
Planning and Growth Management Committee

Meeting No.	7	Contact	Merle MacDonald, Committee Administrator
Meeting Date	Thursday, June 28, 2007	Phone	416-392-7340
Start Time	9:30 AM	E-mail	pgmc@toronto.ca
Location	Committee Room 1, City Hall		

Attendance

The morning session of the Planning and Growth Management Committee meeting failed to achieve quorum.

The Clerk called the roll and noted Members present:

Councillor Brian Ashton
Councillor Karen Stintz
Councillor Adam Vaughan

The meeting was adjourned until the afternoon session.

Members were present for some or all of the time period 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	-
Councillor John Filion	R
Councillor Karen Stintz	X
Councillor Adam Vaughan	X

Confirmation of Minutes

On motion by Councillor Stintz, the Minutes of the meetings of the Planning and Growth Management Committee held on May 31, 2007 and June 4, 2007 were confirmed.

PG7.1	ACTION	Adopted		Ward: All
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Implementing By-law for s.111 of City of Toronto Act-Rental Housing Protection

(June 6, 2007) Report from Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division

Recommendations

The City Planning Division recommends that Council:

1. Approve proposed Municipal Code Chapter 667, Residential Rental Property Demolition and Conversion Control, as set out in the draft by-law in Appendix 1, to implement the City's authority under s. 111 of the City of Toronto Act, 2006 to prohibit and regulate the demolition of rental housing properties and the conversion of rental housing to a purpose other than residential rental purposes.
2. Approve the proposed fees for applications under Municipal Code Chapter 667, to be added to Schedule 16 of Appendix C of Municipal Code Chapter 441, Fees, as set out in Appendix 3.
3. Amend § 415-17 of Municipal Code Chapter 415, Development of Land, (the codified version of section 4 of By-law No. 229-2000) by replacing the words "rental housing" with "six or more rental housing units" so that the revised section is as follows:

"The authority for the giving of draft condominium approvals, under section 50 of the Condominium Act except for applications involving the conversion of six or more rental housing units and exemptions from draft approval as appropriate, is delegated to the Chief Planner and his or her representatives."
4. Approve the related amendments to Municipal Code Chapter 363 Demolition Control as contained in section 2 of the draft by-law in Appendix 1.
5. Authorize the City Solicitor to introduce a bill in Council substantially in the form of the draft by-law in Appendix 1.
6. Revoke the "Application, Notice and Meeting Requirements for Condominium Conversion and Demolition Applications" contained in Appendix A of Clause 3 of Report No. 3 of the Urban Environment and Development Committee, as adopted by City Council on March 2, 3 and 4, 1999, as they are now superseded by the provisions for notice and meetings in Chapter 667 in the draft by-law.
7. Authorize the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Chief Planner and Chief Building Official, to introduce bills directly into Council to amend proposed Municipal Code Chapter 667, as necessary, to reflect the wording of any future amendment of the definition of "all applicable law" in the Ontario Building Code with respect to by-laws under section 111 of the City of Toronto Act, 2006.

8. Direct the City Clerk to provide notice of the enactment of a by-law under section 111 of the City of Toronto Act, 2006 to the Ontario Municipal Board, the Director of the (Ontario) Real Property Registration Branch and the Land Registrars for the Toronto Land Registry Offices.
9. Authorize and direct the appropriate City Officials to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Financial Impact

The implementation of the recommendations will result in additional revenue to City Planning. Staff currently estimates that the annual number of applications on an ongoing basis is expected to range from 20 to 30 per annum, though a greater number of applications for renovations of residential properties will be screened to determine whether this by-law applies. The fees collected will vary based on the number of rental units affected in each application. Additional revenue is estimated at \$150,000 to \$200,000 annually.

Staff anticipate that most types of applications that are to be subject to this by-law are currently subject to review and decision under existing authorities for demolition control, condominium conversion, consents to sever and zoning approvals. Thus, for 2007 it is not anticipated that additional staff will be required to implement this by-law.

