

**THE CITY OF TORONTO**

**Clerk's Department**

**Minutes of the Works and Utilities Committee**

**Wednesday, March 25, 1998**

The Works and Utilities Committee met on Wednesday, March 25, 1998, in Committee Room A, 2nd Floor, Metro Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:40 a.m.

**Members Present:**

Councillor Betty Disero, Chair  
Councillor Gerry Altobello  
Councillor Lorenzo Berardinetti  
Councillor Ila Bossons  
Councillor Sandra Bussin  
Councillor Tom Jakobek  
Councillor Jack Layton  
Councillor Bill Saundercook  
Councillor Sherene Shaw  
Councillor David Shiner  
Councillor Michael Walker  
Mayor Mel Lastman

**Confirmation of Minutes.**

On motion by Councillor Bossons, the Minutes of the meetings of the Works and Utilities Committee held on February 11, 1998 and March 2, 1998, were confirmed.

**18. National Public Works Week,  
May 17 - May 23, 1998.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 3, 1998) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that the Mayor and Council proclaim the week of May 17 - May 23, 1998, Public Works Week in the City of Toronto, and that the Canadian Public Works Association - Ontario Chapter be so advised.

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

**(Clause No. 5, Report No. 3)**

**19. Avondale Composting Facility.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 11, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management outlining the options relating to the expiry on May 31, 1999, of the approvals to operate the centralized composting site at Avondale in the Region of York, located adjacent to the Keele Valley Landfill Site, in response to the request of the former Environment and Public Space Committee of Metropolitan Council at its meeting on November 26, 1997, during consideration of a communication from the Region of York; and recommending that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be authorized to request an extension of the temporary zoning by-law applicable to the Avondale Composting Facility from the City of Vaughan;
- (2) in the event that a temporary zoning extension from the City of Vaughan is denied, the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be authorized to appeal the denial to the Ontario Municipal Board;
- (3) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be authorized to apply to the Ministry of the Environment for an amendment of the Certificate of Approval applicable to the Avondale Composting Facility;
- (4) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be directed to engage in the necessary planning steps to secure a long-term composting facility for the City of Toronto; and
- (5) the appropriate City of Toronto officials be authorized to take such steps as may be required to implement the foregoing.

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

**(Clause No. 8, Report No. 3)**

**20. Engagement of External Environmental Consultant for the Design of a Pilot Project for Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) Emission Trading.**

The Committee had before it a report (February 26, 1998) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) the City of Toronto and the Toronto Atmospheric Fund jointly enter into a consultant agreement with the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) for the provision of the consulting services described in this report;
- (2) \$30,000.00 be made available from the Energy Conservation Reserve Fund (Fund Code 52-80) to pay for the services of the consultant (ICLEI);
- (3) an in-kind contribution of City staff costs in the amount of \$5,000.00 be provided in support of this project; and
- (4) 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. 10, Report No. 3)**

**21. Use of Abandoned (Decommissioned) Gas Mains  
for Telecommunications Conduit Purposes -  
Agreement with Consumers Gas.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 11, 1998) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) City Council authorize the entering into of an agreement with The Consumers Gas Company Limited (and/or other parties as may be necessary) to permit the refurbishment and use of abandoned (decommissioned) gas mains within public road allowances for the purposes of a conduit structure for fibre optic cable, with such agreement generally containing the terms and conditions set out in this report, and such other terms and conditions as may be required by the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services;
- (2) the City Solicitor be authorized to prepare and introduce in Council a by-law to authorize the entering into and execution of this agreement; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect to the foregoing.

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

**(Clause No. 11, Report No. 3)**

**22. Consumers Gas Application to the Ontario Energy Board - Intervention in Hearing by City of Toronto.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 11, 1998) from the Chief Administrative Officer recommending that:

- (1) Council ratify the interim steps taken to date by the City Solicitor in intervening in the application to the Ontario Energy Board by Consumers Gas Inc. for the unbundling of the applicant sales, rental and servicing unit to an affiliate, and that the Chief Administrative Officer explore the possibilities of linking the City's intervention with that of other intervenors in respect of the same issue;
- (2) the Chief Administrative Officer consult with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to determine if any issues on the proposed Shared Savings Incentive Mechanism in Phase II of the Consumers Gas Rate application may impact the City or City residents on matters such as access to or cost of services provided by Consumers Gas, and that the Chief Administrative Officer be granted the discretion to instruct the City Solicitor to intervene in Phase II of the Consumers Gas Rate application, if deemed necessary; and
- (3) the Chief Administrative Officer be given the authority to limit the form and content of the City's intervention in respect of the issues noted in Recommendations Nos. (1) and (2) in consultation with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the City Solicitor.

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

**(Clause No. 12, Report No. 3)**

**23. Repair of Utility Cuts in Sidewalks, Curbs and Concrete Pavements (Wards 19 to 26) - Award of Contract No. 59421-135.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 11, 1998) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

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- (1) Contract No. 59421-135 for the permanent repair of utility cuts in sidewalks, curbs and concrete pavements be awarded to the low bidder Maple-crete Incorporated; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the actions necessary to give effect thereto.

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

**(Clause No. 14, Report No. 3)**

**24. Assumption of Private Sewers and Watermain - 22 Clinton Street.  
(Ward 20 - Trinity Niagara)**

The Committee had before it a report (March 6, 1998) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) approval be given to assume the ownership of a 300 mm sanitary sewer and a 200 mm watermain required to service the proposed development at 322 Clinton Street subject to the owner of these properties granting the necessary easement to the City as indicated on Sketch No. EAS-489 attached thereto, in accordance with the terms and conditions outlined in this report and any others the City Solicitor or he may determine necessary; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take whatever action is necessary to implement the foregoing, including the introduction in Council of any Bills that may be required and the execution of the necessary easement agreement.

The Committee also had before it a communication (March 18, 1998) from Councillor Joe Pantalone, Trinity Niagara, advising that as one of the two Councillors for the area, he supports the recommendations of the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services with respect to the assumption of ownership of a 300 mm sanitary sewer and 200 mm watermain required to service the proposed development at 322 Clinton Street.

