

THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk's Division

Minutes of the Works Committee

Meeting No. 7

Wednesday, November 3, 1999

The Works Committee met on Wednesday, November 3, 1999, in Committee Room 1, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:40 a.m.

Members Present:

	<u>9:40 a.m.-12:35 p.m.</u>	<u>2:10 p.m.-8.20 p.m.</u>
Councillor Bill Saundercook, Chair	x	x
Councillor Ila Bossons	x	x
Councillor Rob Davis	x	x
Councillor Betty Disero	x	x
Councillor Dennis Fotinos	x	x
Councillor Jack Layton	x	x
Councillor Judy Sgro	-	-
Councillor David Shiner	x	x
Councillor Bruce Sinclair	x	x

Also Present:

Councillor Milton Berger
Councillor Sandra Bussin
Councillor Olivia Chow
Councillor Douglas Holyday
Councillor Joan King
Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski
Councillor Pam McConnell
Councillor Kyle Rae

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

Confirmation of Minutes.

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On motion by Councillor Sinclair, the Minutes of the meeting of the Works Committee held on October 6, 1999, were confirmed.

7.1 General Cleanliness in the Downtown Core.

The Works Committee had before it a communication (October 18, 1999) from Councillor Olivia Chow, Downtown, recommending that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services develop a comprehensive plan that will improve the general cleanliness of the downtown core, including increasing the number of times the streets are swept and the number of garbage receptacles in the downtown core and involving a public education campaign.

The Committee also had before it a communication (November 2, 1999) from Councillor Pam McConnell, Don River, suggesting that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services meet as soon as possible with the downtown area Councillors concerned about this issue, and review options for running a "Clean Toronto" pilot project that addresses the deteriorating level of cleanliness in the City core; and further suggesting that the Commissioner conclude the discussions and complete the development of a strategy by early January.

The Committee also had before it a communication (November 2, 1999) from Mr. Gordon Dreger, Urban Design Committee Chair, Bloor-Yorkville Business Improvement Area, concurring with Councillor Chow that the level of street cleaning and the number of garbage receptacles presently provided needs to be increased; noting that by-law enforcement also requires improvement; and requesting that the Bloor-Yorkville BIA be included in recommendations for improvement.

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

- Ms. Helen Hatton, Toronto, Ontario;
- Councillor Olivia Chow, Downtown;
- Councillor Pam McConnell, Don River;
- Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, High Park;
- Councillor Sandra Bussin, East Toronto; and
- Councillor Kyle Rae, Downtown.

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A. Councillor Layton moved:

- (1) on behalf of Councillor Chow, that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to develop a plan as outlined in the aforementioned communication from Councillor Chow, and submit a comprehensive report thereon to the Committee including budgetary implications no later than January 2000;
- (2) on behalf of Councillor McConnell, that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to meet or communicate with the downtown area Councillors to review options for running a "Clean Toronto" pilot project for a report back to the Committee by January; and
- (3) that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to meet with Councillors to review the sidewalk steam-cleaning schedule to determine whether adjustments are necessary.

(Carried, as amended)

B. Councillor Bossons moved:

- (1) that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to submit a report to the Committee on:
 - (i) costs of upgrading the standard of commercial waste collection, and necessary public education programs;
(Carried, as amended)
 - (ii) steam-cleaning of sidewalks; **(Redundant)**
 - (iii) resources required to provide flexibility in handling statutory holidays; and **(Carried, as amended)**
 - (iv) a proposal for requiring and enforcing the disposal of waste in garbage bags; and **(Carried, as amended)**

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- (2) on behalf of Councillor Korwin-Kuczynski, that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to provide support to Councillors by way of information on what means of enforcement are available to them to respond to complaints.
(Carried, as amended)

C. Councillor Davis moved that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to report on an investigation of alternative forms of garbage collection for tourist areas such as Chinatown, Yorkville, Yonge Street and the India Bazaar; and
- (2) the Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services be requested to submit a report to the Planning and Transportation Committee on the extension of boulevard occupancy licences to the East York, York, Etobicoke and Scarborough communities.

(Carried)

D. Councillor Fotinos moved that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to report to the next meeting of the Committee, scheduled to be held on December 1, 1999, on the following, including the budgetary implications:

- (1) the feasibility of garbage collection from laneways; and
- (2) develop the terms of reference for a uniform commercial litter container program.

(Carried, as amended)

E. Councillor Shiner moved that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to also meet with the North York Community Councillors with respect to their concerns regarding street cleanliness, and report back thereon to the Committee, if necessary, on any adjustments.

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Having regard that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services indicated that he would attend at the North York Community Council meeting when this matter is to be discussed, Councillor Shiner withdrew the foregoing motion E.

- F. Councillor Disero moved that the foregoing motions A., B. and D. by Councillors Layton, Bossons and Fotinos, respectively, be amended to provide that the reports requested from the Commissioner of Works be submitted to the Community Councils for comment to the Works Committee. **(Carried)**

The following is the action therefore taken by the Committee:

The Committee:

- (1) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to:
- (i) develop a plan as outlined in the aforementioned communication from Councillor Chow;
 - (ii) meet or communicate with the downtown area Councillors to review options for running a "Clean Toronto" pilot project; and
 - (iii) develop the terms of reference for a uniform commercial litter container program;

and submit a comprehensive report on the foregoing, including, budgetary implications, to the Community Councils in January 2000, for comment to the Works Committee, such report to also include the following:

- (a) costs of upgrading the standard of commercial waste collection, and necessary public education programs;
- (b) resources required to provide flexibility in handling statutory holidays;
- (c) a proposal for requiring and enforcing the disposal of waste in garbage bags;

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- (d) an investigation of alternative forms of garbage collection for tourist areas such as Chinatown, Yorkville, Yonge Street and the India Bazaar; and
 - (e) the feasibility of garbage collection from laneways;
- (2) further requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to:
- (i) meet with Councillors to review the sidewalk steam-cleaning schedule to determine whether adjustments are necessary; and
 - (ii) provide support to Councillors by way of information on what means of enforcement are available to them to respond to complaints; and
- (3) requested the Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services to submit a report to the Planning and Transportation Committee on the extension of boulevard occupancy licences to the East York, York, Etobicoke and Scarborough communities.

(Councillor Olivia Chow; Councillor Pam McConnell; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services; c: Councillor Sandra Bussin; Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski; Councillor Kyle Rae; General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services; General Manager, Transportation Services; Administrators, Community Councils; Administrator, Planning and Transportation Committee; Mr. Gordon Dreger; Ms. Helen Hatton – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 16(a), Report No. 5)

7.2 Garbage Packers.

The Works Committee again had before it a communication (April 19, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that City Council on April 13, 14 and 15, 1999, directed that Clause No. 6 contained in Report No. 4 of The Works and Utilities Committee, headed “Garbage Packers”, be struck out and referred back to the Works and Utilities Committee for further consideration; and that Council also adopted the following recommendation:

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“It is recommended that the Chair of the Works and Utilities Committee, Councillor Shiner and the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services meet to discuss this matter prior to it being again considered by the Works and Utilities Committee.”

