

THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk=s Division

Minutes of the Policy and Finance Committee

Meeting No. 5

Thursday, May 25, 2000

The Policy and Finance Committee met on Thursday, May 25, 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. to 11:45 a.m.
Mayor Mel Lastman, Chair	-
Councillor Elizabeth Brown	X
Councillor Gordon Chong	X
Councillor Betty Disero	X
Councillor Tom Jakobek,	X
Councillor Norm Kelly	X
Councillor Ron Moeser	X
Councillor Frances Nunziata	X
Councillor Case Ootes	X
Councillor Joe Pantalone	X
Councillor Kyle Rae	X

Councillor Case Ootes assumed the Chair in the absence of Mayor Mel Lastman.

Confirmation of Minutes.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Policy and Finance Committee confirmed the minutes of its meeting held on April 18, 2000.

5-1. City of Toronto 1999 Investment Report.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (May 10, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer reviewing the City of Toronto's 1999 investment results and investment practices being used; advising that in 1999 the City's investment portfolios had an average book value of \$2.518 billion; that despite bearish conditions and market volatility the City's two largest portfolios, the Money Market and Bond Funds, outperformed their respective benchmarks reflecting added value of \$21.4 million in comparison to the market indices; that total earnings by all investment portfolios amounted to \$152.198 million which represented a 6.05 percent realized return; that additional income of \$7.181 million was also realized on net temporary loans to the School Board; that the City's Operating Budget forecast for investment income of \$61.0 million was exceeded by more than \$4.1 million as \$65.125 million was allocated to the City's Operating Budget in 1999; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Policy and Finance Committee received the foregoing report (May 10, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; and directed that such report be forwarded to Council for information.

(Clause No. 8 – Report No. 7)

**5-2. Adequacy of Insurance Reserve Fund
and Insurance Liabilities.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (April 5, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) as a principle, the balance of the Insurance Reserve Fund (1999 projected closing balance \$31 million) be maintained at approximately the same level as the City's estimated outstanding cost of risk obligations, as determined from time to time. The current estimated cost of risk obligations is estimated at \$28.2 million. This report recommends maintaining a Fund balance of \$26.8 million until 2003, then increase the balance annually until the \$28.2 target level is reached by 2005; and
- (2) in conjunction with the 2001 Operating Budget, consideration be given to increasing annual contributions to the Insurance Reserve Fund from the Operating Budgets of insured City entities by \$4.0 million from the current \$14.0 million to \$18.0 million with contributions for subsequent years determined by funding required to maintain a stable Insurance Reserve Fund balance.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing report (April 5, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer:

(Clause No. 7 – Report No. 7)

5-3. Complaint Made Under the Development Charges Act, 1997.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a joint report (May 10, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the City Solicitor advising of a complaint made under Section 20(1) of the Development Charges Act, 1997; and recommending that:

- (1) City Council direct that the Policy and Finance Committee hold a hearing at its meeting scheduled to be held on June 22, 2000, in respect of the development charge complaint made on behalf of the owner of 559 Jarvis Street, in accordance with Section 20(4) of the Development Charges Act, 1997;
- (2) the City Clerk be directed to give notice to the complainant of the hearing provided for in the above recommendation, in accordance with Section 20(5) of the Act;
- (3) City Council delegate authority to the Policy and Finance Committee to hold all future hearings in respect of complaints made under Section 20(1) of the Act; and
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing joint report (May 10, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the City Solicitor.

(Clause No. 6 – Report No. 7)

5-4. Allocation of the 2000 Grants Harmonization Funding.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (May 11, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Grants Sub-Committee on May 11, 2000, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee:

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- (a) the adoption of the attached report (May 8, 2000) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, respecting the allocation of the 2000 Grants Harmonization Funding, subject to amending the recommendations as follows:
 - (1) the \$500,000.00 made available for service harmonization be allocated as set out in Appendix A as the base for 2001;
 - (2) for the purposes of distribution of the \$500,000.00 in the year 2000, the allocations be as outlined in the attached Appendix B; and
 - (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto;
- (b) that the Budget Advisory Committee be requested to consider enhanced funds for Access and Equity and Drug Abuse Prevention in the 2001 Operating Budget process; and
- (c) that the Policy and Finance Committee be requested to establish, as early as possible in 2001, a Grants Sub-Committee; and that such sub-committee be requested to give consideration to the 2001 Grants Budget in a timely fashion, prior to the 2001 Operating Budget process.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendations of the Grants Sub-Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (May 11, 2000) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 9 – Report No. 7)

5-5. Appeal of Interim Control By-Law No. 33016 and Site Plan Referral – 1016338 Ontario Limited –3000 Islington Avenue (Former City of North York) – North York Humber).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (May 8, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the North York Community Council on May 2, 2000, referred the following Resolution from Councillor George Mammoliti to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration and report thereon to Council:

“WHEREAS the Ontario Municipal Board has written a reply to the appeal, 3000 Islington Avenue which states the appellant withdrew their case “at the eleventh hour”; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Municipal Board found that the local Councillor's office had "legitimate expenses", from this case and directed the Councillor's office to incur further expenses; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Municipal Board ordered costs of the appellant in the amount of \$5,000.00 to the City of Toronto; and

WHEREAS local Councillor George Mammoliti (North York Humber) incurred meeting, mailing and lobbying costs from 1997 – 2000, which pertain directly to this case being deducted from the local office budget; and

WHEREAS the costs associated from the office of Councillor George Mammoliti amounted to \$3,500.00 from the issue;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT an amount of \$3,500.00 be allocated from the payable amount to cover a reasonable portion of these costs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this amount of \$3,500.00 be credited towards the 1999 office budget of Councillor Mammoliti."

