

WATERFRONT REFERENCE GROUP AGENDA MEETING No. 2

Date of Meeting: Wednesday, February 20, 2002 Enquiry: Christine Archibald

Time: 5:00 p.m. Administrator Location: Council Chamber (416) 392-7039

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PURSUANT TO THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 9, 2002 MEETING.

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PRESENTATION

1. 5:20 P.M. TORONTO FILM/MEDIA COMPLEX

Allan G. Andrews, Chief Executive Officer, TEDCO (February 13, 2002)

Advising that the Toronto Economic Development Corporation, at its meeting on February 8 and 11, 2002 requested that the Waterfront Reference Group be provided with a presentation on the approved proponent for the Toronto Film/Media Complex and on the preliminary design concepts which were included in the winning proposal, and that the technical advisors in the selection process be invited to assist in the presentation to the Waterfront Reference Group

PRESENTATION AND PUBLIC DEPUTATIONS

2. 6:00 P.M. FEEDBACK FROM PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS – "MAKING WAVES: PRINCIPLES FOR BUILDING TORONTO'S WATERFRONT" (CENTRAL WATERFRONT PART II PLAN),

<u>Commissioner of Urban Development Services</u> (February 11, 2002)

Highlighting the major themes raised during public consultation, identifying next steps for the Central Watefront Part II Plan, and **recommending** that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be directed to review the Central Waterfront Part II Plan against the major themes identified during the public consultation process, including the February 20th meeting of the Waterfront Reference Group, and report on proposed modifications and/or additions that may be required; and
- (2) the Central Waterfront Part II Plan and the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation's Business Plan, including an assessment of options for a redesigned Gardiner Expressway corridor, be submitted concurrently to City Council through the Waterfront Reference Group and the appropriate Standing Committees.

2(A) EXPANSION OF THE TORONTO CITY CENTRE AIRPORT (ISLAND AIRPORT)

<u>City Clerk</u> (February 8, 2002)

Advising that the Toronto East York Community Council, at its meeting on January 29, 2002, **forwarded** to the Waterfront Reference Group for its meeting on February 20, 2002 its following action with respect to a joint communication (January 29, 2002) from Councilors Chow and McConnell respecting the expansion of the Toronto City Airport. The Toronto East York Community Council requested:

(1) the Chief Planner to report to the Planning and Transportation Committee, at its meeting on March 25, 2002, regarding the compatibility of the current airport operation and the proposed expanded island airport with the Waterfront Revitalization Plan, and having directed him, in the preparation of the report, to consult with the Medical Officer of Health regarding the health and environmental issues that are relevant to this matter, in particular, the Toronto Cancer Prevention Coalition's concerns; and

(2) the City Solicitor to submit an opinion at that time on the potential liability to the City resulting from any amendment to the Tripartite Agreement suggested by the recent British Columbia lawsuit regarding the nuisance caused by the expansion of the Vancouver Airport.

2(B) REQUEST FOR FURTHER OPTIONS ON THE WATERFRONT PLAN

<u>City Clerk</u> (December 14, 2001)

Advising that City Council, at its meeting held on December 4, 5 and 6, 2001, **referred** the following Motion to the Waterfront Reference Group:

"Whereas there is strong public support for the revitalization of the waterfront; and

Whereas the waterfront plan has been presented to the public by calling for the dismantling of the Gardiner Expressway, with no other options; and

Whereas the Gardiner Expressway is the west-end's gateway to the downtown core; and

Whereas because of the notion that the Gardiner must be removed to revitalize the waterfront, strong opposition is emerging from the City's west end to oppose the plan; and

Whereas the waterfront revitalization should not exclusively be a debate about the future of the Gardiner Expressway; and

Whereas all viable options should be considered by Council when considering the waterfront revitalization project; and

Whereas the City's Chief Planner has called for healthy debate about the future of the Gardiner Expressway;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That Planning staff, in consultation with the Waterfront Reference Group, be directed to present options to revitalize the waterfront, with or without the dismantling of the Gardiner Expressway;

And Be It Further Resolved That staff be directed to hold further consultations regarding the waterfront revitalization plan, with the main focus on the future of the Gardiner Expressway."