The Committee also again had before it a communication (September 3, 1999) from Mr. Raymond E. Hacker, Regional International Corporation, respecting the implementation of one-man refuse collection in the City of Toronto; forwarding a list of municipalities which have successfully implemented cost reduction programs with one-man collection vehicles; and requesting the opportunity to review the confidential staff report and all other supporting documentation in order to address the Committee.

The Committee also had before it a report (October 28, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) Council authorize the appropriate officials to tender the sale of 30 one-person side load garbage packers currently in the City's fleet; and
- (2) Council authorize the appropriate officials to issue a Request for Proposals for the purpose of purchasing ten 25 cubic yard high density tandem axle rear load replacement vehicles.

The Committee also had before it a communication (November 3, 1999) from Mr. Brian Cochrane, President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union - CUPE Local 416, in opposition to the use of side packers, and outlining concerns with respect to safety and workload.

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

- Mr. Raymond E. Hacker, Regional International Corporation, and filed a submission entitled “Chronology of Ergonomic Studies performed in the City of Rochester;”
- Mr. Brian Cochrane, President, and Mr. Peter Leiss, Executive Vice-President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union - CUPE Local 416, and submitted a communication with respect thereto;
- Mr. Bill Heinrich, Wittke Waste Equipment; and
- Councillor Douglas Holyday, Markland Centennial.

On motion by Councillor Shiner, the Committee deferred consideration of the aforementioned communications and report.

(Councillor David Shiner; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Mr. Raymond E. Hacker; Mr. Brian Cochrane; c: General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services; Mr. Bill Heinrich – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 16(b), Report No. 5)

DEFERRED

**7.3 Southbound Prohibited Left Turn:
Bathurst Street at Old Orchard Grove.
(North York Centre South)**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 14, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) the southbound left turns from Bathurst Street to Old Orchard Grove be prohibited from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday; and
- (2) the appropriate by-laws be amended accordingly.

Councillor Milton Berger, North York Centre South, appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Fotinos, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report for a six-month trial period, and that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to submit a report back to the Committee at the end of the trial period.

(Clause No. 11, Report No. 5)

**7.4 Toronto Integrated Solid Waste Resource
Management Process – Request for Proposals for
Proven Diversion Services;
CUPE/TEA Wet/Dry Proposal.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 26, 1999) from the Commissioner of

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Works and Emergency Services recommending that the Toronto Integrated Solid Waste Resource Management Process Request for Proposals for Proven Diversion Services be approved for issuance on or about December 1, 1999, substantially in accordance with the Request for Proposals document attached to this report as Appendix "A".

The Committee also had before it a communication (November 3, 1999) from Councillor Jack Layton, Don River, submitting recommendations with respect to the Canadian Union of Public Employees/Toronto Environmental Alliance (CUPE/TEA) Wet/Dry Proposal.

The Committee also had before it a communication (October 21, 1999) from Mr. Peter Leiss, Executive Vice-President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union - CUPE Local 416, submitting a document entitled "CUPE Waste Management Plan for the City of Toronto" for distribution at the Works Committee meeting of November 3, 1999.

The Committee also had before it the following communications and submissions:

- (i) Waste Management Plan (October 1999) entitled "Green Jobs and a Green Future", submitted by Toronto Civic Employees' Union - CUPE Local 416 and the Toronto Environmental Alliance, prepared by Russell Environmental Services for Local 416 and built around a "wet-dry" recycling model which would include garbage and recycling picked up in the same truck;
- (ii) submission (undated) by Emery International Developments Ltd. respecting an offer to provide the means for recycling the final residues of the paper and packaging industries;
- (iii) communication (November 2, 1999) from Mr. John Cartwright, Business Manager, Construction Trades Council, in support of the CUPE proposal "Green Jobs and a Green Future";
- (iv) submission (November 3, 1999) by Mr. Lawson Oates, Manager, Strategic Planning, Solid Waste Management Services, Works and Emergency Services, respecting Toronto's Integrated Solid Waste Resource Management Process (TIRM) Diversion RFP Process;
- (v) submission (November 3, 1999) by Mr. Mario Kani, Allen Kani Associates, expressing concerns with respect to the proposed environmental weighting in the evaluation criteria for Category 1 – Proven Diversion, and that the RFP process does not have sufficient flexibility between Categories 1 and 2 in order to choose projects with maximum environmental benefit;

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- (vi) communication (November 2, 1999) from Mr. Gregory M. Vogt, President, Super Blue Box Recycling Corp., commenting on the draft RFP for proven diversion capacity as part of the TIRM process, and the comparison of diversion to disposal costs;
- (vii) submission (November 3, 1999) by Mr. Jim Hamilton, Thornton, Ontario, member of Stop Incineration Now, respecting the proposal by AGRA Resource Management to the Town of Innisfil to develop an energy-from-waste and composting facility; and
- (viii) document (October 1999) entitled "Innisfil Refuse-Fuelled Power Plant Study – Research Findings" prepared by Angus Reid Group, Inc., and submitted to the Town Council of Innisfil, submitted by Councillor Jack Layton, Don River.

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

- Mr. Gord Perks, Toronto Environmental Alliance; Mr. Brian Cochrane, President, and Mr. Peter Leiss, Executive Vice-President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union - CUPE Local 416; and Ms. Pam Russell, Russell Environmental Services, and presented a Waste Management Plan entitled "Green Jobs and a Green Future";
- Mr. Roy Emery, Emery International Developments Ltd., and submitted material with respect thereto;
- Mr. Jim Hamilton, Thornton, Ontario, member of "Stop Incineration Now", and submitted material with respect thereto;
- Mr. Mario Kanni, Allen Kanni Associates, and submitted a copy of his deputation;
- Mr. Gregory M. Vogt, President, Super Blue Box Recycling Corp., and submitted a communication with respect thereto;
- Mr. John Cartwright, Business Manager, Construction Trades Council, and submitted a communication with respect thereto;
- Mrs. Lois James, Scarborough, Ontario; and
- Councillor Joan King, Seneca Heights.

