

1974

**EDMONTON
SOCIAL
PLANNING
COUNCIL**

**ANNUAL
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CHAIRPERSONS' REPORT

The goals of the Edmonton Social Planning Council are:

- ** to act as "an agent for social change and development,"
- ** to "develop and maintain a voluntary, non-governmental capability for informed decision-making and action,"
- ** to provide "resources to initiate and also to support efforts through which citizen plans can be developed and implemented."

During the past year, the Edmonton Social Planning Council has continued to conduct a wide variety of programs designed to meet these goals.

Before describing the 1974 programs, we would like first to discuss important changes in organization and focus which evolved over the year. It is our hope that these developments will increase the Council's effectiveness in meeting its stated goals.

Organizationally: as a need for a more adequate governing structure was generally realized, on March 27, 1975, the Co-ordinating Committee proposed to a meeting of the membership a number of amendments to the Bylaws. These were substantively approved and come into effect at this Annual Meeting (May 1, 1975).

The changes in the Bylaws provide for a Board and President type structure rather than the present Co-ordinating Committee and Chairman type structure.

Tonight, a three-person executive comprised of a President and two Vice-presidents, and a ten person Board will be elected.

One of the intents of the new structure is to make less onerous the duties of Board members. Meetings of the full Board are to take place a minimum of six times yearly, whereas the present Co-ordinating Committee has followed a schedule of meetings every two weeks. Additionally, the changes are intended to ensure that there is a mutual understanding of the greater commitment expected of executive officers.

As clarification also appeared necessary in the working relationship at staff level, this was dealt with by the Co-ordinating Committee in consultation with staff. In recent years the planners have reported individually to the Co-ordinating Committee. It was decided that the presently rather ambiguous position of Co-ordinator should be changed to an Executive Director position, with the Executive Director directly responsible for the activities of all staff. To all of you who have been closely involved with the Council, either as staff or as Co-ordinating Committee members, it will be obvious that these changes represent a move toward more traditional organizational forms.

We believe that the clearer delineation of roles will allow those involved to take on responsibilities concomitant with the contributions they are able to make.

We trust that the sort of values held by those attracted to the Edmonton Social Planning Council will forbid the possibility of this Board becoming a rubber stamp for its Executive, or this staff becoming alienated from decision-making.

Looking outward now, we wish to report on a change in focus, more subtle, perhaps, than the clear organizational changes already discussed.

In recent years we have relied on Task Forces and Citizens' Commissions to carry out our purposes. The Commissions have played a valuable

role in establishing the parameters and direction of Council involvement in social change. They have also provided public education in their areas of concern. Similarly, the Task Forces have successfully raised issues and provided input to all levels of government. In some cases, however, it was found that the impact of the Task Force reports might have been greater had they been presented by citizen groups prepared to continue working on an issue, without the further assistance of the Council.

Therefore the focus shifts - with the Council acting as consultant to citizen groups, the groups presenting their proposals to government or other public bodies, as they see fit, with no attempt to channel such proposals through Edmonton Social Planning Council Task Forces.

As it would obviously be difficult for the relatively small Council staff to adequately serve all types of citizen groups, priorities were set for groups to be served in 1975. The criteria used to determine the priorities were: activity by various types of groups, staff capabilities, expressed need for help by various types of groups, and funding possibilities. Accordingly, it was determined to establish as the first priority, (A) consultation to neighbourhood groups, and as the second, (B) consultation to women's groups. So far, a number of projects in these areas have been successfully undertaken and prove that the Council can offer valuable help in these areas. (See next section of this report).

We would not like to finish this report without commenting on two further matters. First, there have been staff changes over the past year which in total will involve, among the planners at least, a complete staff turnover. Batya Chivers and Chelene Koenig finished their temporary appointment about a year ago. Roger Soderstrom, after two years with the Council as Senior Planner, left to take up a position with the Alberta

Housing Corporation. Jean Dragushan worked her term of eight months with the Council last year in the Decent Standard of Living area and was replaced by Missy Parnell, as a temporary planner, who is currently working on a seven month appointment as consultant to neighbourhood groups. Peter Boothroyd, Co-ordinator, and Deloris Russell, Planner, after almost three years each with the Council, will be finishing this summer. We have appreciated the work these staff have provided to the Council and look forward to equal contributions from the new planning staff. We hope to name the new Executive Director very soon.