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

**(Clause No. 17, Report No. 3)**

**25. Assumption of Private Sanitary Sewer, Catch Basin and Watermain - 461A-461E Roncesvalles Avenue.  
(Ward 19 - High Park)**

The Committee had before it a report (March 6, 1998) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) approval be given to assume the ownership of a 300 mm sanitary sewer, a catch basin and a 50 mm watermain required to service the proposed development at 461A, 461B, 461C, 461D and 461E Roncesvalles Avenue subject to the owner of these properties granting the necessary easement to the City as indicated on Sketch No. EAS-490 attached thereto, in accordance with the terms and conditions outlined in this report and any others the City Solicitor or he may determine necessary; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take whatever action is necessary to implement the foregoing, including the introduction in Council of any Bills that may be required.

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

**(Clause No. 18, Report No. 3)**

## **26. Industrial Waste Surcharge Agreements.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 11, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Water and Wastewater recommending that staff be authorized to enter into an Industrial Waste Surcharge Agreement with Wing Loon Food Products Co. Ltd.; 94272 Canada Limited, operated as The Body Shop; and Deer Park Laundry Limited, under terms and conditions satisfactory to the City Solicitor and the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services.

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

**(Clause No. 19, Report No. 3)**

## **27. Amendment to Agreement for Supply of Iron Salts.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 16, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Water and Wastewater recommending that the 1998 price for iron salts for usage in the four treatment plants be adjusted, as required, under the contract and decreased by 0.3 percent to \$0.406 per kilogram, in accordance with the decrease of the Consumer Price Index - Table 1, Canada, Transportation, contained in Catalogue 62-001 for the previous 12 months.

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

**(Clause No. 21, Report No. 3)**

**28. Response to Toronto Star's  
Article on Toxic Waste.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 11, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Water and Wastewater providing information correcting the Toronto Star's February 17, 1998 article regarding a study by the Canadian Institute for Environmental Law and Policy entitled "Hazardous Waste Management in Ontario: A Report and Recommendation", and the reported amount of hazardous wastes being discharged into Toronto's sewer system; advising that staff contacted the author of the study, Mr. Mark Winfield, who apologized and indicated that the Toronto Star reporter was likely confused with the estimated 40 million tonnes of liquid industrial waste discharged annually, which is a distinctly different commodity than hazardous waste; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Committee received the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 22(h), Report No. 3)**

**29. Diaper Recycling.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 10, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management providing an update on the status of diaper recycling; reviewing the diaper depot program originally initiated in 1994 which was cancelled following notification that Knowaste Canada, the sole supplier of disposable diaper recycling services, would no longer accept diapers collected at the seven depots after March 26, 1997; advising that at this point in time there would appear to be no outlet for recycling disposable diapers collected through municipal programs in Ontario, but that if product stewardship for materials such as diapers becomes a distinct possibility, there may be a renewal in Knowaste's interest in dealing with municipally generated disposable diapers; noting that residents do, however, have the option of subscribing to the diaper recycling service individually through Knowaste's subsidiary company, The Diaper Club; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Committee received the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 22(l), Report No. 3)**

**30. Watermains - Yonge Street Between Poyntz Avenue and Avondale Avenue, Poyntz Avenue between Beecroft Road and Yonge Street.  
(Ward 10 - North York Centre)**

The Committee had before it a report (March 19, 1998) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) the City share 25 percent of the cost of upgrading the existing 250 mm watermain to a 400 mm watermain on Yonge Street from Poyntz Avenue to Johnston Avenue at an estimated cost to the City of \$50,000.00, and the work be undertaken by the Toronto Transit Commission in conjunction with the Yonge-Sheppard Avenue Subway Station construction;
- (2) the upgrading of the local watermains to 400 mm watermains on Yonge Street from Johnston Avenue to Avondale Avenue and on Poyntz Avenue from Yonge Street to Beecroft Road at an estimated cost to the City of \$500,000.00 be authorized, and the work be undertaken by the Toronto Transit Commission in conjunction with the Yonge-Sheppard Avenue Subway construction;
- (3) the City's share of the costs amounting to an estimated \$550,000.00 be charged to available funds in the Sewer and Water Development Charges Fund; and
- (4) 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. 16, Report No. 3)**

**31. Wastewater Treatment Agreement - South Peel.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 17, 1998) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting adjustment to the annual charge for wastewater flow from a portion of the City of Toronto to the Lakeview Plant, and from a portion of the Region of Peel to the Humber Treatment Plant; and recommending that staff be authorized to accept from the Ontario Clean Water Agency, a wastewater treatment rate as follows:

- (1) a final rate of 112.2 cents per thousand gallons (24.68 cents per cubic metre), for the period from January 1, 1997 to December 31, 1997; and



- (2) a preliminary rate of 110.9 cents per thousand gallons (24.40 cents per cubic metre), for the period from January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998.

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

**(Clause No. 20, Report No. 3)**

**32. Annual Blue Box Charity Drive.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 5, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management providing information on the “Blue Box Charity Drive” which has been conducted annually in the former City of Scarborough since 1995; and recommending that the City’s recycling drivers be authorized to participate in a voluntary charity drive which would adopt the Children’s Wish Foundation as the sole beneficiary of its efforts, and to separate refundable beer cans and bottles from the blue box curbside collection program on an annual basis, with all proceeds from the sale of this material being donated to the Children’s Wish Foundation.

On motion by Councillor Berardinetti, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 6, Report No. 3)**

**33. Mixed Waste Recycling and Organics Processing Demonstration Facility.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 11, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management reviewing the background and objectives of the Mixed Waste Recycling and Organics Processing Demonstration Facility, and noting that the facility is a key element of the strategy to achieve 50 percent diversion by 2006, as it will be used to determine the role that mixed waste processing and source-separated organics processing facilities will play in achieving this diversion target; advising that seven proposals have been received in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the facility, and that as a result of Step 1 of the proposal screening and evaluation process undertaken by the RFP Evaluation Committee, the following respondents are still under consideration:

- (1) AGRA Monenco Inc., in association with Wright Environmental and Machinex Inc.;
- (2) Miller Waste Systems;
- (3) Recycling and Composting Alliance, a joint venture of Stinnes Enerco, The State Group, and RRT Design and Construction; and
- (4) Stone and Webster Canada Ltd., in association with Canada Composting Inc.;

and recommending that staff be authorized to open the price proposals and complete the evaluation process for the short-listed respondents to the Request for Proposals for a mixed waste recycling and organics processing demonstration facility, and report back to the Committee with recommendations.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 4, Report No. 3)**

