

**THE CITY OF TORONTO**

**City Clerk's Division**

**Minutes of the Policy and Finance Committee**

**Meeting No. 6**

**Thursday, October 14, 1999**

The Policy and Finance Committee met on Thursday, October 14, 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 12:35 p.m. |
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| Mayor Mel Lastman, Chair    | X                       |
| Councillor Elizabeth Brown  | X                       |
| Councillor Gordon Chong     | X                       |
| Councillor Betty Disero     | X                       |
| Councillor Tom Jakobek      | X                       |
| Councillor Norm Kelly       | X                       |
| Councillor Ron Moeser       | X                       |
| Councillor Frances Nunziata | X                       |
| Councillor Case Ootes       | X                       |
| Councillor Joe Pantalone    | X                       |
| Councillor Kyle Rae         | X                       |

**Confirmation of Minutes.**

On motion by Councillor Chong, the Policy and Finance Committee confirmed the minutes of its meeting held on September 16, 1999.

**6-1. Feasibility of Phase II Review of Fire Services.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (September 30, 1999) from the Chief Administrative Officer recommending that:

- (1) a Phase II review of Fire Service's business processes, operations and practices not be considered until after the Fire Service has resolved three key issues, including the implementation of the KPMG Fire and Ambulance Facilities Study, the achievement of a single collective agreement for Fire Service staff and a remedial strategy for the current levels of absenteeism; and
- (2) the necessary City officials be authorized to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council that Council concur with the Recommendations embodied in the foregoing report.

**(Clause No. 18 - Report No. 8)**

**6-2. Cost Estimate for a Cost Benefit Analysis of Internal vs. External Legal Services.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (September 24, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer providing information on the price for a management type study on a cost benefit analysis of internal vs. external legal services; and recommending that this report be received for information and that any further action to define the scope parameters of such a study be referred to the City Auditor in consultation with the City Solicitor.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee concurred with the recommendation embodied in the foregoing report.

(City Auditor; c: City Solicitor - October 18, 1999)

**(Clause No. 19(a) - Report No. 8)**

**6-3. Feasibility of Implementing a Parking Levy on Private/Public Parking to Support Public Transit and Application of Revenues from Parking.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (September 30, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer examining the feasibility of implementing a parking levy on private and public parking in support of public transit in the City of Toronto; providing an overview of the application of revenues from the City's parking related programs/services and examining the feasibility of allocating a portion of existing or future revenues to support the TTC; stating that the City has no authority to pass a by-law under the Municipal Act to impose a \$1.00 levy on private parking in the City of Toronto on either the number of parking spaces or on a per vehicle parked basis; that the City could pass a by-law under section 220.1 to levy a \$1.00 fee on users of parking facilities operated by the Toronto Parking Authority on behalf of the City, however, such a fee could only be used for the purposes of the Toronto Parking Authority and not for the purpose of offsetting TTC costs; and that the implementation of a new parking levy on residential/non-residential properties would require special legislation; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The following Members of Council appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Councillor John Adams, Midtown;
  - Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, High Park; and
  - Councillor Howard Moscoe, North York Spadina.
- A. Councillor Pantalone moved that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Chief Administrative Officer be requested to submit a report to the Policy and Finance Committee on the issue of dedicating portions of the City's revenue for this or other purposes. **(Lost)**
- B. Councillor Pantalone moved, on behalf of Councillor Adams, that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be requested to submit a report to the Policy and Finance Committee on the specific issue of looking at the increase in revenue that will be realized next year from the Toronto Parking Authority as a result of changes made to the at the

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increase in revenue that will be realized next year from the Toronto Parking Authority as a result of changes made to the on-street parking program and review whether that increase in revenue can be dedicated to public transit in Toronto in a form of transit tax relief.  
**(Lost)**

- C. Councillor Pantalone, on behalf of Councillor Korwin-Kuczynski, moved that the foregoing report be submitted to Council for debate at the Council meeting scheduled to be held on October 26, 1999. **(Lost)**
- D. Councillor Jakobek moved that the foregoing report be received. **(Carried on the following recorded vote:**

**FOR:           Brown, Disero, Chong, Jakobek, Kelly, Lastman,  
                  Mooser, Ootes.**

**AGAINST:   Nunziata, Pantalone, Rae).**

**(Clause No. 19(b) - Report No. 8)**

**6-4. Storm Water Management Facilities Funding Options.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a joint report (September 28, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, the Acting Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services and the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services discussing the available funding options for off-site storm water management facilities arising from new growth; advising that apart from the plan of subdivision and severance (consent) approval processes, there are no specific contribution mechanisms available in legislation and which are generally applicable to the majority of development applications to address funding requirements for off-site storm water management facilities; that for other planning approval processes, negotiated agreements which are not explicitly authorized in legislation can be reached on a case-by-case basis, but cannot be required by a City policy, since such a policy would have no legislative basis; that development charges remain the best tool to consistently address the funding of off-site storm water management facilities; that in order to implement the relevant development charge, the necessary Wet Weather Flow Management Master Plan and capital forecasts must first be completed and the amount of the charge calculated; that until such time as the Wet Weather Flow Master Plan is complete and the Development Charge By-law is amended, staff will continue to utilize all mechanisms legally available to address funding or provision of off-site storm water facilities in the development approval process; and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Disero, the Policy and Finance Committee received the foregoing joint report.

**(Clause No. 19(c) - Report No. 8)**

**6-5. Redevelopment of Car Park 63 Located at 111 and 117 Richmond Street East.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (October 5, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Administration Committee on October 5, 1999, referred to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration, the report (September 28, 1999) from the President, Toronto Parking Authority, entitled "Redevelopment of Car Park 63 Located at 111 and 117 Richmond Street East", wherein it is recommended that:

- "(1) City Council approve an agreement of purchase and sale with Intracorp Developments (French Quarter II) Ltd. for the sale of 111 and 117 Richmond Street East (Municipal Carpark No. 63) and the acquisition of strata title to a portion of the proposed development containing a 12 space at-grade parking facility built to the Parking Authority's specifications. The total value of the transaction is \$440,000, which includes a cash payment of \$300,000 and the construction and conveyance of the parking spaces which is valued at approximately \$140,000;
- (2) upon acquisition, that the lands to be acquired be designated for municipal parking purposes to be operated by the Toronto Parking Authority; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take whatever action necessary to give effect to the foregoing."

