

Planning and Growth Management Committee

Meeting No.	1	Contact	Merle MacDonald ,Committee Administrator
Meeting Date	Thursday, January 18, 2007	Phone	416-392-7340
Start Time	9:30 AM	E-mail	mmacдона@toronto.ca
Location	Committee Room 1, City Hall		

Attendance

Members of the Planning and Growth Management 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.

Councillor Brian Ashton, Chair	X
Councillor Peter Milczyn, Vice-Chair	X
Councillor Frank Di Giorgio	X
Councillor John Filion	X
Councillor Karen Stintz	X
Councillor Adam Vaughan	X

Also Present:

Councillor Michael Walker	X
Councillor Cliff Jenkins	X

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Election of Vice Chair

(January 18, 2007) report from Motion from Chair or Member

Summary

The Chair called for nominations for the Office of Vice-Chair of the Planning and Growth Management Committee for the term of office expiring on December 31, 2008.

Decision Advice and Other Information

Councillor Karen Stintz nominated Councillor Peter Milczyn as Vice-Chair of the Planning and

Growth Management Committee.

There being no further nominations, the Chair declared Councillor Peter Milczyn elected as Vice-Chair of the Planning and Growth Management Committee.

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Presentations: (i) City Planning; (ii) Clean and Beautiful Secretariat; (iii) Technical Services; (iv) Toronto Building; and (v) Waterfront Secretariat.

Summary

Divisions reporting to the Planning and Growth Management Committee to give PowerPoint presentations that provide an overview of their responsibilities as they relate to the mandate of the Planning and Growth Management Committee and emerging issues coming forward to the Committee. (No written material)

Decision Advice and Other Information

Richard Butts, Acting Deputy City Manager, introduced staff presentations from the following Divisions:

- (i) City Planning;
- (ii) Clean and Beautiful Secretariat;
- (iii) Technical Services;
- (iv) Toronto Building; and
- (v) Waterfront Secretariat.

The Planning and Growth Management Committee:

A. requested the following:

City Planning:

- (1) the Chief Planner and Executive Director of City Planning to bring forward, on a priority basis, a plan to defend at the OMB appeals which, if successful, would undermine the new Official Plan; **(Motion by Councillor Filion)**
- (2) that when an applicant appeals to the Ontario Municipal Board, Planning staff prepare a final report within two months; **(Motion by Councillor Filion)**
- (3) the Chief Planner and Executive Director of City Planning to give a presentation to the Planning and Growth Management Committee on the latest changes to the Heritage Act; **(Motion by Councillor Vaughan)**

- (4) the Chief Planner and Executive Director of City Planning to prepare and report regularly on the configuration of units in new residential developments approved by City Council and track the numbers on a Ward basis, Community Council area basis and City-wide; and further, that staff also track changes City Council makes to the configuration of units approved by Community Council; **(Motion by Councillor Vaughan)**
- (5) the Chief Planner and Executive Director of City Planning to consult with the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation on the status of the review of parkland deficiency and report to the Chair; **(Motion by Councillor Ashton)**

Technical Services:

- (6) the Acting Deputy City Manager to report to the Planning and Growth Management Committee on the development of guidelines for the location of utility infrastructure in new developments to limit the visual impact of the utility and service equipment on private and public property; and further, report on the impact and success of requiring utility corridor plans in subdivision agreements and other appropriate applications; **(Motion by Councillor Milczyn)**

Toronto Building:

- (7) the Chief Planner and Executive Director of City Planning and the Chief Building Official and Executive Director of Toronto Building to submit an information report to the Planning and Growth Management Committee with respect to the feasibility of creating a policy to make standard knock-out panels for all condominium projects so that units can be joined or separated to create a more flexible housing stock in multi-unit residential buildings; **(Motion by Councillor Vaughan)**
- (8) the report requested by the previous Council on the issuance of residential building permits for chimney installations that cause Building Code violations to adjacent residential buildings be referred to staff for a report to the Planning and Growth Management Committee:

“That Council urge the Province of Ontario to meet with the Chief Building Official in an effort to create a framework to resolve the issues that have been created; and

the Chief Building Official report to the Planning and Transportation Committee with the results of the investigation and recommendations.”; **(Motion by Councillor Stintz)**
- (9) the Chief Building Official and Executive Director of Toronto Building to report on:
 - (a) steps needed, including amendments to existing by-laws, to ensure that building plans are available to the public on-line; and

- (b) ways to ensure that buildings are halted on projects when construction does not conform to building plans; **(Motion by Councillor Filion)**
- (10) the Chief Planner and Executive Director of City Planning report to the Planning and Growth Management Committee on whether reasonable conditions to mitigate offsite impacts could be recommended to the Committee of Adjustment as a condition of the granting of a variance; **(Motion by Councillor Stintz)**
- B. referred the following motion by Councillor Filion to the Chief Planner and Executive Director of City Planning for report to the Committee:
- “That Official Plan Amendment applications on which there are differences of opinion between City staff and Community Councils be brought forward to the Planning and Growth Management Committee for consideration prior to reporting to City Council.”
(Motion by Councillor Milczyn)

Meeting Sessions

Session Date	Session Type	Start Time	End Time	Public or Closed Session
2007-01-18	Morning	9:40 AM	1:20 PM	Public