The capital and operating costs associated with the implementation of the City of Toronto's by-law under s. 111 of the *City of Toronto Act* will be absorbed with the Program's 2007 Capital and Operating Budgets. Staff will monitor the impact of the by-law on operations of City Planning and Toronto Building and report back as part of the 2008 budget process on any need for additional staff resources to be funded through the anticipated revenue stream. The 2008 Recommended Operating Budget will include projected revenue from these application fees based on revenues realized in 2007.

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

Summary

This report proposes that City Council implement its rental housing protection authority under s.111 of the City of Toronto Act, 2006 by adopting Municipal Code Chapter 667, Residential Rental Property Demolition and Conversion Control, as set out in the draft by-law in Appendix 1. The report also outlines the relationship between applications to demolish or convert rental housing under the City of Toronto Act, 2006 and applications for approvals under the Planning Act or the Condominium Act that involve existing rental housing, and applications under the Building Code Act, 1992.

Adoption of the draft by-law will permit the City's policies and practices on demolition and conversion to be applied to all qualifying rental housing properties, extending this protection beyond current authorities that are limited to approvals under the Planning Act or Condominium Act. Certain routine approvals will be delegated to the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division, who is also the administrator of Chapter 667. The

draft by-law requires fees for applications, and provides authority for penalties for those convicted of an offence under the chapter.

Certain related amendments to Municipal Code Chapter 363 Demolition Control are included in section 2 of the draft by-law. In section 3 of the draft by-law, Municipal Code Chapter 415 is amended to reflect the approval authority delegated to the Chief Planner. As Chapter 667 provides for notice and meeting requirements, the report recommends the revocation of similar provisions for applications involving demolition or conversion to condominium as adopted by City Council in March 1999.

Communications

(June 28, 2007) Submission from Patricia Smiley, Chair, South Etobicoke Tenants' Association (PG.New.PG7.1.1)

(June 28, 2007) Submission from Mary Todorow, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario (PG.New.PG7.1.2)

Speakers

Dan McIntyre, Federation of Metro Tenants Associations

Patricia Smiley, South Etobicoke Tenants' Association

Mary Todorow, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario

Elinor Mahoney, Tenant Advocacy Group

Marc A. Lean, Aylesworth LLP

Committee Recommendations

On motion by Councillor Vaughan, the Planning and Growth Management Committee recommended that Council:

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9. Authorize and direct the appropriate City Officials to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Planning and Growth Management Committee held a statutory public meeting on June 28, 2007; and notice was given in accordance with the City of Toronto Act, 2006, and the Municipal Code.

On motion by Councillor Vaughan, the Planning and Growth Management Committee requested the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, to report to Council on July 16, 2007, on protection of large-family size units in high-rent buildings under the proposed by-law.

Links to Background Information

Implementing By-law for s.111 of City of Toronto Act - Rental Housing Protection
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-4968.pdf>

PG7.2	ACTION	Adopted		Ward: All
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Bicycle Locker Project Progress Report

(June 7, 2007) Report from Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division

Recommendations

It is recommended that:

1. Council amend the Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 441, to establish a Bicycle Locker User Fee of \$10.00 + GST per month, for a minimum rental period of 4 months and maximum rental period of 12 months, effective August 1st, 2007, which is not subject to an annual adjustment.
2. Council amend the Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 441, to establish a Bicycle Locker Key Replacement Fee of \$90.00 + GST effective August 1st, 2007, which is not subject to an annual adjustment, for a lost or stolen key or for failure to return a key before the conclusion of a user agreement.
3. Council authorize the City Solicitor to prepare the necessary changes to the Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 441, and the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Financial Impact

Establishment of the recommended monthly Bicycle Locker User Fee will help mitigate the costs of administering this program. There are no additional operating budget implications resulting from adoption of the recommendations, nor additional resources required for this initiative beyond what is already included in the Division's 2007 Operating Budget. Annual revenues are dependant on both bicycle locker usage and capacity. Based on 2006 trends, the Division anticipates revenues in 2007 of approximately \$8,280.00 with no incremental impact in 2008.

