

THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk's Division

Minutes of the Policy and Finance Committee

Meeting No. 1

Thursday, January 23, 2003

The Policy and Finance Committee met on Thursday, January 23, 2003, in Committee Room 1, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:40 a.m.

Attendance

Members were present for some or all of the time periods indicated.

	9:40 a.m. to 12:42 p.m. Including In-Camera Session	2:15 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Mayor Mel Lastman, Chair	X	X
Councillor Sandra Bussin	X	X
Councillor Frank Di Giorgio	X	X
Councillor Norm Kelly	X	X
Councillor Pam McConnell	X	X
Councillor Ron Moeser	-	-
Councillor Frances Nunziata	X	X
Councillor Case Ootes, Vice Chair	X	X
Councillor Sherene Shaw	X	X
Councillor David Shiner	X	X

Confirmation of Minutes.

On motion by Councillor Shiner, the Policy and Finance Committee confirmed the minutes of its meeting held on November 14, 2002.

1-1. Preliminary 2003 Current Value Assessment (CVA) Impacts and Tax Policy Options for 2003, Commercial and Industrial Property Classes; Residential Property Class; Multi-Residential Property Class; Status of Property Tax Relief Program for Low-Income Seniors and Low-Income Disabled Persons (All Wards).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it the following reports:

- (i) (January 10, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, entitled "Preliminary 2003 Current Value Assessment (CVA) Impacts, Executive Summary

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and Overview of Tax Policy Options for 2003 (All Wards)” providing a summary of property tax impacts arising from the 2003 reassessment (June 2001 property valuation) and an overview of the tax policy options available to Council; advising that the document "Summary of Estimated 2003 CVA Tax Impacts - December 2002" accompanies this report; and recommending that this report be received for information;

- (ii) (January 10, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer entitled “Preliminary 2003 Current Value Assessment (CVA) Impacts and Tax Policy Options - Commercial and Industrial Property Classes – (All Wards)” recommending that:
 - (1) a 5 per cent limit for assessment-related tax increases be adopted for the commercial and industrial property classes;
 - (2) the limits on tax increases for the commercial and industrial property classes be financed entirely within the respective property class, by clawing back a portion of the tax decreases that would otherwise be payable to properties that have experienced a decrease under Current Value Assessment (CVA), in accordance with *Municipal Act* provisions;
 - (3) the clawback rate on tax decreases be set at a rate sufficient to ensure revenue-neutrality in 2003, having regard for anticipated losses arising through appeals and assessment changes, such rate to be calculated at the time that final tax rates are determined;
 - (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto;
- (iii) (January 10, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer entitled “Preliminary 2003 Current Value Assessment (CVA) Impacts and Tax Policy Options - Residential Property Class (All Wards)” presenting the preliminary 2003 re-assessment and taxation impacts in respect of the residential property class; advising that reassessment, at the municipal level, is revenue neutral; that Council’s tax policy decision for the 2003 taxation year in respect of the residential property class is whether or not to phase-in tax increases and decreases, and if so, the duration of the phase-in program, and the extent, if any, of any threshold amounts for increases or decreases; that the 2003 re-assessment, based on a June 2001 valuation date, will result in 339,188 residential properties (or 59 percent of all residential properties) receiving an average CVA tax decrease of \$135.00, and 234,576 properties (41 percent) receiving an average tax increase of \$180.00; that

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these CVA impacts are significantly lower (half) than experienced in the last reassessment; that for the reason that the 2003 reassessment-related impacts are significantly less, and that annual reassessments will take place commencing in 2004; and recommending that, for the Residential Property Class, the CVA-related tax impacts arising from the 2003 reassessment not be phased-in;

- (iv) (January 10, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer entitled “Preliminary 2003 Current Value Assessment (CVA) Impacts and Tax Policy Options - Multi-Residential Property Class (All Wards)” recommending that:
- (1) a 5 per cent limit for assessment-related tax increases be adopted for the multi-residential property class;
 - (2) the limit on tax increases for the multi-residential property class be financed entirely within the property class, by clawing back a portion of the tax decreases that would otherwise be payable to properties that have experienced a decrease under Current Value Assessment, in accordance with *Municipal Act* provisions;
 - (3) the clawback rate on tax decreases be set at a rate sufficient to ensure revenue neutrality in 2003, having regard for anticipated losses arising through appeals and assessment changes, such rate to be calculated at the time that final tax rates are determined;
 - (4) the optional new multi-residential tax class that allows a reduced tax rate to apply to newly-constructed multi-residential properties for a thirty-five year period of time following construction be adopted for the 2003 taxation year; and
 - (5) the applicable tax rate for the new multi-residential tax class be set at a tax rate equivalent to the 2003 residential tax rate; and
 - (6) the appropriate City staff be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto; and
- (v) (January 15, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, entitled “Status of Property Tax Relief Program For Low-Income Seniors And Low-Income Disabled Persons”, recommending that:
- (1) the existing property tax deferral program for low-income seniors and low-income disabled persons be continued to allow eligible persons, as defined for the current program, to defer tax increases for the 2003 taxation year and tax increases for subsequent years, in accordance with Attachment 1 of this report; and

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- (2) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto and authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary bills.

The Policy and Finance Committee also had before it the following communications:

- (i) (January 23, 2003) from Councillor Olivia Chow, Downtown, entitled, "CVA Tax Phasing-In Option" recommending that the Policy and Finance Committee approve phase-in assessment related tax increases exceeding \$200.00 over a period of 3 years;
- ii) (January 22, 2003) from Jadwiga Zaleski;
- (iii) (January 22, 2003) from Mary Deluc;
- (iv) (January 23, 2003) from Vaclav Carek; and
- (v) (January 23, 2003) from O. Rehmer.

The Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer gave a presentation to the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter and filed a copy of his presentation material in regard thereto.

The following Members of Council also appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Councillor Brian Ashton, Scarborough Southwest;
- Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, Parkdale-High Park; and
- Councillor Joe Pantalone, Trinity-Spadina.

The Policy and Finance Committee:

- (A) recommended to Council:
 - (I) the adoption of the report (January 10, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, entitled "Preliminary 2003 Current Value Assessment (CVA) Impacts and Tax Policy Options – Commercial and Industrial Property Classes (All Wards)", wherein it is recommended that:
 - (1) a 5 per cent limit for assessment-related tax increases be adopted for the commercial and industrial property classes;

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- (2) the limits on tax increases for the commercial and industrial property classes be financed entirely within the respective property class, by clawing back a portion of the tax decreases that would otherwise be payable to properties that have experienced a decrease under Current Value Assessment (CVA), in accordance with *Municipal Act* provisions;
 - (3) the clawback rate on tax decreases be set at a rate sufficient to ensure revenue-neutrality in 2003, having regard for anticipated losses arising through appeals and assessment changes, such rate to be calculated at the time that final tax rates are determined;
 - (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.”;
- (II) the adoption of the report (January 10, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, entitled “Preliminary 2003 Current Value Assessment (CVA) Impacts And Tax Policy Options - Residential Property Class (All Wards)”, wherein it is recommended that, “for the Residential Property Class, the CVA-related tax impacts arising from the 2003 reassessment not be phased-in.”;
- (III) the adoption of the report (January 10, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, entitled “Preliminary 2003 Current Value Assessment (CVA) Impacts And Tax Policy Options - Multi-Residential Property Class (All Wards)” wherein it is recommended that;
- “(1) a 5 per cent limit for assessment-related tax increases be adopted for the multi-residential property class;
 - (2) the limit on tax increases for the multi-residential property class be financed entirely within the property class, by clawing back a portion of the tax decreases that would otherwise be payable to properties that have experienced a decrease under Current Value Assessment, in accordance with *Municipal Act* provisions;

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- (3) the clawback rate on tax decreases be set at a rate sufficient to ensure revenue neutrality in 2003, having regard for anticipated losses arising through appeals and assessment changes, such rate to be calculated at the time that final tax rates are determined;
 - (4) the optional new multi-residential tax class that allows a reduced tax rate to apply to newly-constructed multi-residential properties for a thirty-five year period of time following construction be adopted for the 2003 taxation year; and
 - (5) the applicable tax rate for the new multi-residential tax class be set at a tax rate equivalent to the 2003 residential tax rate; and
 - (6) the appropriate City staff be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.”; and
- (IV) the adoption of the report (January 15, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, entitled “Status of Property Tax Relief Program For Low-Income Seniors And Low-Income Disabled Persons”, wherein is recommended that:
- “(1) the existing property tax deferral program for low-income seniors and low-income disabled persons be continued to allow eligible persons, as defined for the current program, to defer tax increases for the 2003 taxation year and tax increases for subsequent years, in accordance with Attachment 1 of this report; and
 - (2) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto and authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary bills.”;
- (B) requested the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to submit a report directly to Council for its meeting scheduled to be held on February 4, 2003, on options available, in detail, for providing a “cap” or other mechanism that achieve the objective of limiting CVA related increases for low-income seniors, low-income disabled persons and those individuals whose income is \$25,000.00 or less, to three percent for 2003; and **(Motion by Mayor Lastman on behalf of Councillor Pantalone)**

- (C) received the report (January 10, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, entitled "Preliminary 2003 Current Value Assessment (CVA) Impacts Executive Summary and Overview of Tax Policy Options for 2003 (All Wards)".

