

THE CITY OF TORONTO

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Minutes of the Budget Advisory Committee

Meeting No. 7

Tuesday, March 9, 2004

The Budget Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, March 9, 2004, in Committee Room No. 1, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:40 a.m.

Attendance

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

	9:40 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.	2:12 p.m. - 4:25 p.m.
Councillor David Soknacki, Chair	X	X
Councillor Joe Mihevc, Vice Chair	X	X
Councillor Jane Pitfield, Vice Chair	X	X
Councillor Shelley Carroll	X	X
Councillor Peter Milczyn	X	X
Councillor Kyle Rae	X	X
Councillor Sylvia Watson	X	X

Also Present:

Councillor Sandra Bussin	Councillor Gay Cowbourne
Councillor Olivia Chow	Councillor Case Ootes

7.1 2004 Capital and Operating Budgets

Toronto Police Service

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Capital and Operating Budgets for the Toronto Police Service.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it the following report and communications:

- (a) (March 5, 2004) from the Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, submitting the 2004-2008 capital program requests and the 2004 operating budget requests for the Toronto Police Services Board, Toronto Police Services and Toronto Police Service - Parking Enforcement Unit; and recommending that the Budget Advisory Committee approve the following:
 - (1) 2004 - 2008 capital program request of \$188.4 million for the Toronto Police Service;
 - (2) 2004 - 2008 capital program request of \$1.7 million for the Toronto Police Service - Parking Enforcement Unit;
 - (3) 2004 net operating budget request of \$1.383 million for the Toronto Police Services Board;
 - (4) 2004 net operating budget request of \$678.8 million for the Toronto Police Service; and
 - (5) 2004 net operating budget request of \$30.9 million for the Toronto Police Service - Parking Enforcement Unit;
- (b) (March 2, 2004) addressed to the Chair, Toronto Police Service Board from Councillor David Soknacki, Ward Scarborough East, advising that a review of the Toronto Police Service proposed reduction options provides only \$4.1 million of savings that will lower their requested base operating budget to \$683.8 million, a shortfall of \$11.8 million to the base budget target of \$672 million; and requesting that the Toronto Police Service report to the Budget Advisory Committee wrap-up meeting on March 9, 2004 with further proposals to achieve the assigned target for the Toronto Police Service Base Operating Budget; and
- (c) (February 23, 2004) from Councillor Sandra Bussin, Ward 32 Beaches - East York, forwarding budget suggestions received from residents attending the Ward 32 Budget Roundtable.

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The following persons appeared before the Budget Advisory Committee in connection with this matter:

- Mr. Frank Chen, Chief Administrative Officer, Toronto Police Service;
- Mr. Julian Fantino, Chief of Police;
- Mr. Alan Milliken Heisey, Chair, Toronto Police Services Board;
- Councillor Sandra Bussin, Ward 32 Beaches-East York;
- Councillor Pam McConnell, Ward 28 Toronto Centre-Rosedale; and
- Councillor Case Ootes, Ward 29 Toronto-Danforth

Capital

A. Councillor Mihevc moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:

- (1) defer consideration of the 2004 Capital Budget for the Toronto Police Service until its wrap-up meetings;
- (2) request the Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, to prioritize Capital projects and determine how much of each project can be deferred to future years and report thereon to the Budget Advisory Committee at its wrap-up meeting in that regard.

(Carried)

Operating

Councillor Soknacki appointed Councillor Mihevc Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

B. Councillor Soknacki moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:

- (1) defer consideration of the 2004 Operating Budget for the Toronto Police Service until its wrap-up meetings;
- (2) endorse the communication (March 2, 2004) addressed to the Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, from Councillor David Soknacki, Chair, Budget Advisory Committee, entitled "Review of Proposed Target Reductions" and forward same to the Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, for report thereon to the Budget Advisory Committee for its wrap-up meetings;
- (3) defer consideration of the report (March 5, 2004) from the Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, entitled "Toronto Police Service 2004 Capital and Operating Budget Submissions", to its wrap-up meetings; and

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- (4) receive the communication (February 23, 2004) from Councillor Sandra Bussin, Ward 32 Beaches - East York, entitled "Ward 32 Budget Roundtable Report".

