

# THE CITY OF TORONTO

## City Clerk's Division

### Minutes of the Economic Development and Parks Committee

#### Meeting No. 1

Monday, January 17, 2000

The Economic Development and Parks Committee met on Monday, January 17, 2000, in Committee Room 2, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:40 a.m.

#### Attendance

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

	9:40 a.m. to 12:32 p.m.	2:10 p.m. to 4:11 p.m.
Councillor Brian Ashton, Chair	X	X
Councillor Mike Feldman	X	X
Councillor Elizabeth Brown	Regrets	X
Councillor Raymond Cho	X	X
Councillor Mario Giansante	Regrets	Regrets
Councillor Joan King	X	X
Councillor George Mammoliti	X	X
Councillor Jane Pitfield	X	X
Councillor Sherene Shaw	X	X
Councillor Mario Silva	X	X
Councillor David Soknacki	X	X
Councillor Mike Tzekas	X	X

#### **Confirmation of Minutes**

On motion by Councillor King, the Minutes of the Economic Development and Parks Committee meeting held on November 29, 1999, were confirmed.

## **1.1 Tourism Toronto Budget for the Year 2000**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (November 24, 1999) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, in response to a request from the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee that staff report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee regarding the Tourism Toronto budget prior to the year 2000 budget process; and recommending that:

- (1) City of Toronto funding for Tourism Toronto for the year 2000 be approved at the same budget level as 1999, subject to a more detailed review of Tourism Toronto's budget submission;
- (2) the Economic Development and Parks Committee request Tourism Toronto to present its year 2000 business plan and budget as soon as possible; such business plan to clearly address the means by which Tourism Toronto intends to improve its longer-term competitive position; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Economic Development and Parks Committee also had before it a report (January 11, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, presenting the draft terms and conditions of a Purchase of Service Agreement under which the City will provide funding to Tourism Toronto that is currently being negotiated with Tourism Toronto, and recommending that the report be received for information.

The following persons appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Ms. Linda Friendly, Chair, Tourism Toronto;
- Mr. Lyle Hall, KPMG;
- Mr. Ron Taylor, Tourism Toronto Board Member;
- Mr. Paul Clifford, Tourism Toronto Board Member; and
- Mr. Cal White, Tourism Toronto Board Member.

A. Councillor Silva moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend:

- (1) the adoption of the report (November 24, 1999) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; and forward same to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2000 Operating Budget deliberations; and

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- (2) that the report (January 11, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic, Development, Culture and Tourism, be received and forwarded to the Budget Advisory Committee for information.

**(Carried)**

- B. Councillor Feldman moved that Councillor Silva's motion A(1) be amended by adding "subject to the completion of the Purchase of Service Agreement prior to the Budget Advisory Committee's consideration of Tourism Toronto's 2000 budget."

**(Carried)**

- C. Councillor King moved that Councillor Silva's motion A(1) be amended to provide that the Tourism Toronto's budget be increased by approximately 5 percent for a total budget of \$4.5 million.

**(Carried)**

- D. Councillor Soknacki moved that Councillor Silva's motion A(1) be amended to provide that the business plan include:

- (i) the correlation between funding from all sources and incremental revenues from visitors;
- (ii) a review of major initiatives undertaken by competitive destinations;
- (iii) other factors within the tourism industry and government jurisdiction which directly impact incremental revenues and visitors; and
- (iv) comparisons with other successful cities and other information with regard to visitors tax proposals.

**(Carried)**

- E. Councillor Pitfield moved that the Provincial Government be requested to consider a Visitor's Tax so that the marketing of Toronto will keep pace with other jurisdictions.

**(Carried)**

Councillor Ashton appointed Councillor Pitfield Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

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- F. Councillor Ashton moved that the following motion by Councillor Joan King be referred to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism for consideration and report thereon to the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

“that the Provincial Government be requested to match the City’s grant to Tourism Toronto.”

**(Carried)**

Councillor Ashton resumed the Chair.

