
**PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MEETING No. 5**

Date of Meeting:	May 16, 2000	Enquiry:	Christine Archibald
Time:	9:30 a.m.		Administrator
Location:	Committee Room 2		392-7039
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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PURSUANT TO THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MARCH 21, 2000 AND APRIL 25, 2000 MEETINGS – WILL BE ELECTRONICALLY TRANSMITTED TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE.

DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

MORNING

THE FOLLOWING FOUR ITEMS WILL BE CONSIDERED CONSECUTIVELY BEGINNING AT 10:00 A.M.

ACCESSIBLE TAXICAB CLASS OF LICENCE (Item 6)

PRE-PAYMENT OF TAXI FARES (Item 7)

TAXICAB DRIVER SAFETY (Item 8)

USE OF ALTERNATIVE FUELS IN THE TAXICAB INDUSTRY (Item 9)

AFTERNOON

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WILL BE CONSIDERED IN THE AFTERNOON

2:00 PM GRAFFITI TRANSFORMATION PROGRAM (Item 10)

Untimed DISCUSSION ON THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE SUPREME COURT DECISION – INGLES V. TUTKALUK CONSTRUCTION LTD. AND THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF TORONTO (Item 11)

Untimed RAT CONTROL AS A CONDITION FOR PERMIT APPLICATIONS (Item 12)

1. SUSTAINABILITY ROUNDTABLE MEMBERSHIP

City Clerk
(April 20, 2000)

Recommending that the Planning and Transportation Committee appoint a representative to the Sustainability Roundtable and that the said appointment be in effect to the end of the current term of Council.

2. HARMONIZATION OF BY-LAWS PASSED UNDER SECTION 210 OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT RESPECTING THE KEEPING OF LANDS IN A CLEAN CONDITION.

Commissioner, Urban Development Services
(March 27, 2000)

Reporting on the harmonization of by-laws respecting the keeping of lands in a clean condition and **recommending** that the attached harmonized by-law respecting the keeping of lands in a clean condition be received and forwarded to all Community Councils for their review and comment for the next meeting of the Committee.

3. OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENTS TO IMPLEMENT NEW PRACTICES FOR THE REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

Commissioner, Urban Development Services
(April 26, 2000)

Seeking authority to schedule a statutory public meeting to consider possible Official Plan Amendments to implement Council's previous decisions with respect to the New Practices for the Review of Development Applications and **recommending** that:

- (1) Planning and Transportation Committee schedule a statutory public meeting on June 12, 2000, to consider proposed Official Plan Amendments to the former Metropolitan Toronto Official Plan and the Official Plans for the former Cities of East York, Etobicoke, North York, Scarborough, Toronto and York dealing with site plan, subdivision and condominium policies and processes;
- (2) City Council, following consideration of the comments received at the statutory public meeting, adopt official plan amendments to the former Metropolitan Toronto Official Plan and the Official Plans for the former Cities of East York, Etobicoke, North York, Scarborough, Toronto and York, generally in accordance with the draft amendments attached to this report;

- (3) City Council, by resolution, delete the following appendices from these Official Plans: Appendix III from the Etobicoke Official Plan; Appendix AP-5.1.3 from the North York Official Plan; and Appendix 1 from the York Official Plan;
- (4) a copy of this report be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; and,
- (5) City Council authorize and direct staff to undertake any necessary actions to give effect thereto.

4. INCLUSION OF THE TAXIWATCH PROGRAMME WITHIN THE MANDATE OF THE TAXICAB ADVISORY COMMITTEE (T.A.C.)

City Clerk, TaxiWatch Committee
(May 1, 2000)

Advising that five members of the TaxiWatch Committee present at its meeting on May 1, 2000, **recommended** that:

- (1) the TaxiWatch programme continue as a separate programme outside the mandate of the Taxicab Advisory Committee (T.A.C.) until such time as the Taxicab Advisory Committee has established its operating procedures, determined its decision-making process and developed its mechanisms for consultation with all industry stakeholder; and
- (2) this matter be placed on a future agenda of the Taxicab Advisory Committee for consideration.

