

Parks and Environment Committee

Meeting No.	17	Contact	Dela Ting, Acting Administrator
Meeting Date	Wednesday, June 11, 2008	Phone	416-397-7769
Start Time	9:30 AM	E-mail	pec@toronto.ca
Location	Committee Room 1, City Hall		

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Minutes Confirmed – May 13, 2008 and May 21, 2008

PE17.1	Presentation	Received		
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Agencies, Boards, Commissions, Corporations and Divisions (ABCCDs) Presentations - Environment

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Parks and Environment Committee received for information and with thanks, the presentations from:

- Brenda Librecz, General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation;
- Lou Di Gironimo, General Manager, Toronto Water and Waste Water; and
- Brian Denney, Chief Administrative Officer, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.

(A copy of their presentations is on file with the City Clerk's Office and is available upon request.)

Summary

Presentations from Toronto Water, Parks, Forestry and Recreation and Toronto Region Conservation Authority (TRCA).

Background Information

Presentation from Brian Denney, Chief Administrative Officer, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2008/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-13753.pdf>)

Presentation from Brenda Librecz, General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation - Part 1

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2008/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-13783.pdf>)

Presentation from Brenda Librecz, General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation - Part 2

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2008/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-13784.pdf>)

Presentation from Brenda Librecz, General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation - Part 3

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2008/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-13785.pdf>)

Presentation from Brenda Librecz, General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation - Part 4

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2008/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-13786.pdf>)

Presentation from Lou Di Gironimo, General Manager, Toronto Water and Waste Water – Part 1

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2008/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-13798.pdf>)

Presentation from Lou Di Gironimo, General Manager, Toronto Water and Waste Water – Part 2

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2008/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-13799.pdf>)

PE17.2	Presentation	Received		
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Oriole Park 'Neshama' Accessible Playground

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Parks and Environment Committee received for information and with thanks, the presentation on the Oriole Park 'Neshama' Accessible Playground from:

- Gary Short, Manager, Parks and Recreation, Planning; and
- Chris Ronson, Landscape Architect, Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division.

(A copy of the presentation is on file with the City Clerk's Office and is available upon request.)

Summary

Staff Presentation on Oriole Park 'Neshama' Accessible Playground.

(Deferred from May 13, 2008 - 2008.PE15.3 for discussion)

PE17.3	ACTION	Amended		Ward: 20
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Environmental Features Considered for the HtO Design

(April 18, 2008) Report from General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Parks and Environment Committee requested the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation to develop a proposal to install a Lake Restorer in HtO Park for consideration in the 2009 Parks Forestry and Recreation Division's Capital Budget.

Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide background and outline the environmental initiatives that were considered in the design and implementation of HtO Park.

Background Information

Staff Report

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2008/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-13482.pdf>

Communications

(June 10, 2008) e-mail from Greg Allen, P.Eng., Environmental Strategist, Sustainable Design Group (PE.New.pe17-3-1)

(June 11, 2008) e-mail from Brian Milani, Ph.D, Coordinator, Business and Environment Program, York University (PE.New.pe17-3-2)

PE17.4	ACTION	Referred		
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Application of Alternative Parkland Dedication By-law

(May 13, 2008) Letter from North York Community Council

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Parks and Environment Committee referred the recommendation that retirement residences be considered residential for parks dedication purposes, forwarded by the North York Community Council, to the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, for consideration in her forthcoming policy report on the harmonized parkland dedication by-law.

Summary

Forwarding the recommendation from the North York Community Council on May 6, 2008.

Background Information

Letter from North York Community Council

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2008/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-13436.pdf>

PE17.5	Presentation	Referred		
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Request to Present Petition to Ban Plastic Bags

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Parks and Environment Committee referred the deputation and petition submitted by Grade 5 students of the York School to the General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services for consideration in his report to the Executive Committee on in-store packaging and special waste options.

Summary

Memo from Councillor Michael Walker, Ward 22 - St. Paul's, forwarding a request to present a petition to ban plastic bags from Grade 5 Students from The York School.

Background Information

Memo from Councillor Michael Walker

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2008/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-13610.pdf>

PE17.6	ACTION	Referred		
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2009 Capital Budget Request of Toronto Water

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Parks and Environment Committee requested the General Manager, Toronto Water to consider including two more drinking water dispensing trucks in the Toronto Water 2009 Capital Budget submission.

Summary

Request of Toronto Water to include additional drinking water dispensing trucks in their 2009 Capital Budget submission.

PE17.7	ACTION	Referred		
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FCM - Environmental Sustainability Award

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Parks and Environment Committee:

1. congratulated Parks, Forestry and Recreation staff for winning the Environmental Sustainability Award at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities; and
2. requested Mayor David Miller and Deputy City Manager Richard Butts to make a presentation to City staff at an appropriate City Council meeting.

Summary

Chair's Announcement of Parks, Forestry and Recreation staff winning the Environmental Sustainability Award at Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

Meeting Sessions

Session Date	Session Type	Start Time	End Time	Public or Closed Session
2008-06-11	Morning	9:40 AM	12:05 PM	Public