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report (September 28, 1999) from the President, Toronto Parking Authority, embodied in the communication (October 5, 1999) from the City Clerk, subject to:

- (1) amending Recommendation No. (1) to read as follows:

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- “(1) City Council approve an agreement of purchase and sale with Intracorp Developments (French Quarter II) Ltd. for the sale of 111 and 117 Richmond Street East (Municipal Carpark No. 63) the total value of the transaction being \$440,000.00 in cash;” and
- (2) deleting Recommendation No. (2).

**(Clause No. 7- Report No. 8)**

**6-6. Veterans' Clubhouses and Legion Halls -  
Property Tax Rebates Under Section 442.1  
of The Municipal Act.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (September 24, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force on September 22, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that:

- (1) the City discontinue the current tax relief program of providing exemptions and grants for the City share of taxes for Veterans' Clubhouses and Legion Halls;
- (2) for 1999, 2000 and 2001, City Council adopt a rebate program under Section 442.1 of the Municipal Act to provide for the rebate of property taxes representing 100% of the property taxes payable on the clubhouse portion of the property for the Veterans' Clubhouses and Legion Halls listed in Appendix 1;
- (3) the amount of \$140,050 allocated in the 1999 Operating Budget under Non-Program Expenditures - Consolidated Corporate Grants - Legions be transferred to Non-Program Expenditures - Tax Deficiencies;
- (4) each veterans' organization receiving a property tax rebate provide annually to the City by September 1 each year, organizational, operational and financial information in a form satisfactory to the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer;
- (5) the tax rebate program for Veterans' Clubhouses and Legion Halls be reviewed by June, 2001, with such review to include examination of the membership and financial status of such organizations to determine the appropriateness of continuing the tax rebate program;
- (6) authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary bill in Council; and

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- (7) the appropriate civic officials be authorized to carry out the required actions to give effect to the foregoing.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendations of the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force embodied in the foregoing communication (September 24, 1999) from the City Clerk; and further, that there be no other commercial use other than the renting of halls or else taxes will be applied.

**(Clause No. 8 - Report No. 8)**

**6-7. Fair Tax Policy for Ethno-Cultural Centres and Similar Organizations.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (September 24, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force on September 22, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the report (September 15, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) one time funding in the amount of \$4.3 million (City share) be provided from the Tax Deficiencies account of the 1999 Operating Budget to cancel rebate property taxes without penalty to December 31, 1997, in accordance with the authority provided by private bill legislation, and to rebate the 1998 and 1999 property taxes without penalty pursuant to the Small Business and Charities Protection Act taxes, 1997, for the seven organizations shown under heading (A) of Table 1(a) who have received the support of the former Councils regarding Private Bill legislation, which has been enacted, and for whom the property taxes have yet to be cancelled/rebated;
- (2) one time funding in the amount of \$130.0 thousand (City share) also be provided from the Tax Deficiencies account of the 1999 Operating Budget to rebate the 1998 and 1999 property taxes without penalty pursuant to the Small Businesses and Charities Protection Act, 1997, for the four organizations shown under headings (B) and (C) of Table 1(a), subject to the organization meeting the eligibility criteria respecting property tax rebates for ethno-cultural organizations proposed in this report and attached as Appendix A;
- (3) a corporate expenditure program of "Property Tax Rebates - Ethno-Cultural and Similar Organizations" be established in the 2000 Operating Budget for the purpose of property tax rebates as provided for under the Small Business and Charities Protection Act, 1997 and the eligibility criteria, and ongoing conformity

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requirements, respecting requests for property tax relief by Ethno-Cultural and Similar Organizations, as embodied in this report and attached as Appendix A, be adopted;

- (4) funding in the amount of \$1.0 million be transferred from the Tax Deficiencies budget line to a new budget line "Property Tax Rebates - Ethno-Cultural and Similar Organizations" in the new 2000 operating budget for the program described in (3) above; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to introduce the necessary bills and to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Moeser, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force embodied in the foregoing communication (September 24, 1999) from the City Clerk; and, further, that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be requested to submit an annual report in regard thereto to the Policy and Finance Committee.

**(Clause No. 9 - Report No. 8)**

**6-8. Property Tax Relief for Low-Income Disabled Persons - Criteria and Program Enhancement.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (September 24, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force on September 22, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council:

- (1) the adoption of report (September 21, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, wherein it is recommended that:
  - "(1) the following expanded eligibility criteria for low-income disabled persons or the spouse of such a person be adopted:

To be eligible as a low-income disabled person, a person:

- (i) must have owned and occupied the residential property for one year; and



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- (ii) must be receiving disability benefits under any one of the following: Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP), Canada Pension Plan, Workplace Safety Insurance Board (WSIB), Unemployment Insurance Sickness Benefit, Motor Vehicle Accident Insurance, Private Disability Insurance Plan, Employer Disability Insurance Plan or disability programs provided by Professional Associations;
  - (2) a graduated deferral program for low-income disabled persons be implemented based on the income levels as set out in this report;
  - (3) no interest be charged on the deferred tax amount;
  - (4) the changes to the tax deferral program for low-income disabled persons, as set out in this report, be applied retroactively to January 01, 1998 and the applications already received for the 1998 and 1999 tax years be reviewed based on the expanded criteria and program;
  - (5) all administrative terms and conditions of the current low-income senior and low-income disabled tax deferral program, as established by By-law No. 603-1998, apply to the expanded eligibility criteria for low-income disabled persons;
  - (6) authority be granted for introduction of necessary bills in Council; and
  - (7) the appropriate civic officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto."; and
- (2) that the Mayor be requested to write to the Premier of Ontario requesting the Provincial Government to expedite the special legislation requested by the City respecting deferral of property tax for low income persons and seniors.

