

THE CITY OF TORONTO

Clerk's Department

Minutes of the Budget Committee

Tuesday, March 31, 1998

The Budget Committee met on Tuesday, March 31, 1998, in Committee Room A, 2nd Floor, Metro Hall, 55 John Street, Toronto, commencing at 9:30 a.m.

Members Present:

Councillor Jakobek, Chair
Councillor Balkissoon
Councillor Chow
Councillor Kinahan
Councillor Ootes
Councillor Shiner

On motion by Councillor Balkissoon, the Minutes of the meeting of the Budget Committee held on February 17, 1998, were confirmed.

78. St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts: Request to Withdraw Funds From the Capital Improvement Fund

The Budget Committee had before it a communication (March 12, 1998) from the General Manager, St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts, requesting the withdrawal of funds in the amount of \$52,000.00 from the Centre's own Capital Improvement Fund for certain projects.

The Budget Committee recommended to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee and Council that the request from the St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts to withdraw funds in the amount of \$52,000.00 from the Centre's Capital Improvement Fund be approved.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee; c..Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, and the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services- April 1, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 1)

79. Terms of Reference - Task Force on Community Safety

The Budget Committee had before it the Terms of Reference (March 18, 1998) and request for funds from the Task Force on Community Safety.

The Budget Committee recommended to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee and Council that the request for funds in the amount of \$35,000.00, as contained in the Terms of Reference for the Task Force on Community Safety, be approved, and that such funds be transferred to, and administered by, the Clerk's Department.

The following Councillors appeared before the Budget Committee in connection with this matter:

- Councillor Brad Duguid, Scarborough City Centre, Co-Chair of the Task Force on Community Safety; and
- Councillor Ron Moeser, Scarborough Highland Creek.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 3)

80. 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets and Project Approval for Rail Replacement Along the Queensway Streetcar Line - Toronto Transit Commission

The Budget Committee had before it the following transmittal letters:

- (a) (March 24, 1998) from the Urban Environment and Development Committee recommending:
 - (1) the adoption of Recommendation No. (2) embodied in the communication (February 12, 1998) from the General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission, viz:
 - “(2) It is recommended that the Commission approve forwarding this report to the City of Toronto, requesting City Council's project and financing approval (under Toronto Project No. 120) in the amount of \$1,350,000.00 gross (\$337,500.00 net);” and
 - (2) that the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) be advised of the community's concerns regarding the inconvenience and the economic impact associated with the rail replacement along The Queensway streetcar line, having regard that the TTC already carried out work in this area in 1997; and

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- (b) (March 25, 1998) from the City Clerk forwarding the recommendations of the Urban Environment and Development Committee regarding the 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Toronto Transit Commission.

Councillor Jakobek appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

- A. Councillor Jakobek moved that funds in the amount of \$1,350,000.00 gross (\$337,500.00 net) for project and financing approval for Toronto Project No. 120 - Project Approval for Rail Replacement along The Queensway Streetcar Line - be included in the Toronto Transit Commission's Operating Budget.

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

- B. Councillor Shiner moved that this matter be deferred until such time as the report on under-expenditures is received.

Councillor Jakobek appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

- C. Councillor Jakobek moved that the Chief Administrative Officer meet with the General Manager of the Toronto Transit Commission to review the TTC's operating and capital submissions and report to the Budget Committee on April 3, 1998 on any revisions that might be required.

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

- D. Councillor Kinahan moved that the Toronto Project No. 120 be approved but that the funds not be expended until such time as the Budget Committee has reviewed the report from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding the under-expenditures.
- E. Councillor Ootes moved that Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report on the complexities of under-expenditures with respect to the Capital Budget.
- F. Councillor Balkissoon moved in amendment to Councillor Ootes motion E. that such report also include two categories indicating whether funds are from "project savings" or "projects deferred".
- G. Councillor Chow moved in amendment to Councillor Jakobek's motion C. that the review also look at what effect that the rail replacement along The Queensway Streetcar Line would have on the Operating and Capital Budget.

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motion B. moved by Councillor Shiner, it was carried.

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motion E. moved by Councillor Ootes, it was carried.

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Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motion F. moved by Councillor Balkissoon, it was carried.

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motion C. moved by Councillor Jakobek, it was carried.