The following motion moved by Councillor McConnell was voted on and lost:

"That the Policy and Finance Committee recommend to Council the adoption of a three-year phase-in program with a \$200.00 cap on increases and a \$125.00 cap on decreases as identified in Appendix 5 attached to the report (January 10, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer entitled "Preliminary 2003 Current Value Assessment (CVA) Impacts And Tax Policy Options - Residential Property Class (All Wards)".

(Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer – January 23, 2003)
(This item was considered with Item No. 38)

(Clause No. 1 - Report No. 1)

**1-2. Establishment of Toronto Fire Services
Reserve Fund for a Fire Public Education Centre
and/or Enhancement of the Fire Prevention
Risk Watch Program.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a joint report (December 17, 2002) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, the Fire Chief and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) Council establish an obligatory reserve fund, called the 'Toronto Fire Services Public Education Reserve Fund', the purpose of which is to provide funding for the development of a Fire Services Public Education Centre at the Harbourfront Fire Station and/or to provide funding for the Toronto Fire Prevention Risk Watch Program;
- (2) Municipal Code Chapter 227 (Reserves and Reserve Funds Bylaw) be amended by adding the "Toronto Fire Services Public Education Reserve Fund" to schedule "B3";

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- (3) all donations received for public fire safety education, by the City of Toronto, be held separately in the 'Toronto Fire Services Public Education Reserve Fund' designated for this purpose, and receipts for income tax purposes be issued for eligible donations to donors in accordance with the Income Tax Act and City policy in this regard; and
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto, and that leave be granted for the introduction of any necessary bills in Council to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Shiner, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing joint report (December 17, 2002) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Service, the Fire Chief and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

(Clause No. 10 - Report No. 1)

1-3. Authority to Issue Debentures During 2003.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (January 8, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) authority be granted for the Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer to enter into an agreement or agreements, in accordance with Section 102 of the City of Toronto Act, 1997 (No. 2), with a purchaser or purchasers for the sale and issuance of debentures, to provide an amount in 2003 not to exceed \$500 million;
- (2) authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary Bills in Council to give effect to the foregoing; and
- (3) the appropriate City of Toronto officials be authorized to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Shiner, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing report (January 8, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

(Clause No. 11 - Report No. 1)

1-4. Temporary Borrowing Pending the Receipt of Tax Revenues and the Issuance of Debentures or Bank Loans During 2003.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (January 8, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) the temporary borrowing limit to meet 2003 current expenditures, pending receipt of tax and other revenues, be established at \$1,000,000,000;
- (2) the temporary borrowing limit for capital purposes for 2003 be established at \$500,000,000;
- (3) authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary Bills in Council to give effect the foregoing; and
- (4) the appropriate City of Toronto officials be authorized to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Shiner, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the following report (January 8, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

(Clause No. 12 - Report No. 1)

1-5. Access to Quarterly Financial Statements of Toronto Hydro Corporation.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (January 8, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that Council authorize Toronto Hydro Corporation to make its unaudited quarterly consolidated financial statements available to the public; and advising that release of this information would not create any difficulties for Toronto Hydro Corporation, nor for the City, since the annual audited consolidated financial statements of Toronto Hydro Corporation are already public information, and the quarterly financial statements would merely provide a quarterly perspective of the same information.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing report (January 8, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

(Clause No. 13 - Report No. 1)

1-6. Section 65 of The Ontario Municipal Board Act.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a joint report (January 10, 2003) from the City Solicitor and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be authorized to approve, on behalf of the City, an expenditure or commitment by a local board for which the costs, or any portion of the costs, may be raised beyond the term of the then current City Council provided that the following conditions are met:
 - (a) the expenditure or commitment is within the City of Toronto's debt and financial obligation limit; and
 - (b) such expenditure or commitment is consistent with the budgets of the local board as then approved by Council; and
- (2) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be authorized to advise local boards of the requirement that any board authorization of the relevant expenditure or commitment is subject to the approval contained in Recommendation (1).

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing joint report (January 10, 2003) from the City Solicitor and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

(Clause No. 14 - Report No. 1)

1-7. Supplementary Report – Chief Administrative Officer's Status Report on the Implementation of the Recommendations of the Final Report of the Task Force on Community Access and Equity.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (January 10, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer recommending that:

- (1) the CAO report at the end of 2003 on the implementation of the recommendations of the Task Force on Community Access and Equity based on the timetable outlined in this report;
- (2) the City's Human Rights Awards include categories which recognize the contributions made by individuals/organizations to the Aboriginal community and the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender community and that these additions be undertaken within current program resources;

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- (3) this report provide a foundation for the development of the City of Toronto's Plan of Action for the Elimination of Racism and Discrimination; and
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report (January 10, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer subject to:

- (1) adding the following words to the end of Recommendation No. (1) "in an appropriate time to allow for consideration of any financial implications"; and **(Motion by Councillor Shaw, as amended by Councillor Shiner)**
- (2) amending Recommendation No. (3) by adding the words "in conjunction with community consultation recommendations" after the word "foundation"; **(Motion by Councillor Shaw)**

so that the recommendations embodied in the aforementioned report now read as follows:

- "(1) the CAO report at the end of 2003 on the implementation of the recommendations of the Task Force on Community Access and Equity based on the timetable outlined in this report, in an appropriate time to allow for consideration of any financial implications;
- (2) the City's Human Rights Awards include categories which recognize the contributions made by individuals/organizations to the Aboriginal community and the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender community and that these additions be undertaken within current program resources;
- (3) this report provide a foundation, in conjunction with community consultation recommendations, for the development of the City of Toronto's Plan of Action for the Elimination of Racism and Discrimination; and
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto."

(Clause No. 15 - Report No. 1)

1-8. Update – Council Motion on Racial Profiling in Toronto.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (January 10, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer recommending that:

- (1) the Toronto Police Services Board provide City Council with the reports that have been requested on the implementation of the Toronto Police Service race relations initiatives and that the Toronto Police Services Board also be requested to invite the Diversity Advocate to attend the Board meeting at which the aforementioned report is considered;
- (2) the Task Force on Community Safety include race relations issues as part of its consideration of community safety issues and work with the Community Advisory Committee on Race and Ethnic Relations and community organizations as appropriate;
- (3) the Chief Administrative Officer be requested to maintain a watching brief on the matter of racial profiling and report to Council as necessary; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Policy and Finance Committee also had before it a communication (January 7, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Race and Ethnic Relations Committee, at its meeting held on December 18, 2002, requested:

- (1) that the Policy and Finance Committee be advised that the Race and Ethnic Relations Committee:
 - (a) endorses the action taken by City Council on October 29, 30 and 31, 2002 with respect to the Principle of Zero Tolerance of Racial Profiling for Policing in the City of Toronto; and
 - (b) considers that sufficient studies and reports have been prepared on the subject of racial profiling and systemic racism over the last 27 years, some of which are listed in the Notice of Motion adopted by City Council on October 29, 30 and 31, 2002, and, based on the recommendations of these various reports, believes that it is now time for action on this important matter;

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- (2) the Policy and Finance Committee, when considering the report from the Chief Administrative Officer summarizing the outstanding recommendations of the various studies and reports requested by City Council for submission to its January 23, 2003 meeting, invite groups such as the African Legal Clinic, the Toronto Police Services Board and other stakeholders, as well as members of the Race and Ethnic Relations Committee, to make deputations; and
- (3) that the Policy and Finance Committee be advised that it supports amendments to the Police Services Act that would improve the present governance of police complaints and that it also supports the hiring of more visible-minority Police Officers and extensive diversity training for all Police Officers, and that the Toronto Police Services Board be so advised.

Mr. Kevin Lee, Co-Chair, Ethnic and Race Relations Advisory Committee, and Executive Director, Scadding Court Community Centre, appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

The following Members of Council also appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Councillor Brian Ashton, Scarborough Southwest;
- Councillor Olivia Chow, Trinity-Spadina;
- Councillor Doug Holyday, Etobicoke Centre;
- Councillor Joe Mihevc, St. Paul's;
- Councillor David Miller, Parkdale-High Park;

The Policy and Finance Committee:

- (A) recommended to Council the adoption of the report (January 10, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer subject to amending the Recommendations contained therein to read as follows:

“It is recommended:

- (1) in addition to the directions of Toronto City Council in the Notice of Motion approved at its meeting on October 31, 2002, the Toronto Police Services Board provide City Council with the reports that have been requested on the implementation of the Toronto Police Service race relations initiatives and that the Toronto Police Services Board also be

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requested to invite the Diversity Advocate, and other Members of Council of the Reference Group on Access and Equity, to attend the Board meeting at which the aforementioned report is considered; **(Motion by Councillor Shaw)**

- (2) the Task Force on Community Safety include race relations issues as part of its consideration of community safety issues and work with the Community Advisory Committee on Race and Ethnic Relations and community organizations as appropriate; **(Motion by Councillor Shaw)**
 - (3) the Chief Administrative Officer be requested to maintain a watching brief on the matter of racial profiling and report to Council regularly; and **(Motion by Councillor Shaw as amended by Councillor Kelly)**
 - (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.”;
- (B) directed that the “Toronto Youth Profile” and the “Toronto Youth Safety Survey” be submitted to the Toronto Police Services Board, the Task Force on Community Safety and the Interdepartmental Team for information and consideration; and **(Motion by Councillor Shaw, on behalf of Councillor Chow)**
- (C) received the communication (January 7, 2003) from the City Clerk, Race and Ethnic Relations Committee.