(Carried)

Councillor Soknacki resumed the Chair.

(Chair, Toronto Police Services Board; c. Chief Administrative Officer; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Chief of Police - March 9, 2004)

(Chair, Toronto Police Services Board; c. Chief Administrative Officer; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Chief of Police - March 9, 2004)

Toronto Police Services Board

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Operating Budget for the Toronto Police Services Board.

Councillor Soknacki appointed Councillor Pitfield Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

- A. Councillor Soknacki moved that the Budget Advisory Committee defer consideration of the 2004 Operating Budget for the Toronto Police Services Board, until its wrap-up meetings.

(Carried)

Councillor Soknacki resumed the Chair.

- B Councillor Watson moved that the Budget Advisory Committee request the Chair, Toronto Police Services Board, to report to the Budget Advisory Committee wrap-up meetings on the Liaison Officer position at the Toronto Police Services Board, such report to include whether or not such position can be freed up for frontline work.

(Carried)

(Chair, Toronto Police Services Board; c. Chief Administrative Officer; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Chief of Police - March 9, 2004)

Parking Enforcement Unit

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Capital Budget for the Toronto Parking Enforcement Unit.

Councillor Soknacki appointed Councillor Mihevc Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

On motion by Councillor Soknacki, the Budget Advisory Committee:

- (1) deferred consideration of the 2004 Capital Budget of the Toronto Parking Enforcement Unit until its wrap-up meetings; and
- (2) requested the Chair, Toronto Police Services Board and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to report to the Budget Advisory Committee wrap-up meetings on the hand held parking devices and the efficiencies generated from the usage.

Councillor Soknacki resumed the Chair.

(Chair, Toronto Police Services Board; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; c. Chief Administrative Officer; Chief of Police - March 9, 2004)

Parking Tag Operations

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Operating Budget for Parking Tag Operations.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Budget Advisory Committee deferred consideration of the 2004 Operating Budget for Parking Tag Operations to the Budget Advisory Committee wrap-up meetings.

Toronto Parking Authority

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Toronto Parking Authority.

Capital

- A. Councillor Mihevc moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Capital Budget for the Toronto Parking Authority, be adopted, subject to the adoption of the 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustments in the amount of \$1.728 million.

(Carried)

Operating

- B. Councillor Mihevc moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that:

- (1) the 2004 Operating Budget for the Toronto Parking Authority, be adopted, subject to the following adjustment:

“amended Recommendation No. (1) of the EMT recommendations, included in Toronto Parking Authority Analyst Notes of February 2004, to reduce the Additional Revenue Growth of \$1,628,300.00 by \$1,028,000.00 to an amount of \$600,000.00 and to reduce the Net Program Budget of \$42,740,500.00 by \$1,028,000.00 to an amount of \$41,712,200.00”;

- (2) the Revenue Sharing Agreement between the City of Toronto and the Toronto Parking Authority be extended for a three-year period effective January 1, 2004 and ending December 31, 2006;

save and except:

- (3) Recommendation No. (4) of the EMT recommendations, included in Toronto Parking Authority Analyst Notes of February 2004, be amended to replace the amount of “\$1.628 million” with “\$0.600 million” so that Recommendation No. (4) will now read as follows:

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“the President of the Toronto Parking Authority provide the Budget Advisory Committee at its wrap-up meetings in March 2004, with strategies to achieve \$0.600 million in additional revenue for 2004; and to report to the Budget Advisory Committee in April on any further revenue growth that will impact 2004;”.

(Carried)

(President, Toronto Parking Authority; c. Chief Administrative Officer; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer - March 9, 2004)

Exhibition Place

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Capital and Operating Budgets for Exhibition Place.

Capital

- A. Councillor Rae moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Capital Budget for Exhibition Place, be adopted, subject to the adoption of the 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustments in the amount of (\$35,000.00).