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Councillor Layton moved that:

- (I) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to report directly to Council for its meeting commencing on November 23, 1999, on:
 - (i) any adjustments which may be required to the RFP to harmonize the approaches taken to greenhouse gas emissions and/or deficits within the RFP for diversion and for disposal;
 - (ii) any adjustments which may be required to the RFP to harmonize the issue between diversion and disposal contracts regarding turning over the facilities in 20 years; and
 - (iii) whether or not modifications to the RFP criteria are required with regard to greenhouse gas emissions, in particular to account for the avoidance of greenhouse gas emissions that could be accomplished by using anaerobically produced digester gas to displace the production of electricity or other forms of energy and thus reduce greenhouse gas emissions elsewhere;
- (II) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to review and comment on the Wet/Dry Proposal submitted by CUPE Local 416 and the Toronto Environmental Alliance (TEA), and report back thereon to the meeting of the Works Committee scheduled to be held in January 2000;
- (III) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to further report to the January 2000 Works Committee meeting on current plans and budget commitments for constructing composting and recycling facilities to see if these plans could be modified to fit with a wet/dry system; and as part of the review, on using the Dufferin composting and sorting plants to quickly implement the first phase of the CUPE/TEA Wet/Dry Plan; and
- (IV) the Chief Financial Officer, in consultation with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, be requested to review the CUPE/TEA

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proposal's financial recommendations, and report back thereon to the January 2000 Works Committee meeting; and

- (V) the Canadian Union of Public Employees and the Toronto Environmental Alliance be commended for their efforts in developing a proposal aimed at saving the City money, helping the environment and creating jobs.

(Carried, as amended)

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

Councillor Saundercook moved:

- (1) the adoption of the aforementioned report;
- (2) that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to undertake the following activities:
 - (i) for the purpose of assisting Council in the decision on the award in the Toronto Integrated Solid Waste Resource Management Process (TIRM) diversion Request for Proposals (RFP) process, conduct a comparative analysis of an in-house solid waste diversion solution using the technology and system components proposed by Toronto Civic Employees' Union - CUPE Local 416, to be completed at the time of the proposal closing in the TIRM process;
 - (ii) incorporate within the above analysis a further option, if possible, of maintaining the existing blue and grey box programs in order to promote and maximize source separation of recyclables; and
 - (iii) establish a protocol to ensure the objectivity of the comparative analysis.

(Carried)

Councillor Saundercook resumed the Chair.

Councillor Fotinos moved that parts II, II and IV of the foregoing motion

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by Councillor Layton be amended to provide that the reports be submitted to the meeting of the Committee scheduled to be held on March 22, 2000.
(Carried)

The following is the action therefore taken by the Committee:

The Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report;
- (2) further recommended to Council that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to undertake the following activities:
 - (i) for the purpose of assisting Council in the decision on the award in the Toronto Integrated Solid Waste Resource Management Process (TIRM) diversion Request for Proposals (RFP) process, conduct a comparative analysis of an in-house solid waste diversion solution using the technology and system components proposed by Toronto Civic Employees' Union - CUPE Local 416, to be completed at the time of the proposal closing in the TIRM process;
 - (ii) incorporate within the above analysis a further option, if possible, of maintaining the existing blue and grey box programs in order to promote and maximize source separation of recyclables; and
 - (iii) establish a protocol to ensure the objectivity of the comparative analysis;
- (3) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to report directly to Council for its meeting commencing on November 23, 1999, on:
 - (i) any adjustments which may be required to the RFP to harmonize the approaches taken to greenhouse gas emissions and/or deficits within the RFP for diversion and for disposal;
 - (ii) any adjustments which may be required to the RFP to harmonize

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the issue between diversion and disposal contracts regarding turning over the facilities in 20 years; and

- (iii) whether or not modifications to the RFP criteria are required with regard to greenhouse gas emissions, in particular to account for the avoidance of greenhouse gas emissions that could be accomplished by using anaerobically produced digester gas to displace the production of electricity or other forms of energy and thus reduce greenhouse gas emissions elsewhere;
- (4) further requested that:
- (i) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services review and comment on the Wet/Dry Proposal submitted by CUPE Local 416 and the Toronto Environmental Alliance (TEA), and report back thereon to the meeting of the Works Committee scheduled to be held on March 22, 2000;
 - (ii) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services further report to the March 2000 Works Committee meeting on current plans and budget commitments for constructing composting and recycling facilities to see if these plans could be modified to fit with a wet/dry system; and as part of the review, on using the Dufferin composting and sorting plants to quickly implement the first phase of the CUPE/TEA Wet/Dry Plan; and
 - (iii) the Chief Financial Officer, in consultation with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, be requested to review the CUPE/TEA proposal's financial recommendations, and report back thereon to the March 2000 Works Committee meeting; and
- (5) commended the Canadian Union of Public Employees and the Toronto Environmental Alliance for their efforts in developing a proposal aimed at saving the City money, helping the environment and creating jobs.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Canadian Union of Public Employees; Toronto Environmental Alliance; c: General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 2, Report No 5)

**7.5 Prince Edward Viaduct – Don Section
Structure Modification, Contract No. T-71-99.
(Midtown – Don River)**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 20, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) Contract No. T-71-99, Tender Call No. 222-1999, for the installation of a safety fence on the Prince Edward Viaduct be cancelled;
- (2) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be authorized to issue a new Request for Proposals with a maximum budget of \$2.5 million, to solicit new design concepts and full engineering services for this project, based on a design/build concept, with the submission being evaluated by a similar Project Steering Committee comprised of representatives from:
 - (a) the Schizophrenia Society of Ontario;
 - (b) the Council on Suicide Preventions;
 - (c) the Toronto Historical Board/Heritage Toronto;
 - (d) Architecture and Civic Improvements, City Planning;
 - (e) the Public Art Policy Advisory Committee; and
 - (f) the Technical Services Division, Works and Emergency Services Department; and
- (3) the appropriate City of Toronto officials be directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Committee also had before it a communication (October 29, 1999) from the City Clerk, advising that City Council, at its meeting held on October 26 and 27, 1999, had before it Clause No. 9 contained in Report No. 4 of The Works Committee, headed “Prince Edward Viaduct – Measures to Deter Suicide Attempts”; and directed that the aforementioned Clause be struck out and referred back to the Works Committee for further consideration at its next meeting to be held on November 3, 1999.

The Committee also had before it a communication (November 3, 1999) from Councillor Pam McConnell, Don River, suggesting that the Committee continue to pursue the existing design, and defer the matter until the Commissioner can report on what can be done to reduce the overall

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cost of the existing proposal (including changes to the contract tendering process) and what can be done to raise money to offset the increased costs.

