THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk's Division

Minutes of the Economic Development and Parks Committee

Meeting No. 3

To be confirmed by the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

Monday, February 2, 2004 and Monday, February 9, 2004

The Economic Development and Parks Committee met on:

- (1) Monday, February 2, 2004, commencing at 9:45 a.m.; and
- (2) Monday, February 9, 2004, commencing at 9:41 a.m.;

in Committee Room 1, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto.

Attendance:

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

	Monday, February 2, 2004 9:45 a.m. to 12:08 p.m. 2:15 p.m. to 5:55 p.m.	Monday, February 9, 2004 9:41 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 2:10 p.m. to 4:22 p.m.
Councillor Brian Ashton, Chair	X	X
Councillor Gloria Lindsay Luby, Vice Chair	X	X
Councillor Maria Augimeri	X	X
Councillor Mike Feldman	X	X
Councillor Suzan Hall	X	X
Councillor Peter Li Preti	R	X
Councillor Case Ootes	X	X
Councillor Kyle Rae	X	X

Also Present:

Councillor Shelley Carroll	Councillor Pam McConnell	
Councillor Janet Davis	Councillor Joe Pantalone	
Councillor Paula Fletcher	Paula Fletcher Councillor David Soknacki	
ouncillor Norm Kelly Councillor Sylvia Watson		

Confirmation of Minutes

On motion by Councillor Ootes, the Minutes of the Economic Development and Parks Committee meeting held on January 14, 2004, were confirmed.

3.1 Harmonized Permit Allocation Policy for Indoor and Outdoor Parks and Recreation Facilities (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 19, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, introducing the new, harmonized Parks and Recreation Division permit allocation policy framework for the equitable allocation of all Parks and Recreation indoor and outdoor facilities, when demand for facility permits is greater than facility availability; and recommending that:

- (1) the Economic Development and Parks Committee endorse the new, harmonized Permit Allocation Policy and forward this report to Council for approval; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The following persons appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Mr. Rolston Miller, Toronto Sports and Social Club;
- Mr. Barney Savage, United Way of Greater Toronto;
- Ms. Marie Perrotta, Pegasus Community Project;
- Councillor Shelley Carroll, Ward 33 Don Valley East; and
- Councillor Janet Davis, Ward 31 Beaches-East York.

- A. Councillor Ootes moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee refer the aforementioned report back to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism for further consideration and report thereon to the Economic Development and Parks Committee, such report to include:
 - (1) phase-in process;
 - (2) appeal process;
 - (3) historical factors;
 - (4) fee component; and
 - (5) other concerns raised at the February 2, 2004 meeting of the Committee.

(Carried)

B. Councillor Rae moved that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to consult with the Members of the Economic Development and Parks Committee and other interested Members of Council, during this process.

(Carried)

(Clause No. 16(b), Report No. 2)

3.2 2003 Cultural Facilities Capital Grants Recommendations (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 12, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, recommending allocations to non-City-owned not-for-profit cultural organizations that have applied through the Culture Division for municipal support within the 2003 Cultural Facilities Capital Grants Program; and recommending that:

- (1) \$20,000.00 of the \$63,000.00 grant approved last year but not received by the Leah Posluns Theatre from the 2002 Cultural Facilities Capital Grants Program be reallocated to new lighting instruments for the theatre and the remaining \$43,000.00 be added to the 2003 allocation;
- (2) cultural facilities capital grants be approved for the following organizations:

(a)	Liaison of Independent Filmmakers of Toronto (LIFT)	\$6,500.00
(b)	Gallery 44 Centre for Contemporary Photograph	\$4,500.00
(c)	Art Metropole	\$2,000.00
(d)	Dancemakers	\$40,000.00

(e)	Toronto Operetta Theatre	\$10,000.00
(f)	M-DO	\$8,000.00
(g)	Jamaican Canadian Association	\$3,000.00
(h)	COBA Collective of Black Artists	\$10,000.00
(i)	Harbourfront Centre's Studio Theatre	\$20,000.00
(j)	Factory Theatre	\$85,000.00
(k)	Toronto Dance Theatre/School of Toronto Dance Theatre	\$37,000.00
(1)	Theatre Passe Muraille	\$40,000.00
	Total	\$293,000.00; and

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

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 1, Report No. 2)

3.3 Danforth Victoria Park Business Area Five-Year Strategic Action Plan (Ward 35 Scarborough Southwest)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 12, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, reporting on the activities of the Danforth Victoria Park Business Association (DVBA); presenting the DVBA's Five-Year Strategic Action Plan; and recommending that:

- (1) City staff meet with the co-chairs of the Danforth Victoria Park Business Association (DVBA) to consider the Five-Year Strategic Action Plan recommendations as input into existing and future workplan priorities;
- (2) copies of the Danforth Victoria Park Business Association's Five Year Strategic Action Plan (Attachment No. 1 of this report), be forwarded to appropriate staff in the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade, and Human Resources Development Canada; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Economic Development and Parks Committee also had before it during consideration of the foregoing matter a communication (February 2, 2004) from Councillor Gerry Altobello, Ward 35 Scarborough Southwest, in support of the Danforth Victoria Park Business Association's Five-year Strategic Action Plan.