(Carried)

Operating

- B. Councillor Pitfield moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
- (1) recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 EMT recommended Operating Budget for Exhibition Place, be adopted; and
 - (2) request the Chair, Exhibition Place, to report to the Budget Advisory Committee wrap-up meetings on how the policy direction, set out in the January 27, 2003 letter, could be met with respect to a special status for the Royal Winter Agricultural Fair based on the historical relationship with the City of Toronto so that the rent could equal the grant.

(Carried)

(Chair, Board of Governors, Exhibition Place; c. Chief Administrative Officer; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; General Manager and CEO, Exhibition Place - March 9, 2004)

Arena Boards of Management

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Operating Budget for Arena Boards of Management.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it the following reports and communication:

- (a) (August 28, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, respecting a financing strategy for the replacement of ice resurfacers at Arena Boards of Management through participation in the Fleet replacement reserve process; and recommending that:
 - (1) the fleet requirements for the Arena Boards of Management be included in the City's vehicle replacement program managed by Fleet Services;
 - (2) the Arena Boards of Management include annual contributions to the Vehicle Replacement Reserve on an ongoing basis, in their Operating Budget submissions starting with the 2004 Operating Budget with the amount to be determined as part of the annual Operating Budget review;
 - (3) the 2004 Operating Budget for each Arena Board of Management be increased \$10,000.00 gross, and up to \$10,000.00 net to fund the initial contributions to the Arena Board account in the Vehicle Replacement Reserve;
 - (4) the Vehicle Replacement Reserve contributions from the Arena Boards of Management be treated as a separate program account in the Vehicle Replacement Reserve and purchases reflected as a separate project in the Fleet Service Capital Budget;
 - (5) a one-time new request of \$160,000.00 for the purchase of two urgently required ice resurfacers be included in the 2004 Parks and Recreation Capital Budget and that one of these be considered for pre-approval as funding is required in January 2004;
 - (6) this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for its consideration; and
 - (7) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto;

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- (b) (March 3, 2004) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer reporting on the consultation and review process and providing updated recommendations on a financing strategy for the replacement of ice resurfacers at Arena Boards of Management through participation in the Fleet Replacement Reserve process; and recommending that:
- (1) the fleet purchasing requirements for the Arena Boards of Management be included in the City's vehicle replacement program managed by Fleet Services and financed on a pay-as-you-go basis;
 - (2) provision for annual contributions to the Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve be included in Arena Board of Management Operating Budgets on an ongoing basis, starting with the 2004 Operating Budget with the amount to be determined as part of the annual Operating Budget process;
 - (3) the 2004 Operating Budget for each Arena Board of Management be amended to include an initial contribution of \$9,355.00, for a total increase in the Arena Board of Management Budgets of up to \$74,840.00 to fund the 2004 contributions to the Arena Board account in the Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve;
 - (4) each Arena Board of Management report back to the Budget Advisory Committee by March 22, 2004 on strategies to absorb in 2004 and/or future years, all or part of the \$9,355.00 increase to their Operating Budgets;
 - (5) the Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve contributions from the Arena Boards of Management be allocated as a separate program account in the Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve and purchases reflected as a separate project in the Fleet Service Capital Budget;
 - (6) the \$121,123.00 arising from the Arena Boards of Management surpluses and deficits (1999-2001), be deposited into the Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve Arena Boards of Management account, subject to the approval of the recommended pay-as-you-go financing mechanism;
 - (7) the Fleet Services 2004 Capital Budget be amended to include a project for Arena Board of Management Ice Resurfacer Replacement of \$140,000.00 for two machines, funded from Arena Boards of Management Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve contributions;
 - (8) this report be considered as part of the 2004 Operating and Capital Budget considerations; and

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- (9) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto; and
- (c) (February 26, 2004) from the Manager, Bill Bolton Arena, commenting on the set up of funding for the ice resurfacer replacement.

Councillor Soknacki appointed Councillor Mihevc Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

- A. Councillor Soknacki moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Operating Budget for the Arena Boards of Management, be adopted, **save and except** the Ted Reeve Arena and North Toronto Arena Boards of Management, pending the completion of the Performance Measures and request the Chair of the Budget Advisory Committee to speak with the respective Arena Boards of Management to address any problems and provide assistance if required.