Rose French, Office Manager, and Sharon Borschyk, Secretary, continue to serve the Council. We are especially grateful that they have been willing to carry out the office work as a staff of two, one less than the office staff complement in previous years.

Finally, we note that our financial condition, if not secure, appears in our view to be promising. The United Way of Edmonton and Area hired a consultant, (Henry Stubbins), to review the work of the Edmonton Social Planning Council and its relationship to the United Way. He recommended continued funding for the Council. A committee composed of representatives from the two organizations is now meeting to discuss the report. We have secured in recent years, grants for research and fees for services from various bodies, and look forward to continued funds from these sources. The annual grant from the City of Edmonton, we hope, will be increased to reflect both inflation and the increased services which the City now sees the Edmonton Social Planning Council can provide to the City and its citizens.

We are confident that the Edmonton Social Planning Council's role in this community is important and is seen to be so, by many. With our new organizational structure and new activities focus, we look forward to a year of improved service to Edmonton.

Jean Battell

Patti Hartnagel

Cathie Sam

Chairpersons
Co-ordinating Committee
EDMONTON SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL

EDMONTON SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

1974

During 1974, the Edmonton Social Planning Council completed most of the work on its four citizens' commissions and undertook several task forces. In line with the decision to increase the emphasis on provision of consultation to citizens' groups, a number of projects were developed under this heading. Finally the Council published several books and pamphlets; these fall into two categories: how-to-do-it handbooks and public education materials.

COMMISSIONS

Humane Standard of Living - In February, this Commission released its review of governmental policies in Alberta relating to poverty and welfare. The report looks at developments over the past two years since the Council's Research Document on Poverty and Welfare in Alberta was published. The Commission found that "the poor have been left far behind" in affluent Alberta, despite some "worthy" Provincial initiatives for changing the welfare system.

Humane Social Controls - After examining the many facets of institutional social control, the Commission narrowed its scope to the social control mechanism of the judicial system. Such an examination of the judicial system requires a look at the many facets of justice, the role of police in implementing social control, the institutions which handle those persons designated as criminals, the social values implied in our judicial system (e.g. individual shop-lifting offence, 2 years in jail, vs. false advertising, a fine of \$1,000.) The conclusions drawn by the Commission can be read in the new publication, Justice In Alberta: A Citizen's Look at The Law, available in mid-May, 1975.

Humane Urban Environment - This Commission completed its report noting that the essence of a good city is one which contributes to socially productive interaction among its citizens. This premise has all kinds of implications for zoning and landuse planning, transportation, and other aspects of physical design.

Participatory Democracy - This Commission concluded that new or redefined structures were necessary in the city to encourage meaningful and responsible citizen participation. A brief related to this was presented to the Ad hoc Committee on Citizen Participation (Sam Walz, an active member of the Commission, also sat as a representative from the Edmonton Social Planning Council on this Committee.)

TASK FORCES

L.I.P. Grants - This Task Force on L.I.P. Grants met twice early in the year and published their final report in February, 1974.

The principal recommendations of the Task Force are that if constituency advisory groups are used, the applicants be fully informed as to their existence and personnel make-up of the constituency advisory groups. If there is an earnest desire on the part of Canada Manpower to decentralize decision-making and thereby achieve greater participation, then it is important that Canada Manpower do no pre-screening of projects for the constituency advisory group.

Emergency Dental Services - In January, 1974, a Task Force convened to examine the availability of emergency dental care in Edmonton. Task Force recommendations for a Dental Emergency Service to be located in a hospital setting are based on a brief prepared by the Edmonton and District Dental Society.

City Land Purchases - For some time, people active with the Edmonton Social Planning Council have been concerned about city practices regarding land purchasing. There are concerns for the future of river valley communities where 'Parks and Recreation' is buying property, for residents abutting freeways or roadways which are to be widened. There are concerns about the city's maintenance record and attitude to poorer, especially older, home owners and rooming house tenants. There are concerns about the lack of purchases for mini-parks in the downtown area.

