 Dupuis/Davey: That Report No. 12, Committee of the Whole - Planning, Minutes of 2001-08-14 be adopted.

CARRIED

Item C-3
T.O.C.
2001-08-28

2001-477 Dupuis/Davey: That the Report of the Tender Opening Committee Minutes of 2001-08-28 be adopted.

CARRIED

Item C-4
N.D.C.A.
2001-08-14

2001-478 Davey/Dupuis: That the Report of the Nickel District Conservation Authority, Special General Board Meeting, Minutes of 2001-08-14 be received.

CARRIED

TENDERS

Item C-5
Contract 2001-26
Main Street Bridge
Rehabilitation

Report dated 2001-09-05 from the General Manager of Public Works regarding Contract 2001-26: Main Street Bridge Rehabilitation, Chelmsford, Ontario was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2001-479 Portelance/Davey: That Contract 2001-26: Main Street Bridge Rehabilitation, Chelmsford, Ontario, be awarded to Belanger Construction (1981) Inc., in the tendered amount of \$395,607.89, this being the lowest tender meeting all contract specifications.

CARRIED

Item C-6
Contract 2001-29
Storm Drainage
Systems (Various
Locations

Report dated 2001-09-05 from the General Manager of Public Works regarding Contract 2001-29: Storm Drainage Systems (Various Locations) was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2001-480 Davey/Portelance: That Contract 2001-29: Storm Sewer System (Various Locations), be awarded to Garson Pipe Contractors Ltd., in the tendered amount of \$438,153.23, this being the lowest tender meeting all contract specifications.

CARRIED

Item C-7
Quotation - Black Lake
Road, Public Works
Depot Renovations

Report dated 2001-09-05 from the General Manager of Public Works regarding Award of Quotation: Black Lake Road, Lively, Public Works Depot Renovations was received.

Councillor Lalonde questioned what the plans were for the Rayside/Balfour depot as a result of the consolidation of all Public Works operations in the Valley East Industrial Park in Val Caron.

R. Browning, General Manager of Emergency Services, advised fire, land ambulance services and office space would operate from the Rayside/Balfour site.

Item C-7
(Continued)

The following resolution was presented:

2001-481 Portelance/Davey: That the quotation for renovations to the Public Works Black Lake Road Depot be awarded to 939604 Ontario Inc., operating as Quality Contracting, at the tendered price of \$126,934.10.

CARRIED

Item C-8
Contract 2001-03
Sanitary Sewer
Relining (Various
Locations)

Report dated 2001-08-30 from the General Manager of Public Works regarding Contract 2001-30: Sanitary Sewer Relining (Various Locations) was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2001-482 Davey/Portelance: That Contract 2001-3: Sanitary Sewer Relining, Various Locations, be awarded to Sewer-Matic Drain Service Ltd., in the tendered amount of \$207,340.11, this being the lowest tender meeting all contract specifications.

CARRIED

Item C-9
Contract 2001-02
Disposal of Surplus
Fill, Falconbridge
Trunk Watermain

Report dated 2001-09-06 from the General Manager of Public Works regarding Contract 2001-02: Disposal of Surplus Fill, Falconbridge Trunk Watermain - Lebel to Old Falconbridge Road, City of Greater Sudbury was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2001-483 Portelance/Davey: That due to a lack of suitable land available for disposal of excavated material for Contract 2001-2: Falconbridge Trunk Watermain - Lebel to Old Falconbridge Road, City of Greater Sudbury, that disposal take place on Parcels 53577, RP 53R8146 Part 4, RP 53R14533 Part 1, 53R16872 Part 1, 48177, RP 53R7413 Part 3 and RP 53R7413 Part 4, Lot 11, Con. 5, Township of Neelon (City of Greater Sudbury) owned by Gravel Holdings Inc. and 772252 Ontario Inc.

CARRIED

ROUTINE MANAGEMENT REPORTS

Item C-10
Fireworks Display -
Falconbridge Legion
Annual Community
Day

Report dated 2001-09-04, with attachment, from the General Manager of Corporate Services regarding Fireworks Display: Falconbridge Legion Branch 336 Annual Community Day, September 22nd, 2001 was received.