(Carried)

Councillor Soknacki resumed the Chair.

- B. Councillor Rae moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
 - (1) recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the report (March 3, 2004) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer: "Report on Consultations and Updated Recommendations on the Financing of Ice Resurfacer Replacements for the Arena Boards of Management", be adopted, subject to the following amendment:

"any audited year-end net surplus in excess of the Council approved budget for the Arena Boards of Management Program, be transferred to the Arena Boards of Management account in the Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund (XQ0003) and applied proportionately among those Arenas who are in a surplus position and exceeded their budget target."; and
 - (2) receive the following report and communication:
 - (a) (August 28, 2003) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer: "Financing of Ice Resurfacer Replacements for Arena Boards of Management"; and

- (b) (February 26, 2004) from Mr. Jim Oreto, Manager,
Bill Bolton Arena: "Ice Resurfacers Replacement".

(Carried)

(Chair, Budget Advisory Committee; c. Chief Administrative Officer;
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer - March 9, 2004)

Theatres

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Operating Budget for Theatres.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it a communication (March 9, 2004) from Councillor Gay Cowbourne, Ward 44 Scarborough East, forwarding The Canadian Opera Company's comments on the Hummingbird Rate Increases.

St. Lawrence Centre for the Performing Arts

Councillor Soknacki appointed Councillor Mihevc Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

- A. Councillor Soknacki moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 EMT recommended Operating Budget for the St. Lawrence Centre for the Performing Arts, be adopted.

(Carried)

Hummingbird Centre for the Performing Arts

Councillor Kyle Rae declared his interest in the 2004 Operating Budget for the Hummingbird Centre for the Performing Arts, in that his spouse is part of the design team for the production of Cinderella currently at the Hummingbird Centre for the Performing Arts.

- B. Councillor Soknacki moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
- (1) recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 EMT recommended Operating Budget for the Hummingbird Centre for the Performing Arts, be adopted; and
 - (2) receive the aforementioned communication for information.

(Carried)

- C. Councillor Mihevc moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the proposed rate increases for the use of the Hummingbird Centre by the Canadian Opera Company and the National Ballet of Canada be limited to the recognized cost of living increase with no additional surcharges and that the House Program in its current form continue to be included in the overall rental costs.

(Lost)

Councillor Cowbourne appeared before the Budget Advisory Committee in connection with this matter.

Toronto Centre for the Arts

- D. Councillor Soknacki moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
- (1) defer consideration of the 2004 Operating Budget for the Toronto Centre for the Arts until its wrap-up meetings;
 - (2) recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that as a priority, alternative uses be found for Toronto Centre for the Arts so that total annual expenditures for this site do not exceed \$1.2 million; examples of such uses could include the leasing of the site or other means of dealing with the property; and further the appropriate City Staff be authorized to engage in negotiations with the land owners; and
 - (3) request the Executive Manager of the Toronto Centre for the Arts and the Executive Director of Facilities and Real Estate, in consultation with the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the City Solicitor, to report to the Budget Advisory Committee at wrap-up on options to reduce further the annual expenditures of maintaining the facility until another suitable use or option is identified; such report to include the costs of returning the site to the land owners.

(Carried)

Councillor Soknacki resumed the Chair.

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- E. Councillor Mihevc moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
- (1) request the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the Chief Administrative Officer, in consultation with the Executive Manager of the Toronto Centre for the Arts, to report back to the Budget Advisory Committee wrap-up meetings on the possibility of reducing their staff complement and associated salary savings; and further that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer look into ways and means of limiting the City's exposure; and
 - (2) recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee in December 2004, or sooner if possible, on an operating model and governance model for the Toronto Centre for the Arts.

(Carried)

(Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Chief Administrative Officer; Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; Executive Director, Facilities and Real Estate; Executive Manager, Toronto Centre for the Arts; c. City Solicitor; Administrator, Economic Development and Parks Committee - March 9, 2004)

Toronto Zoo

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Capital and Operating Budgets for the Toronto Zoo.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it a communication (February 24, 2004) addressed to the Chair, Budget Advisory Committee, from the General Manager & CEO, Toronto Zoo, in response to the Chair's communication (February 4, 2004) related to the management of the 2004 Operating Budget pressures and reduction targets to the Toronto Zoo.

