
WORKS COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Date of Meeting:	May 9, 2001	Enquiry:	Trudy Perrin
Time:	9:30 a.m.		Committee Administrator
Location:	Committee Room 1		392-8027
	City Hall		tperrin@city.toronto.on.ca
	100 Queen Street West		

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PURSUANT TO THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

- 1. DON VALLEY PARKWAY
HIGH MAST LIGHTING INSTALLATION.
(Ward 34 – Don Valley East)**

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(April 23, 2001)

Outlining the City of Toronto's progress with the installation of high mast lighting along the Don Valley Parkway, as requested by Councillor Minnan-Wong in response to a complaint from a constituent regarding a particular high mast pole; advising that the high mast lighting system from the Gardiner Expressway to Highway No. 401 is anticipated to be completed by December 2001; and recommending that this report be received for information.

- 1a. Mr. Lorne Dubros,
Don Mills, Ontario
(April 1, 2001)**

Requesting the opportunity to appear before the Committee with respect to concerns about the high mast pole lighting on the Don Valley Parkway, and its effects on his family and neighbourhood.

**2. SAFETY ISSUES REGARDING
CYCLING ON RESERVED LANES.**

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 10:15 a.m.

Ms. Lela Gary,
Air Pollution Coalition of Ontario
(February 21, 2001)

Requesting the opportunity to appear before the Committee with respect to concerns about safety issues of cycling on reserved lanes, and Municipal Code Chapter 400, Section 400-21, “Reserved Lanes”.

**3. FEASIBILITY OF LANE REDUCTIONS ON SECTION OF
KIPLING AVENUE, ISLINGTON AVENUE, AND
BURNHAMTHORPE ROAD.
(Etobicoke-Centre, Etobicoke-Lakeshore)**

(DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF FEBRUARY 7, 2001)

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 10:30 a.m.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(January 16, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) the existing five-lane roadway configuration on Kipling Avenue between Bloor Street West and Eglinton Avenue West be retained;
- (2) the existing four-lane roadway configuration on Islington Avenue between Dundas Street West and Eglinton Avenue West be retained; and
- (3) the existing four-lane roadway configuration on Burnhamthorpe Road between The East Mall and Dundas Street West be retained.

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

4. RESIDENTIAL ON-STREET PERMIT PARKING BY-LAW.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(April 19, 2001)

Submitting a proposed common residential on-street permit parking by-law for application on a City-wide basis; and recommending that this report be forwarded to all Community Councils for consideration and their comments be submitted to the Works Committee in order that Committee may consider and make recommendations on this proposed residential on-street permit parking by-law in the context of such comments at its July 4, 2001 meeting.

5. SALT MANAGEMENT STRATEGY.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(April 23, 2001)

Responding to the requests of the Committee at its meeting on March 28, 2001, for information with respect to the use of road salt and the location of snow dumping sites; advising that the Federal Government will be announcing whether road salt is to be classified as a toxin, and that Transportation Services staff in collaboration with the Transportation Association of Canada is developing an action plan which could be used by Canada transportation agencies in creating local salt management plans; further advising that Transportation Services is currently reviewing the City's salt management operations with a view to implementing a new road salt management plan based on the action plan being developed by the Transportation Association of Canada; and recommending that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services report on the new salt management plan prior to the 2001/2002 winter season.

6. STATUS UPDATE ON PROVINCIAL HIGHWAYS TRANSFERRED TO THE FORMER MUNICIPALITY OF METROPOLITAN TORONTO IN 1997.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(April 23, 2001)

Providing an update on the highways transferred to the former Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto from the Ministry of Transportation in April 1997, as requested by the Committee during its consideration of the 2001-2005 Capital Works Program for the Transportation Services Division; advising that in April 1997, five provincial highways were transferred and that to date, a total of \$3.1 million has been spent on the rehabilitation of these highways, with \$1.2 million programmed for 2001; further advising that the City is currently developing a Strategic Rehabilitation Program for the F.G. Gardiner Expressway between Highway 427 and the Humber River (formerly the Queen Elizabeth Way), to minimize costs and disruption to the public; and recommending that this report be received for information.

7. CONSTRUCTION OF BUS LOOP AT AVENUE ROAD AND BOMBAY AVENUE.

General Secretary,
Toronto Transit Commission
(April 12, 2001)

Advising that the Toronto Transit Commission, at its meeting on April 11, 2001, approved the following recommendations embodied in a report entitled "Construction of a Bus Loop at Avenue Road and Bombay Avenue":

"That the Commission:

- (1) request Toronto City Council to direct City Transportation Services staff to work with TTC staff to obtain approvals for, and to construct, in 2001, at TTC expense, a bus loop at the north end of Avenue Road at Bombay Avenue to replace the current sub-standard U-turn bus operation within the Avenue Road/Bombay intersection;
- (2) note that staff recently met with the local Councillor for the area and, at his request, are arranging a community meeting to discuss this proposal; and
- (3) forward this report to Councillors Feldman and Johnston, and to City Transportation Services."

