

## URBAN ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

### SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

**Date of Meeting:** Wednesday, March 31, 1999      **Enquiry:** Christine Archibald  
**Time:** 9.30 a.m.  
**Location:** Committee Administrator  
Committee Room 1, 2nd Floor      392-7039  
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#### COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS.

*The following material relates to items already included on the main agenda.*

**2. 2:00 P.M. PRINCE EDWARD (BLOOR STREET VIADUCT) - MEASURES TO DETER SUICIDE ATTEMPTS (DON RIVER AND MIDTOWN WARDS)**

**(A)** General Manager, Toronto Transit Commission  
(March 24, 1999)

**Forwarding** their report No. 22 to City of Toronto Council and **requesting** City funding for the required larger inspection vehicle.

**(B)** Alan L. Berman, Executive Director  
American Association of Suicidology  
(March 16, 1999)

**Supporting** the effort to create anti-suicide barriers at the Bloor viaduct

**(C)** David Lester, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology  
Past President of the International Association for Suicide Prevention  
(February 12, 1999)

**Supporting** the fencing in of the Bloor Street Viaduct to prevent people jumping from it in an effort to commit suicide.

(D) Councillor Ila Bossons  
(March 25, 1999)

**Requesting** the Provincial Government to provide financial assistance for the Bloor Viaduct suicide barrier

(E) Dr. Chris Cantor, Senior Research Psychiatrist  
Australian Institute for Suicide Research and Prevention  
(March 29, 1999)

**Urging** all interested parties to negotiate a solution which permits a very worthwhile suicide prevention project to proceed.

5. REALIGNMENT AND WIDENING OF THE PAVEMENTS ON BATHURST STREET AND QUEENS QUAY WEST IN CONNECTION WITH THE WATERFRONT WEST LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT EXTENSION (TRINITY- NIAGARA AND DOWNTOWN)

(A) General Manager, Toronto Transit Commission  
(March 24, 1999)

**Forwarding** their report No. 25 and **requesting** the City of Toronto to:

- a) endorse the modification to the Environmental Assessment for the Queens Quay Streetcar Connection (originally prepared for the Waterfront West Light Rail Transit Line), to allow the construction of the streetcar connection via Queens Quay and Bathurst Street, as described in the attached report;
- b) request that the Ministry of the Environment allow the modification to the Environmental Assessment for this project, as described in the attached report; and
- c) request that the Ministry of the Environment allow a minor extension of Fort York Boulevard, between Fleet Street and Lake Shore Boulevard, in association with this modification, as described in the attached report.

**15. DIXON ROAD OVER HIGHWAY 27 - BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION AND ASSOCIATED ROADWORKS - CONTRACT NO. T-28-99, TENDER NO. 3-1999 (REXDALE-THISTLETOWN)**

**(B)** Manager, Fair Wage and Labour Trades Office  
(March 29, 1999)

**Advising** the Committee on whether or not the recommended contractor meets the requirements and conditions under the City's Fair Wage Policy and **recommending** that:

- (1) Contract No. T-28-99, for the bridge reconstruction and associated roadworks on Dixon Road over Highway 27 not be awarded to Graham Bros. Construction Limited, Fairglen Excavating Limited, 795208 Ontario Limited, Graham Bros. Aggregates Limited and Graham Realty Inc.;
- (2) No further penalties be imposed on Graham Bros. Construction Limited, Fairglen Excavating Limited, 795208 Ontario Limited, Graham Bros. Aggregates Limited and Graham Realty Inc. For not complying with the conditions under the City's Fair Wage Policy;
- (3) Graham Bros. Construction Limited, Fairglen Excavating Limited, 795208 Ontario Limited, Graham Bros. Aggregates Limited and Graham Realty Inc. be eligible to bid on any future work issued by the City of Toronto; and
- (4) Subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, Contract No. T-28-99 be awarded to the next lowest bidder who meets the conditions under the Fair Wage Policy, Grascaan Construction Ltd./Torbridge Construction Ltd., in the amount of \$4,972,290.00

**26. SNOW MANAGEMENT PLAN (DOES NOT INCLUDE HARMONIZATION ISSUES WHICH WERE CONSIDERED BY THE JOINT URBAN ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT AND WORKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE ON MARCH 16, 1999)**

General Manager, Transportation Services  
(March 24, 1999)

Recommending that:

1. road sanding/salting winter operations standards be based on the guidelines for road conditions specified in Table 2 of this report;
2. road ploughing winter operations standards be based on the guidelines for start snow conditions and route completion times specified in Table 2 of this report;

