

THE CITY OF TORONTO

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Minutes of the Economic Development and Parks Committee

Meeting 7

Monday, September 12, 2005

The Economic Development and Parks Committee met on Monday, September 12, 2005, in Committee Room 2, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:40 a.m.

Attendance:

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

	9:40 a.m. – 10:55 a.m.	2:05 p.m. – 4:25 p.m.
Councillor Gloria Lindsay Luby, Vice Chair	X	X
Councillor Maria Augimeri, Vice-Chair	X	X
Councillor Brian Ashton	X	X
Councillor Mark Grimes	X	X
Councillor Suzan Hall	X	X
Councillor Giorgio Mammoliti	X	X
Councillor Kyle Rae	X	X
Councillor Michael Walker	X	X

Also Present:

Councillor Jane Pitfield	Councillor Michael Thompson
Councillor David Shiner	

Confirmation of Minutes

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Minutes of the Economic Development and Parks Committee meeting held on July 4, 2005 were confirmed.

7.1 Economic Overview and Strategy (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 11, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, providing an overview of economic trends, conditions, and strategic opportunities to enhance Toronto's business climate.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

The following City staff gave a presentation to the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- Karen Thorne-Stone, Executive Director, Economic Development, Tourism and Culture;
- Christine Raissis, Director, Economic Development Research Business Information, Economic Development, Tourism and Culture; and
- Adir Gupta, Manager, Financial Policy and Research, Finance.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- (1) received the presentation and the report; and
- (2) requested staff of the Economic Development, Tourism and Culture to review Alberta's position on taxes and the economy and report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee with their findings and how it relates to a negative impact to the City of Toronto.

(Report 8, Clause 18(a))

**7.2 Aerospace Cluster Strategy - Flight Path: A Vision for the Future
(All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 15, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, forwarding the findings and recommendations of the Aerospace Action Partnership's (AAP) Aerospace Strategy for the Toronto region.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) City Council endorse the goals and strategic initiatives as outlined in the Aerospace Strategy as summarized in Attachment 2 of this report;
- (2) the Mayor and Chair of the Aerospace Action Partnership (AAP) forward the Aerospace Strategy to the Minister of Economic Development and Trade and Industry Canada and request their active participation in the strategy's implementation;
- (3) City Council endorse the role of the Aerospace Action Partnership (AAP) with respect to the implementation and follow-through on the Aerospace Strategy initiatives and that staff report back on any necessary revisions to the Aerospace Action Partnership's terms of reference; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Rod Jones, Executive Director, and Marlene Conway, Ontario Aerospace Council, gave a presentation to the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

The Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that:

- (1) City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (August 15, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager; and

(Motion by Councillor Augimeri)

- (2) a copy of the report be forwarded to the Toronto Liberal Greater Toronto Area (GTA) Caucus.

(Motion by Councillor Ashton)

(Report 8, Clause 1)

7.3 A Fair Deal for Toronto Pearson – Airport Rent

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered the following:

- (i) presentation by representatives from the Greater Toronto Airports Authority (GTAA) and Air Transport Association of Canada (ATAC); and
- (ii) communication (July 7, 2005) from Emmanuel Morin, Special Assistant - Ontario, on behalf of the Honourable Jean C. Lapierre, Minister of Transport, responding to a communication from the City Clerk's Office dated February 17 and 21, 2005, regarding airport legislation and rent at Toronto's Lester B. Pearson International Airport (LBPIA).

The following persons gave a presentation to the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- Steve Shaw, Vice President, Corporate Affairs, Greater Toronto Airports Authority (GTAA); and filed a copy of their submission;
- Cliff Mackay, President and CEO, Air Transport Association of Canada (ATAC); and
- Stan Morais, Chairman, Association of Airline Representatives in Canada (AARC) and General Manager, El Al Israel Airlines in Canada.

The Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that:

- (1) City Council write to the Prime Minister, with a copy to the Federal Ministers of Transport and Finance and the Greater Toronto Area Members of Parliament, to express the City's concern with the high cost of rent charged to Toronto Pearson, and request that the Government of Canada revisit the airport rent policy to restore fairness to Toronto Pearson by implementing the Greater Toronto Airports Authority's (GTAA) solution; and further, a copy of the GTAA's presentation be provided;

(Motion by Councillor Hall)

- (2) City Council recommend to the Federal Government, in the strongest possible way, the elimination of the SARS Rent Deferral (\$42 Million);

(Motion by Councillor Walker)

- (3) staff of the Economic Development, Tourism and Culture be requested to work with the GTAA and other identified stakeholders in developing and funding a public relations campaign in the Greater Toronto Area; and

(Motion by Councillor Ashton)

- (4) the Manager of the Film and TV Office, together with appropriate staff of the Economic Development, Tourism and Culture, work with staff of the GTAA and the Toronto Film Studio, to develop a series of posters depicting films made in Toronto that would be placed in a high traffic area of the Toronto Pearson International Airport, and at the GTAA's expense.

(Motion by Councillor Lindsay Luby)

(Report 8, Clause 2)

**7.4 Status Report: Toronto Parking Authority
Parking Operations**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee again considered a report (June 14, 2005) from the President of the Toronto Parking Authority advising of the status of activity and revenue levels at Toronto Parking Authority Facilities for the current calendar year and recommending that the report be received for information

Maurice Anderson, President, and Ian Maher, Vice President, Strategic Planning and Information, Toronto Parking Authority, gave a presentation to the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the presentation and forwarded the report to the Budget Advisory Committee for information.

(Budget Advisory Committee – September 13, 2005)

(Report 8, Clause 18(b))

7.5 Toronto Parking Authority 2004 Annual Report

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (July 25, 2005) from the President of the Toronto Parking Authority, forwarding the 2004 Annual Report for the Toronto Parking Authority.

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

(Report 8, Clause 18(c))

**7.6 Wind Up of TradeLink Toronto Operations
(Ward 19 Trinity-Spadina)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 12, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, forwarding the Economic Development Division's review and activities regarding the wind-up of the TradeLink Toronto Operations at the National Trade Centre and the Division's role with respect to providing export services to the business community.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the report.

(Report 8, Clause 18(d))

**7.7 Official Mark Protection for "TO LIVE WITH CULTURE"
(All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (July 26, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, regarding official mark protection for "TO LIVE WITH CULTURE".

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the word mark and design mark "TO LIVE WITH CULTURE" be adopted and used as official marks of the City of Toronto, and the City Solicitor be directed to

request the Registrar of Trade-marks to give public notice of their adoption and use; and

- (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 that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (July 26, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager.

(Report 8, Clause 3)

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

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 12, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, on the replacement of existing members of various Business Improvement Area (BIA) Boards of Management with new nominees and advising on 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 16 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.

On motion by Councillor Grimes, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (August 12, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager.

(Report 8, Clause 4)

7.9 Results of the 2004 Small Business and Community Support Program and Update on the 2005/2006 Program (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 8, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, on the results of the 2004 Small Business and Community Support Program and providing an update on the 2005/2006 program.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the report.

(Report 8, Clause 18(e))

7.10 Intention to Designate the Danforth and Main Business Improvement Area (BIA) (Wards 31 and 32 Beaches-East York)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (July 19, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, on the designation of the Danforth and Main Business Improvement Area.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the area described by Attachment 1 (Maps 1 to 4), be designated as a Business Improvement Area (BIA), under Section 204 of the *Municipal Act*;
- (2) a maximum charge for the three major commercial property holdings within the proposed BIA, representing the maximum percentage of the BIA's annual levy to be charged to each, be established as follows: Shopper's World - 23.3 percent, Canadian Tire - 5.6 percent, and Main Square - 5.6 percent;

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- (3) 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 1 (Maps 1 to 4), as a Business Improvement Area, and of Council's intention to pass a by-law establishing a maximum charge, all in accordance with Section 210 of the *Municipal Act*;
- (4) the Executive Director of Technical Services be requested to prepare a legal description of the area, as described by Attachment 1 (Maps 1 to 4), and to submit this description to the City Solicitor;
- (5) subject to the City Clerk reporting favourably on the results of the poll referred to in Recommendation (3), and upon receipt of the legal description prepared by the Executive Director of Technical Services, the City Solicitor be directed to prepare a by-law designating the area as a Business Improvement Area as described by Attachment 1 (Maps 1 to 4), in accordance with Section 204 of the *Municipal Act*, and a by-law establishing a maximum charge for the three major commercial property holdings within the BIA, in accordance with Section 208 of the *Municipal Act*; and
- (6) authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary bills in Council to give effect thereto, and the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Grimes, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (July 19, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager.