On motion by Councillor Ootes, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendations of the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force embodied in the foregoing communication (September 24, 1999) from the City Clerk.

**(Clause No. 10 - Report No. 8)**

**6-9. Association of Municipalities of Ontario -  
Gas Franchise Defense Fund.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (September 27, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Telecommunications Steering Committee on September 24, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the City of Toronto contribute to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario Gas Franchise Defence Fund at a rate of three cents per capita on a one-time basis; and that the necessary funds be taken from the Corporate Contingency Account.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Telecommunications Steering Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (September 27, 1999) from the City Clerk.

**(Clause No. 11 - Report No. 8)**

**6-10. School Planning – City Wide.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it the following:

- (A) communication (September 27, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the School Tax Sub-Committee on September 27, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that:
- (1) there be approval, in principle, for the City of Toronto to develop a response to the Toronto District School Board Proposal Call to identify City interests (costs and opportunities) with the final document to be approved by City Council;
  - (2) the Toronto District School Board staff work with City staff to review implementation options developed by the Community Implementation Teams to identify any costs to the City or community users and that notification of all meetings be sent to affected Councillors, City staff and users;
  - (3) the Toronto District School Board immediately provide existing child care centers with leases to remain in closed facilities until 2000/2001;

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- (4) the City and the Toronto District School Board develop principles and protocol for the re-use of school sites including community outreach and participation, exploring opportunities to meet mutual service objectives (e.g. Child care facilities) existing services being provided first option to lease, open space access being retained, compatibility being ensured, etc.;
  - (5) principles and protocols be adopted by both the City and Toronto District School Board; and
  - (6) given school closings have a dramatic impact on all services affecting children, families and their communities in the City of Toronto, the Toronto District School Board be urged to fully examine this issue, particularly as it relates to affected programs and schools including feeder schools; and
- (B) report (October 7, 1999) from the Acting Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services providing a preliminary assessment of the impact of the Toronto District School Board Phase I school closures on the local delivery of municipal services and programs and information and background in a report format, for the recommendations approved at the September 27, 1999 meeting of the School Tax Sub-Committee; advising that potential financial impacts for the City will be reported on separately once additional information is provided by the Toronto District School Board with respect to the issues raised in this report; and recommending that:
- (1) the Toronto District School Board and the Toronto Catholic District School Board be requested to undertake an assessment of the broader community's use of schools, specifically in the communities currently facing closures;
  - (2) the Toronto District School Board be requested to provide City staff with the opportunity to review the proposed recommendations of the school Closure Implementation Teams and provide comments for Board staff's consideration in the preparation of their final report.
  - (3) the Acting Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services develop principles for the reuse of surplus school facilities jointly with Toronto District School Board staff, in consultation with the Commissioners of Community Services and Corporate Services, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism approved by both the Toronto District School Board and City Council; and

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- (4) this report be forwarded to the Toronto District School Board and the Toronto Catholic District School Board for information.

The following Members of Council appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Councillor Olivia Chow, Downtown; and
- Councillor Pam McConnell, Don River.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee:

- (i) recommended to Council the adoption of the report (October 7, 1999) from the Acting Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services subject to:

- (A) amending Recommendation No. (1) by adding thereto the following words "that such assessment include Child Care Centres, after school and other recreational and community use", so that Recommendation No. (1) shall now read as follows:

"(1) the Toronto District School Board and the Toronto Catholic District School Board be requested to undertake an assessment of the broader community's use of schools, specifically in the communities currently facing closures; that such assessment include Child Care Centres, after school and other recreational and community use;" ; and

- (B) amending Recommendation No. (2) by adding thereto the following words "and that these recommendations and any community meetings concerning school closures be sent to affected Councillors, City staff and users", so that Recommendation No. (2) shall now read as follows:

"(2) the Toronto District School Board be requested to provide City staff with the opportunity to review the proposed recommendations of the school Closure Implementation Teams and provide comments for

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Board staff's consideration in the preparation of their final report and that these recommendations and any community meetings concerning school closures be sent to affected Councillors, City staff and users;"; and

- (ii) referred the communication (September 27, 1999) from the City Clerk, containing the Recommendations of the School Tax Sub-Committee entitled "School Closings", to the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, the Chief Administrative Officer and the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for further consideration and report thereon, in an expeditious manner, to the Policy and Finance Committee.

(Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Chief Administrative Officer; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c: Committee Administrator, School Tax Sub-Committee - October 18, 1999)

**(Clause No. 2 - Report No. 8)**

**6-11. Environmental Task Force - Education and Awareness Work Group - Final Report.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (September 29, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Environmental Task Force on September 27, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the Final Report dated September 27, 1999, from the Education and Awareness Workgroup be adopted.

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

- Ms. Eleanor Dudar, Environmental Task Force Education and Awareness Workgroup Participant;
- Ms. Karen Yukich, Environmental Task Force Education and Awareness Workgroup Participant;
- Councillor Irene Jones, Lakeshore Queensway; and
- Councillor Jack Layton, Don River.