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

(City Clerk; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; c. Mr. Francine Adamo, Administrator, North York Community Council; City Solicitor – Attn: Irwin M. Shachter, Solicitor, Legal Division)

(Clause No. 20(a) – Report No. 7)

**5-6. Sustainability Roundtable Membership –
Three Members at Large.**

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

- (i) (May 11, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that City Council by its adoption of Clause No. 4 of Report No. 11 of the Policy and Finance Committee, entitled "Proposed Governance Model for Advanced Decision-Making", approved the establishment of the Sustainability Roundtable and a listing with regard to

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membership thereto; and recommending that the Policy and Finance Committee approve the Environmental Task Force process to forward the names of the three "Members at Large" for appointment to the Sustainability Roundtable, to the City Council meeting of June 7, 8 and 9, 2000, for ratification; and

- (ii) (April 20, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that City Council by its adoption of Clause No. 4 of Report No. 11 of the Policy and Finance Committee, entitled "Proposed Governance Model for Advanced Decision-Making", approved the establishment of the Sustainability Roundtable and a listing with regard to membership thereto; and recommending that the Policy and Finance Committee appoint a representative to the Sustainability Roundtable and that the said appointment be in effect to the end of the current term of Council.

On motion by Councillor Pantalone, the Policy and Finance Committee:

- (1) concurred with the Recommendation embodied in the aforementioned communication (May 11, 2000) from the City Clerk; and
- (2) recommended to Council that Councillor Joe Pantalone be appointed as a representative to the Sustainability Roundtable, such appointment to be in effect to the end of the current term of Council.

(Clause No. 19 – Report No. 7)

5-7. Declaration as Surplus – Two Parcels of Vacant Lands Located on the East Side of Morningview Trail, South of Old Finch Avenue (Ward 18 – Scarborough Malvern).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it the following communication and joint report:

- (A) (April 25, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Administration Committee on April 25, 2000:
- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee:
 - (a) the adoption of the report (April 18, 2000) from the Commissioner of Corporate Services, subject to amending Recommendation No. (2) to read as follows:

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- “(2) City Council decide to participate in the acquisition of the Anndale property, and that:
 - (i) City Council set aside the net proceeds from the sale, for a maximum of 12 months from the date of Council approval of this report, to be used to fund the purchase of the Anndale property by TRCA; and
 - (ii) if the property is not purchased within 12 months from the date of Council approval of this report, the net proceeds are to be credited to general revenue;”;
- (b) that an amount of \$700,000.00 be provided from the Beare Road Ski Reserve Account to assist in the acquisition of the Anndale Property; and
- (2) requested the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Chief Administrative Officer to submit a report to the Policy and Finance Committee for its meeting on May 25, 2000, respecting this matter, such report to recommend other opportunities that could be used to secure the necessary funding to acquire the subject property; and
- (B) joint confidential report (May 24, 2000) from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:
 - (1) should Council recommend the acquisition of the Anndale Property, an amount of up to \$1.1 million be provided from the Beare Road Ski Facility Trust Fund to provide half the estimated financing cost for this acquisition; and
 - (2) the net proceeds of the sale of the two properties on the east side of Morningview Trail, south of Old Finch Avenue, be credited to the Land Acquisition Reserve Fund.

The Clerk was advised by the Solicitor that there was no requirement for the aforementioned report (May 24, 2000) to be considered in camera and was released publicly.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council that:

- (1) the two parcels of vacant land on the east side of Morningview Trail, identified as Parcels 1 and 2 as shown on the attached sketch and being Blocks 139, 140 and 141 on Reference Plan 66M-2244 and Blocks 154, 155 and 156 on Reference Plan 66M-2243, be

declared surplus to the City's requirements and offered for sale on the open market, and all steps necessary to comply with By-law No. 551-98 be taken;

- (2) City Council participate in the acquisition of the Anndale property;
- (3) an amount of up to \$1.1 million be provided from the Beare Road Ski Facility Trust Fund to provide half the estimated financing cost for this acquisition;
- (4) the net proceeds of the sale of the two properties on the east side of Morningview Trail, south of Old Finch Avenue, be credited to the Land Acquisition Reserve Fund; and
- (5) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

(Clause No. 4 – Report No. 7)

5-8. Provincial Downloading.

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

- (i) (May 12, 2000) from Mayor Mel Lastman forwarding, for the consideration of the Policy and Finance Committee, a copy of correspondence between the Premier of Ontario and Mayor Lastman respecting provincial downloading; and
- (ii) (May 16, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting held on May 9, 10 and 11, 2000:
 - (1) received a presentation from Mayor Lastman, Mr. Patrick Moyle, Executive Director, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Chief Administrative Officer and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer in response to the communication dated May 10, 2000, addressed to the Mayor, from the Premier of Ontario, with respect to provincial downloading;
 - (2) was advised by Mayor Lastman that he would be submitting material to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration at its next regular meeting scheduled to be held on May 25, 2000, in this regard; and
 - (3) referred the following motion by Councillor Ashton to the Policy and Finance Committee for further consideration with the material to be submitted by Mayor Lastman:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province of Ontario bring transparency and accountability with respect to the financial impact of disentanglement and amalgamation by hiring an independent auditor to determine that provincial totals for service costs reflect the full and true costs of delivering these services.”

On motion by Councillor Ootes, the Policy and Finance Committee deferred consideration of the foregoing communications until its meeting scheduled to be held on June 22, 2000, for consideration with the forthcoming report from the Chief Administrative Officer in regard thereto, and for the hearing of depositions.

