

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PARKS COMMITTEE

AGENDA

MEETING NO. 4

Date of Meeting: Time: Location:

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Monday, June 9, 2003 9:30 a.m. Committee Room 1 City Hall 100 Queen Street West **Enquiry:**

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PURSUANT TO THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

9:45 a.m.	High Speed Hover Craft Service (Item No. 1)
10:00 a.m.	Harbourfront Parks and Open Space Design Competition (Item No. 2)
10:10 a.m.	Culture Plan for the Creative City (All Wards) (Item No. 3)
10:30 a.m.	Various Grant Appeals (All Wards) (Item Nos. 4 to 8)

Deputation List to be distributed at meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS

1. **High Speed Hover Craft Service**

Deputation Item

Communication (undated) from Mr. Dale K. Wilson, DHS - Corporate Division, informing the Committee of a High Speed Hover Craft Service which is currently under development and being proposed for Lake Ontario covering the GTA and surrounding areas from Pickering to St. Catharines and offering an economical solution at a substantial cost savings compared to alternatives such as development of new highways or rail systems.

2. Harbourfront Parks and Open Space Design Competition

Deputation Item

(*Report to follow*)

3. **Culture Plan for the Creative City**

(All Wards)

Deputation Item

Report (May 13, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, seeking approval of the Culture Plan for the Creative City; and recommending that:

- the Culture Plan for the Creative City (Attachment No. 1) be approved; (1)
- (2)the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism report to Council with an implementation strategy for the Culture Plan in six months; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

4. **2003 Recreation Grants Program - Appeals Report** (All Wards)

Deputation Item

Report (May 20, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, reporting on the recommended allocations for the community organizations who have appealed their grant recommendation; and recommending that:

- (1) \$18,224.00 be allocated as listed in Attachment No. 1 and described in Attachment No. 2;
- (2) the remaining \$7,130.00 be allocated to Indian Art-I-Crafts of Ontario for the 2003 Canadian Aboriginal Festival; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

5. Economic Development Sector Initiatives Program (EDSIP) - Appeals Report (All Wards)

Deputation Item

Report (May 16, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, regarding the 2003 Economic Development Sector Initiatives Program (EDSIP) grants; and recommending that:

- (1) the McLuhan Global Network Conferences for the McLuhan Festival of the Future be allocated the remaining \$20,000.00 from the appeal fund;
- (2) the Centre for Media Sciences be encouraged to apply for a grant under the EDSIP grants program in 2004 with respect to supporting the Fashcam project; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

6. 2003 Commercial Research Grants Program - Appeals Report (All Wards)

Deputation Item

Report (May 15, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, reporting on the recommended allocations for the community agencies who have appealed their 2003 Commercial Research Grants Program recommendation; and recommending that:

- (1) the Village of Islington Business Improvement Area be allocated \$2,000.00 from the appeal fund;
- (2) the remaining \$1,110.00 be allocated to Indian Art-I-Crafts of Ontario for the 2003 Canadian Aboriginal Festival; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

7. 2003 Community Festivals and Special Events Grants Program - Appeals Report (All Wards)

Deputation Item

Report (May 15, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, reporting on the recommended allocations for the community organizations who have appealed their grant recommendation; and recommending that:

- (1) \$8,000.00 be allocated as listed in Attachments No. 1 and No. 3 and described in Attachments No. 2 and No. 4 of this report;
- (2) the remaining \$16,760.00 be allocated to Indian Art-I-Crafts of Ontario for the 2003 Canadian Aboriginal Festival;
- (3) the \$2,500.00 allocated to the Queen Broadview Village BIA be re-allocated to the Toronto Chinatown Community Development Association; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

8. 2003 Arts and Culture Grants Recommendations -Local Arts Service Organizations - Appeals (All Wards)

Deputation Item

Report (May 13, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, presenting recommendations in relation to the Arts and Culture - Local Arts Service Organizations Grants Program and the appeal by one grant applicant for an increased allocation; and recommending that:

- (1) the allocation to Lakeshore Arts be increased by \$2,700.00 to a total of \$24,200.00; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

9. North Rexdale Parks Redevelopment Strategy

(Ward 1 Etobicoke North)

Report (May 13, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, presenting the North Rexdale Parks Redevelopment Strategy, which sets out a program to guide improvements in a number of parks in the North Rexdale area; and recommending that:

- (1) the North Rexdale Parks Redevelopment Strategy be adopted as the strategic plan to guide management and improvement of parks in North Rexdale over the next 10-year period;
- (2) the top priority projects in the four identified sub areas, as noted herein be reviewed in the context of other like initiatives throughout the park system in the preparation of the 2004-2013 Capital Works Program; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

