

THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk's Division

Minutes of the Budget Committee

Meeting No. 13

Monday, March 29, 1999.

The Budget Committee met on Monday, March 29, 1999, in Committee Room 1, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:40 a.m.

Attendance

Members were present for some or all of the time period indicated.

	9:40 a.m. to 12:40 p.m.	2:14 p.m. to 3:56 p.m.
Councillor Tom Jakobek, Chair	X	X
Councillor Bas Balkissoon	X	X
Councillor Olivia Chow	X	X
Councillor Blake Kinahan	X	X
Councillor Case Ootes	X	X
Councillor Jane Pitfield	X	X
Councillor David Shiner	X	X

Also Present:

	9:40 a.m. to 12:40 p.m.	2:14 p.m. to 3:56 p.m.
Councillor Raymond Cho	X	
Councillor John Filion	X	X
Councillor Mario Giansante		X
Councillor Doug Holyday		X
Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski		X
Councillor George Mammoliti	X	
Councillor Frances Nunziata	X	X
Councillor Bill Saundercook	X	
Councillor Sherene Shaw		X

Confirmation of Minutes

On a motion by Councillor Pitfield, the Minutes of the meetings of the Budget Committee held on February 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 1999 and March 1 and 5, 1999, were confirmed.

13.1 Harmonization of Dental and Oral Health Services.

The Budget Committee had before it the following:

- (a) communication (January 25, 1999) from the Secretary, Board of Health advising that the Board of Health on January 25, 1999, recommended the adoption of Recommendations Nos. (1), (4) and (5) embodied in report (January 15, 1999) from the Medical Officer of Health, subject to:
 - (i) deleting all words after the word "Toronto" in Recommendation No. (1) (a); and
 - (ii) adding the following:

"a dental clinic be opened in the east end of the City at a capital cost of \$100,000.00 and additional annualized operating cost of \$350,000.00.";
- (b) communication (March 12, 1999) from Dr. Stephen Abrams, DDS, Chair, Ontario Dental Association Dental Benefits Task Force, providing the Ontario Dental Association's analysis of the City of Toronto's dental program, as requested by the Budget Committee at its meeting held on February 19, 1999; and
- (c) report (March 11, 1999) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing an update on negotiations with the Ontario Dental Association respecting the harmonization of dental treatment services across the City and recommending that this report be received for information.

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

- Dr. Stephen Abrams, Chair, Ontario Dental Association, Task Force on Dental Benefits; and
- Dr. Steven Gates, Shout Clinic.

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Councillor Chow moved:

- (a) that dental services be harmonized across the City;
- (b) that \$800,000.00 be added to the 1999 Public Health budget for dental care services, subject to monies being available;
- (c) that no capital monies be spent to build new dental clinics at this time;
- (d) that a Dental Task Force be established to set up and examine the methods of providing dental services for the City of Toronto in the year 2000, to include an Action Plan and the cost of same, and report thereon to the Board of Health and the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee in that regard;
- (e) that the aforementioned Dental Task Force be comprised of the Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, the Medical Officer of Health, a representative from the University of Toronto's Faculty of Dentistry and a representative from the Ontario Dental Association; and
- (f) that the City Auditor be requested to review the dental services that are now in operation and report back to the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee and the Board of Health prior to the Year 2000 budget deliberations.

(Carried)

Councillor Pitfield moved:

- (a) that Councillor Chow's Recommendation No. 1(a) be amended to include adults on welfare and older street children;
- (b) that the Ontario Dental Association be requested to report back to the Budget Committee on the costs related to referrals and administrative fees; and
- (c) that existing clinics be used for dental services, and consideration be given to extending the hours of the said clinics to make them more accessible.

(Carried)

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Councillor Ootes moved:

- (a) that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to report back to the Budget Committee on the Dental Task Force at its 1999 Operating Budget 'wrap-up' meetings to be held on April 6, 7 and 8, 1999; and
- (b) that the City Auditor be requested to report back to the Budget Committee on a system of control for the eligibility of clients requesting dental services.

(Carried)

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

Councillor Jakobek moved:

- (a) that the foregoing matter be referred to the Budget Committee's 1999 Operating Budget 'wrap-up' meetings to be held on April 6, 7 and 8, 1999;
- (b) that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and the Medical Officer of Health be requested to report back to Budget Committee:
 - (i) providing the previously requested 'new' personnel structure of the Dental Services Program to the 'wrap-up' meetings, the said structure not to include dentists as administrators of the Program; and
 - (ii) providing a plan whereupon every resident within the geographic area of the City requiring dental services could be looked after at a reasonable cost.