(Budget Advisory Committee, c. Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, Ms. Linda Friendly, Chair, Tourism Toronto – January 24, 2000)

**(Clause No. 7(a), Report No. 1)**

**1.2 Toronto Association of Business Improvement Areas (TABIA)  
The City of Toronto Economic Development Office and  
The Toronto Police Services Consultation Meetings  
Working Together to Fight Crime**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee again had before it a report (November 10, 1999) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism submitting, on behalf of the Toronto Association of Business Improvement Areas and the Toronto Police Service, a report entitled “Working Together to Fight Crime”; and recommending that:

- (1) the report, entitled “Working Together to Fight Crime”, be forwarded to the Task Force on Community Safety to review the recommendations as contained therein, and to begin the process of developing an action plan in consultation with the Toronto Association of Business Improvement Areas and Toronto Police Service;
- (2) the Task Force on Community Safety report back to the appropriate Standing Committee and to the Policy and Finance Committee regarding the implementation and the financial implications of the recommendations contained in the “Working Together to Fight Crime” report;
- (3) the report, entitled “Working Together to Fight Crime”, be forwarded to the appropriate departments, boards, agencies and business associations for information and action including the Departments of Works and Emergency Services, Community and Neighbourhood Services and Urban Planning and Development Services; the Toronto Association of Business Improvement Areas; Toronto Police Services Board; the respective divisions of the Toronto Police

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Service; Chairs of the BIAs; Metro Action Committee on Public Violence Against Women and Children (METRAC), and the Pedestrianization Work Group;

- (4) the financial implications be referred to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2000 Operating Budget process; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The following persons appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Mr. Mark Crowe, Vice-President, TABIA;
- P.C. Ed Heinrichs, Toronto Police Service;
- Councillor Rob Davis, York Eglinton;
- Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, High Park; and
- Councillor Frances Nunziata, York Humber.

On motion by Councillor Soknacki, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report, subject to renumbering Recommendation No. (5) to Recommendation No. (6) and inserting the following Recommendation No. (5):

- “(5) the Acting Commissioner of Urban Development Services be requested to report to the Planning and Transportation Committee and the Economic Development and Parks Committee on how the CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) principles may be reviewed during the approval process for all planning applications.”

**(Clause No. 1, Report No. 1)**

**1.3 The Greater Toronto Marketing Alliance (GTMA): Midterm Review**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (December 22, 1999) from the City Clerk forwarding Clause No. 2 contained in Report No. 6 of The Economic Development and Parks Committee, headed “The Greater Toronto Marketing Alliance (GTMA): Midterm Review (All Wards)”, which Council, at its meeting held on December 14, 15 and 16, 1999, struck out and referred back to the Economic Development and Parks Committee for further consideration with the direction that the Board of Trade be invited to address the Economic Development and Parks Committee in this regard.

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The following persons appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Mr. George Fierheller, Chair, The Greater Toronto Marketing Alliance, and filed a copy of his presentation; and
- Ms. Elyse Allan, President and Executive Officer, Toronto Board of Trade.

Councillor Ashton appointed Councillor Pitfield Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

On motion by Councillor Ashton, the Economic Development and Parks Committee deferred consideration of the subject matter to the meeting scheduled to be held on March 20, 2000; and requested the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, in consultation with the Greater Toronto Marketing Alliance and the Toronto Board of Trade, to provide a further report with regard to the GTMA's operations and its ability to meet the City's objectives.

Councillor Ashton resumed the Chair.

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, c. Mr. George Fierheller, Chair, The Greater Toronto Marketing Alliance, Ms. Elyse Allan, President and Executive Officer, Toronto Board of Trade – January 24, 2000)

**(Clause No. 7(b), Report No. 1)**

**1.4 Canada–U.S. BorderNet Alliance  
The Elements of a Strong Business Climate**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a communication (November 11, 1999) from Mr. Willie Moskowitz, Executive Director, Canada-U.S. BorderNet Alliance, requesting permission to make a presentation on the establishment of the Canada-U.S. BorderNet Alliance, being Trade, Tourism and Investment for the bi-national region stretching from Toronto through Hamilton, across the Peace Bridge into Buffalo and over to Rochester, New York.

Mr. Willie Moskowitz, Executive Director, Canada-U.S. BorderNet Alliance, gave a presentation on the establishment of the Canada-U.S. BorderNet Alliance and its plans, and filed a copy of his submission.

Councillor Ashton appointed Councillor Pitfield Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

On motion by Councillor Ashton, the Economic Development and Parks Committee referred the presentation by Mr. Willie Moskowitz, Executive

Director of Canada-U.S. BorderNet Alliance, to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism for report thereon to the Economic Development and Parks Committee, the said report to include ways the City could capitalize on this type of relationship/partnership.

Councillor Ashton resumed the Chair.

