

THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk's Division

Minutes of the Budget Advisory Committee

Meeting No. 8

Thursday, February 7, 2002

The Budget Advisory Committee met on Thursday, February 7, 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.	1:18 p.m. - 5:10 p.m.	5:25 p.m. - 9:05 p.m.
Councillor David Shiner, Chair	X	X	X
Councillor Paul Sutherland, Vice Chair	X	X	X
Councillor Olivia Chow	X	X	X
Councillor Ron Moeser	X	X	X
Councillor Joe Pantalone	X	X	X
Councillor Jane Pitfield	X	X	X
Councillor David Soknacki	X	X	X

Also Present:

Councillor Maria Augimeri	Councillor Gloria Lindsay Luby
Councillor Sandra Bussin	Councillor Pam McConnell
Councillor Betty Disero	Councillor Joe Mihevc
Councillor Michael Feldman	Councillor David Miller
Councillor Doug Holyday	Councillor Howard Moscoe
Councillor Irene Jones	Councillor Kyle Rae
Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski	

8.1 2002 Capital and Operating Budgets

Economic Development, Culture and Tourism - 2002 Capital Program

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it a communication (January 31, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Economic Development and Parks Committee, at its meeting held on January 21 and January 25, 2002, reviewed the 2002 Capital Program for the Economic Development, Culture and Tourism Department and recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee the adoption of the 2002 Capital Program for the following Divisions:

I. Culture:

As presented, subject to \$105,000.00 gross and \$55,000.00 net being reinstated for Fort York – Public Program Development, conditional upon the City funding only being available on receipt of funds raised by the Friends of Fort York in the amount of \$50,000.00.

II. Economic Development:

As presented, subject to the following:

- (a) \$55,000.00 gross and \$27,500.00 net be added for capital cost sharing for the York Eglinton BIA in 2002;
- (b) \$164,000.00 gross and net be added for the Façade Program throughout the City; and
- (c) Emery Village be included in the list to establish BIAs at zero gross and zero net in 2002;

III. Parks and Recreation:

As presented, subject to the following:

- (a) the reduction in the Tree Advocacy Program – City Wide be reinstated at a cost of \$250,000.00;
- (b) the reduction in the Ravine Forest Management Program be reinstated at a cost of \$150,000.00;
- (c) the reduction in the Toronto Bike Plan Program be reinstated at a cost of \$250,000.00;

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- (d) the Victoria Village Redevelopment Program be phased in with the City committing \$2 million in 2003; that this project be identified as a high priority given the fact that there had been a previous commitment to the Community and the need for community space in this area of Ward 34 is still acute;
- (e) funding for the Glendora Park Tennis Court rebuild be accelerated from 2007 to 2003; and
- (f) the Murison Park Project of \$369,000.00 gross and \$369,000.00 net approved in the 2001 Parks and Recreation Capital Program be increased by \$50,000.00 gross and '0' net to a total project cost of \$419,000.00 gross and \$369,000.00 net to reflect contributions of \$25,000.00 from First Professional and \$25,000.00 from Honda for a total of \$50,000.00 for the installation of lighting at Murison Park.

On motion by Councillor Moeser, the Budget Advisory Committee received the aforementioned communication for information.

**Economic Development, Culture and Tourism -
2002 Operating Budget**

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it a communication (January 31, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Economic Development and Parks Committee, at its meeting held on January 21 and January 25, 2002, reviewed the 2002 Operating Budget for the Economic Development, Culture and Tourism Department and recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee the adoption of the 2002 Operating Budget for the following Divisions:

I. Culture:

As presented.

II. Customer and Business Support:

As presented, subject to reinstating \$10,000.00 for advertising for the Sculpture Garden.

III. Economic Development:

As presented, subject to adding \$77,500.00 gross and \$52,500.00 net to hire two additional BIA Officers, effective July 1, 2002.

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IV. Parks and Recreation:

As presented, subject to the following amendments:

- (a) the base budget of \$3.1 million for pools be approved; and further that any request for additional funding be referred to the Mayor's office for resolution;
- (b) \$600,000.00 be approved for Phase II of the Sports & Recreation Program as noted in the Children's Report Card;
- (c) the Economic Development and Parks Committee reaffirm its support and commitment to an expansion of programs that support youth violence prevention (as proposed by the staff from Parks and Recreation and the Toronto Youth Cabinet) and that these funds be transferred into the Economic Development base budget from the Community and Neighbourhood Services Department budget, as proposed by the Community Services Committee unanimously, subject to the Community Services Committee receiving Council's approval;
- (d) \$73,000.00 be approved for the expansion of the Community Gardens Program;
- (e) the operating impact of capital \$772,500.00 gross and \$697,500.00 net be approved, in addition to \$22,500.00 gross and \$22,500.00 net for the Toronto Bike Plan for a total of \$795,000.00 gross and \$720,000.00 net; and
- (f) the current security be replaced by police at the Regent Park Community Centre at a maximum cost of \$57,000.00; and further that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report to the Budget Advisory Committee on alternative savings to fund this request when it considers Parks and Recreation's 2002 Operating Budget.