Mr. David Gunn, General Manager, Toronto Transit Commission, appeared before the Budget Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

(Chief Administrative Officer; c. City Clerk - April 30, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 29 and 36)

81. 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets - Toronto Zoo

The Budget Committee had before it a transmittal letter (March 25, 1998) from the City Clerk forwarding the recommendations of the 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Toronto Zoo.

The Budget Committee recommended that the 1998 Capital and Operating Budgets for the Toronto Zoo be approved subject to the following amendments:

1. that \$30,000.00 for seasonal staff be reinstated; and
2. that \$65,000.00 be reinstated for maintenance and repairs from the \$130,000.00.

Mr. Cal White, General Manager, Toronto Zoo, appeared before the Budget Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 30)

82. 1998 Operating Budget - Exhibition Place

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The Budget Committee had before it the following:

- (a) report (March 24, 1998) from the Interim General Manager, Exhibition Place, forwarding the 1998 project operating expenditures for travel, conferences and expense allowance within the 1998 Operating Budget for Exhibition Place;
- (b) transmittal letter (March 25, 1998) from the Urban Environment and Development Committee, concurring with the recommendations proposed to date by the Budget Committee with respect to the 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets for Exhibition Place;
- (c) report (March 30, 1998) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services regarding Exhibition Place - Funding of Watermains and Sewers; and
- (d) briefing notes from the Budget Analyst regarding the 1998 Operating Budget for Exhibition Place.

The Budget Committee recommended the approval of 1998 Capital and Operating Budgets for Exhibition Place with the following amendment:

- 1. that the water and wastewater system at Exhibition Place be considered part of the City of Toronto's infrastructure and that the City fund \$250,000.00 for the 1998 Capital Program for water and sewer infrastructure only.

Ms. Dianne Young, Interim General Manager, Exhibition Place, appeared before the Budget Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 15)

83. 1998 Capital and Operating Budgets - Toronto Library Board

The Budget Committee had before it the following:

- (a) transmittal letter (March 27, 1998) from the City Clerk, forwarding the recommendations of the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee with regard to the 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets; and
- (b) Budget Analyst notes regarding the outstanding items resulting from the March 9, 1998 Budget Committee meeting.

During the Budget deliberations on March 9, 1998, it was the decision of the Budget Committee to table the issue of the ten day closing of the Metro Reference Library for consideration at its meeting of March 31, 1998.

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Councillor Jakobek appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

- A. Councillor Jakobek moved that the Eatonville Renovation/Addition project be considered within the five year capital review and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report to the Budget Committee at its meeting scheduled for September 15, 1998.

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

- B. Councillor Kinahan moved that funding of \$150,000.00 be allocated but not drawn upon until the five year plan has been brought forward identifying that the Library is to be completed in 1999.

Councillor Jakobek appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

- C. Councillor Jakobek moved that the recommendations of the Chief Administrative Officer to maintain the restoration of the services at the Toronto Reference Library be approved.

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

Upon the question of the adoption of the motions A. and C. by Councillor Jakobek, they were carried.

Upon the question of the adoption of motion B. by Councillor Kinahan, it was lost.

The Budget Committee recommended that:

1. the funding request of \$500,000.00 for the Central Library Refurbishment, Phase 1 (North York), be reduced by \$262,250.00 to \$237,570.00;
2. funding in the amount of \$550,000.00 be allocated to the Bendale Community Branch renovation;
3. the funding request of \$720,000.00 for the Retrofit, Parkdale Branch (Toronto), be reduced by \$55,000.00 to \$665,000.00;
4. that future request for projects in the 1998 Capital Budget be considered as part of the 1999 Capital Budget process and in the context of the Library Board's five year plan for the entire library system; and
5. that the vehicle replacement funding removed from the recommended 1998 Capital and Operating Budgets, respectively, for Toronto (\$30,000.00) and North York (contribution of \$43,974.00 to vehicle replacement reserve) be

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considered as part of the City of Toronto's fleet management strategy and program for 1998 and future years.

The Budget Committee recommended the approval of the 1998 Capital and Operating Budgets for the Toronto Library Board with the foregoing recommendations and amendments.

