

**THE CITY OF TORONTO**

**City Clerk's Division**

**Minutes of the Budget Advisory Committee**

**Meeting No. 6**

**Tuesday, February 5, 2002**

The Budget Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, February 5, 2002, in Committee Room No. 1, 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. – 12:30 p.m.	2:10 p.m. – 6:20 p.m.
Councillor David Shiner, Chair	X	X
Councillor Paul Sutherland, Vice Chair	X	X
Councillor Olivia Chow	X	X
Councillor Ron Moeser	X	X
Councillor Joe Pantalone	X	X
Councillor Jane Pitfield	X	X
Councillor David Soknacki	X	X

Also Present:

Councillor Betty Disero	Councillor Pam McConnell
Councillor Doug Holyday	Councillor Kyle Rae
Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski	

## 6.1 2002 Capital and Operating Budgets

### Water and Wastewater Services - 2002 Capital Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Capital Budget for Water and Wastewater Services.

- A. Councillor Sutherland moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
- (1) refer the 2002 Capital Budget for Water and Wastewater Services to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time; and
  - (2) request the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to provide for the wrap-up meeting on February 11, 2002, details on what is planned to be debentured this year for debt.

**(Carried)**

Councillor Shiner appointed Councillor Sutherland Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

- B. Councillor Shiner moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
- (1) request the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to provide for the wrap-up meeting on February 11, 2002:
    - (i) detailed information on the reserve account respecting this program; and
    - (ii) information on how he would consolidate the publications Waste Watch, Water Watch and City Routes, and how the total cost, including design, printing and distribution, could be reduced by approximately 50 percent.

**(Carried)**

Councillor Shiner resumed the Chair.

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- C. Councillor Chow moved that the Budget Advisory Committee request the Chief Administrative Officer and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to provide for the wrap-up meeting on February 11, 2002, details of the actuals for this Division, i.e., what was approved and the actuals for the last three years.

**(Carried)**

(Chief Administrative Officer; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer;  
Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services - February 5, 2002)

**Water and Wastewater Services - 2002 Operating Budget**

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for Water and Wastewater Services.

On motion by Councillor Pantalone, the Budget Advisory Committee referred the 2002 Operating Budget for Water and Wastewater Services to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

**WES - Support Services - 2002 Operating Budget**

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for WES - Support Services.

- A. Councillor Pitfield moved that the Budget Advisory Committee refer the 2002 Operating Budget for WES - Support Services to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

**(Carried)**

- B. Councillor Chow moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of Recommendations No. (1) of the Works Committee in the amount of \$200,000.00.

**(Lost)**

**WES - Technical Services - 2002 Operating Budget**

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for WES - Technical Services.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it the following reports:

- (a) (January 25, 2002) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, reporting as requested by the Budget Advisory Committee at its meeting held on April 2, 2001, during its consideration of the WES - Technical Services 2001 Operating Budget respecting the 2002 Budget process, on initiatives which have been undertaken to improve the review of development applications; and recommending that this report be received for information; and
- (b) (January 31, 2002) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services reporting as requested by the Works Committee and the Budget Advisory Committee respecting a breakdown of the Technical Services (Appendix A) and Support Services' (Appendix B) organizational charts illustrating the number of employees charged back to different departments, their work location and a list of the projects being worked on; and recommending that this report be received for information.

A. Councillor Pitfield moved that the Budget Advisory Committee refer the 2002 Operating Budget for WES - Technical Services and the aforementioned reports to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

**(Carried)**

B. Councillor Chow moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of Recommendations Nos. (1) and (2)(i) of the Works Committee in the amount of \$722,600.00 to be funded through the tax base.

**(Lost)**

Councillor Shiner appointed Councillor Sutherland Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

C. Councillor Shiner moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of Recommendations Nos. (1) and (2)(i) of the Works Committee, subject to confirmation of savings to be achieved from reduction of electricity charges in the WES Department, excluding Water and Wastewater; and further the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to report to the Works Committee by June

2002 should savings be realized and recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, expenditure of the realized savings on the deferred Environmental Initiatives in 2002.

**(Lost)**

Councillor Shiner resumed the Chair.

### **Solid Waste Management Services - 2002 Capital Budget**

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Capital Budget for Solid Waste Management Services.

