

CITY COUNCIL #30-80

December 3, 1980.

A Special Meeting of City Council was held this evening when the following members were present - His Worship Mayor G. Parisien, Aldermen D. Armstrong, R. Aubry, G. Cameron, F. Guindon, R. Lalonde, A. Lebano, A. LeBlanc, G. Leger, J. Samis, G. Samson, J. Pescod, and W. Wise.

Mr. Jack Lettner, Assistant Deputy Minister, Property Assessment Program, Ministry of Revenue, presented the 1980 Impact Study on Market Value Assessment. He explained that this study was carried out under Section 86 of The Assessment Act which section provides for equalization within each property class but not from class to class. He also emphasized that this exercise was not a money-making scheme for the City. The total amount of assessment being derived presently in each class would simply be reapportioned within the class with no extra revenue being derived.

In giving a brief history of Section 86, he stated that in 1978, in its first year, 14 cities implemented the study and the following year 94 other cities implemented the study.

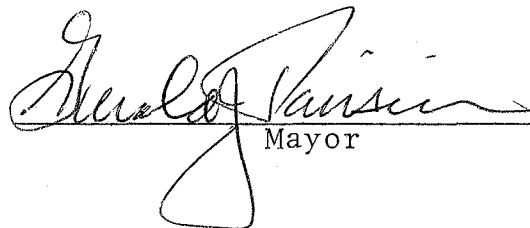
He proceeded to guide the Council through the study by explaining the classes of properties and their codes together with a listing of all properties and the impact for each one. His presentation also included a capsule listing of tax decrease and increase distributions by wards and total of units.

Having completed a review of the study Mr. Lettner, with the assistance of personnel from the Regional Assessment Office, attempted to answer any questions put forth by members of Council and the public.

Mayor Parisien closed the meeting by indicating that the Ministry requires an answer from Council within the next 10 to 12 days and that perhaps Council will have an opportunity to give full consideration to this study at the meeting of December 8th. He thanked Mr. Lettner, and asked the members of Council to further study the document for consideration in the near future.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.


Clerk


Mayor