The following persons appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Mr. Dan Glazier, President, Danforth Victoria Park Business Association; and
- Mr. Craig Owen, Vice-President, Danforth Victoria Park Business Association.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 2, Report No. 2)

3.4 Increasing the Number of Council Designates to the Toronto Preservation Board (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 12, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, requesting permission to amend the Municipal Code to increase the number of Council designates on the Toronto Preservation Board from five to seven; and recommending that:

- (1) subsection 103-17B(1) of the Municipal Code be amended by deleting the word "five" and replacing it with the word "seven" so that it reads as follows: "The Board shall consist of a Chair or designate of each panel, seven citizens to be appointed by Council and up to three members of Council."; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Economic Development and Parks Committee also had before it during consideration of the foregoing matter a communication (January 22, 2004) from the City Clerk, advising that the Toronto Preservation Board at its meeting on January 22, 2004, recommended to the Economic Development and Parks Committee, and Council, the adoption of the report (January 12, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

On motion by Councillor Augimeri, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 3, Report No. 2)

3.5 High Park, Proposed Prescribed Burn Spring 2004 (Ward 13 and 14 Parkdale-High Park)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 15, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, informing City Council of Urban Forestry Services continued efforts to restore and maintain provincially rare black oak savannah/woodland vegetation community in High Park that include using prescribed burning as a management tool; and recommending that:

- (1) the City Forester, in conjunction with the Fire Chief/General Manager, be authorized to approve the Operational Prescribed Burn Plan prepared by the Fire Chief/General Manager and reviewed by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources Fire Supervisor and proceed with the implementation of a Prescribed Burn in High Park in Spring 2004;
- (2) the City Forester consult with the two local Ward Councillors regarding preparation of appropriate communications for distribution to the local communities;
- (3) the City Forester consult with the Park Supervisor, Fire Services and Toronto Police Services regarding safety issues; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 4, Report No. 2)

3.6 Asian Long-Horned Beetle

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 28, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, reporting, as requested by City Council at its December 2, 2003 meeting, on the Asian Long-Horned Beetle (ALHB) eradication plan, funding status, long-term re-forestation strategy and a public awareness strategy for the citizens of the City of Toronto; and recommending that:

- (1) the amount of \$8 million gross and \$0 million net (inclusive of the \$3 million gross, \$0 net already approved by Council on December 4, 2003), recoverable from the Federal government, be referred to the 2004 budget process for consideration for inclusion in the 2004 Parks and Recreation (Forestry) Operating Budget in order to address the survey, removal and disposal currently projected to occur in 2004;
- (2) if CFIA recommends use of pesticide in 2004, the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism report directly to Council on March 2, 2004 with additional financial implications for consideration in the 2004 Operating Budget process;
- (3) City Council, through the Mayor and the Tree Advocate continue efforts to secure funding from the federal and provincial governments for replanting associated with the Asian Long-Horned Beetle control program on both public and private property, and the Commissioner of Economic Development Culture and Tourism report back as more information on funding is available;
- (4) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, in consultation with staff from Works and Emergency Services and Facilities and Real Estate identify suitable wood disposal sites within the proposed regulatory area so that in the event of a Ministerial Order putting a quarantine in place, Toronto will be prepared to accept tree debris from City operations and from private contractors and private residents within this area;
- (5) Forestry staff continue to work with the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) and other partners to complete the necessary research and Asian Long-Horned Beetle surveillance to further define eradication protocols;
- (6) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism report back to Economic Development and Parks Committee on the status of the control program in July 2004;
- (7) this report be forwarded to Budget Advisory Committee for consideration;
- (8) the City Clerk forward this report and associated recommendations to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, City of Vaughan, York Region, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Canadian Forestry Service and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency; and
- (9) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Economic Development and Parks Committee also had before it during consideration of the foregoing matter a communication (January 30, 2004) from Ms. Maria Pede, requesting that the Committee in discussing a planting replacement program, also consider shrubs, ground covers and other landscaping materials, in addition to trees.

Councillor Joe Pantalone, Deputy Mayor, appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

- A. Councillor Hall moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report, subject to adding the following:
 - "(1) on-going information be provided to the community on a monthly basis, excepting emergent issues, either through public meetings or bulletins;
 - (2) consideration be given to shrubs, ground covers and other landscaping materials in addition to trees when discussing planting replacement programs; and
 - (3) the lumber industry be requested to participate in the re-forestation strategy."

(Carried)

Councillor Ashton appointed Councillor Lindsay Luby Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

B. Councillor Ashton, moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee request the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, in consultation with the Chief Administrative Officer, to report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on a national urban forestry strategy and the respective roles of cities, provincial and federal governments, such report to include a funding mechanism for such strategy.

(Carried)

Councillor Ashton resumed the Chair.

(Clause No. 5, Report No. 2)

3.7 Use of Pesticides to Control the Asian Long-Horned Beetle

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 20, 2004) from the Secretary, Board of Health, advising that the Board of Health on January 19, 2004:

- (1) adopted the report (December 31, 2003) from the Medical Officer of Health, as amended by:
 - (a) amending Recommendation No. (3) by adding the words "and stem injection of trees be the preferred method", so that such recommendation now reads:

"the Board of Health recommends that Council ensure that City staff consider only stem and soil injection (and not soil drenching) as appropriate application methods of the pesticide imidacloprid for use against the Asian Long-Horned Beetle and that stem injection of trees be the preferred method;"; and

- (b) amending Recommendation No. (8) by adding "the Association of Municipalities of Ontario" to the list of organizations; and
- (2) directed that the report be forwarded to Council, for its meeting on March 2, 2004, and to the Economic Development and Parks Committee and the Works Committee for their meetings in February 2004, in accordance with Recommendation No. (7) with a request that they forward their comments directly to Council for consideration with this matter.