8. ADJUSTMENTS TO ON-STREET PARKING METER HOURS OF OPERATIONS – EGLINTON AVENUE WEST.

President,
Toronto Parking Authority
(April 25, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) the current hours of operation for parking meters located on Eglinton Avenue West between Blackthorn Avenue and the William Allen Expressway be reduced to operate for a maximum period of two hours between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday (except where peak hour parking restrictions apply); and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be requested to take whatever action is necessary to give effect to the foregoing including the introduction in Council of any Bills that are required.

9. SELF-FUNDED DON VALLEY PARKWAY EXPANSION.

Councillor Paul Sutherland,
Ward 33 – Don Valley East
(April 20, 2001)

Requesting that staff report on a proposal to expand the Don Valley Parkway, including maintaining up to three existing lanes in either direction while adding two new centre toll lanes each way, to be funded by private firm(s) with a portion of the tolls returned to the City for transit initiatives.

10. PILOT PROGRAM - OMG NEWSPAPER BOXES.

Executive Vice-President,
OMG Media Inc.
(April 19, 2001)

Respecting the installation of OMG newspaper boxes to alleviate litter problems on City streets; and requesting the City's assistance, including participation with staff, to initiate meetings with various newspaper publishing companies to allow OMG to install such newspaper boxes on a pilot basis to assess their performance.

TECHNICAL SERVICES

**11. STRUCTURAL REHABILITATION OF
KINGSTON ROAD BRIDGE OVER HIGHLAND CREEK -
CONTRACT No. 01FS-18S, TENDER CALL No. 54-2001.
(Ward 44 – Scarborough East)**

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
and Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
(April 4, 2001)

Recommending that Contract No. 01FS-18S, Tender Call No. 54-2001 for the structural rehabilitation of the Kingston Road Bridge over Highland Creek be awarded to Anskon Contracting Inc. & Janscon Holdings Inc. in the amount of \$2,613,107.03 including all taxes and charges, being the lowest Tender received.

**12. AGREEMENT FOR PROCESS CONTROLLER
EQUIPMENT FOR USE IN WATER AND
WASTEWATER SERVICES FACILITIES -
CONTRACT No. MWRFP198.**

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(April 24, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) the execution of an agreement with GE Fanuc Automation Canada Inc. for the supply and delivery of process controller equipment for use in water and wastewater facilities be authorized; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

13. COST RECOVERY FOR REQUESTS TO RENAME STREET USING A CORPORATE OR BUSINESS NAME.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(May 1, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) applicants who request to rename a street or lane after a business be required to pay full costs incidental thereto, including but not limited to the publishing of notices, sign fabrication and installation, registration of by-law and all staff costs associated with the preparation and circulation of related correspondence and the updating of City databases;
- (2) a non-refundable fee of \$3,000 be submitted with each request to rename a street or lane after a business;
- (3) the applicant be required to compensate the residents and businesses affected by the street or lane name change proposal;
- (4) the introduction of a by-law renaming a street or lane after a business be conditional upon the receipt of funds referred to in Recommendation No. (1); and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto including the introduction of any by-law that may be required.

14. MONTHLY STATUS REPORT ON DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS – DISTRICT 1.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(April 24, 2001)

Providing a monthly status report on the Department's progress relative to the development application backlog, and the volume of development applications received and processed in District 1, as requested by the Committee at its meeting on March 28, 2001; and recommending that this report be received for information.

WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES

15. ULTRA LOW FLUSH TOILET INCENTIVE PROGRAM.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(April 27, 2001)

Respecting the effectiveness of the 1999 Ultra Low Flush Toilet Incentive Program; and recommending that:

- (1) the Toronto Housing Company (Inc) and the Metropolitan Toronto Housing Corporation be provided a financial incentive to replace existing high water consumption toilets with ultra-low flush toilets in the amount of \$60.00 per toilet to a total maximum funding of \$600,000 in 2001;
- (2) authority be granted to offer multi-unit residential property owners a financial incentive to replace existing high water consumption toilets with ultra-low flush toilets in the amount of \$40.00 per toilet to a total maximum of \$760,000 in 2001;
- (3) the City pre-qualify Performance Contractors to undertake the ultra-low flush toilet replacement program for privately owned multi-unit residential buildings;
- (4) the Solid Waste Management fees be waived for the disposal of all existing high water consumption toilets replaced through this program; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be granted authority necessary to give effect thereto.

