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## Public Meeting will reveal draft By-law

The Winnipeg Zoning By-law, which manages development in the city, is undergoing a comprehensive review. A public open house, to review the proposed By-law and to gain public feedback on the proposal, has been scheduled for Tuesday January 17 from 4:00 to 8:00 pm at the Winnipeg Convention Centre.

“It is important for our citizens to be engaged in the development process,” said Councillor Peter De Smedt, Chair of the City’s Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development. “The Zoning By-law has not undergone this level of scrutiny in over ten years. People need to realize that zoning regulations and standards are fundamental to shaping the future look and feel of our city. We encourage and desire public participation in this process.”

### **Details of the Zoning By-law public meeting are as follows:**

**Date:** Tuesday, January 17, 2006

**Place:** Winnipeg Convention Centre, Main Floor, Room #4

**Time:** Drop in open house 4:00- 8:00 pm. In addition you can choose from two interactive sessions including a presentation and work stations. Session 1- 4:00- 6:00 pm; Session 2- 6:00- 8:00 pm.

**Organized by:** City of Winnipeg, Planning Property and Development Department

The Zoning By-law is the foundation for managing development in the city. The purpose of the review is to update the Winnipeg Zoning By-law and strengthen ties with Plan Winnipeg and the City’s overall planning and development policy. Other objectives of the review include: improving the clarity and transparency of the By-law; reducing red tape; enhancing customer service; and improving the quality of urban design.

It is anticipated that a new Zoning By-law will be presented to Council for consideration by October 2006. To review the draft by-law prior to the meeting, visit the City’s website at [www.winnipeg.ca/ppd/zoning\\_6400review.stm](http://www.winnipeg.ca/ppd/zoning_6400review.stm)