
**PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
AGENDA
MEETING No. 5**

Date of Meeting:	May 7, 2001	Enquiry:	Christine Archibald
Time:	9:30 a.m.		Administrator
Location:	Committee Room 1		(416) 392-7039
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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PURSUANT TO THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT.

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PRESENTATIONS/DEPUTATIONS:

- 10:00 a.m. TWO-WAY VOICE COMMUNICATION DEVICES AND SECURITY LOCKING MECHANISMS FOR MULTIPLE DWELLING UNITS (Item 1)**
- 10:30 a.m. ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL AMBASSADOR TAXICAB LICENCES IN 2001 (Item 2)**
- 11:30 a.m. ISSUANCE OF ACCESSIBLE TAXICAB OWNER'S LICENCES (Item 3)**

DEPUTATIONS:

- 1. 10:00 A.M. TWO-WAY VOICE COMMUNICATION DEVICES AND SECURITY LOCKING MECHANISMS FOR MULTIPLE-DWELLING UNITS**

Commissioner, Urban Development Services
(April 17, 2001)

Reporting on two-way voice communication devices and security locking mechanisms for multiple-dwelling units, and **recommending** that this report be received for information.

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Rooming Housing Work Group Participants
(February 7, 2001)

Expressing concerns registered by the group regarding the requirement pursuant to Chapter 629 Property Standards of the Municipal Code that each dwelling unit in multiple dwellings be connected by a two-way voice communication system and security lock release mechanism to the principle entrance of a building, and given the profile of the tenant population prevalent in the rooming house sector advising that there are operational and financial issues which make this provision of the by-law problematic, and urging the Committee to review this matter.

2. **10:30 A.M. ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL AMBASSADOR TAXICAB LICENCES IN 2001**

City Clerk, Licensing Sub-Committee
(April 23, 2001)

Advising that the Licensing Sub-Committee **recommended** that in view of the position taken by the Taxicab Advisory Committee, as set out in its communication (April 11, 2001) which recommends the issuance of 300 Ambassador taxicab licences over and above the 100 already approved for the year 2001 and, in view of the Coopers and Lybrand formula which calls for 131 full-time licences, as set out in the report (March 22, 2001) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services:

- (1) an additional 262 Ambassador taxicab licences, over and above the 100 already approved for the year 2001, be issued as soon as possible to drivers who have qualified under the City's licensing by-laws, as indicated by the licensing formula currently used by the City of Toronto in determining an adequate level of taxi service;
- (2) the Chair of the Licensing Sub-Committee discuss with the Greater Toronto Airport Authority (GTAA) the possibility of Ambassador taxicabs picking up passengers at Toronto Pearson International Airport and, should the GTAA authorize such pick-ups, the Chair report to the Licensing Sub-Committee regarding the issuance of additional Ambassador plates to meet the anticipated demand;

- (3) By-law 574-2000, Schedule 8, be amended to require that leases include standard clauses that would require leases to be a minimum of one year unless terminated by mutual consent;
- (4) the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be directed to ensure that all new vehicles registered as taxicabs be owned by the person holding the owner's licence, and to take measures to require evidence that the owner of the plate is actually the owner of the vehicle;
- (5) the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be directed to ensure by whatever means possible that vehicles newly registered as taxicabs with the Municipal Licensing Standards meet these requirements, including all replacement vehicles, on a go-forward basis; and
- (6) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect to the foregoing.

3. 11:30 A.M. ISSUANCE OF ACCESSIBLE TAXICAB OWNER'S LICENCES

City Clerk, Licensing Sub-Committee
(April 20, 2001)

Advising that the Licensing Sub-Committee **recommended** that any surplus Accessible Taxicab plates for 2001 cease to be issued to brokerages.

3(a) Commissioner, Urban Development Services
(April 23, 2001)

Providing information to the Planning and Transportation Committee regarding the issuance of Accessible Taxicab Owner's Licences, and **recommending** that this report be received for information.

COMMUNICATIONS:

4. EXTENSION OF HIGHWAY 404

Commissioner, Urban Development Services
(April 17, 2001)

Responding to a request from the Planning and Transportation Committee regarding Provincial plans to extend Highway 404 and **recommending** that City Council:

- (1) through its representation on the Greater Toronto Services Board (GTSB), press for a review of the Province's announcement concerning the overall expansion of the 400-series highway network within the context of a regional growth management strategy for the GTA based on "smart growth" principles;
- (2) request the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to keep both the City and the GTSB informed of and involved in all planning studies on Provincial highway expansion projects in and around the GTA; and
- (3) forward a copy of this report to MTO, the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) and the Regional Municipalities of York, Peel and Durham.