Mr. Steven Burdick, President of C.U.P.E., Local 1582, Library Workers, Toronto Reference Library, appeared before the Budget Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; c. Chief Administrative Officer - April 30, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 35)

84. 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets - Toronto Harbour Commission

The Budget Committee had before it:

- (1) a transmittal letter (March 25, 1998) from the Urban Environment and Development Committee reporting that:
 - (a) no officials of the Toronto Harbour Commission attended the March 23 and 24, 1998, Urban Environment and Development Committee meeting to discuss the Commission's 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets; therefore, the Urban Environment and Development Committee has no comments to make on the aforementioned Budget; and
 - (b) for information, having requested the Toronto Harbour Commission to direct the appropriate officials to attend the meeting of the Urban Environment and Development Committee scheduled to be held on April 20, 1998, in order to discuss the Commission's 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets; and
- (2) memorandum (March 26, 1998) from Ms. J. La Vita, Budget Analyst regarding the 1998 Capital Budget.
 - A. Councillor Chow moved that the 1998 Capital Budget for the Toronto Harbour Commission be deferred until April 3, 1998 as the Harbour Commission has not had time to deal with this Budget.

Councillor Jakobek appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

- B. Councillor Jakobek moved that the recommendations of the Chief Administrative Officer be approved and that budget be reviewed in the summer.

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Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

- C. Councillor Chow moved in amendment that the budget analyst review the Toronto Harbour Commission Budget and submit a report to Council on how the capital budget will be financed.

Councillor Jakobek appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

D. Councillor Jakobek moved that:

- (1) the Toronto Harbour Commission submit a report to the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer outlining options for financing the fixed link project at the Toronto City Centre Airport and the financial implications of each option for the Toronto Harbour Commissioners; and
- (2) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report to Council on April 28, 1998 on this matter.

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motions B. and D. by Councillor Jakobek, they were carried.

In summary, the Budget Committee reports having approved the 1998 Capital and Operating Budgets for the Toronto Harbour Commission with the following amendments:

1. that the 1998 Operating Budget subsidy request be reduced to the 1997 level of \$2,775,000.00; and
2. that the 1998 Operating Budget estimate for corporate revenues be increased by \$127,742.00 to reflect new revenue generation in 1998.

Mr. Gary Reid, General Manager of the Toronto Harbour Commissioners, appeared before the Budget Committee in connection with the Toronto Harbour Commissioners' Budgets.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 22)

85. Increase in Property Tax Reassessment

The Budget Committee had before it a transmittal letter (March 13, 1998) from the York Community Council advising that on March 9, 1998, the York Community Council recommended the following:

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- (1) the Commissioner of Finance be requested to report on the feasibility of sending out a separate property tax notice that clearly indicates to businesses the percentage of the property tax that is the direct result of the new provincial tax changes;
- (2) the Commissioner of Finance be requested to also report on setting a new tax classification for all provincial buildings and land located in the City of Toronto, with the appropriate tax rate set for these properties to reflect the extra charges faced by Toronto businesses as a result of the Education Business Tax; and
- (3) public information meetings be held, appropriately advertised in the ridings of every Conservative MPP in the City of Toronto, to inform the public of the impact of the provincial tax changes, and that each MPP be invited to participate in these meetings.

The Budget Committee recommended to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee and Council the adoption of the foregoing recommendations of the York Community Council.

Councillor Frances Nunziata, York-Humber, appeared before the Budget Committee in connection with this matter.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee; c. Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, Chief Administrative Officer, and Interim Contact, York Community Council - April 1, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 2)

86. 1998 Operating Budget - Toronto Licensing Commission

The Budget Committee had before it the following:

- (a) transmittal letter (March 24, 1998) from the Emergency and Protective Services Committee advising that the Committee received the transmittal letter (March 18, 1998) from the Budget Committee; and
- (b) report (March 27, 1998) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, recommending that:
 - (1) the balance in the Licence Fee Stabilization Reserve which amounts to approximately \$4,933,000 be transferred to the Workforce Reduction Reserve Fund and the Licence Fee Stabilization Reserve be deleted; and
 - (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to delete By-law No. 137-93 (Licence Fee Stabilization Reserve).

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On motion by Councillor Chow, the Budget Committee approved the 1998 Capital and Operating Budgets for the Toronto Licensing Commission with the following amendments:

1. that the balance in the Licence Fee Stabilization Reserve, which amounts to approximately \$4,933,000.00, be transferred to the Workforce Reduction Reserve Fund and the Licence Fee Stabilization Reserve be deleted; and
2. that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to delete By-law No.137-93 (Licence Fee Stabilization Reserve).