16. DESIGNATION OF GENERIC AND SECTOR SPECIFIC POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN AND POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN SUMMARY FORMS.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(April 24, 2001)

Advising that since the enactment of the new Sewer Use By-law No. 457-2000, which has been incorporated into the Municipal Code Chapter 681, generic P2 plan and P2 plan summary forms for most manufacturing industries have been revised to make them more user friendly and conform to the requirements specified in the By-law, and that P2 plan and P2 plan summary forms for the photographic processing have been developed; and recommending that the revised generic pollution prevention plan and pollution prevention plan summary forms be designated for use by the manufacturing industries, and that the sector specific pollution prevention plan and pollution prevention plan summary forms for the photographic processing be designated for use by that sector.

(NOTE: A COPY OF THE AFOREMENTIONED SUMMARY FORMS HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO ALL MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, AND A COPY THEREOF IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK.)

17. WORKS BEST PRACTICES PROGRAM – VALUE FOR MONEY ASSESSMENT.

City Clerk
(April 17, 2001)

Advising that the Audit Committee, on April 11, 2001, had before it a report (January 18, 2001) from the City Auditor respecting the Works Best Practices Program – Value for Money Assessment; and that the Audit Committee referred the aforementioned report to the Works Committee and further:

- (1) directed that Toronto Civic Employees' Union Local 416 and the members of the Audit Committee be provided a copy of the report from the consulting firm Hatch Beddows, as requested in the communication (April 11, 2001) from the President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union Local 416; and
- (2) directed that Toronto Civic Employees' Union Local 416 be consulted prior the implementation of the recommendations of the report from the consulting firm Hatch Beddows, as requested in the communication (April 11, 2001) from the President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union Local 416.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

18. MANDATORY RECYCLING IN FOOD COURTS AND PUBLIC SPACES.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(April 23, 2001)

Respecting the possibility of the City enacting a by-law to make recycling mandatory in food courts and public spaces, and the necessary resources, as requested by the Committee at its meeting on March 28, 2001; advising that the City, in reliance on its waste management powers, may be able to mandate recycling at food courts or other public spaces to which it provides waste collection services, but that most food courts and public spaces do not receive collection services from the City; further advising that while it is unlikely that the City could rely on its licensing powers to make recycling mandatory in food courts and other public spaces, the Province, through Ontario Regulation No. 103/94, does have the authority to enforce compliance with regards to recycling

containers at complexes containing food courts and public spaces; and recommending that the City formally request the Province of Ontario to enforce Ontario Regulation No. 103/94.

19. TIRE RECYCLING.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(April 20, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) authority be granted to conduct a pilot program, in conjunction with the Resources Renewal Group, whereby tires at the Dufferin Transfer Station are sorted and the tires that are in good condition are shipped to Third World countries for reuse; and
- (2) the appropriate officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

20. CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR RENTAL OF THREE RECYCLING COLLECTION VEHICLES WITH OPERATORS IN DISTRICTS 3 AND 4 (NORTH YORK AND SCARBOROUGH) - QUOTATION REQUEST No. FA63-99007.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
and Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
(April 26, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) authority be granted to extend the existing contract with Canadian Waste Services Inc., for the rental of three recycling collection vehicles with operators in Districts 3 and 4 (North York and Scarborough) at an hourly rate of \$76.27 including all charges and taxes, for an additional one-year period commencing on July 1, 2001 and expiring on June 30, 2002, at a total estimated cost of \$533,890.00 including all charges and taxes; and
- (2) the appropriate officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

21. CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR RENTAL OF SIX REFUSE PACKERS WITH OPERATORS IN DISTRICTS 3 AND 4 (NORTH YORK AND SCARBOROUGH) - TENDER CALL No. 98-T026.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
and Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
(April 26, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) authority be granted to extend the existing contract with BSD Environmental Solutions/Capital Environmental Resource Inc., for the rental of six refuse packers with operators in Districts 3 and 4 (North York and Scarborough) at an hourly rate of \$83.26 including all charges and taxes, for an additional one-year period commencing on July 1, 2001 and expiring on June 30, 2002, at a total estimated cost of \$1,082,337.10, including all charges and taxes; and
- (2) the appropriate officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

22. COMMERCIAL GARBAGE COLLECTION REVIEW.

City Clerk
(April 17, 2001)

Advising that the Audit Committee, on April 11, 2001, had before it a report (March 29, 2001) from the City Auditor respecting the Commercial Garbage Collection Review, which recommended that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, in harmonizing commercial garbage collection service across the City, consider:
 - (a) limiting commercial garbage collection service to a standard twice-weekly collection for all eligible businesses, and that businesses requiring more frequent garbage collection service beyond the standard service provided by the City, augment that service by contracting with a private garbage collection service; and
 - (b) the revenue and cost implications associated with limiting commercial garbage collection to a twice-weekly service for all eligible businesses across the City, and report to the Works Committee, accordingly;

