



**POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**AGENDA**

<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>Tuesday, April 18, 2000</b>	<b>Enquiry:</b>	<b>Patsy Morris</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>		<b>Administrator</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Committee Room 1</b>		<b>(416) 392-9151</b>
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**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PURSUANT TO  
THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT.**

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES. (March 28, 2000)**

**DEPUTATIONS:**

- **Respecting Item No. 1.  
2000 Operating Budget.**

**COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:**

- 2000 OPERATING BUDGET.**

**(DEPUTATION ITEM.)**

**(NOTE: THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE FROM ITS MEETING SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON APRIL 14, 2000, RESPECTING THE 2000 OPERATING BUDGET WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT THE MEETING OF THE POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.)**

**MEMBERS OF COUNCIL WERE PROVIDED WITH A COPY OF THE OPERATING BUDGET MATERIAL AND BUDGET BINDERS FOR THE MEETINGS OF THE BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON APRIL 3, 4 AND 5, 2000, AND WERE REQUESTED TO**

**RETAIN THEIR COPY OF THE AFOREMENTIONED MATERIAL  
AS IT WILL NOT BE REPRODUCED.)**

**1(a). TORONTO ARTS COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION (ALL WARDS).**

Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism  
(April 10, 2000)

Responding to the Budget Advisory Committee's request for a further report to the Policy and Finance Committee on the provision of additional administration assistance to the Toronto Arts Council from the Culture Division; and recommending that:

- (1) no administration resources be provided to the Toronto Arts Council from the Culture Division;
- (2) since the TAC's administration grant is part of the overall Consolidated Grants Budget, that budget be reviewed as a source for providing additional administrative grant to TAC for its 2000 requirements;
- (3) the Commissioner Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer work to assist Toronto Arts Council in establishing a practical budgetary approach for determining future administrative needs and to assist in implementing long-term solutions, without compromising the Toronto Arts Council's independence in grants-decision making, similar to the Committee of Adjustment model; and
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**1(b). STATUS REPORT FROM THE TORONTO INTER-  
DEPARTMENT (TIE) TEAM – PESTICIDES SUB-COMMITTEE.**

City Clerk  
(April 3, 2000)

Advising that the Board of Health on April 3, 2000, endorsed the following recommendation of the Works Committee:

“that the Budget Advisory Committee provide funds for the continued phasing-in of the Integrated Plant Health Care (IPHC) program to reduce the use of pesticides by the City of Toronto, as set out in the status report (March 16, 2000) from the Chief Administrative Officer.”

**1(c). RESPONSE TO INFORMATION REQUESTS ON PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTION STAFF IN TORONTO PUBLIC HEALTH.**

City Clerk

(April 3, 2000)

Advising that the Board of Health on April 3, 2000:

- (A) strongly supported the provision of expanded funding of the Food Safety Program sufficient to meet local needs and recommends that the Budget Advisory Committee set aside funds for the six month implementation of this expansion in the Year 2000, in the amount of \$1,265,800.00 (gross) and \$632,900.00 (net); and
- (B) recommended the adoption of the joint report (March 21, 2000) from the Medical Officer of Health and the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, addressed to the Budget Advisory Committee and the Board of Health wherein it is recommended that:
- (1) food premises be charged the full cost of re-inspections which arise due to non-compliance with the Health Protection and Promotion Act, the Food Premises Regulation and/or the Mandatory Health Programs and Services Guidelines;
  - (2) additional municipal revenues arising from the recovery of costs of re-inspections and fines levied under the Provincial Offences Act be put back into the Public Health Operating Budget for inspections;
  - (3) the Medical Officer of Health, in consultation with the City Solicitor, the Commissioner of Urban Development Services, and the appropriate provincial officials, report back on the implementation plan to charge fees for public health inspection services;
  - (4) the Medical Officer of Health, in consultation with the appropriate provincial officials and other interested parties, report back on an implementation plan and associated resource requirements for a rating system for Toronto restaurants;
  - (5) the Medical Officer of Health and the City Auditor report back on the need and justification for additional resources for the Food Safety program following completion of the Auditor's program review; and
  - (6) a policy option be selected as to the level of service and associated resources required for continuation of the City's response to retirement homes for the balance of 2000, pending longer term policy decisions by City Council.