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and concurs with this financial impact statement.

Summary

This report provides an update on the Bicycle Locker Pilot Project and requests Council's authority to amend the Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 441 to establish a Bicycle Locker User Fee, and a Bicycle Locker Key Replacement Fee in support of the Bicycle Locker Project. The Bike Locker Project provides enhanced bicycle parking facilities and helps fulfill recommendations 9-1 and 9-2 of the Toronto Bike Plan.

Committee Recommendations

On motion by Councillor Milczyn, the Planning and Growth Management Committee recommended that:

1. Council amend the Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 441, to establish a Bicycle Locker User Fee of \$10.00 + GST per month, for a minimum rental period of 4 months and maximum rental period of 12 months, effective August 1, 2007, which is not subject to an annual adjustment.
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Key Replacement Fee of \$90.00 + GST effective August 1st, 2007, which is not subject to an annual adjustment, for a lost or stolen key or for failure to return a key before the conclusion of a user agreement.

3. Council amend the Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 441, to establish an additional Bicycle Locker User Fee of \$10.00 + GST per month “Eyesore” surcharge, and that funds from this surcharge be utilized for the design of attractive bicycle storage lockers and facilities.
4. Council authorize the City Solicitor to prepare the necessary changes to the Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 441, and the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Planning and Growth Management Committee held a statutory public meeting on June 28, 2007; and notice was given in accordance with the Municipal Code, Chapter 441.

Links to Background Information

Bicycle Locker Project Progress Report

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-4969.pdf>

PG7.3	ACTION	Adopted		Ward: 36
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Birchcliff Quarry Lands Study - Status Report

(June 8, 2007) Report from Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division

Recommendations

The City Planning Division recommends that:

1. City Council direct City staff to continue with Phases 2 and 3 of the Birchcliff Quarry Lands Study and to also continue consideration of the planning applications by Gerrard/Clonmore Developments and Shell Canada within the context of that study.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications.

Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide Planning and Growth Management Committee with an update on Phase 2 of the Birchcliff Quarry Lands Study, to outline next steps in the study process, and to advise on the status of planning applications within the study area.

Phase 1 of the study, which examined the history of the Quarry Lands and their context within

the larger community existing today, was completed in 2005. Phase 2 of the study is now well advanced. First principles for developing more detailed conceptual planning alternatives are emerging, and an environmental investigation into the City's lands within the study area is nearing completion. Planning staff anticipate that a report to Planning and Growth Management Committee on the completion of Phase 2, which will include recommendations to implement a comprehensive land use approach for the future use of the Quarry Lands during Phase 3, will be available in the fourth quarter of 2007.

Communications

(June 21, 2007) e-mail from Ritchard Findlay (PG.Supp.PG7.3.1)

Committee Recommendations

On motion by Councillor Stintz, the Planning and Growth Management Committee recommended that:

1. City Council direct City staff to continue with Phases 2 and 3 of the Birchcliff Quarry Lands Study and to also continue consideration of the planning applications by Gerrard/Clonmore Developments and Shell Canada within the context of that study.

Links to Background Information

Birchcliff Quarry Lands Study - Status Report

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-4970.pdf>)

PG7.4	Information	Deferred		Ward: All
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2006 City of Toronto Cordon Count Program – Overview Report

(June 8, 2007) Report from Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications.

Summary

This report summarizes the results of the 2006 City of Toronto Cordon Count Program by highlighting some of the key findings and trends pertaining to vehicle and person travel across major screenlines in the City of Toronto.

Decision Advice and Other Information

On motion by Councillor Stintz, the Planning and Growth Management Committee deferred the item until its meeting on September 5, 2007, in order that notice be given for Committee questions and debate.

