

## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

# Danforth Mosaic and Eglinton Hill Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) 2012 Operating Budgets

| Date:                | January 17, 2012                                 |
|----------------------|--|
| To:                  | Economic Development Committee                   |
| From:                | Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer  |
| Wards:               | 12, 29, 30, 31, 32                               |
| Reference<br>Number: | P:\2012\Internal Services\FP\ed12010 (AFS#14820) |

#### **SUMMARY**

This supplementary report brings forward the last two (Danforth Mosaic; Eglinton Hill) Business Improvement Area (BIA) 2012 operating budgets for approval by Council as required by the *City of Toronto Act*, 2006. Council approval is required to permit the City to collect funds through the tax levy on behalf of the BIAs.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer recommends that:

1. the Economic Development Committee adopt and certify to City Council the 2012 recommended expenditures and levy requirements of the following Business Improvement Areas:

| Business Improvement Area | 2012 Expenditure | 2012 Levy      |
|---------------------------|------------------|----------------|
|                           | Estimates        | Funds Required |
|                           | (\$)             | (\$)           |
| Danforth Mosaic           | 215,246          | 173,747        |
| Eglinton Hill             | 31,316           | 22,561         |

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

No City funding is required since financing of Business Improvement Area budgets is raised by a special levy on members which totals \$196,308 in this report.

#### **DECISION HISTORY**

The City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 19 and the *City of Toronto Act*, 2006 require that BIA operating budgets be approved by Council. General membership and Board of Management meetings at which the BIA 2012 budgets were approved are set out below:

| Business Improvement Area | Approved by Board of Management | Approved by<br>Membership |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Danforth Mosaic           | January 9, 2012                 | January 16, 2012          |
| Eglinton Hill             | November 15, 2011               | January 10, 2012          |

Appendix A includes a summary of the BIA budgets discussed in this report, including a calculation of their net levy requirements.

#### **COMMENTS**

The *Danforth Mosaic BIA* 2012 Operating Budget was approved at meetings of the BIA's Board of Management on January 9, 2012 and its general membership on January 16, 2012. The proposed budget reflects the BIA's desire to increase expenditures for staffing the BIA office and for street floral presentation to beautify the area. To support these initiatives, the BIA proposes a 28% increase in the budget of expenditures to \$215,246 and revenues of the same amount derived from a 25% increase in the levy requirement to \$173,747, the appeal provision surplus of \$9,499 that the City is returning, expected GST recoveries of \$12,000 and utilizing \$20,000 of accumulated surplus funds. Budgeted expenditures include \$77,450 for general BIA administration and staffing the BIA office with a permanent full-time person; \$3,000 for seasonal lighting improvements; \$80,000 for flowers and floral care for the planters; \$15,000 for graffiti removal; and \$24,000 for marketing and promotional initiatives. It is recommended that the Danforth Mosaic BIA's 2012 budget of expenditures totalling \$215,246 and a BIA levy of \$173,747 be approved.

The *Eglinton Hill BIA* 2012 Operating Budget was approved at meetings of the BIA's Board of Management on November 15, 2011 and its general membership on January 10, 2012. The proposed budget supports the BIA's objectives to continue developing strong community bonds between the various ethnic groups in the area through holding regular family events and festivals throughout the year and to promote a clean and safe environment for people to shop and do business in the area. Budgeted expenditures include \$11,565 for general BIA administration; \$1,000 for new banners; \$8,200 for capital maintenance; and \$8,500 for marketing and advertising initiatives and promotional events. To fund these expenditures, the BIA proposes an increased levy

requirement of \$22,561 and use its remaining accumulated surplus funds of \$7,737 plus the appeal provision surplus of \$1,018 that the City is returning to the BIA. It is recommended that the Eglinton Hill BIA's 2012 budget of expenditures totalling \$31,316 and a BIA levy of \$22,561 be approved.

Mike Major

Fax:

Phone: 416-392-0623

Manager, Business Improvement Areas

Economic Development and Culture

416-392-1380

e-mail: mmajor@toronto.ca

#### CONTACT

Judy Skinner

Manager, Financial Planning Financial Planning Division

Phone: 416-397-4219 Fax: 416-392-3649

e-mail: <u>jskinne1@toronto.ca</u>

Nick Naddeo

Manager, Revenue Accounting & Collection

Revenue Services Division Phone: 416-395-6789 Fax: 416-395-6703

e-mail: nnaddeo@toronto.ca

#### **SIGNATURE**

\_\_\_\_\_

Cam Weldon

Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Appendix A – BIA Budget Summary

### APPENDIX A

| Danforth Mosaic BIA 2012 Budget Summary          |          |           |             |  |  |
|--|----------|-----------|-------------|--|--|
|  | 2011     | 2011      | 2012 Budget |  |  |
|  | Approved | Projected | Request     |  |  |
|  | Budget   | Actual    | (\$)        |  |  |
| Revenue:   |          |           |             |  |  |
| - Levy Funds Required (incl. 10% provision)      | 139,469  | 139,469   | 173,747     |  |  |
| - Other Revenue                                  | 12,364   | 16,500    | 12,000      |  |  |
| - Appeal Provision Surplus                       | 15,846   | 15,846    | 9,499       |  |  |
| - Contribution from Accumulated Surplus          | 0        | 92,626    | 20,000      |  |  |
| Total Revenues                                   | 167,679  | 264,441   | 215,246     |  |  |
| Expenditures:                                    |          |           |             |  |  |
| - Administration                                 | 50,000   | 57,792    | 77,450      |  |  |
| - Capital  | 90,000   | 79,542    | 3,000       |  |  |
| - Maintenance                                    | 15,000   | 71,626    | 95,000      |  |  |
| - Promotion & Advertising                        | 0        | 42,802    | 24,000      |  |  |
| - 10% Provision for Assessment Appeal Reductions | 12,679   | 12,679    | 15,795      |  |  |
| Total Expenditures                               | 167,679  | 264,441   | 215,246     |  |  |
| Surplus/(Deficit)                                | 0        | 0         | 0           |  |  |

| Eglinton Hill BIA 2012 Budget Summary            |          |           |             |  |  |
|--|----------|-----------|-------------|--|--|
|  | 2011     | 2011      | 2012 Budget |  |  |
|  | Approved | Projected | Request     |  |  |
|  | Budget   | Actual    | (\$)        |  |  |
| Revenue:   |          |           |             |  |  |
| - Levy Funds Required (incl. 10% provision)      | 15,957   | 15,957    | 22,561      |  |  |
| - Other Revenue                                  | 2,958    | 0         | 0           |  |  |
| - Appeal Provision Surplus                       | 1,249    | 1,249     | 1,018       |  |  |
| - Contribution from Accumulated Surplus          | 10,000   | 10,645    | 7,737       |  |  |
| Total Revenues                                   | 30,164   | 27,851    | 31,316      |  |  |
|  |          |           |             |  |  |
| Expenditures:                                    |          |           |             |  |  |
| - Administration                                 | 13,513   | 6,100     | 11,565      |  |  |
| - Capital  | 2,000    | 0         | 1,000       |  |  |
| - Maintenance                                    | 6,200    | 11,400    | 8,200       |  |  |
| - Promotion & Advertising                        | 7,000    | 8,900     | 8,500       |  |  |
| - 10% Provision for Assessment Appeal Reductions | 1,451    | 1,451     | 2,051       |  |  |
| Total Expenditures                               | 30,164   | 27,851    | 31,316      |  |  |
| Surplus/(Deficit)                                | 0        | 0         | 0           |  |  |