V. Tourism:

As presented.

VI. World Youth Day:

As presented.

VII. Yonge/Dundas Square:

That funding of the Yonge/Dundas project operating costs of \$695,000.00 gross and \$375,000.00 net be approved, subject to the Budget Advisory Committee not allocating funding for this project from the Economic Development, Culture and Tourism Department's budget.

On motion by Councillor Moeser, the Budget Advisory Committee received the aforementioned communication for information.

Yonge-Dundas Square – 2002 Operating Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for the Arena Boards of Management.

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

On motion by Councillor Shiner, the Budget Advisory Committee:

- (1) referred the 2002 Operating Budget for Yonge-Dundas Square to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time; and
- (2) requested Councillor Kyle Rae to work with the Board of Yonge-Dundas Square to insure that there will be no increase in the funding for 2003.

Councillor Shiner resumed the Chair.

(E-Mail: Councillor Kyle Rae, Ward 27 Toronto Centre-Rosedale - February 8, 2002)

Culture Division – 2002 Capital Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Capital Budget for the Culture Division.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before a report (February 4, 2002) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism reporting, as requested by the Budget Advisory Committee on January 28, 2002, on the establishment of a Cultural Facilities Capital Grants Program to address the state of good repair capital requirements of not for profit cultural facilities in Toronto; and recommending that this report be received for information.

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On motion by Councillor Moeser, the Budget Advisory Committee referred the 2002 Capital Budget for the Culture Division and the aforementioned report to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

Culture Division – 2002 Operating Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for the Culture Division.

On motion by Councillor Moeser, the Budget Advisory Committee:

- (1) referred the 2002 Operating Budget for the Culture Division to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time; and
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee by June 2002 on the development of benchmarks for the per capita funding of culture by major municipalities which includes both direct activity and general grant funding.

(E-Mail: Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism;
c. Committee Administrator, Economic Development and Parks
Committee - February 8, 2002)

Customer and Business Support – 2002 Operating Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for Customer and Business Support.

On motion by Councillor Sutherland, the Budget Advisory Committee referred the 2002 Operating Budget for Customer and Business Support to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

World Youth Day – 2002 Operating Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for World Youth Day.

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

On motion by Councillor Shiner, the Budget Advisory Committee:

- (1) referred the 2002 Operating Budget for World Youth Day to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time; and
- (2) requested the agencies, boards and commissions to inquire if their employees would consider working on straight salary for the World Youth Day.

Councillor Shiner resumed the Chair.

(Chair, Toronto Police Services Board; Chair, Toronto Transit Commission; President, Toronto Parking Authority; Chair, Board of Health; General Manager and CEO, Exhibition Place - February 8, 2002)

Economic Development Division – 2002 Capital Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Capital Budget for the Economic Development Division.

A. Councillor Pantalone moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:

- (1) refer the 2002 Capital Budget for the Economic Development Division to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time;
- (2) request the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to include in the previously requested report respecting the sustainability and deliverability of the BIA Capital Program, the following:
 - (a) a list of all the BIAs;
 - (b) monies spent and the pattern of expenditures since amalgamation;

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- (c) the ability of BIAs to absorb increased expenditures at the end of the phase-in; and
 - (d) address other issues raised by Members of Council in this regard; and
- (3) review the request for \$145,022.00 gross and \$72,511.00 net in additional funding for the BIA Streetscape Improvement Program for streetlighting improvements for the Downtown Yonge Street BIA and refer same to the final wrap-up meeting of the Budget Advisory Committee in conjunction the with the foregoing amendments, for consideration at that time.

(Carried)

- B. Councillor Soknacki moved that Councillor Pantalone's motion A.(2) be amended by adding the following:

“(e) a criteria as to how BIAs are ranked for inclusion in the budget.”

(Carried)

- C. Councillor Chow moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that \$72,511.00 be added back for improved lighting for the Downtown Yonge Street BIA.

(Lost)

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism -
February 7, 2002)

Economic Development Division – 2002 Operating Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for the Economic Development Division.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it a communication (November 16, 2001) from the City Clerk, addressed to the Policy and Finance Committee, advising that the Budget Advisory Committee at its meeting held on November 16, 2001:

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- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of Recommendation Nos. (1) to (8) and (13) to (15) of the report (October 12, 2001) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, as amended by the Economic Development and Parks Committee and embodied in the communication (October 23, 2001) from the City Clerk; and
- (2) deferred consideration of Recommendation Nos. (9) to (12) to the 2002 Operating Budget process for consideration during review of the 2002 Operating Budgets of the Economic Development, Revenue Services, Accounting and Audit Services programs.