Councillor Jakobek appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Budget Committee directed that should additional staff be required, any requests be reviewed only when sufficient monies have been generated.

Ms. Carol Ruddell-Foster, General Manager, Toronto Licensing Commission, appeared before the Budget Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; c. Chief Administrative Officer and Treasurer,
City Clerk - April 30, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 21)

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

87. 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets - Toronto and Region Conservation Authority

The Budget Committee had before it a transmittal letter (March 25, 1998) from the Urban Environment and Development Committee, wherein the Committee concurred with the recommendations proposed to date by the Budget Committee with respect to the 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.

The Budget Committee recommended to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee and Council that the 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority be approved.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 28)

88. 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets - Toronto Parking Authority

The Budget Committee had before it a transmittal letter (March 25, 1998) from the Urban Environment and Development Committee wherein the Committee recommend the adoption of the 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Toronto Parking Authority.

The Budget Committee recommended that the recommendations of the Chief Administrative Officer be approved with respect to the 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Toronto Parking Authority and that a report be submitted to the Budget Committee meeting scheduled for Friday, April 3, 1998 on the impact of future financing requirements for capital works.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 23)

89. Public Health - Provision of Animal Services

The Budget Committee had before it the following:

- (a) transmittal letter (March 26, 1998) from the City Clerk reporting from the Board of Health wherein at its meeting on March 24, 1998:
 - (1) recommended to City Council:
 - (i) there be no expansion of contracting out of animal services in the City of Toronto; and
 - (ii) the Medical Officer of Health, the Chief Administrative Officer and the City Solicitor be authorized to extend the existing contract with the Toronto Humane Society with the existing terms and conditions, to December 31, 1998;
 - (2) requested the Medical Officer of Health to report back to the Board of Health for its July 1998 meeting on the provision of animal shelter services in wards 19-26; and
 - (3) adopted the Business Plan proposed by the Toronto Animal Services Team as a basis for developing the provision of animal services in the City of Toronto; and

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- (b) report (March 30, 1998) from the Director, Animal Alliance of Canada to the East York Community Council regarding staff recommendations to the Board of Health and the Budget Committee regarding the "Interim Arrangement of the Provision of Animal Services in 1998";

Councillor Jakobek appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

- A. Councillor Jakobek moved that the following recommendations contained in the joint report (March 12, 1998) from the Medical Officer of Health and the Chief Administrative be approved:

- (1) the 1998 revised budget of \$4,205.6 thousand as outlined in this report be adopted;
- (2) the Board of Health adopt the Interim Plan to deliver Animal Services, as outlined in this report;
- (3) the Chief Administrative Officer and Medical Officer of Health be authorized to take the necessary steps to extend the existing sheltering services contract with the Toronto Humane Society to December 31, 1998 pursuant to the City's purchasing policy; and
- (4) under the direction of the Chief Administrative Officer, resources be provided from Finance, Audit and the Amalgamation Office to conduct a comprehensive review of options for the delivery of animal services across the City.

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

- B. Councillor Chow moved that:

- (1) there be no expansion of contracting out of animal services in the City of Toronto until a review has been carried out;
- (2) the Medical Officer of Health report back to the Board of Health at its July meeting on the provision of animal services in the City of Toronto; and
- (3) the status quo remain for the Toronto Humane Society and that the two animal shelters in York and East York remain open.

Councillor Jakobek appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

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- C. Councillor Jakobek moved that the recommendations of the Chief Administrative Officer be approved subject to receiving:
- (1) the Chief Administrative Officer's report to the Budget Committee at its meeting scheduled for April 3, 1998 on service boundaries; and
 - (2) advice on whether the Toronto Humane Society is seeking an increase in their 1998 budget.

Councillor Jakobek appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

- D. Councillor Ootes moved that the Chief Administrative Officer provide a full report on the impact of services to East York in terms of distance people would have to travel, back-up services, etc.
- E. Councillor Chow moved that the portion of the Chief Administrative Officer's recommendations to close the York and East York shelters be deferred pending receipt of the report on the level of service, where the animals would go, whether there is any room at the Etobicoke shelter and whether the Toronto Humane Society's contract can be changed.

The Budget Committee recommended that all of the foregoing motions be referred to the Chief Administrative Officer for consideration by the Budget Committee at its meeting scheduled for April 3, 1998.

