



**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PARKS COMMITTEE
AGENDA
MEETING 5**

Date of Meeting: May 30, 2005
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Committee Room 1
City Hall
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, Ontario

Enquiry: Merle MacDonald
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Under the *Municipal Act, 2001*, the Economic Development and Parks Committee must adopt a motion to meet In-camera (privately) and the reason must be given.

Declarations of Interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*

Confirmation of Minutes - April 28, 2005

Speakers/Presentations:

9:45 a.m. – Items 1, 2, 3, 5 and 9 - A Complete list will be distributed at the meeting.

Communications/Reports:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURE

- 1. 2005 Commercial Research Grant Program
- Grant Recommendations
(All Wards)**

(Speakers)

Report (May 9, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, seeking approval for the 2005 Commercial Research Grant Program and recommending grant allocations.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Commercial Research Program Grant allocations totalling \$41,760.00 be approved as per Attachment 1, conditional upon the applicants satisfying the Program Guidelines for the 2005 Commercial Research Grant Program as contained in Attachment 2;
- (2) \$2,000.00 be set aside for the appeals process;
- (3) any applicants wishing to appeal their recommendations be permitted to make deputations at the May 30, 2005 meeting of Economic Development and Parks Committee; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

2. 2005 Grant Recommendations for the Economic Development Sector Initiatives Program (EDSIP) and the Economic Sponsorship Initiatives (ESI) (All Wards)

(Speakers)

Report (May 9, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, forwarding the recommended 2005 grant allocations for the Economic Development Sector Initiatives Program (EDSIP) and the Economic Sponsorship Initiatives (ESI), outlining the evaluation criteria applied to the applications and summarizing the grant requests.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Economic Development Sector Initiative Program (EDSIP) grants totalling \$210,470.00 be allocated to 15 projects listed in Attachment 1 and described in Attachment 3;
- (2) Economic Sector Initiatives (ESI) grants totalling \$136,990.00 be allocated to four projects listed in Attachment 2 and described in Attachment 4;
- (3) the disbursement of the Economic Development Sector Initiative Program (EDSIP) and Economic Sector Initiatives (ESI) grants allocations be conditional

on satisfying the 2005 EDSIP Goals and Criteria set out in Attachment 5 and on project specific conditions set out in Attachments 3 and 4;

- (4) \$10,000.00 be set aside for the appeals process for Economic Development Sector Initiative Program (EDSIP);
- (5) any applicants wishing to appeal their recommendations be permitted to make deputations at the May 30, 2005 meeting of the Economic Development and Parks Committee; and
- (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

3. 2005 Cultural Grants Recommendations - Major Cultural Organizations (All Wards)

(Speakers)

Report (May 9, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, recommending allocations for the major cultural organizations that have applied through the Culture Division for municipal support within the Cultural Grants Program.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) cultural grants be approved for the following organizations:

Art Gallery of Ontario	\$ 430,782.00
Canadian Opera Company	\$1,009,095.00
National Ballet of Canada	\$ 908,033.00
National Ballet School	\$ 108,130.00
Toronto Symphony Orchestra	\$ 892,060.00
George Gardiner Museum of Ceramic Arts	\$ 103,900.00
Caribbean Cultural Committee (Caribana)	\$ 384,700.00
Pride Toronto	\$ 100,000.00;

- (2) the grant to the Caribbean Cultural Committee be conditional on the organization instituting financial controls as recommended by its auditor and satisfactory to the Deputy City Manager responsible for Economic Development and Culture;
- (3) the balance of the 2005 grant instalments to the Art Gallery of Ontario, Canadian Opera Company, National Ballet of Canada and Toronto Symphony Orchestra be

made as one payment following adoption by City Council and that monthly grant instalments to these organizations resume in January 2006; and

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

**4. 2005 Arts and Culture Grants Recommendations,
Community Partnership and Investment Program
- Local Arts Service Organizations
(All Wards)**

Report (May 9, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, forwarding the recommended grant allocations for the four organizations that have applied for municipal support within the Local Arts Service Organizations (LASOs) category of Arts and Culture, Community Partnership and Investment Program.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Arts and Culture Grants allocations totalling \$330,200.00 to four Local Arts Service Organizations (LASOs) be approved as follows:

Arts Etobicoke	\$159,000.00
Lakeshore Arts	\$ 40,200.00
Scarborough Arts Council	\$ 81,000.00
urbanArts Community Arts Council	\$ 50,000.00; and

