THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk=s Division

Minutes of the Policy and Finance Committee

Meeting No. 1

Thursday, January 20, 2000

The Policy and Finance Committee met on Thursday, January 20, 2000, in Committee Room 1, 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
	12:27 p.m.
Mayor Mel Lastman, Chair	Х
Councillor Elizabeth Brown	-
Councillor Gordon Chong	Х
Councillor Betty Disero	-
Councillor Tom Jakobek	Х
Councillor Norm Kelly	Х
Councillor Ron Moeser	-
Councillor Frances Nunziata	Х
Councillor Case Ootes	Х
Councillor Joe Pantalone	Х
Councillor Kyle Rae	Х

Confirmation of Minutes.

On motion by Councillor Ootes, the Policy and Finance Committee confirmed the minutes of its meeting held on December 7, 1999.

1-1. 2000-2004 Capital Budget and Five Year Capital Program.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it the following communications and reports:

(i) communication (January 14, 2000) from the City Clerk submitting the recommendations of the Budget Advisory Committee, from its meeting held on January 14, 2000, and the various reports and communications submitted to the

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Budget Advisory Committee respecting the 2000-2004 Capital Budget and Five Year Capital Program;

- (ii) communication (January 4, 2000) from Councillor Joe Mihevc, York Eglinton, expressing concern with regard to the Capital Budget program and the need to find a balance between the needed hard infrastructure repairs and improvements and the softer, social infrastructure services that are needed for the health of the Ward 28 community; and requesting that \$300,000.00 to \$400,000.00 of road work in Ward 28 be deferred to allow the proposed Arts Centre to proceed;
- (iii) report (January 19, 2000) from the Interim General Manager, Exhibition Place, reporting as requested by the Budget Advisory Committee, respecting the proposed increase of rental rates in the Food Building during the CNE; and submitting a report (January 13, 2000) from the General Manager, CNE containing recommendations that have been sent to the Board of Directors of the Canadian National Exhibition Association and the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place, for their meetings scheduled to be held on January 27, 2000, and January 28, 2000 respectively;
- (iv) report (January 20, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:
 - the gross expenditures in the amount of \$980.4 million for 2000, and future year commitments of \$407.1 million for 2001, \$189.6 million for 2002, \$113.6 million for 2003 and \$96.4 million for 2004, for a total cost of \$1.78 billion as outlined on a program basis in Appendix A of this report, be approved;
 - (2) financing in an amount not to exceed \$500 million to be debentured, if required, for a term up to, but not exceeding 20 years be approved;
 - (3) total net debt financing (after provisions for underexpenditure of \$77 million) for the 2000 capital program be limited to no more than \$324 million as outlined in Appendix B, consisting of \$110 million baseline debt and \$214 million new debt; and
 - (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto";
- (v) communication (January 12, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Budget Advisory Committee on January 14, 2000 recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee and Council the adoption of the report (January 11, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, respecting Project and Spending Approval for TTC

2001 Capital Maintenance Expenditures, wherein it is recommended that the TTC be granted project and spending approval for \$71.161 million in capital maintenance projects in 2001 as listed in Appendix A attached; and

(vi) communication (January 14, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Budget Advisory Committee on January 12, 2000, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the report (January 12, 2000) from the Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board, wherein it is recommended that the Budget Advisory Committee approve funding in the amount of \$540,000.00 in each of the years 2000 and 2001 (total \$1,080,000.00) from the City's Transition Budget for the addition of seven technical staff required for the new Police/Fire radio communication system.

The Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer gave an overhead presentation to the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter, and filed a copy of her presentation material.

A copy of the Blue Budget Book, entitled "Capital Budget -2000 - 2004" was forwarded to all Members of Council and select officials only by the Finance Department.

Mr. Russell Walker, Budget Coordinator, For Youth Project, appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

The following Members of Council appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Councillor Bas Balkissoon, Scarborough Malvern.
- Councillor Olivia Chow, Downtown;
- Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, High Park;
- Councillor Jack Layton, Don River; and
- Councillor Peter Li Preti, Black Creek.
 - A. Councillor Jakobek moved that the Policy and Finance Committee:
 - (1) recommend to Council:
 - (I) the adoption of the Recommendations of the Budget Advisory Committee embodied in the communications:

- (i) (January 14, 2000) from the City Clerk, entitled "2000-2004 Capital Budget and Five Year Capital Program";
- (ii) (January 14, 2000) from the City Clerk, entitled "Request for \$1,080,000.00 of Funding from the City Transition Budget", approving funding in the amount of \$540,000.00 in each of the years 2000 and 2001 for a total of \$1,080,000.00 from the City Transition Budget for the addition of seven technical staff for the new Police/Fire radio communication system; and
- (iii) (January 12, 2000) from the City Clerk, entitled "Project Spending Approval for TTC 2001 Capital Maintenance Expenditures", granting project and spending approval for \$71.161 million in Capital maintenance projects in 2001;
- (II) that with respect to the Recommendation of the Budget Advisory Committee regarding the deletion of \$1 million for the North District Soccer Facility, the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on this request being a new project and that the project not receive any approval without the identification of funds available and a report thereon to the Budget Advisory Committee from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism;
- (III) the adoption of the report (January 20, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer entitled "2000-2004 Recommended Tax Supported Capital Program Amendment to Capital Financing Report", wherein it is recommended that:
 - "(1) the gross expenditures in the amount of \$980.4 million for 2000, and future year commitments

of \$407.1 million for 2001, \$189.6 million for 2002, \$113.6 million for 2003 and \$96.4 million for 2004, for a total cost of \$1.78 billion as outlined on a program basis in Appendix A of this report, be approved;