The following persons appeared before the Budget Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Councillor John Fillion, Chair of the Board of Health;
- Councillor Joe Mihevc, York-Eglinton;
- Councillor Jack Layton; Don River; and
- Councillor Irene Jones, Lakeshore Queensway.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998
Medical Officer of Health, East York Community Council; c. Chief Administrative Officer - April 30, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 5)

The Budget Committee recessed at 1:02 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. with the following Members present:

Councillor Jakobek, Chair
Councillor Balkissoon
Councillor Chow
Councillor Kinahan
Councillor Ootes
Councillor Shiner

90. Investing in Public and Children's Health, and Child Nutrition Programs

The Budget Committee had before it a revised transmittal letter (March 31, 1998) from the City Clerk regarding investing in public and children's health and child nutrition programs forwarding the recommendations from the Board of Health at its meeting on March 24, 1998.

Councillor Jakobek appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

A. Councillor Jakobek moved:

- (1) the adoption of the recommendations of the Board of Health and that the City's funding be conditional on receiving matching funds from the Province, School Board or private business or a combination thereof; and
- (2) that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services ensure that an impartial but thorough third-party review of the school food program is carried out in one year's time.

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

B. Councillor Chow moved that approval of the funds be conditional on the receipt of matching funds from parents and private corporations.

C. Councillor Kinahan moved that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services report to the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee on the feasibility of modelling the "Healthy Parenting" Program on programs similar to the "Welcome Baby" program in the former City of Etobicoke.

D. Councillor Shiner moved that funds in the amount of \$1,185,500.00 be approved for the school food program and that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services report back to the Budget Committee in one month's time on the funding acquired through cost-sharing for the school food program.

E. Councillor Ootes moved that the Medical Officer of Health report to the Board of Health on the nutritional value between the food that is available through the

volunteer program versus the food made available through partially subsidized food programs.

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motion E. by Councillor Ootes, it was carried.

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motion C. by Councillor Kinahan, it was carried.

Upon the question of the adoption of part (2) of the foregoing motion A. by Councillor Jakobek, it was carried.

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motion D. by Councillor Shiner, it was carried.

The Budget Committee recommended that additional funds in the amount of \$2,045,300.00 be added to the 1998 Operating Budget of which funding in the amount of \$1,185,500.00 for the school food program be conditional upon the receipt of matching funds from other sources.

Councillor John Filion, North York Centre, and Councillor Ron Moeser, Scarborough Highland Creek, appeared before the Budget Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998;
Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, Medical Officer of Health, Chief Administrative Officer; c. Interim Contact, Board of Health, Interim Contact, Community and Neighbourhood Services - April 30, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 8)

91. Organizational Structure of the Public Health Department

The Budget Committee had before it a transmittal letter (March 26, 1998) from the City Clerk forwarding the recommendations of the Board of Health:

- (1) that the complement of physicians in public health be reduced from a total of 12 FTE's in 1997 to 7 FTE's in 1998; and
- (2) that further consideration of the roles and responsibilities of these physicians occur during the upcoming organizational review and restructuring of Public Health.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Budget Committee requested that the Chief Administrative Officer and Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services report to the Budget Committee at its meeting scheduled for June 23, 1998 on the revised structure with respect to the Associate Medical Officer of Health positions.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998;
Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, Medical Officer of Health, Chief Administrative Officer; c. Interim Contact, Board of Health, Interim Contact, Community and Neighbourhood Services - April 30, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 9)

92. Public Health Funding

The Budget Committee had before it a transmittal letter (March 20, 1998) from the City Clerk forwarding the Clause No. 2 of Report No. 3 of The Board of Health, headed "Public Health Funding", wherein City Council on March 4, 5 and 6, 1998, referred the following recommendations of the Board of Health to the Budget Committee:

- (1) the current investments in public health be maintained and any savings resulting from the amalgamation be reinvested back into public health to ensure that:
 - (a) the Provincial Mandatory Health Program and Services Guidelines are met; and
 - (b) local health needs are met, including emerging health needs; and
- (2) Council use as a guideline for future City budgets, the 'two percent solution', which is a proposal of the Citizens for Public health that urges the new City of Toronto to allocate two percent of its total budget to public health programs.