**34. Engagement of Consultant for Engineering Services -  
Rehabilitation of North Electrical Substation at  
Main Treatment Plant.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 9, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Water and Wastewater recommending that:

- (1) the firm of MacViro Consultants Inc. be engaged to provide engineering services in connection with the rehabilitation of the North Electrical Substation and related structures and services at the Main Treatment Plant for the following estimated costs including Goods and Services Tax:
  - (a) for pre-design and detailed design services, an amount not to exceed \$293,000.00, including GST and including a contingency allowance of \$40,000.00 to cover additional work if necessary and authorized by the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; and
  - (b) for general administration and site services during construction, an amount not to exceed \$259,750.00 including GST for a construction period of up to ten months and a contingency rate not to exceed \$6,550.00 per week including GST for extension of services during construction beyond a period of ten months if necessary and authorized by the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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

**(Clause No. 13, Report No. 3)**

**(Refer to Minute No. 46)**

**35. Request for Watermain on Jane Street -  
Award of Contract No. 97-28-340-15.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 11, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Water and Wastewater recommending that:

- (1) the expenditure in the total amount of \$190,000.00, all of which will be fully recovered from Procter & Gamble Inc., be authorized to cover the construction, engineering inspection and pavement restoration for a watermain on Jane Street from the intersection of Weston Road to the Facelle Plant; and
- (2) Contract No. 97-28-340-15, watermain construction on Jane Street from Weston Road to the Facelle Plant, be awarded to the lowest bidder, E.R.P. Savini Construction Company, in the estimated amount of \$103,115.90.

Councillor Layton moved the adoption of the aforementioned report.

Councillor Saundercook moved that the Councillors for the area be consulted with respect to the construction of the proposed watermain.

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

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

**(Clause No. 15, Report No. 3)**

**36. York Region Water Supply.**

The Committee had before it a communication (March 2, 1998) from Councillor Jack Layton, Don River, forwarding information with respect to the Region of York's Long-Term Water Supply Project - Lake Ontario Water Supply Via Durham West; advising that an opportunity for a partnership between the Region of York and the City of Toronto could be missed, and that York Region's need for water could be met through water efficiency

projects in Toronto; and suggesting that the Committee may wish to address conservation issues in the drafting of the Terms of Reference for the Region's Environmental Assessment before the next round of Public Information Centres planned for September of this year, when York Region will present such draft Terms of Reference.

The Committee also had before it a communication (March 25, 1998) from Ms. Karey Shinn, Chair, Public Committee for Safe Sewage Treatment in Metropolitan Toronto, requesting that this matter be a deputation item at the next Works and Utilities Committee meeting, and that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to present to the Committee the water supply request from the Region of York and any new Terms of Reference; and expressing concerns with respect to the supply of additional water to the Region of York.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee referred the aforementioned communications to the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services for a report thereon to the Committee.

(Councillor Jack Layton; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: Interim Functional Lead for Water and Wastewater; Ms. Karey Shinn - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 22(f), Report No. 3)**

**37. Recycling Roles and Responsibilities  
Draft Consultation Report.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 11, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management respecting the "Recycling Roles and Responsibilities Draft Consultation Report" prepared by the Recycling Council of Ontario (RCO) after its multi-stakeholder consultation process on product stewardship; forwarding a copy of the Executive Summary of the Draft Consultation Report, together with a copy of written comments provided to the RCO; and recommending that:

- (1) the Ontario Minister of Environment be advised that funding municipal recycling solely through municipal waste management user fees or property taxes is unacceptable; and
- (2) the Province of Ontario be requested to collect and distribute environmental levies on all non-durable consumer products and packaging (other than beverage containers)

managed through deposit/return systems), with the monies received through the levies flowing into a dedicated, single purpose fund to pay the full net cost of municipal recycling programs.

The Committee also had before it a communication (March 24, 1998) from Councillor Joan King, Seneca Heights, respecting the aforementioned report, and advising that the Association of Municipalities of Ontario will be considering a response to the Draft Report at its March 26, 1998 executive meeting.

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

- Ms. Karen Buck, Toronto, Ontario; and
- Mr. Gord Perks, Toronto Environmental Alliance.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report;
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to consider proposals for handling specific components of the waste stream as part of the City's ongoing work in this area; and
- (3) requested that a copy of the report be forwarded to the proposed Toronto 3Rs Sub-Committee.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Toronto 3Rs Sub-Committee - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 2, Report No. 3)**

**38. Presentation to Winners of Recycling Contest.**

The Mayor, the Chair of the Works and Utilities Committee and Mr. Damian Bassett, President and Chief Executive Officer, CSR: Corporations Supporting Recycling, presented Certificates to representatives of the following schools in connection with the "Don't Trash Cans!" Recycling Contest, and thanked the schools for participating in the contest:

First place:	East York Collegiate, Cosburn Avenue;
Second place:	Wexford Collegiate, Pharmacy Avenue;
Third place (tie):	Riverdale Collegiate, Gerrard Street; and Woburn Collegiate, Ellesmere Avenue.

**(Clause No. 22(p), Report No. 3)**

**39. 1997 Residential Waste Diversion.**

The Committee had before it a communication (March 9, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management providing information on the quantity of residential waste diverted from landfill through the Works Department's waste reduction and recycling programs in 1997; advising that during 1997, approximately 236,000 tonnes of residential waste were diverted from landfill representing a residential diversion rate of 24 percent, which is slightly higher than the 23 percent rate achieved in 1996, and that the program diverting the largest quantity of waste, the blue box program, achieved an increase of 7,113 tonnes or six percent over 1996; further advising that the diversion rate is expected to increase in subsequent years as recovery is increased in current programs and new programs are implemented; and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee received the aforementioned report; and requested that a copy thereof be forwarded to the proposed Toronto 3Rs Sub-Committee.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Toronto 3Rs Sub-Committee; c: Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 22(j), Report No. 3)**

**40. Toronto Environmental Alliance's  
"Use It, Reuse It" Book.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 10, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management responding to the request by the Toronto Environmental Alliance that the City print 100,000 copies of the booklet "Use It, Reuse It" at a cost of approximately \$64,000.00, which was before the Committee at its meeting on February 11, 1998; advising that the booklet contains the names, addresses and lists of materials to be reused, rented or repaired at more than 1,000 Toronto businesses, that such information is extremely time-sensitive and changes constantly, and that it is unlikely that 100,000 copies could be effectively distributed before the information became outdated; further advising that \$20,000.00 was allocated in the department's proposed Operating Budget for reprinting this booklet, which would produce approximately 20,000 booklets, a quantity more in keeping with what could reasonably be disseminated over the next several months including effective free distribution; and recommending that the expenditure of \$20,000.00 be approved for printing of the "Use It, Reuse It" booklet as provided for in the proposed Works and Emergency Services Operating Budget submission.