A research document listing every city purchase over the last two years has been prepared by the Edmonton Social Planning Council and is now available as raw data.

School Drop-Outs - One concern that emerged from the Humane Standard of Living activities was that children in Edmonton do not have equal access to education. Children from poorer families drop-out of school in greater numbers than those from middle and upper-class families. In light of this fact, the Commission felt that a study of this situation should be carried out. As a result, the Task Force on School Drop-outs was formed to consider the problem.

It has now issued a report which directs a number of recommendations to the School Board Administration which could reduce the drop-out rate. Copies of the Task Force Report are available from the Edmonton Social Planning Council.

Maternity Leave - On its completion of the Task Force on Women in the Albertan Labour Force, the Edmonton Social Planning Council found that one area where Alberta lags far behind other provinces is in providing statutory maternity leave for female employees. After discussion with several groups, the Council prepared a Task Force on Maternity Leave.

Mini-Parks and River Valley Trails - These two Task Forces were funded by the Alberta Environmental Research Trust. The purpose of the Mini-Park Task Force was to survey the situation in Edmonton with regard to mini-park

development and to make appropriate recommendations. The approach was to form a Task Force of persons interested in mini-parks to oversee the work of researchers (Leslie Bella and George Kelly) contracted by the Edmonton Social Planning Council. The report represents the findings of these researchers and the conclusions of the Task Force.

The River Valley Trails Task Force looked at the different needs which the river valley trails are to meet and developed a system approach to trail planning. Diane Nash spent a couple of months as consultant to this project.

CONSULTATION TO CITIZENS GROUPS

In addition to short-term consultation with various groups seeking funds, and other resources, organizational advice, etc., the Edmonton Social Planning Council undertook a number of longer term projects which fall under the heading of consultation to citizens groups.

Oliver Community Profile: prepared by Missy Parnell under contract with the Council at the request of the Oliver Social Action Committee, the Edmonton Social Planning Council agreed to produce a profile on the Oliver area which would contain information helpful to O.S.A.C. in its planning and development in the Oliver area.

The profile documented present, proposed and probable land-use patterns, transportation (roadways and transit) developments, social and recreation services, and population characteristics in Oliver. (Oliver is defined as north of the river, west of 109th Street, south of 104th Street and east of Groat Road.) This profile is a prototype for the kind of information we can gather for, and with, other neighbourhood organizations.

Citizens Transportation Planning Conference: The Edmonton Social Planning Council along with nine other community groups hosted a Citizens' Transportation Planning Conference. The purpose of the Conference was to provide citizens with an opportunity to find out about recent transportation plans, evaluate these plans in consultation with citizens from different neighbourhoods, and pass on their suggestions to City Hall. About 130 people attended in total and a number of resolutions were passed in the final day.

The steering committee of the conference, through Peter Boothroyd, spoke to the hearing on the transportation bylaw and succeeded in securing certain guarantees in this bylaw that the City's policy favouring public transit and indicating safeguards for neighbourhoods and ravines would be respected by the City.

Rape Crisis Centre: Deloris worked with representatives of other agencies and groups to establish a rape crisis centre. The focus of this centre will be threefold:

- 1) public education,
- 2) the provision of emotional support to rape victims at the time of occurrence, and
- 3) discussion and counselling with rape victims when needed.

Transportation Needs of the Handicapped: The Edmonton Social Planning Council provided assistance to six Edmonton handicapped organizations by allowing them to hire researcher, Ted Parnell, to aid them in researching and preparing a brief concerning the special transportation needs of the handicapped. Input from these handicapped groups has made city planners more aware of these special needs and has led to some changes in the City's approach to the question that came before City Council in November. The brief "Access: Transportation" is available from the Action Group of the Disabled.

Garneau Community Study: The Garneau Community League requested our assistance in preparing a study of their area to be used to draw up a plan for the future. We worked out a basic scheme for them, which they have since expanded and taken to interested members of the community. They are working full steam ahead to gather necessary information so that an analysis can be done of "what is" in order to prepare a "what the community wants to see", with the ultimate goal of having it accepted by City Council.