(Mayor Mel Lastman; Chief Administrative Officer; c. Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Mr. Patrick Moyle, Executive Director, Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO))

(Clause No. 20(b) – Report No. 7)

5-9. Public Health Program and Service Review.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (May 1, 2000) from the Secretary, Board of Health advising that the Board of Health, on May 1, 2000:

- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of Recommendations Nos. (2) through (8) of the joint report dated March 23, 2000, from the Chief Administrative Officer, Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and the Medical Officer of Health, respecting the review conducted on Toronto Public Health programs and services; subject to:

- (a) amending Recommendation No. 6 by adding the words:

“and the extent to which Toronto Public Health benefits from and/or requires the partnership for effective service to citizens”;

so that such recommendation shall now read as follows:

“the role of Toronto Public Health in coalitions, community and professional collaborations, be identified by July, 2000, to document the relationships and utility of community development and advocacy strategies, to fulfilling mandatory programs, and the extent to which Toronto Public Health benefits from and/or requires the partnership for effective service to citizens”; and

- (b) amending Recommendation No. 7 by adding the words:

“within the context of health needs in Toronto”;

so that such recommendation shall now read as follows:

“Toronto Public Health present the relative priorities between mandatory and non-mandatory programs, and within and among mandatory programs for the 2001 budget cycle within the context of health needs in Toronto”; and

- (2) forwarded this report to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration as directed by Council and in accordance with Recommendation No. (1) of the aforementioned report; and advised having requested the Medical Officer of Health to submit a report to the Board on a process of Board and public participation when developing the relative priorities between mandatory and non-mandatory programs for the 2001 budget cycle.

On motion by Councillor Chong, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the joint report (March 23, 2000) from the Chief Administrative Officer, the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and the Medical Officer of Health, subject to amending the recommendations embodied therein to read as follows:

- “(1) Toronto Public Health finalize its terms and definitions, similar to those in Appendix 2, and use the terminology consistently in both internal and external documents;
- (2) programs be described whenever feasible by their level (Mandatory Health Program, Toronto Public Health Sub-Program or Toronto Public Health component/service grouping), their mandatory or non-mandatory nature, whether they were provincially or locally determined, and their funding source(s);
- (3) Toronto Public Health continue to undertake program analysis by intervention-based groupings, such as age groups, all school-based programs, and all stand-alone programs, in order to inform the assessment of their program standards and to identify implications for internal program management models;
- (4) Toronto Public Health document by July, 2000, its community partnerships and collaborative activities to inform analysis of the extent to which TPH meets mandatory requirements and supplements its non-mandatory programs;

- (5) the role of Toronto Public Health in coalitions, community and professional collaborations, be identified by July, 2000, to document the relationships and utility of community development and advocacy strategies, to fulfilling mandatory programs, and the extent to which Toronto Public Health benefits from and/or requires the partnership for effective service to citizens;
- (6) Toronto Public Health present the relative priorities between mandatory and non-mandatory programs, and within and among mandatory programs for the 2001 budget cycle within the context of health needs and fiscal capacity in Toronto;
- (7) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.”

(Clause No. 3 – Report No. 7)

5-10. Telecommunications Strategy.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (May 1, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Telecommunications Steering Committee on May 1, 2000, amongst other things recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council:

- (1) the adoption of Option No. 2 embodied in the joint report (May 1, 2000) from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Executive Lead on Telecommunications and directed that Options 3 and 4 outlined therein be considered in developing the City’s business plan for the installation of a fibre optic network; and
- (2) that the City of Toronto set as its objective the construction of a municipally built fibre optic network with open access at the earliest opportunity, but, in any case, that it be substantially completed no later than January 2002;
- (3) that the City of Toronto work with Canarie Inc. and ONet Networking, the Toronto hospitals, the Toronto Public Library, the school boards, universities and community colleges in this regard; and
- (4) that City Council seek the assistance of the federal government, including through the infrastructure program, and of the provincial government, including through Superbuild, in the development of a fibre optic network.

On motion by Councillor Disero, the Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing communication to the Executive Lead on Telecommunications for report thereon to the meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee scheduled to be held on June 22, 2000, such report to include a workplan respecting the development of a fibre optic network.

(Executive Lead On Telecommunications; c. Ms. Laurie McQueen, Senior Corporate Management and Policy Consultant, Chief Administrator's Office; Ms. Candy Davidovits, Committee Secretary, Telecommunications Steering Committee)

(Clause No. 20(c) – Report No. 7)

5-11. Third Party Sub-Lease Rates for the Decommissioned Waterpipe System in the Downtown Core.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a confidential communication (May 1, 2000) from the City Clerk respecting Third Party Sub-Lease Rates For The Decommissioned Waterpipe System In The Downtown Core, such communication to be considered in-camera having regard that the subject matter relates to the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the confidential report (April 11, 2000) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, entitled "Third Party Sub-lease Rates for the Decommissioned Waterpipe System in the Downtown Core", which was forwarded to Members of Council under confidential cover; and further that, in accordance with the Municipal Act, discussions pertaining thereto be held in-camera, having regard that the subject matter relates to the security of the property of the municipality or local board; and
- (2) requested the City Solicitor to submit a further report thereon to Council for its meeting scheduled to be held on June 7, 2000.

(Chief Administrative Officer; City Solicitor)

(Clause No. 13 – Report No. 7)

5-12. Negotiations with Rogers Cable and Bell Canada – Retention of Outside Legal Counsel.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a confidential communication (May 1, 2000) from the City Clerk respecting Negotiations With Rogers Cable And Bell Canada – Retention of Outside Legal Counsel, such communication to be considered in-camera having regard that the subject matter relates to the receiving of information that is subject to solicitor-client privilege.

On motion by Councillor Chong, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Policy and Finance Committee embodied in the confidential communication (May 25, 2000) from the City Clerk, respecting the negotiations with Rogers Cable and Bell Canada regarding the retention of outside legal Counsel, which was forwarded to Members of Council under confidential cover; and further that, in accordance with the Municipal Act, discussions pertaining thereto be held in-camera, having regard that the subject matter relates to the receiving of information that is subject to solicitor-client privilege.

