

**THE CITY OF TORONTO**

**Clerk's Department**

**Minutes of the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee**

**Meeting No. 8**

**Friday, May 29, 1998**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee met on Friday, May 29, 1998, in Committee Room A, 2nd Floor, Metro Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:30 a.m.

Members Present:

Mayor Lastman, Chair  
Councillor Berardinetti  
Councillor Brown  
Councillor Chong  
Councillor Disero  
Councillor Fotinos  
Councillor Jakobek  
Councillor Ootes  
Councillor Prue  
Councillor Rae  
Councillor Saundercook

Regrets:

Councillor Berger  
Councillor O'Brien

**Confirmation of Minutes**

On motion by Councillor Fotinos, the Minutes of the meetings of the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee held on April 28, 1998 and May 5, 1998 were confirmed.

**148. 2008 Toronto Olympic Bid City Agreement**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities had the following on its agenda for the meeting, which were withdrawn, pending completion of the full final report:

- (1) Report (May 20, 1998) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, advising that he would be presenting the full final report at the meeting.
- (2) Communication (May 14, 1998) from Mr. Michael Shapcott, on behalf of Bread Not Circuses.

**149. Use of Trademark Path**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee had before it a report (May 13, 1998) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism recommending that the City of Toronto consent to the registration of PATH as a trademark by The Young Consulting Group Inc. subject to the applicant's agreeing that the trade mark for which consent has been sought will not be used in any design form which is confusingly similar to the design forms used by the City of Toronto, including any similar typeface.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee:

- (1) requested the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to investigate opportunities to involve the private sector and benefitting businesses in assuming the costs of the City of Toronto's underground walkway system currently being borne by the municipality;
- (2) recommended to Council the adoption of the report (May 13, 1998) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

**(Report No. 9, Clause 2)**

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism - June 1, 1998)

**150. Appointments to the Boards of Management for Business Improvement Areas and Amendments to the (Former Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 20, Business Improvement Areas - Various Wards)**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee had before it a report (May 27, 1998) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism attaching a Schedule A detailing the amendments to (former Toronto) Municipal Code, Chapter 20 and Appendix 1 listing the names of the nominees to be appointed and recommending that:

- (1) in accordance with the elections held at the Business Improvement Area Annual General Meetings, amendments be made to Schedule A Individual Boards of Management, of the (former Toronto) Municipal Code Chapter 20, Business

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Improvement Areas as set out in the attached Schedule A. These changes are specific to Number of Members and Members Needed for Quorum and are highlighted by “Changes From and To”;

- (2) Council appoint the nominees listed in Appendix 1 of this report to the Boards of Management for Hillcrest Village, Long Branch and Village of Islington Neighbourhood Business Improvement Areas. The term of office is to expire on November 30, 2000, or as soon thereafter as successors are appointed. Each of the named nominees meets the requirements of Section 220 of the Municipal Act, as amended by Bill 106; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Chong, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report (May 27, 1998) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

**(Report No. 9, Clause 3)**

**151. 1998 BIA Operating Budgets**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee had before it a report (May 14, 1998) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee certify to City Council the expenditure estimates of the following Business Improvement Areas for the year 1998, in the following amounts:

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Bloordale Village	58,000.00
Gerrard India Bazaar	40,000.00
Harbord Street	26,000.00
Parkdale Village	115,500.00
Queen/Broadview Village	39,000.00
St. Lawrence Neighbourhood	70,000.00
Upper Village	127,900.00

- (2) the expenditure estimates of the above Business Improvement Areas be adopted; and

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- (3) a copy of this report be forwarded to the Budget Committee for its information.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee recommended to Council the adoption of Recommendations (1) and (2) in the report (May 14, 1998) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, and reported, for the information of Council, having concurred with Recommendation No. (3) in the report (May 14, 1998) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, that

“(3) a copy of this report be forwarded to the Budget Committee for its information.”.

