

PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AGENDA MEETING No. 3

Date of Meeting: January 24, 2002 Enquiry: Christine Archibald

Time: 10:30 a.m. Administrator Location: Committee Room 2 (416) 392-7039

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

Note: Please refer to your agenda package for the January 18, 2002 meeting for copies of Agenda Items 1 to 1(i) and 2-5 listed herein.

1. 11:00 A.M. 2002 OPERATING BUDGET AND 2002-2006 CAPITAL BUDGET

The following material (1 - 1(h)) was before the Planning and Transportation Committee meeting on January 14, 2002. As the material is not being reproduced for this agenda, please bring it with you.

Paper copy of presentation, titled "2002 Capital & Operating Budgets", as presented by the Commissioner of Urban Development Services

Analyst Briefing Notes for 2002 - 2006 Capital Program on:

- (a) Urban Development Services;
- **(b)** Special Corporate Projects;
- (c) Yonge Dundas Project; and
- (d) Waterfront Revitalization Initiative
- (e) Analyst Briefing Notes for 2002 Operating Budget of Urban Development Services
- (f) 2002 New/Enhanced Services Request

1(g). Ann Dembinski, President

CUPE, Local 79

(January 14, 2002)

Forwarding concerns about the lack of meaningful information regarding the operating budgets of the departments under the Committee's mandate and requesting that the budget not be cut and adequate resources be provided to continue this critical work.

1(h). Neil Beveridge, Chair <u>Taxicab Advisory Committee</u>

(undated)

Submitting the following 2002 budget items, as approved by TAC at its meeting on September 24, 2002:

Per Diem for members \$12,000.00 Workshops/Incidentals \$5,000.00

TaxiWatch Programme

Awards \$2,000.00

Coordinator honorarium \$4,200.00 \$6,200.00

1(i). Neil Beveridge, Chair

<u>Taxicab Advisory Committee</u>

(January 14, 2002)

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Requesting that the Committee adopt the 2002 Taxicab Advisory Committee Budget Request as outlined in his letter dated September 25, 2001 to Mr. Bruce Robertson

1(j). <u>Councillor Pantalone</u> (January 17, 2002)

Recommending that:

- (1) the Committee concur with Level 1 and 2 reductions as proposed by the Commissioner to achieve efficiencies;
- (2) the Committee approve the following items in the department's list of enhanced and new service changes for recommendations to the Budget Advisory Committee:
- (3) the Committee approve \$1.1 million of the enhanced and new service requests of the department; and
- (4) the Committee ask the Budget Advisory Committee to confirm that the amount for enhanced service changes as noted below will be

added to the base budget of Urban Development Services for future years.

Enhanced Service Changes	Requested Gross \$000s	Requested Net \$000s	Recommended Net \$000s	
1a Business Systems salaries – technical error	\$483.1	\$483.1	\$350.0	Defer consideration of funding in the amount of
				\$133.1 for two vacant positions until 2003
1b Cycling Program – technical error	\$108.0	\$108.0	\$108.0	Reinstate funding for core program
2 Gapping Reduction – MLS inspectors	\$436.4	\$436.4	\$218.0	Allows 3 of 6 positions to be filled by lowering gapping level to 3.2%
3 City Planning Data Collection	\$63.0	\$63.0	\$0.0	Absorb within division
4 OMB Hearing Support	\$255.0	\$255.0	\$150.0	Reduce amount by \$105.0
5 Postering By-Law Enforcement	\$290.0	\$290.0	\$0.0	Defer consideration of funding until 2003
6 City Planning Transportation and Employment Surveys	\$295.9	\$295.9	\$0.0	Absorb within division
7 City Planning Studies	\$157.5	\$157.5	\$100.0	Defer one study until 2003
Subtotal – Enhanced	\$2,088.9	\$2,088.9	\$926.0	
New Service Changes 1 City Planning Waterfront Part 2 Precinct Studies	\$250.0	\$250.0	\$125.0	Spread study work over 2 years
2 Sign By-Law Harmonization	\$100.0	\$100.0	\$0.0	Defer item until 2003
3 Streamlining of Development Review Process	\$50.0	\$50.0	\$50.0	Include item for 2002
4 Parkdale Project	\$55.0	\$55.0	\$0.0	Absorb within division
Subtotal – New	\$455.0	\$455.0	\$175.0	
Total	\$2,543.9	\$2,543.9	\$1,101.0	
Less: Additional Recoveries 1 Increase administrative				
fee for work without a permit			\$93.3	
2 Increase right-of-way fees			\$46.5	
Subtotal – Recoveries	-	-	\$139.8	
Total	\$2,543.9	\$2,543.9	\$962.2	

1(k). Commissioner, Urban Development Services (January 17, 2002)

Addressing the Committee's questions that arose during the Urban Development Services' budget presentation on January 14, 2002.

