

THE CITY OF TORONTO

Clerk's Department

Minutes of the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee

Thursday, January 15, 1998.

The Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee met on Thursday, January 15, 1998, in Committee Room A, 2nd Floor, Metro Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:30 a.m.

Members Present:

Councillor Gordon Chong, Chair
Councillor Elizabeth Brown
Councillor Raymond Cho
Councillor Olivia Chow
Councillor Rob Davis
Councillor Michael Feldman
Councillor John Filion
Councillor Joan King, afternoon only
Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski
Councillor George Mammoliti
Councillor Michael Prue

Regrets:

Mayor Mel Lastman

Also Present:

Councillor Sandra Bussin
Councillor Doug Holyday
Councillor Irene Jones
Councillor Pam McConnell

1. Fundraising Program for a Community Performance Arts Centre.

The Committee had before it a communication (October 28, 1997) from the Chair, Etobicoke Municipal Arts Commission, recommending that an amount of \$25,000.00 be allocated to the Etobicoke Municipal Arts Commission to permit it to embark on a fundraising program for a Community Performing Arts Centre during 1998; and that the allocation be contingent on a positive report emanating from the current study being carried out by Genovese Vanderhoof and Associates.

On motion by Councillor Chow, the Committee referred the aforementioned communication to the Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for a report thereon to the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee.

(Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. Interim Functional Lead, Cultural Affairs Division - January 15, 1998)

(Clause No. 7(b), Report No. 1)

2. Required Changes to By-laws of The Metropolitan Toronto Housing Company Limited.

The Committee had before it a communication (December 5, 1997) from the Corporate Secretary, The Metropolitan Toronto Housing Company Limited, advising that the Board of Directors of The Housing Company on December 5, 1997, adopted, without amendment, a report (November 24, 1997) from the Metropolitan Solicitor respecting the need to amend the Housing Company's by-laws to reflect the existence of the new City and its officers and organization as of January 1, 1998, wherein it recommended that:

- (1) the draft amending by-law attached to this report be enacted as a by-law of the Housing Company;
- (2) the amending by-law enacted pursuant to Recommendation No. (1) be forwarded to the Clerk of the new City of Toronto for confirmation by the Council thereof; and
- (3) the appropriate members of the Housing Company staff be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect to Recommendation No. (2).

The Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Board of Directors of The Metropolitan Toronto Housing Company Limited embodied in the aforementioned communication from the Corporate Secretary.

(Clause No. 3, Report No. 1)

3. Tenant Benefit Fund - The Metropolitan Toronto Housing Company Limited.

The Committee had before it a communication (December 5, 1998) from the Corporate Secretary, The Metropolitan Toronto Housing Company Limited, advising that the Board of Directors of The Housing Company on December 5, 1997, adopted a report (December 3, 1997) from the General Manager respecting the Tenant Benefit Fund, and wherein it recommended that:

- (1) the Board of Directors approve the new structure for the Tenant Benefit Fund outlined in this report and its Appendices;
- (2) By-law No. A-3 be amended in accordance with the draft amending by-law attached to this report as Appendix "C";
- (3) the amending by-law enacted pursuant to Recommendation No. (2) be forwarded to the Clerk of the new City of Toronto for confirmation by the Council thereof;
- (4) the appropriate members of the Housing Company staff be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect to Recommendations Nos. (1) to (3).

The Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Board of Directors of The Metropolitan Toronto Housing Company Limited embodied in the aforementioned communication from the Corporate Secretary.

(Clause No. 4, Report No. 1)

4. Metro Access to Social Housing.

The Committee had before it a communication (December 5, 1997) from the Corporate Secretary, The Metropolitan Toronto Housing Company Limited, advising that the Board of Directors of The Housing Company on December 5, 1997, adopted, without amendment, a report (November 24, 1997) from the General Manager, wherein it recommended that:

- (1) the Board of Directors endorse the implementation phase of Metro Access to Social Housing (MASH) as described in this report;
- (2) staff be authorized to continue participating in the implementation of MASH, the co-ordinated access system for social housing in Toronto; and
- (3) this report be forwarded to the Council of the new City of Toronto with a request to endorse the implementation of MASH.

The Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Board of Directors of The Metropolitan Toronto Housing Company Limited embodied in the aforementioned communication from the Corporate Secretary.

