

**THE CITY OF TORONTO**

**City Clerk's Division**

**Minutes of the Economic Development and Parks Committee**

**Meeting No. 7**

**Monday, June 19, 2000**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee met on Monday, June 19, 2000, in Committee Room 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:45 a.m.

Attendance

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

	9:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.
Councillor Brian Ashton, Chair	X
Councillor Mike Feldman, Acting Chair	X
Councillor Elizabeth Brown	X
Councillor Raymond Cho	X
Councillor Mario Giansante	X
Councillor George Mammoliti	X
Councillor Jane Pitfield	X
Councillor Sherene Shaw	X
Councillor Mario Silva	R
Councillor David Soknacki	X
Councillor Mike Tzekas	X

Also Present:

Councillor Ila Bossons	Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski
Councillor Irene Jones	Councillor Ron Moeser
Councillor Blake F. Kinahan	Councillor Howard Moscoe

### **Confirmation of Minutes**

On motion by Councillor Feldman, the Minutes of the Economic Development and Parks Committee meeting held on May 15, 2000, were confirmed.

#### **7.1 Provincial Visiting Player Tax (All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee again had before it a report (April 27, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism reporting, as requested by the Economic Development and Parks Committee on February 14, 2000, on the feasibility of implementing a Provincial withholding tax, levied on the salaries of the members of visiting professional sports teams; and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the aforementioned report for information.

**(Clause No. 20(a), Report No. 7)**

#### **7.2 South Etobicoke Regeneration Project – Blueprint for Action Lakeshore-Queensway**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (May 30, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism presenting the South Etobicoke Regeneration Project's report, Blueprint for Action (Attachment No. 1); describing the process for implementation of the Blueprint; and recommending that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to hold a meeting, at the earliest possible time, with the Commissioners of Works and Emergency Services, Urban Development Services, Community and Neighbourhood Services, and the Chair of the South Etobicoke Regeneration Project to review the Blueprint for Action and to discuss assistance to the workgroups of the South Etobicoke Regeneration Project as described in the body of this report;
- (2) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, upon completion of the prioritization of the projects as described in Phase Two of this report and in consultation with the departments referred to in Recommendation No. (1), be requested to report further concerning the recommendations for implementation of the South Etobicoke Regeneration Project's Blueprint for Action, including financial and human resource implications, and the involvement of the private, public and non-profit sectors; and

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- (3) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to forward copies of the Blueprint for Action to appropriate staff of the Ministry of Economic Development, Trade and Tourism, Human Resources Development Canada, the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, the Etobicoke Chamber of Commerce, and other interested parties.

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

- Mr. Bill Goursky, Chair, The South Etobicoke Regeneration Project;
- Councillor Irene Jones, Lakeshore-Queensway; and
- Councillor Blake F. Kinahan, Lakeshore-Queensway.

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

- A. Councillor Ashton moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend to Council the adoption of the report (May 30, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

**(Carried)**

Councillor Ashton resumed the Chair.

- B. Councillor Giansante moved that the aforementioned report be forwarded to Etobicoke Community Council for information.

**(Carried)**

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

### **7.3 Boat Club Leases - Rental Rate and Future Renewal** (Various Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (May 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism reporting on the current status of the various boat club leases across the Toronto Waterfront; recommending a rental rate adjustment for the balance of the term; providing a policy framework for the renewal of leases in the longer term; and recommending that:

- (1) the annual rental rates for boating facilities covered by the former Metro Toronto common lease, during the period August 1, 2000 to July 31, 2005, be increased by the rate of inflation as calculated by Statistics Canada for the Toronto area for the previous calendar year;

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- (2) the City of Toronto reconfirm its commitment to the use of Parks and Recreation lands for boating facilities on a lease basis;
- (3) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be authorized to negotiate a renewal of the existing boat club leases for a twenty-year period to commence August 1, 2005, with the terms of the lease subject to the approval of Council;
- (4) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism consult with the Waterfront Revitalization Task Force, T-O Bid and other relevant groups with regard to the boat club lease renewal; 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. Brian Knoll, Council of Commodores;
- Councillor Irene Jones, Lakeshore-Queensway;
- Councillor Blake F. Kinahan, Lakeshore-Queensway; and
- Councillor Howard Moscoe, North York Spadina.