On motion by Councillor Sutherland, the Budget Advisory Committee:

- (1) referred the 2002 Operating Budget for Economic Development and the aforementioned communication to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time; and
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to consider a policy while reviewing the BIA Program on recovering approximately \$84,000.00 per annum by having chargebacks for audits between \$1,000.00 and \$3,000.00 based on the size of the BIA.

(E-mail: Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism - February 7, 2002)

Parks and Recreation Division – 2002 Capital Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Capital Budget for the Parks and Recreation Division.

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

- (a) (December 18, 2001) from Councillor Gloria Lindsay Luby, Ward 4 Etobicoke Centre, forwarding a petition (May 22, 2000) from Members of the Silvercreek Seniors Tennis Club requesting the Budget Advisory Committee to give full consideration to providing funds to redevelop the Silvercreek Park Tennis Courts in 2002; and

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(b) (January 11, 2002) from Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, Ward 14 Parkdale-High Park, advising that land was purchased at 40 Wabash Avenue for the purpose of building a Recreation Centre in Ward 14 Parkdale-High Park; further advising that he has concerns with the safety of the site; and requesting that funds be allocated in the 2002 budget for the demolition of the buildings and the cleanup of the lands at this location.

A. Councillor Sutherland moved that the Budget Advisory Committee refer the 2002 Capital Budget for Parks and Recreation and the aforementioned communications to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

(Carried)

B. Councillor Pantalone moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that along with the \$80,000.00 from last year and a further \$100,000.00 in 2002 be added back for a feasibility study for the Wabash Community Centre site to examine the building to decide whether the existing building should be demolished and a new building constructed; and consideration being given to developing the site as parkland as an interim use; and further that Artscape be requested to participate in the feasibility study.

(Lost)

C. Councillor Chow moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that:

(1) the Joint Funding Program (\$300,000.00) for Playgrounds be restored conditional upon cost sharing by the School Board; and

(2) the Playground Rehabilitation Program be restored to 2001 levels by adding back \$750,000.00.

(Lost)

Parks and Recreation Division – 2002 Operating Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for the Parks and Recreation Division.

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

- (a) (September 17, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Economic Development and Parks Committee at its meeting held on September 14, 2001:
 - (1) referred the request from the Building Hope Coalition, embodied in the communication (September 6, 2001) from Councillor Maria Augimeri (Ward 9 York Centre), respecting the 2001 Youth Program Expansion Proposal for the 2001 Action Plan Report City Wide, to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2002 budget deliberations;
 - (2) requested the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on funding for skill-related programs and the "Two-Wheel Drive" Program, including re-examination of funding from other levels of government; and
 - (3) requested the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to re-examine the location of the proposed programs and re-adjust same to focus on some of the "high needs" areas;
- (b) (October 24, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Economic Development and Parks Committee at its meeting held on October 22, 2001, referred the report (October 3, 2001) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2002 Budget Process;
- (c) (November 23, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Economic Development and Parks Committee at its meeting held on November 19, 2001 referred the report (November 5, 2001) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2002 Operating Budget process;
- (d) (December 5, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Children and Youth Action Committee recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that the City provide funds to operate the 85 pools owned and operated by the Toronto District School Board inasmuch as there is overwhelming evidence that well organized recreation programs can be directly correlated to less anti-social behaviour among young people; and

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- (e) (December 17, 2001) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism reporting, as directed by City Council at its meeting held on April 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30, May 1 and 2, 2001, on the potential for achieving the Pesticide Reduction Program, either in whole or in part, by levying a surcharge on golf courses; and recommending that this report be received for information.
- A. Councillor Moeser moved that the Budget Advisory Committee refer the 2002 Operating Budget for Parks and Recreation and the aforementioned communications and report to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time. **(Carried)**
- B. Councillor Pitfield moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council:
- (1) that \$600,000.00 be approved for Phase II of the Sports and Recreation Program as noted in the Children's Report Card; and
- (2) that \$149,901.00 be added to the Corporate Environmental Initiatives Program to help maintain the City's parks. **(Lost)**

Tourism – 2002 Operating Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for Tourism.

On motion by Councillor Chow, the Budget Advisory Committee referred the 2002 Operating Budget for Tourism to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

Toronto Parking Authority – 2002 Capital Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Capital Budget for the Toronto Parking Authority.

- A. Councillor Sutherland moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
- (1) refer the 2002 Capital Budget for the Toronto Parking Authority to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time; and

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- (2) request the President of the Toronto Parking Authority to report to the Budget Advisory Committee on adjustments which might be made to the tax ratio and if it is to consider accommodating this change in taxation for the 2003 budget process, to insure that sufficient funds are available for investment for parking facilities.

(Carried)

B. Councillor Soknacki moved that the Budget Advisory Committee request:

- (1) the President of the Toronto Parking Authority to have concluded, prior to the 2003 budget process, the Toronto Parking Authority's assessment of lots which are not profitable and which are not required from a parking need basis;
- (2) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to consider the foregoing report when reviewing the capital requirements for the Toronto Parking Authority.

