

## ROUNDTABLE ON THE ENVIRONMENT **AGENDA MEETING 8**

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, June 6, 2006 **Enquiry: Frank Baldassini Committee Secretary** Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Location: Committee Room 2** 

**City Hall** 

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Bob Blazevski John Cartwright	Judy Simon Karen Sun
Dr. Roger Keil Robert Kerr	Dr. Peter Victor Tim Woods

Under the Municipal Act 2001, the Roundtable on the Environment 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 – February 20, 2006

- 1. City of Toronto Energy Plan and Renewal Energy Action Plan
- 1(a). **Status Report on the City of Toronto Energy Plan** (6:00 p.m. to 6:20 p.m.)

#### (Presentation)

Richard Morris, Manager, Energy and Efficiency Office, Business and Strategic Innovation, Facilities and Real Estate Division, will give a 10 minute presentation on the status of the City of Toronto Energy Plan.

(No material provided)

# **1(b).** Status Report on Renewable Energy Action Plan Update (6:20 p.m. to 6:35 p.m.)

#### (Presentation)

Shelley Grice, Manager, Environmental Planning and Support, Environmental Services, Technical Services Division, will give a 5 minute presentation the status of the City of Toronto Renewable Energy Action Plan as well as report back from the Dan Leckie Forum.

Briefing Note (May 18, 2006) from the Senior Environmental Consultant, Environmental Services, Technical Services Division, advising that in July 2000, Toronto City Council adopted a target of purchasing 25% of its energy needs from renewable sources by 2005. The City has not yet achieved this goal. To focus resources on the issue and to help capture emerging Provincial and Federal renewable energy incentives, the Roundtable on the Environment made recommendations that were approved by City Council at its October 2005 meeting. These included establishing a staff working group and developing a renewable energy action plan with targets and timelines.

# 2. 2006 Draft Clean Air Action Plan – Proposed Actions (6:35 p.m. to 7:05 p.m.)

### (Presentation)

Shelley Grice, Manager, Environmental Planning and Support, Environmental Services, Technical Services Division, will give a 10 minute presentation on the draft actions for the City of Toronto Clean Air Action Plan.

Memorandum (May 26, 2006) from Deputy Mayor Pantalone, Chair, Roundtable on the Environment, forwarding a copy of the Briefing Note (May 25, 2006) from the Executive Director, Technical Services Division, on the status of the City of Toronto's 2006 Draft Clean Air Action Plan; advising that the Draft Plan was developed based on a review of current air quality programming; consultation with City staff, Agencies, Boards and Commissions, and the community; input from Roundtable members; a market research study; and research into what other cities around the world are doing; that the Briefing Note contains some proposed actions and identifies areas of activity that are still under development; and recommending:

- (1) that Roundtable members endorse the staff briefing note from the Executive Director, Policy, Planning, Finance & Administration including the following proposed actions:
  - (a) create a centralized office in Environmental Services as soon as possible to co-ordinate air quality & climate change issues;
  - (b) the centralized office improve data collection and management to better understand local air quality and health impacts, and increase ability to monitor, evaluate and report on improvement measures;

- (c) create a "Clean Air" web page as soon as possible where residents can learn how to improve air quality and the City can promote its air quality activities in a co-coordinated way;
- (d) develop an Integrated Transportation Plan working with City Divisions and Agencies, Boards and Commissions;
- (e) identify and explore ways to reduce City staff vehicle use; and
- (f) identify innovative funding mechanisms to fund future air quality initiatives; and
- (2) that the Policy and Finance Committee request the Executive Director of Policy, Planning, Finance and Administration to report back to the September 6, 2006 meeting of the Roundtable on the Environment on:
  - (a) a further update on the status of the 2006 Draft Clean Air Action Plan; and
  - (b) the creation of the centralized office in Environmental Services to coordinate air quality and climate change issues for the City of Toronto.

## 3. Making a Sustainable City Happen: The Toronto Green Development Standard 2006

(7:05 p.m. to 7:35 p.m.)

#### (Presentation)

Joe D'Abramo, Manager, Regional Growth, Economy and Environment, Policy and Research, City Planning Division, will give a 10 minute presentation on the report (June 2006) entitled "Making a Sustainable City Happen: The Toronto Green Development Standard 2006".

(A copy of the report (June 2006) entitled "Making a Sustainable City Happen: The Toronto Green Development Standard 2006", will be sent under separate cover to Roundtable on the Environment Members and will be made available to the public prior to the commencement of the meeting.)

