THE CITY OF TORONTO

Clerk's Department

Minutes of The East York Community Council

Monday, September 14, 1998.

The East York Community Council met in a special session on Monday, September 14, 1998, in the True Davidson Council Chamber, East York Civic Centre, East York, commencing at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Councillor Michael Prue, Chair Councillor Case Ootes

Regrets: Mayor Mel Lastman

162. The 2008 Toronto Olympic Bid.

The East York Community Council had before it a report (September 1, 1998) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, inviting consultation on the public's ideas and suggestions about what to include in the "Olympic Principles" which will guide Toronto's Olympic Bid as well as providing comments on the key issues such as transportation, financial impact, environment, culture, venues and social equity and recommending that:

- (1) the presentation by Mr. David Crombie regarding Toronto's bid for the 2008 Olympics be received; and
- (2) any Community Council recommendations on this issue be referred to staff for a consolidated report, with the recommendations from the other Community Councils, to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee on November 17, 1998, and to City Council on November 25, 1998.

The following persons appeared before the East York Community Council in connection with the foregoing:

- Ms. Anna Pace, Co-ordinator, Public Consultation, Toronto Olympic Office;
- Mr. David Crombie, Chairman, Toronto Olympic Bid Committee;
- Mr. Stuart Weinstein, East York;
- Ms. Jane Pitfield, East York;

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- Mr. Tom Shevilin, East York;
- Mr. Bruce Bryer, Toronto;
- Mr. Gordon Crann, East York;
- Ms. Audrey Fernie, East York;
- Mr. Robert Moenck, East York;
- Mr. Trevor David, Toronto;
- Ms. Helga Barbier, East York;
- Mr. Andrew McCammon, East York;
- Ms. Kerri Mousseau, Toronto;
- Ms. Margaret Simpson, East York; and
- Mr. Sheldon Bergson, Thornhill.

Councillor Prue appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair, and vacated the Chair.

On motion by Councillor Prue, the East York Community Council recommended, as follows:

- (1) requested the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, to submit a consolidated report to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee scheduled for November 17, 1998, which shall incorporate recommendations from all Community Councils, including the following:
 - (a) that City Council be requested to consider the holding of a referendum on the issue of the bid for the 2008 Olympics during the November 2000 Municipal Election;
 - (b) that City Council be requested to develop their own focus group which would be inclusive in nature and would be held in January, 1999;
 - (c) that City Council be requested to hold more than two open houses which are geographically located to allow the greatest number of people to attend rather than host them only at the Metro Reference Library and that these open houses be held for more than two days;

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- (d) that City Council be requested to consider, as a priority, a master plan to develop a vehicular and public transportation system which can accommodate the Olympics;
- (e) that a questionnaire be prepared which shall gather public input and identify issues and areas of concern in their order of importance with respect to the Olympic bid;
- (2) requested the City Clerk to submit the notes taken at this meeting of the East York Community Council to the focus groups for their consideration;
- (3) received the presentation by Mr. David Crombie regarding Toronto's bid for the 2008 Olympics; and
- (4) received the aforementioned report (September 1, 1998) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

Councillor Prue resumed the Chair.

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; City Clerk; All Interested Parties - October 6, 1998)

(Clause No. 1(a), Report No. 12)

The East York Community Council adjourned its meeting on Monday, September 14, 1998, at 9:22 p.m.

Chair.