3. prior to the initiation of any wide scale snow removal operation on local streets identified as “Yellow Routes” (no boulevards or other space to store snow and/or long term on-street parking is permitted), the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services meet jointly with the Mayor and the Chairs of the Community Councils; further, the policy would be that snow is removed from both sides of these streets as conditions may dictate;
4. Council acknowledges that strategically placed, City controlled snow disposal sites with a combined capacity of at least 150,000 loads are critical to the provision of a large scale snow removal operation to the levels of service set out in Table 3 of this report and staff be directed to report back, through the Urban Environment and Development Committee, with a terms of reference for a consultant study to identify and secure the necessary snow disposal sites and appropriate methodologies;
5. a new consolidated city-wide Snow Emergency By-law, generally in the form provided in Appendix A, be approved and the City Solicitor be requested, in consultation with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, to prepare the necessary Bills and make application to the Chief Regional Judge or any other body for approval of the set fines and wording. The by-law would be consolidated and amended to include the following amendments:
  - a) Designation of several new routes (details of these will be reported to an upcoming meeting of the Urban Environment and Development Committee);
  - b) A provision to exempt cleared locations once snow is removed prior to the termination of the snow emergency period;
  - c) A new provision setting out a more severe infraction and fine of \$150 for vehicles illegally stopped in a manner which blocks the passage of streetcars during a snow emergency;
6. Council endorse the principle of deputizing Toronto Transit Commission inspectors to act as temporary parking enforcement officers during snow emergencies with the authority to ticket and tow vehicles which are blocking TTC vehicles, and the City Solicitor, in consultation with the appropriate City staff, TTC and police officials implement the necessary steps to achieve this;
7. Council endorse a policy of facilitating the moving of vehicles through the enforcement of Highway Traffic Act provisions established for this purpose, accompanied by a \$40 fine, and a “friendly tow” of vehicles to nearby locations, to provide efficient snow removal on local streets and other streets not encompassed under the Snow Emergency By-law;
8. a new city-wide by-law for temporarily prohibiting parking on local streets to facilitate snow removal generally in the form provided in Appendix B be

approved, and the City Solicitor be requested, in consultation with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, to prepare the necessary Bills and make application as necessary to the Chief Regional Judge or any other body for approval of the set fines and wording;

9. a new consolidated city wide Snow and Ice Removal By-law generally in the form provided in Appendix C be approved and the City Solicitor be requested, in consultation with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, to prepare the necessary Bills and make application as necessary to the Chief Regional Judge or any other body for approval of the set fines and wording. The by-law would be consolidated and amended to include the following amendments;
    - a) A requirement on property owners to keep sidewalks, adjacent to their properties, clear of snow and ice accumulation, (applicable to all locations unless the City offers such a service);
    - b) A requirement to clear sidewalks within 12 hours of the end of a snowfall, with a set fine of \$105, for failure to do so;
    - c) Maintain the provisions prohibiting the deposit of snow from private properties onto roads, sidewalks and laneways, amend the provisions to make both property owners and their agents or contractors liable for penalties; and increase the set fine for infractions to \$300 up to a maximum of \$5,000;
  10. the Communications and Coordination Plan for winter operations described in this report, be adopted for implementation and integration with other City emergency plans being developed.
  11. winter maintenance for streets with on-street bicycle lanes comprise the following elements:
    - (a) Salting of bicycle lanes in conjunction with regular roadway salting coupled with extra salting when field conditions dictate it to be necessary;
    - (b) Ploughing of snow to the curb in the normal snow ploughing manner and removal of snow from bicycle lanes when the clear bicycle lane is less than 1m in width; and
    - (c) Increasing patrols by winter services staff to minimize the winter hazards on bicycle lanes.
- (A) General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission  
(March 24, 1999)

**Requesting** that a portion of the City's Emergency Snow Fund be used to cover the costs and lost revenue which were incurred by the TTC as a result of the January, 1999 snowstorm.

- (B) Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services  
(March 26, 1999)

**Reporting** on the option of leasing snow blowers rather than purchasing them and **recommending** that this report be received for information.

- (C) Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services  
(March 25, 1999)

**Responding** to a series of specific questions raised by the Urban Environment and Development Committee at its meeting of February 8, 1999, in its consideration of a departmental report (January 25, 1999) on the winter operations during the severe January, 1999 storms and **recommending** that the report be received for information.