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

**(Clause No. 7, Report No. 3)**

**41. Tendering of Contract for Nine Hired Garbage Packers - Scarborough Community Council Area.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 3, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management providing historical data on the use of hired garbage packers in the former City of Scarborough; advising that the current contract for this service will expire on June 30, 1998, and is in the process of being tendered; and recommending that this report be received for information.

Councillor Bossons moved that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to submit a further report to the Committee on the use of hired garbage packers elsewhere in the City; and
- (2) the tendering process permit bids by outside individuals based on the use of City-owned vehicles.

Councillor Shiner moved that:

- (1) the aforementioned report be received;
- (2) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to proceed with the tendering process, invite the Union to submit their proposal as part of that process, and submit a report to the Committee on whether the Union has expressed interest in bidding, and on the tender award; and
- (3) the nine best vehicles be retained to ensure that there are sufficient vehicles in-house.

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motions, they were carried.

(Councillor Betty Disero; c: Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management; Toronto Civic Employees' Union, Local 416 - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 22(k), Report No. 3)**

**42. Keele Valley Landfill Mining and Gas Collection.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 10, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management respecting the potential for landfill mining at the Keele Valley Landfill Site, as requested by the Committee at its meeting on February 11, 1998; advising that while landfill mining can be an effective method to reclaim valuable landfill space and may provide revenue from the recovery and sale of recyclable materials, such a program would interfere with the landfill gas collection system at the site, and would create additional truck traffic and noise impacts on a community which is adamantly opposed to any extension of landfill operations; noting that a landfill mining project would also be subject to an Environmental Assessment, which would be difficult to obtain due to the development within the community and the potential environmental impacts associated with landfill mining; and recommending that landfill gas collection and utilization continue at the Keele Valley Landfill Site, and that landfill mining not be considered.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report; and
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to:
  - (i) review the proposal for the mining of the Keele Valley Landfill Site in five years' time; and
  - (ii) investigate whether there are any other landfill sites within City boundaries that might be suitable for consideration.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Works; c: Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 9, Report No. 3)**

**43. Solid Waste Management Fees.**



The Committee had before it a report (March 20, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management respecting the solid waste management (SWM) fees of \$50.00 per tonne currently charged at the Keele Valley Landfill Site and \$70.00 per tonne currently charged at transfer stations; advising that increasing the fee at the Keele Valley Landfill Site by \$3.59 will match the price paid by the City of Toronto to Browning Ferris Industries Ltd. (BFI) to dispose of 250,000 tonnes of waste annually to Michigan; that this marginal increase, while increasing the revenue received for each tonne of Industrial/Commercial/Institutional (ICI) waste disposed at Keele Valley, will result in a diversion of private ICI paid waste and will reduce net revenue to the City by an estimated \$775,000.00; further advising that additional tonnage received as a result of decreasing the SWM fee at the transfer stations from \$70.00 per tonne to \$65.00 per tonne will be offset by the reduced ICI tonnage at the Keele Valley site and additional shipment to Michigan through the BFI contract, with no effect on the remaining life of the landfill; concluding that given the rationale for entering into the BFI contract was to extend the life of the Keele Valley Landfill Site by one more year, staff are reluctant to recommend any option that increases the annual tonnage to the landfill; and recommending that:

- (a) the solid waste management fee at the Keele Valley Landfill Site be increased to \$53.59 per tonne; and
- (b) the fee change become effective six months following approval of Council.

Mr. Lenny Campitelli, President, J & F Waste Systems Inc., appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

Councillor Disero appointed Councillor Jakobek Acting Chair, and vacated the Chair.

Councillor Disero moved that:

- (1) consideration of the aforementioned report be deferred until the next meeting of the Committee, scheduled to be held on April 22, 1998, as a deputation item; and
- (2) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to submit a report to such meeting on the issue of transfer station fees and the means by which the City will enforce measures to prevent illegal dumping.

Councillor Disero resumed the Chair.

Councillor Shiner moved that:

- (1) the solid waste management fee at the Keele Valley Landfill Site be increased to \$53.59 per tonne;

- (2) the solid waste management fee at the Bermondsey and Scarborough Transfer Stations be reduced from \$70.00 to \$65.00 per tonne; and
- (3) such fees become effective immediately, and be implemented initially for a six-month period, with an interim report to be submitted to the Works and Utilities Committee.

Councillor Altobello moved that the foregoing motion by Councillor Shiner be referred to the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services for a report thereon to the Committee.

Councillor Jakobek moved that the aforementioned report be referred to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee for consideration at its meeting on April 7, 1998, for submission to Council for consideration at its meeting on April 16, 1998, together with the reports requested in the foregoing motions by Councillors Disero and Shiner.

Councillor Layton moved that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to include in the aforementioned report to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee:

- (1) the status of utilization of transfer station capacities; and
- (2) the capacity of the Keele Valley Landfill Site.

Upon the question of the adoption of part (2) of the foregoing motion by Councillor Disero and the foregoing motions by Councillors Shiner, Layton and Jakobek, they were carried.

Having regard for the action taken by the Committee, part (1) of the foregoing motion by Councillor Disero and the foregoing motion by Councillor Altobello were not put to the vote.