5. LIMOUSINES SCOOPING TAXI FARES FROM HOTEL STANDS (NORTH YORK-SPADINA)

City Clerk, Licensing Sub-Committee
(April 25, 2000)

Advising that the Licensing Sub-Committees **recommends** the adoption of Councillor Moscoe's recommendation that a meeting be arranged with the hotel associations to seek permission to install signs adjacent to the exits from hotels which would state the fare-to-airport by taxi or limousine.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS 6, 7, 8 AND 9 WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE COMMENCING AT 10.00 A.M.

6. ACCESSIBLE TAXICAB CLASS OF LICENCE

Paula M. Dill, Commissioner, Urban Development Services
(April 25, 2000)

Proposing recommendations for establishing a new Accessible Taxicab class of licence and identifying the criteria and process for the issuance of such licences to provide services to persons with disabilities in the community and **recommending** that:

- (1) a new Accessible Taxicab class of licence be introduced in the City of Toronto taxicab industry and such licence be designated for the sole purpose of providing accessible transportation to members of the community with disabilities;
- (2) the City of Toronto approve the issuance of 50 Accessible Taxicab licences for the current year and an additional 25 Accessible Taxicab licences in 2001;
- (3) the Licensing By-law be amended to include an Accessible Taxicab class of licence; and
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

7. PRE-PAYMENT OF TAXI FARES

City Clerk, Licensing Sub-Committee
(April 20, 2000)

Advising that the Licensing Sub-Committee **recommends** that:

- (1) pre-payment of taxi fares be permitted for a six-month trial period;
- (2) the following process for pre-payment of taxi fares recommended by the Toronto Taxicab Alliance be in place during the six-month trial period:
 - (a) there be no time restrictions when a driver can or cannot ask a passenger for pre-payment of fare;
 - (b) the driver give an estimated price for the fare and request a deposit within a five-dollar (\$5.00) denomination range of the estimated fare;

- (c) the deposit monies be kept in clear view of the passenger throughout the trip so that there can be no misunderstanding of the deposit amount given at the commencement of the trip, and the driver to give a receipt for the deposit amount upon request by the passenger, and clearly mark the words “deposit for fare” on said receipt;
 - (d) if requested, the driver to refund the full difference from the deposit if the meter amount is less than the fare deposit; the passenger to pay the difference to the driver if the meter fare is more than the fare deposit given; and the driver to give a receipt to the passenger upon the passenger’s request;
 - (e) a driver who refuses to provide service to a passenger because the passenger would not give the estimated fare deposit to the driver, shall document immediately the particulars of the incident on his/her daily “Trip Sheet” as per Section 78, Sub-section (3) of By-law No. 20-85; and
 - (f) any problems with the pre-payment of taxi fare be brought to the attention of the Taxicab Advisory Committee for their input and recommendation;
- (3) in addition to the above steps (a) to (f), the driver be required to note the pre-payment request on his/her “Trip Sheet”, and such procedure be reinforced by the installation of signs clearly visible to the passenger inside the taxicab;
 - (4) the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be directed to:
 - (a) establish a customer complaint mechanism related to the pre-payment of taxi fares, and to maintain complaint statistics thereon for the duration of the six-month trial period; and
 - (b) work with the Taxicab Advisory Committee until the end of the six-month trial period to review the feasibility of establishing a pre-payment fare based on a city-wide grid system; and
 - (5) the Licensing Sub-Committee review the complaint statistics on the pre-payment of taxi fares at the end of the six-month trial period.

8. TAXICAB DRIVER SAFETY

City Clerk, Licensing Sub-Committee
(April 25, 2000)

Recommending that:

- (1) the report (March 13, 2000) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be adopted subject to the following amendments, and the recommendations be re-numbered accordingly:
 - (a) Recommendation (1) be amended by deleting section (i) which reads: “A shield of a type approved by Municipal Licensing and Standards (MLS), or”;
 - (b) Recommendations (1)(ii) and (iii) be amended by deleting the words in each recommendation “of a type approved by MLS” and substituting them with the words “to meet specifications approved by the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division of the Urban Development Services”;
 - (c) Recommendation (3) be amended by deleting the words “be borne by the taxicab owner” and substituting them with the words “be borne by the person to whom the plate is registered.”;
 - (d) Recommendation (5) be amended by deleting the words “MLS study new designs of partial shields now being tested in Calgary and elsewhere” and substituting them with the words “MLS continue to study new designs of safety devices”;
 - (e) Recommendation (8) be amended by deleting the words “and conduct studies” and substituting them with the words “continue to study”;
- (2) an approved shield safety device remain as a complementary, voluntary safety device;
- (3) taxi brokerage firms be required to file a Safety Plan with the Commissioner of Urban Development Services to deal with driver emergencies; and
- (4) an Expression of Interest be developed in respect of a taxicab security camera and in respect of an automatic vehicle location/global positioning system (AVL/GPS).