(Carried)

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

Councillor Shiner moved that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and the Medical Officer of Health be requested to report back to Budget Committee providing a proposal as to how the City could go forward with a Request for Proposal for dental services in Toronto at 65 percent cost or less, as quoted by the Ontario Dental Association, as well as a Request for Proposal for administrative costs.

(Carried)

Councillor Balkissoon moved that the Members of the Budget Committee be provided with a copy of the FDA 'Table of Benefits'.

(Carried)

(Dr. Stephen Abrams, Chair, Ontario Dental Association Dental Benefits Task Force; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; City Auditor; Medical Officer of Health - March 31, 1999)

13.2 Funding for 761 Community Development Corporation

The Budget Committee had before it a report (March 4, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Municipal Grants Review Committee on March 4, 1999, recommended to the Budget Committee and the Strategic Policies and Procedures Committee the adoption of report (February 25, 1999) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) funding in the amount of \$83,750.00 be provided to the 761 Community Development Corporation;
- (2) the funding in Recommendation No. (1) be provided from the following grants' programs, Economic Development Partnership, Homeless Initiatives Fund, Community Services Grants Programs, and the grants contingency, once the 1999 Operating Budget has been approved;
- (3) the recommended funding be administered by the Shelter, Housing and Support Division of the Community and Neighbourhood Services Department;
- (4) staff work with the Board of 761 Community Development Corporation to develop alternative sources of funding for the Executive Director's position; and

- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Budget Committee recommended to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee and Council, the adoption of the report (February 25, 1999) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee; c. Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services - March 30, 1999)

13.3 Office Budget for Members of Council

The Budget Committee had before it a report (March 11, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting held on March 2, 3, and 4, 1999, referred to the Budget Committee a Motion moved by Councillor Nunziata, seconded by Councillor Holyday, recommending that the office budget for Members of Council be immediately reduced from \$70,000.00 to \$35,000.00; and that guidelines also be established for the use of City limousines by Members of Council and that, in addition, a maximum of 10 trips be placed on the use of a City limousine by a Member of Council in a calendar year.

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

Councillor Jakobek moved:

- (a) that the foregoing motion by Councillor Nunziata, seconded by Councillor Holyday, be deferred for consideration during the Budget Committee's 'wrap-up' meetings; and
- (b) that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be requested to report to the Budget Committee at that time providing:
 - (i) the actual savings achieved if the office budget for Members of Council was between \$35,000.00 and \$40,000.00;
 - (ii) the actual savings achieved if the office budget for Members of Council was \$50,000.00; and
 - (iii) what the office budget for Members of Council would be if the 1998 Actual spending was increased by 10 or 15 percent.

(Carried)

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

Councillor Shiner moved that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report back to the Budget Committee on what monies have been spent in 1999 to date from the Members of Council travel budget and how much is planned to be spent for the balance of 1999.

(Carried)

(Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Chief Administrative Officer -
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13.4 International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

The Budget Committee had before it a report (February 15, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting held on February 2, 3 and 4, 1999, adopted, without amendment, a Motion moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Mihevc, respecting the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, wherein it is recommended that financial support be referred and considered by the Budget Committee as part of the 1999 Budget process.

The Budget Committee also had before it a report (March 24, 1999) from the Executive Director, Human Resources and Amalgamation, providing an overview of municipal recognition programs regarding March 21, 1999, the International Day for the Elimination of Racism.

Councillor Balkissoon moved that the Chief Administrative Officer be requested to report back to Budget Committee at its 'wrap-up' meetings on the budgetary requirements for the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

(Carried)

13.5 Status Report - Evaluation of Standardized Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) for the Toronto Fire Services

The Budget Committee had before it a joint report (March 11, 1999) from the Fire Chief and the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services providing members of the Budget Committee with a status report on the Fire Services' project to test and evaluate various suppliers' self-contained breathing apparatus and recommending to City Council that this report be received for information.

The Budget Committee received the aforementioned joint report; and directed that it be forwarded to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee, and Council, for information.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee; c. Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Fire Chief - March 30, 1999)

13.6 Chargeable Fees for Providing Access to Information

The Budget Committee had before it a joint report (March 7, 1999) from the City Clerk and the Commissioner of Corporate Services responding to a request from the Budget Committee for a report on implementing a change to the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act in order to recover 50 percent of the cost of providing legislatively mandated access and privacy management services; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Budget Committee received the aforementioned report for information.