(Clause No. 5, Report No. 1)

5. Formulation of a Management Model to Maintain Social Service Program Standards and Services in the new City.

The Committee had before it a communication (August 19, 1997) from the Metropolitan Clerk advising that Metropolitan Council on August 13 and 14, 1997, adopted, as amended, Clause No. 3 of Report No. 14 of The Financial Priorities Committee, headed "Implementation Team Update", wherein it was recommended that Metropolitan Council:

- “(c) recommend to the new City of Toronto Council that it employ the results of the Round Table Consultation on Social Services as the basis for formulating a management model that, at a minimum, maintains social service program standards and services in the new City.”

On motion by Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, the Committee referred the aforementioned communication to the Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for a report thereon to the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee.

(Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services - January 15, 1998)

(Clause No. 7(g), Report No. 1)

6. Profile of a Changing World - The 1996 Community Agency Survey.

The Committee had before it a communication (July 21, 1997) from the Assistant City Clerk, City of Toronto, advising that City Council on July 14, 1997, adopted, without amendment, Clause 22 of Report No. 10 of the Neighbourhoods Committee, headed "Profile of a Changing World - The 1996 Community Agency Survey", and in so doing took the following action:

"(4) Requested the Transition Team and the new Megacity Council to ensure that funding from the municipality for agencies within the current City of Toronto are maintained at least at current levels."

On motion by Councillor Feldman, the Committee referred the aforementioned communication to the Budget Committee for consideration during the budget process.

(Budget Committee - January 15, 1998)

(Clause No. 7(h), Report No. 1)

7. St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts - Capital Improvement Fund.

The Committee had before it a communication (October 10, 1997) from the Assistant City Clerk, City of Toronto, advising that City Council on October 6 and 7, 1997, adopted Clause 53 of Report No. 23 of its Executive Committee, headed "St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts: Capital Improvement Fund", wherein Council took the following action:

"(1) Authorized the St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts to make use of its Capital Improvements Funds in the amount of \$8,000.00 for the purpose of engaging a theatrical consultant to carry out the preliminary design work with respect to renovations to the Jane Mallett Theatre.

- (2) Authorized the St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts to engage in a consultative process with appropriate City staff, including staff from the Property Services Division and the Budget Planning and Policy Office.
- (3) Directed that the above consultation be extended to include any appropriate working group/s that may be implemented under that new amalgamated City and that the proposal be reviewed in context of the new City of Toronto's overall strategic plans.
- (4) Directed that the proposal be submitted to the Budget Review Group, or other appropriate funding committee, for approval by the new City of Toronto Council."

On motion by Councillor Feldman, the Committee referred the aforementioned report to the Budget Committee for consideration during the budget process.

(Budget Committee; c. Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services - January 15, 1998)

(Clause No. 7(i), Report No. 1)

8. Use of Battery Park as an Alternate Location for the Western Beaches Storage Tunnel Main Working Shaft and Pumping Station.

The Committee had before it a report (January 8, 1998) from the Commissioner of Works (formerly Metropolitan Toronto) recommending that:

- (1) authority be given to utilize Battery Park as an alternate location to Coronation Park for the WBST Main Working Shaft and Pumping Station, subject to finalizing arrangements with Heritage Toronto related to protection/relocation of the Lancaster Bomber, tank and artillery pieces, and subject to satisfying the requirements of the (former) Metropolitan Toronto Parks and Culture Department; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 6, Report No. 1)

9. Membership of the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee.

The Committee had before it a communication (January 9, 1998) from the City Clerk advising that City Council on January 2, 6, 8 and 9, 1998, appointed the following as members of the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee for a term of office expiring on May 31, 1999, and/or until their successors are appointed:

- Councillor G. Chong, Committee Chair
- Councillor E. Brown
- Councillor R. Cho
- Councillor O. Chow
- Councillor R. Davis
- Councillor M. Feldman
- Councillor J. Filion
- Councillor J. King
- Councillor C. Korwin-Kuczynski
- Councillor G. Mammoliti
- Councillor M. Prue
- Mayor M. Lastman

The Committee received the aforementioned communication.

