



**PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
AGENDA
MEETING NO. 8**

Date of Meeting: Wednesday, September 3, 2003 **Enquiry:** Christine Archibald
Time: 9:30 a.m. **Committee Administrator**
Location: Committee Room 2 **(416) 392-7039**
 City Hall **carchiba@toronto.ca**
 100 Queen Street West

Declarations of Interest Pursuant to the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting of July 2, 2003 - available in Q:Qry\2003\Standing\Planning\Minutes and on the City of Toronto's website.

1. 10.00 a.m. Cleaning up of City owned properties

Communication (August 21, 2003) from Councillor Berardinetti advising that he is attempting to work with the local community to have a city owned land cleared up as litter, debris and other garbage continues to be dumped there, and asking that a policy question be resolved by Planning and Transportation and City Council as to whether the City's Municipal Licensing and Standards Division of Urban Development Services can issue work orders to Works and Emergency Services to clean up properties such as this.

2. Public Meeting

10.30 a.m. Inspection and Preliminary Project Review Fees relating to Licensing and By-law Inspection Services and Adjustment to Licensing Fees based on the Consumer Price Index

Report (August 20, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services amending Chapter 545, Licensing of the Toronto Municipal Code, to include a regular annual adjustment to licensing fees based on the Consumer Price Index as reported by

Statistics Canada, and to also amend Chapter 441, Fees, of the Toronto Municipal Code, and recommending that:

- (1) Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, be amended to include a provision which increases all fees effective January 1st of each calendar year, based on the percentage increase in the All Items Index of the Consumer Price Index (not seasonally adjusted) for the Toronto Census Area, published by Statistics Canada, during the twelve-month period ending on September 30th of each previous year;
- (2) Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 441, Fees, be amended to include provisions to:
 - (a) establish a new class of Preliminary Project Review service fee to recover the costs for a detailed zoning compliance review, as required by Municipal Licensing and Standards, before a business licence is issued, at the rate of \$210.00, per application, and if needed, that staff report back on any required changes to the project within or following its first year of operation;
 - (b) establish a new class of fee for the provision of Building Activity Reports to be provided at a cost of \$20.00 per month; and,
 - (c) establish a new class of fee for the provision of inspection services, at the cost of \$60.00 per hour or part thereof with a minimum of \$60.00 for all inspections, where by-law violations have not been remedied beyond the date of compliance set out in any order or notice issued by a Municipal Standards Officer;
- (3) the business principle be endorsed for Urban Development Services to hire additional staff, on a cost recovery basis, for the provision of Preliminary Project Review services associated with the review of certain business licence applications; and,
- (4) the City Solicitor be directed to prepare the necessary bill to give effect to these recommendations, to be effective commencing January 1, 2004.

3. Public Meeting

11:00 a.m. Business Licensing Thresholds

Report (August 12, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services recommending a business licensing threshold regime for the City of Toronto, providing a clear rationale for such a regime in accordance with the licensing powers provided under the Municipal Act, 2001, outlining any implications for the City and recommending that:

- (1) licensing thresholds be established according to classification of licence, as detailed in Schedule A of this report;
- (2) Recommendation (1) be enabled through an amendment to the City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 545, Licensing;
- (3) staff report on training for Tribunal members on licensing thresholds and the Tribunal's procedural principles and operations;
- (4) Council direct the Tribunal to render a brief written decision statement with reasons for each hearing it adjudicates;
- (5) Council also direct the Tribunal to report to the local Community Council for stationary licences and to the Planning and Transportation Committee regarding mobile and trades licences, setting out the basis for issuing any licence, contrary to the thresholds established as part of the working framework of Chapter 545, Licensing, of the Toronto Municipal Code;
- (6) staff report further on a process of implementing by-law amendments to support a system of allowing administrative suspensions in extraordinary circumstances;
- (7) the Committee endorse the principle of investigating the development of a corporate inventory of municipal conviction records; and
- (8) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

4. 11.30 a.m. Use of Public Highway for Sale of Event Tickets

Report (August 20, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services reporting on a new City-wide by-law to prohibit event ticket vending from a public highway and recommending that:

- (1) a by-law respecting the use or occupation of the public highway for the sale of event tickets be introduced, which prohibits any person from using or occupying a public highway within the City of Toronto for the purposes of selling or offering for sale any ticket to any event;
- (2) City Council declare the use or occupation of the public highway for the purposes of the sale, or offer for sale, of event tickets to be a public nuisance under Section 128 of the Municipal Act, 2001;

- (3) the City Solicitor be directed to provide assistance to the Executive Director of Municipal Licensing and Standards in co-ordinating prosecutions under this by-law;
- (4) the Commissioner of Urban Development Services monitor the effectiveness of the enforcement of this by-law, including consulting with representatives of the event venue industry, the Toronto Police Service and the City's tourism industry, and report back in one year's time;
- (5) the City Solicitor be directed to expedite an application to the Ministry of the Attorney General for approval of the set fine(s) for this by-law;
- (6) the City Solicitor be requested to make application to the provincial government requesting special legislation to allow for the seizure of goods, including tickets, being displayed, sold or offered for sale contrary to a by-law, whether or not such goods are contained in a vehicle or object; and
- (7) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

5. Preliminary Report - Application to amend Zoning By-law 168-93 - City of Toronto 65 and 71 Front Street West - Union Station - 103012 - Toronto Centre-Rosedale, Ward 28

Report (August 5, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services providing preliminary information on the above-noted application, seeking the Planning and Transportation Committee's directions on further processing of the application and on the community consultation process and recommending that:

- (1) staff be directed to schedule a community consultation meeting together with the Ward Councillor;
- (2) notice for the community consultation meeting be given to landowners and residents within 120 metres of the site, as well as through notice in the newspaper and on the City's Union Station Web Site; and
- (3) notice for the Public Meeting under the Planning Act be given according to the regulations under the Planning Act.

6. New Ravine By-law - Sandringham Ravine Mapping Amendments - Ward 16 Eglinton-Lawrence

Joint report (July 23, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services and the Commissioner, Economic Development Culture and Tourism responding to the request from Council, passed at its meeting held on June 24, 25 and 26, 2003, to revise

the boundaries of the Ravine protection By-law area in the area of the Sandringham Ravine and recommending that:

- (1) the City Solicitor be authorized to amend the City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 658, Ravine Protection by replacing the maps of Schedule A, such that the property data maps forming part of Schedule A show the revised Ravine Protection area boundaries in the area of Sandringham Ravine; and
- (2) the City Solicitor be authorized to introduce the necessary Bill in Council to give effect thereto.

7. Revised Organizational Structure for the Committee of Adjustment

Report (August 14, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services reporting on the re-organization of the Committee of Adjustment for the City of Toronto to correspond with the boundaries for the new Community Councils, as adopted by City Council at its meeting held on July 22, 23 and 24, 2003, and recommending that:

- (1) the City Solicitor be directed to prepare for approval by City Council, a by-law amending the Municipal Code, Chapter 4, Section 4-2 Committee of Adjustment, to comprise 5 members per panel corresponding to each Community Council area, as adopted by City Council at its meeting held July 22, 23 and 24, 2003;
- (2) City Council adopt revised criteria for selecting citizen members of the Committee of Adjustment, as set out in Attachment No. 1 to this report, to reflect the requirements of the revised Municipal Act, 2001;
- (3) City Council adopt remuneration for the Committee of Adjustment of:
 - (a) \$300.00 per Member for each Hearing Day attended; and
 - (b) \$1,000.00 extra annually for the Panel Chairs, such funds to be provided from the operating budget of the City Planning Division; and,
- (4) City Council recommend the Committee of Adjustment, when appointed and prior to holding Public Hearings, meet as a committee of the whole, to:
 - (a) confirm the panel membership corresponding to the Community Council Boundaries, adopted by City Council at its meeting July 22, 22 and 24, 2003;
 - (b) appoint the Panel Chairs, who in turn, will designate one person from the Panel Chair group as a City Wide Chair for a period of one year, to aid in

transition from six panels to four panels, and for reporting to the city administration on matters concerning the committee of the whole; and

- (c) appoint the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division as Secretary-Treasurer.