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

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURE AND
PARKS, FORESTRY AND RECREATION**

**5. 2005 Community Festivals and
Special Events Grants Program - Recommendations
(All Wards)**

(Speakers)

Report (May 9, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager and the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, forwarding the recommended grant allocations for all community organizations and Business Improvement Areas that have applied for

municipal support in the Community Festivals and Special Events Grants Program for 2005.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Community Festivals and Special Events Grant allocations totalling \$135,600.00 to 57 of the 71 organizations that applied for funding as listed in Attachment 1 (Community Groups) and Attachment 2 (Business Improvement Areas and Business Associations) and described in Attachments 3 and 4 be approved;
- (2) \$4,460.00 be set aside for the appeals process;
- (3) any applicants wishing to appeal their recommendations be permitted to make deputations at the May 30, 2005 meeting of the Economic Development and Parks Committee; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURE

**6. Storage Space for Theatre Companies
(All Wards)**

Report (May 9, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, providing a comprehensive overview of the storage issues facing community theatre groups throughout the City.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

**7. Wychwood Green/Arts Barn Project - Section 37 Contributions
(Ward 21 - St. Paul's)**

Report (May 10, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, requesting authorization for a one-time adjustment to the Culture Division Operating Budget to include a total of \$1 million in Section 37 contributions for the Wychwood Green/Arts Barn Project for which the funds are provided for this purpose.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) City Council authorize a one-time adjustment to the 2005 Culture Division Operating Budget (AH0035) for \$1 million gross, zero net and funded through the *Planning Act* Reserve Fund from a Section 37 agreement associated with 510, 518 and 522 St. Clair Avenue West, towards the preferred proponent Toronto Artscape, at the Wychwood Car Barns Redevelopment;
- (2) City Council authorize the appropriate City officials to immediately release \$0.100 million to Toronto Artscape as the preferred proponent for expenses incurred, which are directly related to redevelopment of the Wychwood Car Barns project;
- (3) City Council authorize the appropriate City officials to release the balance of \$0.900 million to Toronto Artscape once the rezoning application is final and binding and upon submission of the appropriate documentation to the satisfaction of and in the discretion of the Deputy City Manager, in consultation with the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning;
- (4) this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**8. Business Improvement Area (BIA)
2003-2006 Boards of Management Additions and Deletions
(All Wards)**

Report (May 9, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, replacing existing members of various Business Improvement Area (BIA) Boards of Management with new nominees and to make the necessary amendments to the City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 19, "Business Improvement Areas".

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) City Council appoint new members and remove existing members to the Boards of Management for the eighteen Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) as set out in Attachment 1 to this report;

- (2) City Council amend the City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 19, “Business Improvement Areas” to alter the number of members on the Boards of Management, and the number of members required for quorum for the BIAs, as set out in Attachment 2 to this report;
- (3) leave be granted for the introduction of the necessary bills in Council to give effect thereto; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

PARKS, FORESTRY AND RECREATION

9. 2005 Recreation Grants Program - Recommendations (All Wards)

(Speakers)

Report (May 12, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, forwarding the recommended grant allocations for all community organizations that have applied for municipal support in the Recreation Grants Program for 2005.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Minor Recreation Grant allocations totalling \$345,459.00 to 126 community organizations listed in Attachment 1 and described in Attachment 4 be approved;
- (2) Major Recreation Grant allocations totalling \$896,900.00 to 23 community organizations listed in Attachment 2 and described in Attachment 5, be approved;
- (3) Lawn Bowling Grant allocations totalling \$27,325.00 to nine lawn bowling clubs listed in Attachment 3 and described in Attachment 6, be approved;
- (4) \$10,686.00 be set aside for the appeals process;
- (5) any applicants wishing to appeal their recommendations be allowed to make deputations at the Economic Development and Parks Committee meeting on May 30, 2005; and
- (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

10. Report on Various Grants Received by Parks, Forestry and Recreation

Report (May 13, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, requesting authorization to receive grant funding from the Ontario Ministry of Tourism and Recreation and to adjust the 2005 and 2006 Parks, Forestry and Recreation operating budget accordingly.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division be authorized to receive provincial funding in the amount of \$596,659.00, and that the program's gross operating budget be increased by \$596,659.00 in 2005, and be offset by a corresponding increase in the revenue budget for a net zero change in the net operating budget;
- (2) the Provincial funding grant be used for special projects as outlined in this report; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