Item C-10
(Continued)

The following resolution was presented:

2001-484 Davey/Dupuis: THAT Council grant its approval to the Falconbridge Annual Community Day Committee for a fireworks display to take place on the football field located between Fire Station #2 and the Royal Canadian Legion, Falconbridge on Saturday, September 22nd, 2001 as part of the Town of Falconbridge Annual Community Day celebration, subject to the following conditions:

1. That this approval is subject to the attendance of one or more licensed individuals for the purpose of setting off the fireworks.
2. That the Applicant shall ensure proper clean up of the site and adjacent properties no later than 12:00 o'clock noon, Monday, September 23rd, 2001.
3. That the Applicant shall conform in all respect to Part 5 (Hazardous Material, Processes and Operations) of the Ontario Fire Code and the Display Fireworks Manual of Natural Resources Canada.
4. That the Applicant understands and agrees that in the event a Fire Ban is reinstated for the City of Greater Sudbury that this permission may be withdrawn unless a letter of consent for the discharge of the proposed Fireworks display is obtained from the Fire Services Division of the Emergency Services Department no later than the day of the event.

CARRIED

Item C-11
S.O.P. - Ukrainian
National Federation's
27th Annual Yarmarok

Report dated 2001-09-05, with attachment, from the General Manager of Corporate Services regarding Special Occasion Permit: Ukrainian National Federation's 27th Annual Yarmarok, October 19th to 21st, 2001 was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2001-485 Dupuis/Davey: This Council has no objection to the issuance of a special occasion permit to Peter Hucal of the Ukrainian National Federation, 130 Froot Road. The request is made to facilitate their Annual Yarmarok to be held on October 19th to 21st, 2001 and the hours of operation will be between the hours of 12:00 noon and 1:00 a.m. with an anticipated attendance of 400 people each day of the event.

And further that this Council confirms the nature of this event as a Community Festival and that it is of municipal significance to our Community;

And that the foregoing approval be subject to the following conditions:

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(Continued)

1. That the event representative ensure emergency vehicles have access to the event area;
2. That all Ontario Fire Code regulations must be adhered to, in particular, with respect to Section 2.8 that indicates a Fire Safety Plan is required for this event;
3. That no bonfires of any kind, barbecues or similar types of cooking devises shall be operated on the site without the consent of the Fire Chief, and that an approved fire extinguisher be provided for each of the foregoing;
4. That when outdoor amplified sound equipment is in use, all speakers and speaker stacks shall be positioned to tilt downward into the audience or crowd versus projecting straight over the crowd or adjoining properties;
5. That the event representative or his designate must be present on the site during the entire duration of the event.
6. That the event representatives ensure the provision of adequate clean-up of the site and those properties adjacent to the event.

CARRIED

Item C-12
2001 AMO Counties,
Regions & CMSMs
Conference

Report dated 2001-09-06, with attachment, from the General Manager of Corporate Services regarding 2001 AMO Counties, Regions and CMSMs Conference, October 14th to 17th, 2001, Deerhurst Resort, Huntsville, Ontario was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2001-486 Dupuis/Davey: THAT Members of Council and the Chief Administrative Officer for the City of Greater Sudbury be authorized to attend the 2001 AMO Counties, Regions and CMSMs Conference to be held from October 14th to 17th, 2001 at the Deerhurst Resort, Huntsville, Ontario.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

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| 2001-224A | 3 | BEING A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL AT ITS MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 13th, 2001 |
| 2001-225T | 2 | BEING A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO STOP-UP, CLOSE AND SELL THE LANE NORTH OF NICKEL STREET, PLAN M-144, CONISTON |

Committee of the Whole - Planning Resolution 2001-112.

- 2001-226A 3 BEING A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AMEND BY-LAW 2001-34A TO APPOINT OFFICIALS FOR THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY
- (This By-law updates the list of Deputy Clerks who act as Commissioners for Oaths.)
- 2001-227Z 3 BEING A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AMEND BY-LAW 83-300, THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING BY-LAW FOR THE FORMER TOWN OF VALLEY EAST AND THE FORMER TOWN OF ONAPING FALLS
- Committee of the Whole - Planning Resolution
- (This By-law rezones the subject property to "A-14", Agricultural Reserve Zone-Special, to permit the processing, storage and retail sale of firewood, in addition to uses permitted in an "A" Zone. George Solomon, 636 Gravel Drive, Hanmer)
- Council concurred with a request by the City Solicitor that By-law 2001-227Z be pulled from the Agenda at this time and be dealt with at a later date.
- 2001-228A 3 BEING A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY, THE GREATER SUDBURY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND ALERTECH FOR THE PROVISION OF FUNDING
- (This By-law is to authorize an Agreement with Alertech that was authorized as part of this year's budget.)
- 2001-229T 3 BEING A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AMEND BY-LAW 2001-1, TO REGULATE TRAFFIC AND PARKING ON ROADS IN THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY
- Report from the General Manager of Public Works dated August 30, 2001.
- 2001-230 3 BEING A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AMEND BY-LAW 2001-85 TO APPOINT MUNICIPAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO ENFORCE THE PRIVATE PROPERTY SECTIONS OF BY-LAW 2001-1
- (This By-law updates the list of private parking control officers.)