In so doing, the Sub-Committee recommended to the Planning and Transportation Committee that:

- (1) by December 1, 2000, all taxis in the city have emergency lights as described in the report (March 13, 2000) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services, and one of the following:
 - (i) a taxicab security camera to meet specifications approved by the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division of the Urban Development Services; or

- (ii) an automatic vehicle location/global positioning system (AVL/GPS) to meet specifications approved by the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division;
- (2) an approved shield safety device remain as a complementary, voluntary safety device;
 - (3) by July 1, 2000 and working with the taxi industry, the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division develop technical specifications for each of the safety devices cited in (1)(i) and (ii) above. The specifications shall, at a minimum, ensure the following:
 - (a) no one product or supplier shall gain a monopoly, and technical standards shall be set to allow reasonable product choice;
 - (b) camera photographic records are strictly controlled and are only accessible to the police or other appropriate officials. Any violation of those controls will result in an immediate license revocation hearing at the Toronto Licensing Tribunal;
 - (c) AVL/GPS systems are appropriately monitored;
 - (4) all costs for safety devices be borne by the person to whom the plate is registered;
 - (5) as an immediate step, the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division arrange a meeting as soon as possible between the taxi industry and the Toronto Police Service to examine ways to improve police response to emergency situations, and to ensure that drivers understand the appropriate use of 911;
 - (6) working with the industry, the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division continue to study new designs of safety devices;
 - (7) working with the industry, the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division explore new technologies, expected to be common by 2001, that will allow 911 dispatchers to determine the location of any cellular telephone emergency calls or signal from ordinary cell phones. When that technology is available, the City explore mandating the use of cellular emergency signaling devices to 911;
 - (8) with respect to improved focus on driver safety, a permanent sub-committee of the Taxi Advisory Committee (TAC) be formed immediately after elections for the TAC. The Driver Safety Sub-Committee should have the following mandate:
 - review police data and victimization studies on driver safety;
 - examine new technologies and procedures;
 - examine and encourage the development of a purpose-built taxi vehicle;
 - conduct ongoing liaison with the police;

- provide advice on driver education; and
 - make semi-annual recommendations for procedural or technological improvements to the TAC and Licensing Sub-Committee;
- (9) the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division support the work of the Sub-Committee, and continue to study the impact of various safety devices/procedures on ridership;
 - (10) with respect to education, the new Driver Refresher Training course mandated by Council in 1998 have a major component dealing with driver safety, and integrate the driver safety unit of the Ambassador Training Program;
 - (11) the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division include safety information in future issues of *Fare Exchange* and in mailings to drivers;
 - (12) the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division, in conjunction with private sector and other partners, continue to provide periodic safety information in Taxi Industry Publications;
 - (13) the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division, in conjunction with private sector and other partners, take steps to educate the public about taxi emergency lights and the appropriate response;
 - (14) taxi brokerage firms be required to file a Safety Plan with the Commissioner of Urban Development Services to deal with driver emergencies; and
 - (15) an Expression of Interest be developed in respect of a taxicab security camera and in respect of an automatic vehicle location/global positioning system (AVL/GPS).

9. THE USE OF ALTERNATIVE FUELS IN THE TAXICAB INDUSTRY

Commissioner, Urban Development Services
(April 25, 2000)

Providing information on natural gas, propane and alternative fuel vehicles (AFV's); incentives for vehicle conversion, safety and operating issues for these alternative fuels and vehicles and the impact of allowing a two year retirement extension for AFV's being addressed and **recommending** that this report be received for information purposes.