The Committee also had before it the following communications:

- (i) (June 11, 1999) from Dr. Richard H. Seiden, Oakland, California, advising that taking positive steps to reduce suicides through environmental modification is not a comparable “displacement” to other places; and that the effectiveness of telephone measures is not so clear, suggesting instead the provision of a general “crisis” line;
- (ii) (October 13, 1999) from Dr. Morton M. Silverman, M.D., Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Editor-in-Chief, *Suicide and Life-Threatening Behaviour*, stating that limiting access to available means for suicide is a major preventive intervention within an overall community suicide prevention plan; and urging the City to make every effort to proceed quickly with implementing the Bloor Viaduct suicide prevention project;
- (iii) (October 15, 1999) from Dr. David Lester, Professor of Psychology, Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, in support of the fencing in of the Prince Edward Viaduct; and advising that there is good research evidence that restricting access to lethal methods for suicide reduces their use for suicide; that there are no published research reports that evaluate the effectiveness of the use of other measures such as placement of telephones on bridges; and that all privately owned structures are fenced in;
- (iv) (October 20, 1999) from Staff Inspector W. Fordham, No. 54 Division, Toronto Police Service, respecting the proposal to install a signed telephone system on the bridge where high risk or emotionally disturbed persons would have immediate access to on-line counselling;
- (v) (October 21, 1999) from Dr. D.J. Gunnell, Senior Lecturer in Epidemiology and Public Health Medicine, University of Bristol, outlining experience with efforts to reduce suicides from the Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol; and reiterating his support for the erection of safety barriers on the Prince Edward Viaduct;
- (vi) (October 21, 1999) from Dr. Robin R. Richards, Head – Division of Orthopaedics, St. Michael’s Hospital, informing the Committee of the medical costs and public health consequences when a person survives a jump from the Bloor Viaduct, and urging City Councillors to complete the suicide barrier without further delay;
- (vii) (October 25, 1999) from Dr. Claude Prevost, Regie Regionale de la Sante et des Services

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Sociaux, stating that the installation of a safety fence is the most appropriate prevention measure for the suicide problem at the Bloor Street Viaduct; and encouraging City Councillors to examine alternative designs that would meet both suicide prevention and fiscal requirements;

- (viii) (November 1, 1999) from Mr. Michael McCamus, Schizophrenia Society of Ontario, advising Councillors that the international suicide prevention community supports erection of a Viaduct barrier; urging Councillors to adopt the Bloor Viaduct Project Steering Committee's Seven-Point Plan as a realistic and fiscally responsible way to complete the winning barrier design; and forwarding documentation which concludes that bridge patrols do not save lives, that bridge distress phones are not an adequate substitute for barriers and that the costs of suicide and suicide attempts far exceed the cost of preventative measures;
- (ix) (November 1, 1999) from Dr. Isaac Sakinofsky, Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry and Public Health Sciences, University of Toronto, and Centre of Addiction and Mental Health, reviewing several points with respect to the issue of suicide barriers on the Prince Edward Viaduct for members of the Works Committee;
- (x) (November 1, 1999) from Dr. Paul S. Links, Arthur Sommer Rotenberg Chair in Suicide Studies, Professor in Psychiatry, University of Toronto, St. Michael's/ Wellesley Hospital, informing the Committee of the research in favour of bridge barriers, and of the widespread social and economic costs of neglecting suicide;
- (xi) (November 2, 1999) from Mr. Michael McCamus, Schizophrenia Society of Ontario, forwarding additional newspaper articles documenting much of the efforts dedicated to the Bloor Viaduct barrier, and expressing the futility and waste of recommending a second design competition;
- (xii) (November 3, 1999) from Dereck Revington Studio, providing a report on the background to the award of the design contract/tender call for the suicide barrier on the Bloor Street Viaduct; responding to questions with respect to the length of time the project has taken and the costs of the project; and reviewing the site, general conditions and proposed alternatives; and
- (xiii) (November 3, 1999) from Marion Joppe, Chair, Heritage Toronto, advising that Heritage Toronto continues to support the Steering Committee process and selection, and that the historic stature of the Prince Edward Viaduct warrants the best design solution obtainable.

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- Mr. Dereck Revington, Principal, Dereck Revington Studio, and Professor of Architecture, University of Waterloo;
- Mr. Richard Vermeulen, Vermeulens Cost Consultants;
- Dr. Isaac Sakinofsky, FRCP(C), Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry, University of Toronto; Director of the High Risk Clinic, Clarke Institute; and Member of the Bloor Viaduct Project Steering Committee;
- Police Superintendent Aidan Maher, 52 Division, Toronto Police Service;

- Mr. Michael McCamus, SSO Bridge Committee Spokesperson of Schizophrenia Society of Ontario, and Co-chair of City's Bloor Viaduct Project Steering Committee;
- Mrs. Mary Doucette, bereaved mother of Ray Doucette, Jr., representing the Doucette family;
- Mr. J. A. (Al) Birney, SSO Bridge Committee Chairman, and Past-President of East York Chapter, Schizophrenia Society of Ontario (SSO), and Co-chair of City's Bloor Viaduct Project Steering Committee;
- Ms. Ellis Galea Kirkland, Urban Planning and Development Services, City of Toronto; Past-President of the Ontario Association of Architects; and Member of the Bloor Viaduct Project Steering Committee; and
- Mr. Vincent Brescia, Labourers Union Local 183.

Councillor Layton moved that the Committee recommend to Council that:

- (1) the four payphones be immediately installed on the Prince Edward Viaduct;
- (2) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to negotiate with the three bidders to reduce the budget price, if possible;
- (3) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to work with the Project Steering Committee members to solicit private

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sector sponsorship;

(Motions (1), (2) and (3) carried)

- (4) a sample bay for the design be installed;
- (5) a strategy to build part of the structure be explored in the most dangerous sections of the bridge first;

(Motions (4) and (5) redundant)

- (6) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to report back to the Works Committee at its next meeting on the status of the aforementioned negotiations and fund-raising. **(Carried)**

Councillor Davis moved that:

- (1) the Committee recommend to Council that the Council Procedural By-law be waived to permit considering this item in camera; **(Carried)**
- (2) the aforementioned report be submitted to Council without recommendation with respect to the cancellation of Contract No. T-71-99, pending submission of a report by the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services directly to Council for its meeting commencing on November 23, 1999, on the option with respect to the \$1.3 million "bus shelter" style barrier as a method of going forward immediately with the safety barrier on the Prince Edward Viaduct; and

(Carried on the following recorded vote:

FOR: Bossos; Davis; Disero; Saundercook; Shiner

AGAINST: Fotinos; Layton)

- (3) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, in conjunction with the City Solicitor and the Chief Administrative Officer, be requested to develop the details of an agreement with the media for the non-reportage

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of suicide attempts on City properties. **(Carried)**

The following is the action therefore taken by the Committee:

The Committee:

- (1) submitted the aforementioned report to Council without recommendation with respect to the cancellation of Contract No. T-71-99, pending submission of a report by the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services directly to Council for its meeting commencing on November 23, 1999, on the option with respect to the \$1.3 million "bus shelter" style barrier as a method of going forward immediately with the safety barrier on the Prince Edward Viaduct; and
- (2) recommended to Council that:
 - (i) the four payphones be immediately installed on the Viaduct;
 - (ii) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to:
 - (a) negotiate with the three bidders to reduce the budget price, if possible;
 - (b) work with the Project Steering Committee members to solicit private sector sponsorship;
 - (c) in conjunction with the City Solicitor and the Chief Administrative Officer, develop the details of an agreement with the media for the non-reportage of suicide attempts on City properties; and
 - (d) report back to the Works Committee at its next meeting on the status of the aforementioned negotiations and fund-raising; and
 - (iii) the Council Procedural By-law be waived to permit considering this item in camera.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: Executive Director,

Technical Services – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 1, Report No. 5)

**7.6 White Goods Curbside Collection –
Tender No. 6033-99-01845.**

The Works Committee had before it a communication (October 18, 1999) from Mr. Mike Di Cenzo, Merchandise Recovery Services Inc., respecting Tender Request No. 6033-99-01845, regarding the white goods curbside collection program; and requesting an opportunity to make a deputation before the Works Committee at its meeting on November 3, 1999.