The following motions were voted on and lost:

Moved by Councillor Shaw:

“That the Policy and Finance Committee recommend to Council the adoption of the report (January 10, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer subject to adding thereto the following additional Recommendation No. (5):

- (5) the Chief Administrative Officer be requested to undertake to set up an interdepartmental staff committee, including the Toronto Police Service and other agencies, to look at departmental best practices and develop recommendations and initiatives that would address ways to assist the community and the Toronto Police Service on this issue.”

Moved by Councillor McConnell:

“That the Chair of the Toronto Police Services Board be requested to attend the next regular meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee, or a special meeting of the Committee, to address these matters.”

(Chair, Toronto Police Services Board; Task Force on Community Safety; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Interdepartmental Team; c. Chief Administrative Officer; Mr. Kevin Lee, Co-Chair, Ethnic and Race Relations Advisory Committee, and Executive Director, Scadding Court Community Centre – January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 16 - Report No. 1)

**1-9. Update on Hot Weather Response
Plan Expenses for 2002.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (January 8, 2003) from the Medical Officer of Health recommending that:

- (1) Council confirm its support for the payment of \$38,920 in increased costs to the Canadian Red Cross, Anishnawbe Health Services, and Community Information Toronto (CIT) for delivering the City of Toronto’s Hot Weather Response Plan due to a warmer summer than previously anticipated; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary steps to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Kelly, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing report (January 8, 2003) from the Medical Officer of Health.

(Clause No. 17 - Report No. 1)

**1-10. Toronto’s 2001 Results under the Municipal
Performance Management Program (MPMP)
Relative to Other Municipalities.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a joint report (November 27, 2002) from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer providing information on the City of Toronto’s 2001 results for the twenty-five performance measures under the provincially mandated Municipal Performance Measurement Program

(MPMP) relative to trends in other Ontario municipalities; advising that on an overall basis and given the size and unique characteristics of Toronto, the MPMP results presented in this report indicate that Toronto is performing quite well; that further work is to be done with our municipal partners to ensure comparability of data and identify and validate best practices that lead to superior performance that can then be collectively shared; that the City continues to promote a continuous improvement culture in order to provide our citizens and businesses with services that are as efficient and effective as possible, looking for the optimal combination of efficiency, quality and beneficial community impact; and recommending that this report be received as information.

On motion by Councillor Kelly, the Policy and Finance Committee received the foregoing joint report for information.

(Clause No. 41(a) - Report No. 1)

1-11. Toronto's Comments on the Design of the Federal 10-Year Urban Infrastructure Strategy.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (January 7, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer setting out principles for the design of the Federal government's 10-year Urban Infrastructure Strategy; and recommending that:

- (1) the City of Toronto request the Federal government to incorporate the following principles into the design of the 10-year Federal Urban Infrastructure Strategy:
 - (a) Focus on urban priorities – and accommodate the needs of large cities;
 - (b) Provide predictable and sustained funding – to support long-term planning;
 - (c) Include urban partnerships – to increase transparency, accountability, and administrative efficiency; and
 - (d) Streamline administration – to enable Federal funds to flow directly to urban communities in circumstances in which dependence on Provincial concurrence would add complexity, cost, delay and confusion;
- (2) this report be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Federal Minister responsible for Infrastructure, the Premier of Ontario, the Minister for Municipal Affairs and Housing for Ontario, the Minister of Transportation for Ontario, Toronto MPs and MPPs, the FCM's Big City Mayors Caucus, the President and CEO of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, President and CEO of Superbuild Corporation and the President and Executive Director of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; and

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- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Policy and Finance Committee also had before it a communication (December 31, 2002) addressed to Mayor Mel Lastman from the Rt. Hon. Jean Chretien, responding to communications from Mayor Lastman regarding Toronto's public transit infrastructure pressures and the Government of Canada's share of the investment in the TTC under the Canada-Ontario Infrastructure Program; advising that the Government of Canada remains committed to providing its \$62.3 million share of \$187 million in investments to renew Toronto's transit system by December 31, 2002, and to work with the Government of Ontario and the TTC to identify additional projects for approval under the remaining \$13.7 million of the \$76 million Government of Canada investment announced on April 26, 2002.

The Policy and Finance Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the report (January 7, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer; and
- (2) received the communications to Mayor Lastman and from the Right Honourable Jean Chretien, Prime Minister of Canada, respecting the Canada-Ontario Infrastructure Program.

(Clause No. 18 - Report No. 1)

1-12. Update on School Issues.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it the following material:

- (i) report (January 9, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer recommending that:
 - (1) the City of Toronto urge the provincial government to fully implement all of the recommendations contained in the final report of the Education Equality Task Force;
 - (2) the City of Toronto urge the provincial government to recognize the costs and benefits associated with the community use of school facilities; and
 - (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give affect thereto;

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- (ii) communication (December 16, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the School Advisory Committee at its meeting held on December 12, 2002, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that Council express its opposition to additional user fees being levied by the Toronto District School Board and the negative impact the additional user fees will have on the City's children and communities;
- (iii) communication (December 16, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the School Advisory Committee at its meeting held on December 12, 2002:
 - (A) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that:
 - (1) the provincially appointed Supervisor of the Toronto District School Board be requested to reconsider the closing of the following six Outdoor Education Centres: Boyne, INSS Island, Noisy River, Pine River, SOEC Kearney and Sheldon, and allow the sites to remain open; and
 - (2) this matter be forwarded to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority for information; and
 - (B) requested the appropriate staff from the Chief Administrator's Office to submit a report to the Policy and Finance Committee meeting scheduled to be held on January 23, 2003, for consideration with Recommendation No. (1) respecting:
 - (a) the need for the Outdoor Education Centres;
 - (b) maximizing the use of the facilities; and
 - (c) the impact the proposed closings of the sites would have on the City's children;
- (iv) communication (December 11, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee on December 11, 2002:
 - (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that an amount not exceeding \$8,000.00, if necessary, be approved to produce the proposed flyer outlining educational issues and impact of cuts, referred to in the attached report dated December 2, 2002, from the Chief Administrative Officer; and
 - (2) directed that the Chief Administrative Officer be requested to:
 - (a) report to the Policy and Finance Committee on a funding source for this expenditure;

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- (b) report directly to the Policy and Finance Committee for its meeting on January 23, 2003, or Council for its meeting on February 4, 2003, providing an update on the recommendations contained in the report on Ontario's school funding formula by Mordechai Rozanski;
- (c) update and circulate the flyer to all Members of Council prior to ascertaining the number of flyers required by each Councillor for distribution within their Wards; and
- (d) make the flyer available in an e-mail format and also on the City's web site.

The Policy and Finance Committee also had before it the following material:

- a copy of the flyer entitled, "Why the City of Toronto is Concerned About School Funding", referred to in the foregoing report; and
- communication (January 20, 2003) from Ms. Susan Fletcher, Executive Director, Applegrove Community Complex.

The Policy and Finance Committee:

- (A) recommended to Council:
 - (I) the adoption of the report (January 9, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer, entitled "Update on School Issues", wherein it is recommended that:
 - (1) the City of Toronto urge the provincial government to fully implement all of the recommendations contained in the final report of the Education Equality Task Force;
 - (2) the City of Toronto urge the provincial government to recognize the costs and benefits associated with the community use of school facilities; and
 - (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give affect thereto;"

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- (II) the adoption of the following Recommendations of the School Advisory Committee contained in the communication (December 16, 2002) from the City Clerk, entitled Toronto District School Board, Supervisor's 2002-2003 Budget":

"The School Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that:

- (1) the provincially appointed Supervisor of the Toronto District School Board be requested to reconsider the closing of the following six Outdoor Education Centres: Boyne, INSS Island, Noisy River, Pine River, SOEC Kearney and Sheldon, and allow the sites to remain open; and
 - (2) this matter be forwarded to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority for information."; and
- (III) the adoption of the Recommendation of the Community Services Committee contained in the communication (December 11, 2002) from the City Clerk, wherein it is recommended that an amount not exceeding \$8,000.00, if necessary, be approved to produce the proposed flyer outlining educational issues and impact of cuts, referred to in the attached report dated December 2, 2002, from the Chief Administrative Officer";
- (B) referred the communication (December 16, 2002) from the City Clerk, School Advisory Committee, entitled "Toronto District School Board, Proposed Fee Increases (All Wards)", to the Chief Administrative Officer for report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee; and
- (C) requested the Chief Administrative Officer to submit a report to the Policy and Finance Committee on how other municipalities have incorporated Boards of Education and operated them. **(Motion by Councillor Kelly)**