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, c. Mr. Willie Moskowitz, Executive Director, Canada-U.S. BorderNet Alliance – January 24, 2000)

**(Clause No. 7(c), Report No. 1)**

### **1.5 University Avenue Millennium Proposal**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (December 20, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Millennium Task Force on December 20, 1999, referred the communication (August 25, 1999) from Mr. Neil Mendes, respecting a proposal to install flags from all over the world along the centre median of University Avenue and the outer rim of Queen's Park (if necessary), to the Economic Development and Parks Committee for consideration.

Councillor Ashton appointed Councillor Pitfield Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

On motion by Councillor Ashton, the Economic Development and Parks Committee referred the aforementioned communication (August 25, 1999) from Mr. Neil Mendes to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism for a report thereon to the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

Councillor Ashton resumed the Chair.

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, c. Mr. Neil Mendes, Toronto, Ontario – January 24, 2000)

**(Clause No. 7(d), Report No. 1)**

### **1.6 Smartrisk Foundation**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a communication (November 15, 1999) from Dr. Robert Conn, President and Chief Executive Officer, Smartrisk Foundation, requesting permission to make a deputation to explain the results of the national and provincial studies with regard to helping people see the risk in their everyday lives and show them how to take those risks in the smartest way possible so that they can live their lives to the fullest.

Councillor Ashton appointed Councillor Feldman Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

On motion by Councillor Ashton the Economic Development and Parks Committee deferred consideration of the aforementioned communication to the meeting scheduled to be held on February 14, 2000.

Councillor Ashton resumed the Chair.

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism,  
c. Dr. Robert Conn, President and CEO, Smartrisk Foundation –  
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**(Clause No. 7(e), Report No. 1)**

**1.7 Follow-Up on the Action Plan for the Children's Report Card 1999 Arising from the Children's Report Card 1999**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 4, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, to seek the Economic Development and Parks Committee's adoption of the Toronto Report Card on Children 1999 and the Children and Youth Action Committee's Action Plan as related to the Parks and Recreation Division's 2000 Operating Budget; and recommending that this report be submitted to the Budget Advisory Committee and the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration in the 2000 Operating Budget process.

On motion by Councillor Soknacki, the Economic Development and Parks Committee adopted the aforementioned report and forwarded same to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2000 Operating Budget deliberations.

(Budget Advisory Committee, c. Councillor Olivia Chow, Children and Youth Advocate – January 21, 2000)

**(Clause No. 7(f), Report No. 1)**

**1.8 Follow-Up on Initiatives Addressing Youth Violence Arising out of the Mayor's Action Plan on Youth Violence and Gang Activity**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 4, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to seek Economic Development and Parks Committee's adoption of the Toronto Youth Violence Prevention Initiatives and funding for the Parks and Recreation Division's 2000 budget, and recommending that this report be submitted to the Budget Advisory Committee and



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the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration in the 2000 Operating Budget process.

The following persons appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Mr. Ryan Teschner, Toronto Youth Cabinet; and
- Councillor Olivia Chow, Children and Youth Advocate.

A. Councillor Cho moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend the adoption of the aforementioned report and forward same to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2000 Operating Budget deliberations.

**(Carried)**

B. Councillor Pitfield moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee request the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to report to the Budget Advisory Committee providing a detailed breakdown of the funding request in the amount of \$800,000.00 for the Toronto Youth Violence Prevention Initiatives.

**(Carried)**

C. Councillor Shaw moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee request the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to:

- (a) consult with the Ward Councillors whose Wards would be included in the Toronto Youth Violence Prevention Initiatives, prior to the operating budget process;
- (b) ensure some public input in the process;
- (c) provide a status report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee every four months, after the implementation of the initiatives, the said report to include the number of youth using each centre and the programs offered.

**(Carried)**

(Budget Advisory Committee, c. Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, Mr. Ryan Teschner, Toronto Youth Cabinet, Councillor Olivia Chow, Children and Youth Advocate)

**(Clause No. 7(g), Report No. 1)**

**1.9 Toronto City Youth Games – July 22 to 23, 2000**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 4, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism seeking the Committee's endorsement of the Toronto City Youth Games, being organized as a millennium project for the year 2000, and recommending that:

- (1) the Economic Development and Parks Committee endorse the Toronto City Youth Games as a millennium event; and
- (2) if the inaugural event proves successful, the Games be continued on an annual basis.