5. HARMONIZATION OF THE DIVISION FENCE BY-LAW

City Clerk
(July 14, 2000)

Forwarding Clause No. 2 of Report No. 6 of The Planning and Transportation Committee, headed "Harmonization of the Division Fence By-law", which was before City Council at its meeting on July 4, 5 and 6, 2000, and **advising** that Council directed that this Clause be struck out and referred back to the Planning and Transportation Committee for further consideration, together with the following motions; and the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be requested to submit a report to the Planning and Transportation Committee, for consideration therewith, on the impact of the proposed amendments, such report to address, in particular, the financial implications relative to the motion by Councillor Moscoe to delete Clause No. (5), headed "Public Highway", from the proposed Division Fence By-law:

Moved by Councillor Bossons:

“That the Clause be amended:

- (1) to provide that Section 5 of the proposed Division Fence By-law apply to front fences only; and
- (2) by adding thereto the following:

‘It is further recommended that the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be requested to submit a report to the Planning and Transportation Committee on the cost implications to the City if the City is held responsible for paying one-half of the cost of basic front or back yard fences.’”

Moved by Councillor Mammoliti:

“That the Clause be amended by adding thereto the following:

‘It is further recommended that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to appoint as many members of existing staff he deems appropriate as Fence Arbitrators; that the Fence Arbitrators be granted the authority to make a final decision in the event of fence disputes; and that the by-law be amended accordingly.’”

Moved by Councillor Miller:

“That the Clause be amended:

- (1) to provide that the by-law be amended to maintain the current provisions of the former City of Toronto by-law within the boundaries of the former City; and
- (2) by adding thereto the following:

‘It is further recommended that the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be requested to submit a report to the Planning and Transportation Committee, in one year’s time, on the operation of this system and whether methods to facilitate dispute resolution are required in the former Cities of Etobicoke, Scarborough, East York and North York, and how and whether the City of Toronto should apply for the required special legislation.’”

Moved by Councillor Bossons:

“That Part (1) of the motion by Councillor Miller be amended by adding thereto the following words:

‘on the condition that fees be increased in order to pay as fully as possible for the cost of fence viewing/arbitration.’”

Moved by Councillor Mihevc:

“That Part (1) of the motion by Councillor Miller be amended to provide that fence viewers be continued and expanded in all former municipalities, and further that the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be requested to submit a report to the Planning and Transportation Committee on how this could be accomplished.”

Moved by Councillor Moscoe:

“That the Clause be amended to provide that Clause No. (5), entitled ‘Public Highway’, be deleted from the proposed Division Fence By-law.”

5(a) Commissioner, Urban Development Services
(April 11, 2001)

Reporting further on the harmonization of the Division Fence By-law and **recommending** that the Committee:

- (1) adopt the attached draft Division Fence By-law, along with the fee proposed for the information package, and that the City Solicitor be directed to prepare and submit the necessary bill(s) to Council; **OR**
- (2) adopt the procedure as outlined in the Line Fences Act and that the necessary bill(s) be prepared by the City Solicitor to implement the procedure and the fees recommended in this report and to appoint members of the Property Standards Committee as fence viewers for the purposes of the Act. In addition, it is recommended that the bill provide that no fence viewing will take place between the 1st day of November and the 31st day of March in the next following year, as provided for in the Act; and
- (3) receive the balance of this report for information.

6. INTEGRATION OF ROOMING HOUSE LICENSING WITH THE GENERAL LICENSING BY-LAW

Commissioner, Urban Development Services
(April 17, 2001)

Advising of the status of possible integration of the Rooming House Licensing By-law with the general Licensing By-law, and **recommending** that this report be received for information.

7. VENDING EXEMPTIONS FOR FARMERS AND BUSINESSES THAT PAY PROPERTY TAXES

Commissioner, Urban Development Services
(April 17, 2001)

Reporting on possible changes to provincial legislation regarding vending with specific reference to the exemptions being given to farmers and businesses “that pay business taxes” and **recommending** that this report be received for information.