(Chief Administrative Officer; School Advisory Committee; Ms. Susan Fletcher, Executive Director, Applegrove Community Complex – January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 19 - Report No. 1)

1-13. Capital Grant and Loan Guarantee For Growing Tykes Childcare to Develop a Child Care Centre (Ward 5 – Etobicoke-Lakeshore).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 9, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee, at that portion of its meeting held on January 9, 2003, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the attached joint report dated December 13, 2002, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer respecting a Capital Grant and Loan Guarantee for Growing Tykes Childcare to Develop a Child Care Centre (Ward 5), wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) subject to sufficient performance safeguards, the City of Toronto guarantee a capital loan of up to \$650,000.00 to be arranged by Growing Tykes Childcare;
- (2) a grant of \$250,000.00 be provided from the Child Care Capital Cost Reserve to support the proposed licensed capacity;
- (3) the nature and terms of the guarantee, including any requirement for potential certification under the established debt and obligation limit, be subject to the concurrence of the Treasurer, City Solicitor and the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendations of the Community Services Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (January 9, 2003) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 20 - Report No. 1)

1-14. Proposal for Affordable Housing and Childcare Centre on the City-Owned Bergamot Avenue Property and Results of a Community Meeting (Ward 2 - Etobicoke North).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 9, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee, at that portion of its meeting held on January 9, 2003:

- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the report dated December 14, 2002, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting the Proposal for Affordable Housing and Childcare Centre on the City-Owned Bergamot Avenue Property and the Results of

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a Community Meeting (Ward 2 - Etobicoke North), submitting recommendations in regard thereto; and

- (2) directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to share, in confidence, with Councillor Ford, and other interested Councillors, the grades resulting from the evaluation process of the projects submitted under the RFP proposal for an affordable housing and childcare centre project on the City-owned Bergamot Avenue property.

The Policy and Finance Committee also had before it communications written in opposition to the proposal for affordable Housing and a Childcare Centre on the City-owned property located on Bergamot Avenue:

- (January 6, 2003) from Ms. Elizabeth Massey; and
- (January 10, 2003) from Ms. Linda Manna.

Ms. Heather McGregor, Executive Director, and Ms. Anne Sado, President, YWCA of Greater Toronto, appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter, and filed a written submission in regard thereto.

On motion by Mayor Lastman, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Community Services Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (January 9, 2003) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 21 - Report No. 1)

1-15. Funding to Relocate and Restore the Historically Designated Joy Oil Station and Increase in Project Funding to the Fred Victor Centre for Development of Affordable Housing at 1978-2000 Lake Shore Boulevard West – (Ward 13 - Parkdale - High Park).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 9, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee, at that portion of its meeting held on January 9, 2003, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the attached report dated December 31, 2002, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting Funding to Relocate

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and Restore the Historically Designated Joy Oil Station and Increase in Project Funding to the Fred Victor Centre for Development of Affordable Housing at 1978-2000 Lake Shore Boulevard West - Ward 13 - Parkdale - High Park, wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) for the purpose of securing affordable and transitional housing, the repayable CRF loan of up to \$376,000.00 approved by City Council in its earlier authorization as described in this report be increased by an additional sum of \$175,000.00, to address cost increases for this Project, to a maximum CRF total loan funding level of \$551,000.00, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services (the "Commissioner").
- (2) for the purpose of securing affordable and transitional housing, the Commissioner be authorized to allocate and provide a further \$200,000.00 from the CRF to address the non-recoverable expenses of relocating and restoring the historically designated Joy Oil building and the decommissioning activities at the site as previously approved by City Council under Motion J(4), headed "Settlement Proposal -1978 Lake Shore Boulevard West", adopted, without amendment, by City Council at its meeting held on July 30, 31 and August 1, 2002;
- (3) the Commissioner be authorized to disburse up to \$50,000.00 of the \$630,000.00 CRF grant previously approved by City Council to the Fred Victor Centre as a pre-development grant by way of forgivable loan for the Project, secured only by a pre-development agreement as previously approved by City Council. Such money is required to address those due diligence activities and other Project-related issues considered appropriate by the Commissioner, in consultation with the City Solicitor, to be carried out prior to the City advancing any other City grant or any loan monies for the Project;
- (4) such loan and grant be deemed to be in the best interests of the municipality;
- (5) the Commissioner or designate, if any, be authorized to administer and manage the pre-development agreement, the Affordable Housing Agreement, the Loan and Grant Agreement and other Project-related agreements and security approved by City Council in its earlier authorizations, including the provision of any consents, approvals or types of notices (including termination) as deemed appropriate, provided, however, that the Commissioner may always submit the question of giving such notice to City Council for its determination; and
- (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Community Services Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (January 9, 2003) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 22 - Report No. 1)

1-16. Policy on Political Activities for Grant Recipients.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it the following communications:

- (i) (November 18, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Grants Sub-Committee at its meeting on November 18, 2002, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the report (November 5, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, wherein it is recommended that:
 - (1) the Policy on Political Activities, Appendix A, be approved and applied to all City grant programs, and
 - (2) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto; and

- (ii) (December 12, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Administration Committee on December 12, 2002, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee and Council:
 - (1) the adoption of the Recommendations of the Grants Sub-Committee embodied in the communication (November 18, 2002) from the City Clerk, subject to amending the last paragraph in Appendix "A", entitled "Policy on Political Activities", appended to the report (November 5, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, by deleting the following words "take place in the context of an election campaign, or", so that the paragraph now reads as follows:

"However, none of the above activities may be carried out in a manner which may reasonably be construed as supporting a particular candidate, elected official or particular party."; and
 - (2) that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to submit a report to the Administration Committee within a year on the impact of this policy, having first consulted with stakeholders.

The Policy and Finance Committee:

- (A) recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Grants Sub-Committee embodied in the communication (November 18, 2002) from the City Clerk; and **(Motion by Councillor Ootes)**

- (B) requested the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services to submit a report directly to Council for its meeting scheduled to be held on February 4, 2003:
- (1) recommending an amendment to Appendix A embodied in the report (November 5, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, entitled "Policy on Political Activities" that would make reference to the date (August 1) associated with the prohibition regarding the use of Councillors Office Expenses; and **(Motion by Councillor Ootes)**
 - (2) providing wording within the recommendations that would allow community neighbourhood centres to hold "all candidates meetings" during election periods. **(Motion by Councillor Ootes, on behalf of Councillor Disero)**

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. City Clerk – January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 24 - Report No. 1)

1-17. Requirements for Organizations Receiving a Grant from More Than One City Grant Program

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (November 18, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Grants Sub-Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the report (November 5, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) this report be forwarded to all standing committees of Council for information; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized to and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Nunziata, the Policy and Finance Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Grants Sub- Committee embodied in the communication (November 18, 2002) from the City Clerk; and

- (2) requested the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services to submit a report to the next meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee providing a list of those agencies receiving more than one grant from the City.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services – January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 25 - Report No. 1)

1-18. Work Force Reduction Costs in 2002.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 12, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Administration Committee on December 12, 2002, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee and Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Personnel Sub-Committee embodied in the communication (November 19, 2002) from the City Clerk, Personnel Sub-Committee respecting Work Force Reduction Costs in 2002, wherein it is recommended that the following recommendations contained in the joint report (November 13, 2002) from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be adopted:

- (1) the Reserve Fund preliminary estimate be revised to reflect a reduction in the estimate for 2002 staff exits from \$5,251,000 to \$3,574,676.00. This amount represents the actual and revised anticipated charges to the Reserve for 2002;
- (2) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Commissioner of Corporate Services report to the Personnel Sub-Committee the final charges to the Reserve Fund once the actual 2002 workforce reduction costs have been finalized in early 2003; and
- (3) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Commissioner of Corporate Services report to the Personnel Sub-Committee and Budget Advisory Committee on the workforce reduction reserve funds required for the year 2003 once the budget process for 2003 has been finalized.

On motion by Councillor Shiner, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council:

- (1) the adoption of the Recommendation of the Administration Committee contained in the communication (December 12, 2002) from the City Clerk; and

- (2) that the \$1.7 M reduction be considered as surplus funds; and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be requested to submit a report thereon to the Budget Advisory Committee.