Councillor Joe Pantalone, Deputy Mayor, appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report, subject to adding the following:

"the Pest Management Regulatory Agency be urged to move expeditiously in approving the appropriate application methods of the pesticide imidacloprid for use against the Asian Long-Horned Beetle."

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(Clause No. 16(c), Report No. 2)

3.8 Level of Turf Maintenance on Non-City Leased Hydro Corridor Lands Abutting Residential Areas (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 15, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, providing information on the level of turf maintenance on non-City leased hydro corridor lands abutting residential areas, as requested by City Council at its September 22, 2003 meeting; and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council that:

- (1) the aforementioned report be received; and
- (2) Hydro One be requested to consider increasing the level of maintenance, as it relates to grass cutting, from 6 to 10 times per year.

(Clause No. 6, Report No. 2)

3.9 Revisions to Toronto Economic Development Corporation (TEDCO) By-law No. 1 - General Corporate By-law (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 12, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, seeking Council approval for the revisions adopted by the Toronto Economic Development Corporation (TEDCO) Board of Directors to the TEDCO By-law No. 1 - General Corporate By-law; and recommending that:

- (1) Council approve the revisions to the TEDCO By-law No. 1 General Corporate By-law (Attachment No. 2); and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Ootes, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 7, Report No. 2)

3.10 Intention to Designate the Beaches Business Improvement Area (BIA) (Ward 32 Beaches-East York)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 12, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, respecting the designation of the Beaches Business Improvement Area; and recommending that:

- (1) the area described by Attachment No. 1 (Maps 1 to 7), be designated as a Business Improvement Area (BIA), under Section 204 of the <u>Municipal Act</u>;
- (2) the City Clerk be authorized and directed to send out a notice of Council's intention to pass a by-law designating the area, as defined in Attachment No. 1 (Maps 1 to 7), as a Business Improvement Area, in accordance with Section 210 of the Municipal Act;
- (3) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to prepare a legal description of the area, as described by Attachment No. 1 (Maps 1 to 7), and to submit this description to the City Solicitor;
- (4) subject to the City Clerk reporting favourably on the results of the poll referred to in Recommendation No. (2), and upon receipt of the legal description prepared by the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, the City Solicitor be directed to prepare a by-law designating the area as a Business Improvement Area as described by Attachment No. 1 (Maps 1 to 7), in accordance with Section 204 of the Municipal Act; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 8, Report No. 2)

3.11 Poll Results - Proposed Designation of Wexford Heights Business Improvement Area (Ward 37 Scarborough Centre)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 19, 2004) from the City Clerk, reporting on the results of the poll for the proposed designation of the Wexford Heights Business Improvement Area; and recommending that:

- (1) based upon the results of the poll, Council pass a by-law to designate the area described by Attachment No. 1 as a Business Improvement Area (BIA), under Section 204 of the Municipal Act;
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 9, Report No. 2)

3.12 Victoria Memorial Square Park Progress Report on Detailed Design, Budget and Fundraising (Ward 20 Trinity-Spadina)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 16, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, providing an update on the development of a detailed design, budget and phasing plan for Victoria Square Park, as requested by Council at its meeting on July 22, 23 and 24, 2003; and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the aforementioned report for information.

(Clause No. 16(d), Report No. 2)

3.13 Feasibility of Prohibiting Daytime Deliveries in the Downtown Core (Ward 20 Trinity-Spadina and Wards 27 and 28 Toronto Centre-Rosedale)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 16, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, forwarding a previously submitted report (August 22, 2001), as requested by the Economic Development and Parks Committee at its meeting of January 14, 2004, on the Feasibility of Prohibiting Daytime Deliveries in the Downtown Core; and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Lindsay Luby, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the aforementioned report for information.

(Clause No. 16(e), Report No. 2)

3.14 Appointment to the Colborne Lodge/Mackenzie House/Spadina Historic House and Gardens Community Museum Management Board (Ward 13 Parkdale-High Park, Ward 22 St. Paul's and Ward 27 Toronto Centre-Rosedale)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a confidential report (January 12, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism respecting appointment of citizen members to the Colborne Lodge/Mackenzie House/Spadina Historic House and Gardens Community Museum Board, such report to be considered in-camera having regard that it deals with personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned confidential report.

(Clause No. 10, Report No. 2)

3.15 2004 Capital and Operating Budget (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee, at its meeting held on February 2, 2004, received an overview presentation by the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and relevant staff respecting the following 2004 Capital and Operating Budgets under the purview of the Economic Development and Parks Committee; and deferred consideration of such budgets until its meeting of February 9, 2004:

- Culture (Capital and Operating);
- Economic Development (Capital and Operating);
- Parks and Recreation (Capital and Operating);
- Customer and Business Support (Operating);
- Tourism (Operating);
- SARS Recovery (Operating);
- Yonge Dundas Square (Operating).