8. Interim Procedures During Council Election - All Wards

Report (July 25, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services temporarily amending Council adopted procedures to send city staff to the Ontario Municipal Board as needed during the election hiatus and recommending that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Urban Development Services and the City Solicitor be authorized to send staff to Ontario Municipal Board hearings on matters of concern to the City, as needed, during the Council Election;
- (2) the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be requested to submit a status report to Planning and Transportation Committee and to each Community Council on the use of delegated authority during the election period; and
- (3) the Commissioner of Urban Development Services consult with City Councillors on any OMB attendance, and that individual Councillors who wish to have the City initiate an appeal, support or oppose an appeal or request a deferral, may formally file requests with the Commissioner of Urban Development Services on matters that are time sensitive.

9. Ontario Professional Planners Institute (OPPI) Awards

Report (July 22, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services advising the Planning and Transportation Committee that two documents produced by the City Planning Division have won Excellence in Planning Awards from the Ontario Professional Planners Institute and recommending that the Committee receive this report or information.

10. Clothing Drop-off Boxes

Joint report (August 18, 2003) from the City Solicitor and the Commissioner, Urban Development Services responding to the Planning and Transportation Committee's request to report on the feasibility of identifying or licensing charitable drop-off boxes and the feasibility of regulating clothing drop-off boxes through zoning by-law provisions respecting private property, and recommending that:

- (1) this report be received for information; and
- (2) if Chapter 313 of the former City of Toronto Municipal Code is to be amended to allow operators of clothing drop-off boxes to apply for permits allowing the boxes on City sidewalks or boulevards, that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to submit a report regarding qualification for a permit, the appropriate number of permits to be issued, where the boxes can be placed and any other relevant information.

11. Terms of Reference for the Licensing Sub-Committee

Communication (July 7, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting on June 24, 25 and 26, 2003, had before it Clause No. 10 of Report No. 7 of The Planning and Transportation Committee, and directed that this Clause be received as information, subject to striking out and referring Item (e) entitled "Terms of Reference for the Licensing Sub-Committee", back to the Planning and Transportation for further consideration.

12. Archaeological Master Plan of the Central Waterfront

Communication (June 30, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that City Council at its meeting on June 24, 25 and 26, 2003, adopted, without amendment, Clause No. 14 of Report No. 5 of the Economic Development and Parks Committee, headed "Archaeological Master Plan of the Central Waterfront", and in part referred the following Recommendation to the Planning and Transportation Committee:

“It is recommended that the City use, and the Committee of Adjustment be requested to use, its powers under the Planning Act, as outlined in Chapter 4.0 of the Archaeological Master Plan of the Central Waterfront, as amended, to require that (an) archaeological assessment(s) and appropriate mitigation measures are complete before any development that involves soil disturbance is permitted on lands that are partially or wholly within a zone of “archaeological potential” as shown on the site potential maps contained in the Master Plan; the archaeological assessment(s) and mitigation must be completed to the satisfaction of the Ministry of Culture, Heritage Operations Unit.”

13. Terms of Reference for the Taxicab Advisory Committee

Note: The Planning and Transportation Committee, at its meeting on June 3, 2003, referred the following report (May 22, 2003) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services to the Taxicab Advisory Committee (TAC) with a request that TAC review this report and forward recommendations to the Planning and Transportation Committee on how the staff workload can be diminished while at the same time ensuring that the democratically elected nature of the Taxicab Advisory Committee is retained.

Report (May 22, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services reporting on a review of the Terms of Reference for the Taxicab Advisory Committee (TAC) and recommending that:

- (1) the Planning and Transportation Committee endorse and adopt the revised Terms of Reference for the TAC, including the development of a workplan, attached as Appendix "B";
- (2) the Planning and Transportation Committee endorse the revised plan for the selection of members to, and the composition of the TAC, as outlined in this report;
- (3) the Taxicab Advisory Committee meet quarterly and resources be allocated accordingly; and
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

13(a). Communication from the Secretary, Taxicab Advisory Committee (TAC) advising of the action taken by TAC at its meeting on August 25, 2003

Note: The above-noted report will be included on the supplementary agenda.