(Clause No. 26 - Report No. 1)

**1-19. Request for Quotation No. 9148-02-7352 -
Collection of Traffic Counts.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 10, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Works Committee at its meeting on December 10, 2002, recommended the adoption of the joint report (November 28, 2002) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, respecting Request for Quotation No. 9148-02-7352 for the collection of traffic counts, wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) the quotation submitted by Ontario Traffic Incorporated be accepted for the period January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003, in accordance with specifications as required by the Transportation Services Division/Traffic Data Centre and Safety Bureau in the amount of \$238,878.57 including all taxes, being the lowest quotation received;
- (2) the option to renew for the period January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004, in the amount of \$249,398.54 and the period January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005, in the amount of \$260,456.14 under the same terms and conditions be reviewed by the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services in co-operation with the Purchasing Agent, provided the first term of the contract was performed satisfactorily, to ensure it is feasible to extend the contract; and
- (3) provided that there is a favourable review, in accordance with Recommendation No. (2), the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be delegated the authority to exercise the options on the terms and conditions set out above and be authorized to instruct the Purchasing Agent to process the necessary contract.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Works Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (December 10, 2002) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 27 - Report No. 1)

1-20. Snow Disposal Feasibility Study.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 8, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Works Committee on January 8, 2003, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee and Council, the adoption of the report dated December 13, 2002, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) snow disposal be recognized as an essential activity and, therefore, a critical and important land use for the existing disposal sites;
- (2) the snow disposal sites located in the valley lands continue to be used, while the effectiveness of the portable melters and mitigation measures for valley land sites are assessed;
- (3) the City acquire a new 275 tonne portable melter at an estimated cost of \$800,000 and its operation and performance be evaluated prior to investing in additional units;
- (4) short-term minor mitigation measures as outlined in this report be undertaken at each of the primary sites and a number of emergency sites;
- (5) major mitigation measures as outlined in this report be implemented as soon as possible at one of the valley land sites and the effectiveness of these measures be evaluated. The valley land site will be selected following additional site evaluation;
- (6) the snow disposal operation be implemented based upon the City's Snow Removal Plan, dated December 4, 1999, that includes snow disposal coordination, site management, staff training and logistics;
- (7) environmental monitoring, modelling and reporting be performed by Works and Emergency Services Technical Services staff, Water and Wastewater Services staff, and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority for periods before and after the implementation of mitigation measures; and
- (8) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Works Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (January 8, 2003) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 28 - Report No. 1)

1-21. Water Efficiency Plan.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 8, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Works Committee on January 8, 2003, amongst other things, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee and Council:

- (I) the adoption of the report dated December 19, 2002, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting the approval of a Water Efficiency Plan, wherein it is recommended that:
 - (1) the Water Efficiency Plan be approved and the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services report back to Works Committee on an annual basis on the progress made in implementing the Plan and achieving the target water consumption reductions;
 - (2) the funding necessary to implement the Water Efficiency Plan to 2007, contained within the Water and Wastewater Services 2003-2007 Capital Program, be approved subject to final approval of the Water and Wastewater Services 2003-2007 Capital and 2003 Operating Budgets;
 - (3) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer in consultation with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services report back on a water rate structure and funding model to support the implementation of the Water Efficiency Plan and the Water and Wastewater Services long range Capital Program needs;
 - (4) the Water and Wastewater Services 2003 Operating Budget be increased by \$0.5 million to support the additional staff resources required to implement and monitor the effectiveness of the Water Efficiency Plan, subject to final approval of the Water and Wastewater Services 2003-2007 Capital and 2003 Operating Budgets; and
 - (5) the appropriate City officials be granted the authority to give effect thereto; and
- (II) that the Province of Ontario be requested to develop enabling legislation that restricts the sale and installation of new toilets to ultra low-flow models (i.e., six litres or less).

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Works Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (January 8, 2003) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 29 - Report No. 1)

1-22. Urban Transportation Showcase Program.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 13, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Planning and Transportation Committee on January 13, 2003, recommended that the report (December 20, 2002) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services embodying the following recommendations be adopted and submitted to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration of its financial implications and subsequent submission to City Council:

“It is recommended that Council:

- (1) endorse pursuing the stage two Transport Canada application process for the “Greater Toronto Area Travel Demand Management (TDM) Program” as an Urban Transportation Showcase initiative and authorize the appropriate staff to enter into a contract with Transport Canada to acquire up to \$30,000 in federal funding to assist in the preparation of the detailed stage two submission subject to the terms of the contract being satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (2) recognize that, if the stage two submission proves successful, the City is committed to provide its proportional share of the total municipal cost of the “Greater Toronto Area Travel Demand Management (TDM) Program” on the basis that it is a two and a half year program in which the monetary component of the City’s contribution would not exceed \$180,000 in any given year; and
- (3) if the showcase proposal is selected for implementation, the Commissioner of Urban Development Services is requested to bring back to Council the details of the contribution agreement with Transport Canada for ratification and funding approval.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Planning and Transportation Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (January 13, 2003) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 30 - Report No. 1)

**1-23. Financial and Operational Implications
of the Bloor Street Transformation Project
Bloor-Yorkville Business Improvement Area (BIA)
(Ward 27 Toronto Centre-Rosedale).**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 8, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Economic Development and Parks Committee at its meeting held on January 7, 2003, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the joint report (December 16, 2002) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services continue working with the Bloor-Yorkville BIA to finalize the design details of the Bloor Street Transformation Project;
- (2) Council establish an obligatory reserve fund, called the "Bloor Street Transformation Project Reserve Fund", to accumulate funds acquired through development in the vicinity of Bloor Street, from Avenue Road to Church Street, for the implementation of the Bloor Street Transformation Project;
- (3) Municipal Code Chapter 227 (Reserves and Reserve Funds) be amended by adding the "Bloor Street Transformation Reserve Fund" to Schedule 'B2';
- (4) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, in consultation with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, the Commissioner of Urban Development Services, the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Ward Councillor, report on a multi-year plan to finance the Bloor Street Transformation Project which would minimize the financial implications to the City;
- (5) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services submit a highway alteration report to authorize the narrowing of Bloor Street, upon the advice of the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism that funding for the project has been secured; and
- (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect to the foregoing.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Economic Development and Parks Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (January 8, 2003) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 31 - Report No. 1)

1-24. Community-Based Services for Seniors.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 11, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee on December 11, 2002, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the attached report dated November 26, 2002, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting community-based services for seniors, wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) the over-estimated repayment of \$1,828,792.82 be directed as follows:
 - (a) \$1,700,000.00 be transferred to the Homes for the Aged Capital Reserve Fund and be used to partially fund the retrofitting of Albion Lodge into a supportive housing site in 2004 (subject to the approval of the Homes for the Aged 2003-2012 Capital Program),
 - (b) the balance of \$128,792.82 be used to provide transition funding to community agencies for homemaking services within the Community Services envelope in the Consolidated Grants budget in 2003; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Community Services Committee embodied in the foregoing communication (December 11, 2002) from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 23 - Report No. 1)

1-25. Review of the Gardiner/Lake Shore Corridor Proposal Contained in the Central Waterfront Secondary Plan.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 10, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Waterfront Reference Group at its meeting on January 9, 2003 recommended that:

- (1) the report (October 17, 2002) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services, titled "Review of the Gardiner/Lake Shore Corridor Proposal Contained in the Central Waterfront Secondary Plan", be received;
- (2) Council support undertaking a "scoping study" to identify Terms of Reference for a Gardiner/Lake Shore Corridor Environmental Assessment (EA) study, limited, as far as the Gardiner Expressway is concerned, to "retain and ameliorate" proposals

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that include evaluating the potential of incorporating development under the elevated portion of the expressway on condition that the scoping study is funded through the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation (TWRC) and includes public consultation and reports back to the appropriate committee(s);

- (3) future studies give consideration to proposals that would also expedite transit initiatives on the waterfront, consistent with the “transit first” principles contained in the “Making Waves” report and the City’s Official Plan;
- (4) the maximum funds to be allocated to this study by the TWRC not exceed \$1.0 million, one third of which is to be taken from the City’s 2003 allocation to the organisation;
- (5) when staff report on the results of the scoping study in 2004, they also report on:
 - (a) the costs involved in the City undertaking a full Environmental Assessment of the Gardiner/Lake Shore Corridor; and
 - (b) all previous studies relating to removing the Gardiner Expressway.

The following persons appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

- Mr. Robert Fung, Chair, Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation; and
- Ms. Louise Verity, Director of Policy, Toronto Board of Trade.

The following Members of Council also appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Councillor Brian Ashton, Scarborough Southwest;
- Councillor Betty Disero, Davenport;
- Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, Parkdale-High Park;
- Councillor Gloria Lindsay Luby, Etobicoke Centre;
- Councillor Howard Moscoe, Eglinton-Lawrence;
- Councillor Joe Pantalone, Trinity-Spadina; and
- Councillor Jane Pitfield, Don Valley West.

On motion by Mayor Lastman, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the Recommendations of the Waterfront Reference Group embodied in the foregoing communication (January 10, 2003) from the City Clerk, Waterfront Reference Group.

The following motions were voted on and lost:

Moved by Councillor McConnell:

“That the Policy and Finance Committee recommend to Council the adoption of the recommendations of the Waterfront Reference Group embodied in the communication (January 10, 2003) from the City Clerk subject to:

- (i) deleting Recommendation No. (2) and replacing it with the following:
 - ‘(2) the City undertake a full Environmental Assessment of the Gardiner/ Lake Shore Corridor;’ and
- (ii) deleting Recommendation No. (5).”