11. Sole Source Purchase Orders for Environmental Improvements with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (All Wards)

Report (May 10, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, seeking permission from City Council to enter into sole source purchase orders with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) for environmental projects.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) staff be given permission to enter into sole source purchase order totalling \$191,500.00, including all taxes and charges, for 2005 with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), in order to expedite and complete various approved environmental capital projects; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

12. Charitable Donations for Parks, Forestry and Recreation Capital Projects (Citywide)

Report (May 5, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks Forestry and Recreation, outlining a policy related to the receipt of charitable donations for Parks, Forestry and Recreation capital projects.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the policy for receiving charitable donations (Attachment 1) related to Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division capital projects be adopted; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

GENERAL

13. Canadian National Exhibition Association (“CNEA”) - Revised Appointments to the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place

Report (May 3, 2005) from the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer, Exhibition Place, submitting revisions to the Canadian National Exhibition Association (CNEA) appointments to the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Andre Tellier resign as Second Vice-President of the Canadian National Exhibition Association (CNEA) and be appointed as First Vice-President of the CNEA;
- (2) Bill McVean, Second Vice-President of the CNEA, be appointed to The Board of Governors of Exhibition Place for a term of office expiring on the date of the CNEA Annual Meeting of the Association in the fall of 2005, on October 27, or until his successor is duly appointed; and

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



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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURE

**3(a). Major Cultural Organizations Grants Program
- Funding for Pride Toronto**

Communication (May 20, 2005) from the City Clerk, forwarding the Motion by Councillor Rae, which was adopted, without amendment, by City Council at its meeting on May 17, 18 and 19, 2005:

Moved by: Councillor Rae

Seconded by: Councillor McConnell

“**WHEREAS** Pride Week is the pre-eminent venue for the cultural and artistic expression of Toronto’s lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, transsexual, intersex and queer community; and

WHEREAS Pride Week has become undoubtedly one of the most diverse artistic festivals in Canada, offering 10 stages of performance over three days on its festival site with over 150 artists from divergent genres that reflect the cultural and artistic mosaic of Pride’s members; and

WHEREAS Pride Week hosts an annual event in downtown Toronto each year, during the last week in June, and Pride Week 2005 is scheduled for June 20 – 26, 2005; and

WHEREAS most recently Pride Week was considered by City Council to be a major cultural organization and \$100,000.00 in funding from the Major Cultural Organizations Grants Program within the 2005 Approved Budget for Community Partnership and Investment Program was designated towards Pride Week for its 2005 activities; and

WHEREAS a staff report dated April 28, 2005, entitled '2005 Cultural Grants Recommendations – Major Cultural Organizations', is to be heard at the Economic Development and Parks Committee on May 30, 2005; and

WHEREAS the regular reporting schedule of the above-noted staff report would not allow the City funds to be released to Pride Toronto until after their 2005 event;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$100,000.00 of funding from the Major Cultural Organizations Grants Program within the 2005 Approved Budget for Community Partnership and Investment Program designated to Pride Toronto be immediately released so that it may be used for next month's Pride Week event."

**14. Tourism Toronto Partnership - Framework for Agreement Renewal
(All Wards)**

Report (May 19, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, reporting, as requested by City Council at its February 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28 and March 1, 2005 meetings on a framework to develop a renewed partnership arrangement between the City of Toronto and Tourism Toronto.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the framework for developing a renewed partnership arrangement with Tourism Toronto, including the establishment of a working group comprised of Councillors, City staff and Tourism Toronto representatives be approved;
- (2) the working group, through a process of advance consultation and strategic policy direction setting, determine a renewed partnership arrangement that will be reported to the September meeting of the Economic Development and Parks Committee; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURE AND
FINANCIAL PLANNING**

**15. Upper Village (York) Business Improvement Area
2005 Operating Budget
(Ward 21 - St. Paul's)**

Report (May 16, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer forwarding the Upper Village (York) Business Improvement Area's (BIA) 2005 operating budget for approval by City Council as required by Section 205 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Economic Development and Parks Committee adopt and certify to City Council the 2005 expenditure request of the Upper Village (York) Business Improvement Area totalling \$37,621.00;
- (2) this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for information; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**PARKS, FORESTRY AND RECREATION AND
PURCHASING AND MATERIALS MANAGEMENT**