1(l). <u>Commissioner, Urban Development Services</u> (January 18, 2002)

Reporting on a proposal to increase boulevard cafe, marketing, and vending fees by five percent (5%) to the annual charge as prescribed in Chapters 313 and 315 of the former City of Toronto Municipal Code and former Metropolitan Toronto By-law No. 98-97, and **recommending** that the Committee:

- (1) recommend to the Works Committee that Chapter 313 of the former City of Toronto Municipal Code be amended to increase the annual fees applicable to: Awning, temporary marketing enclosures or similar temporary installations (§313-35); Boulevard cafes (§313-36); and Temporary partial café enclosure (§313-37) as prescribed for in Schedule A of Chapter 313, and Chapter 315 of the former City of Toronto Municipal Code by adopting the Estimated 2002 fee plus five percent (5%) as set out in the report and that those fees continue to be subject to automatic increases in subsequent years based on the Consumer Price index as provided for in that schedule;
- (2) recommend to the Works Committee that Metropolitan Toronto By-law No. 98-97 be amended to increase the annual fees applicable to vending fees on Metro Roads by adopting the Estimated 2002 fee plus five percent (5%) as set out in the report and that those fees continue to be subject to automatic increases in subsequent years based on the Consumer Price index as provided for in that by-law;
- (3) this report be forwarded to the Works Committee meeting scheduled for January 22, 2002 for its consideration in order that the matter may be dealt with at the Council meeting of February 13, 14, 15, 2002; and
- (4) the City Solicitor be authorized to prepare the necessary amendments and introduce in Council the necessary bill(s) to give effect thereto.

1(m). <u>Hamish Wilson</u> (undated)

Submitting comments respecting the budget.

2. URBAN DEVELOPMENT SERVICES' 2002 OPERATING BUDGET: INCREASE IN FEES FOR COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT AND COMMUNITY PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Commissioner of Urban Development Services (January 4, 2002)

To **increase** fees for all Committee of Adjustment and Community Planning applications to better recover City Planning Division operating costs, and **recommending** that

- (1) the Planning Application Fee Schedule, adopted by Council at its meeting held on April 16, 1998 (Urban Development Committee Report No. 4, Clause 4), be amended to increase planning application fees by 20%, effective March 1, 2002;
- a surcharge be levied on applicants to cover facility rental and translation and sign language service costs associated with community consultation meetings;
- (3) the Planning Applications Fees Schedule, as amended, be incorporated into Municipal Code, Chapter 441, Fees, substantially in the form of the draft by-law attached as Appendix "A"; and
- (4) appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take any necessary action, including the introduction of any Bills in Council, to give effect thereto.

3. HARMONIZED CITY-WIDE RAVINE BY-LAW: SUPPLMENTARY REPORT ON FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Commissioner of Urban Development Services

(Report not yet available)

4. THROUGH-WAY TRUCK LANES ON HIGHWAY 401

<u>Commissioner, Works and Emergency Services</u> (December 18, 2001)

Commenting on a motion, moved by Councillor Howard Moscoe, proposing that the Province of Ontario be asked to create physically-separated through-ways for trucks on Highway 401 within the City of Toronto and **recommending** that this report be forwarded for the information of Council.