The following is the action therefore taken by the Committee:

The Committee:

- (A) referred the aforementioned report to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee for consideration at its meeting on April 7, 1998, for submission to Council for consideration at its meeting on April 16, 1998; and
- (B) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to submit a further report to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee on:

- (1) the following motion by Councillor Shiner:
  - “(i) That the solid waste management fee at the Keele Valley Landfill Site be increased to \$53.59 per tonne;
  - (ii) that the solid waste management fee at the Bermondsey and Scarborough Transfer Stations be reduced from \$70.00 to \$65.00 per tonne; and
  - (iii) that such fees become effective immediately, and be implemented initially for a six-month period, with an interim report to be submitted to the Works and Utilities Committee.”;
- (2) the issue of transfer station fees and the means by which the City will enforce measures to prevent illegal dumping;
- (3) the status of utilization of transfer station capacities; and
- (4) the capacity of the Keele Valley Landfill Site.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee; c: Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management; Mr. Lenny Campitelli - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 22(a), Report No. 3)**

**44. Tender for Bulk Lift Garbage and Recycling Collection Services in the York and Toronto Community Council Areas.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 18, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management advising the Committee of the costs of a one-year extension of the Toronto and York Community Council areas bulk lift collection contracts; concluding that the one-year extension options do not provide an opportunity to enter into negotiations with Union staff over a reasonable period of time and develop an alternative service delivery model for bulk lift services in the Toronto and York Community Council areas in 1999; and recommending that:

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- (1) City Council authorize a three-year extension of the Toronto and York contracts as the most cost effective approach to the provision of bulk lift waste collection services;
- (2) Contract No. 50130 be amended as follows:
- (i) to provide for the inclusion of the provision of bulk lift garbage and recycling services to the York Community Council area effective June 1, 1998 until June 17, 2001;
- (ii) that on June 1, 1998, the unit prices in the contract be amended as follows:
- |   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| Garbage Collection and Delivery to Disposal       | \$18.79 per tonne  |
| Recycling Collection and Delivery to Processing   | \$44.62 per tonne  |
| Bulky Item Collection and Delivery to Disposal    | \$64.40 per tonne  |
| White Goods Collection and Delivery to Processing | \$71.27 per tonne; |
| and   |                    |
- (iii) that the cost adjustment formula in Contract No. 50130 be applied to the unit prices imputed for 1993 based on the unit prices shown in Recommendation No. (2) above and shown below on June 21, 1998, and subsequent contract anniversary dates as provided in the contract documents:
- |   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| Garbage Collection and Delivery to Disposal       | \$17.48 per tonne  |
| Recycling Collection and Delivery to Processing   | \$41.50 per tonne  |
| Bulky Item Collection and Delivery to Disposal    | \$59.90 per tonne  |
| White Goods Collection and Delivery to Processing | \$66.29 per tonne; |
- (3) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services report to the Committee on a recommended process for dealing with bulk lift contracts which will expire in the future, to provide for competition of external bids and consideration of providing the service by City staff; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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

- Mr. Larry Katz, representing Toronto Civic Employees' Union, Local 416;
- Mr. Lenny Campitelli, President, J & F Waste Systems Inc.; and
- Ms. Judy Shinn Nagano, Browning-Ferris Industries.

On motion by Councillor Saundercook, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 3, Report No. 3)**

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The Committee recessed at 12:40 p.m. for lunch.

The Committee reconvened at 2:15 p.m.

Members Present:

Councillor Betty Disero, Chair  
Councillor Gerry Altobello  
Councillor Lorenzo Berardinetti  
Councillor Ila Bossons  
Councillor Sandra Bussin  
Councillor Tom Jakobek  
Councillor Jack Layton  
Councillor Bill Saundercook  
Councillor Sherene Shaw  
Councillor David Shiner  
Councillor Michael Walker

Also Present:

Councillor Doug Holyday  
Councillor Judy Sgro

At this point in the proceedings, Councillor Bossons moved that the Committee now recess to meet privately to consider legal matters respecting various Works matters, in accordance with subsection 55(7) of the Municipal Act, which was carried.

The Committee recessed at 2:16 p.m. to meet in camera, with the aforementioned Members in attendance.

The Committee reconvened in public session at 3:05 p.m.

Members Present:

Councillor Betty Disero, Chair  
Councillor Gerry Altobello  
Councillor Lorenzo Berardinetti  
Councillor Ila Bossons  
Councillor Sandra Bussin  
Councillor Tom Jakobek  
Councillor Jack Layton  
Councillor Bill Saundercook  
Councillor Sherene Shaw  
Councillor David Shiner  
Councillor Michael Walker

Also Present:

Councillor Doug Holyday

**45. Legal Matter Respecting Waste Transport and Disposal Contract with Browning-Ferris Industries Group of Companies.**

The Committee had before it a confidential report (March 18, 1998) from the City Solicitor respecting the waste transport and disposal control with the Browning-Ferris Industries (BFI) group of companies.

The Committee confirmed the action taken in camera to defer consideration of the aforementioned confidential report until its next meeting, scheduled to be held on April 22, 1998; and to request that a further report be submitted to the Committee at that time.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; City Solicitor - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 22(n), Report No. 3)**

**DEFERRED**

**46. Engagement of Consultant for Engineering Services - Rehabilitation of North Electrical Substation at Main Treatment Plant.  
(Refer to Minute No. 34)**

The Committee confirmed its additional action taken in camera with respect to the report dated March 9, 1998, from the Interim Functional Lead for Water and Wastewater respecting engineering services for the rehabilitation of the North Electrical Substation at the Main Treatment Plant, to request that the Audit Committee consider further action in connection with this matter.

(Audit Committee; c: Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Interim Functional Lead for Water and Wastewater - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 13, Report No. 3)**

**47. Deposit/Return System for Alcoholic**

**and Non-Alcoholic Beverage Containers.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 18, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management providing information with respect to the implementation of deposit/return for wine and spirit and other beverage containers; advising that under a deposit/return system for alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverage containers, it is estimated that the City's diversion rate will increase by approximately 2.5 percent, annual waste management costs will decline by approximately \$4,750,000.00 per year and carbon dioxide emissions will decrease by approximately 34,000 tonnes per year, contributing up to 0.6 percent to the City's goal of 20 percent greenhouse gas reduction; further advising that the cost and environmental benefits must be weighed against the increased costs and inconvenience to consumers that will result from the implementation of deposit/return for these containers; and recommending that this report be received for information, and be considered in conjunction with the confidential report submitted by the City Solicitor.

The Committee also had before it a report (March 19, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management providing an analysis of the actual costs of recycling and landfilling programs provided by the City of Toronto, and comparing such costs with other published information; advising that such detailed analysis has resulted in reassessment of average recycling costs, after revenues from the sale of materials, from \$59.00 per tonne to \$77.00 per tonne; noting, however, that market prices for materials are a very significant factor in net recycling costs, and that the cost of container recycling (blue box materials) is significantly higher than fibre recycling costs; concluding that assessments of future changes to the City's waste management system must include detailed analysis of the impacts of changes in collection on processing costs and revenues for the individual materials affected by the changes, and that future analysis is necessary to understand the landfill costs for different types of materials; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Committee also had before it a confidential report (March 16, 1998) from the City Solicitor respecting implementation of a deposit/return system for alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverage containers.