Links to Background Information

2006 City of Toronto Cordon Count Program - Overview Report
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-4974.pdf>
 2006 Cordon Count Program_Jun07
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-5115.pdf>

PG7.5	Information	Received		Ward: All
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Kingston Road Transit Improvements Environmental Assessment – Terms of Reference

(June 8, 2007) Report from Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

The approved budgeted costs for conducting the EA study, after the Terms of Reference stage, is \$500,000.00 including all applicable taxes and charges. A Request for Proposals (RFP) will be issued shortly soliciting consultant proposals to assist in completing the study. Funding is available in the 2007 approved Capital Budget for - WBS Element CUR 028 Development Funded Studies. It is assumed that funds not spent in 2007 will be transferred to the 2008 Capital Budget submission.

Summary

The purpose of this report is to advise the Committee on the status of the Draft Terms of Reference (ToR) for the Kingston Road Transit Improvements Environmental Assessment (Victoria Park Avenue to Eglinton Avenue) and to advise that City Planning (Transportation Planning) staff are finalizing the ToR for submission to Ministry of the Environment for approval, to proceed with the Environmental Assessment (EA) as described in the Draft ToR.

Decision Advice and Other Information

On motion by Councillor Stintz, the Planning and Growth Management Committee received the report for information.

Links to Background Information

Kingston Road Transit Improvements Environmental Assessment - Terms of Reference
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-4979.pdf>
 Terms of Reference - Kingston Road ToR
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-5112.pdf>
 KR Supporting Documents
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-4980.pdf>

PG7.6	Action	Adopted		Ward: All
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Amendment to the Official Plan – Funding of Heritage Conservation District Studies as an Eligible Section 37 Community Benefit

(June 13, 2007) Report from Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division

Recommendations

The City Planning Division recommends that:

1. The proposed official plan amendment attached to this report as Appendix A, for the purpose of authorizing the funding of Heritage Conservation District studies as an eligible community benefit under Section 37 of the *Planning Act*, be used by City Planning staff as the basis for consultations.
2. Staff schedule a community consultation meeting with interested representatives from the heritage community, the development industry, the ratepayer appellants to the Section 37 policies of the Official Plan, ratepayer, community and neighbourhood organizations, and the public, to obtain their comments.
3. Notice for the public meeting under the *Planning Act* be given in accordance with the regulations under the *Planning Act*.
4. The appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Financial Impact

This report has no financial impact.

Summary

As directed by Planning and Growth Management Committee, a draft Official Plan Amendment (OPA) to authorize funding of Heritage Conservation District studies as an eligible community benefit under Section 37 of the Planning Act is forwarded for consideration. A public consultation program is recommended, including request for comments, a community consultation meeting in early September, 2007, and a statutory public meeting (October 4, 2007). The City Solicitor was consulted, and this report also addresses the legalities of funding such studies through development charges.

The Committee had also requested reports on restricting such funding to developments within potential heritage study areas and the process for identifying such areas, as well as the structure and costs of a heritage study program. This information will take time to prepare, and will be forwarded to the Planning and Growth Management Committee in the fall of 2007. Staff felt that the forwarding of the draft OPA should not be delayed, however.

Communications

(June 27, 2007) e-mail from Sandra Shaul (PG.New.PG7.6.1)

(June 26, 2007) e-mail from Richard Longley (PG.New.PG7.6.2)

(June 27, 2007) e-mail from Pat McKendry, on behalf of Grange Park and Hydro Block Residents (PG.New.PG7.6.3)

(June 27, 2007) e-mail from Jonathan Mousley, Chair, Riverdale Area (Phase I) Heritage Conservation District Committee (PG.New.PG7.6.4)

(June 27, 2007) e-mail from Michael B. Cruickshank (PG7.6.5)

(June 28, 2007) e-mail from Marcia Cuthbert (PG7.6.6)

Speakers

Marcus Little, St. Lawrence Neighbourhood Association

Decision Advice and Other Information

On motion by Councillor Vaughan, the Planning and Growth Management Committee approved the following recommendations:

1. The proposed official plan amendment attached to this report as Appendix A, for the purpose of authorizing the funding of Heritage Conservation District studies as an eligible community benefit under Section 37 of the *Planning Act*, be used by City Planning staff as the basis for consultations, subject to amending Appendix A to add Avenue Studies and Secondary Plan Studies to the list of eligible benefits.
2. Staff schedule a community consultation meeting with interested representatives from the heritage community, the development industry, the ratepayer appellants to the Section 37 policies of the Official Plan, ratepayer, community and neighbourhood organizations, and the public, to obtain their comments.
3. Notice for the public meeting under the *Planning Act* be given in accordance with the regulations under the *Planning Act*.
4. The appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Links to Background Information

Amendment to the Official Plan - Funding of Heritage Conservation District Studies as an Eligible Section 37 Community Benefit

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-4972.pdf>

PG7.7	Information	Received		Ward: All
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Building Code Enforcement Issues

(Deferred from May 31, 2007 - PG5.8)

(May 16, 2007) Report from Chief Building Official and Executive Director, Toronto Building

Financial Impact

The recommendations contained in this report have no financial impact beyond what has already been approved in the current year's budget.

Summary

This report discusses the tools that are available to Toronto Building to stop the construction of buildings that do not conform to plans approved through the Building Permit process.

Section 8(13) of the Building Code Act prohibits the construction of buildings except in accordance with plans and specifications approved by the Chief Building Official. Despite this, sometimes the construction of buildings, for which a permit has been issued subject to a particular set of plans, is built with variations in the location and/or size of the building, or materials used in the construction of the building.

Improving the ability of Toronto Building Staff to stop work on construction projects that do not conform to approved plans will require a review of the existing inspections practices, manpower, fees for Building Permits, as well as a detailed review of the Building Code, and Building Code Act.

Decision Advice and Other Information

On motion by Councillor Stintz, the Planning and Growth Management Committee received the report for information.

Links to Background Information

staff report - building code enforcement issues

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-4522.pdf>

PG7.8	ACTION	Adopted		Ward: All
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Requiring and Governing the Construction of Green Roofs in Toronto

(June 14, 2007) Report from Chief Building Official and Executive Director, Toronto Building

Recommendations

The Chief Building Official and Executive Director, Toronto Building recommends that:

1. The Planning and Growth Management Committee recommend that Council enact the authority of Section 108 of the City of Toronto Act and proceed with the development of a green roof building standard for the City of Toronto, to further implement the recommendations of "Making Green Roofs Happen" and as a means of making this component of the Green Development Standard mandatory.
2. The Chief Building Official:

- a. Make the technical report on a proposed green roof building standard available for stakeholder and public comment.
3. The Chief Building Official and the Chief Planner, in consultation with other affected divisions:
 - a. Conduct a series of workshops to solicit comments on the proposed green roof building standard and on when and where green roofs could be required in the City of Toronto through a by-law under the City of Toronto Act.
 - b. Report back to the Planning and Growth Management Committee in the third quarter of 2007 with a revised green roof building standard and preliminary recommendations for a green roof by-law.

Financial Impact

The recommendations contained in this report, to provide the proposed green roof standard for public comment, will have no financial impact beyond what has already been approved in the current year's budget.

The adoption of a green roof standard for the City of Toronto, including the administration and enforcement of a green roof by-law may have financial impacts to be addressed in the report recommended for the third quarter of 2007.