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it during consideration of the foregoing matter the following reports and communications, copies of which are on file in the office of the City Clerk:

(a) (December 4, 2003) from the City Clerk, advising that the Toronto Cycling Committee on Monday, November 17, 2003, recommended that the following Resolution No. (1) be forwarded to the Economic Development and Parks Committee for consideration;

- (b) (January 28, 2004) from Ms. Karen Palkowski, Chair of High Park Residents Association, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (c) (January 29, 2004) from Mr. Elson, Chair and Mr. Joey Schwartz, Secretary, Roncesvalles-Macdonell Residents' Association, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (d) (January 29, 2004) from Mr. Chris Benjamin, in support of the Toronto Bike Plan;
- (e) (January 30, 2004) from Councillor Joe Pantalone, Deputy Mayor, in support of the Trinity Bellwoods Historical Gate Restoration;
- (f) (undated) from Mr. Martin Koob, Toronto Bicycling Network, in support of the Toronto Bike Plan;
- (g) (January 21, 2004) from Mr. Gerard Kennedy, MPP, Parkdale-High Park, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (h) (January 30, 2004) from Ms. Olena Veryha, Chair, Howard Public School, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (i) (January 30, 2004) from Ms. Debra McNevin and Ms. Sandra Molyneaux, Co-Chair, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School Advisory Council, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (j) (January 29, 2004) from Ms. Kathleen Haushalter, President, The Etobicoke Art Group, in support of the Neilson Park Creative Centre;
- (k) (January 29, 2004) from Councillor Pam McConnell, Ward 28 Toronto Centre-Rosedale, in support of the Market Gallery;
- (l) (January 30, 2004) from Mr. W. Anthony Cauch, Vice Chair/Secretary, Roncesvalles Village BIA, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (m) (February 2, 2004) from Councillor Cesar Palacio, Ward 17 Davenport, in support of additional funding for the 2004 Capital Cost Sharing Program for the St. Clair Gardens BIA;
- (n) (undated) from Ms. Dawn Thomas, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (o) (February 2, 2004) from Mr. Michael Innes, Chair, St. John Vianney Catholic School Advisory Council, in support of the Joint School Playground Program;

- (p) (February 2, 2004) from Ms. Ann Dembinski, President, CUPE Local 79, respecting the 2004 Capital and Operating Budget Review;
- (q) (February 2, 2004) from Mr. Tim Jones, Executive Director, Artscape, respecting Artscape's budget request for 2004;
- (r) (February 5, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, providing information to the Economic Development and Parks Committee regarding its Grants Service Envelopes within the 2004 Consolidated Grants Budget;
- (s) (February 3, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, forwarding Toronto Arts Council's "Great Arts = Great City" Report to the 2004 budget process;
- (t) (February 6, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, reporting as directed on the Joint Playground Development Program reintroduction;
- (u) (February 2, 2004) from Mr. Douglas Markoff, in support of the Toronto Botanical Garden;
- (v) (January 22, 2004) from Ms. Sheryl Skelton, respecting registration fees and safety issues;
- (w) (February 2, 2004) from Mr. Kyle Tobin, Business Owner, LawnSavers Inc., regarding the Pesticide by-law;
- (x) (January 30, 2004) from Mr. Steve Russell, Vice President, Board and Membership, Toronto Region Architectural Conservancy, in support of the Market Gallery;
- (y) (undated) from Ms. Margaret Clifford, in support of the Neilson Park Creative Centre;
- (z) (January 24, 2004) from Ms. Doris Kennedy, Board Member, Neilson Park Creative Centre, in support of the Neilson Park Creative Centre;
- (aa) (January 2004) from Ms. Rose Robertson, in support of the Neilson Park Creative Centre;
- (bb) (January 30, 2004) from Ms. Peggy Drew, in support the Neilson Park Creative Centre;

- (cc) (January 29, 2004) from Ms. Indra Kiesners Durnan, President, Board of Directors, Neilson Park Creative Centre, requesting that funding for the Centre be reinstated;
- (dd) (January 26, 2004) from Mr. Denis Cliff, Fine Art Instructor for the Toronto School of Art and Sir Sandford Fleming College, in support of the Neilson Park Creative Centre;
- (ee) (February 2, 2004) from Mr. Ronal J. Clifford, in support of the Neilson Park Creative Centre;
- (ff) (February 4, 2004) from Ms. Doris Kennedy, Director, Neilson Park Creative Centre, in support of funding for the Neilson Park Creative Centre;
- (gg) (February 5, 2004) from Ms. Indra Kiesners Durnan, President, Board of Directors, providing further information regarding the Neilson Park Creative Centre;
- (hh) (January 29, 2004) from Mr. Len Aguanno, Visual Arts Instructor, in support of the Neilson Park Creative Centre;
- (ii) (February 3, 2004) from Ms. Caroline Cohen, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (jj) (February 4, 2004) from Mr. Douglas Shepherd, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (kk) (February 4, 2004) from Mr. Dino Gliosca, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (ll) (February 3, 2004) from Ms. Ria Carter and Mr. Peter Carter; in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (mm) (February 2, 2004) from Ms. Julie Kinnear, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (nn) (February 5, 2004) from Ms. Lisa Hamilton and Mr. Mark Quail, in support of the Wasbash Community Recreation Centre;
- (oo) (January 29, 2004) from Mr. Stephen Kalau, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (pp) (February 5, 2004) from Ms. Anne Wilkings and Mr. Ed Wilkings, in support of user fees;

- (qq) (February 2, 2004) from Ms. Carol Devine, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (rr) (February 6, 2004) from Mr. David Stonehouse, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- (ss) (February 6, 2004) from Ms. Jenny Norush, Director of Advertising and Promotion, Citytv, requesting funding from the City to keep the New Year's Eve celebration at Nathan Phillips Square; and
- (tt) (February 9, 2004) from Mr. Bill Guthrie, Vice President, CUPE Local 416, commenting on the 2004 Economic Development, Culture and Tourism Department 2004 Budget.