- (2) financing in an amount not to exceed \$500 million to be debentured, if required, for a term up to, but not exceeding 20 years be approved;
- (3) total net debt financing (after provisions for underexpenditure of \$77 million) for the 2000 capital program be limited to no more than \$324 million as outlined in Appendix B, consisting of \$110 million baseline debt and \$214 million new debt; and
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto;
- (2) refer the report (January 19, 2000) from the Interim General Manager, Exhibition Place, to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2000 Operating Budget deliberations; and
- (3) convey its appreciation to the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, and the staff in the Finance Division for their efforts in preparing the Capital Budget. (**Carried**)
- B. Councillor Pantalone moved that the Chief Administrative Officer and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be requested to report directly to Council for its meeting scheduled to be held on January 27, 2000 on:
 - the booming economy and the increased revenue of the Federal/Provincial governments (particularly income and sales taxes) juxtaposing these increased revenues with the City's financial stresses;

- (ii) whether Council should be requesting the Federal/Provincial Government to increase their funding and/or accelerate the expected Infrastructure Works Program; and
- (iii) the precise financial impact of the assessment growth and the CVA on the City. (**Carried**)
- C. Councillor Ootes moved that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be requested to report directly to Council for its meeting scheduled to be held on January 27, 2000, on:
 - the sustainability of the Capital Program and identifying the amount of funding required from the senior levels of government;
 - (ii) a recommended strategy that would secure capital monies from the senior levels of government ; and
 - (iii) a Capital Budget process that allows sufficient time for Standing Committees to review the recommended Capital Programs. (Carried)
- D. Councillor Rae moved, on behalf of Councillor Layton, that:
 - (1) Part (ii) of the foregoing motion B. moved by Councillor Ootes be amended by adding thereto the following:

"that would allow the City to work with other cities to accomplish a gas tax allocation towards Public Transit and Transportation in general"; and

(2) the Chief Administrative Officer be requested, in developing the Transportation Hub at Union Station, in accordance with his report dated December 8, 1999, entitled "Funding for the Creation of a Transportation Hub at Union Station", give consideration to incorporating a commuter bicycle parking facility similar to that found in many European cities. (Carried)

- E. Councillor Rae moved, on behalf of Councillor Korwin-Kuczynski, that the Policy and Finance Committee recommend to Council:
- (1) the adoption of the Humber Bridges Rehabilitation Project identified in communication (January 14, 2000) from Councillor Korwin-Kuczynski and that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be requested to report directly to Council identifying the funding for 2000; and
 - (2) that funds in the amount of \$80,000 be allocated in the 2000 Capital Budget for the Dundas Street West Area façade improvements as outlined in the communication (January 14, 2000) from Councillor Disero. (Lost)
- F. Councillor Kelly moved that:
 - (1) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be requested to submit a report to the Policy and Finance Committee on the potential savings that could result from public/private partnerships in Transportation, Water and any other utilities or facilities that operate within the City boundaries; and
 - (2) the Chief Administrative Officer be requested to submit a report to the Policy and Finance Committee on the establishment of a Policy Sub-Committee of the Policy and Finance Committee to consider policy issues on completion of the budget, and that such sub-committee be in place by the first term of the next Council. (**Carried**)
- G. Councillor Nunziata moved that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be requested to report directly to Council for its meeting scheduled to be held on January 27, 2000, on the \$2,000,000.00 in reserve funding in the former City of York budget being used for the acquisition of land for a new Community Centre in the Eglinton Black Creek area. (**Carried**)
- H. Councillor Chong moved that Part II of the foregoing motion A. by Councillor Jakobek be amended to provide that the issue of the North District Soccer Facility not be referred back to the Budget Advisory Committee for reconsideration. (Withdrawn)

Mayor Lastman appointed Councillor Ootes Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

I. Mayor Lastman moved that the Policy and Finance Committee recommend to Council that there be a five year cap on Capital spending that the City can afford to pay back over the next five years; and that the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Chair of the Budget Advisory Committee be requested to submit a report to the Budget Advisory Committee and subsequently Council on what that cap would be. (**Carried**)

Mayor Lastman resumed the Chair.

