THE CITY OF TORONTO

Clerk's Division

Waterfront Reference Group

Meeting No. 2

Wednesday, May 14, 2003

The Waterfront Reference Group met on May 14, 2003, in Committee Room No. 4, City Hall, 2nd Floor, Toronto, commencing at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Councillor	4:00 p.m.
Councillor Joe Pantalone, Chair	X
Councillor Altobello	-
Councillor Ashton	X
Councillor Feldman	-
Councillor Jones	X
Councillor Lindsay Luby, Vice Chair	X
Councillor McConnell	X
Councillor Moeser	-
Representative, Sustainability Round	-
Table (to be appointed)	
Councillor Shiner	-

Declarations of Interest Pursuant to the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act

None declared.

Confirmation of Minutes of Meetings of November 14, 2002 and January 9, 2003

On motion by Councillor Ashton the minutes of the November 14, 2002 and January 9, 2003 meetings of the Waterfront Reference Group were confirmed.

2.1 Cherry Beach "Quick Start" Project Toronto-Danforth (Ward 30)

The Waterfront Reference Group gave consideration to a joint report (May 6, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services and the Commissioner, Economic Development, Culture & Tourism providing an update on the Cherry Beach "quick start" project of the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation (TWRC) in the Portlands and recommending that this report be received and forwarded to Council, through the Policy and Finance Committee, for information.

Mr. John Campbell, CEO, Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation gave an introductory presentation as the newly appointed CEO to this Corporation.

Mr. Dalton Shipway appeared before the Waterfront Reference Group.

(On motion by Councillor McConnell), the Waterfront Reference Group received the joint report (May 6, 2003) from the Commissioners of Urban Development Services and Works and Emergency Services and forwarded this report, through the Policy and Finance Committee, to City Council for information.

2.2 Waterfront Scan and Environmental Improvement Strategy Study and Environmental Approvals Program of the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation

The Waterfront Reference Group gave consideration to a report (May 6, 2003) from the Commissioner, Works and Emergency Services providing an overview of the Waterfront Scan & Environmental Improvement Strategy Study that was undertaken to assist the Government of Canada, the Province of Ontario and the City of Toronto for the Revitalization of Toronto's Waterfront and recommending that:

- (1) this report be forwarded to Works Committee and City Council for information;
- (2) the recommendations and concepts identified in the Waterfront Scan & Environmental Strategy Study be communicated to the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation (TWRC) for consideration during the upcoming development of a Master Services Plan for the Waterfront: and

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

The Group also had before it a joint report (February 24, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services and the Commissioner, Works and Emergency Services providing an update on the Environmental Approvals Program being developed by the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation to address environmental assessment requirements of the Provincial and Federal Governments and recommending that:

- (1) this report be received and forwarded to Council, through the Policy and Finance Committee, for information; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

Mr. Steven McKenna, Supervisor of Environmental Assessment & Policy Development, Environmental Planning and Support, Works and Emergency Services gave an overhead presentation on this report.

The following persons appeared before the Waterfront Reference Group:

- Dalton Shipway; and
- David Hanna.

The Waterfront Reference Group:

- (1) (with Councillor Ashton in the chair and on motion by Councillor Pantalone) adopted the report (May 6, 2003) from the Commissioner, Works and Emergency Services and forwarded this report to the Works Committee and City Council for information;
- (2) (on motion by Councillor Jones) amended Recommendation (1) of the joint report (February 24, 2003) from the Commissioners of Urban Development Services and Works and Emergency Services by deleting the words "through the Policy and Finance Committee" and inserting the words "through Works Committee", and in so doing received this report for information and forwarded a copy to City Council, through the Works, for information; and

- (3) forward the above-noted two reports to the Planning and Transportation Committee for information; and
- (4) (with Councillor Ashton in the chair and on motion by Councillor Pantalone) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, in consultation with the Waterfront the Toronto Waterfront Secretariat. Revitalization Corporation, and other relevant stakeholders, to report back to the Waterfront Reference Group by September regarding potential short-term implementation opportunities related to the recommendations of the Waterfront Scan and Environmental Improvement Strategy Study, including specific options with respect to energy efficiency.

2.3 First Provincial Regulation Under the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation Act (Bill 151)

The Waterfront Reference Group gave consideration to a report (May 5, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services clarifying Council's position related to the definition of the Designated Waterfront Area as provided for in Bill 151, The Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation Act and recommending that:

- (1) City Council endorse a definition of the Designated Waterfront Area which mirrors the boundaries of the Central Waterfront Plan as shown on the attached map; provides for the expansion of this boundary north to King Street (west of the Don Valley Parkway) and Eastern Avenue (east of the Don Valley Parkway) for transportation initiatives; and allows for strategic projects outside of this boundary upon the consent of the three government partners;
- (2) City Council formally advise the Premier of Ontario regarding the City's objection to the Province's proposed definition;
- (3) the Mayor, together with the chair of the Waterfront Reference Group, arrange a meeting with Minister of Finance Janet Ecker to convey City Council's position; and

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

On motion by Councillor Lindsay Luby the Waterfront Reference Group recommended to City Council, through the Policy and Finance Committee, that the report (May 6, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services be adopted subject to:

- (1) amending Recommendation (2) by including the words "the Prime Minister of Canada and" before the words "the Premier of Ontario", so as to read:
 - "(2) City Council formally advise the Prime Minister of Canada and the Premier of Ontario regarding the City's objection to the Province's proposed definition;"; and
- (2) amending Recommendation (3) by adding the words "and vice-chair" after the word "chair", so as to read:
 - "(3) the Mayor, together with the chair and vice-chair of the Waterfront Reference Group, arrange a meeting with Minister of Finance Janet Ecker to convey City Council's position;"

2.4 Update on the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Project

The Waterfront Reference Group gave consideration to a report (May 1, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services providing an update on various Toronto Waterfront Revitalization initiatives and recommending that this report be received and forwarded to Council, through Policy and Finance Committee, for information.

Mr. Wilfrid Walker, Transport 2000 appeared before the Waterfront Reference Group.

On motion by Councillor Ashton, the Waterfront Reference Group received the report (May 1, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services and forwarded this report to Council, through the Policy and Finance Committee, for information.

2.5 Historical Artifact Collection

The Waterfront Reference Group gave consideration to a report (December 17, 2002) from the City Clerk, Economic Development and Parks Committee advising that the Economic Development and Parks Committee, in part, requested the Waterfront Reference Group to consider locating a Toronto museum for the display of artifacts in the Harbourfront area.

On motion by Councillor McConnell, the Waterfront Reference Group requested the Commissioner of Urban Development Services to submit a report to the Waterfront Reference Group regarding locating a Toronto Museum for the display of artifacts in the Harbourfront area.

2.6 Confirmation of Standing Committees to Receive Reports

The Waterfront Reference Group was advised that Item 1 would be submitted to the Policy & Finance Committee; Item 2 will be submitted to the Works Committee; Items 3 and 4 will be submitted to Policy and Finance Committee and Item 8 will be submitted to the Nominating Committee.

2.7 Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Waterfront Reference Group will be at the call of the Chair.

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2.8 Reappointment of City of Toronto Appointee on the Toronto Port Authority Board

The Waterfront Reference Group gave consideration to a confidential report (May 13, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services reporting confidentially on the reappointment of the City's representative on the Board of Directors of the Toronto Port Authority (TPA).

On motion by Councillor McConnell, the Waterfront Reference Group recommended to City Council, through the Nominating Committee, the adoption of the confidential report (May 13, 2003) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services regarding the reappointment of a City of Toronto Appointee on the Toronto Port Authority Board.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

 	Chair