2001-231Z 3 BEING A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AMEND BY-LAW 2001-124Z, BEING A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW 95-500Z, THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING BY-LAW FOR THE FORMER CITY OF SUDBURY

(This By-law amendment corrects a zone classification reference with respect to the subject property by deleting the classification "R1.D18" and replacing said reference with the classification "R1". Dalron Construction Limited, Tuscany Trail, Sudbury)

1st & 2nd Reading

2001-487 Davey/Bradley: That By-law 2001-224A to and including By-law 2001-226A, By-law 2001-228A to and including By-law 2001-231Z be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

3rd Reading

2001-488 Bradley/Davey: That By-law 2001-224A, By-law 2001-226A, By-law 2001-228A to and including By-law 2001-231Z be read a third time and passed.

CARRIED

- Report Request
By-law 2001-230

Council concurred with a request by Councillors Kilgour and McIntaggart for a staff report on the enforcement of handicapped parking regulations in commercial establishments.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Item C-13
Older Adult Centre
Annual Review of
Operations/Progress

Report dated 2001-09-05 from Bill Babij, Chair, Board of Directors, Older Adult Centre Sudbury/Centre des Aînés de Sudbury regarding Annual Review of Centre Operations and Progress was received for information.

Item C-14
Sudbury Tourism
Information Radio
(STIR) 102.9

Report dated 2001-08-30 from the General Manager, Economic Development and Planning Services regarding Sudbury Tourism Information Radio (STIR) 102.9 was received for information.

PART II REGULAR AGENDA

MANAGERS' REPORTS

Item R-1
EARTHCARE
Sudbury Anti-
Idling Initiative

Report dated 2001-09-04 from the General Manager of Public Works regarding EARTHCARE Sudbury Anti-Idling Initiative was received.

Item R-1
(Continued)

The following resolution was presented:

2001-489 Davey/Bradley: That Council support both the development of the EARTHCARE Sudbury Anti-Idling Initiative as funded by Natural Resources Canada and a future Anti-Idling Campaign for Municipal Operations.

CARRIED

Item R-2
Voice Radio
Relocation &
Financing

Report dated 2001-09-05 from the Chief of Police, Greater Sudbury Police Service and the General Manager of Emergency Services regarding Voice Radio Relocation and Financing was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2001-490 Dupuis/Davey: THAT Council approves the System Purchase Agreement with M/A Com for the expansion of the emergency communication system for the purpose of police and fire services dispatch in the amount of \$2,901,798 (not including taxes) with funding to be provided from the Transition Capital Budget;

AND THAT the additional funding required, in the amount of \$400,000 be provided from the Capital Fund, and repaid from the Police Services operating budget in the amount of \$69,128 annually over seven (7) years commencing in 2001.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

2001-232A

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BEING A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY AND M/A-COM PRIVATE RADIO SYSTEMS CANADA CORP.

Transition Board Resolution 2000-323

Report from Paul Montgomery, Manager of Corporate Development & Improvement, Greater Sudbury Police Services, dated April 11, 2001 and received for information by City Council at its meeting April 24th, 2001.

(This By-law authorizes execution of the system purchase agreement for the expansion of the voice radio communication system for police and fire.)

1st & 2nd Reading

2001-491 Davey/Bradley: That By-law 2001-232A be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

3rd Reading

2001-492 Bradley/Davey: That By-law 2001-232A be read a third time and passed.

