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- To: Executive Committee
- From: Economic Development Committee

Subject: New Municipal Code Chapter 19 – Business Improvement Areas

## **Recommendations**:

The Economic Development Committee recommends to the Executive Committee and Council that:

- 1. Council adopt a new City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 19, "Business Improvement Areas" generally in accordance with Attachment No. 1;
- 2. Council dissolve all existing Business Improvement Area Boards, as listed in Attachment No. 2, and re-establish them as City boards under Section 141 of the Act;
- 3. Council delegate to the appropriate community councils the authority to establish new BIA Boards following the designation of the BIA, unless the BIA is located within the boundaries of more than one community council, in which case new BIA Boards shall continue to be established by Council;
- 4. Municipal Code Chapter 27, Council Procedures, be amended to delegate to the community councils the authority to establish new BIA Boards unless the BIA is located within the boundaries of more than one community council; and
- 5. authority be granted to the City Solicitor to submit any bills required to enact the new Municipal Code Chapter 19 and to amend Municipal Code Chapter 27, generally in accordance with the report recommendations and Attachment No. 1 of this report, subject to any necessary refinements, including stylistic, format and organization, as may be identified by the City Solicitor and City Clerk, and any other bills required to give effect to these recommendations.

## Decision Advice and Other Information:

The Economic Development Committee:

- a. requested the City Clerk to give public notice for the required amendment to Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 27, Council Procedures, and Notice of Intention to Dissolve all Business Improvement Area (BIA) Boards of Management and Re-establish them as City Boards under Section 141 of the City of Toronto Act, 2006, for consideration at the April 30, 2007, Executive Committee meeting; and
- b. referred the following Recommendation 2. in the communication (April 10, 2007) from Councillor Howard Moscoe, Chair, Licensing and Standards Committee to the City Solicitor, with a request that a report be submitted to the Economic Development Committee within two months:
  - "2. That the "strip plaza rehabilitation project" be referred to the Legal Services Division to determine what amendments are required to Chapter 19 in order to establish the Special Policy Areas contemplated by the project."

## Background:

The Economic Development Committee on April 11, 2007, considered the following:

- i. report (March 19, 2007) from the General Manager, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism respecting the adoption of a new City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 19 – Business Improvement Areas; and outlining recommendations in this regard; and
- ii. communication (April 10, 2007) from Councillor Howard Moscoe, Chair, Licensing and Standards Committee, attaching a report regarding strip plaza rehabilitation.

Recommendations:

- 1. That the report (March 19, 2007) from the General Manager, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be adopted.
- 2. That the "strip plaza rehabilitation project" be referred to the Legal Services Division to determine what amendments are required to Chapter 19 in order to establish the Special Policy Areas contemplated by the project.
- 3. That Legal Services report to Licensing and Standards Committee within two months.

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- Sent to: Executive Committee City Solicitor General Manager, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism Councillor Howard Moscoe, Chair, Licensing and Standards Committee
- c. Deputy City Manager, Sue Corke