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

- A. Councillor Ashton moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend to Council the adoption of the report (May 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, subject to adding the following:

“the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report back to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on any matters that can be embraced by the current lease arrangements that are acceptable to both parties and can be negotiated;”.

**(Carried)**

Councillor Ashton resumed the Chair.

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- B. Councillor Tzekas moved that Councillor Ashton's motion A. be amended by adding the following:

"the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to determine and implement any opportunity for an increase in public access at the boat clubs across the Toronto waterfront when the leases are renewed;"

**(Carried)**

- C. Councillor Cho moved:

- (1) that Councillor Ashton's motion A. be amended by adding the following:

"the Economic Development and Parks Committee be requested to establish a Sub-Committee in January 2001 to review the leases of the boat clubs across the Toronto waterfront and recommend a course of action with respect to future leases"; and

- (2) that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to provide to the aforementioned Sub-Committee when established:

(a) a report on the initiation or joining fees, membership dues, dock and winter storage charges and any other charges for each of the boat clubs across the Toronto waterfront; and

(b) information as to the degree of public access available at the said boat clubs.

**(Carried)**

- D. Councillor Brown moved that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to provide to the aforementioned Sub-Committee a summary of the provisions of the Ontario Watercourses Act as it relates to the 66 feet public access road allowance around any Watercourse in Ontario.

**(Carried)**

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism;  
c. Mr. Brian Knoll, Counsel of Commodores - June 23, 2000)

**(Clause No. 2, Report No. 7)**

#### **7.4 2000 Community Festivals and Special Events**

##### **Grants Recommendations**

(All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (May 31, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism presenting the recommended grant allocations for the Community Festivals and Special Events Grants Program for organizations that have applied for municipal support; and recommending that:

- (1) the Community Festivals and Special Events Grants allocations for 31 organizations totalling \$114,550.00, as listed in Attachments Nos. 1 and 3, and described in Attachments Nos. 2 and 4, be approved;
- (2) any applicant wanting to appeal its recommendations be allowed to make a deputation at the Economic Development and Parks Committee on June 19, 2000; 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 communication (June 19, 2000) from Councillor Norman Gardner, North York Centre, in support of the application submitted by the North York Chamber of Commerce for funding for the Willowdale Street Party and Barbecue.

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

- Ms. Dorothy McCabe, North York Chamber of Commerce and filed a revised grant request;
- Ms. Sherryll Sobie, Sobie's Barbecues and Accessories;
- Ms. Monique Bokya-Lokumo, Director, Economic Development Community Starting Centre Job Creation Inc., and filed a copy of her submission;
- Mr. Owusir Younge, Treasurer, African Canadian Cultural Collective; and
- Ms. Ineke Limbertie, Community Folk Art Council of Metropolitan Toronto.

Councillor Ashton appointed Councillor Feldman Acting Chair and vacated the Chair

On motion by Councillor Ashton, the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- (a) recommended to Council the adoption of the report (May 31, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism;

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- (b) referred the following Community Festivals and Special Events grant appeals to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism for a report thereon to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on the viability of providing funding for these projects and the source of funding for same:
- (1) North York Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$5,000.00 to be used for the Willowdale Street Party and Barbecue;
  - (2) Economic Community Starting Centre: Job Creation Inc.;
  - (3) African Canadian Cultural Collective; and
  - (4) Community Folk Art Council of Metropolitan Toronto; and
- (c) received the communication (June 19, 2000) from Councillor Norman Gardner, North York Centre.

Councillor Ashton resumed the Chair.