The decision of the Policy and Finance Committee, therefore, is as follows:

The Policy and Finance Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council:
 - (I) the adoption of the Recommendations of the Budget Advisory Committee embodied in the communications:
 - (i) (January 14, 2000) from the City Clerk, entitled "2000-2004 Capital Budget and Five Year Capital Program";
 - (ii) (January 14, 2000) from the City Clerk, entitled "Request for \$1,080,000.00 of Funding from the City Transition Budget", approving funding in the amount of \$540,000.00 in each of the years 2000 and 2001 for a total of \$1,080,000.00 from the City Transition Budget for the addition of seven technical staff for the new Police/Fire radio communication system; and
 - (iii) (January 12, 2000) from the City Clerk, entitled "Project Spending Approval for TTC 2001 Capital Maintenance Expenditures", granting project and spending approval for \$71.161 million in Capital maintenance projects in 2001;
 - (II) that with respect to the Recommendation of the Budget Advisory Committee regarding the deletion of \$1 million for the North District Soccer Facility, the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on this request being a new project and that the project not receive any approval without the

identification of funds available and a report thereon to the Budget Advisory Committee from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism;

- (III) the adoption of the report (January 20, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer entitled "2000-2004 Recommended Tax Supported Capital Program Amendment to Capital Financing Report", wherein it is recommended that:
 - "(1) the gross expenditures in the amount of \$980.4 million for 2000, and future year commitments of \$407.1 million for 2001, \$189.6 million for 2002, \$113.6 million for 2003 and \$96.4 million for 2004, for a total cost of \$1.78 billion as outlined on a program basis in Appendix A of this report, be approved;
 - (2) financing in an amount not to exceed \$500 million to be debentured, if required, for a term up to, but not exceeding 20 years be approved;
 - (3) total net debt financing (after provisions for underexpenditure of \$77 million) for the 2000 capital program be limited to no more than \$324 million as outlined in Appendix B, consisting of \$110 million baseline debt and \$214 million new debt; and
 - (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto;" and
- (IV) that there be a five year cap on Capital spending that the City can afford to pay back over the next five years; and that the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Chair of the Budget Advisory Committee be requested to submit a report to the Budget Advisory Committee and subsequently Council on what that cap would be;
- (2) requested the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to report directly to Council for its meeting scheduled to be held on January 27, 2000, on:
 - (i) the sustainability of the Capital Program and identifying the amount of funding required from the senior levels of government;
 - (ii) a recommended strategy that would secure capital monies from the senior levels of government that would allow the City to work with other cities to accomplish a gas tax allocation towards Public Transit and Transportation in general; and

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- (iii) the \$2,000,000.00 in reserve funding in the former City of York budget being used for the acquisition of land for a new Community Centre in the Eglinton Black Creek area;
- (3) requested the Chief Administrative Officer and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to report directly to Council for its meeting scheduled to be held on January 27, 2000 on:
 - (i) the booming economy and the increased revenue of the Federal/Provincial governments (particularly income and sales taxes) juxtaposing these increased revenues with the City's financial stresses;
 - (ii) whether Council should be requesting the Federal/Provincial Government to increase their funding and/or accelerate the expected Infrastructure Works Program; and
 - (iii) the precise financial impact of the assessment growth and the CVA on the City;
- (4) requested the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to submit a report to the Policy and Finance Committee on:
 - (i) the potential savings that could result from public/private partnerships in Transportation, Water and any other utilities or facilities that operate within the City boundaries; and
 - (ii) a Capital Budget process that allows sufficient time for Standing Committees to review the recommended Capital Programs;
- (5) requested the Chief Administrative Officer:
 - (i) in developing the Transportation Hub at Union Station, in accordance with his report dated December 8, 1999, entitled "Funding for the Creation of a Transportation Hub at Union Station", give consideration to incorporating a commuter bicycle parking facility similar to that found in many European cities; and
 - to submit a report to the Policy and Finance Committee on the establishment of a Policy Sub-Committee of the Policy and Finance Committee to consider policy issues on completion of the budget, and that such sub-committee be in place by the first term of the next Council;

- (6) referred the report (January 19, 2000) from the Interim General Manager, Exhibition Place, to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2000 Operating Budget deliberations; and
- (7) conveyed its appreciation to the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, and the staff in the Finance Division for their efforts in preparing the Capital Budget.

(Chief Administrative Officer; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Budget Advisory Committee; Mr. Glen Vollebregt, Director, Budget Services; Mr. John Di Lallo, Manager, Budget Services Division; Interim General Manager, Exhibition Place; Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board; Mr. Russell Walker, Budget Coordinator, For Youth Project – January 20, 2000)

> (Clause No. 1 - Report No. 1 and Clause No. 16(a) – Report No. 2)

1-2. Authority To Issue Debentures During 2000.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (December 23, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer requesting Council's annual authority to enable the Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to negotiate and enter into agreements for the issuance of debentures, including foreign exchange and interest rate contracts if required, as permitted by provincial legislation and recommending that:

- (1) authority be granted for the Mayor of the City of Toronto and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to enter into an agreement or agreements, in accordance with Section 101 of the City of Toronto Act, 1997 (No. 2) with a purchaser or purchasers for the sale and issuance of debentures to provide an amount in 2000 not to exceed \$500 million;
- (2) authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary Bills in Council to give effect to the foregoing; and
- (3) the appropriate City of Toronto officials be authorized to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing report.