4(a). <u>City Clerk</u> (October 11, 2001)

Advising that City Council, at its meeting held on October 2, 3 and 4, 2001, referred the following Motion to the Planning and Transportation Committee:

(4) Through-way Lanes for Truck Traffic on Highway 401

Moved by: Councillor Moscoe Seconded by: Councillor Mihevc

"WHEREAS there are increasing numbers of tractor trailers on Highway 401; and

WHEREAS the safety of motorists is often jeopardized by excessive volumes of large trucks during daytime hours traversing Toronto via this highway; and

WHEREAS the establishment of Highway 407 as a toll road has further exaggerated the volumes of heavy truck traffic on Highway 401 through Toronto; and

WHEREAS some American cities have restricted heavy truck traffic to a single lane of freeways; and

WHEREAS Highway 401 through Toronto is uniquely structured to allow for the establishment of truck through-lanes on separated rights-of-way;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City consider recommending to the Province that the inside through-lanes of Highway 401, in both directions, be established as truck through-ways;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the truck through-ways be separated from the rest of the highway by jersey barriers which allow for entry and exit at the east and west borders of Toronto;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the off ramps on the balance of the highway be prohibited for use by heavy trucks from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this matter be referred to the appropriate staff for a report back to the Planning and Transportation Committee in not less than two months."

4(b). David H. Bradley, President Ontario Trucking Association (January 17, 2002)

Supporting the proposal that "It is not feasible or practical to implement such a proposal on Highway 401 through the City of Toronto at this time".

5. MOTIONS EMANATING FROM THE 2002-2006 CAPITAL PROGRAM AND 10-YEAR CAPITAL FORECAST

<u>Note</u>: This item was deferred from the Planning and Transportation Committee meeting on January 14, 2002

<u>Vincent Rodo, General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission</u> (November 30, 2001)

Recommending that the following motions, approved by the Commission during its consideration of a report entitled "2002-2006 Capital Program and 10-Year Capital Forecast", be forwarded to the Planning and Transportation Committee for its consideration:

- (1) that staff review the feasibility of creative utilization of Section 37 under the Planning Act for assistance to transit;
- (2) staff review the model that the 905 Region has used for development levies to fund public transit, i.e. GO Transit, and make recommendations with respect to development levies for public transit related projects within the City of Toronto; and
- (3) that the Province of Ontario be requested to amend the Planning Act to provide for transit benefits under Section 37 and that the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be requested to report further on this proposal.

5(a). Commissioner of Urban Development Services (January 8, 2002)

Discussing the request of the Toronto Transit Commission to report on the use of Section 37 of the Planning Act to benefit the transit system, and **recommending** that:

- (1) this report be received for information; and
- (2) be forwarded to the Toronto Transit Commission for information.

6. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BUILDING PERMIT BY-LAW NO. 163-1998

<u>Commissioner, Urban Development Services</u> (December 15, 2001)

Advising of the addition of an administrative surcharge to building permits which are secured after construction has commenced prior to the issuance of a building permit; an increase in the deposit required to accompany a building permit application to ensure that the City collects the non-refundable permit fees portion, should the application get cancelled or abandoned; a number of clarifications and house keeping issues, and **recommending** that this report be received and the following be adopted:

- (1) an additional amount of 50% of the required total permit fee or \$100, whichever is greater, be charged for a project when construction has commenced prior to the issuance of a building permit;
- (2) Building Permit By-law No. 163-1998 be amended to increase the deposit required to accompany the building permit application to ensure that the City collects the non-refundable permit fees portion should the application get cancelled or abandoned;
- (3) Schedule "A" of the Building Permit By-law No. 163-1998 be amended to include the following:
 - (a) revise Section 5. to read "Fees for classes of permits or services not described or included in this Schedule be based on:
 - a fee of \$14.70/thousand dollars of prescribed construction value, or
 - an hourly charge of \$63/hour where there is no prescribed construction value, to account for processing of the permit and inspections;
 - (b) revise Section 6. f) to change the permit fee refund recipient from the "current permit holder" to the party who paid the permit fees or to other person(s) as authorized in writing by said party; and
 - (c) add a sunset clause for eligibility for building permit fee refunds as set out in the body of the report. Refunds shall be calculated in accordance with the refund schedule included in the Building Permit By-law at the time the refund request is made;
- (4) Section 2. h) in Schedule "B" of the Building Permit By-law No. 163-1998 be amended to reflect changes to names of various corporations, boards, commissions and agencies;

- (5) Building Division staff in conjunction with Legal Services be directed to prepare the necessary by-law amendments; and
- (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action, including the introduction of a bill in Council, to give effect thereto.