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; c. Ms. Dorothy McCabe, North York Chamber of Commerce; Ms. Sherryll Sobie, North York Chamber of Commerce; Ms. Monique Bokya-Lokumo, Director, Economic Development Community Starting Centre Job Creation Inc.; Mr. Owusir Younge, African Canadian Cultural Collective; Ms. Ineke Limbertie, Community Folk Art Council of Metropolitan Toronto - June 23, 2000)

**(Clause No. 3, Report No. 7)**

**7.5 2000 Grant Recommendations for the Economic Development Sector Initiatives Program (EDSIP) and the Economic Sponsorship Initiatives (ESI)**  
(All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (May 30, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism seeking approval for the 2000 grant allocations for the Economic Development Sector Initiatives Program (EDSIP), as well as the related Economic Sponsorship Initiatives (ESI); discussing the principals and evaluation criteria applied to select grant recipients; summarizing the grant requests and making recommendations concerning the allocations; and recommending that:

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- (1) Economic Development Sector Initiatives Program grants totalling \$258,600.00 be allocated to 17 projects, as set out in Attachment No. 1;
- (2) Economic Sponsorship Initiatives grants totalling \$136,000.00 be allocated to five projects, as set out in Attachment No. 1;
- (3) the \$36,000.00 in funding previously approved for the Toronto Biotechnology Commercialization Centre by Council be released;
- (4) the disbursement of the Economic Development Sector Initiatives Program and Economic Sponsorship Initiatives allocations be conditional on satisfying the 2000 Economic Development Sector Initiatives Program goals and criteria as set out in Attachment No. 4 and on project specific conditions set out in Attachment Nos. 2 and 3; and
- (5) 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 (June 19, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism seeking approval to revise the recommendations proposed in the 2000 Grant Recommendations for the Economic Development Sector Initiatives Program (EDSIP) and the Economic Sponsorship Initiatives (ESI) report, arising from City Council's decision at its meeting on June 7, 8 and 9, 2000, to provide a grant from the Corporate Contingency Account to the Friends of Fort York; and recommending that:

- (1) \$10,000.00 from the EDSIP budget be provided to the Chinese Chamber of Commerce (East Toronto) Inc. in the form of a grant to support their upcoming special event; and
- (2) staff report back to the September meeting of the Economic Development and Parks Committee regarding recommendations for the allocation of the remaining \$10,000.00.

Mr. Ken McCracken, Toronto Freenet Inc., appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter, and filed a copy of his submission.

A. Councillor Mammoliti moved:

- (1) that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend to Council that:
  - (i) the report (May 30, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be adopted; and



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- (ii) the supplementary report (June 19, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be adopted; and
- (2) that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to submit the previously requested report providing a list of the Executive Members of the Economic Development Sector Initiatives Program (EDSIP) and the Economic Sponsorship Initiatives (ESI) grant recipients, as soon as possible.

**(Carried)**

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

- B. Councillor Ashton moved that the grant appeal by Toronto Freenet be referred to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism for report thereon to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on the viability of providing funding for this project.

**(Carried)**

Councillor Ashton resumed the Chair.

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism;  
c. Mr Ken McCracken, Toronto Freenet Inc. - June 23, 2000)

**(Clause No. 4, Report No. 7)**

**7.6 2000 Cultural Grants Recommendations -  
Major Cultural Organizations**  
(All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (May 30, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism presenting the recommended allocations for the six major cultural organizations that applied through the Culture Division for municipal support within the Cultural Grants Program; and recommending that:

- (1) Cultural Grants be approved for the following organizations:

Art Gallery of Ontario	\$373,620.00;
Canadian Opera Company	\$854,970.00;
National Ballet of Canada	\$767,670.00;
National Ballet School	\$91,210.00; and
Toronto Symphony Orchestra	\$773,640.00;

- (2) the balance of the 2000 grant instalments to the Art Gallery of Ontario, the Canadian Opera Company, the National Ballet of Canada and the Toronto Symphony Orchestra be made as one payment, following adoption of the allocations by Council and that monthly grant instalments to these organizations resume in January 2001;
- (3) a conditional cultural grant to the Caribbean Cultural Committee (Caribana) in the amount of \$353,500.00 be approved subject to the organization meeting the following outstanding grant conditions from 1998 and 1999 to the satisfaction of the Commissioner Economic Development, Culture and Tourism:
  - (a) the Caribbean Cultural Committee have an interim Chief Executive Officer in place to provide professional management of the Caribana Festival; and
  - (b) the Caribbean Cultural Committee commit to implementing a plan to restructure the organization in order to ensure the future stability of the Caribana Festival; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Soknacki, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report (May 30, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