The Budget Committee reports having received the transmittal letter (March 20, 1998) from the City Clerk as information.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, Medical Officer of Health, Chief Administrative Officer; c. Interim Contact, Board of Health, Interim Contact, Community and Neighbourhood Services - April 30, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 10)

93. Public Health Services

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The Budget Committee had before it a transmittal letter (March 4, 1998) from the Etobicoke Community Council advising that on February 18, 1998, the Etobicoke Community Council recommended to the Budget Committee, and to the Toronto Board of Health that:

- (1) the level of funding for public health be protected during the 1998 budget process as much as possible; and
- (2) for the information of the Budget Committee, that they have requested the Special Committee to Review the Final Report of the Toronto Transition Team to consider the recommendations of the previous Board of Health Liaison Committee with respect to the formation of the new Toronto Board of Health and that they support a Public Health Advisory Committee for the Etobicoke District.

The Budget Committee received the transmittal letter (March 4, 1998) as information.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, Medical Officer of Health, Chief Administrative Officer; c. Interim Contact, Board of Health, Interim Contact, Community and Neighbourhood Services - April 30, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 11)

94. 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets - Toronto Economic Development Corporation

The Budget Committee had before it a transmittal letter (March 25, 1998) from the Urban Environment and Development Committee advising that the Committee took no action with respect to the 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Toronto Economic Development Corporation (TEDCO).

The Budget Committee recommended to Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee and Council that the 1998 Capital and Operating Budgets for the Toronto Economic Development Corporation be approved with the following amendment:

1. that the 1998 request of \$5,770,463.00 for the Commissioners Street Redevelopment project be authorized subject to third-party financing being secured for each of the component uses of this site, namely, development of a skating rink, multiple industrial units and retail uses.

Mr. Gary Reid, President and Chief Executive Officer of Toronto Economic Development Corporation, appeared before the Budget Committee in connection with the TEDCO Budgets.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 20)

95. 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets - Toronto Ambulance Services

The Budget Committee had before it transmittal letters (March 27, 1998) from the Emergency and Protective Services Committee forwarding its recommendations regarding the 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Toronto Ambulance Services.

The Budget Committee approved the 1998 Capital and Operating Budgets for Toronto Ambulance Service subject to \$250,000.00 being added to the net budget.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 17)

96. 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets - Toronto Fire Department

The Budget Committee had before it transmittal letters (March 27, 1998) from the Emergency and Protective Services Committee forwarding its recommendations regarding the 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Toronto Fire Department.

The Budget Committee approved the 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets as previously recommended by the Budget Committee.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 18)

97. Transitional Project - Radio Communications System

The Budget Committee had before it a transmittal letter (March 27 1998) from the Emergency and Protective Services Committee recommending that:

- (1) transitional funding in the amount of \$26 million be approved for a radio communications system; and
- (2) the City of Toronto Fire Services proceed with the implementation of a fully integrated 800 MHZ radio communications system.

The Budget Committee deferred the foregoing matter for consideration with the transitional projects.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 19)

98. Contract No. T-20-98: Don Valley Parkway Bridge Over Bloor Street Ramp, Structure Rehabilitation

The Budget Committee had before it a transmittal letter (March 24, 1998) from the Urban Environment and Development Committee recommending:

- (1) the adoption of the report dated March 3, 1998, from the Interim Functional Lead, Transportation, regarding Contract No. T-20-98 for structural rehabilitation of the Don Valley Parkway Bridge over the Bloor Street Ramp; and
- (2) that this matter be forwarded to Council for consideration at its meeting scheduled to be held on April 16, 1998.

The Budget Committee recommended to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee and Council, the adoption of the recommendations of the Urban Environment and Development Committee.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee; c. Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer. Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, Interim Functional Lead, Transportation - April 1, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 32)

99. Contract No. T-23-98: City of Toronto Roads At Four Locations

The Budget Committee had before it a transmittal letter (March 24, 1998) from the Urban Environment and Development Committee recommending:

- (1) the adoption of the report dated March 2, 1998, from the Interim Functional lead, Transportation, regarding contract No. T-23-98 for the resurfacing of City of Toronto roads at four locations; and
- (2) that this matter be forwarded to Council for consideration at its meeting scheduled to be held on April 16, 1998.

