

THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk's Division

Minutes of the Economic Development and Parks Committee

Meeting No. 10

Monday, October 2, 2000

The Economic Development and Parks Committee met on Monday, October 2, 2000, in Committee Room 1, 2nd 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. – 12:26 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	-
Councillor David Soknacki	X
Councillor Mike Tzekas	-

Also Present:

Councillor Ila Bossons	Councillor Pam McConnell
Councillor Olivia Chow	Councillor Michael Walker
Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski	

**10.1 The Joint School Playground Program
and Related Matters**
(All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee, at its special meeting held on October 2, 2000, discussed the Joint School Playground Program and related matters.

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

- Ms. Rose Andrachuk, Chair, Toronto Catholic District School Board;
- Mr. Angelo Sangiorgio, Superintendent of Planning and Facilities, Toronto Catholic District School Board;
- Ms. Irene Atkinson, Vice Chair, Toronto District School Board, and filed a copy of a report (September 27, 2000) from the Senior Administrative Services, Office of the Secretariat of the Toronto District School Board; and
- Ms. Sheila Penny, Superintendent of Facilities Services, Toronto District School Board.

Councillor Brian Ashton, on behalf of the Economic Development and Parks Committee thanked the representatives of the Toronto Catholic District School Board and the Toronto District School Board for attending the meeting and answering the questions of the Committee.

- A. Councillor Giansante moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend to Council that any future City funding for the Toronto District School Board playgrounds be conditional upon the Board agreeing to consult with the City and parents as part of its ongoing playground report and risk management process, as well as having appropriate proportional votes between the two stakeholders.

(Carried)

- B. Councillor Cho moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend to Council that:
 - (1) the Toronto District School Board and the Toronto Catholic District School Board be requested to obtain approval from the City of Toronto Community Councils and City Council prior to dismantling any school playground equipment that has received Toronto City Council capital financing;

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- (2) the Toronto District School Board and the Toronto Catholic District School Board be requested to hold community consultation meetings prior to any school playground equipment being dismantled in the future; and further that the local Toronto City Councillors be invited to such community meetings.

(Carried)

- C. Councillor Soknacki moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend to Council that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to prepare a list of school playgrounds and other school facilities, such as pools and kitchens that have been partially paid for by the City, that are being threatened, and submit said list to the Toronto District School Board and the Toronto Catholic District School Board with a legal opinion which would protect the City's investment, as soon as possible.

(Carried)

- (2) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, in consultation with the City Solicitor, be requested to report back to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on the impact to the City for requesting the Province of Ontario to amend the appropriate legislation to place the property, facilities and corresponding funding of the Toronto District School Board under the control of the City of Toronto.

(Lost)

- D. Councillor Shaw moved that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report on the funding required to retrofit and replace the City's playground equipment and the inclusion of said funding in the 2001 budget process, the said report to be submitted to the next regular meeting of the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

(Carried)

- E. Councillor Mammoliti moved that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism consult with the Toronto District School Board with respect to the hand out distributed by Councillor Mammoliti at the special meeting of the Board on September 25, 2000, with respect to a facility on surplus land north of the existing field at St. Basil's College School.

(Carried)

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(City Council; c. Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; Ms. Rose Andrachuk, Chair, Toronto Catholic District School Board; Mr. Angelo Sangiorgio, Superintendent of Planning and Facilities, Toronto Catholic District School Board; Ms. Irene Atkinson, Vice Chair, Toronto District School Board; Ms. Sheila Penny, Superintendent of Facilities Services, Toronto District School Board - October 2, 2000)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee adjourned its meeting at 12:26 p.m.

Chair