**(Report No. 9, Clause 4)**  
(Budget Committee - June 1, 1998)

**152. Canada Day and the Celebrate Toronto Street Festival**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee had before it a report (May 13, 1998) from the Interim Lead, Toronto Special Events Office, reporting, as requested by Council at its meeting held on March 4, 5 and 6, 1998, that to date, confirmation has been received that all of Toronto’s Roman Catholic and Lutheran churches and a number of Greek Orthodox and Baptist churches will participate in the Canada Day celebrations by ringing their church bells on July 1 at noon, and that confirmation with respect to participation by the Anglican and United churches is expected shortly.

On motion by Councillor Chong, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee received the information report (May 13, 1998) from the Interim Lead, Toronto Special Events Office.

**(Report No. 9, Clause 12(a))**

**153. Payment of Costs for By-Election for Ward One, East York**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee had before it a communication (May 5, 1998) from The Honourable Al Leach, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting whether or not the City is willing to pay for the by-election for a third member for Ward One, East York.

On motion by Councillor Brown, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee referred the communication (May 5, 1998) from The Honourable Al Leach, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to the City Clerk for a report back to the next meeting of the Committee.

**(Report No. 9, Clause 12(b))**  
(City Clerk - June 1, 1998)

**154. 1982 Queen Street East - 7th Wave Bistro Ward 26**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee had before it a report (May 13, 1998) from the Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services, regarding the 7th Wave Bistro at 1982 Queen Street East.

In this connection, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee also had before it a communication (April 23, 1998) from Councillor Rae advising that Mr. William Gallos, owner of 7th Wave Bistro had requested to appear before a Committee of Council regarding several issues between his business and the City and that there is pending litigation with respect to this municipal address.

No one addressed the Committee in connection with this matter.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee reported to Council that it had received the report (May 13, 1998) from the Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services, together with the communication (April 23, 1998) from Councillor Rae and had directed that a copy of each of the foregoing be forwarded to Members of Council under confidential cover.

**(Report No. 9, Clause 1)**

**155. Terms of Reference - Harmonization of Services**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee had before it a report (May 27, 1998) from the Chief Administrative Officer, providing an update on the process that will be undertaken for the harmonization of services where departmental programs have been restructured as a result of amalgamation and recommending that:

- (1) the Chief Administrative Officer immediately direct the development of reports in each department that define service level variations across the City and identify to the appropriate Standing Committee services that must be addressed on a priority basis;
- (2) the Chief Administrative Officer report to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee on the key principles that will guide service harmonization for 1999;
- (3) based on the departmental service harmonization priorities determined in consultation with the Standing Committees, and using the principles approved by the Strategic Planning and Priorities Committee, the affected departments develop 1999 service harmonization plans for approval by Council through the appropriate Standing Committee to be implemented through the 1999 budget process; and
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Ootes, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report (May 27, 1998) from the Chief Administrative Officer.

**(Report No. 9, Clause 5)**

**156. Toronto Licensing Commission Incremental Legal Costs from Restructuring**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee had before it a transmittal letter (May 27, 1998) from the Budget Committee advising that it had received the motion by Councillor Moscoe requesting that \$200,000.00 be added to the 1998 Operating Budget for the Toronto Licensing Commission, and the report (May 25, 1998) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

On motion by Councillor Berardinetti, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee reported to

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Council that it had received the transmittal letter (May 27, 1998) from the Budget Committee.

**(Report No. 9, Clause 12(c))**

**157. 1998 Operating and Capital Budget - Parks and Recreation Program**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee had before it a transmittal letter (May 27, 1998) from the Budget Committee recommending to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee, and Council that:

- (1) the following projects listed under the Parks and Recreation Program - Gross Budget Costs, be approved:
  - (a) \$60,000.00 for the New Lit Sports Pad - Grandravine Community Centre - North York (Item No. 606);
  - (b) \$50,000.00 for the Park Restoration and Naturalization - Vyner Greenbelt Phase 2 (Item No. 643);
  - (c) \$100,000.00 for the Don Valley Brick Works (Item No. 45);
  - (d) \$150,000.00 for the Phil White Arena - Lobby (Item No. 906);
  - (e) \$100,000.00 for the Colonel Sam Smith Extension (Item No. 2);
  - (f) \$100,000.00 for the Tennis Courts Convert - Amesbury (Item No. 619);
  - (g) \$100,000.00 for the Clydesdale Park tennis project (Item No. 613); and
- (2) such projects to be funded from the revenue from properties sold in 1998 (\$1.56 million).