13.7 Harmonization of Food Access Grants

The Budget Committee had before it a communication (March 15, 1999) from Councillor John Filion, Chair, Board of Health, forwarding communication dated March 4, 1999, from the City Clerk and communication dated January 25, 1999, from the Secretary, Board of Health, respecting the Harmonization of Food Access Grants.

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Councillor Chow moved that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to report back to the April 16, 1999 Budget Committee 'wrap-up' meeting on any Provincial funding acquired by the City that could be allocated to existing programs to deal with ongoing problems and further providing funds for specific types of programs at the discretion of the Commissioner.

(Carried)

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

Councillor Jakobek moved:

- (a) that the report (March 15, 1999) from the Councillor John Filion, Chair, Board of Health, be received;
- (b) that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to report back to the to the Municipal Grants Committee on monies required to provide one time funding for the purchase of necessary equipment to implement a capital program to assist volunteers who help feed the homeless, i.e., to purchase refrigerators, stoves, etc.

(Carried)

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

Councillor Ootes moved that the City Auditor be requested to review and provide statistics and a criteria to the Budget Committee at its 'wrap-up' meetings on:

- (i) the impact of extending the breakfast program in 1998;
- (ii) the impact of **not** having the Food Access grants in 1998; and
- (iii) breakdown of what the 1997 Food Access grants were spent on, i.e., food supplies, staffing, capital (kitchen equipment, etc.), training, other.

(Carried)

(City Auditor; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services;
Medical Officer of Health - March 30, 1999)

13.8 Service Harmonization - Financial Impact Analysis

The Budget Committee had before it a joint report (March 18, 1999) from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer providing a summary of the financial impact, by former municipality, of the various service harmonization proposals, as well as the proposed water and approved hydro rate harmonization initiatives, tax rate harmonizations, Current Value Assessment (CVA) and the net financial and fixed assets brought into the amalgamated City by each former municipality, as requested by the Budget Committee, the Works and Utilities Committee and the Urban Environment and Development Committee; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Budget Committee referred the aforementioned report to its 'wrap-up' meetings of the 1999 Operating Budget.

13.9 Harmonization of Water and Water Pollution Control Rates

The Budget Committee had before it a report (March 22, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer providing a Background Study, which presents a review of the current practices and rate structure respecting the water and wastewater program and recommends a strategy towards a harmonized rate structure across the new city.

The Budget Committee referred the aforementioned report to its 'wrap-up' meetings of the 1999 Operating Budget.

13.10 Capital Accounts Closing

The Budget Committee had before it a report (March 17, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) approval be given to transfer funds, as required, from unexpended funds on individual completed projects to projects that experienced over expenditures and that funds in the amount of \$3,090,487.00 be transferred to an unexpended capital account to be used for future tax supported capital projects and that \$2,108,632.00 be transferred to a capital financing reserve for water rate capital projects, as identified in Appendix "A";
- (2) any future over/under expended capital projects from 1997 and prior, when closed, be transferred; and

- (3) capital financing approval in the amounts of \$568,629.00 and \$87,192,273.00 representing unspent capital approval in the former Borough of East York and Metro respectively, be cancelled.

The Budget Committee recommended to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee, and Council, the adoption of the report (March 17, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

(Carried)

Councillor Chow moved that the Commissioner of Corporate Services be requested to report to the Corporate Services Committee on a possible usage for the Old Terrace Roller Rink.

(Carried)

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee; c. Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Commissioner of Corporate Services - March 30, 1999)

13.11 Communications

The Budget Committee had before it the following communications:

- (a) (March 3, 1999) from Ms. Joan Francis, forwarding her suggestions on the essential priorities in the 1999 Budget; and
- (b) (March 11, 1999) from Mr. Ronald Hart, North York Cycling and Pedestrian Committee, forwarding the North York Cycling and Pedestrian Committee's request that funds be made available in the 1999 Budget respecting safety on our roads and encouraging safe use of cycling, transit and walking as transportation.

The Budget Committee received the aforementioned communications.

13.12 Audit Services - 1999 Operating Plan and Budget

The Budget Committee had before it a report (March 8, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Audit Committee on March 1, 1999, approved the Audit Services 1999 Operating Plan and Budget and forwards same to the Budget Committee for consideration.