14. Pearson Air Rail Link

Communication (June 18, 2003) from the City Clerk, Toronto Cycling Committee advising that the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that Planning and Transportation Committee recommend that City Council request that Transport Canada, as part of its review of business cases for the new Pearson Air Rail Link, consider provisions for accommodating bicycles on the trains and for bicycle parking facilities at the stations.

15. Bike Week 2003

Communication (June 18, 2003) from the City, Toronto Cycling Committee advising that the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that the report (June 2, 2003) from the Bicycle Promotions Co-ordinator, Transportation Planning, Urban Development Services, be received and forwarded to the Planning and Transportation Committee for their information.

16. Business Watch Pilot Project

Communication (August 12, 2003) from the City Clerk, Toronto Cycling Committee advising that the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that, if City Council implements an internet-based, electronic, second-hand and pawn reporting system, following the completion of the Business Watch Pilot Project, the Planning and Transportation Committee be requested to support the inclusion of a Bike Watch component and promote the same to cyclists as a theft reduction strategy.

16(a). Report (August 19, 2003) from Councillor Chow, recommending that:

- (1) Planning and Transportation Committee support the inclusion of a Bike Watch component in any new internet-based, electronic, second-hand and pawn reporting system, following the completion of the Business Watch International Pilot Project;
- (2) Planning and Transportation Committee promote the Bike Watch program to cyclists as a theft reduction strategy.

17. City Cycling Work Plan for 2004

Communication (August 12, 2003) from the City Clerk, Toronto Cycling Committee advising that the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that the Planning and Transportation Committee:

- (1) request City Council to support and endorse the amount of \$150,000.00 as the Base Budget for Urban Development Services Cycling Programs; and
- (2) request City Council to support and endorse the addition of \$50,000.00 to the Base Budget for Urban Development Services Cycling Programs, in order to expand the Road and Trail Ambassadors program by adding an additional 10 ambassadors.



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13(a). Communication (August 26, 2003) from the Chair, Taxicab Advisory Committee providing the Planning and Transportation Committee with a revision of the existing Terms of Reference that resolves specific issues identified by the Planning and Transportation Committee regarding the operation of the inaugural elected Taxicab Advisory Committee (TAC) while at the same time maintaining the independent and democratic framework of TAC and recommending that:

- (1) the Planning and Transportation Committee endorse and adopt the revision of the existing Terms of Reference agreed upon by TAC at its meeting on August 25, 2003, attached as Appendix "A";
- (2) the Planning and Transportation Committee receive the report (May 22, 2003) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services for information; and
- (3) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

18. Opportunities for Capital Investments to Expedite District Heating and District Cooling in the Waterfront

Report (August 25, 2003) from the Commissioner, Works and Emergency Services responding to the recommendation of the Planning and Transportation Committee at its meeting of June 3, 2003 regarding the Waterfront Scan and Environmental Improvement Strategy Study and recommending that this report be received for information.

19. Effects of SARS on the Taxicab Industry

Communication (August 26, 2003) from the Chair, Taxicab Advisory Committee recommending that the City of Toronto deduct \$146.50 from the 2003-2004 licence renewal fee for taxicab drivers, Ambassador licence owners, and single standard plate owner-operators, as a result of SARS.

20. Taxicab Driver Bill of Rights

Communication (August 26, 2003) from the Chair, Taxicab Advisory Committee recommending that:

- (1) the Planning and Transportation Committee endorse and adopt the Taxicab Driver Bill of Rights, agreed upon by TAC at its meeting on August 25, 2003, attached as Appendix 'A';
- (2) the Taxicab Driver Bill of Rights be posted prominently in all taxicabs as a complement to the existing Passenger Bill of Rights; and
- (3) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.