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- A. Councillor Moeser moved that the Policy and Finance Committee endorse the principle embodied in the Final Report of the City of Toronto Environmental Task Force Education and Awareness Workgroup, contained in the foregoing communication (September 29, 1999) from the City Clerk. **(Carried)**
  
- B. Councillor Chong moved that the foregoing motion A. by Councillor Moeser be amended to provide that the aforementioned report be referred to the Chief Administrative Officer with a request that he consult with the Workgroup, and submit a report to the Policy and Finance Committee, no later than December, 1999, if possible, in terms of how the implementation of the Recommendations of the Environmental Task Force Education and Awareness Workgroup can be phased in. **(Carried)**

(Chief Administrative Officer; c: Committee Secretary, Environmental Task Force; Ms. Eleanor Dudar, Environmental Task Force, Education and Awareness Workgroup Participant; Ms. Karen Yukich, Environmental Task Force, Education and Awareness Workgroup Participant; kpuhlmann@trca.on.ca - October 18, 1999)

**(Clause No. 19(d) - Report No. 8)**

**6-12. Mandate and Budget Allocation for Mayor's Homeless Initiative Reserve Fund.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it the following:

- (A) report (September 23, 1999) addressed to the Community Services Committee from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services recommending that:
  - (1) (a) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be authorized to create a Mayor's Homeless Initiative Reserve Fund, in accordance with Recommendation No. (16) in the approved 1999 Operating Budget for the Shelter, Housing and Support Program;

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- (b) Council approve an initial amount of up to \$5 million to be transferred to the Mayor's Homeless Initiative Reserve Fund in 1999, from the 1999 provincial Housing Download savings within the Shelter, Housing and Support Division's 1999 Operating Budget, contingent on the realization of such savings;
  - (c) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services report to Council for approval of any further transfers into the Mayor's Homeless Initiative Reserve Fund that the Commissioner deems necessary;
- (2) the following mandate be approved for the Mayor's Homeless Initiative Reserve Fund:
- (i) to help stabilize the housing of homeless people or those in identified high-risk groups, by providing one-time capital support to suitable projects that have short timeframes to completion;
  - (ii) to combine with federal capital funding, in the event that federal housing or homelessness capital funding announced within the timeframe of fiscal 1999/2000 requires a City contribution;
  - (iii) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services report to Council on all expenditures from the Mayor's Homeless initiative Reserve Fund on a regular periodic basis;
  - (iv) such funding to be administered by the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, in accordance with the Process for Project Development and Funding Approval set out in this report, including Council approval being required for each specific allocation from the fund in excess of \$25,000.00;
- (3) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report back at the appropriate time with updated information on 1999 underspending in the Provincial Housing Download; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto; and

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- (B) communication (October 7, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee on October 7, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the report dated September 23, 1999, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services proposing a mandate and budget allocation for the Mayor's Homeless Initiative Reserve Fund, subject to amending the mandate to provide that City-initiated initiatives also be eligible for funding from the Mayor's Homelessness Initiative Reserve Fund.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Community Services Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (October 7, 1999) from the City Clerk.

**(Clause No. 12- Report No. 8)**

**6-13. Learning, Earning and Parenting (LEAP).**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it the following:

- (A) report (September 30, 1999) addressed to the Community Services Committee from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services recommending that:
- (1) City Council endorse the proposed direction for delivering LEAP in Toronto;
  - (2) Funds for LEAP be included in the year 2000 budget requests of Toronto Social Services and Children's Services in the amounts of \$1.89 million gross/\$378,000.00 net and \$4.00 million gross/\$800,000.00 net respectively; and
  - (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto; and
- (B) communication (October 7, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee on October 7, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee:
- (1) the adoption of the report dated September 30, 1999, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting the Learning, Earning and Parenting (LEAP) Program; and



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- (2) that the provincial Ministry of Community and Social Services be advised that the City of Toronto will not implement the LEAP Program until such time as an adequate response has been received from the Province of Ontario through discussions of the KPMG recommendations on the implementation of Ontario Works, and the impact on child care services.

Councillor Olivia Chow, Downtown, appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Moeser, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendations of the Community Services Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (October 7, 1999) from the City Clerk.

**(Clause No. 4 - Report No. 8)**

**6-14. Toronto Hydro Rate Increases.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (September 22, 1999) from Councillor Howard Moscoe, North York Spadina, expressing concern with regard to Toronto Hydro rate increases affecting several residents across the Greater Toronto Area and raising a number of questions in regard thereto.

The Policy and Finance Committee also had before it a communication (October 13, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the North York Community Council on October 12, 1999 received a communication (September 23, 1999) from Councillor Howard Moscoe, North York Spadina, and referred the following recommendations to the Policy and Finance Committee for its meeting on October 14, 1999:

- (1) that Council exercise shareholders direction to instruct Toronto Hydro to not proceed with increases in rates planned for January 2000 without referring the proposed increases to the Community Councils and Works Committee for Council recommendations; and
- (2) that all motions from the Budget Committee and/or Council, which dealt with Toronto Hydro rates, be brought forward and considered at the Policy and Finance Committee meeting of October 14, 1999.

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The following Members of Council appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Councillor Howard Moscoe, North York Spadina; and
- Councillor Jack Layton, Don River.

On motion by Councillor Disero, on behalf of Councillor Layton, the Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing communication from Councillor Howard Moscoe, North York Spadina, to the Chief Executive Officer, Toronto Hydro Corporation, for a detailed response in regard thereto to the Policy and Finance Committee.

(Mr. John Brooks, President and Chief Executive Officer, Toronto Hydro; c. Councillor Howard Moscoe, North York Spadina - October 18, 1999)

**(Clause No. 19(e) - Report No. 8)**

**6-15. Procurement Authorization - Traffic Barriers  
For Spadina LRT.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (September 23, 1999) from the General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission, advising that the Toronto Transit Commission on September 22, 1999, adopted the following recommendations contained in Report No. 4 of the Toronto Transit Commission:

“It is recommended that the Commission:

- (1) approve a previously unscheduled and unbudgeted expenditure of \$1,500,000 for the provision of permanent traffic barriers along the Spadina LRT Streetcar line from College Street to Front Street;
- (2) authorize the issuance of Purchase Orders to the City of Toronto in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,400,000, without further authorization, for the design, contract procurement, construction, supervision and project management of the project;
- (3) authorize staff to proceed with project expenditures immediately as required to comply with City Council directives adopted at its meeting of July 27, 28, 29 and 30, 1999; and

- (4) forward this report to the City Policy and Finance Committee for their information.”

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Policy and Finance Committee received the foregoing communication.