(Report 8, Clause 5)

**7.11 Poll Results - Proposed Expansion of Lakeshore Village
Business Improvement Area (Ward 6 Etobicoke-Lakeshore)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 24, 2005) from the City Clerk, on the results of the poll for the proposed Expansion of the Lakeshore Village 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, as an Expanded Business Improvement Area (BIA), under Sections 204 and 209 of the *Municipal Act*; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Grimes, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (August 24, 2005) from the City Clerk.

(Report 8, Clause 6)

**7.12 Poll Results - Proposed Designation of the Uptown Yonge Business Improvement Area
(Ward 16 Eglinton-Lawrence and Ward 25 Don Valley West)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 24, 2005) from the City Clerk, on the results of the poll for the proposed designation of the Uptown Yonge 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 4), 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 thereto.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (August 24, 2005) from the City Clerk.

(Report 8, Clause 7)

7.13 Renewal of the Shared Use Agreement with the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) for the Use of Space in Holy Family Catholic School (Ward 14 Parkdale-High Park)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 24, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, seeking authority to renew the Shared Use Agreement with the Toronto Catholic District School Board for the use of exclusive space and shared use space in Holy Family Catholic School.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation be authorized to renew the Shared Use Lease Agreement with the TCDSB for the exclusive use of space within Holy Family Catholic School for an eight-year term with a renewal option of eight years under the same terms and conditions except for the square footage fee that must be acceptable to both parties, in accordance with terms acceptable to the City Solicitor;
- (2) the annual lease fee of \$9,916.53 be submitted for consideration as part of the 2006 Parks and Recreation Operating Budget; and
- (3) 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 that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (August 24, 2005) from the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation.

(Report 8, Clause 10)

7.14 Joint City-School Board Playground Capital Program Policy Considerations for Possible Continuation of the Joint School Playground Program, a Partnership Initiative with the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) and Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 26, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, providing a policy framework that Council may use as a guide should it decide to approve a Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division FY2006 Capital Budget request for continued joint funding of

playgrounds with the Toronto District School Board and the Toronto Catholic District School Board.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that, subject to Council approval of the proposed FY2006 Parks, Forestry and Recreation Capital Budget Program request for the continuation of the Joint School Playground Program:

- (1) City Council approve the policy framework/criteria, as outlined in Attachment 1 of this report;
- (2) the joint playground program be reintroduced in accordance with the guidelines;
- (3) this report be circulated to both School Boards for information;
- (4) the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation be authorized to develop a detailed Joint Playground Program with recommendations for candidate sites and projects, in collaboration with the School Boards, following the policy framework outlined in this report; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Adam Chaleff-Freudenthaler, Toronto Youth Cabinet, appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee, and filed a copy of his submission.

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (August 26, 2005) from the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation.

(Report 8, Clause 11)

**7.15 Operation of Snack and Hot Drink Vending
Request for Proposal 0613-05-0166 (All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 11, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, advising of the healthier foods criteria used in the Request for Proposal (RFP) 0613-05-0166 for the operation of snack and hot drink vending within the Parks, Forestry and Recreation facility locations,

and advising that a staff report will be presented in October 2005 detailing the results of the RFP and recommending an award.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) this report detailing criteria used to develop the healthier foods component of the RFP for operation of snack and hot drink vending be received for information;
- (2) a staff report be submitted to Committee and Council in October 2005 recommending the award of the License Agreement; and
- (3) 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:

- Adam Chaleff-Freudenthaler, Toronto Youth Cabinet; and filed a copy of his submission; and
- Councillor David Shiner, Ward 24 Willowdale.

On motion by Councillor Ashton, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council:

- (1) adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (August 11, 2005) from the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation; and
- (2) requested the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation, in consultation with the Board of Health and City staff, to report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on what nut products would be permitted, bearing in mind that peanuts would be dangerous for children with severe allergies.

(Report 8, Clause 12)

7.16 Request to Waive the 2003/2004 Ice Rental Fees for the Grandravine Athletic Association (Ward 9 York Centre)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 19, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, with respect to Grandravine Athletic Association's request to have their 2003/2004 ice rental fees waived at the Grandravine Arena.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Augimeri, the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- (1) received the report; and
- (2) requested the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation to submit an update to the Economic Development and Parks Committee in a year's time.