(City Council; c: City Solicitor; Chief Administrative Officer, Ms. Candy Davidovits, Committee Secretary, Telecommunications Steering Committee)

(Clause No. 14 – Report No. 7)

5-13. Alternative Service Delivery.

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

- (A) (May 1, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that City Council at its Special meeting held on April 26, 2000, adopted, as amended, Clause No. 1 contained in Report No.5 of The Policy and Finance Committee, headed "City of Toronto 2000 Recommended Operating Budget"; and that in adopting as amended the 2000 Operating Budget for the Chief Administrator's Office, Council struck out and referred Recommendations Nos. (96) to (99) of the Policy and Finance Committee back to the Policy and Finance Committee for further consideration, having regard that the issue of Alternative Service Delivery ("ASD") is a large policy matter requiring a fuller discussion at the appropriate Committee and Council and the issue has no impact on the 2000 Operating Budget; and
- (B) (May 25, 2000) from Mr. Brian Cochrane, President, CUPE Local 416, in opposition to the proposed study by the Chief Administrative Officer's office respecting the provision of alternative service delivery.

Councillor David Soknacki, appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Pantalone, on behalf of Councillor Soknacki, the Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing communication to the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Chief Administrative Officer with a request that:

- (1) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer submit a report to the Policy and Finance Committee by September, 2000, on the feasibility and a timeline to implement Activity Based Costing for the City of Toronto; and
- (2) the Chief Administrative Officer identify any constraints in Federal or Provincial legislation that restricts the City from implementing any Alternative Service Delivery initiatives:

(Chief Financial Officer And Treasurer; Chief Administrative Officer c. Commissioner of Corporate Services; Mr. Brian Cochrane, President, Toronto Civic Employees Union, Local 416)

(Clause No. 20(d) – Report No. 7)

5-14. Standards of Care in Retirement and Lodging Homes – Additional Resource Requirements.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (April 19, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that City Council at its meeting held on April 11, 12 and 13, 2000, struck out Clause No. 5 contained in Report No. 4 of the Policy and Finance Committee headed “Standards of Care in Retirement and Lodging Homes – Additional Resource Requirements” and referred it back to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration.

The Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing communication to the Commissioner of Urban Development Services for report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee.

(Commissioner Of Urban Development Services; c. Mr. Frank Weinstock, Manager, Policy and Business Planning Unit, Municipal Licensing and Standards)

(Clause No. 20(e) – Report No. 7)

5-15. Workgroup for Assessment Review Board and Municipal Electronic Data Exchange.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (May 9, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the following motion moved by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Augimeri:

“WHEREAS the timely exchange of information among the Assessment Review Board (ARB), the Ontario Property Assessment Corporation (OPAC) and municipalities is critical to provide a seamless service to the public with respect to the disposition and finalization of assessment appeals in Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Assessment Review Board now has responsibility for the final disposition of all assessment appeals without further appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB); and

WHEREAS for a number of years City staff have been actively pursuing the electronic data exchange for the Assessment Review Board; and

WHEREAS at its meeting on April 28, 2000, the Board of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) considered this issue and supported the idea of the establishment of a workgroup to develop interchanges of information electronically;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a work group be established to include representation from the Assessment Review Board (ARB), the City of Toronto, the Ontario Property Assessment Corporation (OPAC) and AMO to develop a method of electronic data exchange to facilitate an improved and seamless product for taxpayers.”

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force embodied in the foregoing communication (May 9, 2000) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 2 – Report No. 7)

5-16. Second Suites in Residential Family Dwellings – Tax Impact.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (March 28, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force at its meeting on March 27, 2000:

- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report separately on the concept of dedicated revenue specifically in this case for second suites as well as dedicated revenue in general; and
- (2) advised, for the information of the Policy and Finance Committee, that in accordance with Council's directive, having forwarded the report (March 2, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to the Community Services Committee, with the request that comments be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee.

The Policy and Finance Committee received the foregoing communication.

(Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force; c. Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer Commissioner of Urban Development Services)

(Clause No. 20(f) – Report No. 7)

5-17. Review of Business Reference Group Recommendations – Proposed Tax Policy Tools for 2001 Assessment.

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

- (A) (May 9, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force on May 8, 2000, amongst other things, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that:
 - (1) the following measures be suggested to the Province for potential tax policy tools that will be made available to municipalities for the 2001 and subsequent taxation years:

- (i) optional programs be available to phase-in tax increases and decreases over an appropriate period, and that municipalities have flexibility in establishing the duration of phase-in periods for individual property classes;
- (ii)
 - (a) optional programs to cap tax increases over a specified period be available;
 - (b) that caps on increases be financed firstly by the Province of Ontario, and secondly by the tax class;
 - (c) further, that if a municipality chooses to adopt caps, that the Province of Ontario be requested to allow municipalities the option to have any future budget increases applied against some or all property classes, whether they are capped or not; and
 - (d) the Province of Ontario be requested to review the ranges of fairness;
- (iii) the use of the Frozen Assessment Listing to calculate maximum allowable increases under an optional tax capping program be eliminated, and replaced with an alternate system such as one that determines maximum allowable increases in reference to a year-over-year tax increase, or to effective tax rates;
- (iv)
 - (a) optional classes and/or sub-classes be defined for assessment and taxation purposes, specifically neighbourhood commercial, heritage properties, charities/non-profit, rooming houses and affordable housing; and
 - (b) the optional 'New multi-residential' class that taxes newly constructed rental buildings at the residential rate for an eight-year period be changed to allow for a permanent tax rate reduction for this class;
- (v) Municipalities be permitted to combine tax classes for the purposes of taxation;
- (vi) minimum and maximum levels in effective tax rates be permitted as an option within a property class;