LUNCH BREAK

**10. 2:00 P.M GRAFFITI TRANSFORMATION PROGRAM: 2000
RECOMMENDATIONS**

Commissioner of Urban Development Services

(April 20, 2000)

Recommending grants to fifteen organizations for the removal of graffiti and the transformation of vandalized surfaces into murals and as a re-investment in both the liveability of urban neighbourhoods and the youth in those communities, agencies train and employ young people to carry out the work and **recommending** that:

- (1) grants be provided as shown in Appendix A. to community groups to engage in Graffiti Transformation. Such Grants are deemed to be in the interest of the Municipality;
- (2) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto;
- (3) early in 2001, the Commissioner of Urban Development Services report on the evaluation of the Graffiti Transformation Program in 2000 with particular attention to the progress of groups in former municipalities where the program is relatively new; and
- (4) your Committee advise Council that this program operates during the summer and as a result will in future require authorization of advance amounts not to exceed 50% of the previous years budget prior to approval of the annual Operating Budget in order for groups to begin recruitment and hiring at the end of the school year.

**11. DISCUSSION ON THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE SUPREME
COURT DECISION – INGLES V. TUTKALUK CONSTRUCTION
LTD. AND THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF TORONTO**

City Clerk

(April 19, 2000)

Forwarding the action taken by the City of Toronto at its meeting held on April 11, 12 and 13, 2000, during consideration of Clause No. 5 of Report No. 3 of The Planning and Transportation Committee, headed “Other Items Considered by the Committee” and directing that the aforementioned Clause be received as information, subject to striking out and referring Item (b), entitled “Discussion on the Implications of the Supreme Court Decision – Inglis v. Tutkaluk Construction Ltd. and Corporation of the City of Toronto”, back to the Planning and Transportation Committee for further consideration and the hearing of depositions.

12. RAT CONTROL AS CONDITION FOR PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Commissioner, Urban Development Services
(April 18, 2000)

Identifying rat control provisions that existed in former municipalities as they related to the issuance of building or demolition permits and providing guidance with respect to considerations towards the implementation of a City-wide process for rat control at construction and demolition sites and **recommending** that the current practice to control rats at construction and demolition sites continue without implementing a new specialized program for this purpose.

- 12(a)** Petition signed by 47 persons relating to the decades old MacMillan Bloedel lumber yard site on Oak Street, and the lack of protection provided in this neighbourhood by the Health Authorities, and requesting that Council re-establish the Rat Control condition as an application requirement in the City of Toronto.

13. DESIGN GUIDELINES AND DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR INFILL HOUSING IN R4 AREAS (TOWNHOUSES IN THE FORMER CITY OF ETOBICOKE)

City Clerk, Etobicoke Community Council
(February 23, 2000)

Advising that Etobicoke Community Council on February 16, 2000 referred the joint report (January 31, 2000) from the Director, Community Planning, West District and Director of Urban Design, City Planning, entitled “Design Guidelines and Development Standards for Infill Housing” to the Planning and Transportation Committee for consideration, with a request that the Committee:

- (1) forward its recommendation(s) to all Community Councils for comment thereon back to the Committee; and
- (2) schedule this matter as a deputation item when it again before the Planning and Transportation Committee.

NOTE:THE ABOVE-NOTED REPORT HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO ALL COMMUNITY COUNCILS AND THEIR RESPONSES ARE OUTLINED IN ITEMS 13(A) TO 13(F)

- 13(a)** City Clerk, East York Community Council

East York Community Council, at its meeting on May 2, 2000, took the following action:

- (1) requested the Director, Community Planning, East District, to submit a report to the East York Community Council with respect to how the proposed Design

Guidelines and Development Standards for Infill Housing for the Etobicoke community, outlined in the joint report (January 31, 2000) from the Director of Community Planning, West District and the Director of Urban Design, City Planning, addressed to the Etobicoke Community Council, might impact infill housing in the East York community, such report to include comment with respect to how the proposals compare with the guidelines and zoning code standards in the East York community; and

- (2) directed that the Planning and Transportation Committee be advised of the East York Community Council's action in this regard.

**THE TRANSMITTAL LETTER FROM THE CITY CLERK
OUTLINING THE ABOVE-NOTED ACTION TAKEN BY EAST
YORK COMMUNITY COUNCIL, WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

13(b) City Clerk, Etobicoke York Community Council

**ACTION TAKEN BY ETOBICOKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON MAY 3, 2000
REGARDING THIS MATTER WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

13(c) City Clerk, North York Community Council

North York Community Council, on May 2, 2000, deferred consideration of the communication (March 10, 2000) from the City Clerk, Planning and Transportation Committee, to its next meeting scheduled for May 23, 2000.