(Clause No. 7(m), Report No. 1)

10. Establishment of Task Force on Free Transportation for Jobless People in Toronto.

The Committee had before it a communication (December 17, 1997) from the General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission, advising that the Toronto Transit Commission on December 16, 1997, had before it a report from the Chief General Manager, Toronto Transit Commission, responding to a request for information on free transportation for jobless people in Toronto; and indicating that the Commission approved forwarding the following motion by Vice-Chair Councillor Moscoe, together with the report of the Chief General Manager, to the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee for consideration:

“That a Task Force be established to address the issue of transportation for jobless people in Toronto and that the Task Force be comprised of the following members:

- Chair - Toronto Transit Commission;
- Member of the Toronto Transit Commission other than the Chair;

Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee Minutes
Thursday, January 15, 1998

- Chair - Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee, new City of Toronto;
- Member of Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee, new City of Toronto, other than the Chair;
- Deputy Mayor, new City of Toronto;
- Staff from the Mayor's Office, new City of Toronto;
- Staff from the Community Services Department, new City of Toronto; and
- Staff from the Toronto Transit Commission;

and further that the foregoing report of the Chief General Manager be referred to the Task Force for consideration and investigation of possible solutions.”

The following persons appeared before the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Mr. John MacLennan, Unemployed Workers Council; and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Ms. Beth Brown, Daily Bread Foodbank; and
- Dr. Philip Webb, Centre for Urban and Community Studies, University of Toronto; and submitted a brief in regard thereto.

On motion by Councillor Olivia Chow, the Committee:

- (1) referred the aforementioned communication and briefs to a sub-committee to be established to meet with Mr. John MacLennan of the Unemployed Workers Council, Dr. Philip Webb, Centre for Urban and Community Studies, University of Toronto, Ms. Beth Brown, Daily Bread Foodbank, representatives of the Homeless Strategy Task Force, and appropriate staff of the Community Services Department, on the issue of free transportation for jobless people in Toronto, with a request that it report thereon, as soon as possible, to the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee; and

- (2) requested the Secretary of the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee to canvass members to determine their interest in serving on such sub-committee.

(Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; General Secretary, TTC; Mr. John MacLennan, Unemployed Workers Council; Ms. Beth Brown, Daily Bread Foodbank; Dr. Philip Webb, Centre for Urban and Community Studies, University of Toronto; Councillor Jack Layton, Chair, Homeless Strategy Task Force - January 15, 1998)

(Clause 7(d), Report No. 1)

11. Millwood Park Rejuvenation Project.

The Committee had before it a communication (November 26, 1998) from Ms. S. Farrell, Ms. C. Wilding and Ms. D. Miziolek, Millwood Park Rejuvenation Project, respecting the rejuvenation of playground equipment in Millwood Park, which is located in Markland Wood at the intersection of Bloor Street West and Mill Road; noting that the goal is to raise \$30,000.00; and requesting a grant from the City in the amount of \$10,000.00 for this project.

The Committee referred the aforementioned communication to the Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for a report thereon to the Etobicoke Community Council.

(Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Ms. S. Farrell, Millwood Park Rejuvenation Project; Councillor Dick O'Brien; Councillor Doug Holyday; c. Interim Functional Lead, Parks and Recreation; Interim Contact, Etobicoke Community Council - January 15, 1998)

(Clause No. 7(c), Report No. 1)

12. Standing Committee Briefing.

The Committee received overhead presentations from the following regarding the programs and services under the responsibilities of the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee:

- Ms. Shirley Hoy, Acting Executive Commissioner, providing an overview of the priority issues under the Community and Neighbourhood Services cluster;

Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee Minutes
Thursday, January 15, 1998

- Ms. Heather MacVicar, General Manager, Social Services Division, Community Services Department;
- Ms. Marna Ramsden, General Manager, Children's Services Division, Community Services Department;
- Mr. John Jagt, Director of Hostel Services, Community Services Department;
- Ms. Sandra Pitters, General Manager, Homes for the Aged Division, Community Services Department;
- Ms. Joanne Campbell, General Manager, The Metropolitan Toronto Housing Company Limited, on behalf of The Housing Company and Cityhome;
- Mr. Joe Halstead, Interim Functional Lead, Parks and Recreation;
- Ms. Kathleen Sharpe, Interim Functional Lead, Arts, Culture and Heritage;

The Committee recessed for lunch at 12:25 p.m.

The Committee reconvened at 2:10 p.m.