(Mr. Vincent Rodo, General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission - October 18, 1999)

**(Clause No. 19(f) - Report No. 8)**

**6-16. Fees Charged for Police Reference Checks.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (August 6, 1999) from Councillor Norman Gardner, Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board, advising that the Toronto Police Services Board on July 22, 1999, recommended that:

- (1) the Toronto Budget Committee agree to reimburse the Toronto Police Services Board with funds equivalent to the cost of processing all reference checks for non-profit organizations only; and
- (2) the Toronto Budget Committee forward this report to Toronto City Council for approval.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council that the Toronto Police Services Board be advised that Council in the adoption of its 1999 Operating Budget, clearly requested the Board to waive the fees charged for Police Reference Checks; and that the Board be requested to carry out Council's request.

**(Clause No. 16 - Report No. 8)**

**6-17. Actions Required Resulting from the Board Meeting  
of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (October 7, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee on October 7, 1999:

- (A) recommended that the following recommendations contained in the attached communication (undated) from Councillor Olivia Chow, Child and Youth Advocate, be referred to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration:

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- “(2) that the City of Toronto reiterate its support for the federal firearms control legislation, and that this support be communicated to the Federal Justice Minister and the Solicitor General of Canada, and to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM);
  - (3) that staff complete the survey regarding the establishment of a Local Crime Prevention Council and explore federal funding sources in support of Council’s work on safe community initiatives; and
  - (4) that various existing policies and initiatives on prostitution be collected and sent to the December board meeting of FCM for discussion.”; and
- (B) received Recommendation No. (1) contained in the attached communication from Councillor Chow.

Mayor Lastman appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

On motion by Mayor Lastman, the Policy and Finance Committee:

- (i) recommended to Council the adoption of the following Recommendation No. (2) embodied in the communication (Undated) from Councillor Olivia Chow, Downtown, viz:
  - “(2) that the City of Toronto reiterate its support for the federal firearms control legislation, and that this support be communicated to the Federal Justice Minister and the Solicitor General of Canada, and to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM); and
- (ii) referred the following Recommendations Nos. (3) and (4) embodied in the communication (undated) from Councillor Olivia Chow, Downtown, to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for consideration and report thereon to the Community Services Committee:
  - “(3) that staff complete the survey regarding the establishment of a Local Crime Prevention Council and explore federal funding sources in support of Council’s work on safe community initiatives; and

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- (4) that various existing policies and initiatives on prostitution be collected and sent to the December board meeting of FCM for discussion.”.

Mayor Lastman resumed the Chair.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. Councillor Olivia Chow, Downtown - October 18, 1999)

**(Clause No. 15 - Report No. 8)**

**6-18. Response to the Provincial Operational Review of Toronto's Implementation of Ontario Works and Child Care Fee Subsidy Programs.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (October 7, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee on October 7, 1999:

(A) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council:

- (1) the adoption of the attached report (September 22, 1999) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, subject to amending Recommendation No. (1) to provide that the following Recommendation No. 47, headed “Directly Provided Child Care: Creating an Arm’s Length Agency”, contained in the KPMG report on Ontario Works, not be supported until a further review of such recommendation has been undertaken by the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and a report submitted thereon to the Community Services Committee: “Recommendation No. (47)

The City of Toronto should renew efforts to make its directly operated child care service an arm’s length agency of the City. If the City is successful in establishing this new arrangement, it should avail itself of the opportunity to invite centres of excellence involved in the treatment of children at risk to participate in the governance and programme development of directly operated child care services. Should the Province devolve the licensing of child care to municipalities, it should not do so with the City of Toronto until the City has taken steps to eliminate the potential for conflict of interest in its provision of child care, by the means above or otherwise.”;

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- (2) that the City of Toronto seek provincial cost-shared funding to pay actual costs of licensed child care centres and additional child care providers; and
  - (3) that in the event that the provincial cost-shared funding is not forthcoming, the City of Toronto continue to pay its share of the actual costs, and that the necessary funding be included in the year 2000 Operating Budget; and
- (B) requested the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services to:
- (a) provide the Community Services Committee with a comprehensive report concerning all pressures facing child care services in Toronto, and that such report include:
    - (i) the capital funding crisis;
    - (ii) impact of school closures; and
    - (iii) implementation of Ontario Works and the Learning, Earning and Parenting Program;
  - (b) explore the feasibility of providing subsidies to fill the 2000 vacant child care spaces, and sending the bill to the Province; and
  - (c) do everything possible to find replacement child care locations when school closures occur.

Councillor Olivia Chow, Downtown, appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Moeser, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendations of the Community Services Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (October 7, 1999) from the City Clerk.

(Councillor Joe Pantalone declared his interest in the foregoing matter, in that one of his children is registered in a day care centre which has a purchase of service agreement with the City of Toronto.)

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

**6-19. Water Harmonization and Universal Metering in the Former Cities of Toronto and Etobicoke.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (October 6, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Works Committee on October 6, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the joint report dated June 30, 1999, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, with the exception of Recommendations Nos. (7) and (10) which were previously adopted by Council (Clause No. 10 of Report No. 2 of The Works Committee, adopted by Council on July 27, 28, 29 and 30, 1999), subject to:

- (1) deleting the word "voluntary" in Recommendations Nos. (1), (2) and (6) and inserting in lieu thereof the word "mandatory";
- (2) striking out Recommendations Nos. (1)(ii), (1)(iii) and (1)(iv) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
  - "1(ii) the flat rate water and sewer service charge be increased by 100 percent for customers who have received adequate notice (minimum three written notices) and have been provided with sufficient time to arrange for the mandatory installation of a water meter but continue to refuse to co-operate, and that the flat rate water and sewer service charges be increased by an additional 100 percent every year thereafter";
- (3) striking out Recommendations Nos. (2)(i) and (3);
- (4) striking out the words "three years" and "November 1, 2002" in Recommendation No. 2)(ii) and inserting in lieu thereof the words "three and one-half years" and "April 1, 2003", respectively;
- (5) striking out Recommendation No. (2)(iii) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
  - "(iii) the anticipated new revenue from the former City of Toronto, in the amount of \$20.5 million from the three and one-half year deferral of decreases respecting metered customers, be used to fund the Universal Metering Program"; and
- (6) deleting the words "and the metering incentives," in Recommendation No. (8);

so that the recommendations embodied in such report shall now read as follows:

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"It is recommended that:

- (1) with respect to the implementation of the Universal Metering Program, a mandatory program be implemented over a four-year period to convert the remaining 85,000 flat-rate accounts in the former City of Toronto and 1,500 flat-rate accounts in the former City of Etobicoke, subject to the following conditions:
  - (i) the City install water meters free of charge to homeowners and provide one water efficiency kit per home; and
  - (ii) the flat rate water and sewer service charge be increased by 100 percent for customers who have received adequate notice (minimum three written notices) and have been provided with sufficient time to arrange for the mandatory installation of a water meter but continue to refuse to co-operate, and that the flat rate water and sewer service charges be increased by an additional 100 percent every year thereafter;
- (2) with respect to funding the Mandatory Meter Conversion Program:
  - (i) the rate decrease that would be realized by former City of Toronto's metered customers under the phased-in competitive rate structure be deferred for a period of three and one-half years, and effective April 1, 2003, the harmonized competitive rate structure be applied for metered customers in the former City of Toronto; and
  - (ii) the anticipated new revenue from the former City of Toronto, in the amount of \$20.5 million from the three and one-half year deferral of decreases respecting metered customers, be used to fund the Universal Metering Program;
- (3) the following be established as mandatory water meter installation criteria for the City to install a free of charge meter where no meter exists:
  - (i) homeowners who take out a plumbing permit to upgrade their household plumbing;
  - (ii) new home construction;
  - (iii) purchasers of properties which are on a flat-rate billing system agree, as a condition precedent to receiving a clearance letter from the City at the time of property ownership transfer, to having a water meter installed; and



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- (iv) as a condition of the City's Water Service Connection Repair Program, flat rate customers agree to having a water meter installed;
- (4) Council redirect the provision of \$21.0 million contained in the 1999-2003 Capital Works Plan of the Water and Wastewater Program respecting Universal Metering to providing funding to the City's water efficiency programs, and that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services report to the Works Committee in the fall of 1999 on a Water Efficiency Plan for the new City and the use of these funds;
- (5) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer prepare an annual report to the Works Committee and the Policy and Finance Committee on the annual progress and financial impact of the Mandatory Universal Metering Program, and recommend any modifications to the financing and/or implementation plan described herein;
- (6) a public awareness program be carried out over a four-year implementation period of the Universal Metering Program at an estimated cost of \$100,000.00 to inform homeowners of the benefits of a metered water supply, described herein;
- (7) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report to the Works Committee in the fall of 1999 regarding joint meter reading and billing opportunities and financing options for automated meter reading technologies; and
- (8) the appropriate City officials be granted the authority necessary to give effect thereto."

On motion by Councillor Disero, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendations of the Works Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (October 6, 1999) from the City Clerk.

**(Clause No. 6 - Report No. 8)**

**6-20. City of Toronto Quarterly Investment Report  
as at July 31, 1999.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (September 28, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer summarizing the holdings in the City's investment portfolio and reporting on current investment practices; advising that the City continues to receive returns on its investments that generally exceed established benchmarks; that interest earnings attributable to the operating budget are projected to have a year end favourable variance of \$13 million; that the City's investments are in compliance with the Council adopted investment policies; and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee received the foregoing report.

**(Clause No. 19(g) - Report No. 8)**

**6-21. Area Specific Development Charges.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (October 6, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer reporting on area specific development charges, and in particular, as they apply to the previous Sheppard Subway development charges imposed by the former Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto; advising that the projected annual revenue based on the approved schedule of charges is estimated at \$15.0 million, or \$150.0 million over the ten year planning period which is approximately the same amount that was collected through the development charge regimes of the former municipalities in 1998; that the City-wide schedule of charges adopted by Council provides for partial recovery of development related costs for a variety of services such as fire, roads, water and sewage, parks, libraries and transit, including costs related to the Sheppard Subway project; that with the exception of the former Metro Sheppard Subway development charge by-law, none of the former municipalities imposed a charge in respect of development-related transit infrastructure costs; that recoveries from the transit component of the new development charges on a City-wide basis is estimated at \$19.0 million over ten years, of which approximately \$10.0 million is attributed to the costs of the Sheppard Subway, as compared to the total estimated transit recoveries of \$11.2 million from the former Sheppard Subway area-specific development charge by-law; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Policy and Finance Committee received the foregoing report.

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(Mayor Lastman declared his interest in the foregoing matter, in that partners at the same law firm as his son, who is not a real estate lawyer and does not personally act on these files, are representing applicants and have worked on related files.)

**(Clause No. 19(h) - Report No. 8)**

**6-22. 1999 Levy on Railway Roadways or Rights of Ways and on Power Utility Transmission or Distribution Corridors.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (October 7, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) Council authorize the levy and collection of taxes for the 1999 taxation year on roadways or rights of ways of railways and on transmission or distribution corridors owned by power utilities, in accordance with subsection 368.3(1) of the *Municipal Act* and subsection 257.7(1) of the *Education Act*; and
- (2) authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary bill in Council to levy taxes for the year 1999 on such roadways, rights of ways and transmission or distribution corridors, in the form or substantially in the form of the draft by-law attached hereto.

On motion by Councillor Ootes, the Policy and Finance Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the report (October 7, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; and
- (2) requested the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to submit a further report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee.

(Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer - October 18, 1999)

**(Clause No. 13 - Report No. 8)**

**6-23. December 31, 1998 Operating Budget Variance Report.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (October 5, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer providing an overview of the City of Toronto's financial performance for its first year of operation ended December 31, 1998; advising that this report includes an analysis of significant Net Expenditure variances by City Departments, and Special Purpose Bodies; and recommending that this report, reflecting the 1998 financial results of the City of Toronto be adopted.