(Carried)

(President, Toronto Parking Authority; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; c. Committee Administrator, Budget Advisory Committee - February 7, 2002)

Toronto Parking Authority – 2002 Operating Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for the Toronto Parking Authority.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it a joint report (January 24, 2002) from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer responding to a request from the Budget Advisory Committee for information pertaining to why the Toronto Parking Authority (TPA) pays property taxes and whether opportunities exist to eliminate this obligation; and recommending that:

- (1) the Minister of Finance be requested to file a regulation making the payment-in-lieu of taxes which are payable for properties used by the Toronto Parking Authority subject to capping protection;

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- (2) if the Minister of Finance has filed a regulation pursuant to Recommendation No. (1), the General Manager of the Toronto Parking Authority and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be directed to re-negotiate the City's current revenue-sharing agreement with the Toronto Parking Authority to require that the savings in PIL payments associated with the capping protection be remitted to the City at 100 percent, with the balance of net revenue continuing to be shared on a 75 percent/25 percent split; and
- (3) the General Manager, Toronto Parking Authority, be requested to provide the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer with a complete list of TPA properties to allow for a complete analysis of the property-by-property impact for the taxation years 1998 to 2002, inclusive.

On motion by Councillor Soknacki, the Budget Advisory Committee referred the 2002 Operating Budget for the Toronto Parking Authority and the aforementioned joint report to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

Toronto Transit Commission – 2002 Capital Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Capital Budget for the Toronto Transit Commission.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it a report (November 29, 2001) from the General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission advising that the Toronto Transit Commission at its meeting held on November 28, 2001, gave consideration to the report (November 28, 2001), entitled "2002-2006 Capital Program and 10-Year Capital Forecast", and approved the following recommendations:

- (1) approve the 2002-2006 Capital Program in the amount of \$1.61 billion as detailed in this Commission Report and its attachments, as well as in the following accompanying items:
 - (a) TTC 2002-2006 Capital Program Overview; and
 - (b) TTC 2002-2006 Capital Program (Blue Books);
- (2) approve the 10-Year Capital Forecast in the amount of \$3.8 billion as shown in the attached report; and
- (3) forward this report to the City of Toronto for Council approval of the 2002-2006 Capital Program and approval of the 10-year forecast.

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

- A. Councillor Shiner moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
- (1) refer the 2002 Capital Budget for the Toronto Transit Commission and the aforementioned report to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time; and
 - (2) request the General Manager of the Toronto Transit Commission to report to the wrap-up providing a 10-year plan for funding, total project costs and requested Provincial and Federal government commitments pertaining to same and the requested revisions.

(Carried)

Councillor Shiner resumed the Chair.

- B. Councillor Sutherland moved that the Budget Advisory Committee request the General Manager of the Toronto Transit Commission and the Chief Administrative Officer to comment on: the full amount of the \$119 million for new buses being placed in the 2002 Capital Budget; this amount being included in the 2002 debentures and seeking cost sharing funding from the Provincial and Federal governments for this purchase; and further requesting that the debenture not be issued without a further report to the Toronto Transit Commission and the Budget Advisory Committee with recommendations for approval by the Policy and Finance Committee and Council.

(Carried)

(E-mail: General Manager, Toronto Transit Commission; Chief Administrative Officer - February 8, 2002)

Toronto Transit Commission – 2002 Operating Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for the Toronto Transit Commission.

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

(a) (November 29, 2001) from the General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission, advising that the Toronto Transit Commission, at its meeting held on November 28, 2001, gave consideration to the report (November 28, 2001), entitled "2002 TTC Operating Budget" and approved the following recommendations:

(1) approve the 2002 TTC Operating Budget (summarized in Appendix A) as described in this report and the following accompanying reports:

(a) Toronto Transit Commission 2002 Operating Budget Overview;

(b) Toronto Transit Commission 2002 Departmental Goals and Objectives;

(c) Toronto Transit Commission 2002 Organization Charts; and

(d) Toronto Transit Commission 2002 Detailed Operating Budget (Blue Book);

(2) note that the TTC 2002 Operating Budget includes a budget shortfall of about \$22 million, based on City of Toronto 2001 budgeted operating subsidy levels as summarized below:

Ridership	418 million
Expenditures	\$854.5 million
Revenues	<u>\$684.9 million</u>
Subsidy Needed	\$169.6 million
Operating Subsidy	<u>\$147.6 million</u> (2001 budgeted level from City)
Shortfall	<u>\$22 million</u> ; and

request the Budget Advisory Committee and City Council for a funding allocation of \$169.6 million in order to avoid a fare increase and/or service cuts; and

(3) forward this report to the City of Toronto for Council approval of the City's 2002 Transit Operating Subsidy to the TTC;