The Committee also had before it a copy of a communication (March 12, 1998) from the City Clerk, addressed to the Chief Administrative Officer, advising that City Council, at its meeting held on March 4, 5, and 6, 1998, adopted, without amendment, a Motion by Councillor Mihevc wherein it is resolved that the Chief Administrative Officer be given the authority to organize an event on Earth Day, April 22, 1998, or in Earth Week, to highlight the viability of deposit/return systems, and be requested to submit a report to the Works and Utilities Committee for its meeting to be held on March 25, 1998, on this proposal.

The Committee also had before it the following communications:

- (i) (January 27, 1998) from Mr. John Jackson, Coordinator, Citizens' Network on Waste Management, requesting the opportunity to appear before the Committee at its

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meeting on February 11, 1998, regarding deposit/return systems and refillables as components of a new materials management strategy for the City of Toronto; and forwarding a copy of a report entitled "A Strategy to Promote Refillables & Reuse in Ontario", and a communication to the Minister of Environment and Energy with respect thereto;

- (ii) (January 27, 1998) from the Clerk-Treasurer, Township of Hagarty and Richards, advising that the Council for the Township of Hagarty and Richards is requesting endorsement of a resolution dated January 20, 1998, wherein it is resolved that the manufacturers of products placed in containers be required to offer a deposit and refund system for the return of these containers to the place of purchase once empty;
- (iii) (March 14, 1998) from Mr. Jeffrey F. Stuart, New York City, forwarding an article from the March 10, 1998 edition of The New York Times respecting the issue of refillable beverage packaging; and
- (iv) (March 24, 1998) from Mr. Joseph P. Hruska, Vice President, Municipal Development, CSR: Corporations Supporting Recycling, requesting that if the report dated March 18, 1998, from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management is not received for information, the Committee defer consideration of this report until its next meeting.

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

- Mr. John Jackson, Coordinator, Citizens' Network on Waste Management;
- Mr. Geoff Rathbone, Vice-President, Market and Technical Development, CSR: Corporations Supporting Recycling; and
- Mr. Anthony G. van Heyningen, Manager, Environmental Affairs, Canadian Soft Drink Association.

Councillor Layton moved that:

- (1) the Committee recommend to Council that:
  - (i) City Council reiterate its request to the Province of Ontario to permit Province-wide implementation of a deposit/return system;
  - (ii) the Province of Ontario be requested to pass enabling legislation to permit deposit/return in the City of Toronto; and



- (iii) the Provincial opposition parties be advised of such action;  
and
- (2) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the City Solicitor be requested to:
  - (i) develop a proposal for such enabling legislation;
  - (ii) continue their investigation to determine whether a deposit/return system could be implemented without enabling legislation; and
  - (iii) submit a report directly to Council for its meeting on April 16, 1998, on legal remedies for the implementation of a deposit/return system.

Councillor Shiner moved that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the City Solicitor be requested to submit a report to the Committee at its next meeting, scheduled to be held on April 22, 1998, on measures that can be undertaken with respect to licensing at the retail or distribution level; and
- (2) Mr. Robert Power, solicitor with the firm of Outerbridge, Miller, Sefton, Willms & Shier, be invited to appear before the Committee at its next meeting.

Upon the question of the adoption of part (1) of the foregoing motion by Councillor Layton, it was carried.

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

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

The Committee further noted that appropriate arrangements will be made related to the organization of an event on Earth Day, April 22, 1998, or in Earth Week, respecting deposit/return systems.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; City Solicitor;  
Mr. Robert Power; c: Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management;  
Interested Parties - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 1, Report No. 3)**

**48. Termination of Incineration at Main Treatment Plant;  
Implementation of 100 percent Beneficial Reuse of Biosolids.**

The Committee had before it a communication (March 12, 1998) from the City Clerk forwarding for information and any attention deemed necessary, Clause No. 1 contained in Report No. 2 of The Works and Utilities Committee, headed "Beneficial Use of Biosolids; Odour Containment and Termination of Incineration at Main Treatment Plant", which was adopted, as amended, by City Council at its meeting held on March 4, 5 and 6, 1998, wherein City Council amended this Clause, in part, by striking out and referring Recommendation No. (1) of the Works and Utilities Committee back to the Committee for further consideration and resubmission to the next regular meeting of Council to be held on Thursday, April 16, 1998, viz.:

“(1) incineration at the Main Treatment Plant be stopped no later than January 1, 1999, and that the Interim Functional Lead for Water and Wastewater Operations be requested to report to the next meeting of the Committee, scheduled to be held on March 25, 1998, on the feasibility of such date;”.

The Committee also had before it a report (March 16, 1998) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services providing information on the feasibility of initiating 100 percent beneficial reuse of biosolids processed at the Main Treatment Plant (MTP) by January 1, 1999, as recommended by the Committee at its meeting on February 11, 1998, and outlining the related plan of action; advising that a start date of January 1, 1999, for 100 percent beneficial reuse of the MTP processed biosolids is possible but not recommended, and that the total net cost to achieve this start date could reach up to \$25,000,000.00 over a three-year period, in addition to the presently undetermined cost to design and install a permanent beneficial biosolids reuse management system; further advising that such a biosolids reuse program should be implemented in stages based on the long-term plan outlined in Clause No. 1 of Report No. 2 of The Works and Utilities Committee from its meeting on February 11, 1998, which included a workshop in the spring of 1998, the preparation of a draft strategy document in the summer of 1998, and investigation of further demonstration projects through an initial Expression of Interest and finally through a Request for Proposals, with confirmation of the terms of reference and recommendations to be brought to Council for approval in early 1999; and recommending continuation of a staged biosolids beneficial reuse program presently being developed, which

has as its goal full beneficial implementation by the year 2005, as stated in the approved MTP Environmental Assessment document.

The Committee also had before it a communication (March 23, 1998) from Ms. Margaret Blair, Lakeside Area Neighbourhoods Association (LANA), reaffirming the Association's support for stopping incineration.