Alliance of Neighbourhood Groups: The Edmonton Social Planning Council participated with a number of neighbourhood groups in setting up an alliance for mutual defense and support. A grant was secured from the Secretary of State, to help this group in some of its initial projects.

Area Development Paper: In August, a number of neighbourhood groups met to discuss the various plans of the Provincial Government and the City for developing neighbourhood committees and integrated service delivery programs. It was soon determined that nobody was quite clear as to what was planned. The Edmonton Social Planning Council undertook to find out, and at a meeting in September, Leslie Bella presented the results of her research. Her paper "Present Proposals (Formal and Informal) of Government Departments at Provincial and City Levels, with Regard to Development of Area Council and/or Integrated Social Service Delivery System" is available from the Edmonton Social Planning Council.

Neighbourhood Improvement: Late in 1974, under a fee for service from the City, Missy Parnell, on staff with the Edmonton Social Planning Council, started working on a co-operative project with the City to heighten public awareness of the City Planning Department's document on Neighbourhood Improvement. The Planning Council decided on this project as it is a means to strengthen our contacts with community groups and concerned individuals. This ties in with our Priority "A": consultants to neighbourhood groups.

HANDBOOKS

The Edmonton Social Planning Council published several documents in 1974. Some of these are seen as part of the consulting role of the Edmonton Social Planning Council and are itemized here as handbooks. Others listed fall within the category of public education. (See next page for listing).

Sunclimbers: A Manual for Starting Pre-school Programs - a basic information guide on how to start pre-school programs, includes administration, funding, program possibilities, becoming legal, etc. J. Henry and D. Russell, authors. 500 copies of Sunclimbers have been sold. Due to the unexpected demand for Sunclimbers, it is now out of print.

Rape of the Block (or everyperson's guide to neighbourhood defense) is an eighty-six page handbook oriented to the citizens of Edmonton who are tired of "losing out" to poor planning and all-powerful developers. Written by Missy Parnell, Verna Semotuk and Joan Swain after six months of investigation and behind-the-scenes prying, it takes a light-hearted look at areas of everyday relevance to everyday citizens. It is well-sprinkled with cartoons and illustrations by local artist, Harry Savage.

Present approaches to urban development, transportation plans and parks are still brought under fire with suggestions of what the citizen can do to help improve the way these areas are being (mis)handled.

Included is a citizen's guide to avoiding City Hall red tape, a few pointers on putting pressure on the powers that be, a brief run-down of active community groups, an article on the advantages of establishing community councils, and the ins and outs of protecting your neighbourhood. Rape of the Block is now in its second printing having sold out the first one thousand copies. (\$2.00 per copy.)

EDUCATIONAL PUBLICATIONS

Most of the educational publications of 1974 deal with matters in the area of "humane standard of living".

An Updating Supplement to Alternatives to Poverty and Welfare in Alberta:

In 1973 the Edmonton Social Planning Council published a document titled "Alternatives to Poverty and Welfare in Alberta". Two years later, how far has Alberta moved towards implementing an alternative to welfare? Have the welfare rates moved closer to meeting the needs of the people? Have minimum wages risen so that the working person is no longer below the poverty line? Has there been a change in the income distribution? Are we closer to implementing a guaranteed income than we were two years ago? These and other questions are raised and answered in the new Edmonton Social Planning Council publication, "An Updating Supplement to Alternatives to Poverty and Welfare in Alberta" by Ted Parnell. If you have the original report, then the supplement may be obtained for 50¢. If you missed the original study, some are still available with the supplement for \$2.00 from the Edmonton Social Planning Council.

Twenty Questions on Welfare: (revised). If we could just get rid of welfare, everyone would have to work. Besides everyone cheats! RIGHT? WRONG? WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT IT?

Thus begins the updated version of Twenty Questions on Welfare; a 12-page pamphlet addressing itself to dispelling the myths which exist in our society about the poor. This pamphlet is excellent as a focal point for discussion in classrooms, churches, or neighbourhood groups, or just for the individual to find out just how correct his/her information about welfare in Alberta is. Copies of this pamphlet are available free of charge. Bulk orders accepted for a small fee.