Members Present:

Councillor Gordon Chong, Chair
Councillor Elizabeth Brown
Councillor Raymond Cho
Councillor Olivia Chow
Councillor Rob Davis
Councillor Michael Feldman
Councillor John Filion
Councillor Joan King
Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski
Councillor George Mammoliti
Councillor Michael Prue

The Committee continued receiving overhead presentations from the following:

- Ms. Alice Lorriman, Interim Functional Lead, Toronto Library Board;
- Dr. Sheela Basrur, Acting Medical Officer of Health; and
- Mr. Eric Gam, Executive Director, Social Development and Management Services Division, Community Services Department.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Committee:

- (1) expressed its appreciation to the foregoing staff for their presentations; and
- (2) directed that the Acting Executive Commissioner be requested to report to the March 26, 1998, meeting of the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee on the feasibility and cost of providing services, such as snow removal and gardening, to assist senior citizens and those disabled who remain in their own homes.

(Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services - January 15, 1998)

(Clause No. 7(a), Report No. 1)

13. Administration of Municipal Grants Programs.

The Committee had before it a report (January 2, 1998) from the Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting the administration of the following municipal grants programs;

- Access and Equity Grants;
- AIDS Prevention Program;
- Community Resources Fund;
- Drug Prevention Program;
- Emergency Support Fund;
- General Grants;
- Arts and Culture Grants;
- Breaking the Cycle of Violence;
- Homeless Initiatives Fund; and
- Recreation Grants;

and recommending that:

- (1) for the 1998 transitional year, agencies in receipt of sustaining municipal grants funding from the former municipalities be reviewed in an expeditious manner, as described in the appendices, in order to provide continuity to agencies and to allow Council and staff adequate time to design and implement equitable and consistent City-wide grants programs for 1999;
- (2) the review of 1998 grant applications use the existing 1997 eligibility requirements for grants, except for Arts and Culture Grants which will use a common set of eligibility criteria inclusive of all the former municipalities criteria;
- (3) except in the instance of grants administered under the Board of Health and the Toronto Arts Council, all grants programs will submit allocations reports directly to the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee for recommendation to City Council;
- (4) all agencies applying for funding under municipal grants programs will have an opportunity to appeal staff or review panel recommendations;
- (5) except in the instance of grants administered under the Board of Health and the Toronto Arts Council, appeals will be heard at the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee;
- (6) application forms sent out by the former municipalities, as detailed in the appendices, will be deemed to be applications for funding from the new City of Toronto;
- (7) authority to provide advances to agencies which received sustaining funding from the former municipalities be given and administered under the conditions described in the appendices;
- (8) advances not be made to agencies which received one-time only support in 1997;
- (9) the Acting Executive Commissioner be directed to undertake the required administrative changes to implement the Transitional Grants Policy;
- (10) the Acting Executive Commissioner be directed to undertake the research and consultation necessary to develop an integrated Municipal Grants Policy, including revised grants policies for each Service Area, for consideration by the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee at its meeting in September 1998; and
- (11) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Committee also had before it a communication (January 9, 1998) from the Acting Secretary, Interim Board of Health, advising that the Interim Board of Health on

Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee Minutes
Thursday, January 15, 1998

January 7, 1998, approved a report dated January 6, 1998, from the Acting Medical Officer of Health, wherein she recommended that:

- (1) the Board of Health authorize the Acting Medical Officer of Health to finalize schedules, undertake promotion and revise the 1997 application package as needed to implement the AIDS and Drug Abuse Prevention funding programs in keeping with grants-related decisions made by Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee and City Council; and
- (2) the Board of Health authorize the Acting Medical Officer of Health to recruit members to review panels for the AIDS and Drug Abuse Prevention funding programs that reflect representation according to the membership guidelines in place in 1997. Such review panels will make funding recommendations to the Board of Health in May/June 1998.

Councillor Pam McConnell, Don River, appeared before the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

Councillor Mammoliti moved that the Acting Executive Commissioner be requested to provide Members of Council with:

- (a) a breakdown by Ward of the funding requests under General Grants and Recreation Grants; and
- (b) a copy of each of the grant application forms.

Councillor Chow moved that:

- (1) the Committee:
 - (i) recommend to Council the adoption of the report dated January 2, 1998, from the Acting Executive Commissioner; and
 - (ii) receive the aforementioned communication from the Acting Secretary, Interim Board of Health, in that the Board reports directly to Council; and
- (2) the Acting Executive Commissioner be requested to note Councillor Irene Jones' interest in serving on any Committee that reviews Community Services grants.

Councillor Chong appointed Councillor Feldman Acting Chair, and vacated the Chair.

Councillor Chong resumed the Chair.