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

- Ms. Karen Buck, Toronto, Ontario, and filed a submission with respect thereto;
- Ms. Debra Kyles, Kleinburg, Ontario, and filed a submission with respect thereto; and
- Ms. Karey Shinn, Chair, Public Committee for Safe Sewage Treatment in Metropolitan Toronto, and filed a submission with respect thereto.

Councillor Bussin moved that consideration of the aforementioned communication and report be deferred until the next meeting of the Committee, scheduled to be held on April 22, 1998, or, if necessary, to a special meeting of the Committee to be held at the call of the Chair.

Councillor Layton moved that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to:

- (1) submit a report to such meeting on options for implementation of 100 percent beneficial reuse of biosolids processed at the Main Treatment Plant, together with attached costs and strategic elements, phased in over the following periods:
  - (a) 12 months;
  - (b) 24 months; and
  - (c) 36 months;
- (2) invite firms who process biosolids in a beneficial way to make a ten-minute presentation to the Committee at that time on their respective processes;
- (3) invite Mr. Len Yust to make a presentation to the Committee and negotiate an appropriate fee for same;
- (4) hold an information session prior to such meeting for interested parties to meet with staff to review the report in detail; and

- (5) assemble a bibliography of articles, pictures, websites and videos on this topic for Members of Council and interested members of the public.

At this point in the proceedings, Councillor Jakobek moved that the Committee now recess to meet privately to consider a personnel matter, in accordance with subsection 55(7) of the Municipal Act, and that all persons except the Members of the Committee, the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Solicitor be requested to vacate the room, which was carried.

The Committee recessed at 4:00 p.m. to meet in camera to consider the foregoing matter.

Members Present:

Councillor Betty Disero, Chair  
Councillor Gerry Altobello  
Councillor Ila Bossons  
Councillor Sandra Bussin  
Councillor Tom Jakobek  
Councillor Jack Layton  
Councillor Sherene Shaw

The Committee reconvened in public session at 4:50 p.m. with the aforementioned Members in attendance.

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motions by Councillors Layton and Bussin, they were carried.

(Councillor Betty Disero; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: Interim Functional Lead for Water and Wastewater; Interested Parties - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 22(b), Report No. 3)**

**DEFERRED**

**49. 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets -  
Solid Waste Management Program.**

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The Committee had before it a communication (March 18, 1998) from the City Clerk submitting, for review and comment, the 1998 Capital Budget for Solid Waste Management, which was before the Budget Committee on March 11, 1998, noting that:

- (1) the Budget Committee proposes to recommend to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee for its meeting to be held on April 14, 1998, the adoption of such budget, subject to:
  - (i) the amendments proposed by the Chief Administrative Officer as embodied in Section 'C'; and
  - (ii) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services being requested to attempt to reduce the consulting fees for the projects listed in this budget at 10 percent less than the amounts approved; and
- (2) such budget will again be considered by the Budget Committee at its meeting to be held on March 31, 1998.

The Committee also had before it a communication (March 18, 1998) from the City Clerk submitting, for review and comment, the 1998 Operating Budget for Solid Waste Management, which was before the Budget Committee on March 11, 1998, noting that:

- (1) the Budget Committee proposes to recommend to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee for its meeting to be held on April 14, 1998, the adoption of such budget, subject to:
  - (i) the amendments proposed by the Chief Administrative Officer as embodied in Section 'C'; and
  - (ii) the endorsement of the Works and Utilities Committee on March 25, 1998, that an annual charge of \$10.00 per unit be applied to apartment buildings receiving bulk waste disposal service, thereby generating \$1.55 million in revenue per year; and
- (2) such budget will again be considered by the Budget Committee at its meeting to be held on March 31, 1998.

The Committee also had before it a report (March 19, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management outlining the steps required to implement user charges for apartments which receive City waste collection service, as requested by the Budget Committee at its meeting of February 27, 1998; advising that while charges for apartments for waste collection services could be implemented, such charges should not be initiated without first assessing the issue of user fees for all other waste system users; and recommending that user fees for waste collection for apartments not be instituted at this time.

The Committee also had before it a communication (March 23, 1998) from Ms. Shelley Petrie and Mr. Gord Perks, Toronto Environmental Alliance, respecting budgets for small scale waste diversion programs, demonstration and pilot projects; and making recommendations with respect to free home composter distribution, the raising of fibre recycling rates, durable goods collection days, the establishment of a task force for small business waste reduction, and apartment recycling.

The Committee also had before it a copy of each of the 1998 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Solid Waste Management Program.

Councillor Layton moved that the Committee endorse the suggestions of the Toronto Environmental Alliance embodied in the aforementioned communication dated March 23, 1998; and request the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Budget Committee to consider revisions to the 1998 Operating Budget for Solid Waste Management to accommodate such suggestions.

Councillor Bossons moved that a task force be established for small business waste reduction.

Councillor Bossons requested the permission of the Committee to withdraw her foregoing motion, which was granted.

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

(Budget Committee; c: Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services;  
Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 22(c), Report No. 3)**

**50. Toronto 3Rs Sub-Committee - Terms of Reference.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 24, 1998) from Councillors Layton and Berardinetti submitting a proposal on the Terms of Reference for a committee similar to the former Metro 3Rs Task Force, to review the various pilot projects undertaken during 1997, as requested by the Committee at its meeting of January 14, 1998; and recommending that the Committee adopt the Terms of Reference for the Toronto 3Rs Task Force as contained in this report.

Councillor Layton requested the permission of the Committee to amend the aforementioned report by deleting the words "Toronto 3Rs Task Force" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Toronto 3Rs Sub-Committee".

The Committee concurred in the foregoing request.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee adopted the Terms of Reference for the proposed Toronto 3Rs Sub-Committee as contained in the aforementioned report.

