

These minutes were confirmed by the Waterfront Reference Group at its meeting on February 20, 2002.

THE CITY OF TORONTO

Clerk's Division

Waterfront Reference Group

Meeting No. 1

Wednesday, January 9, 2002

The Waterfront Reference Group met on January 9, 2002, in Meeting Room B, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:30 a.m.

Present:

Councillor	9:30 a.m.
Councillor Joe Pantalone, Chair	X
Councillor Altobello	X
Councillor Ashton	X
Councillor Disero	X
Councillor Jones	X
Councillor Flint	X
Councillor McConnell	X
Councillor Moeser	X
Councillor Shiner	X
Mayor Lastman	-
Councillor Layton	X

Declarations of Interest Pursuant to the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act

None declared

Confirmation of Minutes

Councillor Moeser indicated that it was his recollection that he moved a motion at the November 29, 2001 meeting during consideration of Minute No. 3.1 requesting the Commissioner of Urban Development Services to keep the Group advised on a regular basis with respect to the activities of the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation and such motion was not reflected in the minutes.

On motion by Councillor Moeser, the minutes of the November 29, 2001 meeting of the Waterfront Reference Group were adopted subject to the foregoing amendment.

1.1 Waterfront Priority Projects

The Waterfront Reference Group heard a presentation from Mr. Robert Howald, General Manager, Real Estate for Ontario, Canada Lands on Portlands Remediation and papers copies of his presentation were available for distribution.

The Group thanked Mr. Howald for his presentation and received it for information.

The Waterfront Reference Group heard a presentation from Mr. Brian Denney, Director, Watershed Management Division, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority on the Mouth of the Don River and other watershed issues.

The Group thanked Mr. Denney for his presentation and received it for information.

1.2 Bill 151 - The Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation Act, 2001

The Committee had before a report (January 2, 2002) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services reviewing Bill 151, the Provincial legislation that, when enacted, will create the permanent Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation, highlighting issues of concern to the City of Toronto and outlining actions currently being taken to address these issues, and recommending that:

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- (1) this report be received and forwarded to Council, through the Policy and Finance Committee for information;
- (2) Council's position in the following areas be reaffirmed and communicated in writing to the Deputy Premier and Minister of Finance, Jim Flaherty and Federal Transport Minister, David Collenette:
 - (a) that Bill 151 recognize the City's Official Plan as a statutory, governing document;
 - (b) that the geographic boundary of the TWRC include the 46-kilometers of Toronto Waterfront, with priority being given to the Central Area, including the major transportation corridor within this area; and
 - (c) that the three governments on an annual basis approve the business plan of the TWRC;
- (3) City staff continue to work with Provincial representatives to ensure that the City's interests and priorities are properly addressed in the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation Act, when enacted, and in subsequent Provincial regulations and other inter-governmental agreements impacting the Act; and
- (4) that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

With Councillor Flint in the chair, on motion by Councillor Pantalone, the Waterfront Reference Group recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that:

- (1) City Council advise the Deputy Premier and Minister of Finance, Jim Flaherty, and the Federal Transport Minister, David Collenette of its position in the following areas:
 - (a) that Bill 151 recognize the City's Official Plan as a statutory, governing document;
 - (b) that the geographic boundary of the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation include the 46-kilometers of Toronto Waterfront, with priority being given to the

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Central Area, including the major transportation corridor within this area; and

- (c) that the three governments on an annual basis approve the business plan of the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation.
- (2) (on motion by Councillor Moeser), City staff continue to work with Provincial and Federal representatives to ensure that the City's interests and priorities are properly addressed in the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation Act, when enacted, and in subsequent Provincial regulations and other inter-governmental agreements impacting the Act; and
- (3) (on motion by Councillor Pantalone with Councillor Flint in the chair) the Chair of the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation be requested to submit the Corporation's Business Plan to the Waterfront Reference Group.

With Councillor Flint in the chair, on motion by Councillor Pantalone, the Waterfront Reference Group requested the Commissioner of Urban Development Services, in consultation with the City Solicitor, to report to the Policy and Finance Committee for its meeting on January 31, 2002 with recommendations on:

- (1) the following suggested amendments to Bill 151: Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation Act, 2001:
 - (a) (on motion by Councillor Layton), Section 3(1) 1. be amended by adding the words "ecological, economic, social and cultural" after the words "enhances the" and substituting the word "advanced" for the word "responsible", so as to read:

- "1. To implement a plan that enhances the ecological, economic, social and cultural value of the land in the designated waterfront area and creates an accessible and active waterfront for living, working and recreation, and to do so in a fiscally and environmentally advanced manner."
- (b) (on motion by Councillor Jones), Section 11(1) be amended by adding the words "and Council" after the word "Mayor" so as to read:
- "11.(1)The Corporation shall give an annual report on its affairs to the Minister of Transport (Canada), the Minister of Finance and the Mayor and Council of the City of Toronto within 90 days after the end of each fiscal year."
- (c) (on motion by Councillor Layton), that references within the Bill stating "...or unless it is authorized to do so by a regulation", as contained in, for example, Sections 4(3); 4(4) and 4(5), be:
- (i) deleted from the Act; or
- (ii) adding a proviso to this statement indicating that the enactment of a regulation only be applied after consent of the Federal Government and City Council has been obtained;
- (d) (on motion by Councillor Layton), proceedings of all meetings of the Corporation be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Act;

- (2) (on motion by Councillor Layton), concerns raised by the Group with respect to:
 - (i) Section 2(4) and the applicability of Conflict of Interest guidelines to the Act;
 - (ii) Section 2(5) with an explanation as to the reasoning for not applying the Corporations Act and the Corporations Information Act to the Corporation; and
 - (iii) any other concerns or comments raised by the Group.

1.3 Waterfront Heritage and Culture Infrastructure Plan (All Wards)

The Committee had before it a report (December 13, 2001) from the City Clerk forwarding Clause No. 1 of Report No. 12 of the Economic Development and Parks Committee titled "Waterfront Heritage and Culture Infrastructure Plan", which was adopted, as amended, by Council on December 4, 5 and 6, 2001 and advising that Council, in part, forwarded the Central Waterfront Heritage and Culture Infrastructure Plan to the City's Waterfront Reference Group, and to the governing body for waterfront development, for review and inclusion in that corporation's business and development strategy.

On motion by Councillor Ashton, the Waterfront Reference Group:

- (1) received the communication (December 13, 2001) from the City Clerk and expressed its appreciation to the staff of the Economic Development, Culture and Tourism Department for the development of the Waterfront Heritage and Culture Infrastructure Plan; and
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Economic Development, Tourism and Culture to provide the Waterfront Reference Group with regular updates as to the progress of the Plan.

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The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Date of Next Meeting: February 20, 2002

Chair