(Report 8, Clause 18(f))

7.17 Earth Keepers Program (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 25, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, presenting the 2005 pilot Earth Keepers program, a partnership between the Tumivut youth shelter and Parks, Forestry and Recreation that provides employment skills for at-risk youth through involvement in the trade of horticulture and landscape services, and seeking approval for the program to continue with a funding allocation in the 2006 Operating Budget.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Economic Development and Parks Committee refer this report to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration as part of the 2006 Operating Budget process; 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:

- Adam Chaleff-Freudenthaler, Toronto Youth Cabinet; and filed a copy of his submission;
- Harvey Manning, Tumivut Youth Shelter;
- Kelly Powless, Business Manager, Tumivut Youth Shelter;
- Jason Ciani, Earth Keepers Program; and
- Councillor Jane Pitfield, Ward 26 Don Valley West.

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

- (1) the report (August 25, 2005) from the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation be referred to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2006 Operating Budget process; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

(Report 8, Clause 13)

7.18 Potential Expansion of the Prescribed Burns into Other Areas of the City to Manage City Woodlots – Report Requested by the Economic Development and Parks Committee

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 16, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, responding to the request made by the Economic Development and Parks Committee to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to report on the potential expansion of the prescribed burns into other areas of the City to manage the City Woodlots.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

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

(Report 8, Clause 18(g))

**7.19 Amendment of 2005 Parks, Forestry and Recreation Capital Budget
Reallocation of Funds within Ward 37 (Ward 37 Scarborough Centre)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 25, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation adjusting the 2005 capital budget by deleting the project to construct two bocce courts at Jack Goodlad Park, and to reallocate the funding of \$0.150 Million towards the rehabilitation of two basketball courts at Jack Goodlad Park, and install air conditioning in the Jack Goodlad Clubhouse.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the 2005 Parks, Forestry and Recreation Capital Budget be adjusted by cancelling the approved project to construct two bocce courts in Jack Goodlad Park, and redirecting the budget of \$0.150 Million to renovate two existing outdoor basketball courts at Jack Goodlad Park, plus install an air conditioning system at Jack Goodlad Community Centre; 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:

- Adam Chaleff-Freudenthaler, Toronto Youth Cabinet, and filed a copy of his submission; and
- Councillor Michael Thompson, Ward 37 Scarborough Centre.

On motion by Councillor Augimeri, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (August 25, 2005) from the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation.

(Report 8, Clause 18(h))

7.20 Appointment of One Person to the Toronto Preservation Board to Fill a Vacancy Created by a Resignation (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (July 25, 2005) from the Chief Planner and Executive Director of City Planning, nominating a replacement member-at-large to the Toronto Preservation Board to fill a vacancy created by a resignation.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) City Council appoint Sarah Gray to the Toronto Preservation Board for a period concurrent with Council's term or until her successor is appointed, in accordance with Section 103-17 of the Municipal Code; and
- (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 that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (July 25, 2005) from the Chief Planner and Executive Director of City Planning.

(Report 8, Clause 16)

7.21 Appointment of Members of Council to the Collections, Conservation and Shared Resources Board and Fort York Community Museum Management Board

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 18, 2005) from the City Clerk, forwarding information and a list of Members' preferences for appointment to the Collections, Conservation and Shared Resources Board and the Fort York Community Museum Management Board so that the Economic Development and Parks Committee may nominate Members for appointment by Council.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Economic Development and Parks Committee consider Members' preferences listed in Schedule 1 and recommend to Council the appointment of:

- (a) one Member to the Collections, Conservation and Shared Resources Board; and
- (b) one or two Members to the Fort York Community Museum Management Board

for a term of office ending November 30, 2006 and until successors are appointed; and

- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take any necessary action to make these appointments effective.

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (August 18, 2005) from the City Clerk, subject to amending Recommendation 1 to read as follows:

“(1) that the following be appointed:

- (a) Councillor Sylvia Watson to the Collections, Conservation and Shared Resources Board; and
- (b) Deputy Mayor Joe Pantalone to the Fort York Community Museum Management Board

for a term of office ending November 30, 2006 and until their successors are appointed; and”

(Report 8, Clause 17)

7.22 Impact of Recent Storm on Parks Properties

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a verbal report on the impact of the storm on Parks, Forestry and Recreation property.

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the verbal report and presentation from the Director of Parks, on the impact of the recent storm on playgrounds, trees, and other parks properties located in parts of North York and Scarborough.