(Councillor Jack Layton; Councillor Lorenzo Berardinetti; Toronto 3Rs Sub-Committee - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 22(o), Report No. 3)**

**51. Existing Environmental Committees  
and the Environmental Task Force.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 10, 1998) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services outlining the role of existing special committees and citizen advisory groups with responsibility for environmental matters, and commenting on their role in the new City and their relationship with City Council's Environmental Task Force; and recommending that:

- (A) this report be referred to the Special Committee to Review the Final Report of the Transition Team, with the following recommendations:
  - (1) that each of the committees listed in Appendix 1 be sent a copy of this report and the terms of reference for the new Environmental Task Force;
  - (2) each of the committees listed in Appendix 1 be asked to advise the Chief Administrative Officer on its work and potential role in the new City, including such matters as:
    - (a) the ongoing need for its work, if any;
    - (b) areas of overlap involving its work and that of any other committee;
    - (c) the relationship of its work to that of the Environmental Task Force;
    - (d) its anticipated ongoing need for staff support from the City; and
    - (e) its budget and other resource needs;
  - (3) each Community Council be asked to advise the Special Committee to Review the Final Report of the Transition Team on the ongoing need for a general environmental advisory committee for its Community; and

- (4) the Chief Administrative Officer report back to the Special Committee to Review the Final Report of the Transition Team on the responses to Recommendation No. (2), together with any recommendations he may deem appropriate, and that the responses to Recommendation No. (3) be tabled at the same meeting; and
- (B) this report be forwarded to the Environmental Task Force, the Urban Environment and Development Committee and the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee for information.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee concurred in the recommendations embodied in the aforementioned report; and further directed that the report be referred to the Environmental Task Force for its consideration and recommendations to the Special Committee to Review the Final Report of the Toronto Transition Team.

(Special Committee to Review the Final Report of the Toronto Transition Team; Environmental Task Force; Urban Environment and Development Committee; Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee;  
c: Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 22(d), Report No. 3)**

**52. Burning of Used Oil.**

The Committee had before it a communication (February 19, 1998) from Councillor Judy Sgro, North York Humber, forwarding recent articles and documents pertaining to the management of used oil, including comments made by the Minister of the Environment in the issue of The Record dated February 18, 1998, regarding this matter; and suggesting that staff undertake the following analyses:

- (1) identify options to ban or grandfather the operation of used oil furnaces within the City of Toronto; and
- (2) identify options to increase the recovery of used motor oil and thereby divert it from burning in space heaters and from fouling the City of Toronto's sewage treatment facilities.

The Committee also had before it the following communications:



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- (i) (March 23, 1998) from Mr. John Hanson, Executive Director, Recycling Council of Ontario, expressing support for a proposed Toronto by-law to address the issue of waste-derived fuel furnaces, and for re-refining as the preferred option for dealing with oil; and requesting the opportunity to make a deputation when the Committee discusses this issue;
- (ii) (March 20, 1998) from Mr. Ken Ogilvie, Executive Director, Pollution Probe, advising that Pollution Probe is a very strong advocate for improving air quality and encouraging governments at all levels to take actions that support this objective; and requesting the opportunity to make a deputation to the Committee regarding the burning of used oil in Toronto;
- (iii) (March 23, 1998) from Mr. Gord Perks, Toronto Environmental Alliance, recommending that the Committee direct staff to develop options for the banning of burning of used motor oil, and direct the Medical Officer of Health to report on the health and environmental consequences of burning used oil in Toronto;
- (iv) (March 23, 1998) from Mr. Ian C. Morton, Community Service Project Manager, Ontario Provincial Office, The Lung Association, in support of banning the sale of new waste derived fuel furnaces and to grandfather existing ones; and encouraging the Committee to urge the Ministry of the Environment to establish a mandatory used oil collection program, where feasible, to replace the voluntary approach currently in place; and
- (v) (March 25, 1998) from Mr. Usman A. Valiante, General Science Works Inc., submitting maps showing the location of used-oil furnaces within the City of Toronto and population statistics.

Councillor Judy Sgro, North York Humber, appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

At 5:20 p.m., there being no quorum present, Councillor Layton moved that the Secretary of the Committee call the roll.

In accordance with section 114 of By-law No. 23-1998, "To Govern the Proceedings of the Council and the Committees Thereof", the Secretary of the Committee called the roll and recorded the following Members as being in attendance:

Councillor Betty Disero, Chair  
Councillor Gerry Altobello  
Councillor Ila Bossons  
Councillor Sandra Bussin  
Councillor Jack Layton  
Councillor Sherene Shaw

Having regard that the Committee lost quorum, consideration of the aforementioned communications respecting the burning of used oil was deferred until the next meeting of the Committee, scheduled to be held on April 22, 1998.

(Councillor Judy Sgro, North York Humber; c: Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Interested Parties - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 22(i), Report No. 3)**

**DEFERRED**

**53. Council Appointees on Consultation Committees.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 9, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management recommending that one member of the Works and Utilities Committee be appointed to the Solid Waste Management Industry Consultation Committee, and one member be appointed to the Keele Valley Landfill Site Liaison Committee.

Having regard that the Committee lost quorum, consideration of the aforementioned report was deferred until the next meeting of the Committee, scheduled to be held on April 22, 1998.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: Interim Functional Lead for Solid Waste Management - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 22(e), Report No. 3)**

**DEFERRED**

**54. Sanitary Discharge Agreement.**

The Committee had before it a report (March 10, 1998) from the Interim Functional Lead for Water and Wastewater recommending that staff be authorized to enter into a Sanitary Discharge Agreement with The Glidden Company, Limited, for the discharge of treated groundwater from its private water system at 370 Wallace Avenue, Toronto, to the sanitary sewer system, under terms and conditions satisfactory to the City Solicitor and the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services.

Having regard that the Committee lost quorum, consideration of the aforementioned report was deferred until the next meeting of the Committee, scheduled to be held on April 22, 1998.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: Interim Functional Lead for Water and Wastewater - March 25, 1998)

**(Clause No. 22(g), Report No. 3)**

**DEFERRED**

**55. Pickering Nuclear Generating Station.**

The Committee had before it a communication (February 4, 1998) from the Town Clerk, Town of Pickering, advising that the Council of the Town of Pickering passed a resolution at its meeting of February 2, 1998, respecting an order by the Government of Ontario for an Environmental Assessment of the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station, wherein it is resolved as follows:

“NOW THEREFORE THE Council of the Corporation of the Town of Pickering hereby seeks the endorsement of all Councils within the Greater Toronto Area of Pickering’s request for the Environmental Assessment; and

THAT copies of this resolution and the December Report Card on the Pickering Nuclear Station, along with a certified copy of the Question and election results, be forwarded to all Councils within the Great Toronto Area.”

Having regard that the Committee lost quorum, consideration of the aforementioned communication was deferred until the next meeting of the Committee, scheduled to be held on April 22, 1998.

**(Clause No. 22(m), Report No. 3)**

**DEFERRED**

The Committee adjourned its meeting at 5:20 p.m.

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Chair.