**THE TRANSMITTAL LETTER FROM THE CITY CLERK
OUTLINING THE ABOVE-NOTED ACTION TAKEN BY NORTH
YORK COMMUNITY COUNCIL, WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

13(d) City Clerk, Toronto Community Council
(May 4, 2000)

Advising that the Toronto Community Council has:

- (1) deferred consideration of this matter until its meeting to be held on May 23, for deputations;
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Urban Development Services to make a presentation at that time;
- (3) requested the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to report to the Toronto Community Council, at its meeting to be held on May 23,

2000, on additional requirements for maximizing tree planting and species selection in infill projects; and

- (4) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to report to the Toronto Community Council, at its meeting on May 23, 2000, on maximizing the undergrounding of utilities in infill projects.

13(e) City Clerk, Scarborough Community Council

Scarborough Community Council, on May 2, 2000, took the following action with respect to this matter:

- (1) requested that the Director of Community Planning, East District, submit a report to Community Council for its meeting scheduled to be held on June 20, 2000 outlining the impact on the Scarborough community of the proposed city-wide standards for Infill Housing; and
- (2) directed that the Planning and Transportation Committee be requested to defer its recommendations concerning the city-wide standards until the Scarborough Community Council has considered the impact on the East District and commented thereon to the Planning and Transportation Committee.

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OUTLINING THE ABOVE-NOTED ACTION TAKEN BY
SCARBOROUGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL, WILL BE
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13(f) City Clerk, York Community Council

York Community Council, on May 2, 2000, submitted this matter to the Planning and Transportation Committee without recommendation.

**THE TRANSMITTAL LETTER FROM THE CITY CLERK
OUTLINING THE ABOVE-NOTED ACTION TAKEN BY YORK
COMMUNITY COUNCIL, WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

14. HARMONIZATION OF THE DIVISION FENCE BY-LAW

Commissioner, Urban Development Services
(March 1, 2000)

Reporting on the harmonization of the division fence by-law which recommended that the attached draft Division Fence By-law be forwarded to all Community Councils for their review and comment.

NOTE: PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE, ON MARCH 21, 2000, FORWARDED THIS REPORT TO ALL COMMUNITY COUNCILS, AND THEIR RESPONSES ARE OUTLINED IN AGENDA ITEMS 14(a) to 14(f)

14(a) City Clerk, East York Community Council

East York Community Council, on May 2, 2000, requested that the Planning and Transportation Committee be advised that it supports the proposed Division Fence By-law attached to the report (March 1, 2000) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services.

THE TRANSMITTAL LETTER FROM THE CITY CLERK OUTLINING THE ABOVE-NOTED ACTION TAKEN BY EAST YORK COMMUNITY COUNCIL, WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

14(b) City Clerk, Etobicoke Community Council

ACTION TAKEN BY ETOBICOKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON MAY 3, 2000 REGARDING THIS MATTER WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

14(c) City Clerk, North York Community Council

North York Community Council, on May 2, 2000, recommended that:

- (1) the Harmonized Division Fence By-law be adopted; and
- (2) the amendment to the above-noted report, proposed by the Planning and Transportation Committee, embodied in the communication (March 23, 2000) from the City Clerk, Planning and Transportation Committee, be adopted.

THE TRANSMITTAL LETTER FROM THE CITY CLERK OUTLINING THE ABOVE-NOTED ACTION TAKEN BY NORTH YORK COMMUNITY COUNCIL, WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

14(d) City Clerk, Toronto Community Council
(May 4, 2000)

Advising that Toronto Community Council endorsed the draft by-law attached to the report (March 1, 2000) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services and the proposed amendment by the Planning and Transportation Committee.

14(e) City Clerk, Scarborough Community Council

Scarborough Community Council, on May 2, 2000, deferred consideration of the report (March 1, 2000) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services to its next meeting scheduled to be held on May 23, 2000.

**THE TRANSMITTAL LETTER FROM THE CITY CLERK
OUTLINING THE ABOVE-NOTED ACTION TAKEN BY
SCARBOROUGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL, WILL BE
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14(f) City Clerk, York Community Council

York Community Council did not consider this matter at its May 2, 2000 meeting and will be considered at its next scheduled meeting of May 23, 2000.

15. HARMONIZATION OF THE FENCE BY-LAW

Commissioner, Urban Development Services
(March 1, 2000)

Reporting on the harmonization of the fence by-law which recommended that the attached harmonized fence by-law be forwarded to all Community Councils for their review and comment back to Committee.