Moved by Councillor Kelly on behalf of Councillor Pitfield:

“That the City Clerk be requested to report to the Administration Committee respecting the inclusion of a plebiscite on the 2003 Election ballot regarding the future of the Gardiner Expressway and its alternatives.”

(Clause No. 3 - Report No. 1)

1-26. Review of Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation’s (TWRC) Proposed Business Strategy and Development Plan; Overview of Due Diligence Process; Results of City Input, Bill 151: The Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation Act; and Integrated Energy in the Central Waterfront.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it the following:

- (i) communication (January 10, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Waterfront Reference Group on January 9, 2003, amongst other things, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee and Council that the Toronto Waterfront

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Revitalization Corporation, in consultation with the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, be requested to jointly explore opportunities for funding for the Guild Inn Revitalization Project;

- (ii) report (January 20, 2003) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services entitled "Staff Review of Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation's (TWRC) Proposed Business Strategy and Development Plan", recommending that:
- (1) Council receive the TWRC's Business Strategy and Development Plan for Waterfront Revitalization;
 - (2) the 2003 cash flow for the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Initiative be increased by \$15.0 million (gross)/\$5.0 million (City's net contribution), to be funded by debt financing, to cover the City's share of costs associated with new initiatives to be undertaken by the TWRC as outlined in Table 1 of this report;
 - (3) release of the City's share of these additional funds be subject to receipt and review of a detailed Work Plan and Budget for its 2003/4 Fiscal Year from the TWRC, clarification of TWRC's proposed organizational structure for project implementation, and its proposed recruitment process and schedule;
 - (4) this report be forwarded to the Budget Advisory Committee at its meeting on January 27, 2003 for information;
 - (5) staff report to Council, through the Waterfront Reference Group, on the development of a permanent contribution agreement between the three government partners and the TWRC that addresses, among other things, policies and principles governing the management of the City's land holdings, balancing the contributions and returns of the revitalization initiative to each of the three government partners, priorities for the use of government contributions and roles and responsibilities of the TWRC and each of the government partners;
 - (6) following Council approval of the Central Waterfront Secondary Plan, that the City and TWRC continue their workgroup process and jointly undertake the preparation of Precinct Implementation Strategies that include, among other things, creation of a Master Services Plan for the Central Waterfront;
 - (7) that funds allocated to "Studies" in the "Staff Recommendations" column of Table 1 in the body of this report be used to support preparation of Precinct Implementation Strategies, the Master Services Plan, and the scoping study on the existing Gardiner corridor as recommended by the Waterfront Reference Group at its meeting on January 9, 2003;

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- (8) Council approve implementation of the Mimico and Port Union Linear Parks projects as new strategic initiatives to be undertaken by the TWRC in partnership with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) in 2003 and communicate its support of these initiatives to representatives of the Intergovernmental Steering Committee;
 - (9) the TWRC refine its 2004 – 2008 revenue and expenditure projections and detailed business plans to reflect comments and suggestions identified in Appendix (B) of this report, address these suggestions in its 2004/5 Annual Business Plan and Budget to be submitted to the City no later than October 1, 2003 for consideration in the 2004 Municipal Budget process;
 - (10) the City maintain its full range of financial tools, including development charges and statutory parkland dedication requirements for residential and commercial development, until the Precinct Implementation Strategies are completed and that issues associated with these tools be considered in the context of the permanent Contribution Agreement;
 - (11) Departments, Boards, Agencies and Commissions continue to abide by Council's Communications and Reporting protocol for Waterfront Revitalization, thereby assuring that appropriate City lands will not be encumbered by long-term commitments, as requested by the TWRC; and
 - (12) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action(s) to give effect thereto; and
- (iii) joint report (January 23, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services entitled, "Integrated Energy in the Central Waterfront (Wards 19, 20, 28, 30 and 32)", recommending that:
- (1) City Council support in principle the concept of Integrated Energy in the Central Waterfront; and
 - (2) the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation, in conjunction with the Waterfront Secretariat, impacted Departments, Agencies, Boards and Commissions, and industry service providers, report on the implications of implementation and financing issues and opportunities related to Integrated Energy.

Ms. Elaine Baxter-Trahair, Director, Waterfront Secretariat, Urban Development Services Department, gave a staff presentation to the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

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The following persons appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

- Mr. Robert Fung, Chair, Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation, and filed a written submission in regard thereto;
- Ms. Louise Verity, Director of Policy, President and CEO, Toronto Board of Trade;
- Mr. Michael Rosenberg, and filed a written submission in regard thereto; and
- Mr. Michael Giuliani, and filed a written submission in regard thereto.

The following Members of Council also appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Councillor Brian Ashton, Scarborough Southwest;
- Councillor Betty Disero, Davenport;
- Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, Parkdale-High Park;
- Councillor Gloria Lindsay Luby, Etobicoke Centre;
- Councillor Joe Pantalone, Trinity-Spadina; and
- Councillor Jane Pitfield, Don Valley West.

Mayor Lastman declared his interest respecting Section No. 3.4 “The Development Plan” of the Waterfront Business Plan as it relates to the future development of:

- Exhibition Place and Ontario Place;
- East Bayfront;
- West Donlands; and
- Portlands;

in that the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation has retained a development lawyer at his son’s law firm for advice on development matters as they relate to these precincts.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council:

- (I) the adoption of the Recommendation of the Waterfront Reference Group contained in the communication (January 10, 2003) from the City Clerk wherein it is recommended “that the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation, in consultation with the Commissioner

of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, be requested to jointly explore opportunities for funding for the Guild Inn Revitalization Project”; **(Motion by Councillor Shiner)**

- (II) the adoption of the report (January 20, 2003) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services entitled, “Review of Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation Matters”; and **(Motion by Mayor Lastman)**
- (III) the adoption of the joint report (January 23, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services entitled “Integrated Energy in the Central Waterfront (Wards 19, 20, 28, 30 and 32)”. **(Motion by Councillor Shiner)**

The following motion moved by Councillor McConnell, on behalf of Councillor Korwin-Kuczynski, was voted on and lost:

“That the Policy and Finance Committee recommend that Council reaffirm the City’s position and request the federal and provincial governments to investigate with the City, other initiatives in the east and west as the waterfront project progresses.”

(Budget Advisory Committee; c. Commissioner of Urban Development Services – January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 2 - Report No. 1)

1-27. Using Tax Increment Financing as a Development Incentive Within the Draft Etobicoke Centre Secondary Plan Area (Ward 5 – Etobicoke Lakeshore).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (December 9, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that City Council on November 26, 27 and 28, 2002, during its consideration of Clause No. 1 contained in Report No. 13 of The Planning and Transportation Committee, headed “Draft Etobicoke Centre Secondary Plan and Zoning By-law (formerly Kipling-Islington City Centre Secondary Plan)”, which was adopted, as amended, directed that the supplementary report dated November 22, 2002, from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, entitled “Using Tax Increment Financing as a Development Incentive within the draft Etobicoke Centre Secondary Plan Area – Ward 5, Etobicoke Lakeshore”, be referred to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration, wherein it is recommended that tax increment financing for commercial office development not be pursued as an incentive mechanism within the Etobicoke Centre Secondary Plan area at this time.

On motion by Councillor Ootes, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council:

- (1) the adoption of the report (November 22, 2002) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; and
- (2) that the Province of Ontario be requested to introduce legislation to permit Ontario municipalities, at their option, to implement tax increment financing as an incentive mechanism to encourage development, where such development is consistent with Council's objectives.

(Clause No. 32 - Report No. 1)

1-28. Request for By-Law to Regulate the Fortification of Land and to Prohibit Excessive Fortification of Land and to Prohibit the Application of Excessive Protective Elements to Land Within the City of Toronto.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (December 20, 2002) from the Acting Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, recommending that:

- (1) the Policy and Finance Committee consider the enactment of a new by-law to regulate the fortification of land and to prohibit excessive fortification of land and to prohibit the application of excessive protective elements to land within the City of Toronto; and
- (2) following consideration of recommendation (1), the Policy and Finance Committee forward a recommendation to Toronto City Council to approve, as required by the *Municipal Act*, a by-law noted above.

The Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing report to the Commissioner of Urban Development Services for report thereon to the Planning and Transportation Committee.

(Commissioner of Urban Development Services; c. Acting Chair, Toronto Police Services Board; Committee Administrator, Planning and Transportation Committee – January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 41(b) - Report No. 1)

**1-29. Toronto Police Service – 2002 Operating Budget
Variance Report as at August 31, 2002.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (December 3, 2002) from the Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board, providing the 2002 operating budget variance report for the Toronto Police Service as at August 31, 2002; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing report to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration.

(Budget Advisory Committee; c. Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board
– January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 41(c) - Report No. 1)

**1-30. Toronto Police Services Board – 2002 Operating
Budget Variance Report as at August 31, 2002.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (December 3, 2002) from the Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board, providing the 2002 operating budget variance report for the Toronto Police Services Board as at August 31, 2002; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing report to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration.