(Clause No. 1 – Report No. 2)

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1-3. Temporary Borrowing Pending the Receipt of Tax Revenues and the Issuance of Debentures During 2000.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (December 23, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer requesting authority to temporarily borrow funds, if required, pending the receipt of tax revenues and the issuance and sale of debentures during 2000, and recommending that:

- (1) the temporary borrowing limit to meet 2000 current expenditures, pending receipt of tax levies and other revenues, be established at \$1,000,000,000;
- (2) the temporary borrowing limit for capital purposes for 2000 be established at \$500,000,000;
- (3) authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary Bills in Council to give effect to the foregoing; and
- (4) the appropriate City of Toronto officials be authorized to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing report.

(Clause No. 2 – Report No. 2)

1-4. Establishment of a Protocol Governing Future Special Events in the City of Toronto that Require Extensive Policing by the Toronto Police Service.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (December 21, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer responding to the Policy and Finance Committee's request at its meeting of November 10, 1999 that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report on the establishment of a protocol for governing future special events requiring extensive policing within the City of Toronto, and recommended that the:

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- (1) Toronto Police Services be requested to work with representatives from the provincial and federal Solicitor General Offices to establish operational protocols governing policing requirements and expected practises relating to future situations requiring policing services for events not specific to municipal occurrences;
- (2) Toronto Police Services continue to establish unique account codes for tracking all direct and indirect expenditures in 2000 and future operating budgets related to any future demonstrations or other occurrences for the purposes of approaching other levels of government for compensation for these activities; and,
- (3) Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer develop a financial control policy respecting all Agencies, Boards and Commissions' operating and capital budget requirements and report back to the Policy and Finance Committee prior to final Council approval of the 2000 operating budget.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing report.

(Clause No. 3 – Report No. 2)

1-5. Integrated Fire and Police Radio Communications System Six Month Status Report.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a joint report (December 24, 1999) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, the Fire Chief and the Police Chief providing a semi-annual status report on the Integrated Fire and Police Radio Communications System as directed by the Audit Committee at its meeting on May 25, 1999, also advising that the first of these status reports was tabled in June 1999, and recommending that this report be received and forwarded to the Community Services Committee for information.

The Policy and Finance Committee received the foregoing joint report and forwarded a copy thereof to the Community Services Committee for information.

(Community Services Committee; c: Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Fire Chief; Police Chief – January 24, 2000)

(Clause No. 16(b) – Report No. 2)

1-6. A Unified Architecture and Urban Design Awards Program for Toronto 2000.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 10, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Budget Advisory Committee on December 9, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that, due to lack of funding, the Architecture and Urban Design Awards program should not be approved.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Policy and Finance Committee endorsed the Unified Architecture and Urban Design Awards Program for Toronto 2000; and referred the foregoing communication to the Commissioner of Urban Development Services for report thereon to the Budget Advisory Committee on alternative sources of funding for this Awards Program.

(Commissioner of Urban Development Services; c: Committee Administrator, Budget Advisory Committee – January 24, 2000)

(Clause No. 16(c) – Report No. 2)

1-7. Project Approval - Fibre Optics and Subway Radio Communication.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 10, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Budget Advisory Committee on December 9, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the increased project approval of \$2,334,000.00 (gross and net) for City of Toronto Project No. 231 be approved, and be funded from the 1999 cash flow of the Toronto Transit Commission.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Budget Advisory Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (December 10, 1999) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 4 – Report No. 2)

1-8. Public Health 2000 Budget Submission - Public Health Research Education and Development (PHRED) Interim Program Re-Establishment

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 10, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Budget Advisory Committee on December 9, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that:

- (a) the Public Health Research Education and Development (PHRED) Interim Program Re-establishment be supported; and that the Commissioner of Community Services and the Medical Officer of Health request 100 percent funding for this Program from the Province; and
- (b) the report (November 10, 1999) from the City Clerk, entitled "Public Health 2000 Budget submission – Public Health Research Education and Development (PHRED) – Interim Re-establishment", be deferred for consideration during the 2000 Operating Budget process.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendations of the Budget Advisory Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (December 10, 1999) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 5 – Report No. 2)

1-9. Toronto Zoo Over-Expenditures.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 10, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Budget Advisory Committee on December 9, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council that:

- (1) the balance of the 2000 Stabilization Reserve Funds, after deducting funds for the Meerkat Exhibit, be used to offset the Zoo's projected over-expenditure for 1999;
- (2) in the future, the Zoo Stabilization Reserve Fund be used only for operating budget stabilization purposes, and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be requested to make the necessary amendments to the Reserve By-law in that regard;

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- (3) the admission fee decision be deferred until such time as the comprehensive strategic plan and advertising plan is in place, the said plan to address attendance at the Zoo in the year 2000, therefore, justifying the admission fee increase, revenue gained, promotion of events and costs of such promotion;
- (4) City Council be requested to instruct the Zoo Board to commence immediately with the tendering of the advertising contract, and that such tendering be done with the assistance of the City's Purchasing Division;
- (5) the report (December 7, 1999) from the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of the Toronto Zoo be referred to the City Auditor for consideration, the said report to be amended to include the income per day on the Attendance Chart embodied therein; and further, that the City Auditor be requested to look into the issue of tendering the advertising contract;
- (6) a draft of the strategic plan and the Zoo's plans to increase attendance in the year 2000 be submitted to the Budget Advisory Committee with their Operating Budget; and
- (7) the report (December 7, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be received.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendations of the Budget Advisory Committee embodied in the communication (December 10, 1999) from the City Clerk, subject to:

- (1) amending Recommendation No. (3) by adding thereto the following words "and that the base budget be amended accordingly", so that such Recommendation now reads as follows:
 - "(3) the admission fee decision be deferred until such time as the comprehensive strategic plan and advertising plan is in place, the said plan to address attendance at the Zoo in the year 2000, therefore, justifying the admission fee increase, revenue gained, promotion of events and costs of such promotion and that the base budget be amended accordingly;"; and

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- (2) amending Recommendation No. (4) to read as follows:
- "(4) City Council be requested to ask the Zoo Board to consider the tendering of the advertising contract, and that such tendering be done with the assistance of the City's Purchasing Division".

(Clause No. 6 – Report No. 2)

1-10. Toronto Police Service - Analysis of 1999 Operating Budget Shortfall.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 10, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Budget Advisory Committee on December 9, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that:

- (1) the report (November 13, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be adopted;
- (2) the report (December 8, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be adopted;
- (3) the Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, be requested to report back to the Budget Advisory Committee on the funds expended on community events last year, and funding required for such events in the year 2000; and(4) the Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, be requested to reimburse the City and contribute towards the \$6.9 million overexpenditure through any excess funds in 1999; and that in future years, such funds be identified in the stolen/unclaimed goods account, the said funds to be transferred to the new reserve fund identified in Recommendation No. (2) of the report (November 13, 1999) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Budget Advisory Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (December 10, 1999) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 7 - Report No. 2)

1-11 Contribution Rebate Program and Advance Voting Days.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 9, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Administration Committee at its Special Meeting on December 8, 1999, during its consideration of a report dated (December 7, 1999) from the City Clerk, entitled "Contribution Rebate Program and Advance Voting Days" amongst other things, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that budgeting for any rebate program in future years be over the three years of the term of Council.

The Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing communication to the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer for report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee.

(Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; c: Committee Administrator, Policy and Finance Committee – January 24, 2000)

(Clause No. 16(d) - Report No. 2)

1-12. Exempting Non-Profit Housing from Planning Application Fees, Building Permit Fees and Parkland Dedication Requirements.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 11, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Planning and Transportation Committee, at its meeting on January 10, 2000, recommended the adoption of the joint report (December 21, 1999) from the Acting Commissioner of Urban Development Services and the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, subject to amending Recommendation (1) to read:

- "(1) Council exempt the following non-profit housing developments from the building fees payable under By-law No. 163-1998 and the parkland dedication requirements under By-law No. 30152 of the former City of North York:
 - a 24 unit non-profit housing development at 647-657 Lawrence Avenue West;
 - 30 St. Lawrence Avenue; and

1070 Queen Street East;

and, if possible, that the waiving of the permit fees for these projects be changed to a deferral of fees if deemed feasible during the course of discussions, and that the approval of the waiver of fees in no way imply that the project be subject to any lower design landscaping or site plan standards than any private sector project;

and in view of the financial impact inherent in Recommendation (1), the Committee forwards this matter to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration and report to Council for its meeting on February 1, 2000.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Policy and Finance Committee concurred with the Recommendation of the Planning and Transportation Committee embodied in the foregoing communication, such concurrence to be forwarded to City Council for consideration at its meeting on February 1, 2000, with Clause No. 3 of Report No. 1 of the Planning and Transportation Committee.

(City Council; c: Acting Commissioner of Urban Development Services; Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; Committee Administrator, Planning and Transportation Committee – January 24, 2000)

(Clause No. 16(e) - Report No. 2)

1-13. License Agreement - Microcell Connexions Inc. and Clearnet PCS Inc. - Telecommunications Equipment -Leslie Street Water Tower (Don Parkway - Ward 11).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 9, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Telecommunications Steering Committee on December 9, 1999, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of Recommendation No. (a) (2) of the North York Community Council embodied in the communication (October 19, 1999) from the City Clerk, viz.:

"(2) that the licensing contract with Microcell Connexions Inc. and Clearnet PCS Inc. regarding their installations on the Leslie Street Water Tower be terminated as soon as legally possible;".

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The following persons appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Ms. Dale Sutton;
- Mr. Mark Maitman, Citizens for a Healthy Future;
- Mr. Jeff Lyons, Solicitor; and
- Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong, Don Parkway.
 - A. Councillor Chong moved that the Policy and Finance Committee defer consideration of the Recommendation of the Telecommunications Steering Committee embodied in the foregoing communication until such time as the forthcoming report from the Acting Commissioner of Urban Development Services has been submitted to the Telecommunications Steering Committee in May, 2000. (Carried)
 - B. Councillor Kelly moved, on behalf of Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong, that the Policy and Finance Committee request Clearnet PCS Inc. not to install any equipment on the Leslie Street Water Tower until this issue has been resolved. (Lost)

(Acting Commissioner of Urban Development Services; c: Committee Secretary, Telecommunications Steering Committee; Ms. Dale Sutton; Mr. Mark Maitman, Citizens for a Healthy Future; Mr. Jeff Lyons, Solicitor – January 24, 2000)

(Clause No. 16(f) - Report No. 2)

1-14. Review of Investigation of Sexual Assaults – Toronto Police Service.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 20, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Audit Committee at its meeting on December 13, 1999, referred to the Policy and Finance Committee, the issue of honoraria for the Implementation Advisory Committee, set out in Recommendation No. (3) below for report thereon directly to Council:

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"(3) the Audit Reference Group be re-established and renamed as an Implementation Advisory Committee to meet quarterly to be a reference for the Steering Committee throughout 2000, and to report to Council through the appropriate Standing Committee."