CARRIED

Item R-3
Size & Composition of
N.D.C.A. and Citizen
Appointments

Report dated 2001-09-05, with attachment, from the General Manager of Corporate Services regarding the size and composition of the Nickel District Conservation Authority Board and the Appointment of three (3) Citizens to the Nickel District Conservation Authority was received.

The following resolutions were presented:

2001-493 Portelance/Davey: THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury hereby confirms that the membership of the General Board of the Nickel District Conservation Authority shall be set at seven (7) members;

AND THAT four (4) of the members be Members from the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury;

AND THAT three (3) of the members be interested Citizens selected by the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury.

CARRIED

2001-494 Davey/Dupuis: That the names of the applicants listed on Schedule "A" hereto for appointment to the **Board of Directors, Nickel District Conservation Authority**, be received for nomination.

CARRIED

Following an election process, the following resolution was presented to appoint three (3) citizens to the Board of Directors of the Nickel District Conservation Authority:

2001-495 Davey/Portelance: That the following three (3) citizens be appointed to the **Board of Directors of the Nickel District Conservation Authority** for the term ending November 30th, 2003:

Patricia (Pat) A. Douglas
Bob Rogers
G rard Dalcourt

CARRIED

MOTIONS

Item R-4
“Unduly Burdensome
Tax” Program

Following a lengthy debate on the motion regarding an “unduly burdensome tax” program presented by Councillor Callaghan, the following resolution was presented:

2001-496 Callaghan/Davey: THAT Council proceed with an “unduly burdensome tax” program as outlined in the report dated August 10th, 2001 from the General Manager of Corporate Services;

AND FURTHER THAT this program be limited to the 2001 tax year only.

RECORDED VOTE:

YEAS

Callaghan

NAYS

Bradley
Courtemanche
Craig
Davey
Dupuis
Kilgour
Lalonde
McIntaggart
Portelance
Gordon

MOTION LOST

Item R-5
Railway Crossing -
Highway 144 (Onaping
towards Dowling)

22001-497 Bradley/Davey: WHEREAS the current Railway Crossing on Highway 144 at the old CPR Station and INCO spur line (Onaping towards Dowling) is a substandard and deficient section of roadway requiring re-alignment, crossing rehabilitation and a reduction in the posted speed limit for the safe approach of motor vehicles;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the council of the City of Greater Sudbury hereby petitions the Ministries of Transportation and Northern Development and Mines to address the dangerous conditions of this crossing and immediately undertake the required road and railway crossing improvements to this Railway Crossing;

AND FURTHER THAT copies of the resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Bradley V. Clark, Minister of Transportation, the Honourable Dan Newman, Minister of Northern Development and Mines, Mr. Bruce Sedgwick, Acting District Engineer, Sudbury District, Ministry of Transportation and to all local members of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario

CARRIED

ADDENDUM

Addendum to Agenda

The following resolution was presented:

2001-498 Portelance/Davey: That the Addendum to the Agenda be dealt with at this time.

CARRIED

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

MANAGERS' REPORTS

Item AD.1 Proposed Public/ Private Partnership - Vista Hospitality Co.

Report dated 2001-08-24, with attachment, from Amin S. Visram, Vista Hospitality Company, regarding a Proposed Public/Private Partnership with Vista Hospitality Company for the Sudbury Convention Facility was received.

Discussion took place regarding the hiring of a consultant to provide a feasibility study of the project with an upset limit of \$25,000. The Chief Administrative Officer advised when the consultant's findings were completed, a report would be brought back to Council.

Several Councillors were of the opinion that this matter should have been brought before the Greater Sudbury Community Development Corporation for its review and input.

The following resolution was presented:

2001-499 Davey/Bradley: WHEREAS the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury is willing to explore public private partnerships to enhance Sudbury's quality of life and promote economic development and tourism;

AND WHEREAS the owners of City Centre have expressed an interest in exploring a partnership with the City for a convention facility;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT City staff be authorized to retain a consultant to prepare a report which reviews the feasibility, financial impact and makes recommendations on a proposed partnership for the creation of a convention facility between the City and Vista Hospitality and that study be funded from the Industrial Development Reserve Fund.

CARRIED

QUESTION PERIOD

Bears in the Community

Members of Council expressed concern over the number of black bears roaming at large throughout the City of Greater Sudbury.

Councillor Bradley suggested a meeting be arranged with the Honourable J. Snobelen, Minister of Natural Resources to discuss the issue.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised a letter had been written to the Minister of Natural Resources requesting a meeting. He requested the Chief of Police outline the process and procedures followed when a call regarding bears is placed.