8. AMENDMENT TO BY-LAW 574-2000, SCHEDULE 2 AS IT RELATES TO DRIVING SCHOOL RESTRICTED AREAS WITHIN THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk, Licensing Sub-Committee
(April 18, 2001)

Advising that the Licensing Sub-Committee **recommended** that:

- (1) in order to accommodate the new Ministry of Transportation Driver Examination Centre located at 5500 Eglinton Avenue West, a new restricted area be established and incorporated into Schedule 2, Section 10 of By-law 574-2000 so that Section 10 of Schedule 2, be amended by adding the following section:
 - "1(d) The area bounded on the north by Eglinton Avenue West, on the west by Etobicoke Creek (Toronto-Mississauga border), on the south by Bloor Street West and on the east by Highway 427"; and
- (2) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

9. AMENDMENT TO BY-LAW 574-2000, SCHEDULE 8 AS IT RELATES TO TAXICAB DRIVERS, TAXICAB PRINTING METERS, CAMERA SAFETY DEVICES AND NOTIFICATION STATEMENTS REGARDING CORPORATE ACCESS AND PRIVACY

City Clerk, Licensing Sub-Committee
(April 18, 2001)

Advising that the Licensing Sub-Committee **recommended** that:

- (1) By-law 574-2000 be amended to:
 - (a) make it an offence for a taxicab driver to operate a taxicab in the City of Toronto without a fully functioning taxicab printing meter and properly functioning safety devices;
 - (b) make it an offence for a taxicab owner or driver to operate a taxicab without notification decals advising the riding public that photographs are being recorded pursuant to the City of Toronto Act 1997 and By-law 574-2000; and
- (2) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

10. TORONTO PRESERVATION BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

Catherine Nasmith, Chair, Toronto Preservation Board
(March 7, 2001)

Submitting the Annual Report 2000 of the Toronto Preservation Board, and **requesting** the Planning and Transportation Committee to:

- (1) receive the Annual Report 2000;
- (2) agree to hold a briefing on the Memorandum of Understanding process from all involved;
- (3) ensure prompt action on processing Demolition Control Legislation; and
- (4) the City Clerk provide clerical support to the Toronto Preservation Board.

NOTE: THIS MATTER WAS DEFERRED FROM THE MARCH 26, 2001 PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION MEETING AND THE ANNUAL REPORT 2000 TORONTO PRESERVATION BOARD WAS DISTRIBUTED TO MEMBERS OF COUNCIL AND APPROPRIATE STAFF WITH THAT AGENDA.

11. MEMBERSHIP ADJUSTMENTS FOR CITIZEN MEMBERS TO COMMUNITY LACAC PANELS

Catherine Nasmith, Chair, Toronto Preservation Board
(February 22, 2001)

Advising that Council, at its meeting on January 30 and 31 and February 1, 2001 appointed Council members to serve on the Community LACAC Panels to suit the new Community Council boundaries, and that Council, previous to this, appointed citizen members of the Community LACAC panels until November 30, 2003 according to the former Community Council boundaries, and **recommending** that:

- (1) the existing Community LACAC Panels (CLP) continue to meet as established under the former Community Council boundaries until their membership is realigned. This respects Council's decisions regarding both the CLPs and the Community Council boundaries and common practices followed by previously established boards including the Committee of Adjustment;
- (2) in conjunction with the existing CLP members, the Toronto Preservation Board to review and report to Community Councils for the re-distribution of the already appointed CLP members;

- (3) if a new CLP is oversubscribed, the affected Community Council would select CLP members from those expressing an interest in serving;
- (4) any vacancies identified or created by the re-distribution would be appointed by Council as per current policy and practice firstly by referring to applications o file for the Community Council area, if any, and, secondly, by advertising for members to fill vacancies; and
- (5) until the members have been re-assigned to suit new Community Council boundaries, and any vacancies filled, the Councillors appointed to the new CLP would be invited to attend meetings of the existing CLP as they appear to correspond.

NOTE: THIS MATTER WAS DEFERRED FROM THE MARCH 26, 2001 MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE. THE COMMITTEE, AT THAT MEETING, RECOMMENDED THAT COUNCIL ADOPT RECOMMENDATION (1) AND REQUESTED THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AND TREASURER TO REPORT TO THIS MEETING ON THE REDISTRIBUTION OF THE BUDGET OF COMMUNITY LACAC PANELS TO CORRESPOND WITH THEIR WARDS UNDER THE NEW COMMUNITY COUNCIL BOUNDARIES.

11(a) Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
(March 30, 2001)

Reporting as requested by the Planning and Transportation Committee at its last meeting.

NOTE: THIS REPORT HAS NOT YET BEEN RECEIVED