- (vii) amendments be made to the *Tenant Protection Act* to ensure that tax reductions or limits on tax increases are passed through to tenants in multi-residential properties;
- (viii) (a) the Minister of Finance accelerate the reduction in non-residential education tax rates announced in the 1998-99 Provincial Budget to bring, at a minimum, all municipalities down to the provincial average business education tax rate by the end of 2002; and

(b) once Recommendation No. (1)(viii)(a) is achieved, that the Province adopt a province-wide uniform business education tax rate, and that, at a minimum, a uniform business education tax rate be established for all GTA municipalities, such that Toronto's business education tax rate is comparable to other GTA municipalities;
- (ix) the uncompetitive municipal tax rate for commercial, industrial and multi-residential properties be recognized;
- (2) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, report back in 2001 on a range of measures to address the uncompetitive commercial and industrial tax rates, including an analysis of the ranges of fairness and the Business Reference Group recommendation, an appropriate phase-in period, and other options available to retain the existing commercial and industrial tax base, and the multi-residential components of the tax base, and to encourage expansion of this component of the tax base;
- (3) the report (May 3, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, as amended and adopted by City Council, be forwarded to all GTA Municipalities for their support to the Province of Ontario for legislative changes in time for 2001;
- (4) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report further to the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force on the proposed definition of "neighbourhood commercial";
- (5) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer undertake an impact study on the effects of the 2001 reassessment on the residential property class, such study to focus on shifts within the residential property class;

- (6) a Residential Reference Group be established, consisting of owners and tenants, to consider appropriate tax policy tools for residents, and to provide comments on the impact of the recommendations from the Business Reference Group; and further that all Members of Council be requested to submit names of interested individuals for the Residential Reference Group; and
 - (7) City Council endorse a policy position that there be no transfer of property tax burdens from the commercial/industrial property class to the residential class during the coming reassessment for implementation in 2001;
- (B) (May 15, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, the City Solicitor and the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services reporting, as requested by the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force, on the potential impacts of the new multi-residential tax class, particularly whether the new tax class creates an incentive to demolish existing multi-residential buildings that are taxed at a much higher rate and on the tax consequences for tenants of buildings within the new multi-residential tax class; advising that there are no financial implications arising from this report; and recommending that this report be received for information; and
- (C) (May 15, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer reporting, as requested by the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force, clarifying an example presented to the Task Force illustrating the impacts of combining tax classes for the purposes of assessment and taxation; advising that there are no financial implications arising from this report; and recommending that this report be received for information.

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

- Mr. Stephen Kaiser, President, Urban Development Institute;
 - Ms. M. Elyse Allan, President and Chief Executive Office, Toronto Board of Trade; and
 - Councillor Michael Walker, North Toronto.
- A. Councillor Pantalone moved on behalf of Councillor Miller that the Policy and Finance Committee recommend to Council:

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- (I) the adoption of Recommendations Nos. (1) to (7) embodied in the communication (May 9, 2000) from the City Clerk, subject to amending Recommendation No. (2) by adding thereto the following:

“and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report to the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force on the history of property taxation within the commercial and industrial sectors, including the commercial concentration tax, and the historical tax burden borne by these classes; and

- (II) that the Ontario Property Assessment Corporation (OPAC) be requested to ensure that the method of valuation of property consider and appropriately reflect the property tax liability in the context of the current assessment and taxation system that would result from the method of valuation, to ensure that current value assessments do not create adverse tax impacts. **Carried)**

- B. Councillor Brown moved that the foregoing motion A. by Councillor Pantalone be amended by further adding to Recommendation No. (2) the following:

“such report to include other jurisdictions in the GTA;”. **(Carried)**

- C. Councillor Chong moved that the foregoing motion A. by Councillor Pantalone be amended to provide that consideration of Recommendations Nos. (6) and (7) embodied in the aforementioned communication be deferred until such time as the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer submits the requested report. **(Carried on the following recorded vote:**

FOR: Brown, Chong, Kelly, Moeser, Ootes

AGAINST: Disero, Nunziata, Pantalone, Rae)

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

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council:

- (I) the adoption of Recommendations Nos. (1) to (5) embodied in the communication (May 9, 2000) from the City Clerk, subject to amending Recommendation No. (2) by adding thereto the following:

“and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report to the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force on the history of property taxation within the commercial and industrial sectors, including the commercial concentration tax, and the historical tax burden borne by these classes, such report to include other jurisdictions in the GTA;

so that the Recommendations now reads as follows:

- “(1) the following measures be suggested to the Province for potential tax policy tools that will be made available to municipalities for the 2001 and subsequent taxation years:
- (i) optional programs be available to phase-in tax increases and decreases over an appropriate period, and that municipalities have flexibility in establishing the duration of phase-in periods for individual property classes;
 - (ii)
 - (a) optional programs to cap tax increases over a specified period be available;
 - (b) that caps on increases be financed firstly by the Province of Ontario, and secondly by the tax class;
 - (c) further, that if a municipality chooses to adopt caps, that the Province of Ontario be requested to allow municipalities the option to have any future budget increases applied against some or all property classes, whether they are capped or not; and
 - (d) the Province of Ontario be requested to review the ranges of fairness;
 - (iii) the use of the Frozen Assessment Listing to calculate maximum allowable increases under an optional tax capping program be eliminated, and replaced with an alternate system such as one that determines maximum allowable increases in reference to a year-over-year tax increase, or to effective tax rates;
 - (iv)
 - (a) optional classes and/or sub-classes be defined for assessment and taxation purposes, specifically neighbourhood commercial, heritage properties, charities/non-profit, rooming houses and affordable housing; and