The Budget Committee directed that the aforementioned report be forwarded to the 'wrap-up' meetings of the 1999 Operating Budget.

13.13 Review of Staff, Councillors' and Mayor's Office Expenses

The Budget Committee had before it a report (March 8, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Audit Committee on March 1, 1999, referred the following motion by Councillor Lindsay Luby to the Budget Committee for consideration:

“That the global office budget for Councillors be \$40,000.00, such monies to include the charge-back of all office expenses.”

The Budget Committee received the aforementioned report.

13.14 Response to Information Requested About the Toronto Police Parking Enforcement Unit

The Budget Committee had before it a report (March 12, 1999) from Councillor Judy Sgro, Vice Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, advising that the Toronto Police Services Board on February 25, 1999, recommended that the Budget Committee:

- (1) approve the submission of semi-annual, rather than monthly, reports on Parking Enforcement Unit absenteeism; and
- (2) approve the retention of the five remaining uniform positions in the Parking Enforcement Unit.

The Budget Committee received the aforementioned report and reiterated the Budget Committee's recommendations on this matter, viz.:

- (i) the Chief of Police provide a monthly report on absenteeism through the Toronto Police Services Board, to the Emergency and Protective Services Committee and the Budget Committee; and
- (ii) the Toronto Police Services Board secure full civilianization of the remaining four parking enforcement officers.

13.15 Service Level Harmonization

The Budget Committee had before it a report (March 16, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Urban Environment and Development Committee and the Works and Utilities Committee on March 16, 1999, jointly recommended to the Budget Committee and the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee:

- (1) the adoption of the report dated March 11, 1999, from the General Manager, Transportation Services, headed "Winter Maintenance Activities - Harmonization of Service Levels", subject to adding to Recommendation No. (1) the following:

"and that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to review and report on new methods to clear windrows in areas where current mechanical methods cannot be utilized";

- (2) the adoption of Recommendations Nos. (1), (2), (3), (4), and (6) embodied in the report dated March 12, 1999, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, headed "Revised 1999 Solid Waste Management Service Harmonization Recommendations", subject to adding to Recommendation No. (3) the following:

"all leaves to be bagged, except in areas identified by Council"; and

- (3) that Recommendations Nos. (5), (7) and (8) embodied in the aforementioned report dated March 12, 1999, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, be submitted without recommendation.

The Budget Committee referred the report (March 16, 1999) from the City Clerk to the 'wrap-up' meetings of the 1999 Operating Budget.

13.16 Industrial Waste Surcharge Agreements (All Wards)

The Budget Committee had before it a report (March 16, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services advising the Budget Committee of the various impacts which would result from a unilateral termination of all existing industrial waste surcharge agreements by January 1, 2000, wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) the City not proceed with the unilateral termination of all existing industrial waste surcharge agreements by January 1, 2000;

- (2) subject to approval of Recommendation No. (1), the current Compliance Program with Monetary Concession Policy be expanded to include not only new surcharge companies and existing surcharge companies facing substantial increase in surcharge but also existing surcharge companies wishing to reduce or eliminate their surcharge assessments; and
- (3) also subject to approval of Recommendation No. (1), the Committee adopt the recommendations contained in the report (November 20, 1998) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, entitled "Industrial Waste Surcharge Agreement - Pizza Pizza Limited, 58 Advance Road", with terms and conditions satisfactory to the City Solicitor and the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services.

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

Councillor Jakobek moved that the report (March 16, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be referred back to the Works and Utilities Committee for further consideration and report thereon to the Budget Committee with a request that when considering Recommendation No. (2), from a budgetary point of view, they maintain the same budgetary levels as 1998.

(Carried)

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

(Works and Utilities Committee; c. Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services - March 30, 1999)

13.17 Feasibility of Incorporating Parking Functions into an Authority or Department

The Budget Committee had before it a report (March 22, 1999) from the Chief Administrative Officer updating the Budget Committee on the progress of Council's request respecting the feasibility of incorporating parking enforcement and other related parking functions into an authority or department; and recommending that this report be received for information.

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

Councillor Jakobek moved:

- (a) that the report (March 22, 1999) from the Chief Administrative Officer be received; and
- (b) that the Chief Administrative Officer be requested to report back to Budget Committee providing an update on the consultants findings related to incorporating the Parking Enforcement Unit and other parking functions into an authority or department.