The following persons appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Mr. Mike Innes, Chair, St. John Vianney Catholic School Advisory Council;
- Ms. Margaret Watson, Canadian Pensioners Concerned, and filed a copy of her submission;
- Mr. Jim Garrard, Executive Director, Toronto Arts Council, and filed a copy of his submission;
- Mr. Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- Mr. Peter Elson, President, Roncesvalles Macdonell Residents' Association, and filed a petition with approximately 1,368 signatures requesting funding in the 2004-2005 budget for the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- Ms. Sandra Molyneux, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- Mr. Doug Bennett, Resident, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre, and filed a copy of his submission;
- Mr. Chander Chaddah, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- Ms. Susan Vanderdan, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- Ms. Jan Borowy, Patrick Rooney and Claire Lewis, in support of the Wabash Community Recreation Centre;
- Ms. Indra Kiesners-Durnan, Neilson Park Creative Centre, and filed a copy of her submission:
- Mr. James Robinson, Executive Director, Downtown Yonge Business Improvement Area, and filed a copy of his submission;
- Ms. Ann Marie Wilson, Toronto Symphony Orchestra, and filed a copy of her submission;
- Ms. Kevin Garland, National Ballet of Canada;
- Ms. Chan Hon Goh, Ballerina, National Ballet of Canada;
- Mr. Robert Gleadow, Singer, Canadian Opera Company;
- Ms. Lisa Barty, Canadian Opera Company;

- Ms. Stephanie Hanson, Toronto Youth Cabinet, and filed a copy of her submission;
- Ms. Louise Cochrane;
- Ms. Lindsay Dale-Harris, Chairman, Toronto Botanical Gardens Capital Funding Committee, and filed a copy of a communication from Mr. Geoffrey Dyer, Vice President and Member of the Board and Executive Committee, Toronto Botanical Gardens, and a copy of a brochure, entitled "Help Us Bloom";
- Ms. Maya Litman, Playground Lobby for Active Youth (P.L.A.Y.), and filed an information flyer;
- Ms. Eileen Shannon, Director of Community Programs, St. Stephen's Youth Program, and filed a copy of her submission;
- Mr. Henry Calderon, Project Junction Business and Community Development Corporation, and filed a copy of his submission;
- Mr. Livy Holder, Vice-President, CUPE Local 79;
- Mr. Rollo Myers, Citizens for Old Town, and filed a copy of his submission in support of the Market Gallery;
- Mr. Vernon Mould, Educator and Artist, in support of the Market Gallery;
- Mr. Michael Comstock, Chair, St. Lawrence Market BIA, in support of the Market Gallery;
- Mr. Edward Nixon, Executive Director, South East Downtown Economic Revitalization Initiative, in support of the Market Gallery;
- Ms. Fran Moscall, Director, Ontario Urban Forest Council, and filed a copy of her submission;
- Mr. David Angelo, Museum of Contemporary Art;
- Ms. Linda Soudack, Celebration of Sculpture, and filed a flyer advertising the International Stone Sculpture Symposium Ontario 2004;
- Ms. Alexandra Montgomery, Executive Director, Gardiner Museum;
- Mr. Richard DeGaetano, representing the Scarborough City Summit and the Scarborough Civic Action Network;
- Mr. Bill Guthrie, Vice-President, CUPE Local 416;
- Ms. Katrina Miller, Toronto Environmental Alliance;
- Ms. Jacqueline Czernecki, President, Etobicoke Hand Weavers Association, in support of the Neilson Park Creative Centre, and filed a copy of her submission;
- Mr. Hamish Wilson, and filed a copy of his submission;
- Mr. Wayne Strongman, Artistic Director, Tapestry New Opera Works, and filed a copy of their Summer/Fall 2003 newsletter;
- Mr. Tim Morris, Chair, York Museum Management Board;
- Deputy Mayor Sandra Bussin, Ward 32 Beaches-East York;
- Councillor Shelley Carroll, Ward 33 Don Valley East;
- Councillor Olivia Chow, Ward 20 Trinity Spadina;
- Councillor Janet Davis, Ward 31 Beaches-East York;
- Councillor Paula Fletcher, Ward 30 Toronto-Danforth;
- Councillor Pam McConnell, Ward 28 Toronto Centre-Rosedale;
- Councillor Joe Mihevc, Ward 21 St. Paul's West;
- Councillor David Shiner, Ward 24 Willowdale;

- Councillor David Soknacki, Chair, Budget Advisory Committee; and
- Councillor Sylvia Watson, Ward 14 Parkdale-High Park.

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks Committee requested the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to report back to the Economic Development and Parks Committee for its meeting of February 9, 2004, on the Joint Playground Program, addressing concerns raised in the communication (February 2, 2004) from Mr. Michael Innes, Chair, St. John Vianney Catholic School Advisory Council.