**(Clause No. 5, Report No. 7)**

**7.7 2000 Cultural Grants Recommendations -  
Local Arts Service Organizations  
(All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (May 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism presenting the recommended grant allocations for the six Local Arts Service Organizations (LASOs) which have applied for municipal support within the Cultural Grants Program; and recommending that:

- (1) the Cultural Grants allocations totalling \$303,000.00 to six organizations/agencies, listed in the body of the report and described in Attachment No. 1, be approved; and

- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Brown, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report (May 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

**(Clause No. 6, Report No. 7)**

## **7.8 Millennium Grant Allocations**

(All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a communication (June 2, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Millennium Task Force on June 1, 2000, recommended to the Economic Development and Parks Committee, and Council, the adoption of the report (May 16, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, subject to amending Recommendation No. (1) by adding the words "in the amount of \$26,600.00" after the word "monies" so that such recommendation now reads as follows:

- "(1) the unclaimed Toronto Millennium Grant monies, in the amount of \$26,600.00, be used to fund Toronto Millennium projects; and".

On motion by Councillor Feldman, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Millennium Task Force embodied in the communication (June 2, 2000) from the City Clerk.

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

## **7.9 Outstanding Millennium Grant - Overseas Renaissance Association of Chinese Culture (#113)**

(High Parks)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a communication (June 2, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Millennium Task Force on June 1, 2000, recommended to the Economic Development and Parks Committee, and Council, adoption of the report (May 15, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) a grant of \$3,000.00 be awarded to the Overseas Renaissance Association of Chinese Culture; 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 recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Millennium Task Force embodied in the communication (June 2, 2000) from the City Clerk.

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

**7.10 Extension of the Toronto Arts Council  
Existing Grant Agreement  
(All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (May 30, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism requesting the Economic Development and Parks Committee to give consideration to extending the existing grant agreement between the former City of Toronto and the Toronto Arts Council to allow time to study the administrative relationship between the Toronto Arts Council and the City; and recommending that:

- (1) the existing grant agreement between the former City of Toronto and the Toronto Arts Council be extended to March 31, 2001; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Giansante, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report (May 30, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

**(Clause No. 9, Report No. 7)**

**7.11 2000 Budgets - Business Improvement Areas:  
Report No. 4**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (May 15, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer forwarding the Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) annual operating budgets for approval by Council as required by Section 220 of the Municipal Act, as amended; advising that Council approval is required to permit the City to collect funds through the tax levy on behalf of the BIAs; and recommending that:

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- (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 (\$)
Bloor by the Park	56,276.00;
Long Branch	61,033.00;
Mimico by the Lake	66,000.00;
Parkdale Village	143,170.00; and
Village of Islington	15,570.00;

- (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 Feldman, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report (May 15, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

**(Clause No. 10, Report No. 7)**

**7.12 Mondeo Park Development - Additional  
Funding from Tridel Development**  
(Scarborough Wexford)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (May 31, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism requesting approval to increase the 2000 Capital Budget sub-project account for the Mondeo Park development by \$24,517.98 at net zero cost to the City; and recommending that:

- (1) funding in the amount of \$24,517.98 from Tridel be accepted by the City;
- (2) expenditures and revenues in the Parks and Recreation 2000 Capital Budget - Mondeo Park Development (SAP capital account CPR103-14) be increased by \$24,517.98 and be applied to finishing grading and sodding of the site;
- (3) this report be forwarded to Policy and Finance Committee for consideration; and

- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Tzekas, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the report (May 31, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

(Policy and Finance Committee; c. Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism - June 20, 2000)

**(Clause No. 20(b), Report No. 7)**

**7.13 East Toronto Athletic Field - Outdoor Rink Conversion**  
(East Toronto)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a joint report (May 31, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer reporting on the results of request for Proposal No. 3918-00-5118 for the construction of an enclosure for the outdoor ice rink at the East Toronto Athletic Field, and the operation of the facility on a year round basis; and recommending that:

- (1) staff be authorized to negotiate and enter into a suitable agreement, in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, with Air Athletics Inc. for the construction and operation of an enclosure for the ice rink at East Toronto Athletic Field as per the proposal submitted by Air Athletics Inc. in response to Request for Proposals No. 3918-00-5118;
- (2) the agreement between Air Athletic Inc. and the City of Toronto be contingent upon Air Athletics Inc. negotiating a suitable agreement with the Ted Reeve Community Arena Board of Management for shared use of equipment, staff, utilities and other costs; 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 communication (June 12, 2000) from Councillor Tom Jakobek, East Toronto, requesting the Economic Development and Parks Committee to adopt the staff report concerning the East Toronto Outdoor Rink Conversion; and recommending that the Ted Reeve Arena Board of Management be included in the negotiations and be part of any agreement so that the best financial plan can be obtained.

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On motion by Councillor Feldman, the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the joint report (May 31, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; and
- (2) received the communication (June 12, 2000) from Councillor Tom Jakobek, East Toronto.

**(Clause No. 11, Report No. 7)**

**7.14 Lease of the Palais Royale – Request for Proposals No. P-129-99.RFP**  
(High Park)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a joint report (May 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer seeking approval for the negotiation and execution of an agreement for the lease of the Palais Royale with the recommended proponent, Shoreline Entertainment Corporation and recommending that:

- (1) the proposal received from Shoreline Entertainment Corporation, the only acceptable proponent, in response to Request for Proposals No. P-129-99.RFP, for the lease of the Palais Royale, be accepted;
- (2) staff be authorized to negotiate and execute a lease agreement, in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor, with Shoreline Entertainment Corporation; and
- (3) 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. E.J. Littleford, Toronto Swing Dance Society; and
- Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, High Park.

On motion by Councillor Soknacki, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the joint report (May 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

**(Clause No. 12, Report No. 7)**

**7.15 TTC Witt and PCC Streetcars – Inclusion  
in the City of Toronto Inventory of Heritage Properties**  
(All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (May 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism requesting that Council recognize the symbolic and historical significance of the TTC's remaining Witt and PCC streetcars; and recommending that:

- (1) Council declare Witt car 2766 and PCC cars 4500 and 4549 to be symbols of the City and important objects to be preserved in their historic livery;
- (2) Council include Witt car 2766 and PCC cars 4500 and 4549 in the City of Toronto Inventory of Heritage Properties; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Councillor Ila Bossons, Midtown, appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Soknacki, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report (May 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

**(Clause No. 13, Report No. 7)**

**7.16 Transfer of the 90 Millimetre  
Anti-Aircraft Gun at Coronation Park**  
(Trinity-Niagara)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (May 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism requesting permission from Toronto City Council to donate the 90 millimetre anti-aircraft gun at Coronation Park to the Bunker Military Museum in Cobalt, Ontario; and recommending that the 90 millimetre anti-aircraft gun at Coronation Park be donated to the Bunker Military Museum in Cobalt, Ontario with the restriction that the Bunker Military Museum, should it decide to deaccession the gun, keep it in the public domain by offering it to the City of Toronto in the first instance, then to an appropriate Canadian museum.



On motion by Councillor Soknacki, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report (May 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

**(Clause No. 14, Report No. 7)**

**7.17 Agreements to Lend Artifacts from the Reserve Museum Collection for Public Display**  
(Downtown)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (May 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism requesting Council's approval to proceed with four proposed loans of artifacts from the reserve collections for public display, and recommending that:

- (1) staff of Museums and Heritage Services, Culture Division, be authorized to negotiate and enter into a suitable agreement with the following organizations to permit the public display of artifacts from our reserve collection:
  - (a) Steam Whistle Brewing Company for the loan and display of seven steam whistles;
  - (b) The Stephen Leacock Memorial Home for the loan and display of a steam whistle and two small watercraft;
  - (c) The Royal Ontario Museum for the loan and display of 20 ephemera artifacts relating to electricity in Ontario; and
  - (d) The London and Regional Historical and Art Museums for the loan and display of a watercolour from the J.G. Howard Collection; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Giansante, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report (May 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