- (2) the Solid Waste Management Division re-evaluate the current rate structure for commercial garbage collection as a result of the number of businesses that have had their collection service reduced to twice per week and assess the impact on the recovery of costs (including related administrative costs);
- (3) to streamline administrative procedures and to facilitate the billings and collection process:
 - (a) the Solid Waste Management Division, in consultation with Revenue Services Division of the Finance Department, investigate the feasibility of billing for commercial garbage collection services, in advance, on an annual or semi-annual basis; and
 - (b) City Legal Services, in consultation with Solid Waste Management Division, develop the necessary by-laws or determine the required changes to existing by-laws to enable the City to charge property owners for commercial garbage collection service;
- (4) the Solid Waste Management Division, in consultation with City Legal Services, incorporate into the harmonized commercial garbage collection by-law, the right for the City to charge back to the property owner's tax bill, costs relating to the inspection, clean up and court costs associated with any garbage related infraction; and
- (5) the By-law Enforcement Unit of Solid Waste Management Division implement a plan to re-deploy by-law enforcement officers to the night shift, to perform targeted inspections of businesses who have had their commercial garbage collection service reduced to twice weekly, but continue to put out garbage;

and further advising that the Audit Committee:

- (1) referred the aforementioned report to the Works Committee with the request that it report back to the Audit Committee for its meeting to be held in June 2001; and
- (2) recommended to the Works Committee the adoption of the following motion from Councillor Balkissoon:

“That the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer engage a collection agency to recover outstanding garbage collection fees.”

IN CAMERA - In accordance with the Municipal Act, a motion is required for the Committee to meet privately and the reason must be stated.

**23. TIPPING FEES REVIEW –
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES DIVISION
WORKS AND EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT.**

City Clerk
(April 12, 2001)

Confidential communication respecting the recommendations of the Audit Committee on April 12, 2001, with regard to a confidential report (January 31, 2001) from the City Auditor respecting Tipping Fees Review – Solid Waste Management Services Division, such communication to be considered in camera having regard that the subject matter relates to the security of the property of the municipality.

**24. UPDATE AND FUTURE ACTION –
AUTOMATED “FLOWER POT”
WASTE COLLECTION SYSTEM.**

City Clerk
(March 29, 2001)

Advising that the Automated “Flower Pot” Waste Collection System Working Group on March 27, 2001, recommended that:

- (1) the report (March 6, 2001) from the Co-ordinator, Operational Planning, Solid Waste Management Services, Works and Emergency Services, be adopted;
- (2) the community and the local Councillors consider using a portion of the \$150,000.00 contributed by First Professional for streetscaping along Wilson Avenue, to streetscaping those areas where a number of roll-out carts are set out for collection in a group (e.g., Sparrow Avenue and Dufferin Street);
- (3) the roll-out carts be retrofitted with a sticker or licence plate which would allow City staff to identify the owner of each bin, to facilitate enforcement;
- (4) the aforementioned report (March 6, 2001) from the Co-ordinator, Operational Planning, Solid Waste Management Services, Works and Emergency Services, be distributed to all businesses that are on the program, with a copy to the local Councillors involved, and the names listed, along with the appropriate telephone numbers, to enable businesses to get information or to express concerns;

- (5) the pilot project be extended to locations where “flower pots” are to be replaced, as well as to other areas contiguous to the pilot area, where waste collection can be improved; with the property owner being responsible for paying for the roll-out carts; and
- (6) the program be extended to one other pilot area not now on the “flower pot” waste collection system (e.g., Eglinton Avenue from Dufferin Street to the William Allen Road) to test merchant reaction.

25. COST OF WASTE DIVERSION PROGRAMS.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(April 18, 2001)

Providing information on the cost of the City’s waste diversion programs, including detailed breakdowns with respect to the Blue/Grey Box and Household Hazardous Waste programs, as requested by the Committee at its meeting on March 28, 2001; advising that the total cost of Toronto’s waste diversion programs in 2000 was \$17,176,000, which equates to an average cost of \$73 per tonne, and which includes direct operating costs and debt charges on capital expenditures and excludes indirect administration and corporate overhead costs; and recommending that this report be received for information.

26. PROPOSED CHANGES TO SOLID WASTE TRANSFER STATION SERVICE AREAS.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(April 23, 2001)

Advising the Committee that Solid Waste Management Services intends to proceed with an application to the Ontario Ministry of the Environment to expand the services areas of its solid waste transfer stations to include the entire City of Toronto and the neighbouring Regions of Durham, Peel and York; noting that with the impending closures of the Keele Valley Landfill Site and the Britannia Landfill Site, the City has an opportunity to amend the current transfer station Certificates of Approval, and that by expanding the service areas, the City could realize new revenues and optimize the use of its current infrastructure; and recommending that this report be received for information.