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- (b) (January 18, 2002) from the Chief General Manager, Toronto Transit Commission, responding to requests by the Budget Advisory Committee, at its meeting held on January 11, 2002, for information on the following:
 - (1) clarification of the 17 staff reductions;
 - (2) identification of the financing of the \$616 million of capital costs; and
 - (3) the total value of previous and new capital projects requested for approval in 2002 and the projected cash flow and financial costs for these projects; and

- (c) (January 24, 2002) from the General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission, advising that the Toronto Transit Commission, at its meeting held on January 21, 2002, reviewed the recommendations to be brought forward by the City Finance staff to the Budget Advisory Committee in connection with the TTC's 2002 Operating Budget, 2002 Wheel-Trans Budget and the 2002-2006 Capital Program; and approved the following recommendations:
 - (1) that a funding level of \$166 million be restored, as originally requested by the Toronto Transit Commission, recognizing City Council's previous commitment to an 80 percent cost recovery ratio; and
 - (2) that a funding level of \$46.5 million for the TTC's 2002 Wheel-Trans budget be restored, as originally requested by the Toronto Transit Commission and strongly supported by the Disability Issues Committee and the Diversity Advocacy Group for the City of Toronto.

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

- A. Councillor Shiner moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
 - (1) refer the 2002 Operating Budget for the Toronto Transit Commission and the aforementioned reports to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time; and
 - (2) request the General Manager of the Toronto Transit Commission to provide for wrap-up information from 1998 to present on the ridership projections and actuals and the funding acquired from same.

(Carried)

Councillor Shiner resumed the Chair.

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- B. Councillor Chow moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
- (1) request the Chief Administrative Officer to report to the wrap-up on the principle of 20 percent of labour negotiations being funded through the City with the rest being funded from the farebox; and
(Carried)
 - (2) recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that \$3.4 million be taken from the Employees Stability Reserve Fund.
(Lost)
- C. Councillor Pitfield moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that \$3.4 million be added back into the reserve as per Council resolution.
(Lost)
- D. Councillor Sutherland moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that:
- (1) fare increases be offset to increase the estimated ridership by 5 million; and
 - (2) the Toronto Transit Commission be requested to write off the \$3.4 million.
(Lost)

(E-mail: General Manager, Toronto Transit Commission; Chief Administrative Officer - February 8, 2002)

**Toronto Transit Commission - Wheel-Trans
2002 Operating Budget**

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for Wheel-Trans.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it a report (November 29, 2001) from the General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission advising that the Toronto Transit Commission at its meeting held on November 28, 2001, gave consideration to the report (November 28, 2001), entitled "2002 Wheel-Trans Operating Budget", and approved the following recommendations:

- (1) the 2002 Wheel-Trans Operating Budget of \$46.7 million provided for in this report and companion documents which includes \$45.5 million for service and \$3.6 million for bus fleet replacement, partially offset through revenues of \$2.4 million, and further strive for a 2 percent unaccommodated rate by maintaining the percentage of trips through accessible vehicles;
- (2) the Wheel Trans-Service Plan which encompasses the following key factors:
 - (a) registrant base increases to 27,200 (14.3 percent);
 - (b) trip demand increasing to 1,579,000 (5 percent);
 - (c) unaccommodated rate remains at 3.5 percent;
 - (d) trips provided by accessible vehicles maintained at the 85 percent level:
 - (i) bus fleet increases by one to 133;
 - (ii) Orion bus replacement completed with receipt of 23 ELF buses; and
 - (iii) accessible taxis increase from 62 to 73;
 - (e) overall vehicle productivity increases to 5.1 passengers per hour by:
 - (i) introduction of a 30 minute window for all trip requests;
 - (ii) expansion of Zone Bus areas from 7 to 10;
 - (iii) expansion of Express Bus services from 1 to 4;
 - (iv) introduction of ambulatory bus service;
 - (v) increased integration with conventional TTC accessible services;
 - (vi) reduction in cancellation rate from 17 percent to 14 percent; and
 - (vii) promotion of Community Bus services;

- (f) overall service quality improvement by:
 - (i) improving on-time delivery of service from 95 percent to 96 percent;
 - (ii) implementing a bus tracking trial to increase “same day” trips;
 - (iii) updates to the computer scheduling system (WTIS);
 - (iv) introduction of a “call back” feature to update customers on trip status; and
 - (v) undertake various service audits and contractor performance reviews to improve customer satisfaction;
- (g) continue to accommodate original requested trip times within 30 minutes at 96 percent;
- (h) improve Greater Toronto Area specialized transit service integration; and
- (i) workforce increases by four;
- (3) consider this report in concert with the following:
 - (a) the 2002 TTC Operating Budget; and
 - (b) 2002-2006 TTC Capital Program which includes \$9.1M comprised of the purchase of 35 ELF buses (\$8.4M) as well as facility improvements and enhanced scheduling (\$0.7M); and
- (4) forward this report to the City of Toronto Council for approval and to the TTC’s Advisory Committee on Accessible Transportation for information.