**(Clause No. 15, Report No. 7)**

**7.18 Poet Laureate for the City of Toronto**  
(All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (May 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism responding to a request that the Culture Division of the Economic Development, Culture and Tourism Department report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee regarding the selection of a Poet Laureate for the City of Toronto; and recommending that:

- (1) the Culture Division, in partnership with the League of Canadian Poets and other community stakeholders, determine a process for selecting and appointing a Poet Laureate for the City of Toronto by:
  - (a) establishing the roles and responsibilities of such an appointment;
  - (b) establishing the length of the candidate's term;
  - (c) developing a process for selecting and appointing a Poet Laureate;
  - (d) investigating possible funding opportunities available through corporate sponsorships and grant programs with a view to providing an honorarium to the appointed candidate and raising the profile of the Poet Laureate program;
  - (e) examining the possibility of having more than one individual serve as Poet Laureate;
  - (f) examining any possible financial implications to ensure there is no financial impact on the City of Toronto; and
  - (g) investigating existing Poet Laureate programs at the municipal, provincial, federal and international levels, in order to advise City Council of the process and requirements involved in establishing such an appointment; and
- (2) contingent upon approval by City Council, Culture Division staff will develop a plan for selecting and appointing a Poet Laureate for the City of Toronto, by September 30, 2000, to be implemented in January of 2001.
  - A. Councillor Soknacki moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend to Council the adoption of the report (May 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

**(Carried)**

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

- B. Councillor Ashton moved that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report back to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on the potential and benefits of establishing an “Academy of City Excellence” to which the City identifies and appoints people of stature within disciplines of importance to the City’s mandate and international prestige.

**(Carried)**

Councillor Ashton resumed the Chair.

- C. Councillor Shaw moved that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to include in the aforementioned report the wide variety of poetry the City can embrace taking into consideration the diversity of the City and not the restricted environment of a poet laureate.

**(Carried)**

- D. Councillor Brown moved that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report back to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on other Cities of the same size as Toronto that have a poet laureate.

**(Carried)**

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism -  
June 23, 2000)

**(Clause No. 16, Report No. 7)**

#### **7.19 Millennium Project Update**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (June 2, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Millennium Task Force on June 1, 2000, received the report (May 16, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, providing an update on the Toronto Millennium Office and various Millennium Project activities; and directed that it be forwarded to the Economic Development and Parks Committee for information.

On motion by Councillor Brown, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the report (May 16, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism for information.

**(Clause No. 20(c), Report No. 7)**

**7.20 Tourism Marketing Dollars Spent  
by the Province in Promotion of the  
City of Toronto**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a communication (April 19, 2000) from The Honourable Cam Jackson, Provincial Minister of Tourism, thanking Councillor Brian Ashton, Chair, Economic Development and Parks Committee, for his letter of January 24, 2000, regarding recently published comments the Minister had made about tourism marketing dollars spent by the Province in promotion of the City of Toronto.

On motion by Councillor Shaw, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the communication (April 19, 2000) from The Honourable Cam Jackson, Provincial Minister of Tourism.

**(Clause No. 20(d), Report No. 7)**

**7.21 Moose in the City Official Trademark  
(All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (June 12, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism recommending that:

- (1) Council endorse officially trademarking the “Moose in the City” name and logo in order to protect the integrity of the project; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report (June 12, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

**(Clause No. 17, Report No. 7)**

**7.22 Visual Screen of Trees for the Residents  
of David Drive that abut Highway 401**  
(Scarborough Highland Creek)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (June 15, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism reporting on the planting of a number of suitable trees on City property between Highway 401 and the residents of David Drive; including an implementation plan and estimated costs; and recommending that:

- (1) the City Clerk advise the Ministry of Transportation of the concerns of residents of David Drive and the planting options on Ministry of Transportation lands outlined in this report and that the Ministry of Transportation be requested to undertake the planting on their portion of the site;
- (2) funding in the amount of \$41,5000.00 be considered as part of the 2001 Operating Budget of the Urban Forestry Section of the Parks and Recreation Division; and
- (3) the appropriate City official be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Economic Development and Parks Committee also had before it a communication (June 14, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that City Council on June 7, 8 and 9, 2000, referred a Motion from Councillor David Soknacki, Scarborough Highland Creek, to the Economic Development and Parks Committee respecting a request for a report on the planting of a number of suitable trees along the City's property, between Highway 401 and the residents of David Drive, such report to include a detailed implementation plan and estimated costs.

