



**ROUNDTABLE ON A BEAUTIFUL CITY
MINUTES
MEETING 7**

**Follows Mayor David Miller's Declaration of the Month of May
as the Festival of Architecture and Design in the City**

Date of Meeting: Monday, April 24, 2006
Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Location: Committee Room No. 1
2nd Floor, City Hall
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Members

Present:	Absent:
Deputy Mayor Sandra Bussin, Chair	Councillor Howard Moscoe
Councillor Peter Li Preti	Councillor Jane Pitfield
Councillor Peter Milczyn	Joe Abbinante
Matthew Blackett	Jeanne Beker
Anthony C. Coombes	Joe Berridge
Philip Goodfellow	Jack Diamond
Marjorie Harris	Roberto Martella
Ian Leventhal	Katrina Miller
Alun Lloyd	Karen Mills
Joe Lobko	David Mirvish
Palwashe Mohammed	Anne Swarbrick
Janet Rosenberg	Matthew Teitelbaum
	Mike Yorke

If the Committee wishes to meet in camera (privately), a motion must be made to do so, and the reason given (Municipal 2001).

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

Confirmation of Minutes – January 16, 2006

The Roundtable amended the minutes by inserting the word “not” in paragraph 3 of Minute 1.5 on page 3, as follows, and as so amended, confirmed the minutes::

*“The Roundtable on a Beautiful City requests the City to **NOT** undertake any further pilot projects or make any final decisions on street furniture-related projects (i.e. info pillars) until the public has considered the supports the Works Committee’s motion to defer the decision on the EUCAN report until its next meeting on May 3, 2006, at which time the Megabin Pilot Project will be considered simultaneously with the forthcoming report on a Harmonized Street Furniture approach.”*

Communications:

- Communication (January 27, 2006) from the City Clerk advising that on January 26, 2006, the Budget Advisory Committee referred the following motion back to the Roundtable on a Beautiful City for further consideration:
 - “(1) that the City reconsider the 2 per cent parks levy in commercial and industrial developments and that that money be dedicated exclusively towards ravine restoration”.
- Communication (February 24, 2006) from Vincent Rodo, General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission, regarding the Control of Newspaper Boxes on TTC/City Property, for information.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Request from Facilities and Real Estate

Request for a member of the Roundtable to sit on the Nathan Phillips Square Revitalization Public Advisory Group.

1(a) Terms of Reference for Nathan Phillips Square Revitalization Public Advisory Group

1(b) Clause 2 of Administration Committee Report 1, titled “Framework for Nathan Phillips Square Design Competition and Capital Funding Forecast for Project Implementation, and Establishment of Nathan Phillips Square Revitalization Public Advisory Group.”

Min. 7.1

The Roundtable received this matter for information and requested any interested members of the Roundtable to contact Elyse Parker, Project Manager, Clean and Beautiful City Secretariat, if they are interested in sitting on the Nathan Phillips Square Revitalization Public Advisory Group.

2. South of Eastern Avenue – Employment Lands Designation

Presentation by Joe Lobko, Member, Roundtable on a Beautiful City

Min. 7.2

The Roundtable noted that the Planning Division is welcoming participation in the planning study on this matter and requested any members of the Roundtable who are interested in participating to contact the appropriate staff in the Planning Division.

3. Status of Co-ordinated Street Furniture Program

Presentation by Robert E. Millward, Project Director, Andy Koropeski, Transportation Services, and Robert Freedman, Urban Design, City Planning.

- 3(a)** Report (April 18, 2006) from the General Manager, Transportation Services and the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, entitled “Coordinated Street Furniture Program – Design and Policy Guidelines and Directions Report.”
- 3(b)** Joint Report (Draft) (May 2006) from City Planning, Clean & Beautiful City Secretariat and Transportation Services, entitled “Vibrant Streets – Toronto’s Coordinated Street Furniture Program – Design and Policy Guidelines.”

Min. 7.3

The Roundtable on a Beautiful City on April 24, 2006, endorsed the staff recommendations contained in the Recommendations Section of the report (April 18, 2006) from the General Manager, Transportation Services, and the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, regarding a proposed strategy for the development of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a coordinated street furniture program for Toronto that comprises a design framework and fundamental terms of reference and contract elements.

The Roundtable also requested Mr. Andy Koropeski, Director, Toronto and East York District, Transportation Services, to contact the Bloor-Yorkville Business Improvement Area in regard to the auditory levels of the privately owned or managed transit shelter at Bay and Bloor Streets.

Mr. Andy Koropeski, Director, Toronto and East York District, Transportation Services, and Mr. Robert Freedman, Director, Urban Design, City Planning, gave a presentation on the status of the Coordinated Street Furniture Program.

4. Status of the City's Environmental Sustainability Standards

Presentation by Joe D'Abramo, Manager, Regional Growth, Economy & Environment, City Planning.

Min. 7.4

The Roundtable received the presentation by Joe D'Abramo, Manager, Regional Growth, Economy & Environment, City Planning, for information.

5. Reports of Subcommittees

5.1 Parks Renaissance and Urban Street Trees – Janet Rosenberg (Chair)

Min. 7.5.1

The Roundtable noted that the Parks Sub-Committee met last week to set a direction for the rest of their team and will likely be focusing on the Parks Renaissance study and the City's ravines. Janet Rosenberg will report at the next meeting of the Roundtable on the work program.

5.2 City Processes, Standards and Practices (include discussion of Nathan Phillips Square) - Joe Lobko (Chair)

Min. 7.5.2

The Roundtable received the status report by Joe Lobko, Chair, City Process, Standards and Practices.

6. New Business

Min. 7.6

Quorum Requirements for the Roundtable on a Beautiful City

The Roundtable on a Beautiful City on Monday, April 24, 2006, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that the Terms of Reference for the Roundtable be amended to include that the minimum number of members required to be present at a meeting in order to conduct business be reduced to seven.

7. Comments from the Public

Min. 7.7

Mr. Ron Barr addressed the Roundtable on his concerns in regard to the excessive number of newspaper boxes on City streets.

Ms. Ronny Yaron addressed the Roundtable on her concerns in regard to the lack of public washrooms and the difficulty experienced by many seniors due to the lack of facilities.

8. Next Meeting:

Min. 7.8

*Monday, June 19, 2006
6:00p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Committee Room No. 2
2nd Floor, City Hall*

The Roundtable adjourned its meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Chair.