(Budget Advisory Committee; c. Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board
– January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 41(d) - Report No. 1)

**1-31. Toronto Police Service Parking Enforcement Unit –
2002 Operating Budget Variance Report as at
August 31, 2002.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (December 3, 2002) from the Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board, providing the 2002 operating budget variance report for the Toronto Police Service Parking Enforcement Unit as at August 31, 2002; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing report to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration.

(Budget Advisory Committee; c. Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board
– January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 41(e) - Report No. 1)

1-32. Toronto Police Service – 2002 Operating Budget Variance Reports as at September 30, 2002 and October 31, 2002; and Toronto Police Service Parking Enforcement Unit – 2002 Operating Budget Variance Report as at September 30, 2002.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (December 20, 2002) from the Acting Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, providing the 2002 operating budget variance reports for the Toronto Police Service ending September 30, 2002 and October 31, 2002 and the 2002 operating budget variance report for the Toronto Police Service - Parking Enforcement Unit also ending September 30, 2002; and recommending that this report be received.

The Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing report to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration.

(Budget Advisory Committee; c. Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board
– January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 41(f) - Report No. 1)

1-33. Settlement With Purchaser of Former City-Owned Property South Side of Brooke Avenue Between Nos. 133-141 Brooke Avenue (Ward 16 – Eglinton-Lawrence).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 10, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that The Administration Committee on January 10, 2003, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee and Council the adoption of the confidential report (December 27, 2002) from the Commissioner of Corporate Services respecting a Settlement with Purchaser of a former City-owned Property south side of Brooke Avenue between Nos. 133-141 Brooke Avenue such report to be considered in-camera having regard that the subject matter relates to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality.

(City Council; c. Commissioner of Corporate Services; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer – January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 36 - Report No. 1)

On motion by Councillor Shiner, the Policy and Finance Committee met privately to discuss the following Item No. 1-34, having regard that the subject matter relates to the security of the property of the municipality or local board, in accordance with the Municipal Act.

1-34. The City's Investment in Enwave District Energy Limited.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a confidential report (January 13, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer respecting the City's Investment in Enwave District Energy Limited, such report to be considered in-camera having regard that the subject matter relates to the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

The Policy and Finance Committee also had before it a report (January 21, 2003) from the City Clerk entitled "City of Toronto Nominees to the Enwave Board of Directors" recommending that:

- (1) Policy and Finance Committee give consideration to Members' preferences outlined in Schedule 1, and recommend to Council the nomination of a Member of Council for election to the Enwave District Energy Limited Board of Directors as the Mayor's designate;
- (2) City Council nominate the Member as one of the City's two nominees for the Enwave Board of Directors for a three-year term of office commencing December 15, 2002 and expiring December 15, 2005, and until his or her successor is appointed;
- (3) City Council appoint the City's Chief Administrative Officer or her designate as the City's proxyholder to vote the City's shares to elect that nominee, as well as the City's citizen nominee and the nominees of Borealis Penco Corporation, at the next Enwave shareholders meeting dealing with this issue; and
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Councillor Betty Disero, Davenport, appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Shiner the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendations of the Policy and Finance Committee contained in the confidential communication (January 23, 2003) from the City Clerk respecting the City's Investment in Enwave District Energy Limited; which was forwarded to Members of Council under confidential cover; and further that in accordance with the Municipal Act discussions pertaining thereto be held in camera having regard that the subject matter relates to the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

(City Council; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; c: City Solicitor - Confidential - January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 7 - Report No. 1)

1-35. 2002 Annual General Meeting – Toronto Hydro Corporation.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it the following reports:

- (i) (January 14, 2003) from the City Solicitor advising that in order for the Toronto Hydro Board to function effectively and in order for the City, as shareholder, to be in compliance with the requirements of the OBCA (Ontario Business Corporations Act), recommending that:
 - (1) Council, as the sole shareholder of Toronto Hydro Corporation (parent to Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited, Toronto Hydro Energy Services Inc., Toronto Hydro Telecom Inc., 1455958 Ontario Inc., Toronto Hydro Street Lighting Inc. and 1512830 Ontario Inc.), approve and adopt the resolutions attached to this report; and
 - (2) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto; and
- (ii) (January 14, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer advising that as required by the Shareholder Direction relating to Toronto Hydro Corporation, the Corporation has provided the Shareholder with its audited annual consolidated financial statements for the 2001 year, as well as unaudited financial statements for the third quarter ended September 30, 2002; that this report highlights key financial results of the Corporation for these fiscal periods; and recommending that this report be received for information.

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The Policy and Finance Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the report (January 14, 2003) from the City Solicitor; and
- (2) received the report (January 14, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

(Clause No. 8 - Report No. 1)

**1-36. For-Profit Status of Toronto Hydro–Electric System Limited –
Bill 210, Electricity Pricing, Conservation and Supply Act, 2002.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a joint report (January 15, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) Council adopt the resolution in Appendix “A”, affirming its original decision to allow Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited to continue to operate under *Electricity Act, 1998* and the *Business Corporations Act*, (Ontario) as a “for-profit” entity;
- (2) the City’s Chief Administrative Officer or the City Solicitor be authorized to report directly to Council on any outstanding issues with respect to Bill 210, the *Electricity Pricing, Conservation and Supply Act, 2002*, or related regulations; and
- (3) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing joint report (January 15, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

(Clause No. 9 - Report No. 1)

1-37. Front Street Extension Environmental Assessment and Preliminary Design Study Addendum Report.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 15, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Works Committee on January 15, 2003, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee:

- (1) the adoption of the report (December 30, 2002) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services;
- (2) that a Front Street Extension Design and Construction Advisory Committee be established with staff support, co-chaired by the Councillors for Wards 14 and 19, and with stakeholder representation;
- (3) that staff continue to work with the Railways so as to further reduce impacts on the recently acquired lands to the north of Fort York;
- (4) that the design and construction on Strachan Avenue include bicycle lanes, as contemplated;
- (5) that staff in consultation with the Railways develop a compromise so that the 6-metre maintenance allowance can be adjusted to protect the boundaries of Fort York; and
- (6) that in view of the fact that the report has identified that a large majority of this capital expenditure will facilitate growth in the entire downtown core, the 2003 review of the development charges by-law include the City's portion of the funds for this project.

Ms. Lynn Clay, Liberty Village BIA, appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter, and filed a written submission in regard thereto.

The following Members of Council also appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Councillor Brian Ashton, Scarborough Southwest;
- Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, Parkdale-High Park; and
- Councillor Joe Pantalone, Trinity-Spadina.

On motion by Mayor Lastman, the Policy and Finance Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendations of the Works Committee embodied in the communication (January 15, 2003) from the City Clerk; and
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to meet with representatives of Liberty Village and report to Council if any progress or amendments can be made.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c. Ms. Lynn Clay, Liberty Village BIA – January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 4 - Report No. 1)

1-38. Status of Property Tax Relief Program for Low-Income Seniors and Low-Income Disabled Persons.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (January 15, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) the existing property tax deferral program for low-income seniors and low-income disabled persons be continued to allow eligible persons, as defined for the current program, to defer tax increases for the 2003 taxation year and tax increases for subsequent years, in accordance with Attachment 1 of this report; and
- (2) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto and authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary bills.

(Considered with Item No. 1 - See Minute Item No. 1-1 for decision.)

(Clause No. 1 - Report No. 1)

**1-39. Status Report on the Corporate Program
“Property Tax Rebates - Ethno-Cultural
Centres and Similar Organizations”.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (January 16, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer reporting on the cost of the rebate program for Ethno-Cultural Centres, in accordance with Council’s direction; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council that the foregoing report (January 16, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, be received for information:

(Clause No. 39 - Report No. 1)

**1-40. Freedom of Information Limitations on the
Use of “Municipal Connect” Property
Assessment Information System – (All Wards).**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a report (January 17, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer advising that given that staff cannot comply with the direction provided by Council at its October 2002 meeting, seeking an amendment to Council's previous approval that granted authority to City staff to enter into a licence agreement with the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) for access and use of MPAC's "Municipal Connect" on-line property assessment information system; that without an amendment staff are unable to proceed in securing a licence agreement for the use of the “Municipal Connect” system by City staff; and recommending that:

- (1) Council amend the authority provided to staff to enter into a licence agreement with the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) that was granted by Council's previous adoption of Clause No. 7 of Report No. 13 of the Policy and Finance Committee, “Licence to Use ‘Municipal Connect’ Property Assessment Information System,” at its meeting of October 1, 2 and 3, 2002, by deleting the phrase “subject to the licence agreement with MPAC including a provision that the information be made available to the City Clerk and City Councillors on-line in their office,” and in so doing, reaffirm the original recommendations of the September 5, 2002 report from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer in this matter, as recommended by the Policy and Finance Committee, to wit:
- (2) the City of Toronto enter into a licence agreement with MPAC in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor for the use of the “Municipal Connect” Property Assessment Information system; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Councillor Howard Moscoe, Eglinton-Lawrence, appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