The Policy and Finance Committee held this item for consideration later in the meeting with Item No. 27.

(See Minute No. 6-27 for decision.)

**(Clause No. 1 - Report No. 8)**

**6-24. A Reconstituted Task Force on Community Safety.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (October 8, 1999) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services recommending that:

- (1) Council adopt the proposed mandate and composition of the reconstituted Community Safety Task Force as outlined in this report and Appendix A;
- (2) for 2000, CNS charge the Task Forces Budget in the Other Corporate Expenditures Account for administrative and other expenditures to support the work of the reconstituted Task Force on Community Safety;
- (3) Departments incorporate financial requests related to the implementation of the Council approved Community Safety Task Force recommendations within their respective budget submissions for consideration by Council within the 2000 budget process; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee:

- (1) deferred consideration of the foregoing report until its meeting scheduled to be held on November 10, 1999; and

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- (2) requested the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services to submit a report to the aforementioned meeting of the Committee on the full cost to date of the endeavours of the Task Force.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services - October 18, 1999)

**(Clause No. 19(i) - Report No. 8)**

**6-25. Tree Maintenance Backlog - Funding from Department Sources  
- All Wards.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (October 8, 1999) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism recommending that:

- (1) the \$350,000.00 of the \$1,000,000.00 1999 request for funding to reduce the forestry backlog be deferred for consideration with the year 2000 operating budget;
- (2) total funding for this initiative remain at \$2,700,000.00, funded by \$650,000.00 from 1999 contingency funds as approved by Council September 28, 29, 1999, with the balance of \$2,050,000.00 identified as an operating budget item for 2000;
- (3) an update report on the progress being made to reduce the forestry backlog be submitted to the Economic Development and Parks Committee in March 2000; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Pantalone, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing report (October 8, 1999) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, confirming that the funding in the amount of \$650,000.00 for this initiative can be used for contracts awarded in 1999 with expenditures occurring in the year 2000.

**(Clause No. 12 - Report No. 8)**

**6-26. Toronto Police Service -  
Parking Enforcement Unit - Absenteeism.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (October 1, 1999) from Councillor Norman Gardner, Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board, advising that the Toronto Police Services Board on August 12, 1999, received a report (July 19, 1999) from the Chief of Police providing information requested by the Budget Committee relating to "Parking Enforcement Unit Absenteeism" and recommended that a copy of said report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for information.

On motion by Councillor Nunziata, the Policy and Finance Committee received the foregoing report.

(Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board - October 18, 1999)

**(Clause No. 19(j) - Report No. 8)**

**6-27. June 30, 1999, Operating Budget Variance Report.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it the following report:

- (i) (October 5, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer providing an overview of the City of Toronto's financial performance for its first year of operation ended December 31, 1998; advising that this report includes an analysis of significant Net Expenditure variances by City Departments, and Special Purpose Bodies; and recommending that this report, reflecting the 1998 financial results of the City of Toronto be adopted; and (See Minute No. 6-23); and
- (ii) (October 8, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer providing an overview of the gross and net expenditure position of the City of Toronto for the first six months of operation ended June 30, 1999; identifying the resulting funding issues for the full year 1999; advising that the report includes an analysis of significant net expenditure variances and year-end projections by City programs, and Special Purpose Bodies; that the June 1999 variance report has identified that departments are managing within approved budgets except for the unexpected snowstorm in January 1999; that Special Purpose Bodies are projecting a year-end over expenditure of \$13.7 million; that the projected year-end surplus on tax supported operations is \$6.5 million after transfers to reserves; that this is 85 percent below the 1998 surplus of \$43.6 million, and suggests that continued vigilance is required to ensure services continue to be provided within the 1999 Operating Budget envelope approved by Council; and recommending that this report be received.

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

- Mr. Rick Zerr, Coalition Against Target Policing;
- Mr. Stefan Kipfer, Policy Analyst, Community Social Planning Council of Toronto, and filed a written submission in regard thereto;
- Councillor Olivia Chow, Downtown;
- Councillor Jack Layton, Don River; and
- Councillor Jane Pitfield, East York.

A. Councillor Jakobek moved that the Policy and Finance Committee:

- (i) recommend to Council:
  - (1) the adoption of the report (October 5, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; and
  - (2) that an amount of \$10.0 million be transferred from the \$16.5 million contained in the Winter Control Stabilization Reserve Fund, to the Transportation Program;
- (ii) request the City Auditor to review the \$39 million snow budget over-expenditure with a view to determining whether the costs are controlled and/or in similar circumstances whether they can be reduced;
- (iii) request the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer:
  - (a) and other senior staff to review by December, 1999, the 1999 Budget and Council's 1999 objectives which include Homelessness, Child Care, Social Services - Welfare, Forestry, Street Cleaning, User Fees, Permit Processing, etc., and report on the availability of any funds to address these areas;

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- (b) to expedite her forthcoming report on the Police and Zoo over-expenditures and report to the Budget Advisory Committee no later than October 30, 1999; and
  - (iv) receive the report (October 8, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer. **(Carried)**
- B. Councillor Jakobek moved, on behalf of Councillor Pitfield, that the Policy and Finance Committee:
  - (i) request the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer:
    - (a) to provide quarterly variance reports to the Policy and Finance Committee;
    - (b) to provide quarterly expenditure reports, for each Department, to the Policy and Finance Committee to afford the Committee an opportunity to determine the amount that is being spent;
    - (c) to report to the Policy and Finance Committee on the factors behind the increase in projected 1999 expenditures versus 1998 actual related to Works and Emergency Services (\$60.2 million) and Finance (\$3.2 million);
    - (d) to report to the Policy and Finance Committee on the City of Toronto's policy on the allocation, charging and recovery of inter departmental charges;
    - (e) and the City Auditor to report to the Policy and Finance Committee:
      - (i) on the basis for expecting an increase of \$38.2 million in 1999 over 1998 in Water revenues; and
      - (ii) on why the prior year surplus is only recovered to the extent of \$869,000 by June, 1999, against the estimate of \$45.0 million;