The following persons appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

- Ms. Nora Currie; and
- Councillor Pam McConnell, Don River.

The Policy and Finance Committee requested the Chief Administrative Officer to submit a report directly to Council for its meeting scheduled to be held on February 1, 2000, for consideration with Clause No. 1 of Report No. 1 of the Audit Committee, entitled "Review of Investigation of Sexual Assaults - Toronto Police Service", respecting the issue of providing an honoraria to the proposed Implementation Advisory Committee in the amount of \$5,000.00 annually.

(City Council; Chief Administrative Officer; Chief Administrative Officer; c: Committee Administrator, Audit Committee – January 24, 2000)

(Clause No. 16(g) - Report No. 2)

1-15. Public Health 2000 Budget Submission – Children's Action Plan.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 3, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Children and Youth Action Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee and the Budget Advisory Committee that the Children's Action Plan be included in the Public Health Department's 2000 Budget submission and that City Council be reminded of the Toronto Children's Charter during its budget deliberations.

The Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing communication to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration and report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee.

(Clause No. 16(h) - Report No. 2)

1-16. Implementation of the Transfer of the Youth Mentoring Program from the Healthy City Office to Toronto Public Health.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 3, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that the Children and Youth Action Committee endorsed the report (October 6, 1999) from the Medical Officer of Health, wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) the Board of Health support the addition of \$43,745.00 for 2000 and \$82,490.00 for 2001, to cover 1 FTE staff position for the One on One Mentoring Program and that these monies be added to the base operating budget of Public Health; and
- (2) that the aforementioned report be forwarded to the Children and Youth Action Committee for their information and endorsement.

The Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing communication to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration and report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee.

(Clause No. 16(i) - Report No. 2)

1-17. Feasibility of Direct Purchasing as a Method of Purchasing Commodities.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (November 29, 1999) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting held on November 23, 24 and 25, 1999, had before it Clause No. 16 contained in Report No. 5 of The Works Committee, headed AOther Items Considered by the Committee@, and which Council directed that notwithstanding subsection 127(5) of the Council Procedural By-law, Item (m), embodied in the aforementioned Clause entitled "Feasibility of Direct Purchasing as a Method of Purchasing Commodities", be struck out and referred to the Policy and Finance Committee for further consideration.

The Policy and Finance Committee received the foregoing communication.

(Clause No. 16(j) - Report No. 2)

1-18. Ashkenaz Festival - Economic Development Sector Initiatives Program (EDSIP) (Former Economic Development Partnership Program, EDPP) (All Wards)

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (November 29, 1999) from the City Clerk forwarding for information and any attention deemed necessary, Clause No. 3 contained in Report No. 10 of The Policy and Finance Committee, headed AEconomic Development Sector Initiatives Program (EDSIP) (former Economic Development Partnership Program, EDPP) (All Wards)@, which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Toronto at its meeting held on November 23, 24 and 25, 1999, and advising that in so doing, Council has referred that portion of the Clause pertaining to the Ashkenaz Festival back to the Policy and Finance Committee, having regard that the Festival occurs once every two years; and has requested that representatives of the Ashkenaz Festival be invited to appear before the Policy and Finance Committee, at such time as this matter is before the Committee for consideration.

The Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing communication to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism for report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee.

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism – January 24, 2000)

(Clause No. 16(k) - Report No. 2)

1-19. Accessible Parking Spaces at Toronto Police Services Facilities.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (January 7, 2000) from Councillor Norman Gardner, Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board, recommending that:

- (1) the Policy and Finance Committee review the requirements for providing accessible parking spaces at City-owned police facilities; and
- (2) the Policy and Finance Committee provide the funds associated with Recommendation No. (1) to ensure that adequate accessible parking is consistent at all police facilities.

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The Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing report to the Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services for report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee.

(Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services; c: Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board – January 24, 2000)

(Clause No. 16(l) - Report No. 2)

1-20. Request For Funds – Year 2000 Community Action Policing Program (CAP).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (December 22, 1999) from the Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board, requesting that the Policy and Finance Committee approve an additional \$2.9 million in operating funds for the Toronto Police Service to support the year 2000 CAP program, and recommending that:

- (1) the Policy and Finance Committee approve an additional \$2.9 million in operating funds to support the year 2000 CAP program; and
- (2) upon the approval of recommendation (1), the Policy and Finance Committee forward this request to the next meeting of Council for approval.

The Policy and Finance Committee withdrew the foregoing report from the agenda having regard that the forthcoming report from the Chief of Police respecting the request for funds for the Year 2000 Community Action Policing Program has not been finalized.

(Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board – January 24, 2000)

(Clause No. 16(m) - Report No. 2)

1-21. Resource Implications for the Proposed Environmental Plan.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 4, 2000) from Councillor Jack Layton, Chair, Environmental Task Force, recommending that the Chief Administrative Officer in consultation with the Environmental Task Force report to the March 30, 2000, meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee on the resource implications of the proposed Environmental Plan.

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The Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing communication to the Chief Administrative Officer for report thereon in consultation with the Environmental Task Force, to the March 28, 2000, meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee, on the resource implications of the proposed Environmental Plan.

(Chief Administrative Officer; c: Councillor Jack Layton, Chair, Environmental Task Force; Environmental Task Force – January 24, 2000)

(Clause No. 16(n) - Report No. 2)

1-22. Interim Appropriation for Retirement and Lodging Homes Hotline and Inspection.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 13, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee on January 13, 2000, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the joint report (December 29, 1999) from the Commissioner of Community Services and the Medical Officer of Health requesting an interim appropriation for the Retirement and Lodging Homes Hotline and Inspection, wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) the amount of up to \$149,347.00 be pre-approved and added to the Public Health Operating Budget for the year 2000, to enable the division to continue to operate the Retirement and Lodging Homes hotline and inspections from January 1, 2000 to March 31, 2000;
- (2) this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for their consideration, and to the Budget Advisory Committee administrator for the budget process pending file, in accordance with the Financial Control Protocols adopted by Council;
- (3) the report be forwarded to the Board of Health for information; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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On motion by Councillor Ootes, the Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing communication to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration and report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee.

(Budget Advisory Committee; c: Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Medical Officer of Health – January 24, 2000)

(Clause No. 16(o) - Report No. 2)

1-23. Standards of Care in Retirement and Lodging Homes.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 13, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee on January 13, 2000:

- (A) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the attached report (December 29, 1999) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting standards of care in retirement and lodging homes; wherein it is recommended that:
 - (1) the provincial government be strongly urged to develop mandatory Provincewide standards of resident care in retirement and lodging homes;
 - (2) such standards be enforced by a body at arm's length from both government and the retirement home industry, consisting of representatives from the industry and appointments to represent consumers, advocates and government;
 - (3) the provincial government assume the full costs of the development and enforcement of resident standards of care;
 - (4) the provincial government be requested to respond to the City's recommendations for mandatory Province-wide standards of care by April 2000;
 - (5) notwithstanding provincial responsibility for standards of resident care, the City enhance its traditional inspection and enforcement activities in the areas of health, fire and buildings by considering the need for additional inspectors in each department for the purposes of inspecting retirement and lodging homes;

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- (6) the Retirement and Lodging Homes Action Team and Retirement Homes Hotline continue on an ongoing basis as effective tools for problem identification in those facilities most in need of regulatory oversight;
- (7) as part of the 2000 budget process, the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, in consultation with the Medical Officer of Health and the Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services, report on any additional resources required and financial impacts of implementing Council's recommendations respecting retirement homes (inclusive of Recommendations Nos. (5) and (6));
- (8) the above report be sent to Policy and Finance Committee for consideration; and
- (9) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto;" and
- (B) directed that a copy of the report be forwarded to the Board of Health for information.

On motion by Councillor Ootes, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendations of the Community Services Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (January 13, 2000) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 8 - Report No. 2)

1-24. 1998 Annual Report of the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 15, 1999) from the Chair, The Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, providing the 1998 Annual Report of the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority for the information of Council.

The Policy and Finance Committee received the foregoing communication.

(Clause No. 16(p) - Report No. 2)

1-25. Coal-Fired Power Plants – Ontario Power Generation (OPG).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it the following:

- (i) communication (December 10, 1999) from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Toronto Hydro, reporting as requested by Council on October 26 and 27, 1999, regarding the New York State Law Suit against Mid-western coal-fired power plants indicating whether Ontario Power Generation, is buying electricity from any of the 17 coal-fired plants identified in the law suit; and
- (ii) report (January 17, 2000) from Dr. Sheela V. Basrur, Medical Officer of Health responding to City Council's request to investigate the legal and resource implications required for the City to support New York's legal action against midwestern U.S. coal-fired power plants as a "friend of the court"; advising that this report has been prepared in consultation with staff in Legal Services and the Works and Emergency Services; and recommending that Toronto City Council:
 - (1) provide the City Solicitor and the Medical Officer of Health with approval to seek to submit, to prepare and to submit as appropriate a "friend of the court" brief in support of the legal action initiated by New York State and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA);
 - (2) forward this report for information to the Board of Health, Works Committee, the Environmental Task Force and the Toronto Inter-Departmental Environment Team; and
 - (3) instruct the City Solicitor and the Medical Officer of Health to forward a copy of the "friend of the court" brief to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for endorsement when completed.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing report (January 17, 2000) from the Medical Officer of Health.