On motion by Councillor King, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 2, Report No. 1)**

**1.10 2000 Budgets – Business Improvement Areas**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 5, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer bringing forward the Business Improvement Areas (BIA) annual operating budgets, which have been received and reviewed to date, for approval by Council as required by Section 220 of the Municipal Act, as amended, noting that Council approval is required to permit the City to collect funds through the tax levy on behalf of the BIAs; and recommending that:

- (1) the Economic Development and Parks Committee adopt and certify to City Council the 2000 expenditure requests of the following Business Improvement Areas:

Business Improvement Area	2000 Budget Request (\$)
Bloorcourt Village	57,500.00
Bloor West Village	247,908.00
Bloor-Yorkville	1,100,000.00
Corso Italia	160,000.00
Eglinton Way	153,820.00
Elm Street	36,731.00
Harbord Street	26,500.00
Junction Gardens	250,200.00
Kennedy Road	234,401.00
Kingsway	206,100.00

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Lakeshore Village	40,650.00
Mimico Village	11,441.00
Old Cabbagetown	180,300.00
Queen/Broadview Village	75,000.00
Roncesvalles Village	108,555.00
Upper Village (Toronto)	162,000.00
Weston	144,549.00
York-Eglinton	37,110.00

- (2) a copy of this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for its information;
- (3) authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary bill in Council; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Silva, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 3, Report No. 1)**

**1.11 C.S.A. Playground Compliance Program (All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 4, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism reporting, as requested, on the allocation of playground funds; recommending a program that will bring into compliance all substandard City playgrounds by the end of 2003, as well as address various questions arising as part of the Budget Review process; and further recommending that:

- (1) Council approve in principle the C.S.A. Playground Compliance Program outlined in this report bringing all substandard City playgrounds to C.S.A. standards by the end of 2003; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Feldman, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the aforementioned report in view of the Budget Advisory Committee having dealt with this matter at its meeting on January 14, 2000.

**(Clause No. 7(h), Report No. 1)**

**1.12 Third Party Outdoor Advertising on City Property  
(All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a joint report (January 4, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services reporting on the results of the public consultation undertaken regarding the draft principles for Third Party Outdoor Advertising endorsed by Council on September 28, and 29, 1999; advising Council of the next steps regarding the development of a Third Party Outdoor Advertising program; requesting Council's authorization to investigate the City's options regarding alternate methods of tendering the leasing of third party outdoor advertising locations; and recommending that:

- (1) Council receive the results of the public opinion survey and authorize the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, and the Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services to continue developing a third party outdoor advertising program which takes into consideration the results of the survey;
- (2) Council authorize the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, and the Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services to investigate the City's options with respect to suggestions made by sign industry representatives regarding alternate methods of tendering the leasing of third party outdoor sign locations;
- (3) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, and the Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services submit a joint report back to Council on Recommendations Nos. (1) and (2) in the year 2000;
- (4) this report be forwarded to the Administration Committee for information; and
- (5) Council forward this report to the City's Agencies, Boards and Commissions for their information.

The Committee also had before it a communication (January 14, 2000) from Mr. James L. Robinson, Urban Design Co-ordinator, Bloor-Yorkville Business Improvement Area, regarding the foregoing matter.

Councillor Frances Nunziata, York Humber, appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

- A. Councillor Mammoliti moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend to Council:

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- (1) the adoption of the joint report (January 4, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services; and
- (2) that the communication (January 14, 2000) from Mr. James L. Robinson, Urban Design Co-ordinator, Bloor-Yorkville Business Improvement Area, be received.

**(Carried)**

B. Councillor Shaw moved:

- (1) that Councillor Mammoliti's motion A(1) be amended by adding the words "save and except Question 4c of the Survey", to the end of Recommendation No. (1) so that such Recommendation shall now read:

“(1) Council receive the results of the public opinion survey and authorize the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, and the Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services to continue developing a third party outdoor advertising program which takes into consideration the results of the survey, save and except Question 4c of the Survey;” and

- (2) that the aforementioned Question 4c of the Survey be referred to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism for further consideration and report thereon to the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

**(Carried)**

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, c. Mr. James L. Robinson, Urban Design Co-Ordinator, Bloor-Yorkville Business Improvement Area – January 24, 2000)

**(Clause No. 4, Report No. 1)**

**1.13 Appointment of Citizen to the  
Jenner Jean-Marie Community Centre Advisory Board**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (December 6, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the East York Community Council, on December 2, 1999, recommended to the Economic Development and Parks Committee that Mr. Jack Douse be appointed to the Jenner Jean-Marie Community Centre Advisory Board.