## 4. Other Reports (7:35 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.)

#### 4(a). Standard Offer Program

Briefing Note (May 17, 2006) from Fareed Amin, Deputy City Manager, advising that the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) and the Ontario Electricity Board (OEB) are providing opportunities through the Standard Offer Program (SOP) for small energy

generators to compete with large developers in helping to meet the growing need for electricity in the province of Ontario. The Ministry of Energy estimates that 1000 MW of energy will be produced over the next 10 years which is enough energy to power 250 000 homes.

### 4(b). FSC Certification of Niagara Street Print Shop Report

### (Deputation)

Antony G. Marcil, President and Chief Executive Officer, Forest Stewardship Council of Canada, will make a 5 minute deputation regarding the certification of the City of Toronto Print Shop with the Forest Stewardship Council Canada.

Report (April 3, 2006) from the City Clerk, reporting on the current environmental initiatives at the Print Shop at 90 Niagara Street and the process to pursue an environmental paper usage certification with the Forest Stewardship Council Canada; and recommending that the report be received for information.

# 5. Discussion on information requests from previous Roundtable meetings (7:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.)

The Executive Director, Technical Services Division, has provided the following status reports and reports for information, which were requested by the Roundtable at its previous meetings:

### **5(a).** Idling Control By-law: Improving Enforcement

### (Postponed from February 20, 2006)

- (i) Report (February 13, 2006) from the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer and the General Manager, Transportation Services, outlining a possible business model detailing the expenditures required to enforce the Idling Control By-law and the revenues that would be generated; and
- Officer Division, advising that the Policy and Finance Committee on January 23, 2006, concurred with the recommendations in a report (January 9, 2006) from Deputy Mayor Pantalone, Chair, Roundtable on the Environment, entitled "Enhancements to the Idling Control By-law". Recommendation (1) stated that, "the feasibility of installing an automatic three minute stall feature on all appropriate City vehicles be referred to the Director of Fleet Services for analysis under the Technology Testing Program". Deputy City Manager Fareed Amin has been requested to report back on this matter to the Roundtable on the Environment at their next meeting scheduled for May 29, 2006.

This briefing note is an interim report that responds to that recommendation by outlining a plan to determine the feasibility of such devices and describe associated initiatives being undertaken by Fleet Services Division (FSD).

## 5(b). Request to Chief Building Officer to suggest amendments to Ontario Building Code to address retro-fitting and green building issues

#### (Postponed from February 20, 2006)

- (i) Memorandum (February 14, 2006) from the Chief Building Official and Executive Director, advising that City Council at its meeting on October 26, 27, 28 and 31, 2005, adopted the attached copy of Clause 9, Policy and Finance Committee Report 9 entitled "Green Building Code: Energy Efficiency Provisions in the Ontario Building Code"; and further advising that the Clause recommended that the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing introduce mandatory requirements that increase the level of energy efficiency for both large and small buildings beyond the current Code requirements and other "green building initiatives"; and
- (ii) Communication (May 1, 2006) from the City Clerk, advising that City Council on April 25, 26 and 27, 2006, adopted, as amended, Clause 11, Planning and Transportation Report 2 entitled "Ontario Building Code: Energy Efficiency Consultation", and in doing so, has forwarded a copy to the Roundtable on the Environment for information; and the Building Division is to provide the Roundtable on the Environment with a summary of the City's comments in response to the energy efficiency consultation.

# 5(c). Additional Information on Environmental Initiatives and the City of Toronto 2006 Capital Budget

Briefing Note (May 24, 2006) from the Executive Director, Policy, Planning, Finance and Administration, advising that at the December 12, 2005, meeting of the Roundtable on the Environment, staff was requested to provide information on the environmental initiatives contained in the City of Toronto 2006 Capital Budget, including the following:

- specific environmental initiatives contained in the 2006 City of Toronto Capital Budget and the details of their approval by City Council;
- (2) how the environmental initiatives relate to the overall goals of the City;
- (3) discussions of the initiatives in a larger context (e.g., why choices were made, and benefits to members of the public);
- (4) how the environmental initiatives address the recommendations contained in the report entitled "Environmental Plan: Clean, Green and Healthy A Plan for an Environmentally Sustainable Toronto; and
- (5) the level of engagement of members of the public in the decision-making process which determined which capital projects received approval.

### **6.** Upcoming Events

- (1) Green Toronto Festival City of Toronto's Community Environmental Fair Friday, September 29, 2006 Nathan Phillips Square
- (2) Smog Summit, June 7 and 8, 2006, Council Chambers, Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen Street West

### 7. Date of Next Meeting

September 6, 2006 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Committee Room 3, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen Street West

### Adjournment