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The Policy and Finance Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the report (January 17, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; and **(Motion by Councillor Ootes)**
- (2) requested the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, in consultation with the City Solicitor and the City Clerk, to submit the letter from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation that is relevant to this issue, to Council for consideration at its meeting on February 4, 2003, together with the relevant sections of any legislation that pertain to this matter, such report to also include answer's respecting the province's ability to sell database information related to vehicle license plates. **(Motion by Councillor McConnell, on behalf of Councillor Moscoe, as amended by Councillor Shaw)**

(Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; c: City Solicitor; City Clerk – January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 33 - Report No. 1)

**1-41. Request For Quotation No. 6114-02-3528
Twenty-Two (22) Side Loading, Dual
Stream Refuse Packer Bodies.**

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a joint report (January 17, 2003) from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer requesting authority to issue a Purchase Order to the recommended bidder for the supply and delivery of twenty-two (22) Side Loading, Dual Stream Refuse Packer Bodies used for the Source Separated Organics (SSO) waste collection program commencing in Scarborough on June 24, 2003, required by the Works and Emergency Services Department, Solid Waste Management Services Division in accordance with specifications as required by the Corporate Services Department, Fleet Services Division; advising that funds in the amount of \$3,983,807.00, including all taxes and charges, have been provided for in the account CSW004-17-01- Collection Vehicles-2003 Replacement Fund of which \$3,000,000.00 pre-budget approval for capital to purchase and retrofit vehicles was approved by City Council at their October 1, 2, and 3, 2002 meeting, Clause No.10, Report No. 13 of the Policy and Finance Committee; that the balance of the funding was approved in the 2002 capital account CSW004; and recommending that the quotation submitted by Joe Johnson Equipment Inc. be accepted in the amount of \$3,983,807.00 including all

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charges and taxes, for the supply and delivery of twenty-two (22) Side Loading, Dual Stream Refuse Packer Bodies, to be used for the Source Separated Organics (SSO) waste collection program commencing in Scarborough on June 24, 2003, required by the Works and Emergency Services Department, Solid Waste Management Services Division in accordance with specifications as required by the Corporate Services Department, Fleet Services Division, being the only Quotation received.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing joint report (January 17, 2003) from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

(Clause No. 34 - Report No. 1)

1-42. Mandatory Sentencing for the Use of Firearms.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 15, 2003) from Councillor Brian Ashton, Scarborough Southwest, advising that Gun violence on City Streets is a top-of-mind issue for the residents of Toronto; that there is a tremendous frustration in watching illegal guns take lives in Toronto; that last year saw a troubling pattern of gun related shootings with 50 percent of homicides involving guns; that there is an increase from 23 percent in 1998; and recommending that Toronto City Council add its voice to the call for mandatory sentencing for gun crimes.

Councillor Brian Ashton, Scarborough Southwest, appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Nunziata, the Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation embodied in the foregoing communication (January 15, 2003) from Councillor Brian Ashton, Scarborough Southwest; and that a copy thereof be forwarded to the Toronto Police Service Board for its information.

(Clause No. 38 - Report No. 1)

1-43. Revised Preliminary Budgets for the Toronto Computer Leasing Inquiry and the Toronto External Contracts Inquiry.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a joint report (January 17, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer and City Solicitor advising the Policy and Finance Committee and City Council of the revised preliminary budgets of the Toronto Computer Leasing Inquiry and the Toronto External Contracts Inquiry; providing information on the costs incurred to date relating to the inquiries; and recommending that:

- (1) Council approve an estimated budget of \$15,530,000 for costs relating to or associated with the public inquiries, as set out in this report, to be funded from the Computer Leasing Liability account (\$6.0 million) and an increase in the 2003 Non-Program operating budget of \$9,530,000;
- (2) staff monitor the budget estimates set out in this report and report back with any substantial changes to the estimated budget set out herein; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the foregoing joint report (January 17, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer and the City Solicitor.

(Clause No. 5 - Report No. 1)

1-44. MFP Financial Services Ltd - Status of Litigation.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a joint confidential report (January 16, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer and the City Solicitor respecting MFP Financial Services Ltd – Status of Litigation, such report to be considered in camera having regard that the subject matter relates to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality.

The Policy and Finance Committee submitted the confidential joint report (January 16, 2003) from the Chief Administrative Officer and the City Solicitor to Council for information, respecting MFP Financial Services Ltd. – Status of Litigation, which was forwarded to Members of Council under confidential cover; and that in accordance with the Municipal Act, discussions pertaining thereto be held in camera having regard that the subject matter relates to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality.

(Clause No. 6 - Report No. 1)

1-45. Award of Contract No. 95-2000 – Containerized Waste, Bulky Item and Recyclable Collection from Multi-Residential Apartment and Townhouse Locations, and Municipal, Institutional and Commercial Establishments, Districts 1 and 2.

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 20, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Works Committee at its meeting on January 8, 15 and 20, 2003, amongst other things, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the joint confidential report dated January 15, 2003, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, respecting the award of Contract No. 95-2000, for containerized waste, bulky item and recyclable collection from multi-residential apartment and townhouse locations, and municipal, institutional and commercial establishments in Districts 1 and 2, such report to be considered in-camera having regard that the subject matter relates to the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Works Committee contained in the confidential communication (January 20, 2003) from the City Clerk Respecting Award of Contract No. 95-2000 for Containerized Waste, Bulky Item and Recyclable Collection from Multi-Residential Apartment Buildings, Multi-Residential Townhouse locations, Municipal, Institutional and Commercial Establishments located in Districts 1 and 2; which was forwarded to Members of Council under confidential cover; and further in accordance with the Municipal Act discussions pertaining thereto be held in having regard that the subject matter relates to the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

(Clause No. 35 - Report No. 1)

1-46. Ministry of Labour Charges Against the City Under Occupational Health and Safety Act (“OHSA”).

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a communication (January 17, 2003) from the City Clerk forwarding confidential recommendations from the Administration Committee respecting Ministry of Labour Charges Against the City Under the Occupational Health and Safety Act; such recommendations to be considered in-camera having regard that the subject matter relates to the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privileges.

The Policy and Finance Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendations of the Policy and Finance Committee embodied in the confidential communication (January 23, 2003) from the City Clerk, respecting Ministry of Labour Charges Against the City under the Occupational Health and Safety Act, which was forwarded to Members of Council under confidential cover; and further, that in accordance with the Municipal Act discussions pertaining thereto be held in-camera having regard that the subject matter relates to the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privileges.

(City Council; c: Chief Administrative Officer; Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; City Solicitor; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer – January 23, 2003)

(Clause No. 37 - Report No. 1)

1-47. Precinct Agreements With Canadian Pacific Properties Inc

The Policy and Finance Committee had before it a Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Betty Disero, Davenport, recommending that:

- (1) Section 4.5(j) of the Revised Precinct B Precinct Agreement with Canadian Pacific Properties Inc. (“CP Properties”) as amended, and Section 3.2(f) of the Precinct C Precinct Agreement with Canada Post Corporation (“Canada Post”) be amended to read as follows:

“The City acknowledges and agrees that CP Properties may enter into an agreement with Enwave District Energy Limited (“Enwave”) (successor to the Toronto District Heating Corporation [(“TDHC”)]) under which agreement Enwave would agree to complete TDHC Infrastructure Work contemplated under this Section 4.5 under arrangements of financial compensation satisfactory to Enwave. Enwave shall covenant with the City to provide district energy services to Block 2A upon a Developer of Block 2A entering into an agreement mutually satisfactory to Enwave and such Developer.”

The City agrees, that upon receipt of satisfactory evidence that CP Properties has entered into such agreement with Enwave, and complied with all terms thereof, CP Properties shall be deemed to have satisfied the obligation to provide Phase III TDHC Infrastructure under the terms of Section 4.5 of the Revised Precinct B Precinct Agreement. The City further acknowledges and agrees that upon receipt of

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satisfactory evidence that CP Properties has complied with all of the terms of such an agreement with Enwave, Canada Post shall be deemed to have satisfied its obligations to provide Phase III TDHC Infrastructure pursuant to Section 3.2 of the Precinct C Precinct Agreement;

These amendments shall be in place for a period of two years from the date of their approval by the City and if the City has not received satisfactory evidence that CP Properties has entered into the agreement contemplated above with Enwave and complied with all terms thereof within such period of two years, these amendments shall be null and void and of no further force and effect and the existing Section 4.5(j) of the Revised Precinct B Precinct Agreement and Section 3.2(f) of the Precinct C Precinct Agreement shall thereafter be deemed reinstated and in full force and effect; and

- (2) the City Solicitor be authorized to prepare all necessary agreements to give effect to the Notice of Motion and that the Clerk be authorized to execute same.

Mayor Lastman declared his interest in connection with the foregoing matter in that as of December 6, 2002, his son was appointed to the Board of Directors of Borealis Capital Corporation which has a financial interest in Enwave District Energy Limited.

Councillor Betty Disero, Davenport, appeared before the Policy and Finance Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Shiner, the Policy and Finance Committee referred the foregoing Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Betty Disero, Davenport, to the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer for report thereon directly to Council for its meeting scheduled to be held on February 4, 2003:

(Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer – January 23, 2003)

The Policy and Finance Committee adjourned its meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Chair.