The Committee also had before it a report (October 29, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services informing the Committee of the results from the Quotation Request for the collection and reuse or recycling of white goods and scrap metals from residential and transfer and disposal locations in the City of Toronto; advising that after a review of the price proposal from Merchandise Recovery Services Inc., staff are planning to issue two new requests for quotations, and that a follow-up report with the results of the new quotation requests will be forwarded to the Committee in December; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Committee also had before it a communication (November 3, 1999) from Mr. Brian Cochrane, President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union, Local 416, requesting that the Works Department work with the Union to analyze the cost of doing this work in house; and to discuss what is the best method of collection and how applying best practices might reduce costs across the City.

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

- Mr. Bruce Davis, Urban Intelligence, and Mr. Mike Di Cenzo, Merchandise Recovery Services Inc., and filed a copy of the offer submitted by Merchandise Recovery Services Inc. to the General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services Division, on September 28, 1999;
- Mr. Peter Leiss, Executive Vice-President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union - CUPE Local 416; and
- Councillor Douglas Holyday, Markland Centennial.

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Councillor Davis moved that:

- (1) consideration of the aforementioned communications and report be deferred until the next meeting of the Committee, scheduled to be held on December 1, 1999, with a request that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services report on issues raised at the meeting, including:
 - (i) the costs associated with a completely City-run program compared to what can be provided by re-tendering the contract; and
 - (ii) all aspects of the collection, reuse and recycling of white goods and scrap metals, including CFCs; and

- (2) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to continue extending the current contract for a period that is necessary for the Committee to further consider the report and the option for a re-tendering process.

(Carried, as amended)

Councillor Bossons moved that the foregoing motion by Councillor Davis be amended to provide that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services include in such report the promptness of the current response time for the collection of white goods. **(Carried)**

Councillor Shiner moved that the foregoing motion by Councillor Davis be amended to provide that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services include in such report current costs by district/area for the last three years. **(Carried)**

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Mr. Mike Di Cenzo; c: General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services; Mr. Bruce Davis; Mr. Brian Cochrane – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 16(c), Report No. 5)

DEFERRED

**7.7 Works and Emergency Services
Capital Budget Requirements.**

The Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services gave a presentation to the Works Committee on the Capital Budget requirements for the Works and Emergency Services Department, as requested by the Committee at its meeting of September 8, 1999.

Councillor Shiner moved the adoption of the following motion:

“Whereas the City of Toronto is currently developing both a Strategic Plan and a new Official Plan for the City; and

Whereas the development of these new strategic documents will include new directions for transportation within the City of Toronto; and

Whereas the City is also providing input to the Greater Toronto Services Board in the development of a Transportation Plan for the Greater Toronto Area; and

Whereas the Capital Works Program for Transportation Services continues to place a high priority on the rehabilitation and maintenance of the existing road infrastructure in the City; and

Whereas, in addition to the important priority placed on the rehabilitation of existing infrastructure, attention should also be placed on technological, operational and facility-based strategic investments to improve the City’s road-related transportation system to meet the policy objective to be set out in the Strategic Plan and the Official Plan; and

Whereas it is important for the future prosperity of the City of Toronto that a plan be developed for the implementation of transportation infrastructure projects that support the long-term policy objectives of the City;

Therefore, it is recommended that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services and the Chief General Manager of the

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Toronto Transit Commission, report on a process for the development of a transportation infrastructure implementation plan that not only places a priority on the maintenance and rehabilitation of the City's existing assets, but also identifies strategic investments in technological, operational and facility improvements which support the mobility needs of the City and the City's role in the Greater Toronto Area."

(Deferred)

Councillor Layton moved that:

- (1) consideration of the foregoing motion by Councillor Shiner be deferred until the next meeting of the Committee, scheduled to be held on December 1, 1999, with a request that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, submit a report thereon to the Committee; and
- (2) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be further requested to bring forward at that time the Sustainable Transportation Report.

(Carried)

(Councillor David Shiner; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c:
General Manager, Transportation Services – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 16(a), Report No. 5)

DEFERRED

**7.8 Bessarion Station – Reinstatement of
Centre Left Turn Lane on Sheppard Avenue.
(Bessarion Road)**

The Works Committee had before it a communication (October 5, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that City Council at its meeting on September 28 and 29, 1999, had before it Clause No. 16 contained in Report No. 3 of The Works Committee, headed "Proposed Speed Limit Reduction on Sheppard Avenue East between Greenbriar Road and Blue Ridge Road (North York – Centre South; Seneca Heights)"; and further advising that in adopting the Clause, as amended, Council directed that the following portion of the recommendation of the Works Committee be struck out and referred back to the Works Committee for further consideration at such time as the

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Toronto Transit Commission has submitted further comments in this regard to the Committee:

“and the eastbound left-turn lane at Bessarion (to the Plaza and garden centre) being maintained during the construction period”.

The Committee also had before it a communication (October 21, 1999) from the General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission, submitting a confidential report considered by the Toronto Transit Commission at its in camera meeting on October 20, 1999.

On motion by Councillor Shiner, the Committee deferred consideration of the aforementioned communications sine die, on the understanding that, if necessary, this matter again be considered by the Committee at a later date.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission; c: General Manager, Transportation Services – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 16(e), Report No. 5)

DEFERRED

**7.9 Proposed By-law Requiring
Display of Addresses on Buildings.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 21, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) the City Solicitor in consultation with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services introduce a by-law to require the affixing of municipal numbers at the front of properties as set out in Appendix ‘A’ of this report;
- (2) passage of the by-law be advertised by the City Clerk and the by-law come into force 60 days after its passage by City Council; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto, including the introduction of any Bills that may be required.

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

(Clause No. 9, Report No. 5)

**7.10 Proposed By-law Requiring Display of Addresses
at the Rear of Properties Abutting Lanes.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 21, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) the City Solicitor in consultation with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services prepare a by-law to require the affixing of municipal numbers at the rear of properties abutting lanes; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto, including the introduction of any Bills that may be required.

Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, High Park, appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

Councillor Layton moved:

- (1) the adoption of the aforementioned report; and
- (2) that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to submit a report directly to Council for consideration at its meeting commencing on November 23, 1999, on:
 - (i) a communication plan for the proposed by-law; and
 - (ii) a longer time-period for the implementation of the by-law.

(Carried, as amended)

Councillor Davis moved that part (2)(i) of the foregoing motion by Councillor Layton be amended to include Community Police Liaison Committees as part of the strategy. **(Carried)**

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski; General Manager, Transportation Services – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 10, Report No. 5)

**7.11 Installation of Traffic Control Signals on
Steeles Avenue East at the Driveway to the
“Gates of Bayview” Apartment Complex.
(Seneca Heights)**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 20, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) traffic control signals be installed on Steeles Avenue East at the intersection of the “Gates of Bayview” apartment complex; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be requested to take whatever action is necessary to give effect to the foregoing, including the introduction in Council of any Bills that may be required.

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

(Clause No. 13, Report No. 5)

**7.12 Proposed Installation of Traffic Control Signals at
King Street West and Sudbury Street.
(Ward 20, Trinity Niagara)**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 19, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending, subject to the receipt of funds from Urbancorp King West Development Inc. to cover all associated costs, that:

- (1) traffic control signals be installed at the intersection of King Street West and Sudbury Street; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be requested to take whatever action is necessary to give effect to the foregoing, including the introduction in Council of any Bills that may be required.

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

(Clause No. 14, Report No. 5)

**7.13 Proposed Installation of Traffic Control Signals -
The Queensway and Primary Access Driveway to
Cinemark Theatres Canada Inc. Site.
(Lakeshore Queensway)**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 19, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) traffic control signals be approved at the intersection of The Queensway and the primary access driveway to the proposed Cinemark development located at No. 1025 The Queensway, approximately 160 metres west of Islington Avenue;
- (2) installation of the traffic control signals be subject to the receipt of funding from the developer; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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

(Clause No. 15, Report No. 5)

7.14 Construction and its Effects on Small Business.

The Works Committee had before it a communication (September 27, 1999) from Councillor Jack Layton, Don River, outlining serious concerns regarding construction activities of both the Toronto Transit Commission and the City in general as they relate to the effects on small businesses; and recommending that these issues be addressed in a joint report headed by the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief General Manager, Toronto Transit Commission, in full consultation with BIAs and the Board of Trade.

The Committee also had before it a communication (November 2, 1999) from the Chief General Manager, Toronto Transit Commission, addressed to Councillor Jack Layton, forwarding an internal memorandum providing background and responding to concerns on the community impacts

resulting from streetcar track construction.

The Committee also had before it a communication (November 2, 1999) from Mr. Jason Wong, President, Chinese Chamber of Commerce (East Toronto) Inc., expressing disappointment on behalf of merchants in the Broadview and Gerrard area over the construction project in their area in September 1999.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee referred the aforementioned communications to the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services for a report thereon to its next meeting, scheduled to be held on December 1, 1999, to be considered as a deputation item.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Councillor Jack Layton;
Chief General Manager, Toronto Transit Commission; Mr. Jason Wong;
c: General Manager, Transportation Services – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 16(f), Report No. 5)

7.15 Use of Road Salt on City Roads and Sidewalks.

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 20, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services outlining, for the information of the Committee, the policies for the use of road salt in the former municipalities and the means by which salt can be reduced in lanes, selected neighborhoods and sidewalks, as requested by the Committee at its meeting of September 8, 1999; and noting that staff have attempted to harmonize its use with the goal of using the minimum required to provide safe driving and walking conditions, and that the use of better equipment, trained supervisors, and knowledgeable operators will assist the City in achieving its goals.

On motion by Councillor Bossons, the Committee deferred consideration of the aforementioned report until its next meeting, scheduled to be held on December 1, 1999.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: General Manager,
Transportation Services – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 16(g), Report No. 5)

DEFERRED

**7.16 Joint Watercourse Naturalisation Study
Black Creek at Humber River.
(York Humber)**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 20, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) subject to the receipt of a formal letter of request from the Lambton Golf Club, the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, in consultation with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, the Lambton Golf Club and the Black Creek Project, be authorised to:
 - (a) participate in the preparation of detailed Terms of Reference to define the technical feasibility of naturalisation options;
 - (b) participate in the consultant selection and award process, as administered by the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority; and
 - (c) fund the City's contribution for the study from the Works and Emergency Services 1999 Capital Budget, District Stormwater Management, Project No. WP953-S25020, with such expenditures not to exceed the lesser of \$35,000.00 or 50 percent of the total study costs;
- (2) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services report to the Works Committee in approximately six months, with information on the results of the feasibility study and recommendations on the next steps; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorised and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee recommended to Council:

- (1) the adoption of the aforementioned report; and
- (2) that the Terms of Reference for this project include an examination of pollution prevention and the impact from any pesticide application at the Lambton Golf Club.

(Clause No. 6, Report No. 5)

**7.17 No-Fault Flood Grant Program; Basement
Flooding Damages and Clean-Up Costs.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 22, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) a No-Fault Flood Grant Program not be established, as it would not provide any beneficial affects for the City, the cost of the program is excessive and unpredictable, and the program would be in direct conflict with the legislative requirements under the *Municipal Act*; and
- (2) Resolution No. 91-21 of the former North York City Council be repealed, being a public no fault grant program which provides financial assistance to former City of North York residents for damages caused by sewer back-ups and watermain breaks. This repeal would be in keeping with the harmonization of the City's insurance practices and recent legislative changes.

On motion by Councillor Shiner, the Committee deferred consideration of the aforementioned report until its next meeting, scheduled to be held on December 1, 1999.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: General Manager, Water and Wastewater Services – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 16(h), Report No. 5)

DEFERRED

**7.18 Expansion of the 1999 Ultra Low Flush
Toilet Incentive Program.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 20, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) the existing multi-residential Ultra Low Flush Toilet Replacement Program be expanded to include an additional 8,500 toilet replacements in which a \$60.00 incentive will be provided for each 13 to 20 litre per flush floor outlet toilet replaced; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be granted the authority necessary to give effect thereto.

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The Committee also had before it the following communications:

- (i) (November 2, 1999) from Ms. Christine Iamonaco, Senior Public Consultation Co-ordinator (Acting), Works and Emergency Services, forwarding a motion from the Implementation Compliance and Monitoring Committee (ICMC) for the Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant Mediation Agreement in support of the Water Efficiency Plan toilet initiatives for an additional 8,000 units; and
- (ii) (November 3, 1999) from Ms. Karey Shinn, Chair, Safe Sewage Committee, in support of the efforts of the City to meet and exceed the 15 percent reduction of water use as planned.

