

Parks and Environment Committee

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| Meeting No. | 6 (Special) | Contact | Merle MacDonald, Committee Administrator |
| Meeting Date | Monday, June 18, 2007 | Phone | 416-392-7340 |
| Start Time | 4:00 PM | E-mail | pec@toronto.ca |
| Location | Committee Room 1, City Hall | | |

Attendance

Members of the Parks and Environment Committee were present for some or all of the time periods indicated under the section headed, "Meeting Sessions," which appears at the end of the Minutes.

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| Councillor Paula Fletcher (Chair) | X |
| Councillor Raymond Cho (Vice-Chair - Parks) | X |
| Councillor Gord Perks (Vice-Chair - Environment) | X |
| Councillor Pam McConnell | X |
| Councillor Ron Moeser | X |
| Councillor Michael Walker | X |

Also in Attendance:

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| Councillor Shelley Carroll | Deputy Mayor Joe Pantalone |
| Councillor Janet Davis | Councillor Adam Vaughan |

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| PE6.1 | Information | Received | | Ward: All |
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Climate Change, Clean Air and Sustainable Energy Action Plan: Moving from Framework to Action and Toronto's Greenhouse Gases and Air Quality Emissions Inventory

(June 15, 2007) Letter from Deputy City Manager Richard Butts

Summary

Forwarding, for information and public presentations, copies of:

- the report (June 13, 2007) from Deputy City Manager Richard Butts, and Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer Joseph Pennachetti, addressed to the Executive Committee, entitled "Climate Change, Clean Air and Sustainable Energy Action Plan: Moving from Framework to Action", and

2. the report (June 12, 2007) from Deputy City Manager Richard Butts, entitled “Toronto’s Greenhouse Gases and Air Quality Emissions Inventory”.

Communications

- (June 18, 2007) letter from Fiona Nelson, Chair, Toronto Cancer Prevention Coalition and Dr. Lynn From, Chair TCPC Shade Policy Committee (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) letter from Dr. Cheryl Rosen, Chair, Ontario Sun Safety Working Group (PE.New)
- (June 11, 2007) letter from Carmen Miloslavich, Executive Director, Un Lugar para la Mujer Latino Americana (A Place for Latin American Women) (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) letter from Adrina Bardekjian Ambrosii, B.A., MFC, Urban Forestry Consultant and Researcher, Member of the Toronto Cancer Prevention, Shade Policy Committee (PE.New)
- (June 15, 2007) e-mail from Brian V. Ralph (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) Submission from Thomas Szirtes, Ph.D., P.Eng (PE.New)
- (June 15, 2007) e-mail from Chris Williams (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) letter from Catherine Mahler, Project Coordinator, Ontario Eco Schools (PE.New)
- (June 4, 2007) letter from H. Bruce Crofts, Aboriginal Traditional Land Use Area Claims (PE.New)
- (June 15, 2007) letter from Martina V. Rowley (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) letter from Nancy Bradshaw, Co-chair, Occupational and Environmental Working Group, Toronto Cancer Prevention Coalition (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) letter from George Thomas Kapelos, Chair and Associate Professor, Ryerson University (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) letter from David White (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) Submission from Eric Latino, President and John Morand, Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Global Emissions Systems Inc. (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) letter from Janet McKay, Local Enhancement and Appreciation of Forests (LEAF) (PE.New)
- (May 14, 2007) letter from Steven Peck, President, Green Roofs for Healthy Cities (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) Submission from Maria Miller, Indoor Air Quality Work Group (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) Submission from Rose Kudlac, Outreach Coordinator of Post Carbon Toronto (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) Submission from Hamish Wilson (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) letter from Kevin McLaughlin, President, AutoShare (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) letter from Fran Maclure (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) Submission from Andreea Ionescu (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) Submission from Patrick Berne, Chair, Toronto Parks and Trees Foundation (PE.New)
- (June 16, 2007) letter from Charles Rhodes, P.Eng., Ph.D., Xylene Power Ltd., Micro Fusion International Limited (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) Submission from Lori Stahlbrand, Founder and President of Local Flavour Plus (LFP) (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) memo from Janice Etter, Citizen Chair, Toronto Food Policy Council (PE.New)
- (June 18, 2007) Submission from Jennifer Niece, Program Manager, Smart Commute North

Toronto, Vaughan (PE.New)

(June 18, 2007) letter from William Brown (PE.New)

(June 18, 2007) Submission from David McLeod, Transforming Toronto (PE.New)

(June 18, 2007) Submission from Michael Rosenberg (PE.New)

(June 18, 2007) Submission from Ken Thompson, Niagara Wind Power (PE.New)

(June 18, 2007) Submission from Carol Baker (PE.New)

(June 18, 2007) Submission from Sunday Harrison, Program Director, Green Thumbs/Growing Kids, Toronto Kiwanis Boys and Girls Club (PE.New)

Speakers

Fiona Nelson, Chair, Toronto Cancer Prevention Coalition (TCPC), and filed a submission
Dr. Lynn From, Dermatologist and Dermatopathologist, Women's College Hospital and Chair, TCPC Shade Policy Committee, and filed a submission

Thomas Szirtes, Ph.D., P.Eng., and filed a submission

Andrew Kett, Citizens Environment Watch

Michael Logan, Citizens Environment Watch

John D. Morand, Global Emissions Systems Inc., and filed a submission

Eric Latino, President, Global Emissions Systems Inc.

