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Minutes of the Budget Advisory Committee

Meeting 3

Wednesday, November 16, 2005

The Budget Advisory Committee met on Wednesday, November 16, 2005, in Committee Room 1, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:38 a.m.

Members Present:

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

	9:38 a.m. to 11:59 a.m.
Councillor David Soknacki, Chair	X
Councillor Joe Mihevc (Vice-Chair)	X
Councillor Sylvia Watson (Vice-Chair)	X
Deputy Mayor Sandra Bussin	X
Councillor Shelley Carroll	X
Councillor Peter Milczyn	R
Councillor Kyle Rae	X

Also Present:

Councillor Glenn De Baeremaeker	Councillor Adam Giambrone
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3.1 2006 Capital and Operating Budgets for Toronto Water

The Budget Advisory Committee considered the following:

(i) communication (November 10, 2005) from the Works Committee.

Recommendations:

The Works Committee on November 8 and 9, 2005, recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that City Council:

- (1) 2006 Capital Program Toronto Water:
 - (a) adopt recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Program for Toronto Water, subject to the following amendments:
 - (i) that Recommendation 6. in the Analyst Briefing Notes be deleted and replaced with the following:
 - "6. the Acting General Manager, Toronto Water, be requested to report annually to the Works Committee, through the Wet Weather Flow Management Master Plan Implementation Advisory Committee, regarding the funding requirements for the implementation of the Wet Weather Flow Management Master Plan and the feasibility of alternative funding mechanisms. including development charges and a stormwater management charge, prior to subsequent submissions of the Toronto Water Operating and Capital Budgets, and in conjunction with the annual water rate process, beginning in 2007;";
 - (ii) that the following recommendation of the Community Partnership Sub-Committee of the Works Committee contained in the communication (October 25, 2005) [Item (ii)] from the Sub-Committee be considered:
 - "That the \$250,000.00 budget allocation for the 2006 Community Program for Stormwater Management in Toronto Water's 2006 Capital Budget be increased by \$100,000.00, for a total of \$350,000.00, in that the 2004 allocation for this program was not spent.";
 - (b) adopt the following staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (November 4, 2005) [Item (vi)] from Deputy City Manager Fareed Amin:
 - "(1) the Province of Ontario be requested to invite the City of Toronto and the Toronto and Region Conservation

Authority to actively participate in the development of a Drinking Water Source Protection Plan for Lake Ontario; and

- (2) the Province of Ontario be requested to commit to provide financial support for the implementation of the City's Wet Weather Flow Management Master Plan, recognized as a foundation for source water protection in the Toronto area.":
- (2) 2006 Operating Budget Toronto Water:

adopt the recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006 Operating Budget for Toronto Water, subject to the following amendments:

- (i) that Recommendation 4. in the Analyst Briefing Notes be deleted and replaced with the following:
 - "(4) the Acting General Manager, Toronto Water expedite the reorganization of Water Services and be requested to report to the Works Committee in time for the 2007 budget process on the financial and program implications of including the City's average of 3 percent for gapping in the 2007 Operating Budget;"; and
- (ii) that the "No-Fault" Grants Program be reinstated; and further that funding for this Program be provided from the general tax revenue;
- (ii) communication (November 8, 2005) from Councillor John Filion, Ward 23, Willowdale, respecting the "No-Fault" Grants Program; and suggesting that the City look at reducing the financial cost of such a grant to parts of the City where sewer back-ups (not just basement flooding) continue to occur due to deficiencies in the sewer system; and
- (iii) communication (November 15, 2005) from the General Manager, Toronto Water responding to the request of the Works Committee to report to the Budget Advisory Committee on options to defer \$5 million from the proposed 2006 Toronto Water Capital Budget to allow for funding to support tree planting and the Land Acquisition for Source Water Pollution Reserve.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

The following Members of Council appeared before the Budget Advisory Committee:

- Councillor Glenn De Baeremaeker, Ward 38, Scarborough Centre; and
- Councillor Adam Giambrone, Ward 18, Davenport.