On motion by Councillor Soknacki, the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- (a) recommended to Council the adoption of the report (June 15, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; and
- (b) received the communication (June 14, 2000) from the City Clerk.

**(Clause No. 18, Report No. 7)**

Councillor Mammoliti moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee meet privately to discuss the matter of the organizational structure of the Parks and Recreation Division – staffing of front line recreationist positions, having regard that the subject matter relates to labour relations matters, in accordance with the Municipal Act, which was carried.

**7.23 Organizational Structure of the Parks and Recreation Division - Staffing of Front Line Recreationist Positions**  
(All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (June 14, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism providing a confidential report, as requested by the Administration Committee, with regard to the organizational structure of the Parks and Recreation Division – staffing of front line recreationist positions.

The Economic Development and Parks Committee also had before it the following communications:

- (a) (June 12, 2000) from the City Clerk advising of the action taken by the Personnel Sub-Committee at its meeting held on June 12, 2000; and
- (b) (June 13, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Administration Committee at its meeting held on June 13, 2000, referred a confidential communication (May 23, 2000) from Councillor Bas Balkissoon, on behalf of the Members of the Scarborough Community Council, respecting recreationist positions in the East District to the Economic Development and Parks Committee for consideration;
- (c) (May 17, 2000) addressed to the Executive Director Human Resources from Councillor Bruce Sinclair, Rexdale Thistletown, concerning the effects of Local 79 policies on senior Parks and Recreation staff.

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

- Mr. Brian Clancy, Recreation Assistant;
- Ms. Michelle Philp, Youth Services Coordinator;
- Mr. Grant Worgan, Recreation Facility Manager;
- Ms. Lorene Bodiam, Supervisor of Adapted and Integrated Services;
- Mr. Al Clancy, Recreation Facility Manager;
- Ms. Sara Stinson on behalf of Ms. Angela Seth, Markborough Community Centre;
- Mr. Richard Majkot, Executive Director, COTAPSAI;
- Mr. David Neil, President, COTAPSAI; and
- Councillor Ron Moeser, Scarborough Highland Creek.

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On motion by Councillor Soknacki the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council that the adoption of the confidential report (June 20, 2000) from the City Clerk;
- (2) that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the City Solicitor, be requested to report to the Policy and Finance Committee for its meeting of June 22, 2000, on the cost and possible legal ramifications of Recommendations Nos. (1) and (2) in the confidential report (June 20, 2000) from the City Clerk; and further requested that the Policy and Finance Committee report directly to City Council for its meeting of July 4, 2000 in that regard; and
- (3) received the following reports and communication:
  - (a) (June 13, 2000) from the City Clerk;
  - (b) (June 12, 2000) from the City Clerk; and
  - (c) (May 17, 2000) from Councillor Bruce Sinclair, Rexdale-Thistletown, addressed to Ms. Brenda Glover, Executive Director, Human Resources.

**(Carried)**

(Policy and Finance Committee; c. Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; City Solicitor; Executive Director of Human Resources - June 20, 2000)

(City Council - June 20, 2000)

**(Clause No. 19, Report No. 7)**

**7.24 Request for Designation of a Business Improvement  
Area on Both Sides of Geary Avenue  
from Dufferin Street to Ossington Avenue  
(Davenport)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a communication (June 14, 2000) from Councillor Betty Disero, Davenport, requesting that a Business Improvement Area be designated on both sides of Geary Avenue from Dufferin Street to Ossington Avenue.

On motion by Councillor Giansante, the Economic Development and Parks Committee referred the communication (June 14, 2000) from Councillor Betty Disero, Davenport, to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism for report thereon to the July 12, 2000, meeting of the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

**(Clause No. 20(e), Report No. 7)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee adjourned its meeting at 2:45 p.m.

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Chair