(Carried)

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

(Chief Administrative Officer - March 30, 1999)

13.18 Bingo Task Force Terms of Reference

The Budget Committee had before it a report (March 23, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Emergency and Protective Services Committee on March 23, 1999, recommended to the Budget Committee the adoption of Recommendation No. (2), which reads: "That \$20,000.00 be added to the 1999 Clerks Operating budget to cover the Bingo Task Force expenses." of the joint report dated March 8, 1999, from the City Clerk and City Solicitor; and that the Terms of Reference for the Bingo Task Force be forwarded to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee, and Council, for consideration.

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

Councillor Jakobek moved that:

- (1) that the Terms of Reference for the Bingo Task Force, as amended by the Emergency and Protective Services Committee at its meeting on March 23, 1999, be forwarded to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee, and Council, for consideration; and
- (2) that the joint report (March 8, 1999) from the City Clerk and the City Solicitor, be amended by striking out Recommendation No. (2) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

“(2) That no additional funding be allocated to the 1999 Clerk’s Operating budget to cover the Bingo Task Force expenses.”

(Carried)

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee; c. City Clerk; City Solicitor
- March 30, 1999)

13.19 Support for Child Care Programs During School Strike

The Budget Committee had before it a report (March 24, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee on March 24, 1999, recommended to the Budget Committee, and Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee, the adoption of the report (March 3, 1999) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting support for child care programs during the school strike.

The Budget Committee received the aforementioned report.

13.20 Articling Students

The Budget Committee had before it a report (March 23, 1999) from the City Solicitor responding to a request by the Budget Committee to provide information on the number of articling students employed by law firms of similar size as the Legal Division.

The Budget Committee received the aforementioned report.

13.21 Proposal to Provide \$185,000.00 in the Capital Budget Year 2000 Allocation for Clerk’s Year 2000 Related Issues

The Budget Committee had before it a joint report (March 18, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Commissioner of Corporate Services providing details of funding for the Clerk’s Division to adequately address Year 2000 and related issues in delivering the required level of Information Technology support, wherein it is recommended that funds in the amount of \$185,000.00 be provided with the Year 2000 Capital Budget allocation to address the Clerk’s Division’s Year 2000 and related issues.

The Budget Committee recommended to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee, and Council, the adoption of the joint report (March 18, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Commissioner of Corporate Services.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee; c. Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Commissioner of Corporate Services; Executive Director of Information and Technology - March 30, 1999)

13.22 Glen Eagles

The Budget Committee had before it a confidential report (March 26, 1999) from the City Clerk, entitled, “‘Glen Eagles’ Site Adjacent to the Rouge Park, South-East Corner of Sheppard Avenue and Twyn Rivers Drive - Ward 18 - Scarborough Malvern”, wherein the Budget Committee was requested to consider Recommendation No. (6) of the said report and report directly to City Council for its meeting scheduled to be held on April 13, 1999; to be considered with Clause No. 1 of Report No. 4 of The Corporate Services Committee.

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

Councillor Jakobek moved:

- (1) that Recommendation No. (6) embodied in the aforementioned report be struck out and that the following be inserted in lieu thereof:
 - “(6) funding for the purchase of lands be provided as follows:
 - (i) 50 percent from the Beare Road Trust Fund and 50 percent from the Scarborough Community Council Parkland Acquisition Reserve Fund; and
 - (ii) the remaining Beare Road Trust Reserve Funds be used to finance the 1999 Capital Program.”; and
- (2) that a confidential communication be sent to Members of City Council for the meeting scheduled to be held on April 13, 1999; to be considered with Clause No. 1 of Report No. 4 of The Corporate Services Committee.

(Carried)

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

(Members of City Council - March 29, 1999)

13.23 Confidential Communication from Olivia Chow

The Budget Committee had before it a confidential communication (March 28, 1999) from Councillor Olivia Chow, Downtown.

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

Councillor Jakobek moved:

- (1) that the confidential communication (March 28, 1999) from Councillor Chow be adopted; and
- (2) that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be requested to open the Grants envelope to accommodate the aforementioned request, subject to City Council approval.

(Carried)

Councillor Jakobek resumed the Chair.

(Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee; c. Councillor Olivia Chow, Downtown; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer - March 30, 1999)

The Budget Committee adjourned its meeting at 3:56 p.m.

Chair.