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POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA MEETING 1

Date of Meeting: Time:Thursday, January 13 9:30 a.m.Location:Committee Room 1 City Hall 100 Queen Street West Toronto	^ 	Patsy Morris Administrator (416) 392-9151 pmorris@toronto.ca
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Under the *Municipal Act, 2001*, the Policy and Finance 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.

Speakers - A complete list will be distributed at the meeting.

Communications/Reports

1. City of Toronto's Contribution to the Tsunami Disaster Relief

Report (January 13, 2005) from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services reporting on the City's contribution to the Canadian relief effort to aid regions affected by tsunamis in South-East Asia on December 26, 2004.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the City of Toronto continue to work with both the Government of Canada and the Province of Ontario to determine the City's contribution of staff expertise and financial assistance required to address the reconstruction and rebuilding needs of tsunami-stricken communities;
- (2) the City of Toronto enter into a technical exchange partnership, with a city determined to be most effectively helped by Toronto, under the auspices of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Technical Exchange Program and

the Chief Administrative Officer report back on any related costs to participate in this program;

- (3) the Chief Administrative Office report back on the specific financial contribution of the City for the settlement and integration of refugee and immigrants from the tsunami affected regions, once it is fully known;
- (4) the Federal Government be requested to work in partnership with municipalities, through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Big City Mayor's Working Group on Immigration, on the development and implementation of the federal policy response to the tsunami disaster;
- (5) the call for staff volunteers be extended to the City's Agencies, Boards and Commissions;
- (6) the Chief Administrative Officer report through the Budget Advisory Committee for any requests for immediate settlement assistance that are related to the tsunami emergency;
- (7) The Chief Administrative Office and the Acting Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be directed to provide regular updates on the City's response to the tsunami disaster; and
- (8) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.
- **1(a).** Communication (January 7, 2005) from The Administration Committee advising that the Committee, among other things, recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that City Council:
 - (1) adopt the EMT recommended 2005 Operating Budget for Other Council, and, further, that City Council direct that \$5,000.00 from the 2005 office budget of each Councillor be directed to the Canadian Red Cross for the Asia Earthquake and Tsunami Relief Fund; and
 - (2) adopt the EMT recommended 2005 Operating Budget for Other Mayor's Office subject to, among other things, City Council directing that \$5,000.00 from the 2005 Mayor's Office budget be directed to the Canadian Red Cross for the Asia Earthquake and Tsunami Relief Fund.