(Report 8, Clause 18(i))

7.23 Proposed License Agreement for Use of a Portion of an Existing Parking Lot Owned by Loblaws Properties Inc. Located at 220 Royal York Road adjacent to Mimico Arena (Ward 6 Etobicoke-Lakeshore)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 31, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, requesting authority to negotiate and enter into a License Agreement with Loblaws Properties Inc. for the improvement of a portion of the existing parking lot located at 220 Royal York Road and owned by Loblaws Properties Inc., at City expense, and for the use of the improved parking area for a three-year term plus the right to renew for seven one-year terms upon the same terms and conditions as the original agreement.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) authority be granted for the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation to negotiate and execute a three-year License Agreement, in a form and content acceptable to the City Solicitor, with Loblaws Properties Inc., including having the right to exercise options to renew the Licence Agreement for an additional seven one-year periods on the same terms and conditions as the original licence; the term of the first three years commencing on October 16, 2005 and ending October 16, 2008; 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.

On motion by Councillor Grimes, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (August 31, 2005) from the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation.

(Report 8, Clause 14)

**7.24 Tender Call 191-2005
HtO Maple Leaf Quays Waterfront Park Construction
(Ward 20 Trinity-Spadina)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (September 6, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation and the Treasurer, advising on the results of the Tender issued for the HtO/Maple Leaf Quays

Waterfront Park Construction, in accordance with specifications as required by Parks, Forestry and Recreation and to request authority to award a contract to the recommended bidder.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that Tender Call 191-2005 for the HtO/Maple Leaf Quays Waterfront Park Construction, be awarded to Somerville Construction in the amount of \$9,858,552.00, including all taxes and charges, being the lowest bid received.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (September 6, 2005) from the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation and the Treasurer.

(Report 8, Clause 15)

7.25 Design and Implementation of a Commercial Façade Improvement Program (CFIP) for Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (August 29, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, advising on a mechanism, criteria, program budget and implementation schedule for a Commercial Façade Improvement Program (CFIP) for Business Improvement Areas (BIAs), as directed by Council at their meeting on July 19, 20, 21 and 26, 2005 through the adoption of Economic Development and Parks Committee Report 7, Clause 3.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) City Council approve the Commercial Façade Improvement Program guidelines (Attachment 2) and implementation schedule (Attachments 3 and 4);
- (2) City Council direct the Executive Director of Economic Development and the Chief Planner to bring forward the necessary reports and documentation to the Planning and Transportation Committee to initiate the designation of a Community Improvement Project Area as contemplated in this report, together with a Community Improvement Plan to implement the Commercial Façade Improvement Program, as contemplated herein, both pursuant to Section 28 of *Planning Act*;

- (3) this report be forwarded to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the 2006 budget process; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect to the foregoing.

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- (1) recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (August 29, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager; and
- (2) requested the Deputy City Manager to report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on the feasibility and benefits of instituting a commercial façade improvement program for strip malls and more suburban areas of the City.

(Report 8, Clause 8)

7.26 Authority for Sale of Land (Ward 6 Etobicoke-Lakeshore)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a confidential report (September 5, 2005) from the President and Chief Executive Officer of TEDCO, such communication to be considered in-camera as the subject matter deals with the security of the property of the municipality or local board, in accordance with the *Municipal Act, 2001*, discussions be held In-Camera.

On motion by Councillor Grimes, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the Confidential report (September 5, 2005) from the President and Chief Executive Officer of TEDCO, and because the advice involves security of the property of the Municipality, under the *Municipal Act, 2001*, discussions be held In-Camera.

(Report 8, Clause 9)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee waived the necessary provisions of Chapter 27 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code to permit introduction of the following:

7.27 Toronto City Hall Hockey Team

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a communication (September 6, 2005) from Councillor Mammoliti, forwarding an e-mail from Mr. S.L. Baydakov, Prefect of the Central Administrative District of the Government of Moscow, addressed to Councillor Giorgio Mammoliti and Councillor Mark Grimes, expressing thanks for inviting their hockey team in May 2005, and extending an invitation to the Toronto City Hall Hockey Team to visit Moscow for the return series of the hockey matches.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Economic Development and Parks Committee referred the communication to the Deputy City Manager for consideration and report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

(Report 8, Clause 18(j))

The Economic Development and Parks Committee adjourned its meeting at 4:25 p.m.

Chair