The Economic Development and Parks Committee, reconvened its meeting on February 9, 2004, reviewed the 2004 Capital and Operating Budgets under its purview; and recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee:

(1) 2004-2013 Capital Budget:

Culture:

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended the adoption of the EMT recommended 2004-2013 Capital Budget for the Culture Division, subject to the Trinity Bellwoods Historical Gate Restoration Project being increased from \$187,000.00 gross, \$41,000.00 net, to \$550,000.00 gross, "0" net, in 2004, given that Section 37 monies confirmed availability by the Commissioner of Urban Development Services for this purpose.

Economic Development

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended the adoption of the EMT recommended 2004-2013 Capital Budget for the Economic Development Division, subject to:

- (1) the addition of \$48,000.00 gross and \$24,000.00 net for the St. Clair Gardens BIA to allow for additional streetscape improvements in the area; and
- (2) the addition of \$110,000.00 gross and \$55,000.00 net for the Rosedale-Summerhill BIA for streetscape improvements in the area.

Parks and Recreation

- A. Councillor Hall moved the adoption of the EMT recommended 2004-2013 Capital Budget for the Parks and Recreation Division, subject to:
 - (1) the addition of \$200,000.00 for the reintroduction of the Joint Playground Development Program, with funds to be divided equally between the Toronto Catholic District School Board and the Toronto District School Board, contingent upon receiving 50 percent cost share from the School Boards; and
 - (2) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report on the health and safety issues within the North Rexdale Parks Study to determine the amount of money that would be required in the budget for 2004.

(Carried)

B. Councillor Ootes moved that Councillor Hall's motion A. be amended by transferring the East York Collegiate fence repair (CAPTOR #143) in the amount of \$15,000.00; transferring the East York Arena heating replacement in the amount of \$50,000.00 (already provided for); and adding funding for repair of the Dentonia Park Clubhouse in the amount of \$65,000.00, \$50,000.00 of which is to come from the Park Improvements Ward 31 XR2001; resulting in a zero net impact to the recommended capital budget.

(Carried)

- C. Councillor Rae moved that:
 - (1) Councillor Hall's motion A. be amended by:
 - (a) the addition of sufficient funds to the 2004 Capital Budget for site preparation at 40 Wabash Avenue for the Wabash/Sorauren Community Centre; and further the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism report to the Budget Advisory Committee on a source of funding in that regard;
 - (b) the addition of \$200,000.00 gross and \$50,000.00 net for the Trinity Square Park Labyrinth Project;

(c) the addition of \$500,000.00 in 2004 and future years for the construction of Skateboard Parks Citywide;

(Carried)

- (d) the parking lot repairs and expansion be deferred to 2005, until such time as there is a City-wide standard for permeability is developed; and
- (e) the addition of Cawthra Park and Marian Engel Park in 2005 funding and that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report on this matter to the Budget Advisory Committee.

(Lost)

- (2) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report to the Budget Advisory Committee on the recommended and potential energy efficiency retrofits for recreational facilities, such report to include multi-year financial information, where available, that considers the rate price increase to \$0.057 per kilowatt hour (from \$0.043) coming into effect April 1, 2004;
- (3) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on the allocation of funding for Skateboard Parks City-wide, such report to include alternative and affordable methods of building such parks.
- (4) the Chief Administrative Officer, be requested in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Commissioner of Urban Development Services, to report to the Budget Advisory Committee:
 - (a) providing a detailed account on what has been collected on Parks Development charges and park levies, including the exact amount collected under the 25 percent regional account for south district, and the 25 percent local account for Ward 20; and further that other regional district accounts and local Ward accounts be also made public; and

- (b) on the total project cost of Victoria Memorial Park, St. Andrew's Park and Clarence Square, including what amounts are in the current capital budget, the development levies and Section 45/37 funds that should be applied to these projects; and
- (5) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, be requested, in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, the Commissioner of Urban Development Services and the City Solicitor, to investigate opportunities to provide municipal capital facilities by way of public/private partnerships under Section 110 of The Municipal Act, exploring specifically opportunities for the development of a community recreation facility at 40 Wabash Avenue and report thereon to the Economic Development and Parks Committee at the earliest possible date and not later than June 2004.

(Carried)

(6) the Budget Advisory Committee be requested to increase the capital budget of the Parks and Recreation Division by \$5-Million to \$10-Million in 2004; and further the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be requested to report on a means by which this request can be facilitated.

(Lost)

(2) 2004 Operating Budget:

Culture

A. Councillor Lindsay Luby moved the adoption of the EMT recommended 2004 Operating Budget for the Culture Division, subject to an addition of \$20,900.00 for maintenance costs at the Neilson Park Creative Centre.

(Carried)

- B. Councillor Rae moved that:
 - (1) Councillor Lindsay Luby's motion A. be amended by:
 - (a) the addition of \$44,000.00 to the Market Gallery to maintain the 2003 funding level; and

- (b) the addition of \$250,000.00 to support the non-City owned Cultural Facilities Capital Grants Program; and
- (2) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to explore further funding and volunteer partnerships for the Market Gallery and report thereon to the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

(Carried)

Economic Development:

On motion by Councillor Ootes, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended the adoption of the EMT recommended 2004 Operating Budget for the Economic Development Division.