To Be Poor In Canada: a school text developed by Jean Dragushan, based on the research that went into the previously listed publications and the humane standard of living citizens commission, and with the co-operation of the Edmonton Public School Board. The text has been found useful by teachers and it is hoped that the book, which fills a clear gap in local educational materials, will be widely used.

Also:

A Descriptive Pamphlet on the Correctional Institutions in Alberta: The Commission on Humane Social Controls prepared as part of their research "A Descriptive Pamphlet on the Correctional Institutions in Alberta". This concise pamphlet speaks for itself: Do you imagine that offenders go to jail for long periods of time? Well, the majority of those in institutions are there for less than 60 days. This poses a time limit on any rehabilitation programs we might wish were occurring. Did you think that offenders in jail were older people fully aware of the results of their actions? The survey shows that from 33% to 51% of those in specific institutions are in the age grouping of 16 - 21 years (Lethbridge Institution an exception with 28%). What does a sentence in jail do for a person of that age? The pamphlet should be helpful to anyone working with offenders, potential offenders or families of offenders.

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Province of Alberta

EDMONTON SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL

OBJECTS OF THE COUNCIL

I. NAME

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II. OBJECTS

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An objective of the organization is to develop and maintain a voluntary non-governmental capability for informed decision making and action.

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EDMONTON SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL

B Y - L A W S

I. MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNCIL

The management of the business and affairs of the Council shall be vested in the co-ordinating Board which may delegate any of its powers to an appropriate group or individual.

II. RELATIONSHIP TO THE UNITED WAY

The relationship of the Council to the United Way shall be determined by such agreements as may be determined from time to time by the managing groups of each organization.

III. JURISDICTION

The area to be served by the Council shall include the City of Edmonton and adjacent communities and such other municipalities and communities as may be determined from time to time by the membership.

IV. MEMBERSHIP

(a) Membership shall be open to anyone residing within the jurisdiction of the Council as set out above.

(b) Membership in the Council shall be effective upon written application to the Council and acceptance by the Board. Membership dues may be set by the Board.

(c) A member may withdraw from the Council by giving notice in writing of his intention to do so.

(d) Membership may be terminated by a vote at a general meeting of not less than three-fourths of such members entitled to vote as are present in person.

(e) Each member shall be entitled to one vote at meetings of the Council.

V. MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL

(a) The Annual Meeting of the Council shall be held not later than May 31st of each year. At such annual meeting, the co-ordinating Board, as hereinafter provided, shall be appointed.

(b) Special general meetings of the membership of the Council may be called at any time by the co-ordinating Board or upon written request of five members of the Council.

(c) Notice of general meetings of the Council shall be sent to all members at least 14 days prior to such meeting.

(d) At all general meetings of the Council, a quorum for the transaction of business shall be eleven (11) members.

(e) A majority of votes of the members present at any general meeting of the Council shall decide any question coming before the meeting.

VI. BOARD

(a) The business and affairs of the Council shall be managed by a co-ordinating Board which will exercise all the powers of the Council except such as are by law or by this constitution conferred upon or reserved to the members.

(b) The co-ordinating Board shall consist of a core of ten (10) members of the Council duly elected at the Annual General Meeting by the membership from a list of members who volunteer to serve on the co-ordinating Board, and such members as are appointed following the Annual General Meeting as outlined in subsection VI (d), plus the President and two (2) Vice-Presidents.

(c) The co-ordinating Board shall be appointed for the period covered between two successive annual meetings. At the conclusion of this period a new Board shall be formed which may or may not include members from the retiring co-ordinating Board.

(d) Additions of persons to the co-ordinating Board following the annual general meeting must be approved by a majority of those presently serving on the co-ordinating Board.

(e) The co-ordinating Board shall meet at least six (6) times a year.

(f) The date and place of a Board meeting shall be set by the Board at its previous meeting. The first meeting of the Board shall be held immediately following the adjournment of the Annual Meeting. Special meetings of the Board may be held on call by the Executive, upon fourteen (14) days written notice.

(g) Board meetings shall be open to all members of the Council, but only Board members may vote.