On motion by Councillor Pantalone, the Budget Advisory Committee referred the 2002 Capital Budget for Solid Waste Management Services to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

### **Solid Waste Management Services - 2002 Operating Budget**

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for Solid Waste Management Services.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it the following communications and report:

- (a) (October 11, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting held on October 2, 3 and 4, 2001, adopted, as amended, Clause No. 1 of Report No. 12 of The Policy and Finance Committee, headed "Implementation Plan for a Three-Stream System and Other Recommendations of the Waste Diversion Task Force 2010 (All Wards)", and referred the following motion to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2002 Budget Process:

Moved by Councillor Lindsay Luby:

"It is further recommended that, since the City of Toronto can anticipate an increased amount of recycling materials as residents adapt to the SSO program, City Council approve once-a-week recycling for the area covered by this program (these costs would be approximately \$300,000.00 to \$500,000.00 in the Etobicoke Community council area).";

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- (b) (December 19, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services providing the Budget Advisory Committee with the projected 2001 revenues from Solid Waste Management fees and the sale of recyclable materials in the Solid Waste Management Services; and recommending that this report be received for information; and
- (c) (January 25, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Works Committee at its meeting held on January 15, 22 and 25, 2002, recommended the adoption of the following recommendations, and that the Budget Advisory Committee be requested to review and make recommendations on the financial component of the program for consideration by the Policy and Finance Committee:
- (1) commercial locations must separate organics, recyclables and residual waste into separate streams to be eligible for municipal collection;
  - (2) municipal collection services to all eligible commercial locations include once per week recycling, organics and residual waste collection;
  - (3) municipal collection services to all eligible commercial locations located in the area(s) defined in Appendix "G" of the report (November 2, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services also include twice per week recycling, organics and residual waste collection;
  - (4) commercial locations be eligible for municipal collection services only if:
    - not designated industrial;
    - either in buildings with a ground floor area not exceeding 500 square metres and with fewer than four above ground floors;  
or
    - located in mixed residential/commercial buildings or in plazas and malls where the residential area of the plaza or mall is at least one-third of the total area, and with fewer than four above ground floors;
  - (5) depending on the form of collection containers authorized by the City, the requirements for receiving municipal collection from commercial locations include:
    - purchase of authorized bags or tags for residual waste;
    - payment to the City of an annual fee per cart for cart collection based on frequency of service; and

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- payment to the City of an annual fee for bulk lift collection plus direct disposal costs;

(6) a fee schedule be established and approved annually by Council for:

- authorized bags and tags;
- cart collection; and
- bulk lift collection; and

the proposed fee schedule for 2002 based on Option C, in the report dated January 9, 2002, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, be approved as follows, with no charge for organics or recycling collection:

Commercial Waste Collection  
Fees Based on Option C

Material	Type of Collection	Fee
Residual Waste	Bag	\$3.10 (plus applicable taxes) per bag
	Bundle	\$3.10 (plus applicable taxes) per bundle
	Cart	\$15.50 per collection per cart
	Bulk Lift	\$285.00 annually per bin plus direct disposal costs

- (7) the approximately 400 businesses currently receiving municipal collection service that have a ground floor area greater than 1,250 square metres be removed from collection service effective September 1, 2002;
- (8) commercial establishments currently receiving municipal collection, with the exception of those identified in Recommendation No. (7) be grandparented by street address under the policy identified in Recommendation No. (4);
- (9) businesses participating in the municipal collection program be required to participate in all services provided;
- (10) green grocers, restaurants and other organic producers be required to purchase carts or other designated containers specified by the City for the storage and collection of their source separated organic waste;
- (11) source separated organics placed out for collection in containers other than authorized carts or other designated containers will not be collected and by-law enforcement will be notified;

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- (12) contaminants found in organics containers will be subject to by-law enforcement;
- (13) if sufficient demand exists to create an efficient route, the City provide organics collection to eligible businesses currently receiving five and six night per week municipal waste collection service to a frequency of up to seven nights per week, with no option for three or four times per week collection, and recover, in a prepaid system, all incremental costs associated with this premium service as outlined in the following table:

Frequency of Organics Collection	Annual Fee (to be prepaid)
Once per week collection	Base level of service
Twice per week collection	Base level of service in defined areas
Up to Three Times per Week	Not available
Up to Four Times per Week	Not available
Up to Five Times per Week	\$1,200.00
Up to Six Times per Week	\$1,600.00
Up to Seven Times per Week	\$2,000.00

- (14) owners of buildings with a commercial/residential mix will be provided with 104 free City authorized residual waste bags per residential unit per year and will be directed to provide them free to their tenants;
- (15) municipal collection from eligible locations shall not occur and by-law enforcement officers shall be notified where:
  - the account is in arrears;
  - City authorized bags or bundles containing recyclables, organics or residual waste placed at the curb weigh in excess of 20 kilograms;
  - unauthorized bags are placed at the curb; and
  - unauthorized containers are utilized;
- (16) as a result of the approval to charge service fees for the collection of residual waste effective September 1, 2002, staff be authorized to hire ten additional by-law enforcement officers and six administrative staff prior to the implementation date who will monitor problems associated with the service fee, bag distribution and database administration;