Deputy Mayor Sandra Bussin declared an interest in that portion of Toronto Water's budget pertaining to the possible upgrading of services at the Yacht Club on Toronto Island, in that she is a member of that Club.

The Budget Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council:

2006 Capital Program – Toronto Water:

- (1) adopt the recommendations of the Works Committee contained in the communication (November 10, 2005) from the Committee, as follows:
 - (a) that City Council adopt the Capital Recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Program for Toronto Water, subject to deleting Recommendation 6. in the Analyst Briefing Notes and replacing it with the following:
 - "6. the Acting General Manager, Toronto Water, be requested to report annually to the Works Committee, through the Wet Weather Flow Management Master Plan Implementation Advisory Committee, regarding the funding requirements for the implementation of the Wet Weather Flow Management Master Plan and the feasibility of alternative funding mechanisms, including development charges and a stormwater management charge, prior to subsequent submissions of the Toronto Water Operating and Capital Budgets, and in conjunction with the annual water rate process, beginning in 2007;"; and
 - (b) that City Council adopt the following staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (November 4, 2005) [Item (vi)] from Deputy City Manager Fareed Amin:

- "(1) the Province of Ontario be requested to invite the City of Toronto and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority to actively participate in the development of a Drinking Water Source Protection Plan for Lake Ontario; and
- (2) the Province of Ontario be requested to commit to provide financial support for the implementation of the City's Wet Weather Flow Management Master Plan, recognized as a foundation for source water protection in the Toronto area.";
- (2) adopt the technical adjustments for the 2006 Community Program for Stormwater Management contained in the Wrap-Up Notes to Budget Advisory Committee;

(Motion by Councillor Carroll)

2006 Operating Budget – Toronto Water:

- (3) adopt Recommendation (2)(i) of the Works Committee contained in the communication (November 10, 2005) from the Committee, as follows:
 - '(2) that City Council adopt the recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006 Operating Budget for Toronto Water, subject to the following amendment:
 - (i) that Recommendation 4. in the Analyst Briefing Notes be deleted and replaced with the following:
 - "(4) the Acting General Manager, Toronto Water expedite the reorganization of Water Services and be requested to report to the Works Committee in time for the 2007 budget process on the financial and program implications of including the City's average of 3 percent for gapping in the 2007 Operating Budget;"; and

(4) adopt the technical adjustments for the City-wide Outfall Monitoring Program, contained in the Wrap-Up Notes to Budget Advisory Committee, and that the \$200,000.00 required to implement the plan be accommodated within the 2006 Toronto Water Operating Budget.

(Motion by Councillor Carroll)

The Budget Advisory Committee further:

<u>2006 Capital Program – Toronto Water:</u>

(A) referred the following motion by Councillor Carroll (on behalf of Councillor De Baeremaeker) to the General Manager, Toronto Water with a request that it be submitted to the Wet Weather Flow Management Implementation Advisory Committee for consideration; and further that the General Manager report thereon to the Works Committee, such report to include the results and impacts on future Capital Programs:

"That the Toronto Water 2006 Capital Program be amended to include:

- (a) \$3 million for tree planting for stormwater reduction; and
- (b) an additional \$2 million contribution to the Land Acquisition for Source Water Protection Reserve with offsets to come from the projects outlined in the November 15, 2005 staff report, entitled "2006 Capital Project Deferred Options to Support Stormwater Related Initiatives", from the General Manager, Toronto Water;

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

(B) received the report (November 15, 2005) from the General Manager, Toronto Water, headed "2006 Capital Project Deferral Options to Support Stormwater Related Initiatives (All Wards);

(Motion by Councillor Carroll)

2006 Operating Budget - Toronto Water:

(C) requested the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer to determine which Divisions' budgets would be impacted in order to provide a "No-Fault" Grants Program from general tax revenue with respect to sewer back-ups and watermain breaks, and report thereon to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration with the 2006 Operating Budget on Non-Program funding; and

(Motion by Councillor Carroll, with amendment by Councillor Watson)

(D) received the communication (November 8, 2005) from Councillor John Filion, Ward 23, Willowdale, headed "No Fault Grant".