Parks and Recreation:

- A. Councillor Hall moved the adoption of the EMT recommended 2004 Operating Budget for the Parks and Recreation Division, subject to:
 - (a) the establishment of an Inner City Out-tripping Centre with a net budget of \$100,000.00, such budget to be allocated within the existing envelope of funds in the Parks and Recreation Operating Budget; and further the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report to the Budget Advisory Committee on a specific source of funding in that regard; and
 - (b) the restoration of funding for floral displays in local parks in the amount of \$758,300.00.

(Carried)

B. Councillor Rae moved that:

- (1) Councillor Hall's motion A. be amended by:
 - (a) the addition of \$250,000.00 for a tree watering program in order to save the \$400,000.00 in annual loss of trees as a result of lack of watering;

- (b) the addition of \$48,700.00 for one "pesticide-free" demonstration using alternative methods in each of the four Community Council areas as detailed in the "Environmental Plan Candidate Priorities Operating 2004 Budget"; and
- (c) the addition of \$3,000.00 for the installation of morality lighting (solar powered lighting preferred) in the south/east corner of Centre Park (Ward 24); and further that if such installation exceeds \$3,000.00 that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report to the Budget Advisory Committee in that regard; and
- (2) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report to the Budget Advisory Committee on the results of the computer monitored irrigation pilot project, plans for implementing such systems in other irrigated par areas, and potential cost savings to the City.

(Carried)

C. Councillor Augimeri moved that the following motion be referred to the Budget Advisory Committee and the Mayor for consideration:

"The City defer any decision on Phase II of the 'Transfer of Aquatics Programs from the TDSB Pools' until Council determines the City of Toronto's pool strategy, and considers the pools study anticipated in September 2004, and no 'migration' or reduction of aquatic programs occur before that time."

(Carried)

Customer and Business Support:

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended the adoption of the EMT recommended 2004 Operating Budget for Customer and Business Support.

Tourism:

- A. Councillor Lindsay Luby moved:
 - (1) the adoption of the EMT recommended 2004 Operating Budget for the Tourism Division; and
 - (2) that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to meet with the Chair of the Economic Development and Parks Committee and the President of Tourism Toronto to work out an amicable arrangement on a move forward basis and report thereon to the Economic Development and Parks Committee in that regard.

(Carried)

- B. Councillor Rae moved that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to:
 - (1) report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on interdepartmental coordinated strategies to attract world conferences;
 - (2) report to the Budget Advisory Committee on:
 - (a) the economic impact of Toronto hosting the 2005 Stockholm Partnership and the need for the inclusion of \$1.8 million seed money in the 2004 budget; and where it should be located in the budget in order for the planning process to begin to secure the necessary sponsorships to offset the budget expenditure; and
 - (b) reducing the funding allocation to Tourism Toronto such monies to be used to improve the City's infrastructure, such as the Beautification Program and the Clean City Program, which would be complementary to the Tourism strategy.

(Carried)

Heritage Toronto:

On motion by Councillor Lindsay Luby, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended the adoption of the EMT recommended 2004 Operating Budget for Heritage Toronto.

SARS Recovery:

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended the adoption of the EMT recommended 2004 Operating Budget for SARS Recovery, subject to:

- (1) deleting the word "SARS" so that such budget shall now be referred to as the "Economic Recovery" Operating Budget; and
- (2) including the "Economic Recovery" budget in the Economic Development Operating Budget at the \$5 million level.

Yonge Dundas Square:

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended the adoption of the EMT recommended 2004 Operating Budget for Yonge Dundas Square.

Grants:

Councillor Ashton appointed Councillor Lindsay Luby Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

A. Councillor Ashton moved:

- (1) the adoption of the 2004 EMT recommended level for consolidated grants under the purview of the Economic Development and Parks Committee of \$15.304 million gross and \$15.250 million net; and
- (2) that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report to the Budget Advisory Committee on justification of allocating a grant in the amount of \$250,000.00 to Variety Village.

(Carried)

Councillor Ashton resumed the Chair.

- (B) Councillor Hall moved that Councillor Ashton's motion A.(1) be amended by:
 - (1) the addition of \$848,000.00 for the Toronto Arts Council Grants Program; and
 - (2) the addition of \$152,000.00 for the Toronto Arts Council Operations.

(Carried)

(C) Councillor Lindsay Luby moved that Councillor Ashton's motion A.(1) be amended by the addition of \$61,100.00 for the Royal Winter Fair.

(Carried)

- (D) Councillor Rae moved that Councillor Ashton's motion A.(1) be amended by:
 - (1) the addition of \$226,700.00 for Major Cultural Organizations; and
 - (2) the addition of \$97,100.00 for the George Gardiner Museum of Ceramic Arts.

(Carried)

- (E) Councillor Augimeri moved that Councillor Ashton's motion A.(1) be amended by:
 - (1) the addition of \$976,000.00 for the Children's Program Expansion;
 - (2) the addition of \$1.088 million for the Youth Program Expansion; and
 - (3) the General Camp fees be increased by \$1.00 per year for the next three years, which is over the rate of inflation, instead of \$5.00 which is a 20 percent increase.

(Lost)

(F) Councillor Ootes moved that Councillor Ashton's motion A.(1) be amended by adding that all recreation fees be increased by 3 percent, for additional revenue of approximately \$1.5 million.