**1(d). TORONTO HUMANE SOCIETY CONTRACT.**City Clerk

(April 3, 2000)

Advising that the Board of Health on April 3, 2000, recommended the adoption of the joint report (February 17, 2000) from the Medical Officer of Health, Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and the Chief Administrative Officer, with respect to the City's purchase of service contract for animal sheltering with the Toronto Humane Society, wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) the City of Toronto extend its current contract with the Toronto Humane Society to December 31, 2000 under the existing terms and conditions for funding and service levels;
- (2) City Council approve \$50,000.00 as a one-time payment to the Toronto Humane Society to address possible funding inequities since 1991, but that this money not be included in their base contract fee of \$726,000.00;
- (3) the Medical Officer of Health report back to the Board of Health by June 2000, on priorities and options for standardized levels of shelter services across the City for 2001 and beyond, along with the associated financial implications;
- (4) the City of Toronto develop a new costing approach for shelter services to take effect in 2001, based on the consultants' reviews of the Toronto Humane Society costing methodology and the City's costs to run municipal animal shelters;
- (5) changes in service levels and associated costs be negotiated with the Toronto Humane Society by a staff team under the direction of the Chief Administrative Officer, with the assistance of an external facilitator to improve the working relationship between the City and the Toronto Humane Society;
- (6) the accounting services of Wynville-Erse Associates Inc. be extended in order to verify the cost estimates for the City's operations and to support the negotiation of a new funding arrangement with the THS;
- (7) implementation of Recommendation Nos. (4), (5) and (6) be the subject of a further report from the Medical Officer of Health, at a total cost not to exceed \$50,000.00;
- (8) that this report be referred to the Policy and Finance Committee and to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2000 operating budget process; and
- (9) that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary steps to give effect thereto.

- 1(e).** Communication addressed to the Chair of the Board of Health  
from the President, CUPE Local 79.  
(March 30, 2000)

Endorsing CUPE Local 416's response to the report of the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) and its review of Animal Services in Toronto; and urging the Board of Health to take this opportunity to move in the direction of expanding its own animal control and sheltering services.

- 1(f).** City Clerk  
(April 7, 2000)

Advising that the Budget Advisory Committee on April 4, 2000, during consideration of the 2000 Operating Budget for the Economic Development Division, directed that the Policy and Finance Committee and Members of Council be advised that it concurred with the following recommendation embodied in Clause No. 3 of Report No. 4 of the Economic Development and Parks Committee, entitled "Tourism Partnership Agreement with Tourism Toronto (All Wards)":

“(2) that City Council request the Provincial Government to harmonize the sales tax in hotels from 5 percent to 8 percent and ensure that the 3 percent difference is dedicated to Tourism Toronto.”

- 1(g).** Chief Administrative Officer  
The Toronto and Region Conservation Authority  
(March 28, 2000)

Advising that the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority will be considering its 2000 Operating Budget including non-matching municipal levy on April 28, 2000; that the Authority's core operating levy requirement for the City of Toronto is \$4,148,262.00; that the capital levy requirement is \$5,425,000.00 of which it is understood that \$310,000.00 will be funded from the Operating Budget; that this information and detailed operating and capital budget information has been conveyed to the City's Budget Advisory Committee and staff of the Finance Department; and requesting on behalf of the Rouge Park Alliance, a further levy in the amount of \$58,924.00, representing the municipality's share of the management costs for the Rouge Park apportioned in the same manner as Authority programs.

- 1(h).** Mr. Mark Deacon, President, Smart Toronto  
(March 30, 2000)

Expressing support of the work of the Economic Development Sector Initiatives Program (EDSIP) of the Economic Development, Culture and Tourism Department and strongly advocating the expansion of this program.

- 1(i).** Councillor Pam McConnell, Chair  
Committee on the Status of Women  
(undated)

Expressing the profound concern of the Committee on the Status of Women regarding the elimination and/or reduced funding provided in the 2000 Operating Budget for many initiatives which specifically impact on women and their families.

- 1(j).** Ms. Anne Dubas, President  
CUPE Local 79  
(March 30, 2000)

Expressing concerns with regard to certain requests made by the Budget Advisory Committee respecting the 2000 Operating Budget and urging the Budget Advisory Committee to recognize the importance of maintaining and enhancing the City's programs and to reinvest in front-line staffing and service levels.

- 1(k).** City Clerk  
(February 10, 2000)

Advising that City Council on February 1, 2 and 3, 2000, amended Clause No. 14 of Report No. 1 of the Scarborough Community Council, headed "Classical Chinese Garden Fundraising Committee Progress Report", and in so doing adopted Recommendation No. (3) embodied therein to read as follows:

"(3) refer Recommendation No. (3) to the Policy and Finance Committee with a request that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Commissioner of Economic Culture and Tourism submit a joint report thereto by April 2000, on the budgetary implications of this recommendation by the Classical Chinese Garden Fundraising Committee."

- 1(l).** **PRO-ACTIVE APARTMENT COMMON AREA INSPECTION PROGRAMME.**

Commissioner of Urban Development Services  
(April 10, 2000)

Reporting on the status of funding partnerships for the pro-active apartment common area inspection programme; advising that contact has been initiated at both the federal and provincial levels in respect to availability of funding for this programme; that staff will report on the outcome and the impact on the nature and scope of the programme, as soon as information is available; and recommending that this report be received for information.