Capital

Councillor Soknacki appointed Councillor Pitfield Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

- A. Councillor Soknacki moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Capital Budget for the Toronto Zoo, be adopted, subject to the following technical adjustments:

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- (1) the adoption of the 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustments in the amount of (\$18,000.00) for Canadian Wilderness – Change in Scope 2003;
- (2) the adoption of the 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustments in the amount of \$62,000.00 for Exhibits – Elephant Paddock Safety;
- (3) the adoption of the 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustments in the amount of \$43,000.00 for Information Systems (2003);
- (4) the adoption of the 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustments in the amount of \$234,000.00 for Grounds and Visitor Improvements 2003;
- (5) the adoption of the 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustments in the amount of \$20,000.00 for Buildings – Fire Alarm Upgrades; and
- (6) the adoption of the 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustments in the amount of \$39,000.00 for Valley Halla Refurbishment.

(Carried)

Councillor Soknacki resumed the Chair.

Operating

- B. Councillor Milczyn moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that:

- (1) the 2004 Operating Budget for the Toronto Zoo, be adopted; and
- (2) the issue of the Governance Model of the Toronto Zoo be referred to the Mayor's Office and the Chief Administrative Officer to develop a strategy in communication with other municipalities, the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority and possibly the Provincial Government, to provide a different funding model, and report thereon to the Policy and Finance Committee.

(Carried)

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- C. Councillor Pitfield moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
- (1) recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that:
 - (i) in terms of the Toronto Zoo 2005 budget, the Chair and the General Manager and CEO of the Toronto Zoo be requested to meet with organizations, such as the World Wildlife Foundation, Suzuki Foundation and other major organizations to explore the possibility of locating their headquarters at the Toronto Zoo; and further, approach the University of Toronto and other universities to explore opportunities for academic learning related to wildlife and conservation purposes and ensure operating dollars flow from those organizations to the Toronto Zoo; and
 - (ii) the proposed divestiture of Valley Halla be referred to the Executive Director of Facilities and Real Estate for further evaluation and report to the Board of Management of the Toronto Zoo with respect to:
 - (a) the market value of the building and property in its current state;
 - (b) can the building be divested in its current state, or if not;
 - (c) provide update of the costs necessary to bring the building to a state where it could be marketed;
 - (d) assessment of the legal issues to be resolved with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority; and
 - (e) environmental assessment of third party ownership in relation to protecting the surrounding interests of the Rouge Valley and the Toronto Zoo; and

- (2) receive the communication (February 24, 2004) from the General Manager and CEO, Toronto Zoo for information.

(Carried)

(Mayor David Miller; Chief Administrative Officer; Chair, Board of Management, Toronto Zoo; General Manager and CEO, Toronto Zoo; Executive Director, Facilities and Real Estate; c. Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Administrator, Policy and Finance Committee - March 9, 2004)

Emergency Management Plan

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Operating and Capital Budgets for Emergency Management Plan.

Capital

- A. Councillor Watson moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Capital Budget for Emergency Management Plan, be adopted, subject to the following adjustments:

- (1) deletion of the 2004 Carry Forward Cash Flow from the CBRN Project in the amount of \$338,000.00, and such Project and Program to be considered on an ongoing basis contingent upon receiving funding from other levels of government; and
- (2) the adoption of the 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustment of (\$161,000.00).

(Carried)

Operating

- B. Councillor Watson moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Operating Budget for Emergency Management Plan, be adopted, subject to the deletion of the CBRN Program in the amount of \$644,000.00, such Program to be considered on an ongoing basis contingent upon receiving funding from other levels of government.

(Carried)

Emergency Medical Services

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the following 2004 Operating and Capital Budgets for Emergency Medical Services.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it a joint report (March 4, 2004) from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, responding to a request from Community Services Committee on February 4, 5 and 11, 2004, for a report to the Budget Advisory Committee, the Community Services Committee and the Ward Councillors, on the exact timeline of the joint building project with Toronto Police Service consisting of 43 Division Police Station and Emergency Medical Services Station 26, such report to clarify that sufficient funding exists in the 2004 Capital Program to start construction in 2004.