(Medical Officer of Health; Mr. J.N. Brooks, President and Chief Executive Officer; Toronto Hydro – January 24, 2000)

(Clause No. 9 - Report No. 2)

1-26. Financial Status – Yonge Dundas Redevelopment Project (Ward 24 – Downtown).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a confidential report (December 15, 1999) from the Acting Commissioner of Urban Development Services respecting the Financial Status of the Yonge Dundas Redevelopment Project (Ward 24 – Downtown).

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing confidential report.

(Clause No. 10 - Report No. 2)

1-27. Project And Spending Approval For TTC, 2001 Capital Maintenance Expenditures. (Considered with Minute No. 1-1)

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 12, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Budget Advisory Committee on January 14, 2000 recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee and Council the adoption of the report (January 11, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, respecting Project and Spending Approval for TTC 2001 Capital Maintenance Expenditures, wherein it is recommended that the TTC be granted project and spending approval for \$71.161 million in capital maintenance projects in 2001 as listed in Appendix A attached.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Budget Advisory Committee embodied in the foregoing communication, for consideration by City Council on January 27, 2000, with Clause No. 1 of Report No. 1 of the Policy and Finance Committee entitled "2000-2004 Capital Budget and Five-Year Capital Program".

(Also see Minute No. 1-1) (Clause No. 16(q) - Report No. 2)

1-28. Request for \$180,000.00 of Funding from the City Transition Budget. (Considered with Minute No. 1-1)

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 14, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Budget Advisory Committee on January 14, 2000, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee and Council the adoption of the report (January 12, 2000) from the Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board, wherein it is recommended that the Budget Advisory Committee approve funding in the amount of \$540,000.00 in each of the years 2000 and 2001 (total \$1,080,000.00) from the City's Transition Budget for the addition of seven technical staff required for the new Police/Fire radio communications system.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Budget Advisory Committee embodied in the foregoing communication, for consideration by City Council on January 27, 2000, with Clause No. 1 of Report No. 1 of the Policy and Finance Committee entitled "2000-2004 Capital Budget and Five-Year Capital Program".

(Also see Minute No. 1-1) (Clause No. 16(r) - Report No. 2)

1-29. Payments To The Toronto District School Board For Space Used For Children's Services And Parks And Recreation.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 12, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Budget Advisory Committee on January 14, 2000 recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee and Council, the adoption of the recommendations of the School Tax Sub-Committee embodied in the communication (December 23, 1999) from the City Clerk.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Budget Advisory Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (January 12, 2000) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 12 - Report No. 2)

1-30. Year 2000 Vehicle Replacement Strategy Release of Funds in the Amount of \$5.36 Million.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 14, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Budget Advisory Committee on January 14, 2000, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the Toronto Police Services request to release funds for the Year 2000 Vehicle Replacement be capped at \$3.8 million, pending receipt of the report requested by the Budget Advisory Committee from the Chairman of the Toronto Police Services Board, in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer respecting maintenance of the Police fleet.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Budget Advisory Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (January 14, 2000) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 13 - Report No. 2)

On motion by Councillor Chong, the Policy and Finance Committee met privately to give consideration to the following Item No.1-31, having regard that the subject matter relates to the acquisition of property, in accordance with the Municipal Act.

1-31. Lease Agreement with The Order of St. Basil-The Great – North.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a confidential communication(January 17, 2000) from the City Clerk forwarding recommendations from the Economic Development and Parks Committee from its meeting on January 17, 2000, respecting the confidential joint report (January 4, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer respecting the Lease Agreement with the Order of St. Basil the Great – North.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Policy and Finance Committee embodied in the confidential communication (January 20, 2000) from the City Clerk, which was forward to Members of Council under separate cover.

(City Council; c: Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; Chief Financial Officer; Committee Administrator, Economic Development and Parks Committee - Confidential – January 24, 2000)

(Clause No. 11 - Report No. 2)

1-32. General Cleanliness of City Streets.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 12, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Works Committee on January 12, 2000, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the report (January 7, 2000) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services wherein it is recommended that:

- A. Councillor Jakobek moved that the Policy and Finance Committee:
 - (1) recommend to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Works Committee embodied in the communication (January 12, 2000) from the City Clerk; and
 - (2) that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be request to submit a report directly to Council for its meeting scheduled to be held on February 1, 2000, on the cost of employing students as environmental facilitators assisting in mobilising local organizations and residents in neighbourhood clean-up programs in public areas. (**Carried**)
 - B. Councillor Kelly moved that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to submit a report to the Works Committee outlining the cost of returning to the former municipalities grass cutting cycle of boulevards, such report to determine the cost of the additional staff that would be required to keep those boulevards free of debris. (Carried).

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: Committee Administrator, Works Committee – January 24, 2000)

(Clause No. 14 - Report No. 2)

1-33. City Contribution to Funding for the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Task Force (All Wards).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (January 18, 2000) from the Chief Administrative Officer recommending that City Council allocate \$500,000.00 from the

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Corporate Contingency Account as the City's one-third share of funding for the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Task Force.

On motion by Councillor Pantalone, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report (January 18, 2000) from the Chief Administrative Officer; and further that this project be approved prior to consideration of the 2000 Operating Budget.

(Clause No. 15 - Report No. 2)

The Committee adjourned its meeting at 12:27 p.m.

Chair.