On motion by Councillor Pitfield, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the East York Community Council embodied in the aforementioned report (December 6, 1999) from the City Clerk.

**(Clause No. 5, Report No. 1)**

**1.14 S.H. Armstrong Community Centre (Ward 26)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a communication (November 18, 1999) from Councillor Sandra Bussin, East Toronto, forwarding a petition signed by users of the S.H. Armstrong Community Centre expressing disappointment with the implementation of the new parks and recreation user fees.

Councillor Sandra Bussin, East Toronto, appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Economic Development and Parks Committee referred the aforementioned communication to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism for consideration with the report on "User Fees" being brought forward to the Economic Development and Parks Committee at a future meeting for consideration.

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism,  
c. Councillor Sandra Bussin, East Toronto – January 24, 2000)

**(Clause No. 7(i), Report No. 1)**

**1.15 1999 Third Quarter Business  
Development and Retention Client Activity  
(All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 4, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, providing a summary of the completed investment projects and related business activities of the Business Development and Retention Section, for the third quarter of 1999 in accordance with the Economic Development Division's 1999 Work Plan, and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Silva, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 7(j), Report No. 1)**

**1.16 Festivals Regarding the International  
Year of Older Persons (All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 4, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism reporting on events and activities that took place to celebrate International Year of Older Persons, and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Feldman, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 7(k), Report No. 1)**

**1.17 Declaring Toronto's Remaining Witt and  
PCC Streetcars to be Important Historic Objects**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a motion (undated) from Councillor Joe Mihevc, York-Eglinton, to declare Witt car 2766 and PCC cars 4500 and 4549 of the Toronto Transit Commission to be symbols of the City and important objects to be preserved in their historic livery and included in the City of Toronto Inventory of Heritage Properties.

On motion by Councillor King, the Economic Development and Parks Committee referred the aforementioned motion to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism for report thereon to the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism,  
c. Councillor Joe Hihevc, York Eglinton – January 24, 2000)

**(Clause No. 7(l), Report No. 1)**

**1.18 Multiple Closures by Banks**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a communication (November 29, 1999) from Councillor Howard Moscoe, North York – Spadina, expressing concern regarding multiple closures of bank branches in his Ward.

On motion by Councillor Silva, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the aforementioned communication.

**(Clause No. 7(m), Report No. 1)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee met **in-camera** to consider a real estate matter.

Members Present:

Councillor Brian Ashton, Chair  
Councillor Elizabeth Brown  
Councillor Raymond Cho  
Councillor Mike Feldman  
Councillor George Mammoliti  
Councillor Sherene Shaw  
Councillor David Soknacki  
Councillor Mario Silva

The Economic Development and Parks Committee adjourned its **private meeting** at 4:10 p.m. and immediately reconvened in public session with the following Members being in attendance:

Councillor Brian Ashton, Chair  
Councillor Elizabeth Brown  
Councillor Raymond Cho  
Councillor Mike Feldman  
Councillor George Mammoliti  
Councillor Sherene Shaw  
Councillor David Soknacki  
Councillor Mario Silva



**1.19 Lease Agreement – Order of St. Basil-The-Great**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a confidential joint report (January 4, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer providing, direction to the Department to complete negotiations of a lease for the St. Basil's School at 3100 Weston Road for the purpose of a community centre.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the aforementioned confidential joint report, as amended.

(Policy and Finance Committee, c. Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer – January 17, 2000)

**(Clause No. 7(n), Report No. 1)**

**1.20 YouthQUAKE 2000 – National Youth Camp  
on Facilitation - March 24 to 29, 2000**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a communication (undated) from Mr. Dave Farthing, Executive Director, YouCan.

Councillor Olivia Chow, Children and Youth Advocate, appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Feldman, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council that:

- (1) the City endorse YouthQUAKE 2000 scheduled to take place on March 24 to 29, 2000; and
- (2) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, and other appropriate officials, be requested to share information, facilitate the use of space and extend staff support in connection with this event.

**(Clause No. 6, Report No. 1)**

**1.21 Presentation to Staff**

The Chair, on behalf of the Economic Development and Parks Committee, presented Ms. Jaye Robinson, Director, Special Events, with a plaque thanking the Special Events Division for their hard work and the outstanding job they did on the "Millennium Lights" New Year's Eve celebration.

Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, Chair, Millennium Task Force, appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee and extended his congratulations.

**(Clause No. 7(o), Report No. 1)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee adjourned its meeting at 4:11 p.m.

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Chair