**16. Request for Proposals 3907-05-7003 - Construction of an
On-Site Field House and the Operation of the
Soccer Field at the Keele Reservoir
(Ward 8 - York West)**

Report (May 19, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation and Treasurer, advising on the results of the Request for Proposals (RFP) 3907-05-7003 for the construction of an on-site field house and operation of an outdoor soccer field at Keele Reservoir and requesting authority to negotiate and enter into a twenty-year License Agreement with the recommended Proponent.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) authority be granted to the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation to negotiate and enter into a twenty-year License Agreement, commencing on July 1, 2005 and ending on June 30, 2025, with the Toronto Azzurri Soccer Club, the highest overall scoring Proponent meeting the requirements for the construction of an on-site field house and the operation of the soccer field at the Keele Reservoir; in a form and content, consistent with the RFP, with the recommended proponent investing approximately \$600,000.00, including all applicable charges and taxes, and approximately \$63,000.00, including all applicable charges and taxes in expenditures per year for ongoing maintenance of the soccer field and the field house; and with terms and conditions acceptable to the City Solicitor; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto, and that leave be granted for the introduction of any necessary bills in Council to give effect thereto.

**PARKS, FORESTRY AND RECREATION, CORPORATE FINANCE
AND FINANCIAL PLANNING**

**17. Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant Skateboard Park Project
(Ward 32 - Beaches-East York)**

Report (May 12, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation and the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer, on the establishment of an obligatory reserve fund called “Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant Skateboard Park Reserve Fund” for receiving cash toward the development of additional phases of a skateboard park.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) City Council establish an obligatory reserve fund called “Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant Skateboard Park Reserve Fund” for receiving cash toward the development of additional phases of a skateboard park;
- (2) Municipal Code, Chapter 227 [Reserves and Reserve Funds] be amended by adding the “Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant Skateboard Park Reserve Fund” to Schedule 9 - Donations Reserve Fund;

- (3) all donations received for the Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant Skateboard Park Project, by the City, be held separately in the “Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant Skateboard Park Reserve Fund“ designated for this purpose, and receipts for income tax purposes be issued to donors for eligible donations in accordance with the *Income Tax Act* and City policy in this regard;
- (4) donations, previously deposited and recorded for the “Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant Skateboard Park “ project be transferred to this reserve fund upon its establishment;
- (5) authority be granted to enter into an agreement, if necessary, with the Southeast Toronto Skateboard Association to allow the Southeast Toronto Skateboard Association to fundraise on behalf of the City of Toronto for the Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant Skateboard Park Project and said agreement shall be in a form and content satisfactory to the General Manager of Parks, Forestry & Recreation and the City Solicitor;
- (6) this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration; and
- (7) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto; and that leave be granted for the introduction of any necessary bills in Council to give effect thereto.

CITY CLERK

18. Poll Results - Proposed Designation of the College Promenade Business Improvement Area (initially named “College West BIA”) (Ward 18 - Davenport and Ward 19 - Trinity-Spadina)

Report (May 16, 2005) from the City Clerk, reporting on the results of the poll for the proposed designation of the College Promenade Business Improvement Area.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) based upon the results of the poll, City Council pass a by-law to designate the area described by Attachment 1 (Maps 1 to 2), as a Business Improvement Area (BIA), under Section 204 of the *Municipal Act*; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect hereto.

19. Poll Results - Proposed Designation of the West Queen West Business Improvement Area (Ward 18 - Davenport and Ward 19 - Trinity-Spadina)

Report (May 26, 2005) from the City Clerk, reporting on the results of the poll for the proposed designation of the West Queen West Business Improvement Area.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) based upon the results of the poll, Council pass a by-law to designate the area described by Attachment 1 (Maps 1 to 5), as a Business Improvement Area (BIA), under Section 204 of the *Municipal Act*; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect hereto.

20. The Humber Trail

Communication (May 18, 2005) from the City Clerk, forwarding the action taken by the City Cycling Committee at its meeting on May 16, 2005 respecting the Humber Trail.

Recommendation:

The Toronto Cycling Committee on May 16, 2005 recommended that the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division, be requested to provide a report to the Toronto Cycling Committee - Bikeway Network Subcommittee on closing the gap in the Humber Trail from Cruikshank Park to Cardell Avenue given opportunities afforded by:

- (a) the recent purchase of land by the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA);
- (b) the proposed GO Transit reconstruction in the area; and
- (c) the possible twinning of the rail bridge over the Humber River.