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From: Councillor Janet Davis

To: Budget Committee

RE: **Parks, Forestry, and Recreation Budget for Indoor and
Outdoor Swimming Pools**

Dear Budget Committee Members,

I believe that shutting down outdoor pools and reducing opportunities for swimming in Toronto is the wrong thing to do. However, recognizing that we must address the immediate fiscal challenge, I am proposing the following amendments, which would preserve indoor pool programs where we have City programming, and keep open the outdoor pools, which are a vital component to summer recreation in Toronto.

Therefore, I urge the Budget Committee to adopt the following, which would *result in a net zero impact on the operating budget*.

Recommend that the 2007 Parks, Forestry, and Recreation Operating budget be amended as follows:

1. The 2007 operating budget for indoor pools be increased by \$250 thousand to fund the continued use of TDSB pools at W.A. Porter CI, Keele PS, and SH Armstrong in 2007 and the New and Enhanced "Divisional Safety and Security Plan" budget by reduced by \$250 thousand.
2. The budget for outdoor pools be increased by \$455 thousand to keep all the outdoor pools open in 2007 and that the offsetting funds be reallocated from the New and Enhanced "Beach and Waterfront Maintenance" budget which doubles the frequency of the litter pickup on beaches from two to four days per week.

Sincerely,

Councillor Janet Davis