On motion by Councillor Sutherland, the Budget Advisory Committee referred the 2002 Operating Budget for Wheel-Trans and the aforementioned report to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

Toronto Police Services – 2002 Capital Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Capital Budget for the Toronto Police Services.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it a communication (November 22, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Policy and Finance Committee on November 22, 2001, referred the report (October 16, 2001) from the Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration and report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee, wherein it is recommended that the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council:

- (1) approve a commitment of funding for the full five year period of the 2002-2006 Long-Term Facilities Capital Expenditures Program, in order to achieve compliance with the Board's obligations under the Occupational Health and Safety Act; and
- (2) forward this report to the next meeting of City Council for approval.

On motion by Councillor Soknacki, the Budget Advisory Committee referred the 2002 Capital Budget for the Toronto Police Services and the aforementioned communication to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

Toronto Police Services – 2002 Operating Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for the Toronto Police Services.

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

- (a) (November 22, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Policy and Finance Committee on November 22, 2001, referred the report (October 16, 2001) from the Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration and report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee, wherein it is recommended that the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council:

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- (1) approve a draw of \$5.3 million from the City's corporate contingency account to the Toronto Police Service through an in-year budget adjustment; and
 - (2) approve a request to add \$6.3 million to the 2002 Toronto Police Service adjusted base operating budget;
- (b) (January 7, 2001) from Councillor Gloria Lindsay Luby, Acting Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, forwarding a copy of a communication (January 3, 2002) from Mr. Joseph Martino, Acting Director, Finance and Administration, Toronto Police Service, containing the following:
- (1) Toronto Police Service 2002 Operating Budget Request;
 - (2) Toronto Police Service 2002 Parking Enforcement Unit Budget Request;
 - (3) Toronto Police Service 2002-2006 Human Resources Strategy;
 - (4) Toronto Police Services Board 2002 Operating Budget Request; and
 - (5) Toronto Police Service 2002-2006 Capital Program Submission - Revised; and
- (c) (January 14, 2002) from the Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board, responding to the Budget Advisory Committee request of September 10, 2001 that the Toronto Police Services Board report to the Budget Advisory Committee if the "no fee" administrative issues between the parties have not been concluded and the "no fee" service cannot be implemented on or before December 1, 2001; and recommending that this report be received for information.

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

- A. Councillor Shiner moved that the Budget Advisory Committee refer the 2002 Operating Budget for the Toronto Police Service and the aforementioned communications and report to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

(Carried)

Councillor Shiner resumed the Chair.

- B. Councillor Chow moved that the Budget Advisory Committee request the Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, to:
- (1) present and calculate the human resource numbers according to City of Toronto format, especially on the gapping percentage for the 2003 budget process;

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- (2) report to the Budget Advisory Committee prior to the 2003 budget process on possible base budget reductions which may be required as a result of labour negotiations; and
- (3) request the Province of Ontario to fund additional costs incurred by the City of Toronto caused by provincial legislation, i.e., adequacy standards equipment costs (\$1,800,000.00), increased court hours and locations (\$400,000.00), Campbell (Major Case) report (\$400,000.00), super jail initiatives (\$300,000.00).

(Carried)

- C. Councillor Pantalone moved that the Budget Advisory Committee request the Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, to contact the heads of financial institutions and computer companies in the Greater Toronto Area to determine their interest in donating funds for computer crime prevention.

(Carried)

(Chair, Toronto Police Services Board - February 7, 2002)

Public Health – 2002 Capital Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Capital Budget for Public Health.

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

- (a) (October 25, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Policy and Finance Committee on October 25, 2001, referred the communication (September 25, 2001) from the Secretary, Board of Health, respecting the Toronto Public Health 2002-2006 Capital Budget Submission, to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2002 Budget deliberations; and
- (b) (September 25, 2001) from the Secretary, Board of Health, advising that the Board of Health, at its meeting held on September 24, 2001:
 - (1) adopted the 2002-2006 Capital Budget proposal outlined in the report (September 17, 2001) from the Medical Officer of Health and referred this report to the Budget Advisory Committee and the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration during the 2002 budget process;

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- (2) requested the Commissioner of Corporate Services to report to the Budget Advisory Committee and the Policy and Finance Committee on:
- (a) a policy with respect to the maintenance of City-owned buildings; and
 - (b) the State of Good Repair Study in eight City-owned facilities solely occupied by Toronto Public Health as directed during the 2001 Capital Budget process; and
- (3) referred the following motion by Mr. Hyndman to the Medical Officer of Health with a request that she submit a report thereon to the Board of Health:

“It is recommended that the Board of Health:

- (a) advise the Ontario Minister of Health and Long Term Care of the Board’s concern with respect to the financial implications of meeting the expanded requirements of the revised Mandatory Health Programs and Services Guidelines; and
- (b) partner with other organizations representing public health interests, such as the Ontario Public Health Association and the Association of Local Public Health agencies, to advocate for increased provincial funding to support the implementation of the revised Guidelines.”