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendations in the transmittal letter (May 27, 1998) from the Budget Committee.

**(Report 9, Clause 7)**

**158. Property Acquisition for Parkland - Canada Lands Company - Ward 13 - Scarborough Bluffs**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee had before it a transmittal letter (May 27, 1998) from the Budget Committee recommending to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee, and Council:

- (1) the adoption of the following recommendations embodied in the report (February 12, 1998) from the Commissioner of Corporate Services:
  - (i) the City purchase the lands shown on the attached sketch being Part Lot 28, Concession B, City of Scarborough at the price of \$332,375.00, based upon an area of 1.076 ha, with the final price to be adjusted upon completion of a survey plan, and the purchase to be conditional upon the soil conditions being found satisfactory;
  - (ii) the City enter into a license agreement with Praxair Limited, permitting the existing pipeline crossing the property to remain for a period of ten years;
  - (iii) That appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto; and
- (2) that the land acquisition be financed from Parkland Acquisition Reserve Funds.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendations in the transmittal letter (May 27, 1998) from the Budget Committee.

**(Report No. 9, Clause 8)**

**159. Acquisition of Former Landfill Site Owned by The Ministry of Transportation - Ward 16 - Scarborough Highland Creek**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee had before it a transmittal letter (May 27, 1998) from the Budget Committee recommending to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee, and Council:

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- (1) the adoption of the following recommendations embodied in the report (February 20, 1998) from the Commissioner of Corporate Services:
  - (i) the City purchase the lands shown on the attached sketch, being part of Lot 12, Registrar's Compiled Plan 10303 at the price of \$120,605.00, based upon a land area of 4.89 hectares (12.08 acres) with the final price to be adjusted upon completion of a survey plan;
  - (ii) appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto; and
- (2) that the land acquisition be financed from Development Charges Reserve Funds.

On motion by Councillor Jakobek, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendations in the transmittal letter (May 27, 1998) from the Budget Committee.

**(Report No. 9, Clause 9)**

**160. Toronto Transit Commission - Procurement of Replacement Subway Cars**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee had before it a transmittal letter (May 27, 1998) from the Budget Committee recommending to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee, and Council, the adoption of the recommendations embodied in the communication (May 21, 1998) addressed to the City Clerk from the Toronto Transit Commission and the report (May 25, 1998) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, subject to financing the 1998 requirement from the Toronto Transit Commission's Capital Project Reserve Fund.

On motion by Councillor Ootes, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendations in the transmittal letter (May 27, 1998) from the Budget Committee.

**(Report No. 9, Clause 11)**

**161. Harmonization of User Fees for Recreation Programs**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee had before it a report (May 26, 1998) from the Chief Administrative Officer providing details of the process to be followed by the Parks and Recreation Department for the harmonization of user fees for its recreation programs. As a pilot project, this initiative will inform future processes for the harmonization of user fees and recommending that:

- (1) the pilot process for the harmonization of user fees for recreation programs in the Parks and Recreation Division outlined in this report be approved;
- (2) the Terms of Reference for the User Fee Committee outlined in the Appendix be approved;
- (3) the User Fee Committee report to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee in August 1998 on a generic consultation process based on the parks and recreation pilot project that may be used by the Standing Committees for the harmonization of user fees as a result of amalgamation;
- (4) this report be forwarded to the User Fee Committee; and
- (5) the appropriate City Officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Berardinetti, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report (May 26, 1998) from the Chief Administrative Officer.

**(Report 9, Clause 6)**

**162. Income Sharing Arrangement with the Toronto Parking Authority**

The Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee had before it a transmittal letter (May 27, 1998) from the Budget Committee recommending to the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee, and Council:

- (1) the adoption of the joint report (May 14, 1998) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and President, Toronto Parking Authority subject to the income sharing arrangement being approved for one year; and

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- (2) that the income sharing arrangement between the City of Toronto and the Toronto Parking Authority be reviewed in one year's time.

On motion by Councillor Ootes, the Strategic Policies and Priorities Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendations in the transmittal letter (May 27, 1998) from the Budget Committee.

**(Report No. 9, Clause 10)**

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

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Chair.