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- and
- (ii) direct that the forthcoming report from the City Auditor and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer respecting the budget of the Toronto Harbour Commission be submitted to Council, as soon as possible. **(Carried)**
- C. Councillor Moeser moved, on behalf of Councillor Layton, that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to submit a report to the Policy and Finance Committee on the rent increases in City Housing units, reported to be as high as 10 percent and particularly how such a rent increase was possible given that the 1999 budget for the Housing Company did not identify a rent increase in 1999. **(Carried)**

**The decision of the Policy and Finance Committee, therefore, is as follows:**

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council:

- (1) the adoption of the report (October 5, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; and
- (2) that an amount of \$10.0 million be transferred from the \$16.5 million contained in the Winter Control Stabilization Reserve Fund, to the Transportation Program

The Policy and Finance Committee also:

- (1) requested the City Auditor to review the \$39 million snow budget over-expenditure with a view to determining whether the costs are controlled and/or in similar circumstances whether they can be reduced;
- (2) requested the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer:
  - (a) and other senior staff to review by December, 1999, the 1999 Budget and Council's 1999 objectives which include Homelessness, Child Care, Social Services - Welfare, Forestry, Street Cleaning, User Fees, Permit Processing, etc., and report on the availability of any funds to address these areas;

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- (b) to expedite her forthcoming report on the Police and Zoo over-expenditures and report to the Budget Advisory Committee no later than October 30, 1999;
- (c) to provide quarterly variance reports to the Policy and Finance Committee;
- (d) to provide quarterly expenditure reports, for each Department, to the Policy and Finance Committee to afford the Committee an opportunity to determine the amount that is being spent;
- (e) to report to the Policy and Finance Committee on the factors behind the increase in projected 1999 expenditures versus 1998 actual related to Works and Emergency Services (\$60.2 million) and Finance (\$3.2 million);
- (f) to report to the Policy and Finance Committee on the City of Toronto's policy on the allocation, charging and recovery of inter departmental charges;
- (g) and the City Auditor to report to the Policy and Finance Committee:
  - (i) on the basis for expecting an increase of \$38.2 million in 1999 over 1998 in Water revenues; and
  - (ii) on why the prior year surplus is only recovered to the extent of \$869,000 by June, 1999, against the estimate of \$45.0 million;
- (3) requested the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services to submit a report to the Policy and Finance Committee on the rent increases in City Housing units, reported to be as high as 10 percent and particularly how such a rent increase was possible given that the 1999 budget for the Housing Company did not identify a rent increase in 1999;
- (4) directed that the forthcoming report from the City Auditor and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer respecting the budget of the Toronto Harbour Commission be submitted to Council, as soon as

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- possible; and
- (5) received the report (October 8, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

(Chief Administrative Officer; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; City Auditor; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services; City Solicitor; c: Mr. Glenn Vollebregt, Director, Budget Services; Mr. Val Secure, Manager, Budget Services; Ms. Josie LaVita, Manager, Budget Services; Budget Advisory Committee; Mr. Rick Zerr, Coalition Against Target Policing; Mr. Stefan Kipfer, Policy Analyst, Community Social Planning Council of Toronto - October 18, 1999)

(Also See Minute No. 6-23)

**(Clause No. 1 - Report No. 8)**

**6-28. 2000 Operating Budget - Process and Time Table and Revised Capital Budget Schedule.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (October 12, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer outlining a proposed process and timetable for the 2000 Operating Budget deliberations and a revised 2000 Capital Budget schedule; and recommending that:

- (1) the proposed process and schedule as described in this report as outlined in Appendix "A" and Appendix "B" for the 2000 Operating Budget be approved;
- (2) the revised schedule as outlined in Appendix "C" for the 2000 Capital Budget be approved; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing report (October 12, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

**(Clause No. 14 - Report No. 8)**

**6-29. Staffing Resources - Urban Planning and Development Services, Municipal Licensing and Standards Division: Common Area Apartment Re-inspection Programme.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (October 6, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Planning and Transportation Committee on October 4, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee and Council, for its meeting scheduled to be held on October 26, 1999, the adoption of the report (September 16, 1999) from the Acting Commissioner, Urban Planning and Development Services, entitled "Staffing Resources - Urban Planning and Development Services, Municipal Licensing and Standards Division: Common Area Apartment Re-inspection Programme" subject to:

(1) deleting Recommendations Nos. (2) and (3) and substituting therein with the following:

“(2) multi-unit rental residential buildings be licensed using the classification and fee formula outlined in Appendix A of the report (September 16, 1999) from the Acting Commissioner, Urban Planning and Development Services which proposes three classes of licence as follows:

Class A Licence - a five year licence with a fee of 40 cents per suite per month;

Clause B Licence - a three year licence with a fee of 60 cents per suite per month; and

Class C Licence - a one year licence with a fee of 70 cent per suite per month; and

(3) that this licensing program be implemented on a cost-recovery basis; and

(2) adding the following additional Recommendation:

“(4) that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary by-laws to give effect thereto”

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On motion by Councillor Pantalone, the Policy and Finance Committee concurred with the action taken by the Planning and Transportation Committee embodied in the foregoing communication.

**(Clause No. 19(k) - Report No. 8)**

**6-30. Year 2000 Priority One Business Functions  
Status Report - September 1999.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (October 12, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer submitting the following information as requested by Council at its November 1998 meeting:

- (a) Status report of each Priority One business function (October 5, 1999);
- (b) Status report on the ABC's and their state of readiness;
- (c) Status report on expenditures for Priority 1 Year 2000 functions (September 1999);  
and
- (d) Change requests.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee:

- (1) received the foregoing report; and
- (2) requested the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to provide an additional follow-up report directly to Council for its meeting scheduled to be held on October 26, 1999, on the issue of external partnerships and agreements.

(Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer - October 18, 1999)

**(Clause No. 17 - Report No. 8)**

The Committee adjourned its meeting at 12:35 p.m.