(Motion by Councillor Carroll)

The following motion by Councillor Watson was declared redundant:

"That the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer also include in his report the impact of having the 'No-fault' Grants Program' cover losses incurred by people arising from watermain breaks".

(Policy and Finance Committee; c. City Manager; Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer; General Manager, Toronto Water; Councillor John Filion, Ward 23 Willowdale – November 16, 2005)

3.2 2006 Water and Wastewater Rate Increase and Rate Projections for 2007-2015

The Budget Advisory Committee considered a communication (November 10, 2005) from the Works Committee.

Recommendation:

The Works Committee recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (October 26, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer and Deputy City Manager, Fareed Amin respecting the 2006 Water and Wastewater Rate Increase and Rate Projections for 2007-2015.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the water rate and the wastewater rate be increased by 9 percent, effective January 1, 2006, for metered and flat rate customers;
- (2) this report be referred to the Policy and Finance Committee (through the Budget Advisory Committee);
- (3) the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer, and the Deputy City Manager responsible for Toronto Water be requested to review the water and wastewater rate structure, consult the major stakeholders including the Toronto Industry Network, and report to the Works Committee by July 2006; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto including introduction of necessary bills.
 - On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Budget Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt the recommendation of the Works Committee contained in the communication (November 10, 2005) from the Works Committee, subject to amending Recommendation (3) by deleting the words "the major stakeholders including The Toronto Industry Network" after the word "consult", and replacing them with the words "with all stakeholders", so that the recommendation reads as follows:
 - "(3) the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer and the Deputy City Manager responsible for Toronto Water be requested to review the water and wastewater rate structure, consult with all stakeholders, and report to the Works Committee by July 2006; and".

(Policy and Finance Committee; c. City Manager; Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer – November 16, 2005)

3.3 Works Committee Transmittal

The Budget Advisory Committee considered a communication (November 10, 2005) from the Works Committee, entitled "2006-2015 Capital Programs – Works Committee".

Recommendations:

The Works Committee on November 8 and 9, 2005, recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that City Council:

(1) Solid Waste Management Services:

adopt the recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Program for Solid Waste Management Services, subject to amending the 2006 Capital Program to accommodate an expenditure of \$160,000.00 for the purchase of approximately 8,800 green bins for free distribution to residents; that this expenditure be accommodated within the existing 2006 proposed Capital Budget cash flow of \$25.268 million for Solid Waste Management Services by deferring \$160,000.00 from the 2006 cash flow to 2007 in the Capital Project, CSW004-Waste Diversion Facilities; and further that this action be subject to the approval of an additional associated operating impact of \$70,000.00, which will be considered as a new and enhanced service item in the 2006 Operating Budget for Solid Waste Management Services and in the event that the new/enhanced service is not approved the 2006 Capital deferral be reversed;

(2) Transportation Services:

adopt the recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Programs for Transportation Services; subject to amending the 2006 Capital Program:

- (a) by transferring \$500,000.00 from the Steeles Avenue East/Kennedy Road Grade Separation Project to the Cycling Infrastructure Project;
- (b) by increasing the 2006 net cash flow of \$2.2 million for the Cycling Infrastructure Project in the amount of \$300,000.00, and that this funding be offset by a corresponding reduction in the 2006 net cash flow for the Ellesmere, Warden-Kennedy project; and
- (c) that the Bloor Street Transformation Project include measures to greatly enhance bicycle safety, such as the Gomberg Memorial Bloor Street bike lane, and that this be accommodated within the current project; and

(3) Cross-Divisional Projects:

adopt the recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Program for Cross Divisional Projects.

