

February 17, 2009

To: Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

From: Toronto Pedestrian Committee

Subject: **Sidewalk Clearing**

Recommendation:

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee recommended to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee that the General Manager, Transportation Services, be requested to undertake a cost-benefit analysis to determine whether providing additional resources to ensure that additional sidewalks and other passages used by pedestrians are cleared of snow would result in an equal or greater reduction in liability and other costs.

Background:

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee on February 17, 2009, received a verbal presentation by Peter Noehammer, Director, Transportation Services regarding the positive steps that have been taken this year towards clearing more sidewalks after snowfalls and the possibilities and challenges the City faces in expanding the number of sidewalks cleared.

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee also considered a Toronto Star article (January 26, 2009) regarding Sidewalk Clearing submitted by Dylan Reid, Co-Chair, Toronto Pedestrian Committee.

Speaker:

Mr. Rudy Nagel addressed the Toronto Pedestrian Committee.

City Clerk

Margaret Sexton
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- c. Peter Noehammer, Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
General Manager, Transportation Services