CITY OF SASKATOON COUNCIL POLICY

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1. <u>PURPOSE</u>

To provide policy guidelines which allow citizens the opportunity to donate memorial and gift items to the City of Saskatoon to enhance programs, civic facilities, equipment, public parks, and open spaces.

2. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

- 2.1 <u>Memorial</u> a contribution made in memory of a person or persons with no business advantage sought or expected in return for support.
- 2.2 <u>Gifts</u> a contribution made in celebration of an event, or made to improve public parks, open space, and/or civic facilities. There is no business advantage sought or expected in return for support.
- 2.3 <u>Planned Giving Program</u> a contribution in the form of bequests, trusts, annuities, or life insurance. There is usually no business advantage sought or expected in return for support. These contributions are of a deferred nature as the recipient must wait until the contribution matures.

3. <u>POLICY</u>

3.1 <u>Contributions</u>

- a) The City may approve any contributions that fit into the functional and aesthetic purpose and design of the space for which they are intended and which do not conflict with any other established agreements. The City reserves the right to decline any contribution or to recommend an alternate location.
- b) Only contributions meeting the design specifications of the City of Saskatoon will be accepted.

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- c) The donor will be responsible for the cost of the item, its installation, and any applicable on-site recognition.
- d) Contributions may include, but are not limited to trees, benches, picnic tables, barbecues, garbage receptacles, play structures, works of art, equipment, funding for programming, or a combination of the above items.
- e) Contributions of works of art will be subject to the provisions of the Visual Arts Placement Policy and reviewed by the Visual Arts Placement Jury.
- 3.2 Location
 - a) Contributions may be located in designated areas in parks, golf courses, civic facilities, athletic fields, or other public spaces as long as they do not conflict with the overall design and purpose of the space for which they are intended and/or do not conflict with any other established agreements.
 - b) The City reserves the right to determine final location.
- 3.3 <u>Maintenance of Contributions</u>

Regular maintenance will be provided by the City to keep the contribution in a safe and useable condition. Items that are contributed will not be replaced if they have deteriorated beyond repair, or if they are damaged due to theft or vandalism. The donor will be informed of this condition as part of the terms of acceptance of the contribution.

3.4 <u>Recognition</u>

Contributions within the scope of this program will receive recognition as follows:

a) All contributions will be recognized with a certificate.

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- b) A plaque may be allowed where it can be incorporated into the item that is contributed. The City shall not allow plaques for recognition of donor trees, except in the case of the Veteran's Memorial at Woodlawn Cemetery. The plaque design and text must be submitted to the City for approval.
- c) The City of Saskatoon is not responsible for replacement of plaques that have been damaged due to theft or vandalism except in the case of tree memorialization at Woodlawn Cemetery.
- d) An income tax receipt will be issued to the donor by the Finance Branch for items that are contributed and qualify and will be valued as prescribed by the Income Tax Act of Canada.

4. <u>RESPONSIBILITIES</u>

- 4.1 <u>Department General Manager</u> approve all contributions with a total value less than \$100,000.
- 4.2 <u>Senior Management</u> review all contributions of a sensitive nature or with a total value in excess of \$100,000.
- 4.3 <u>The Visual Arts Placement Jury</u> will be consulted on all projects involving works of art.
- 4.4 <u>City Council</u>
 - a) Approve this policy and all amendments.
 - b) Approve all contributions of a sensitive nature or with a total value to the City of greater than \$100,000.