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

3.4 Solid Waste Management Services

The Budget Advisory Committee considered the 2006 Capital Budget for Solid Waste Management Services, together with the following recommendation of the Works Committee contained in the communication (November 10, 2005) from the Works Committee:

"The Works Committee recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that City Council:

Solid Waste Management Services:

adopt the recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Program for Solid Waste Management Services; subject to amending the 2006 Capital Program to accommodate an expenditure of \$160,000.00 for the purchase of approximately 8,800 green bins for free distribution to residents; that this expenditure be accommodated within the existing 2006 proposed Capital Budget cash flow of \$25.268 million for Solid Waste Management Services by deferring \$160,000.00 from the 2006 cash flow to 2007 in the Capital Project, CSW004-Waste Diversion Facilities; and further that this action be subject to the approval of an additional associated operating impact of \$70,000.00, which will be considered as a new and enhanced service item in the 2006 Operating Budget for Solid Waste Management Services and in the event that the new/enhanced service is not approved the 2006 Capital deferral be reversed."

The following Members of Council appeared before the Budget Advisory Committee:

- Councillor Glenn De Baeremaeker, Ward 38, Scarborough Centre; and
- Councillor Adam Giambrone, Ward 18, Davenport.

On motion by Councillor Carroll, the Budget Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt the Capital Recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes for Solid Waste Management Services.

3.5 Transportation Services

The Budget Advisory Committee considered the 2006 Capital Budget for Transportation Services, together with the following recommendation of the Works Committee contained in the communication (November 10, 2005) from the Works Committee:

"The Works Committee recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that City Council:

Transportation Services:

adopt the recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Program for Transportation Services; subject to amending the 2006 Capital Program:

- (a) by transferring \$500,000.00 from the Steeles Avenue East/Kennedy Road Grade Separation Project to the Cycling Infrastructure Project;
- (b) by increasing the 2006 net cash flow of \$2.2 million for the Cycling Infrastructure Project in the amount of \$300,000.00, and that this funding be offset by a corresponding reduction in the 2006 net cash flow for the Ellesmere, Warden-Kennedy project; and
- (c) that the Bloor Street Transformation Project include measures to greatly enhance bicycle safety, such as the Gomberg Memorial Bloor Street bike lane, and that this be accommodated within the current project."

The Budget Advisory Committee also considered the following communications:

(a) (September 14, 2005) from the Works Committee, entitled "Toronto Bike Plan – Three-Year Implementation Strategy (All Wards)", advising that the Committee on September 14, 2005, concurred in the staff recommendation in the Recommendations Section of the report from Deputy City Manager, Fareed Amin, subject to amending the Appendix A – Transportation Services 2006 Proposed Bikeway Projects, attached to the report, by adding the following bike lanes for consideration during the 2006 budget process:

- Pharmacy Avenue between Danforth Avenue and Eglinton Avenue; and
- Rosemount Avenue and Rogers Road, which are parallel alternate routes to St. Clair Avenue West, Oakwood Road and Christie Street, due to the significant community support and pending redesign of St. Clair Avenue West:

and in so doing forwards the report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee, the Planning and Transportation Committee and the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the review of the 2006 Operating and Capital Budgets of Transportation Services, Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division and City Planning; and

- (b) (November 4, 2005) from the Policy and Finance Committee and the Budget Advisory Committee, entitled "2006-2010 Capital Budget and Preliminary Plan", advising that the Committees referred the following motion to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2006 Capital Budget Process:
 - (1) Motion by Councillor Pitfield, that:
 - (1) as part of the capital budget approval process, a Gantt chart be submitted for each proposed capital project, providing a schedule showing a timeline of targeted completion dates, to justify the need for budget dollars;
 - (2) the City Manager be requested to report on the City looking at design build contracts, rather than design contracts and build contracts; and
 - (3) the net effect on the reserves/reserve funds including transferred into and out of reserves/reserve funds be expressed for each program in the 2006 capital budget.

The Budget Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council:

- (1) adopt Recommendation (2)(a) and (b) of the Works Committee contained in the communication (November 10, 2005) from the Committee, as follows:
 - "(2) that City Council adopt the Capital Recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Program for Transportation Services; subject to amending the 2006 Capital Program:

- (a) by transferring \$500,000.00 from the Steeles Avenue East/Kennedy Road Grade Separation Project to the Cycling Infrastructure Project; and also
- (b) by increasing the 2006 net cash flow of \$2.2 million for the Cycling Infrastructure Project in the amount of \$300,000.00, and that this funding be offset by a corresponding reduction in the 2006 net cash flow for the Ellesmere, Warden-Kennedy project; and";