(h) Meetings of the Board shall be chaired by the President or by another officer in the President's absence.

(i) At all meetings of the co-ordinating Board, a quorum for the transaction of business shall be 40% of the members of the co-ordinating Board.

(j) A majority of votes of the members present at any meeting of the co-ordinating Board shall decide any questions coming before the meeting.

VII. OFFICERS

(a) The officers of the Council shall consist of the President and two (2) Vice-Presidents.

(b) A President and two Vice-Presidents shall each be duly elected at every Annual Meeting by a majority of Council members present and shall each serve for one year. Persons filling these positions may stand for re-election at subsequent annual meetings.

(c) In the event of the death or retirement of the President or a Vice-President a replacement shall be elected from the membership of the Board, by the Board, at its soonest duly called meeting. The replacement shall serve until the next general meeting of the membership.

(d) The membership may remove a person filling one of the officer positions from that position by a simple majority of members present at any of its duly called meetings. The membership shall replace a person removed from the office of President or Vice-President at the same meeting as the removal.

(e) The individual officers shall carry out such tasks, and with such authority, as are given them respectively by the Board.

(f) Members and staff of the Council who handle funds or property of the Council shall be bonded in such amounts as may be required from time to time by the co-ordinating Board, the expense of which bonding shall be borne by the Council.

(g) The funds and property of the Council shall be used for the benefit of the Council and to promote its objectives and not for personal gain or profit of any officer or member.

(h) The books and accounts of the Council shall be audited yearly by a chartered accountant.

(i) At the annual general meeting of the Council, the Executive shall present to the membership the last report of such audit which shall have been conducted not more than 60 days prior to such meeting.

(j) Each member of the Council shall upon request be entitled to receive a copy of such report.

VIII. EXECUTIVE

(a) The Executive shall comprise the President and the two (2) Vice-Presidents.

(b) The date and place of a next executive meeting shall be set by the executive at its previous meeting. The first meeting of the executive shall be held immediately following the Board meeting following the Annual Meeting. Special meetings of the executive may be called with seven (7) days notice by the President or a Vice-President.

(c) The Executive shall carry out such tasks, and with such authority, as are given to the executive by the Board.

(d) At all general meetings of the executive, a quorum for the transaction of business shall be two (2) members.

(e) A majority of votes of the executive members present at any executive meeting shall decide any question coming before the meeting.

IX. SEAL

The seal of the Council shall be kept in the custody of one of the executives of the Council and shall be attested by the signatures of any two of the officers of the Council.

X. FISCAL YEAR AND AUDIT

(a) The administrative and fiscal year of the organization shall be the calendar year.

(b) Auditors shall be appointed at the annual general meeting of the organization. Such auditors shall be chartered accountants.

(c) A statement of accounts duly audited shall be presented at every annual meeting.

XI. BOOKS

Every co-ordinating Board member shall at all times have access to and the right of inspection of all books and records of the Council. Every other member of the Council, not being a co-ordinating Board member shall have the right to inspect the books and records of the Council at any reasonable time upon reasonable notice in writing being given to the officer or officers having charge of such books and records.

XII. NOTICE

Written notice to any member shall be deemed to be received within forty-eight hours of the posting thereof, addressed to the member at his or her last address on record with the Council, the responsibility for the accuracy of which being that of the member.

XIII. BORROWING POWERS

The Council, for the purpose of carrying out any of its objects, may borrow, raise, or secure the payment of money in any manner it sees fit, and all of its powers in this regard may be exercised by the co-ordinating Board, PROVIDED that no debentures shall be issued without the sanction of an extraordinary resolution of the Council.

XIV. SIGNING OFFICERS

All officers and some full-time staff shall be designated as signing officers. At least one officer shall sign all documents and cheques.

XV. AMENDMENTS

The objects and bylaws of the Council may be amended by extraordinary resolution at the annual or any general meeting of the Council. Written notice of the proposed amendment shall be sent to all members, not less than 21 days before the meeting of the Council at which the amendment is to be proposed, and shall be proposed as an extraordinary resolution as set forth in the Societies' Act of Alberta.