On motion by Councillor Moeser, the Budget Advisory Committee referred the 2002 Capital Budget for Public Health and the aforementioned communications to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

Public Health – 2002 Operating Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for Public Health.

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

- (a) (November 27, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Board of Health, at its meeting on November 26, 2001, adopted the report (November 12, 2001) from the Medical Officer of Health, providing information to the Board of Health on the impacts of the World Youth Day (WYD) 2002 Conference and Papal visit and including recommendations to facilitate the successful implementation of the event; advising of financial implications; and recommending that:
 - (1) the Board of Health endorse the Toronto Public Health World Youth Day 2002 budget request;
 - (2) this report be forwarded to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2002 Operating Budget process; and
 - (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto;and forwarded same to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2002 Operating Budget process in accordance with Recommendation No. (2);
- (b) (December 10, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that City Council at its meeting held on December 4, 5 and 6, 2001, directed that Clause No. 7 of Report No. 10 of The Audit Committee, headed "Toronto Public Health - Review of Corporate Charges", be forwarded to the Budget Advisory Committee for information;
- (c) (January 8, 2002) from the Secretary, Board of Health, advising that the Board of Health, at its meeting held on January 7, 2002:
 - (1) endorsed the following proposals for budget expansion in 2002:
 - (a) full funding for the annualization of initiatives approved by City Council in 2001 as well as corporately derived economic factors and other base budget changes \$2.54 million (gross)/\$1.73 million (net);
 - (b) reduction of gapping (to an equitable level as in other departments) from 5.6 percent in 2001 to 1.0 to 2.0 percent in 2002;
 - (c) initiatives recommended by the Children and Youth Action Committee (CYAC) for early childhood parenting and prenatal group education \$1.24 million (gross)/\$622.5 thousand (net);

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- (d) partial backfilling of the staff positions required for development of the Community Nursing and Customer Management System \$875.0 thousand (gross)/\$437.5 thousand (net);
 - (e) full funding of initiatives approved by City Council in 2001 without funding, including TB Expansion Phase 1 \$1.05 million (gross)/\$526.8 thousand (net), Vulnerable Adults and Seniors \$640.2 thousand (gross)/\$320.1 thousand (net), and Environmental Plan: Air Quality \$65.0 thousand (gross)/\$32.5 thousand (net);
 - (f) public consultation on pesticide reduction \$51.8 thousand (gross)/\$25.9 thousand (net);
 - (g) partial backfilling of the staff positions required to provide public health services in support of World Youth Day \$166.6 thousand (gross)/\$83.3 thousand (net);
 - (h) enhancement of 100 percent provincial funding for Preschool Speech and Language Services and Infant Hearing Screening \$351.9 thousand (gross)/\$0 (net); and
 - (i) funding of West Nile Virus control \$103.9 thousand (gross)/\$51.9 thousand (net);
- (2) endorsed the service level reduction options prepared by the Medical Officer of Health for submission to the Budget Advisory Committee subject to the following amendments:
- (a) the reduction of external couriers (\$50.0 thousand gross, \$25.0 thousand net);
 - (b) the reduction of external printing (\$40.0 thousand gross, \$20.0 thousand net);
 - (c) the reduction of sexual health clinic marketing and training (\$50.0 thousand gross, \$50.0 thousand net);
 - (d) shifting from Public Health Inspector to Tobacco Enforcement Officer \$120.0 thousand gross, \$60.0 thousand net); and

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- (e) the elimination of Low Risk Food Premises Inspection (\$500.0 thousand gross, \$250.0 thousand net);
- for a total reduction of \$760.0 thousand gross, \$405.0 net; no further cuts to Toronto Public Health programs are recommended; and
- (3) recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that:
 - (a) funding be preserved for the preventive sun safety program;
 - (b) the corporate charges assessed against Public Health be reduced by \$2.9 million, in accordance with the Auditor's finding that Public Health is being overcharged by that amount and that this reduction be made in the 2002–2003 fiscal year; and
 - (c) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto;
- (d) (October 19, 2001) from Ms. Anna Endrizzi, B.O.O.S.T. Program Manager, Downsview Services to Seniors Inc., addressed to Ms. Sandy Van Dusen, City of Toronto, in support of the Public Health dental program;
 - (e) (December 6, 2001) from Ms. Pansy Miller, Assistant Administrator, Fairview Nursing Home Ltd., in support of the Public Health dental program;
 - (f) (January 4, 2002) from Ms. Daniela Cahuas, RN, MScN, GNC(C), Nurse Education, The Riverdale Hospital, addressed to the Board of Health, in support of the Public Health dental program;
 - (g) (January 7, 2002) from Ms. Maria Mazzilli, Service Co-ordinator, Villa Colombo Community Services, addressed to the Public Health Dental Services, in support of the Falls Intervention Project;
 - (h) (December 2, 2001) from Ms. Sylvana Santino, Secretary, St. Augustine of Canterbury School, addressed to the Board of Health, in support of the Public Health dental program;
 - (i) (January 7, 2002) from the Executive Director, Toronto Atmospheric Fund and the Medical Officer of Health providing the Budget Advisory Committee with a poll conducted by Oracle Research of 1,000 Toronto residents to determine Torontonians' level of concern about air quality and climate change and to ascertain their attitudes towards various measures to improve air quality;