10. Persian New Year - Sunnybrook Park

(Ward 25 Don Valley West)

Report (May 15, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, reporting on the Persian New Year Event, which takes place at Sunnybrook Park; and recommending that:

- (1) Parks and Recreation Division staff continue to work closely with the Iranian Community to find an alternate location other than City property to host the Persian New Year event;
- (2) if a suitable location cannot be found, the use of open fires without the appropriate approvals and for purposes other than to cook food on a grill or barbeque, be prohibited on City property in accordance with the Ontario Fire Code, Section 2.6.3.4; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

11. Adopt-A-Park Program and Volunteer Work in City Parks (All Wards)

Report (May 16, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, seeking City Council authorization for the establishment of a City-wide Parks and Recreation Adopt-A-Park Program and providing information on Volunteer work in City parks; and recommending that:

- (1) the Adopt-A-Park program set out in Appendix A of this report be adopted;
- (2) consultation with the Union occur to discuss Collective Agreement considerations; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

12. Proposed License Agreement for the Use of Land Owned by the Governing Council of the University of Toronto by the City of Toronto for Recreational Purposes Located at the North-East Corner of Morningside Avenue and Military Trail (Ward 44 Scarborough East)

Report (May 23, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, regarding the proposed License Agreement for the use of land owned by the Governing Council of the University of Toronto by the City of Toronto; and recommending that:

- (1) City Council approve a License Agreement with the Governing Council of the University of Toronto for the use of land owned by the University for recreational purposes, located at the north-east corner of Morningside Avenue and Military Trail, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in the body of the report and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

13. Use of Biosolids Pellets on City Property

Joint report (May 20, 2003) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, responding to the Budget Advisory Committee's request made on January 29, 2003 to report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on the opportunity to use biosolids pellets on City property; and recommending that this report be received for information.

14. Status of the Humber-Sheppard Community Centre Site

(Ward 7 York West)

Report (May 13, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, reporting, as requested by the Economic Development and Parks Committee at it's meeting held on January 14, 2003, on the status of the Humber-Sheppard Community Centre Site; and recommending that this report be received for information.

15. Toronto Black History Project

(All Wards)

Report (May 13, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, reporting to Council on the results to date on the Toronto Black History Project; seeking Council authority to disburse private sector funds designated for the project and currently held by the City; and recommending that:

- funding in the amount of \$133,333.00 (plus interest earned since March 2001) be provided to the Ontario Black History Society from the Public Art Reserve Fund (XR 4002) to undertake a Business Plan for the African Canadian Museum and Cultural Centre;
- (2) the Ontario Black History Society provide a copy of the Business Plan to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism when it is complete;
- (3) funding in the amount of \$30,000.00 be provided to the Ontario Black History Society from the Public Art Reserve Fund (XR 4002) to produce a book on the history of black churches in Ontario; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

16. Amendment to Purchase Order No. 6006617 -Fort York - Bake Oven Restoration (Word 10 Trinity Spedine)

(Ward 19 Trinity-Spadina)

Report (May 13, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, amending Purchase Order No. 6006617 by \$14,224.01 (inclusive of GST) for extra work encountered during the restoration of the Bake Oven in Historic Fort York; and recommending that:

- (1) Purchase Order No. 6007867 be amended by \$14,224.01 including all taxes and charges, in order to complete restoration work for the bake oven at Historic Fort York with the new contract value of \$48,233.06 (inclusive of GST); and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

17. Report on "Breaking Barriers, Building Bridges: A Conference for Internationally Educated Professionals", Toronto, February 20, 2003 (All Wards)

Report (May 13, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, providing an update on the February 20, 2003 conference, "Breaking Barriers, Building Bridges: A Conference for Internationally Educated Professionals", that was co-organized by the City of Toronto's Economic Development Division; and recommending that this report be received for information.

18. Establishment of an Official Toronto Marathon

(Various Wards)

Report (May 23, 2003) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, reporting on the designation of "official" being designated on one of the two marathons being produced in the City of Toronto and related issues; and recommending that:

- (1) the City of Toronto not designate an "official" marathon in the City as there are presently two marathons, the Toronto Waterfront Marathon and the Toronto Marathon;
- (2) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to review the support being given to the two marathons and determine if there are any means by which the City of Toronto can assist such marathons based on the positive economic impact marathons bring to the City;
- (3) both marathons be permitted to occur as scheduled in 2003 and 2004 and the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to work with the event producers to move one of the marathons to a spring month in the year 2005; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.