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

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

(Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Acting Medical Officer of Health - January 15, 1998)

(Clause No. 1, Report No. 1)

14. Implementation of the Healthy Babies, Healthy Children Program.

The Committee had before it a report (December 30, 1997) advising that the Healthy Babies, Healthy Children Program is a joint Ministry of Health/Ministry of Community and Social Services initiative designed to screen all families prenatally or at birth, to link families with identified needs with community services, and to provide "lay home visiting services" for high risk families; and recommending that:

- (1) the Interim Board of Health:
 - (a) approve implementation of the Healthy Babies, Healthy Children Program for Toronto;
 - (b) recommend that the City of Toronto enter into contracts for lay home visitors and public health nurses as set out in this report, so that the program can be properly implemented;
- (2) the City of Toronto contract for lay home visiting services with the seven agencies referred to in this report;
- (3) Human Resources Department staff work with Healthy Babies, Healthy Children Program managers to recruit and hire lay home visitors and public health nurses as needed to ensure timely start-up of this program; and
- (4) the contracts referred to in Recommendation No. (2) be satisfactory in form and content to the City Solicitor.

The Committee also had before it a communication (January 9, 1998) from the Acting Secretary, Interim Board of Health, advising that the Interim Board of Health on January 7, 1998, approved the recommendations contained in the report dated December 30, 1997, from the Acting Medical Officer of Health on the Implementation of Healthy Babies, Healthy Children Program.

On motion by Councillor Chow, the Committee:

- (1) endorsed the recommendations embodied in the report dated December 30, 1997, from the Acting Medical Officer of Health on the implementation of the Healthy Babies, Healthy Children Program; and
- (2) directed that the Acting Medical of Health report to the Children's Action Committee, the Interim Board of Health and the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee on the requirements necessary to ensure that the Healthy Babies, Healthy Children Program meets current standards;

and further directed that City Council be advised accordingly.

(Acting Medical Officer of Health; c. Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services - January 15, 1998)

(Clause No. 7(e), Report No. 1)

**15. Request to Establish a Political Liaison Group
Regarding Social Housing Program Reform.**

The Committee had before it a communication (October 16, 1997) from the Metropolitan Clerk advising that Metropolitan Council on October 8 and 9, 1997, adopted, as amended, Clause No. 8 of Report No. 16 of The Financial Priorities Committee, headed "Report of the Advisory Council on Social Housing Reform", wherein it was recommended that:

- "(5) Metropolitan Council recommend to the 1998 City of Toronto Council that it establish a political liaison group to oversee the new City's involvement in social housing program reform and to collaborate with housing sector organizations in the reform process."

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Committee directed that a sub-committee, comprised of Councillor Gordon Chong, Councillor Michael Feldman and Councillor George Mammoliti, be

established as the political liaison group referred to in the aforementioned communication.

(Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Councillor Gordon Chong, Chair, Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee; Councillor Michael Feldman; Councillor George Mammoliti; c. Interim Functional Lead, The Metropolitan Toronto Housing Company Limited and City Home - January 15, 1998)

(Clause No. 7(f), Report No. 1)

**16. Role of the Children's Advocate and "The First Duty",
Final Report of the Metro Task Force on Services
to Young Children and Families.**

The Committee had before it the following communications:

- (November 27, 1997) from the Senior Political Advisor for The Honourable Arthur C. Eggleton forwarding a copy of the response received from The Honourable Pierre Pettigrew, Federal Minister of Human Resources Development, regarding "The First Duty", Final Report of the Metro Task Force on Services to Young Children and Families;
- (October 6, 1997) from the Assistant City Clerk advising that City Council on September 22 and 23, 1997, endorsed the action taken by the Board of Health contained in Clause 8 of Report No. 9 of the Board of Health, headed "Child Poverty - Public Perspective", wherein it was recommended that:
 - (2) the report (September 3, 1997) from the Medical Officer of Health be forwarded to the Toronto Transition Team, the Board of Health for the new City of Toronto and the new City of Toronto Council with a request that it be reviewed in conjunction with the First Duty report; and to the Boards of Education in Metropolitan Toronto for their information; and
- (January 12, 1998) from Councillor Olivia Chow, Children's Advocate, outlining proposed early actions to be taken in development of a Children's Strategy for the new City.

On motion by Councillor Chow, the Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council that the Ministry of Health be requested to reinvest \$13 million of the savings from hospital restructuring

immediately back into public health, raising funding from 1.7 percent to 2 percent of current health care spending in the new City of Toronto;

- (2) received the communication dated January 12, 1998, from Councillor Olivia Chow, Children's Advocate, and directed that it be forwarded to Council for information;
- (3) directed that the appropriate staff of the Community Services Department be requested to prepare a briefing for Council at its meeting on February 4, 1998, on the Children's Strategy; and
- (4) directed that the Acting Medical Officer of Health be requested to identify current gaps in public health services for children and families across the new City of Toronto and report thereon to the Children's Action Committee, Interim Board of Health and Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee.

(Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Acting Medical Officer of Health; Councillor Olivia Chow, Children's Advocate - January 15, 1998)

(Clause No. 2, Report No. 1)

17. Priority-Setting for Community and Recreation Centre Facilities.

The Committee had before it a communication (October 8, 1997) from the Assistant City Clerk, City of Toronto, advising that City Council on September 22 and 23, 1997, adopted, as amended, Clause 50 of Report No. 12 of its Executive Committee, headed "Priority-Setting for Community and Recreation Centre Facilities", and in so doing took the following action:

- “(1) Confirmed that the following projects reflect the highest priority for funding City community and recreational facilities in 1998 (individual projects are not listed in order of priority):

Upgrades and Renovations: Fairmount Park, Trinity Community Recreation Centre, McCormick Community Recreation Centre; and

New Facilities or Expansion: Main Square Community Centre, St. James Town, Lord Dufferin Swimming Pool;

and directed that the program of Proposed Capital Works 1999-2002 as described in the report (August 27, 1997) from the Board of Management be forwarded to the new City of Toronto Council as the Council’s proposal for the future expenditures on community and recreation facilities in the City of Toronto.

- (2) Recommended that the new City of Toronto Council give priority to capital maintenance and repair matters in existing City community and recreational facilities and requested the Interdepartmental Review Committee to review the matter with City Property Services in conjunction with its Asset Management Strategy on appropriate methods for achieving this goal.”

The Committee also had before it a communication (January 13, 1998) from Councillor Ron Moeser, Highland Creek, requesting that staff report back to the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee on upgrades and renovations for community and recreation facilities for all the former municipalities.

Councillor Pam McConnell, Don River, appeared before the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee, and tabled a copy of a document, entitled “St. James Town 2000: A Community Action Plan.”

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Committee referred the aforementioned communication to the Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for a report thereon to the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee.

(Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Councillor Ron Moeser; Councillor Pam McConnell; c. Interim Functional Lead, Parks and Recreation - January 15, 1998)

(Clause No. 7(k), Report No. 1)

18. Seniors' Golf Fees.

The Committee had before it a communication (May 21, 1997) from the Metropolitan Clerk advising that Metropolitan Council on May 21, 1997, adopted, as amended, Clause No. 1 of Report No. 6 of The Environment and Public Space Committee, headed "Seniors' Golf Fees", wherein it was recommended that the Council of the new City of Toronto be requested:

- (i) to review the seniors' golf fees with a view to increasing the fees by 15 percent in each of 1998 and 1999; and
- (ii) to review the differential between seniors' and regular adult fees.

On motion by Councillor Filion, the Committee referred the aforementioned communication to the Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services with a request that she review both the seniors' golf fee and the differential between the seniors' and adult user fees, and report thereon to the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee.

(Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. Interim Functional Lead, Parks and Recreation - January 15, 1998)

(Clause No. 7(j), Report No. 1)

**19. Metropolitan Toronto Reference Library -
Results of Consultant Study on User Fee Options.**

The Committee had before it a communication (July 7, 1997) from the Metropolitan Clerk advising that Metropolitan Council on July 2 and 3, 1997, adopted, as amended, Clause No. 6 of Report No. 9 of The Environment and Public Space Committee, headed "Metropolitan Toronto Reference Library - Results of Consultant Study User Fee Options", wherein it was recommended that:

- “(1) any new user fee opportunities identified for the Metropolitan Toronto Reference Library in the consulting study, Report on Library User Fees, be reviewed following amalgamation of the seven existing public library systems within the Metro Toronto area; and
- (2) copies of the consulting study, Report on Library User Fees, be immediately forwarded to the current Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Toronto Reference Library for information, and be forwarded to the future board of an amalgamated library system for their consideration respecting implementation.”

On motion by Councillor Davis, the Committee referred the aforementioned communication to the Toronto Library Board for consideration.

(Interim Functional Lead, Toronto Public Library; c. Acting Executive Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services - January 15, 1998)

(Clause No. 7(l), Report No. 1)

The Committee adjourned its meeting at 4:10 p.m.

Chair.