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- (b) the optional 'New multi-residential' class that taxes newly constructed rental buildings at the residential rate for an eight-year period be changed to allow for a permanent tax rate reduction for this class;
 - (v) Municipalities be permitted to combine tax classes for the purposes of taxation;
 - (vi) minimum and maximum levels in effective tax rates be permitted as an option within a property class;
 - (vii) amendments be made to the *Tenant Protection Act* to ensure that tax reductions or limits on tax increases are passed through to tenants in multi-residential properties;
 - (viii) (a) the Minister of Finance accelerate the reduction in non-residential education tax rates announced in the 1998-99 Provincial Budget to bring, at a minimum, all municipalities down to the provincial average business education tax rate by the end of 2002; and
(b) once Recommendation No. (1)(viii)(a) is achieved, that the Province adopt a province-wide uniform business education tax rate, and that, at a minimum, a uniform business education tax rate be established for all GTA municipalities, such that Toronto's business education tax rate is comparable to other GTA municipalities;
 - (ix) the uncompetitive municipal tax rate for commercial, industrial and multi-residential properties be recognized;
- (2) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, report back in 2001 on a range of measures to address the uncompetitive commercial and industrial tax rates, including an analysis of the ranges of fairness and the Business Reference Group recommendation, an appropriate phase-in period, and other options available to retain the existing commercial and industrial tax base, and the multi-residential components of the tax base, and to encourage expansion of this component of the tax base; and

the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report to the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force on the history of property taxation within the commercial and industrial sectors, including the commercial concentration tax, and the historical tax burden borne by these classes, such report to include other jurisdictions in the GTA;

- (3) the report (May 3, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, as amended and adopted by City Council, be forwarded to all GTA Municipalities for their support to the Province of Ontario for legislative changes in time for 2001;
 - (4) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report further to the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force on the proposed definition of “neighbourhood commercial”;
 - (5) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer undertake an impact study on the effects of the 2001 reassessment on the residential property class, such study to focus on shifts within the residential property class;”
- (II) that the Ontario Property Assessment Corporation (OPAC) be requested to ensure that the method of valuation of property consider and appropriately reflect the property tax liability in the context of the current assessment and taxation system that would result from the method of valuation, to ensure that current value assessments do not create adverse tax impacts; and
- (III) that consideration of the following Recommendations Nos. (6) and (7) embodied in the aforementioned communication be deferred until such time as the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer submits the report requested in the foregoing Committee Recommendation No. (2):
- “(6) a Residential Reference Group be established, consisting of owners and tenants, to consider appropriate tax policy tools for residents, and to provide comments on the impact of the recommendations from the Business Reference Group; and further that all Members of Council be requested to submit names of interested individuals for the Residential Reference Group; and
 - (7) City Council endorse a policy position that there be no transfer of property tax burdens from the commercial/industrial property class to the residential class during the coming reassessment for implementation in 2001.”.

(Clause No. 1 – Report No. 7)

5-18. Transitional Housing Allocations from Mayor's Homeless Initiative Reserve Fund.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (May 18, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee on May 18, 2000, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the report (May 4, 2000) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting Transitional Housing Allocations from the Mayor's Homelessness Initiatives Reserve Fund, wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) grants in support of development of transitional housing projects be approved as follows, and these grants be deemed to be in the interest of the municipality:
 - (a) project planning grants totalling \$218,700.00 as specified in Appendix "A";
 - (b) major capital grants totalling \$500,000.00 as also specified in Appendix "A";
 - (c) a capital grant in the amount of \$225,000.00 be provided to Eva's Initiatives to complete the Eva's Phoenix transitional youth shelter at 11 Ordnance St.;
- (2) \$50,000.00 for associated project management and administration costs be borne by the Mayor's Homelessness Initiatives Reserve Fund;
- (3) funds in the amount of \$993,700.00 (the sum total of the Recommendations Nos. (1) and (2) above) be transferred from the Mayor's Homelessness Initiatives Reserve Fund to the 2000 Operating Budget of the Shelter, Housing and Support Division, to fund the above grants and project management and administration costs; and that the gross expenditure and revenue budgets of the Shelter, Housing and Support Division be increased by \$993,700.00 to reflect a zero net impact on the Division's 2000 Operating Budget;
- (4) the City enter into a grant agreement or agreements with each grant recipient, and:
 - (a) such agreements to be on the terms and conditions set out in the body of this report and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services in consultation with the City Solicitor;
 - (b) release of funds be subject to the recipient meeting such conditions as may be set out in the grant agreement, within 6 months of Council approval of the grant; and

- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto, including the introduction of any necessary bills in Council.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Community Services Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (May 18, 2000) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 10 – Report No. 7)

**5-19. Redirection of a Political Contribution
Rebate to Support Increased Grants to
Charitable Organizations in Return for
an Income Tax Receipt to the Donor.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (May 15, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting held on May 9, 10 and 11, 2000, referred the following Motion to the Policy and Finance Committee:

Moved by: Councillor Disero

Seconded by: Mayor Lastman

“**WHEREAS** the City of Toronto enacted a By-law on February 3, 2000, to establish a rebate program for municipal political contributions for the November, 2000 municipal election; and

WHEREAS the City of Toronto Consolidated Grants Budget is used to provide grants to charitable organizations providing essential health, culture, social, housing, and other services to the residents of Toronto; and

WHEREAS a process providing for the redirection of political contribution rebates to the Consolidated Grants Fund would assist the City’s capacity to provide additional grants to charitable organizations; and

WHEREAS the City has the authority to provide income tax receipts to individuals and corporations who make financial donations to the City of Toronto; and

WHEREAS current estimates suggest that political contributors in the November, 2000 municipal election will be eligible for up to approximately \$4.0 million in political contribution rebates; and

WHEREAS the receipts for campaign contributions are now being given to registered candidates for the November, 2000 municipal election for distribution to political contributors; and

WHEREAS Council may wish to introduce a policy providing for a redirection of political contribution rebates, it is urgent that a timely decision be reached to ensure all registered candidates and contributors have an opportunity to participate in such a program;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT City Council request the City Clerk, in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, the City Solicitor, and the lead Commissioner of the Consolidated Grants Committee, the Commissioner of Community Services, to report to the Policy and Finance, no later than July 20, 2000, on the feasibility of establishing a program that would allow the redirection of a political contribution rebate to support increased grants to charitable organizations in return for an income tax receipt to the donor.”