Summary

Section 108 of The City of Toronto Act provides Council with the authority to pass a by-law requiring and governing the construction of green roofs, as an "exception" to the Building Code Act, 1992, which generally prohibits municipal by-laws that exceed requirements under the Ontario Building Code. The Act also provides an opportunity for the City of Toronto to immediately implement the goal of mandatory green roof standards as outlined in the Toronto Clean Air and Climate Change Action Plan. This report provides an overview of the technical research recently completed for Toronto Building to provide design requirements for a Toronto green roof standard for renovation and new construction of residential, industrial, commercial and institutional buildings. Section 108 of the Act also provides Toronto with a clear regulatory tool to implement Toronto's green roof strategy by permitting a city by-law to require green roofs. Further analysis is required in this area to determine where the use of this power would be best used. The attached technical report, Green "Vegetative" Roof Building Standard for the City of Toronto, also identifies how potential green roof standards will support the City's green roof policy objectives and performance criteria. This report recommends a public consultation on the technical report, Green "Vegetative" Roof Building Standard for the City of Toronto. This consultation would also solicit input on when and where green roofs should be required. Based on the outcome of the consultation and peer review of the proposed standard, the Chief Building Official and Chief Planner would report back to Planning and Growth Management Committee in the third quarter of 2007 with recommendations for a Toronto Green Roof By-law for Council's consideration.

Committee Recommendations

On motion by Councillor Milczyn, the Planning and Growth Management

Committee recommended that:

1. Council enact the authority of Section 108 of the City of Toronto Act and proceed with the development of a green roof building standard for the City of Toronto, to further implement the recommendations of “Making Green Roofs Happen” and as a means of making this component of the Green Development Standard mandatory.
2. The Chief Building Official and Executive Director, Toronto Building:
 - a. Make the technical report on a proposed green roof building standard available for stakeholder and public comment.
3. The Chief Building Official and Executive Director, Toronto Building, and the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, in consultation with other affected divisions:
 - a. Conduct a series of workshops to solicit comments on the proposed green roof building standard and on when and where green roofs could be required in the City of Toronto through a by-law under the City of Toronto Act.
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Links to Background Information

Requiring and Governing the Construction of Green Roofs in Toronto
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-4973.pdf>

Attachment - Green Vegetative Roof

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-5165.pdf>

PG7.9	ACTION	Adopted		
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Development Review Process: Review of Procedures and Updated Triggers for Environmental Site Assessment and Peer Review of Potentially Contaminated Lands being Conveyed to the City under the Planning Act

(June 13, 2007) Report from Executive Director, Technical Services

Recommendations

It is recommended that Council:

1. approve the proposed amendment to existing procedures, to now require MOE acknowledged RSCs for conveyance of Right-Of-Way lands from only the development

sites which require RSCs as per O. Reg. 153/04 (see Scenario R2 and R3 in Appendix A, Table 1);

2. approve the proposed exemption to environmental requirements when conveyances are less than or equal to 1.0 metre width, from sites not requiring a RSC for the intended land use as per O. Reg. 153/04, (see Scenario R2 in Appendix A, Table 1);
3. approve these updated procedures, requirements, and clarifications as described in Appendix A, Table 1 of this report (specifying the environmental site assessments, environmental reports, Ministry of Environment acknowledged Records of Site Condition and City Peer Review process) as the environmental requirements to be satisfied prior to conveyance of properties to the City under the Planning Act; and
4. authorize staff to implement the updated procedures effective immediately on new applications under the Planning Act, and to make any necessary administrative changes to the City's Peer Review process.

Financial Impact

This report has no financial implications.

Summary

Accepting land conveyances having unknown, or known but acceptable, liabilities associated with environmental contamination has been challenging to municipalities for many decades. Various programs and procedures have been developed to provide sufficient assessment and reporting (Proof of Performance) supported with affidavits from accredited professionals, or regulatory agencies, for reliance.

The purpose of this report is to: (a) seek Council's authority to amend certain requirements and triggers for the need for Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs), Records of Site Condition (RSCs) and Peer Review, under certain specific conditions, to be consistent with the new Ontario Regulation 153/04 as administered by Ministry Of Environment (MOE); and (b) clarify and summarize the current policies and procedures, including Risk Assessment (RA), for accepting potentially contaminated lands being conveyed to the City under the Planning Act.

This report provides a summary of existing requirements, with proposed amendments, in a single Table (Table 1, in Appendix A) to provide clarification of requirements. This Table will be distributed to appropriate staff to facilitate timely conveyance of acceptable lands.