**2. CITY LANDS COMPENSATION AGREEMENT WITH MAPLE LEAF SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT LTD.**

Chief Financial Officer and treasurer.  
(April 10, 2000)

Seeking Council instructions on whether or not to exercise the Buyout Amount option in the City Lands Compensation Agreement (CLCA) with Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment Ltd. (MLSEL); advising that if Council elects to exercise the Buyout Amount option in the CLCA, the City will receive a lump sum payment of approximately \$4,194,000 and as a consequence of such election the City will no longer have use of the Executive Suite, two Platinum Seats (for Toronto Maple Leafs home games) and the use of two Stadium Days at the Air Canada Centre or Maple Leaf Gardens; and recommending that Council make a determination as to whether or not it wishes to exercise the Buyout Amount Option provided for in the City Lands Compensation Agreement.

**3. ASHKENAZ FESTIVAL ELIGIBILITY FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SECTOR INITIATIVES PROGRAM (EDSIP) FUNDING**

Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism  
(March 28, 2000)

Advising that the new Economic Development Sectors Initiative Program was conceived as a tool to enhance the Economic Development Division's ability to support initiatives such as Ashkenaz, which are in line with our priority strategic sectors; that Program revisions were implemented to ensure that the program is delivered in the most effective and equitable manner; Project support is limited to 3 years in order to allow funds to be made available to stimulate new initiatives; that Staff will continue to work with the organizers of the Ashkenaz Festival in support of their endeavours and will be pleased to consider all options available to them; that insofar as the Ashkenaz Festival is held once every two years, the grant reduction schedule through EDSIP will be applied accordingly; and recommending that this report be received for information.

**4. FY2000 CASH FLOW ADJUSTMENTS TO THE CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM**

Report addressed to the Economic Development and Parks Committee  
from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism  
(March 28, 2000)

Requesting consideration of a minor amendment to the FY2000 Capital Works Program of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to allow a Parks and Recreation Facility Components Project to proceed expeditiously; and recommending that:

- (1) FY2001 cash flow for phase 2 of the Don Valley Golf Course new irrigation system receive prior approval in the amount of \$50,000.00;
- (2) this report be referred to the Budget Advisory Committee for its consideration; and
- (3) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**(NOTE: THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PARKS COMMITTEE FROM ITS MEETING SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON APRIL 17, 2000, RESPECTING THE FOREGOING MATTER WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT THE MEETING OF THE POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.)**

**5. ONTARIO GOOD ROADS ASSOCIATION –  
TASK FORCE ON UTILITIES USING  
MUNICIPAL RIGHTS-OF-WAY.**

City Clerk  
(April 10, 2000)

Advising that the Telecommunications Steering Committee on March 30, 2000, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the report (March 17, 2000) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, entitled “Ontario Good Roads Association Task Force on Utilities Using Municipal Rights-of-Way”, subject to adding thereto the following additional recommendation:

- “(4) the City of Toronto suggests to the Ontario Good Roads Association that it review the telecommunications policies of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.”

**6. TORONTO HOUSING COMPANY –  
REVENUE FROM LICENSE AGREEMENTS.**

City Clerk  
(April 10, 2000)

Advising that the Telecommunications Steering Committee on March 30, 2000:

- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that a standard criterion be added to Calls for Bids, Proposals, Tenders or any other type of business arrangement respecting telecommunications-related goods or services or construction, occupancy or use of City Rights-of-Way, other property or infrastructure issued by City Departments, Agencies, Boards, Commissions, special



purpose bodies or business corporations owned or controlled by the City to state that Bids, Proposals, Tenders or other business arrangements involving telecommunications organizations will not be accepted unless the telecommunications organization has entered into a Municipal Access Agreement (or equivalent in the opinion of the City) with the City of Toronto;

- (2) requested the Chair of the Telecommunications Steering Committee and the appropriate City staff to meet with the Chair and staff of the Toronto Housing Company to discuss this matter; and
- (3) requested the Chief Administrative Officer, in consultation with the Chair of the Telecommunications Steering Committee, to report to the Policy and Finance Committee or directly to Council on this matter.

**IN CAMERA**            **In accordance with the Municipal Act, a motion is required for the Committee to meet privately and the reason must be stated.**

**INCAMERA.**

**7.        WOODBINE RACETRACK SLOT MACHINES  
(WARD 5 – REXDALE THISTLETOWN).**

Chief Administrative Officer  
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer  
(March 31, 2000)

Submitting a joint confidential report respecting Woodbine Racetrack Slot Machines, having regard that the subject matter being considered relates to the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

**7(a).    FINANCIAL IMPACTS OF THE OPERATION OF  
SLOT MACHINES AT THE WOODBINE RACETRACK  
(WARD 5 – REXDALE THISTLETOWN).**

Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer  
(April 5, 2000)

Submitting a confidential report respecting the financial impacts of the operation of slot machines at the Woodbine Racetrack having regard that the subject matter being considered relates to the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

**INCAMERA.**

**8. TORONTO TRANSIT COMMISSION – SPURIOUS MEDIA FARE.**

Mr. Vincent Rodo, General Secretary  
Toronto Transit Commission  
(April 6, 2000)

Submitting a confidential report respecting the the Toronto Transit Commission Spurious Media Fare, having regard that the subject matter being considered relates to the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

**ANY OTHER MATTERS.**