(Lost)

- (3) On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee requested the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to report to the Budget Advisory Committee on the programs that have been added to the budget that would be appropriate or complementary to Tourism Toronto's agenda and would add to the beautification of the City and enhance tourism in Toronto.
- (4) On motion by Councillor Feldman, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the aforementioned communications and reports (a) to (tt) for information.

(Budget Advisory Committee; All Interested Parties, Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism - February 11, 2004; Mayor David Miller - February 11, 2004)

(Clause No. 16(f), Report No. 2)

3.16 Extension of Tourism Toronto Partnership Agreement

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 28, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, seeking authority to extend the Tourism Toronto Partnership Agreement, dated January 1, 2000 to March 1, 2004, for a six month period until September 1, 2004; and recommending that:

- (1) authority be granted to extend the term of the existing Partnership Agreement, Attachment No. 1, between the City of Toronto and Tourism Toronto to September 1, 2004; the amending agreement relating thereto be in a form and content satisfactory to the City Solicitor and Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer;
- a new Partnership Agreement between the City of Toronto and Tourism Toronto be presented to the Economic Development and Parks Committee in June 2004 for consideration by Council prior to September 1, 2004; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Lindsay Luby, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 11, Report No. 2)

3.17 Design Exchange (DX) - 2004 Grant Annual Review (Ward 28 Toronto Centre-Rosedale)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a joint report (January 21, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, presenting recommendations on the Design Exchange (DX) annual grant; seeking Council authority to pay the DX grant for 2004; providing highlights of the DX's accomplishments for 2003 and major projects planned for 2004; and recommending that:

- (1) the Design Exchange (DX) be recognized for its work in the promotion of design as a strategic tool for business innovation in the City of Toronto;
- (2) the Design Exchange's grant request of \$500,000.00 plus accrued interest be approved as per the terms of the City's grant agreement with the Design Exchange; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Augimeri, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned joint report.

(Clause No. 12, Report No. 2)

3.18 Framework for Aligning Strategic Goals and Service Levels with Organizational Review in the Parks and Recreation Division (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 28, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, informing Council on the process for the operational review of the Parks and Recreation Division that commences with public consultation and input on strategic directions, service priorities/service levels, and principles for organizational design; and recommending that:

(1) Council approve the establishment of a Parks and Recreation Council Steering Committee consisting of four members of the Economic Development and Committee, including the Chair and Vice Chair, the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, and the Acting General Manager of Parks and Recreation, with a mandate as outlined in the report;

- (2) Council approve the establishment of a Parks and Recreation Stakeholder Reference Group comprised of 10 to 12 residents from a cross-section of the City as outlined in the report; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect there to.

On motion by Councillor Augimeri, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report, subject to amending Recommendation No. (1) to read:

"(1) Council approve the establishment of a Parks and Recreation Council Steering Committee consisting of interested Members of the Economic Development and Parks Committee, including the Chair and Vice Chair, the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Acting General Manager of Parks and Recreation, with a mandate as outlined in the report;".

(Clause No. 13, Report No. 2)

3.19 International Alliance Program (IAP) - Summary Report for 2003 and Work Plan for 2004 (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 28, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, summarizing the activities of the International Alliance Program (IAP) in 2003; outlining the proposed program of outbound missions for 2004; and recommending that:

- (1) the summary of the International Alliance Program for 2003 be received for information purposes;
- (2) the proposed 2004 International Alliance City to City Program of outbound missions be approved as outlined in Table 2 of this report; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Lindsay Luby, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report, subject to adding:

"(1) a stop over in Kiev be included in concert with the Frankfurt mission in the Fall of 2004; and

(2) the Chief of Police be encouraged to attend the Frankfurt mission to participate in the "Harm Reduction" program.".

(Clause No. 14, Report No. 2)

3.20 Events and Impact of Costs Incurred by the Toronto Police Service (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (February 3, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, reporting as requested by the Economic Development and Parks Committee at its January 14, 2004 meeting on special events occurring in the City of Toronto and the policing issues and costs associated with them; and recommending that:

- (1) this report be forwarded to the Chair of the Toronto Police Services Board for information; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Lindsay Luby, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 15, Report No. 2)

3.21 2003 Capital and Operating Budget - Outstanding Issues (Various Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (February 5, 2004) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, providing information on a number of items arising from the 2003 Capital and Operating Budget review process wherein Council requested that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism report to Economic Development and Parks Committee for consideration during the 2004 budget process; and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the aforementioned report for information.

(Clause No. 16(g), Report No. 2)

3.22 Presentation: Mayor Ogawa, City of Sagamihara, Japan

Mayor Ogawa, City of Sagamihara, Japan, and his party Mr. Kazuo Yamaguchi, General Manager of the Planning Department; Mr. Katsutoshi Tanaka, General Manager of the Economic Affairs Department; and Mr. Hiroyuki Yasuda, Staff of the Cultural and International Relations Division attended the Economic Development and Parks Committee meeting. Mayor Ogawa addressed the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

The Chair, on behalf of Committee, thanked Mayor Ogawa and his party for attending the Economic Development and Parks Committee meeting, noting the long association between the City of Toronto and the City of Sagamihara.

(Clause No. 16(a), Report No. 2)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee adjourned its meeting at 4:22 p.m.

 Chair	