Committee Recommendations

On motion by Councillor Stintz, the Planning and Growth Management Committee recommended that Council:

1. approve the proposed amendment to existing procedures, to now require Ministry of Environment (MOE) acknowledged Records of Site Condition (RSCs) for conveyance of Right-Of-Way lands from only the development sites which require RSCs as per O. Reg. 153/04 (see Scenario R2 and R3 in Appendix A, Table 1);

2. approve the proposed exemption to environmental requirements when conveyances are less than or equal to 1.0 metre width, from sites not requiring a RSC for the intended land use as per O. Reg. 153/04, (see Scenario R2 in Appendix A, Table 1);
3. approve these updated procedures, requirements, and clarifications as described in Appendix A, Table 1 of this report (specifying the environmental site assessments, environmental reports, Ministry of Environment acknowledged Records of Site Condition and City Peer Review process) as the environmental requirements to be satisfied prior to conveyance of properties to the City under the Planning Act; and
4. authorize staff to implement the updated procedures effective immediately on new applications under the Planning Act, and to make any necessary administrative changes to the City's Peer Review process.

Links to Background Information

Development Review Process: Review of Procedures

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-4977.pdf>)

PG7.10	Information	Referred		
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High Speed Ramps at Yonge Street and Highway 401 Interchange

(June 13, 2007) Letter from Toronto Pedestrian Committee

Recommendations

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee recommends to Planning and Growth Management Committee to request City Council to request:

1. the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario to expedite the reconfiguration of the ramps between Yonge Street and Highway 401 to make them safer for pedestrians and cyclists; and
2. the General Manager, Transportation Services, to report back to the Toronto Pedestrian Committee on the installation of a sidewalk on the west side of Yonge Street at Highway 401, in conjunction with the reconfiguration of the ramps by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario.

Summary

Forwarding the action taken by the Toronto Pedestrian Committee on June 13, 2007, regarding missing sidewalks and high speed ramps at Yonge Street and Highway 401.

Communications

(June 26, 2007) e-mail from Ronald L. Hart, Chair, North York Cycling & Pedestrian

Committee (PG.New.PG7.10.1)

(June 27, 2007) e-mail from Helen Hansen (PG.New.PG7.10.2)

Speakers

Lois James

Decision Advice and Other Information

On motion by Councillor Stintz, the Planning and Growth Management Committee referred the letter to the General Manager, Transportation Services, for consideration and report to the Committee as soon as possible.

Links to Background Information

High Speed Ramps at Yonge Street and High 401 Interchanges

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-4978.pdf>)

PG7.11	Action	Referred		
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Data Collection and Analysis to Assess Public Transit

(June 5, 2007) Letter from Councillor Mihevc, Ward 21 St. Paul's West, Vice Chair, Toronto Transit Commission

Recommendations

Requesting the Toronto Transit Commission staff and staff from City Planning review the tools from the UITP and tools developed by CUTA, and report to the Planning and Growth Management Committee on a framework of data and analysis that can be used to assess the City's and TTC's public transit goals and benchmarking against other municipalities around the world.

Summary

Regarding data and analysis that can be used to assess the City's and TTC's public transit goals and benchmarking against other municipalities around the world.

Decision Advice and Other Information

On motion by Councillor Milczyn, the Planning and Growth Management Committee referred the letter to the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, for consideration and report to the Committee as soon as possible.

Links to Background Information

Data Collection and Analysis

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pg/bgrd/backgroundfile-4985.pdf>)

PG7.12	Presentation	Received		
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Making Space and Economy Work: Insights from World Cities

Summary

Presentation from Greg Clark, International Practitioner, Cities and Regions, London, England.

Decision Advice and Other Information

On motion by Councillor Vaughan, the Planning and Growth Management Committee thanked Greg Clark and received his presentation for information.

Chair

Meeting Sessions

Session Date	Session Type	Start Time	End Time	Public or Closed Session
2007-06-28	Afternoon	1:40 PM	3:15 PM	Public