The Budget Committee recommended to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee and Council, the adoption of the recommendations of the Urban Environment and Development Committee.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee; c. Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, Interim Functional Lead, Transportation - April 1, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 33)

100. Replacement of Lighting on the F.G. Gardiner Expressway From the Humber River to the Don Valley Parkway

The Budget Committee had before it a transmittal letter (March 24, 1998) from the Urban Environment and Development Committee recommending:

- (1) the adoption of the report dated February 23, 1998, from the Interim Functional Lead, Transportation, regarding the replacement of lighting on the F. G. Gardiner Expressway, from the Humber River to the Don Valley Parkway; and
- (2) that this matter be forwarded to Council for consideration at its meeting scheduled to be held on April 16, 1998.

The Budget Committee recommended to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee and Council the adoption of the recommendations of the Urban Environment and Development Committee.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee; c. Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, Interim Functional Lead, Transportation - April 1, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 34)

101. 1998 Capital and Operating Budget - Toronto Police Services

The Budget Committee had before it the following:

- (a) report (March 27, 1998) from Councillor Norman Gardner, Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board, regarding the Target Policing Initiative;

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- (b) reports (March 27, 1998) from Councillor Norman Gardner, Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board, regarding the 1998 Capital and Operating Budgets - Results of the Toronto Budget Committee Meeting of March 11, 1998;
 - (c) communication (March 27, 1998) from Mr. Angelo Cristofaro, Manager, Budgeting and Control regarding Business Case for Occurrence Re-Engineering, MDT Replacement and Radio System - 1998 to 2002 Capital Program;
 - (d) transmittal letters (March 27, 1998) from the City Clerk forwarding the recommendations of the Emergency and Protective Services Committee on the 1998 Capital and Operating Budgets - Toronto Police Service;
 - (e) communication (March 30, 1998) addressed to Mr. Hugh Moore, CAO, Policing, from Councillor Jakobek, Budget Chief, regarding the acquisition of land for the replacement of 51 Division; and
 - (f) report (undated) from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding the 1998 - 2002 Capital Works Program, Police Technology Projects.
- A. Councillor Chow moved that:
- (1) all statements and reports prepared by the Toronto Police Services be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, the City Auditor and the Budget Committee for information and review;
 - (2) no further vehicles be ordered until the corporate fleet management review has been completed;
 - (3) no charge be applied to any non-profit organizations for police security checks;
 - (4) that the funding for the salary and benefits of the Chair of the Police Services Board be deleted from the 1998 Operating Budget and the 1998 Operating Budget be adjusted accordingly; and
 - (5) that the "Special Fund" line item be reduced by 50 percent.
- B. Councillor Balkissoon moved that when the Chief Administrative Officer is conducting an internal review of the Audit functions, other support functions within the City and the Police Department and the benefits, if any, of amalgamating them under one department also be considered.

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Councillor Jakobek appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

C. Councillor Jakobek moved that:

1. an internal audit be conducted by the Chief Administrative Officer and City Auditor and that effective August 1, 1998 the five police audit positions be deleted;
2. the \$500,000.00 additional charge for Parking Enforcement not be paid until reviewed by the Chief Administrative Officer; and
3. the Auditor be requested to report on the collision reporting centres' operations and their profit margins.

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motion B. by Councillor Balkissoon, it was carried.

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motion C. by Councillor Jakobek, it was carried.

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motion A. by Councillor Chow, it was carried.

The Budget Committee also:

- (1) recommended that the Budget Committee's previous action on March 11, 1998 be confirmed with respect to the deletions in the Police Budgets, including the non-funding of target policing; and
- (2) requested the Chief Administrative Officer and Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report to the Budget Committee as soon as possible on the impact on the 1999 Operating Budget with respect to the additional officers required to meet the target of 4009.

On motion by Councillor Chow, the Budget Committee requested the Commissioner of Corporate Services to report to the Budget Committee at its next meeting scheduled for May 26, 1998 with respect to the acquisition of the land for the replacement of 51 Division.

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On motion by Councillor Kinahan, the Budget Committee recommended the adoption of recommendation (2) - "the 1998 funding requested for Occurrence Re-engineering (\$4,997.0 thousand), MDT Replacement (\$3,650.0 thousand), and Radio System Re-engineering (\$27,00.0 thousand) be deferred into 1999 in order to permit sufficient time for the review identified in Recommendation (1) to be undertaken".

Councillor Jakobek appointed Councillor Ootes Acting chair and vacated the Chair.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Budget Committee recommended that prior to any financial commitment being made by the Toronto Police Services Board for the following capital projects:

- (a) No. 037: Occurrence Re-engineering, (\$4,997,000.00);
- (b) No. 054: MDT Replacement (\$3,650,000.00); and
- (c) No. 057: Radio System Re-engineering (\$2,700,000.00);

approval must be obtained from the Chief Administrative Officer who has been requested by the Budget Committee to review these projects in the context of the Information Technology review.