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

(City Clerk; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer c. City Solicitor; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services)

(Clause No. 20(g) – Report No. 7)

5-20. Lawrence Heights Waterplay (North York Spadina).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (May 16, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Economic Development and Parks Committee on May 15, 2000, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the report (April 27, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) Council approve the change of location for the waterplay from Lawrence Heights Community Centre to two separate locations within Flemington Park, one on the east side of the Allen Expressway and one on the west side;
- (2) Council approve the transfer of \$40,000.00 from the approved \$90,000.00 for Bathurst Heights outdoor basketball account to these waterplay facilities; and

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

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Economic Development and Parks Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (May 16, 2000) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 11 Report No. 7)

**5-21. Claim by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation
Regarding 354 Jarvis Street.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a joint confidential report (May 18, 2000) from the City Solicitor and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer respecting a Claim by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation Regarding 354 Jarvis Street, such report to be considered in camera having regard that the matter pertains to litigation or potential litigation, in accordance with the Municipal Act.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the joint confidential report (May 18, 2000) from the City Solicitor and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, entitled "Claim by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation regarding 354 Jarvis Street", which was forwarded to Members of Council under confidential cover; and further that, in accordance with the Municipal Act, discussions pertaining thereto be held in-camera, having regard that the subject matter relates to a litigation claim.

(Clause No. 15 – Report No. 7)

**5-22. Proposed Acquisition of CN Land North of Fort York
(Ward 20 – Trinity Niagara).**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (May 18, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Administration Committee on May 16, 2000:

- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of Recommendations Nos. (1), (3) to (5) embodied in the report (April 28, 2000) from the Commissioner of Corporate Services; and
- (2) concurred with the following Recommendation No. (2) embodied in the aforementioned report:

- “(2) this report be referred to the Policy and Finance Committee for a report directly to City Council on the provision of funding in the amount of \$230,000.00;”.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Administration Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (May 18, 2000) from the City Clerk; and further, that the necessary funds therefor be provided from the Parkland Acquisition Reserve Account (Metro).

(Clause No. 5 – Report No. 7)

5-23. Rehabilitation and Redevelopment of the Canada Malting Complex – Metronome Canada Incorporated (Ward 24 – Downtown).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (May 18, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Administration Committee on May 16, 2000:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the report (May 15, 2000) from the Commissioner of Corporate Services respecting the Rehabilitation and Redevelopment of the Canada Malting Complex – Metronome Canada Incorporated; and
- (2) concurred with the following Recommendation No. (3) embodied in the report (April 18, 2000) from the Commissioner of Corporate Services.

“(3) that this report be referred to the Policy and Finance Committee for information;”.

The Policy and Finance Committee received the foregoing communication.

(Clause No. 20(h) – Report No. 7)

5-24. Before and After School Programs, Former City of York Board.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (May 8, 2000) from the Director of Education and Secretary-Treasurer, The Toronto District School Board, advising that at a recent meeting, the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) adopted the following resolution:

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- (a) that the Toronto District School Board provide up to \$400,000.00 on the condition that the City of Toronto match with the same amount, to assist in the transition of the former City of York Board's Before and After School Program to a replacement program;
- (b) that the funding be provided for the 2000 – 2001 school year only;
- (c) that, if the above funding is approved by the Board, a letter to that effect be forwarded to the City Clerk, with the request that the appropriate Committee of City Council be advised promptly of this decision and a copy of the letter be forwarded to City Council; and
- (d) that parents of the former City of York Board of Education be informed of the decision of the TDSB and be provided with explanations on the process, timing and matched funding issues involved in this decision.

The Policy and Finance Committee received the foregoing communication.

(Ms. Marguerite Jackson, Director of Education and Secretary Treasurer, Toronto District School Board, c. Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services)

(Clause No. 20(i) – Report No. 7)

**5-25. Power Interruptions in Ward 16,
Scarborough Highland Creek.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (May 24, 2000) from the Chief Administrative Officer forwarding for information a report from Toronto Hydro concerning its action plan to address power outages in Ward 16.

On motion by Councillor Moeser, the Policy and Finance Committee deferred consideration of the foregoing report until its meeting scheduled to be held on June 22, 2000.

(Mr. John Brooks, President and Chief Executive Officer, Toronto Hydro, c. Chief Administrative Officer)

(Clause No. 20(j) – Report No. 7)

5-26. Implementation of Sustainability Measures in City-Owned Facilities as Part of the Better Buildings Partnership Program – (All Wards).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (May 17, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that the Works Committee on May 17, 2000, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the joint report (May 5, 2000) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Commissioner of Corporate Services respecting the implementation of sustainability measures in City-owned facilities as part of the Better Buildings Partnership Program wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) the Commissioners of Works and Emergency Services and Corporate Services jointly develop an implementation plan to achieve the highest economically feasible levels of carbon dioxide emissions reduction in facilities owned by the City, as a part of the Better Buildings Partnership;
- (2) the Commissioners of Works and Emergency Services and Corporate Services be authorized to issue Requests for Qualifications, Requests for Proposals and/or Requests for Quotations as appropriate, in order to facilitate the retrofit of the subject buildings as a participant in the Better Buildings Partnership;
- (3) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer in consultation with the Commissioners of Corporate Services and Works and Emergency Services and the Executive Director, Toronto Atmospheric Fund, develop a financing strategy to carry out the energy efficient retrofit of City-owned facilities that considers but is not limited to the following options:
 - (a) Funding/financing through the TAF;
 - (b) Private Sector Financing; and
 - (c) Alternative Financing;
- (4) the appropriate staff be authorised to enter into agreements for the comprehensive energy efficiency retrofits of designated portfolios of City-owned facilities in consultation with the respective department head and subject to the approval of the Commissioners of Works and Emergency Services and Corporate Services, the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, and the City Solicitor;
- (5) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services in consultation with the Commissioner of Corporate Services and the Executive Director, TAF, develop a plan to publicise actions taken by the City to demonstrate the City's leadership in putting in place economic energy efficiency measures to minimize CO₂ reductions;