2(C) DON GREENWAY 300: FLOOD SPILLWAY IN THE PORTLAND

Dalton C. Shipway (February 11, 2002)

Forwarding a package of material regarding the linkage of the Don Valley with the Leslie Street spit and the Lake with a flood spillway and wildlife corridor and other issues

(Note: Due to copyright restrictions, newspaper and journal articles appended to this package are on file in the City Clerk's office)

2(D) REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS RESPECTING THE FOREGOING ITEMS 2, 2(A), 2(B) AND 2(C)

2(D)(I) <u>Commissioner of Urban Development Services</u>

Supplementary report on the Toronto Island Airport (Note: Report is not yet available)

2(D)(2) City Clerk, Sustainability Round Table

(Note: Report respecting the Central Waterfront Part II Plan is not yet available)

2(D)(3) <u>City Clerk, Task Force on the Gardiner/Lake Shore Corridor</u> (February 7, 2002)

Advising that the Task Force on the Gardiner/Lake Shore Corridor, at its meetings on January 23, 2002 and February 6, 2002:

- (1) **endorsed** the directions contained in the City's Central Waterfront Part II Plan Summary Report entitled "Making Waves" and in particular,
 - (i) the four Core Principles of the Plan;
 - (ii) moving ahead with the replacement of the elevated sections of the Gardiner Expressway;
 - (iii) the emphasis on transit, water routes, cycling and pedestrian facilities;
 - (iv) the "Transit First" initiative contained in the Plan; and
 - (v) the Roads Plan, subject to:

- (a) a study of staging of the plan to eliminate 3-year closure of the Expressway during construction;
- (b) a review of staging of the plan to allow early progress in the western sections while review of the central and eastern alignment continues;
- (c) a reduction in the number of ramps connecting at grade portions with underground portions;
- (d) investigating implications of 20% below grade as a through route only;
- (e) a revision to the Eastern section to reduce the width and proximity of the roadways, (particularly of the section on the embankment) and to eliminate the need to increase the lengths of the underpasses and to create reasonable development parcels on the street edges;
- (f) the utilization of existing Fort York Boulevard alignment; and
- (g) a review of a business plan for the project;
- (vi) the principle of disbursing as much traffic at grade as possible across a wide network of streets; and
- (2) **recommended** that the transit component of the Plan include a direct connection from Coxwell Avenue in the East to Roncesvalles Avenue in the West.
- 2(D)(4) <u>Jackie Thomas</u> (February 7, 2002)

Forwarding comments respecting the Toronto Island Airport.

2(D)(5) <u>Jan Sugerman</u> (February 8, 2002)

Forwarding comments respecting the Toronto Island Airport.

2(D)(6) <u>Cam Miller</u> (February 8, 2002)

Forwarding comments respecting the Toronto Island Airport.

2(D)(7) <u>Don Sutherland</u>

(February 10, 2002)

Forwarding comments respecting the Toronto Island Airport.

2(D)(8) <u>Ian Russell</u>

(February 11,2002)

Forwarding comments respecting the Toronto Island Airport.

2(D)(9) Bruna Nota

(February 11, 2002)

Forwarding comments respecting the Toronto Island Airport.

2(D)(10) Denis C. Michaud

(February 11, 2002)

Forwarding comments respecting the Toronto Island Airport.

2(D)(11) Bert and Joy Van Kleef

(February 12, 2002)

Forwarding comments respecting the Toronto Island Airport.

2(D)(12) Shelagh Roberson

(November 5, 2001)

Forwarding comments respecting the Toronto Island Airport.

3. UPDATE ON THE TORONTO WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PROJECT

<u>Commissioner of Urban Development Services</u> (February 7, 2002)

Providing an update on the various Toronto Waterfront Revitalization initiatives, and **recommending** that this report be received for information.

- **3(a)** Clause 19 of Report No. 2 of the Policy and Finance Committee titled "Bill 151 The Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation Act, 2001", which will be considered by City Council at its meeting on February 13, 2002
- **3(b)** Clause 20 of Report 2 of the Policy and Finance Committee titled "Communications and Reporting Protocol for the Waterfront Reference Group and the Waterfront Revitalization Initiative.

(Note: Action taken by City Council at its February 13, 2002 with respect to items 3(a) and 3(b) will be provided at the meeting)