NOTE: PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE, ON MARCH 21, 2000, FORWARDED THIS REPORT TO ALL COMMUNITY COUNCILS, AND THEIR RESPONSES ARE OUTLINED IN AGENDA ITEMS 15(a) to 15(f)

15(a) City Clerk, East York Community Council

East York Community Council, on May 2, 2000, requested the Commissioner of Urban Development Services to report to the Planning and Transportation Committee, and to the East York Community Council, on an appeal and exemption process, such report to include comment on the various appeal mechanisms such as utilizing the Committee of Adjustment, Community Councils, or a City employee.

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YORK COMMUNITY COUNCIL, WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE
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15(b) City Clerk, Etobicoke York Community Council

**ACTION TAKEN BY ETOBICOKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON MAY 3, 2000
REGARDING THIS MATTER WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

15(c) City Clerk, North York Community Council

North York Community Council, on May 2, 2000, recommended to Planning and Transportation Committee that the Harmonized Fence By-law attached to the report (March 1, 2000) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be adopted subject to:

- (a) Sections 11 and 12 of the draft harmonized fence by-law being re-worded as outlined in the report (April 17, 2000) from the City Solicitor; and
- (b) Ward Councillors being informed when a Property Standards Officer or the Chief Building Official has made an emergency order under the Building Code Act, 1992, requiring that a fence be erected that does not comply with the harmonized fence by-law.

**THE TRANSMITTAL LETTER FROM THE CITY CLERK
OUTLINING THE ABOVE-NOTED ACTION TAKEN BY NORTH
YORK COMMUNITY COUNCIL, WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

15(d) City Clerk, Toronto Community Council
(May 4, 2000)

Advising that Toronto Community Council endorsed the draft by-law attached to the report (March 1, 2000) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services subject to the adoption of the proposed amendments contained in the report (April 17, 2000) from the City Solicitor.

15(e) City Clerk, Scarborough Community Council

Scarborough Community Council, on May 2, 2000, deferred the following two reports to its next meeting scheduled to be held on May 23, 2000:

- (1) communication (March 23, 2000) from the City Clerk forwarding the report (March 1, 2000) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services regarding the Harmonization of the Fence By-law
- (2) report (April 17, 2000) from the City Solicitor, recommending that:
 - (i) Sections 11 and 12 of the draft harmonized fence by-law be re-worded as outlined in this report; and

- (ii) Ward Councillors be informed when a property standards officer or the Chief Building Official has made an emergency order under the Building Code Act, 1992, requiring that a fence be erected that does not comply with the harmonized fence by-law.

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15(f) City Clerk, York Community Council

York Community Council, on May 2, 2000, submitted this matter to the Planning and Transportation Committee without recommendation.

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL, WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

16. DEVELOPMENT CHARGES – REFUND PROGRAM FOR FIRST TIME HOME BUYERS

Councillor Michael Walker
(April 19, 2000)

Requesting the Commissioner of Urban Development Services to formulate a “Development Charge Refund Program for First Time Home Buyers” and report back to the Planning and Transportation Committee with their recommendations.

17. PROPERTY STANDARDS

Councillor Michael Prue
(May 4, 2000)

Attached a Notice of Motion, seconded by Councillor Pitfield, **recommending** that:

- (1) the City of Toronto endorse a policy of creating a task force made up of property standards officers, and when necessary, fire safety officers and health officials, to identify and document those buildings which do not meet minimum municipal standards as set out in Property Standards Bylaws, and to take all appropriate actions to bring these properties into compliance; and

- (2) that this Task Force of City employees report every three months to the Planning and Transportation Committee through to Council, on the progress made into cleaning up those buildings and apartment units which do not meet minimum standards; and
- (3) the Task Force first focus on 65, 71, 75 and 79 Thorncliffe Park Drive.

18. OFFICIAL PLAN POLICY APPROACH TO PARKLAND ACQUISITION CITY-WIDE APPLICABILITY

Commissioner, Urban Development Services and
Commissioner, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism
(April 26, 2000)

Providing an update on the policy approach that has been developed by Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and Urban Development Services to identify and address parkland acquisition priorities and **recommending** that the Commissioners of Economic Development, Culture & Tourism and Urban Development Services report on the findings of the Parkland Acquisition Strategy upon its completion.