- (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto; and
- (7) this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendation of the Works Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (May 17, 2000) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 12 – Report No. 7)

**5-27. Acquisition of Municipal Electrical Utilities
by Toronto Hydro Corporation.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a joint confidential report (May 23, 2000) from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer respecting the Acquisition of Municipal Electrical Utilities by Toronto Hydro Corporation, such confidential report to be considered in-camera having regard that the subject matter relates to the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

On motion by Councillor Pantalone, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the joint confidential report (May 23, 2000) from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, entitled “Acquisition of Municipal Electrical Utilities by Toronto Hydro Corporation”, which was forwarded to Members of Council under confidential cover; and further that, in accordance with *the Municipal Act*, discussions pertaining thereto be held in-camera having regard that the subject matter relates to the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

(Clause No. 16 – Report No. 7)

**5-28. Municipal, Provincial and Federal Tax Incentives
for Heritage Conservation.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (May 24, 2000) from Councillor Anne Johnston requesting that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer submit a report to the June 22, 2000, meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee respecting Items Nos. (8), (18) and (19) embodied in Clause No. 11 of Report No. 3 of the Policy and Finance Committee.

On motion by Councillor Pantalone, the Policy and Finance Committee concurred with the recommendation embodied in the foregoing communication that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer submit a report to the June 22, 2000, meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee respecting Items Nos. (8), (18) and (19) embodied in Clause No. 11 of Report No. 3 of the Policy and Finance Committee:

(Chief Financial Officer And Treasurer; c. Councillor Anne Johnston)

(Clause No. 20(k) – Report No. 7)

5-29. Procurement of Additional Subway Cars – TTC.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (May 11, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer respecting the (TTC) Toronto Transit Commission's request to accelerate the purchase of subway cars; advising that the TTC's 2000-2004 Capital Program does not include the purchase of additional subway cars; that in the absence of any Provincial and Federal cost sharing, the addition of 80 T-1 subway cars to the existing order with Bombardier, for the purposes of the Olympics will require approximately \$175 million in new funding by the City during 2001-2003; that raising these funds through additional debt financing would result in incremental debt charge increases of approximately \$4.5 million, and \$5 million in 2001-2002 and 2003 respectively; that this would represent an increase in the City's overall incremental debt charges of 13 percent in 2001, 37 percent in 2002 and 14 percent in 2003; and recommending that Council not approve the proposed advanced purchase of 80 T-1 subway cars unless funds are contributed towards this purchase by the Federal and/or Provincial Governments.

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

- Councillor David Miller, High Park;
 - Councillor Michael Walker, North Toronto.
- A. Councillor Pantalone moved on behalf of Councillor Miller that the Policy and Finance Committee recommend to Council the adoption of the foregoing report (May 11, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer subject to adding to the recommendation after the word "approve" the words "at this time".
(Lost)

- B. Councillor Jakobek moved that the Policy and Finance Committee recommend to Council the adoption of the foregoing report (May 11, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; and further, that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be requested to independently conduct a financial proforma to ensure that whether or not there is money available to purchase additional subway cars, that it is a sound economic decision, and submit a report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee. **(Carried)**

(Clause No. 17 – Report No. 7)

5-30. Walkerton E. Coli Outbreak.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (May 25, 2000) from Mayor Mel Lastman, City of Toronto, respecting the Town of Walkerton which has been seriously affected by a tragic outbreak of the E. Coli virus, that to date has taken 4 lives and left many hospitalized; and advising that after speaking to Mayor David Thomson of the Town of Walkerton, he has requested the Chief Administrative Officer to coordinate assistance to the Town of Walkerton.

The Policy and Finance Committee received the foregoing communication.

(Clause No. 20(1) – Report No. 7)

5-31. Toronto Transit Commission – Policy Respecting the Placement of Councillors’ Names on TTC Tickets.

Councillor David Miller, High Park, appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee requested the Chief General Manager of the Toronto Transit Commission to submit a report directly to Council, for its meeting scheduled to be held on June 7, 2000, respecting the past practice of the TTC regarding the placement of Councillors or the TTC’s Chair person’s name on TTC tickets etc.

(Mr. Rick Ducharme, Chief General Manager, Toronto Transit Commission)

(Clause No. 18 – Report No. 7)

5-32. Future Use of the Dempsey Store.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Policy and Finance Committee requested the Committee established by Council on April 11, 12 and 13, 2000, to assess the merit of utilizing Dempsey House as a facility for Autistic Children, to submit its report directly to Council, for its meeting scheduled to be held on June 7, 2000, for consideration with Clause No. 1 of Report No. 12 of the Administration Committee, entitled "Future Use of the Dempsey Store (Ward 10 – North York)".

(Committee to Consider the Future Use of the Dempsey Store - Councillor Feldman; Councillor Filion; Councillor Flint; Councillor Gardner; Councillor Jakobek; c: Ms. Frances Reda)

(Clause No. 20(m) – Report No. 7)

The Committee adjourned its meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Chair.