Councillor Layton moved:

- (1) the adoption of the aforementioned report; and
- (2) that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to give consideration to the development of budget proposals for the year 2000 to increase the size of the project.

(Carried, as amended)

Councillor Shiner moved that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to submit a report directly to Council for its meeting commencing on November 23, 1999, on the criteria being used to measure the effectiveness of the program. **(Carried)**

Councillor Davis moved that the foregoing motion by Councillor Layton be amended to provide that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services also be requested to consider including condominium buildings, through their management offices. **(Carried)**

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: General Manager, Water and Wastewater Services – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 5, Report No. 5)

7.19 Summer Water Use By-law.

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The Works Committee had before it a communication (July 26, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Environmental Task Force on July 20, 1999, endorsed the Motion dated July 13, 1999, by Councillor Saundercook wherein it is resolved that the Works Committee request that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services report back to the Committee with regard to the implementation of a Summer Water Use By-law for the City of Toronto in the year 2000, as outlined therein; and directed that the Works Committee be advised accordingly.

The Committee also had before it a communication (November 3, 1999) from Ms. Karey Shinn, Chair, Safe Sewage Committee, in support of the efforts of the City to meet and exceed the 15 percent reduction of water use as planned.

Councillor Layton moved that the aforementioned communication from the City Clerk be referred to the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services for a report thereon to the Committee. **(Carried, as amended)**

Councillor Davis moved that the foregoing motion by Councillor Layton be amended to provide that any Councillors' concerns with respect thereto be forwarded to the Commissioner for consideration in such report. **(Carried)**

(Members of Council; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: General Manager, Water and Wastewater Services; Administrator, Environmental Task Force; Ms. Karey Shinn, Chair, Safe Sewage Committee – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 16(i), Report No. 5)

**7.20 Costs for Connecting the Remaining
Eastern Beaches Storm Sewers to the
Maclean Avenue Detention Tank.
(East Toronto)**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 13, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting the costs for connecting the remaining Eastern Beaches storm sewers to the Maclean Avenue Detention Tank in conjunction with the construction of a forcemain from the R.C. Harris Filtration Plant along the beach to the Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant, as requested by the Works and Utilities Committee at its meeting of January 13, 1999; advising that the estimated cost to construct a storage conduit to intercept the four storm sewers

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and connect to the detention tank is \$3.28 million; that the department will request \$60,000.00 from the 2000 Capital Budget to undertake a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for Schedule "B" projects to evaluate the costs and benefits of undertaking such a project; and that if the Class EA concludes that the storage conduit is recommended, \$0.2 million in savings would be realized and the impact of construction would be minimized if this work is done together with the proposed forcemain for the residue from the R.C. Harris Filtration Plant; and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee deferred consideration of the aforementioned report until its next meeting, scheduled to be held on December 1, 1999.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: General Manager, Water and Wastewater Services – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 16(j), Report No. 5)

DEFERRED

**7.21 Wet Waste Collection from
Businesses in City of Toronto.**

The Works Committee again had before it a report (August 24, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services responding to a request from City Council to research options for a pilot project and full implementation of a wet waste collection program for businesses in the City of Toronto; concluding that due to the logistical difficulties and high costs associated with developing a wet waste collection for businesses, it is not recommended to proceed with a pilot or full implementation at this time; and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee received the aforementioned report, on the understanding that Works and Emergency Services staff will be participating in meetings with businesses in the Don River area, and will report back to the Committee on whether a pilot emerges from such meetings.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 16(k), Report No. 5)

7.22 Relocation of Litter Bins.

The Works Committee again had before it a report (September 21, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting the relocation of existing litter bins which will become available as a result of the placement of new bins with advertising, as requested by Council at its meeting of June 9, 10 and 11, 1999; advising that staff are planning to replace existing litter bins in the Community Council area of Scarborough and in the Midtown and High Park wards that are in poor condition, with better quality bins that will become available as the new OMG Media bins are placed in other areas of Toronto, but that staff do not recommend relocating surplus litter bins due to the increased costs that would be incurred to empty and maintain these additional bins; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Committee received the aforementioned report for information.

(Clause No. 16(l), Report No. 5)

7.23 Feasibility of Direct Purchasing as a Method of Purchasing Commodities.

The Works Committee had before it a report (September 22, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer providing information requested by Council at its meeting on July 6, 7 and 8, 1999, respecting the feasibility of direct purchasing as a method of purchasing commodities; concluding that the current process of purchasing commodities which provides all interested suppliers, whether manufacturers or distributors, an opportunity to compete and provide bids for City requirements should be maintained; and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor David, the Committee received the aforementioned report for information.

(Clause No. 16(m), Report No. 5)

7.24 Vehicle Emission Testing.

The Works Committee again had before it a communication (August 6, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that City Council at its meeting held on July 27, 28, 29 and 30, 1999, struck out and referred back to the Works Committee for further consideration Item (w), entitled "Vehicle

Emission Testing (All Wards)” embodied in Clause No. 33 contained in Report No. 2 of The Works Committee, headed “Other Items Considered by the Committee”, wherein the Works Committee reported having received a report dated June 15, 1999, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services which provided additional information on the provincial Vehicle Emission Testing program, as requested by City Council at its meeting of April 13, 14 and 15, 1999.

On motion by Councillor Davis, the Committee received the aforementioned communication.

(Clause No. 16(n), Report No. 5)

7.25 Environmental Remediation.

The Works Committee had before it a communication (October 27, 1999) from Mr. Cosmo Mannella, Labourers’ International Union of North America (LIUNA) Canadian Tri Fund, requesting the opportunity to give a presentation to the Works Committee on LIUNA’s efforts to have the federal government establish a fund for environmental remediation, similar to the U.S. Superfund.

Councillor Disero moved that the Committee endorse, in principle, the initiative outlined in the aforementioned communication with a request that Mr. Mannella be invited to appear before the Committee at its next meeting, scheduled to be held on December 1, 1999. **(Carried)**

Councillor Layton moved that the Committee suggest that Mr. Mannella also contact the Federation of Canadian Municipalities with respect thereto. **(Carried)**

(Mr. Cosmo Mannella; Works Committee – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 16(o), Report No. 5)

7.26 Environment Days.

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 27, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

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- (1) the following booking procedures, which are similar to those adopted by Council for the 1999 Environment Days, be approved for the year 2000 Environment Days:
 - (a) the number of Environment Days to be held in 2000 be limited to 28, one per ward;
 - (b) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be authorized to choose the date and location and host the Environment Days in any ward where the two Councillors cannot agree by March 1, 2000, to jointly host an event on an available date and at a suitable location; and
 - (c) no changes be made to dates and locations for the Environment Days after they have been publicized, unless deemed absolutely necessary by the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; and
- (2) blue and grey boxes continue to be provided free of charge at Environment Days with a limit of one per resident.