Capital

- A. Councillor Mihevc moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
- (1) recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Capital Budget of Emergency Medical Services, as recommended by the Community Services Committee, be adopted, subject to the following adjustments:
 - (a) a reduction of \$110,000.00 for Project Management Fees for the 40/50 Toryork Drive project, as recommended by the Community Services Committee, being added back to the 2004 Capital Program for the different departments involved in the project and that this fee not be absorbed by the Corporate Services Department;
 - (b) reducing the funding requirements for Station 26 in 2005 from \$2.105 million to \$1.260 million;
 - (c) the adoption of the 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustments in the amount of \$370,000.00; and
 - (d) the adoption of the Station 21 Sunnybrook technical adjustment of \$430,000.00 in 2006; and
 - (2) receive the aforementioned joint report for information.

(Carried)

Operating

- B. Councillor Mihevc moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Operating Budget of Emergency Medical Services, as recommended by the Community Services Committee, be adopted.

(Carried)

Fire Services

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Operating and Capital Budgets for Fire Services.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it a joint report (March 3, 2004) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Fire Chief and General Manager, Fire Services, reporting, as requested by the Community Services Committee on February 4, 5 and 11, 2004, on the possibility of increasing the fine for false fire alarms, providing a statistical overview, ways to reduce false alarms, and a list of the worst offenders; and recommending that this report be received for information.

Capital

- A. Councillor Mihevc moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Capital Budget for Fire Services, as recommended by the Community Services Committee, be adopted, subject to the following adjustments:

- (1) the Fire Fitness Equipment Project be deferred until 2005 to be phased in over a five-year period; and
- (2) the adoption of the 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustment in the amount of \$203,000.00.

(Carried)

- B. Councillor Pitfield moved that Councillor Mihevc's motion A(1) be amended to read as follows:

- “(1) the Fire Fitness Equipment Project be deferred until 2005 to be phased in over a five-year period, with a request to the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Fire Chief to develop a program to make regular use of such equipment; and”.

(Carried)

Operating

- C. Councillor Mihevc moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
- (1) recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Operating Budget for Fire Services, as recommended by the Community Services Committee, be adopted, subject to the following adjustments:
 - (a) the deletion of \$5,554,466.00 for Recognition Pay for Firefighters, as recommended by the Community Services Committee, be added back to the Operating Budget for Fire Services, as Council ratified a Memorandum of Agreement between the City and Local 3888 at its meeting of January 30 and February 12, 2004; and
 - (b) \$735,500.00 of gapping be accepted as a budget reduction; and
 - (2) receive the aforementioned joint report for information.

(Carried)

Community Services Committee - 2004 Capital Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it a communication (February 11, 2004) from the City Clerk, advising that the Community Services Committee on February 4, 5 and 11, 2004, reviewed the 2004-2013 Capital Programs under its purview, and recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee:

Works and Emergency Services:

- (1) Emergency Management Plan:
 - (a) that the EMT Recommendations Nos. (1), (2), (3), (4) and (6) pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for the Emergency Management Plan be adopted;
 - (b) that the 2004 Debt amount under the Carry Forward Request for the CBRN Federal Funding Reduction from 75 percent to 45 percent be reduced by \$294 thousand, from \$560 thousand to \$266 thousand;

(2) Emergency Medical Services:

- (a) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Emergency Medical Services be approved, subject to reducing the 2004 Capital Program by \$110 thousand (the project management fee of 10 percent for the 40/50 Toryork Drive project); and further that the fee be absorbed by the Corporate Services Department, such amount to be divided between the different departments involved in the project;
- (b) that, with respect to the Joint Building Project with Toronto Police Service (EMS Station 26/Toronto Police Service Station 43 – Lawrence Avenue), Station 43 in the Toronto Police Service's 2004-2013 Capital Budget be reviewed to ensure that the project is constructed in 2004;
- (c) that the Toronto Police Services Board be requested to fulfil its commitment to build Station 43 (Lawrence Avenue) in 2004;

