

Closure of Corpus Christi School

(City Council at its regular meeting on October 3, 4 and 5, 2000, and its Special Meetings held on October 6, 2000, October 10 and 11, 2000, and October 12, 2000, amended this Clause by amending the Motion, moved by Councillor Jakobek, seconded by Mayor Lastman, as embodied in the Clause, by:

- (1) *inserting in the first Operative Paragraph, after the words “Corpus Christi”, the words “Bruce Public School”, so that such Operative Paragraph shall now read as follows:*

“Therefore Be It Resolved that the City of Toronto request the Minister of Education to provide adequate funding for the reopening of Corpus Christi and Bruce Public School as public schools;”;

- (2) *inserting in the second Operative Paragraph, after the words “Corpus Christi”, the words “Bruce Public School”, so that such Operative Paragraph shall now read as follows:*

“That the Toronto District School Board be advised of the City’s support for the reopening of Corpus Christi School and Bruce Public School and the City’s interest in shared use similar to other schools;”; and

- (3) *adding thereto the following new Operative Paragraph:*

“And That no City-funded facility, such as a kitchen, be removed from Bruce Public School without the prior approval of City Council.”)

The Policy and Finance Committee recommends the adoption of the following Motion (August 23, 2000):

Moved by: Councillor Tom Jakobek

Seconded by: Mayor Mel Lastman

Whereas the Separate School Board has now closed Corpus Christi School;

Whereas the School is in better physical condition than most other public schools in the area;

Whereas the School site is an important community resource;

Whereas the School is a short distance from the new development at the former Greenwood Racetrack;

Whereas the City and Public School Board had planned for and set aside park space for a new public school;

Whereas both Kew Beach, Norway and Williamson Road schools have no available space for a growing number of new families;

Whereas the Toronto District School Board believes there are approximately 110 or more children that could be accommodated at Corpus Christi;

Whereas some of the parents of some of the former Catholic students would rather walk their children to a local school rather than bus them to St. John's;

Therefore Be It Resolved that the City of Toronto request the Minister of Education to provide adequate funding for the reopening of Corpus Christi as a public school;

That the Toronto District School Board be advised of the City's support for the reopening of Corpus Christi School and the City's interest in shared use similar to other;

And That the Commissioner of Economic Development , Culture and Tourism advise the Toronto District School Board that the former school site at Greenwood will remain as public park.