Janet McKay, Local Enhancement and Appreciation of Forests, and filed a submission

Steven Peck, President, Green Roofs for Healthy Cities, and filed a submission

Tanya Gulliver, Toronto Disaster Relief Committee

Maria Miller, Indoor Air Quality Work Group, and filed a submission

Sharon Macpherson, ACORN (Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now)

Rose Kudlac, and filed a submission

Franz Hartmann, Toronto Environmental Alliance

Hamish Wilson, and filed a submission

Kevin McLaughlin, AutoShare, and filed a submission

Karen Buck

Fran Maclure, and filed a submission

Jeff Berg

Justin Peters, Business Development Manager, Skymeter Corp.

Andreea Ionescu, and filed a submission

Patrick Berne, Chair, Board of Directors, Toronto Parks and Trees Foundation, and filed a submission

Dave McMillan

Charles Rhodes, Xylane Power Ltd. and Micro Fusion International Limited, and filed a submission

Nancy Bradshaw, Co-Chair, Toronto Cancer Prevention Coalition, and filed a submission

Angela Bischoff

Lori Stahlbrand, Local Flavour Plus, Toronto Food Policy Council, and filed 2 submissions

Jennifer Niece, Program Manager, Smart Commute, North Toronto-Vaughan, and filed a submission

Gary Lubin

Elbert van Donkersgoed, Greater Toronto Area Agricultural Action Committee

Lela Gary, Air Pollution Coalition

David White, and filed a submission

William Brown, and filed a submission

David McLeod, Transforming Toronto, and filed a submission

Philip Kosow
Sunday Harrison, and filed a submission
Michael Rosenberg, and filed a submission
Ken Thompson, Niagara Wind Power Inc., and filed a submission
Todd Irvine
Carol Baker, and filed a submission
Gregory Allen
Paul Gipe
Roger Brook
Marty Collier
Shayla Duval, Students Against Climate Change
Paul York, Students Against Climate Change
Mark Smyth
Jean Blais-Mathieu

Decision Advice and Other Information

On motion by Councillor Perks, the Parks and Environment Committee requested the Chair of the Parks and Environment Committee to forward to the Executive Committee:

1. a summary of the submissions from the public speakers; and
2. the following motions placed at the Special Meeting on June 18, 2007:

Motion by Councillor Perks

That the report (June 13, 2007) from Deputy City Manager Butts and Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer Pennachetti, entitled “Climate Change, Clean Air and Sustainable Energy Action Plan: Moving from Framework to Action” be amended as follows:

- amending Recommendation 4a. to read as follows:

- “4. City Council help residents and building owners live more environmentally friendly lifestyles and that City Council:
 - a. direct the Director, Toronto Environment Office to establish in 2007 the Live Green Toronto program, to support residents’ groups, Business Improvement Areas and other neighbourhood agencies and community groups, to green their own neighbourhoods through a range of programs, and include a review of financial assistance and incentives, including revolving loan funds paid back from savings, to achieve overall energy reductions in the residential sector; and further, direct Deputy City Manager Richard Butts to report to the October 29, 2007 meeting of the Executive Committee on the feasibility of hiring ‘zone planners’ to assist neighbourhoods in implementing the following:

- home energy retrofits;
- green power generation, including rooftop solar and ground source heat pumps;
- allotment/food gardens in parks and homes;
- water conservation programs available through Toronto Water;
- tree inventory and planting campaigns;
- soft/green surface program;
- identification of green roof projects;
- promoting an efficient appliance purchase drive;
- promoting incandescent free streets;
- downspout disconnection drives; and
- xeriscaping (low water needs ground cover to replace lawns);”.

Motion by Councillor Fletcher

1. That the report (June 13, 2007) from Deputy City Manager Butts and Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer Pennachetti, entitled “Climate Change, Clean Air and Sustainable Energy Action Plan: Moving from Framework to Action” be amended as follows:
 1. Amending Recommendation 5d. by renumbering it as 5d.i. and by adding after the words “procurement policies” the words “and upcoming contracts” so that it now reads:
 - “i. establish in 2007 an Enviro-Food Working Group to develop and implement actions to promote local food production, review City procurement policies and upcoming contracts, increase community gardens and identify ways to remove barriers to the expansion of local markets that sell locally produced food; and”;
 - Adding Recommendation 5d.ii. as follows:
 - “ii. immediately review upcoming food service contracts with the intent of a minimum of 10% locally grown food purchase;”;
 - Adding Recommendation 5d.iii. as follows:
 - “iii. the Enviro-Food Working Group immediately begin to develop a plan with Children’s Services for including locally grown food in all City-owned daycare centres.”;
 - Adding the following Recommendation 10c.:
 - “10c. request the Director of Transportation and the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation to report to the Parks and Environment Committee on the potential of planting trees in the

middle of roads in areas painted as no-go zones.”;

2. That City Council endorse a green energy strategy which eliminates the need for a third electricity transmission line into the City.