(3) Fire Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Fire Services be approved;

Community and Neighbourhood Services:

(4) Children's Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Children's Services be approved, subject to the Jane Street Child Care Centre project being funded from Debt rather than from the Child Care Capital Reserve Fund;

(5) Homes for the Aged:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for the Homes for the Aged be approved;

(6) Shelter, Housing and Support:

- (a) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Shelter, Housing and Support be approved, subject to the Debt being reduced by \$600 thousand to reflect the sale of Princess Margaret Hospital; and

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(b) that funds resulting from future sales of City residential buildings be allocated to the Let's Build budget envelope; and

(7) Social Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Social Services be approved.

On motion by Councillor Watson, the Budget Advisory Committee received the aforementioned communication for information.

Community Services Committee - 2004 Operating Budget

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it a communication (February 11, 2004) from the City Clerk, advising that the Community Services Committee on February 4, 5 and 11, 2004, reviewed the 2004 Operating Budgets under its purview, and recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee:

Works and Emergency Services:

Emergency Management Plan:

(1) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for the Emergency Management Plan be approved;

Emergency Medical Services:

(2) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Emergency Medical Services be approved, subject to adding two Handy Persons Grade 2 positions, under Emergency Medical Services/EMS Operating Support Services (AM-E03), with no increase to the EMT recommended budget; and that the \$116.0 thousand gross, \$58.0 thousand net, be accommodated within the Emergency Medical Services 2004 Operating Budget.

Fire Services:

(3) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Fire Services be approved, subject to deleting the amount of \$5.555 million for Recognition Pay for Firefighters, so that the Total Program Budget reads \$294,009.3 thousand net in EMT Recommendation No. (1);

Community and Neighbourhood Services:

(4) Children's Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Children's Services be approved, subject to restoring the amount of \$356.3 thousand net to Wage Subsidies, so that there will be no reductions; and further that the funding for this increase be provided from the Child Care Capital Reserve Fund;

(5) Homes for the Aged:

(a) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for the Homes for the Aged be approved; and

(b) that City Council adopt the following recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged contained in the communication dated October 17, 2003, from the City Clerk:

“That the City support the principle that funds which are allocated from the Province to enhance resident care and service not be used to offset the City's contribution to the Homes for the Aged.”;

(6) Shelter, Housing and Support:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Shelter, Housing and Support be approved;

(7) Social Development and Administration:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Social Development and Administration be approved;

(8) Social Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Social Services be approved, subject to amending the budgeted social assistance caseload from 75,000 to 72,000, resulting in a reduction to the Social Assistance Stabilization Reserve draw from an estimated \$18.6 million to an estimated \$15.3 million;

(9) Association of Community Centres:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget of the Association of Community Centres be approved;

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(10) Consolidated Grants Under the Purview of the Community Services Committee:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget of the Consolidated Grants under the purview of the Community Services Committee be approved, subject to amending the Consolidated Grants Program by adding the following:

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| (a) | Community Information Toronto – 211 Website | \$250.0 thousand; |
| (b) | Community Services Grants – expansion | \$600.0 thousand; |
| (c) | Food Security Grant Program | \$500.0 thousand; |
| (d) | Service Development Program | \$400.0 thousand; |

and further that:

- (i) the \$1,750.0 thousand funding for this increase be provided from the \$5.555 million reduction to the Fire Services Operating Budget for Recognition Pay for Firefighters; and
- (ii) half of the \$1,750.0 thousand be allocated to grants agencies in the former area municipalities, other than the former City of Toronto; and

(11) General:

that the 2003 actuals for all Departments' budgets be provided to all Members of Council prior to the Budget Advisory Committee and Policy and Finance Committee deliberations on the 2004 budgets; and further that the actuals be provided in all future year budgets.

On motion by Councillor Carroll, the Budget Advisory Committee received the aforementioned communication for information.

The Budget Advisory Committee adjourned its meeting at 4:25 p.m.

Chair