(Motion by Councillor Carroll)

- (2) adopt Recommendation (2)(c) of the Works Committee contained in the communication (November 10, 2005) from the Committee, subject to amending the recommendation by deleting the word "accommodated" and replacing it with the word "considered", so that the recommendation now reads as follows:
 - "(c) that the Bloor Street Transformation Project include measures to greatly enhance bicycle safety, such as the Gomberg Memorial Bloor Street bike lane, and that this be considered within the current project";

(Motion by Councillor Rae)

(3) adopt Appendix B, entitled "Transportation Services – 2006 Proposed Bikeway Projects - \$3.0 Million", attached to the report (October 20, 2005), headed "2006 Cycling Infrastructure Funding Options", from the General Manager, Transportation Services, subject to the General Manager giving consideration to including Vaughan Road in the 2006 Bike Plan; and

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

(4) adopt the technical adjustments for Transportation Services contained in the Wrap-Up Notes to Budget Advisory Committee.

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

The Budget Advisory Committee further:

(A) referred communication (ix) (November 7, 2005) from Councillor Joe Mihevc, Ward 21, St. Paul's, referred to in the communication (November 10, 2005) from the Works Committee on the 2006-2015 Capital Programs under its purview, to Toronto Hydro for consideration;

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

- (B) referred the following part (1) of the motion by Councillor Pitfield, contained in the communication (November 4, 2005) from the Policy and Finance Committee and the Budget Advisory Committee, to the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer for a report to the Budget Advisory Committee prior to the 2007 Budget process:
 - "(1) as part of the capital budget approval process, a Gantt chart be submitted for each proposed capital project, providing a schedule showing a timeline of targeted completion dates, to justify the need for budget dollars";

(Motion by Councillor Soknacki)

- (C) referred the following part (2) of the motion by Councillor Pitfield, contained in the communication (November 4, 2005) from the Policy and Finance Committee and the Budget Advisory Committee, to the Executive Director, Facilities and Real Estate for a report to the Administration Committee:
 - "(2) the City Manager be requested to report on the City looking at design-build contracts, rather than design contracts and build contracts"; and

(Motion by Councillor Soknacki)

(D) referred the following part (3) of the motion by Councillor Pitfield, contained in the communication (November 4, 2005) from the Policy and Finance Committee and the Budget Advisory Committee, to the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer for a report to the Budget Advisory Committee:

"(3) the net effect on the reserves/reserve funds including transferred into and out of reserves/reserve funds be expressed for each program in 2006 capital budget."

(Motion by Councillor Soknacki)

(Mr. Dave O'Brien, President and CEO, Toronto Hydro Corporation – December 9, 2005)

3.6 Cross-Divisional Projects

The Budget Advisory Committee considered the 2006 Capital Budget for Cross-Divisional Projects.

On motion by Councillor Carroll, the Budget Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt the Capital Recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes for Cross-Divisional Projects.

3.7 Community Services Committee Transmittal

The Budget Advisory Committee considered a communication (November 8, 2005) from the Community Services Committee, entitled "2006-2010 Capital Budgets – Community Services Committee".

Recommendations:

The Community Services Committee reviewed the 2006-2015 Capital Programs under its purview and recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that City Council:

(1) Children's Services:

adopt the recommendations contained in the Analyst's Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Program for Children's Services;

- (2) Homes for the Aged:
 - (a) adopt the recommendations contained in the Analyst's Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Program for Homes for the Aged conditional on additional comments provided by a sub-committee of the Community Services Committee whose comments will be forwarded directly to the Budget Advisory Committee; and

- (b) request the Province of Ontario to fund 100 percent of the capital portion of the Homes for the Aged budget of \$25 million over five years;
- (3) Shelter, Support and Housing Administration:
 - (a) adopt the recommendations contained in the Analyst's Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Program for Shelter, Support and Housing Administration conditional on additional comments provided by a sub-committee of the Community Services Committee whose comments will be forwarded directly to the Budget Advisory Committee; and
 - (b) request the Province of Ontario to pay 100 percent of the \$21.6 million needed and restore the historical funding arrangement prior to amalgamation;
- (4) Social Services:

adopt the recommendations contained in the Analyst's Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Program for Social Services;

(5) Emergency Management Plan:

adopt the recommendations contained in the Analyst's Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Program for the Emergency Management Plan;

(6) Emergency Medical Services:

adopt the recommendations contained in the Analyst's Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Program for Emergency Medical Services; and

(7) Fire Services:

adopt the recommendations contained in the Analyst's Briefing Notes pertaining to the 2006-2015 Capital Program for Fire Services.