Motion by Councillor Moeser

That Deputy City Manager Butts and Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer Pennachetti be requested to report on financial implications of the above motions.

Links to Background Information

Letter

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4981.pdf>

Staff Report

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4982.pdf>

Attachment A1

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4986.pdf>

Attachment A2

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4987.pdf>

Attachment A3

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4988.pdf>

Attachment B1 Energy Efficiency and Beyond

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4989.pdf>

Staff Report Attachment 2

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4990.pdf>

Appendix A

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4991.pdf>

Attachment B3 Report on Consultations for Toronto's Sustainable Energy Plan

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4996.pdf>

Attachment B2 - Pricewaterhouse Coopers

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4997.pdf>

Attachment B4 Leading By Example

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4998.pdf>

1a Framework for an Integrated Climate Change and Clean Air Action Plan

(Deferred from May 8, 2007 - 2007.PE4.2)

(March 26, 2007) Letter from the Executive Committee.

Summary

The Executive Committee on March 26, 2007, forwarded a copy of the report (March 22, 2007) from Deputy City Manager Richard Butts, to the Parks and Environment Committee for consultation with interested stakeholders and the hearing of deputations, with a request that the Deputy City Manager report thereon to the Executive Committee.

Links to Background Information

Letter from Executive Committee

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-3855.pdf>)

Attachment: Report dated March 12, 2007 from the Deputy City Manager

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-3853.pdf>)

Attachment: Report dated March 22, 2007 from the Deputy City Manager

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-3854.pdf>)

Attachment: Report entitled "Change is in the Air."

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-3852.pdf>)

1b Hot Weather Response Plan Update

(Deferred from May 8, 2007 - 2007.PE4.2a)

(April 16, 2007) Letter from the Board of Health.

Recommendations

The Board of Health, on April 16, 2007, forwarded the following Recommendations 4, 5 and 6 in the communication (April 16, 2007) from the Toronto Disaster Relief Committee to the June 6, 2007, Parks and Environment Committee meeting for consideration as part of the City's Climate Change Plan:

- “4. establish ward based ‘cooling centres’ based in City operated recreation/community centres;
5. increase funding to permit expanded drop-in based heat/cooling support response; and
6. provide heat response funding that will support the development of local heat registries and local heat safety networks.”

Summary

Letter from the Board of Health forwarding recommendations from its meeting on April 16, 2007, respecting the “Hot Weather Response Plan Update.”

Links to Background Information

Letter from Board of Health

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-3858.pdf>)

Attachment: Report dated April 10, 2007 from the Medical Officer of Health

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-3856.pdf>)

Attachment: Letter from the Toronto Disaster Relief Committee

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-3857.pdf>)

1c Green Economic Sector Development Strategy

(June 7, 2007) Letter from Economic Development Committee

Summary

Advising that the Economic Development Committee on June 7, 2007, forwarded the report (May 16, 2007) from the General Manager, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Green Economic Sector Development Strategy to the Parks and Environment Committee for information at its special meeting on June 18, 2007, with a request that any comments thereon be submitted to the Economic Development Committee for consideration at its meeting on July 5, 2007.

Links to Background Information

Staff Report

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4992.pdf>)

Staff Report Att1

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4993.pdf>)

People, Planet and Profit

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4994.pdf>)

1d Green Roof Incentive Pilot Program

(May 30, 2007) Letter from City Clerk

Summary

Advising that City Council on May 23, 24 and 25, 2007, adopted this Item, without amendment, and in so doing, has forwarded a copy to the Parks and Environment Committee, for consideration in establishing a permanent Green Roof Incentive Program, including a review of the level of financial incentives, other parties that should be contributing funding to the program in light of the issues raised in this report and various options to address regulatory matters, all in support of the City's Climate Change and Clean Air Action Plan.

Links to Background Information

Green Roof Incentive Decision

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4534.pdf>)

Letter

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-4995.pdf>)

(Executive Committee – June 19, 2007)

Meeting Sessions

| Session Date | Session Type | Start Time | End Time | Public or Closed Session |
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| 2007-06-18 | Afternoon | 4:10 PM | 8:05 PM | Public |
| 2007-06-18 | Evening | 8:10 PM | 9:50 PM | Public |

Chair