Police Chief McCauley reviewed the process and confirmed the matter should be dealt with by the Ministry of Natural Resources. He advised that Police Services had no training or skills in dealing with bear complaints. He stressed that the Greater Police Service would respond to any requests for assistance.

Traffic Signs

Councillor McIntaggart advised he had requested removal of stop signs at the Irving/Bulmer intersection following the closure of the fire hall located in that area. Two hotels are also located in the immediate vicinity and there is a substantial traffic flow from Delki Dozzi Park. He requested staff review this matter and have the signs re-installed.

- Report Request

The General Manager of Public Works advised a report would be included on the Council Agenda for the next meeting addressing this concern.

Transition Costs

Councillor Lalonde requested clarification of the amount of money indicated on the recent tax bills (.9 % of 1%) as his ward constituents questioned him on it.

- Report Request

The General Manager of Corporate Services responded the item referred to the cost of the Transition Board itself for the year 2001. He advised a report would be brought back to Council regarding this item. The report would also indicate what the amalgamation savings from the municipal amalgamation were and what the impact on the budget might have been if amalgamation had not occurred.

David Street Water Treatment Plant

Councillor Craig requested an updated as to when construction on the upgrade to the David Street Water Treatment Plant would begin.

The General Manager of Public Works advised he had been in contact with the Minister of the Environment to request an extension for the project and a meeting would be held during the next week to discuss the matter.

Train Whistling

Councillor Craig questioned if there was a by-law in place to restrict train whistling throughout certain parts of the city.

The City Solicitor advised the old by-laws continue to apply and only new crossings require action. A report is in preparation requesting limitation of train whistling at various crossings. INCO train whistling in Copper Cliff will also be reviewed.

Proceed Past
10:00 p.m.

2001-500 Dupuis/Davey: That we proceed past the hour of 10:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Firearms Discharge

Councillor Callaghan questioned the status of the firearms discharge by-law in regard to small bird hunting in the outlying areas of the city.

The City Solicitor advised the existing by-laws of the former City of Sudbury and surrounding municipalities were being examined, the new fire arms discharge by-law was being circulated for comments and would be brought back to Council in the near future.

Aggressive Driving
Program

Councillor Courtemanche questioned if the Police Services was aware of Provincial funding for the Aggressive Driving Community Support Program.

Chief McCauley responded the program had been used in the past. Funding received paid for overtime for police officers to conduct a blitz throughout an urban part of the City and the program was successful.

Death of K. Rogers

Councillor Courtemanche expressed concern over the circumstances leading to the death of Kimberly Rogers and advised he had received numerous telephone calls calling for an inquest. Councillor Courtemanche stated he supported this request.

Municipal Act

Councillor Davey expressed concern that local councils were not being consulted regarding drafting of the new Municipal Act and requested staff review the document.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised there was no dialogue as to what was tabled and requested the City Solicitor and General Managers review the draft and submit their comments. A report would then be brought back to Council.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Item R-6
Topsoil Preservation
Act

Presented by Councillor Bradley:

WHEREAS the *Topsoil Preservation Act* allows the councils of municipalities to pass by-laws regulating the removal of topsoil, rehabilitation of lands from which topsoil is removed and the procedures and standards by which these should be done;

Item R-6
(Continued)

AND WHEREAS the Official Plan for the Sudbury Planning Area provides that it shall be the object of Council to conserve the Region's soil resources and, in particular: "*Conserve soils with a high capability for agriculture and regulate the stripping of topsoil from existing or potential farm operations*";

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury appoint an *ad hoc* Committee consisting of two Councillors, staff and local experts in re-greening or soil conservation practices to recommend to Council such policies, practices and regulations which will preserve the topsoil on lands valuable for agriculture and forestry as well as provide for the rehabilitation of lands where topsoil removal is permissible;

AND FURTHER THAT this *ad hoc* Committee shall report to Council no later than ninety (90) days following its appointment.

Due to his absence at the next meeting of City Council, Councillor Bradley requested that the foregoing Notice of Motion be put over to the October 11th, 2001 meeting of Council.

Adjournment

2001-501 Dupuis/Davey: That this meeting does now adjourn.
Time: 10:25 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor

Clerk