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

3.8 Children's Services

The Budget Advisory Committee considered the 2006 Capital Budget for Children's Services.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Budget Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt the Capital Recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes for Children's Services, and any technical adjustments contained in the Wrap-Up Notes to Budget Advisory Committee.

3.9 Homes for the Aged

The Budget Advisory Committee considered the 2006 Capital Budget for Homes for the Aged, together with the following motion contained in the communication (November 8, 2005) from the Community Services Committee:

"The Community Services Committee recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee, in part, that City Council:

(2)(b) request the Province of Ontario to fund 100 percent of the capital portion of the Homes for the Aged budget of \$25 million over five years."

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Budget Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council:

- (1) adopt the Capital Recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes for Homes for the Aged; and
- (2) adopt Recommendation (2)(b) of the Community Services Committee, contained in the communication (November 8, 2005) from the Committee, as follows:
 - "(2)(b) request the Province of Ontario to fund 100 percent of the capital portion of the Homes for the Aged budget of \$25 million over five years."

3.10 Shelter, Support and Housing Administration

The Budget Advisory Committee considered the 2006 Capital Budget for Shelter, Support and Housing, together with the following motion contained in the communication (November 8, 2005) from the Community Services Committee:

"The Community Services Committee recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee, in part, that City Council:

(3)(b) request the Province of Ontario to pay 100 percent of the \$21.6 million needed and restore the historical funding arrangement prior to amalgamation."

The Budget Advisory Committee also considered a communication (November 16, 2005) from Councillor Jane Pitfield, Co-Chair, Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons, forwarding comments from the Advisory Committee with respect to the Shelter, Support and Housing Administration 2006 Capital Program, and wherein it recommends that:

- Shelter, Support and Housing Administration have an allocation of capital funds to implement a shelter development strategy in 2006 that would include shelters that are accessible in other parts of the City (outside of Scarborough and Downtown) for identified groups; and
- an alternative site be found for the service provided at 110 Edward Street by the time the site is demolished, and supporting the continued use of this facility as an emergency shelter and reception centre until that time.

The Budget Advisory Committee:

- (i) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council:
 - (1) adopt the Capital Recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes for Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, and any technical adjustments contained in the Wrap-Up Notes to Budget Advisory Committee; and

- (2) adopt Recommendation (3)(b) of the Community Services Committee, contained in the communication (November 8, 2005) from the Committee, as follows:
 - (b) request the Province of Ontario to pay 100 percent of the \$21.6 million needed and restore the historical funding arrangement prior to amalgamation.

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

(ii) referred the following recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons attached to the communication (November 16, 2005) from Councillor Jane Pitfield, Co-Chair, to the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration for consideration and report to the Community Services Committee as part of the 2007 budget process:

"That Shelter, Support and Housing Administration have an allocation of capital funds to implement a shelter development strategy in 2006 that would include shelters that are accessible in other parts of the City (outside of Scarborough and Downtown) for identified groups."

(Motion by Councillor Soknacki)

3.11 Social Services

The Budget Advisory Committee considered the 2006 Capital Budget for Social Services.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Budget Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt the Capital Recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes for Social Services.

3.12 Emergency Medical Services

The Budget Advisory Committee considered the 2006 Capital Budget for Emergency Medical Services.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Budget Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt the Capital Recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes for Emergency Medical Services, and any technical adjustments contained in the Wrap-Up Notes to Budget Advisory Committee.

Chair

The Budget Advisory Committee adjourned its meeting at 11:59 a.m.