XVI. LIABILITY OF CO-ORDINATING BOARD MEMBERS

No co-ordinating Board member for the time being of the Council shall be liable for the acts, neglect or default of any other co-ordinating Board member or employee or for any other loss, damage or misfortune whatever, which may happen in the execution of the duties within the scope of his respective office or trust in relation thereto unless the same shall happen by or through his own wilful act or default.

XVII. DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of the Edmonton Social Planning Council the assets of the Edmonton Social Planning Council, after all debts have been paid, shall be given to another non-profit society.

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AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

We have examined the balance sheet of the Edmonton Social Planning Council as of December 31, 1974 and the statements of income and expenditure, and surplus for the year then ended. Our examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of accounting records and other supporting evidence as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly the financial position of the organization at December 31, 1974 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

(Signed)

Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co.

Chartered Accountants

Edmonton, Alberta
February 24, 1975

EDMONTON SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Balance Sheet
December 31, 1974
with comparative figures for 1973

Assets

	<u>1974</u>	<u>1973</u>
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 2,679	1,419
Accounts receivable	867	470
Prepaid expenses	<u>135</u>	<u>64</u>
Total current assets	<u>3,681</u>	<u>1,953</u>
Fixed assets, at nominal value:		
Furniture and fixtures	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	\$ <u>3,682</u>	<u>1,954</u>

Liabilities and Surplus

Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,832	961
Due to Receiver General of Canada	<u>895</u>	<u>806</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>2,727</u>	<u>1,767</u>
Surplus	<u>955</u>	<u>187</u>
	\$ <u>3,682</u>	<u>1,954</u>

See accompanying note to financial statements.

EDMONTON SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL
Statement of Income and Expenditure
Year ended December 31, 1974
with comparative figures for 1973

	<u>1974</u>	<u>1973</u>
Income:		
Funds from:		
United Way of Edmonton and Area	\$ 59,449	60,966
The City of Edmonton	12,000	12,000
Alberta Environmental Research Trust (note)	<u>12,060</u>	<u>-</u>
	83,509	72,966
Less amount allocated to AID in 1972 and not recovered from United Way of Edmonton	<u>-</u>	<u>397</u>
Total income	83,509	72,569
 Expenditures:		
Salaries - executive	35,423	39,133
Salaries - clerical	17,439	17,469
Employees' benefits	1,179	776
Rent	6,000	5,750
Stationery, office supplies and printing	3,972	1,480
Maintenance of office equipment	242	550
Purchase of furniture and fixtures	340	657
Less grant from United Community Fund	<u>-</u>	<u>496</u>
	<u>340</u>	<u>161</u>
Books and publications	144	762
Postage	637	679
Telephone and telegraph	1,875	1,835
Audit fee	640	403
Membership fees	225	197
Meeting and conference expenses	730	1,991
Staff recruitment	328	154
Transportation and car allowance	2,299	2,175
Insurance	227	227
Special projects:		
Task Force on wage discrimination	-	100
Citizens Transport Planning Conference	376	-
Rape of the Block publication	1,293	-
Alternatives to Poverty in Alberta publication	(276)	(1,087)
The Sun Climbers publication	(104)	137
Alberta Environmental Research Trust (note)	4,105	-
Miscellaneous projects	<u>5,547</u>	<u>-</u>
	10,941	(850)
Sundry	<u>100</u>	<u>47</u>
Total expenditures	<u>82,741</u>	<u>72,939</u>
Net income (loss)	<u>768</u>	<u>(370)</u>

See accompanying note to financial statements.

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Statement of Surplus
Year ended December 31, 1974
with comparative figures for 1973

	<u>1974</u>	<u>1973</u>
Surplus at beginning of year	\$ 187	557
Net income (loss) for year	<u>768</u>	<u>(370)</u>
Surplus at end of year	\$ <u>955</u>	<u>187</u>

See accompanying note to financial statements.

EDMONTON SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Note to Financial Statements
December 31, 1974

Expenditures out of the grant from the Alberta Environmental Research Trust are included in executive and clerical salaries and other operating expenditures in addition to the direct expenditures of \$4,105 as shown in statement of income and expenditure under Special projects.

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