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- (17) the current 2001 service fee for municipal collection services that expires December 31, 2001, be extended until the proposed user fees recommended in this report are implemented;
- (18) owners of commercial locations wishing municipal collection services be required to apply in writing to the City and provide documentation of their ability to meet the City's eligibility criteria before receiving services;
- (19) the City discontinue collection to all industrial establishments and to industrial malls containing at least 75 percent industrial establishments, including those under "grandparenting" provisions of the former municipalities effective seven months following Council approval;
- (20) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services consult with the City Solicitor on options for commercial locations that opt for private collection services where sufficient space may not exist on private property for collection by private contractors and report back to Council on the feasibility of assigning restrictive times to commercial establishments whereby bagged or bundled materials may be placed at the curb for private collection;
- (21) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the City Solicitor bring forward a harmonized commercial collection by-law for Council approval six months after Council has approved a revised system for the municipal collection of recyclables, organics and residual waste from commercial locations;
- (22) the 2002 gross expenditure budget of the Solid Waste Management Division be increased by \$1,000,000.00 and the 2002 net expenditure budget be decreased by \$2,700,000.00;
- (23) staff report back to the Works Committee in 2003 on the feasibility of implementing Scenario D as outlined in the report dated January 9, 2002; and
- (24) the eligibility criteria and service fee program be implemented no later than September 1, 2002, with the implementation of the eligibility criteria continuing through to December 31, 2002.

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- A. Councillor Pitfield moved that the Budget Advisory Committee refer the 2002 Operating Budget for Solid Waste Management and the aforementioned communications and report to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

(Carried)

Councillor Shiner appointed Councillor Sutherland Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

- B. Councillor Shiner moved that the Budget Advisory Committee request the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to report to the Works Committee on:
- (i) the feasibility of eliminating the collection of green glass from multi-family residences being added to the City's recycling materials collection program; and
  - (ii) the feasibility of totally eliminating the collection of green glass from the blue box collection program.

(Carried)

Councillor Shiner resumed the Chair.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Committee Administrator, Works Committee - February 5, 2002)

**Works and Emergency Services - Departmental - 2002 Capital Budget**

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Capital Budget for the Works and Emergency Services - Departmental.

On motion by Councillor Pitfield, the Budget Advisory Committee referred the 2002 Capital Budget for Works and Emergency Services - Departmental to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

### **Emergency Medical Services - 2002 Capital Budget**

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Capital Budget for the Emergency Medical Services.

On motion by Councillor Pitfield, the Budget Advisory Committee referred the 2002 Capital Budget for Works and Emergency Services - Departmental to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

### **Emergency Medical Services - 2002 Operating Budget**

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for the Emergency Medical Services.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it the following communications and report:

- (a) (October 11, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting held on October 2, 3 and 4, 2001, adopted, as amended, Clause No. 3 of Report No. 10 of The Community Services Committee, headed "Toronto Emergency Medical Services' Response Time Reduction Strategy", and directed that the Clause be forwarded to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration of the funding aspects during the 2002 Operating Budget process;
- (b) (November 22, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Policy and Finance Committee, at its meeting held on November 22, 2001, referred the communication (November 15, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee on November 15, 2001, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the report (November 2, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting the Public Access Defibrillation Program, to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration and report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee;
- (c) (January 4, 2002) from the Acting Chief Financial Officer establishing a reserve fund into which public donations for the public access defibrillation program can be deposited once received and from which funds can be withdrawn for the support of the program; and recommending that:

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- (1) Council establish the Public Access Defibrillation Reserve Fund to provide funding to purchase automated external defibrillation equipment, maintain the equipment, support the Public Access Defibrillation program and promote such programs throughout the City;
  - (2) Municipal Code Chapter 227 (Reserves and Reserve Funds) be amended by adding the Public Access Defibrillation Reserve Fund to Schedule B3 (Donated Funds); and
  - (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto; and that leave be granted for the introduction of any necessary bills in Council to give effect thereto; and
- (d) (November 22, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Policy and Finance Committee, on November 22, 2001, referred the communication (November 15, 2001) from the City Clerk, advising that the Community Services Committee, on November 15, 2001, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the report (November 2, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting the establishment of a Health Care Emergency Operations Centre; and that the specialized Health Care Emergency Operations Centre be consistent with the Emergency Preparedness Plan, to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration and report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee.
- A. Councillor Chow moved that the Budget Advisory Committee refer the 2002 Operating Budget for Emergency Medical Services and the communication (October 11, 2002) from the City Clerk, entitled "Toronto Emergency Medical Services' Response Time Reduction Strategy", to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

**(Carried)**

- B. Councillor Sutherland moved that the Budget Advisory Committee defer consideration of the communication (November 22, 2001) from the City Clerk, entitled "Establishment of a Health Care Emergency Operations Centre" for consideration with the Emergency Management Plan.

**(Carried)**

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- C. Councillor Moeser moved that the Budget Advisory Committee defer consideration of the following communication and report to the wrap-up meeting on February 11, 2002:
- (1) (November 22, 2001) from the City Clerk, entitled “Public Access Defibrillation Program”; and
  - (2) (January 4, 2002) from the Acting Chief Financial Officer, entitled “Public Access Defibrillation Program”.

**(Carried)**

The Budget Advisory Committee adjourned its meeting at 6:20 p.m.

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Chair