The following persons appeared before the Budget Committee in connection with the Toronto Police Services Budgets:

- Councillor Norman Gardner, Chair of the Toronto Police Services Board;
- Chief David Boothby;
- Mr. Hugh Moore, CAO - Policing; and
- Deputy Chief Steve Reesor.

Councillor Sherene Shaw, Scarborough Agincourt, was also in attendance during the discussions on the Toronto Police budgets.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee - April 9, 1998;
Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, Commissioner of Corporate Services, City Auditor; c. Councillor Norm Gardner, Councillor Tom Jakobek, Manager, Budget and Control, City Clerk, Chair, Emergency and Protective Services Committee, Mr. Hugh Moore, Chief Administrative Officer, Policing - May 1, 1998)

(Agenda Item Nos. 24, 25 and 27)

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

102. Award of Contract for the Construction of the Toronto Police Forensic Examination Centre

The Budget Committee had before it a transmittal letter (March 24, 1998) from the Emergency and Protective Services Committee recommending the adoption of the report (February 27, 1998) from the Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board, recommending:

- (1) the approval of the construction award for the Toronto Police Services Forensic Examination Centre to Atlas Corporation at a cost of \$5,0770,000.00 and that the funds be provided from the Toronto Police Services Board's 1996-2000 Capital Budget; and
- (2) that this report be forwarded to the next meeting of Council for approval.

The Budget Committee recommended to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee and Council the adoption of the recommendations of the Emergency and Protective Services Committee.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee; c. Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board - April 8, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 26)

The Budget Committee met **in camera** at 5:15 p.m. to consider the following confidential matter relating to the acquisition of property.

Members Present:

Councillor Jakobek, Chair
Councillor Balkissoon
Councillor Chow
Councillor Kinahan
Councillor Ootes

Also Present:

Councillor Mario Giansante
Councillor Jack Layton
Councillor Pam McConnell

103. Confidential - 495 Sherbourne Street - Estimated Capital and Operating Costs to Establish A Multi-service Community Facility, Ward 25 (Don River)

The Budget Committee had before it the following:

- (a) report (March 27, 1998) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services regarding the acquisition of 495 Sherbourne Street and the estimated Capital and Operating costs to establish a multi-service community facility;
- (b) (March 9, 1998) confidential report from the Commissioner of Corporate Services regarding 495 Sherbourne Street; and
- (c) communication (March 23, 1998) from Mr. John H. Bell, President and CEO, Ontario Realty Corporation addressed to Mayor Lastman asking when the City would like to proceed with the acquisition of the 495 Sherbourne Street property.

The Budget Committee recommended that:

- (1) the report (March 27, 1998) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be received as information;
- (2) the report by the Commissioner of Corporate Services which was referred to the Budget Committee (February 17, 1998) from the Corporate Services Committee be approved;
- (3) the \$60,000.00 feasibility study and concept design in the 1998 Parks and Recreation Capital Budget be authorized and that the findings of that study be used to assist the Budget Committee in its deliberations on a 5-year capital program for the Parks and Recreation Division;
- (4) the City acquire the property at 495 Sherbourne Street and that \$2.722 million be added to the 1998 Parks and Recreation Capital Budget to fund this land acquisition; and
- (5) the lands at 495 Sherbourne Street be operated as a parking lot with the revenue being utilized to offset the cost of the land acquisition until such time as the lands are to be developed by the City.

The Budget Committee requested the Commissioner of Corporate Services to report to the next meeting of the Budget Committee on the matter of the Bay Street laneways.

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Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. Chief Administrative Officer, City Clerk, Commissioner of Community and Social Services - April 30, 1998)

(Agenda Item No. 37)

The Budget Committee adjourned its **private meeting** at 5:30 p.m. and reconvened in public session with the following Members present:

Councillor Jakobek, Chair
Councillor Balkissoon
Councillor Chow
Councillor Kinahan
Councillor Ootes

The Budget Committee reported that a confidential report would be forwarded to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee forwarding the recommendations from its in camera meeting, the subject of which dealt with the pending acquisition of land for municipal purposes.

The Budget Committee adjourned its meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Chair.