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

On motion by Councillor Saundercook, the Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report; and
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to report back to the next meeting of the Committee, scheduled to be held on December 1, 1999, on:
 - (i) the implications of the announcement on November 3, 1999, by the Minister of the Environment with respect to the Waste Diversion Office (WDO); and
 - (ii) any potential industrial/municipal product stewardship partnership arrangements being considered for household hazardous waste, and how these may be dealt with by the WDO.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 3, Report No. 5)

Councillor Saundercook resumed the Chair.

**7.27 Change in Ownership of the
Browning-Ferris Group of Companies.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 26, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services presenting the City of Toronto's position on whether consenting to the change in ownership of the Browning Ferris Companies is the best strategy for the City, at this time, given concerns about future competition levels and ongoing developments in the industry; and recommending that this report be received for information and any action deemed necessary by Council.

The Committee recommended to Council that the required consent under the Waste Transport and Disposal Agreement with the Browning-Ferris Group of Companies be given on the basis set out in the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 7, Report No. 5)

**7.28 Proposed Installation of Traffic Control Signals -
Dundas Street West and Easterly Access Driveway to
Kingsway Mills Plaza.
(Kingsway – Humber)**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 26, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) traffic control signals be approved at the intersection of Dundas Street West and the easterly access driveway to the Kingsway Mills plaza located at No. 4242 Dundas Street West;
- (2) installation of the traffic control signals be subject to the receipt of 50 percent funding from the owner of Kingsway Mills Plaza, for the capital cost and lump sum payment of \$15,000.00 for their contribution to the future operation and maintenance of the signals, with the remaining installation portion to be funded by the Transportation Services Division from its 1999 Capital Budget; and

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- (3) the appropriate City officials be requested to take whatever action is necessary to give effect to the foregoing, including the introduction in Council of any bills that may be required.

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

(Clause No. 12, Report No. 5)

**7.29 Biosolids Advisory Group Pellet
Marketing and Distribution Criteria.**

The Works Committee had before it a communication (October 6, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Committee at its meeting on October 6, 1999, had before it a report (October 6, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, respecting criteria developed by the Biosolids Advisory Group for consideration by the City to assist in its negotiations with USF Canada on the biosolids pellet marketing contract, as requested by Council; and further advising that the Committee endorsed List A embodied in the aforementioned report for discussion with the contractor, and deferred consideration of List B until its next meeting, scheduled to be held on November 3, 1999, on the understanding that the contract not be signed pending such further consideration of List B.

The Committee also had before it a communication (November 3, 1999) from Councillor Jack Layton, Don River, submitting recommendations with respect to criteria to be adhered to by City staff during the negotiations with USF Canada on the biosolids pellet marketing contract.

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

- Ms. Karen Buck, Toronto, Ontario, and submitted a communication with respect thereto;
- Ms. Shelley Petrie, Toronto Environmental Alliance;
- Ms. Karey Shinn, Chair, Safe Sewage Committee; and
- Ms. Maureen Reilly, Sludge Watch.

Councillor Layton moved that:

- (1) the following criteria be adhered to by City staff during the negotiations with USF Canada:
- (i) delay giving authorization for USF Canada to market Toronto pellets for home use until the earlier of Year 3 of the contract or

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until an expert panel made up of scientists, environmentalists, City staff, the Medical Officer of Health, Councillors and other interested people have determined that home use of Toronto pellets is environmentally safe; **(Lost)**

- (ii) a requirement that the land application of all Toronto pellets meet the Ontario guidelines for sewage sludge of 8 tonnes per hectare over a five-year period; and **(Lost)**
 - (iii) a requirement that Toronto pellets are not mixed with other municipal sludge, paper mill sludge or other wastes; and **(Lost)**
- (2) that the Biosolids Advisory Group be continued, that other stakeholders including rural participants be invited to join the Advisory Group, and that the Advisory Group participate in:
- (i) monitoring Toronto sludge quality through a half-yearly review which examines, but is not limited to, the presence of dioxins, mercury and endocrine disruptors; and
 - (ii) an annual review of pellet use.

(Carried)

Councillor Shiner moved that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to report directly to Council for its meeting commencing on November 23, 1999, responding to the concerns expressed by Ms. Maureen Reilly, Sludge Watch, and Ms. Shelley Petrie, Toronto Environmental Alliance, during their deputations. **(Carried)**

The following is the action therefore taken by the Committee:

The Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council that the Biosolids Advisory Group, authorized by Council at its meeting on July 27, 28, 29 and 30, 1999, by its adoption of Clause No. 19 of Report No. 2 of The Works Committee, as amended, be continued, that other stakeholders including rural participants be invited to join the Advisory Group, and that the Advisory Group

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participate in:

- (i) monitoring Toronto sludge quality through a half-yearly review which examines, but is not limited to, the presence of dioxins, mercury and endocrine disruptors; and
 - (ii) an annual review of pellet use; and
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to report directly to Council for its meeting commencing on November 23, 1999, responding to the concerns expressed by Ms. Maureen Reilly, Sludge Watch, and Ms. Shelley Petrie, Toronto Environmental Alliance, during their deputations.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services – November 3, 1999)

(Clause No. 4, Report No. 5)

**7.30 City Properties –
80 and 100 Turnberry Avenue.
(Ward 21)**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 31, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services providing an update on the status of the City properties located at 80 and 100 Turnberry Avenue, as requested by the Committee at its meeting on July 14, 1999; advising that the property located at 100 Turnberry Avenue is the site of an operating Transportation Division yard, and that the department is currently preparing a Terms of Reference and Project Plan for a major yards consolidation in this part of the City; further advising that the sale of the property located at 80 Turnberry Avenue was authorized by City Council; and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Disero, the Committee received the aforementioned report for information.

(Clause No. 16(p), Report No. 5)

7.31 Deputization of City of Toronto By-law Enforcement Staff and Toronto Transit Commission Route Inspectors as Municipal Law Enforcement Officers (MLEOs).

The Works Committee had before it a report (November 2, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) City staff listed in Appendix 'A' as may be amended from time to time, attached to this report, be deputized as Municipal Law Enforcement Officers (MLEOs);
- (2) Route Supervisors of Toronto Transit Commission be deputized as MLEOs; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be requested to take the necessary action to give effect thereto, including the introduction of all necessary bills.

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

(Clause No. 8, Report No. 5)

**7.32 Works and Emergency Services –
By-law Harmonization Priorities.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (October 31, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services forwarding a list of by-law harmonization priorities for 1999-2000 as identified by senior management of the Works and Emergency Services Department; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Committee received the aforementioned report for information.

(Clause No. 16(q), Report No. 5)

The Works Committee adjourned its meeting at 8:20 p.m.

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