

# Toronto CEAT

Community Environmental Assessment Team

<b>Date:</b>	January 31, 2007
<b>To:</b>	Public Works and Infrastructure Committee
<b>From:</b>	Community Environmental Assessment Team (CEAT)

## SUMMARY

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In July of 2006 the Community Environmental Assessment Team (CEAT) began canvassing some of the University of Toronto (UofT) Departments to determine their interest in getting involved with CEAT. It was felt by members of CEAT, based on their previous association with UofT, that there was significant resources and interest on the part of students and staff with becoming involved with the issues surrounding the City of Toronto's (City) waste challenges.

One of CEAT's members (Ian Caldwell) received a reply in August of 2006 from Philippa Campsie, coordinator of planning student workshop projects with the UofT Department of Geography and Program in Planning interested in pursuing exploration of a potential project for a group of students.

Members from CEAT and Solid Waste Management Services (SWMS) met with Ms. Campsie in August to review ideas for the project and a CEAT co-ordinator (Karen Buck) volunteered to act as a liaison with the group.

The study period for the project spanned September through December of 2006 and the final report "Talking Trash: Options for Increasing Toronto's Waste Diversion Rate" was submitted and presented to CEAT on January 31<sup>st</sup> 2007.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

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**That Public Works and Infrastructure allow time on their agenda of their Feb 14<sup>th</sup> 2007 meeting of 15-20 minutes to receive a summary PowerPoint slide presentation from representatives of the University of Toronto's Master Programme on Planning on the results of their report "Talking Trash: Options for Increasing Toronto's Waste Diversion Rate".**

Next report due Mar. 07, 2007

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## ATTACHMENTS:

Report "Talking Trash" from Carly Bowman, Suzanne Brooks, Jordan Harrison, Danielle Murray, Dan Nicholson, Amanda O'Rourke, Devyani Srinivasan (students from the University of Toronto) to CEAT, Community Environment Assessment Team - Dated Dec. 14, 2006.