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- (j) (December 28, 2001) from Mr. Michael A. Gardam, MSC, MD, CM, FRCP(C), Director, Infection Prevention and Control, Medical Director, Tuberculosis Clinic, Toronto Western Hospital, Infectious Disease Consultant, addressed to the Chair, Board of Health, in support of the Toronto Public Health Tuberculosis program;
- (k) (January 7, 2002) from Ms. Carolyn Acker, Executive Director, Regent Park Community Health Centre, addressed to the Chair, Board of Health, requesting that Public Health receive funding to maintain the present services for seniors and vulnerable adults;
- (l) (undated) from Ms. Vivian Marcuzzi and Staff, Yvonne Adult Centre-E.S.L. Program, Toronto District School Board, addressed to the Chair, Board of Health, in support of the Dental Health Program; and
- (m) (January 2, 2002) from Mr. John Elliott, Executive Director, Warden Woods Community Centre, addressed to the Chair, Board of Health, in support of the programs and services for vulnerable adults provided by Toronto Public Health.

On motion by Councillor Chow, the Budget Advisory Committee referred the 2002 Operating Budget for Public Health and the aforementioned communications to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

Toronto Public Library – 2002 Capital Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Capital Budget for the Toronto Public Library.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it a report (November 19, 2001) from the City Librarian, addressed to the Toronto Public Library Board, responding to a request from the Budget Advisory Committee during the 2001 budget process to investigate the potential for assisting with the construction costs for libraries through the pursuit of redevelopment opportunities on existing library sites; and recommending that the Toronto Public Library Board:

- (1) undertake the identification of library sites with redevelopment potential including the potential revenue or other benefits that might be derived from such redevelopment opportunities with the assistance of the Facilities and Real Estate Division at the City of Toronto; and
- (2) provide notice to the Budget Advisory Committee of the action undertaken by forwarding this report to the Committee.

On motion by Councillor Sutherland, the Budget Advisory Committee:

- (1) referred the 2002 Capital Budget for the Toronto Public Library and the aforementioned report to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time; and
- (2) requested that consideration be given to all or part of the funding for the Beaches, Long Branch, Pape/Danforth, McGregor and Runnymede Library projects being funded by Heritage; and further that the Chair of the Toronto Public Library Board and the Chief Librarian be requested to report to the wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time.

(E-mail: Chair, Toronto Public Library Board; Chief Librarian - February 8, 2002)

Toronto Public Library – 2002 Operating Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2002 Operating Budget for the Toronto Public Library.

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

- (a) (January 21, 2002) from the City Librarian, addressed to the Toronto Public Library Board, providing information regarding the Library's sustainability program for Information Technology, as requested by the Budget Advisory Committee at its meeting held on January 10, 2002; and recommending that:
 - (1) this report be received for information; and
 - (2) forwarded to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration;
- (b) (January 30, 2002) from Councillor Sandra Bussin, Ward 32 Beaches-East York, requesting that the Budget Advisory Committee not defer the Beaches Public Library Branch feasibility study for renovations for another year; and
- (c) (February 4, 2002) from Councillor Irene Jones, Ward 6 Etobicoke-Lakeshore, in support of the decision of the Toronto Public Library Board to maintain the funding for the Long Branch renovations in the 2002 Budget.

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On motion by Councillor Chow, the Budget Advisory Committee:

- (1) referred the 2002 Operating Budget for the Toronto Public Library and the aforementioned report and communications to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time; and

(Carried)

- (2) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that:

- (a) \$700,000.00 be added for unallocated reductions;

(Carried)

- (b) \$150,000.00 be added for the Leading to Reading Program; and

- (c) \$150,000.00 be added for Teen Zone Website.

(Lost)

General

The Budget Advisory Committee had before a communication (January 28, 2002) from Ms. Margaret J. McGovern, Resident, commenting on the City of Toronto's financial status.

On motion by Councillor Pitfield, the Budget Advisory Committee received the aforementioned communication for information.

Emergency Planning Initiatives

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it a communication (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.

On motion by Councillor Sutherland, the Budget Advisory Committee:

- (1) referred the aforementioned communication to the final wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 for consideration at that time; and
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to report to the wrap-up meeting of February 11, 2002 indicating which projects are conditional upon provincial/federal funding and what the net amount would be for the City if the Federal and Provincial governments participate.

The Budget Advisory Committee adjourned its meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Chair