



POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Date of Meeting: Time: Location: Thursday, July 12, 2001 9:30 a.m. Committee Room 1 City Hall 100 Queen Street West Toronto

Enquiry:

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PURSUANT TO THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS.

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:

1. REPORT OF THE CITY OF TORONTO WASTE DIVERSION TASK FORCE 2010.

(PRESENTATION ITEM.)

Acting City Clerk. (June 29, 2001)

Advising that City Council on June 26, 27 and 28, 2001, by its adoption, as amended, of Clause No. 1 contained in report No. 10 of the Works Committee, headed "Report of the City of Toronto Waste Diversion Task Force 2010", amongst other things, referred the recommendations of the City of Toronto Waste Diversion Task Force 2010, to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration at its meeting on July 12, 2001, for a report thereon to Council on October 1, 2001.

2. THE PROVINCIAL REQUIREMENT TO REPORT UNDER THE MUNICIPAL PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT PROGRAM (MPMP)

Acting Chief Administrative Officer. (July 4, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) in addition to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the performance measurement results and supporting narratives in Appendix A also be submitted to the Province;
- (2) the Internet be used as the method to meet the provincial requirement of reporting the City's results of the 16 measures to the public by September, 30th; and
- (3) the Acting Chief Administrative Officer report back in the future, as appropriate, on developments in MPMP for year 2 of the program;

3. EVALUATION OF THE CITY OF TORONTO'S NOTIFICATION PROGRAM ON AUTOMATIC RENT REDUCTIONS AND TAX DECREASES

Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighourhood Services. (July 5, 2001)

Recommeding that the following actions be taken in light of the conclusion of the consultant report on Evaluation of the City of Toronto's Notification Program on Automatic Rent Reduction and Tax Decreases:

- (1) Council approve a tax notification program that provides notices to landlords and tenants of all rental residential properties that have property tax decreases greater than 2.49 percent;
- (2) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, in consultation with the Acting Chief Financial Officer, explore cost effective ways to provide tax information services to tenants and landlords to enhance their understanding of the *Tenant Protection Act* regulations concerning rent reductions due to property tax decreases;
- (3) the Shelter, Housing and Support Division be authorized to undertake public education and information initiatives to promote public awareness of rent reductions based on property tax decreases and the City's notification program, and that the costs for these initiatives be recovered from the Finance Department's approved budget allocation for the 2001 notification program;

- (4) the Shelter, Housing and Support Division be authorized to undertake the recommended tax notification program as an annual program for years after 2001, and that the funding level for the program be reviewed each year based on a financial analysis of the tax changes in rental residential properties;
- (5) the Finance Department continue to be responsible for preparing the tax database and conducting financial analysis of the tax changes in rental residential properties to assist the Shelter, Housing and Support Division in the delivery of future notification programs;
- (6) Council write to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting that:
 - (a) the application fee for a rent reduction due to property tax decreases be waived for tenants who have to apply to the Tribunal for the rent reduction;
 - (b) the *Tenant Protection Act* regulations be changed to ensure that where the Ontario Rental Housing Tribunal decides that rents should be reduced for a particular unit in a building based on one tenant's rent reduction application, all tenants in the building are added as parties to the application and thereby benefit from the reduction;
 - (c) a review be undertaken to determine whether or not 20 percent is an appropriate figure used for estimating the rent reductions for residential class properties and that this review be completed in time for next year's notification program; and
 - (d) the TPA regulations be clarified so that if a landlord wants to change the amount of rent reduction resulting from a tax assessment appeal, the landlord must apply to the Tribunal, and that the City is not required to send out a second notice; and
- (7) the appropriate City Officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect to these recommendations.
- (NOTE: A COPY OF THE PUBLICATION ENTITLED "EVALUATION OF THE CITY OF TORONTO'S NOTIFICATION PROGRAM ON AUTOMATIC RENT REDUCTIONS AND TAX DECREASES: FINAL REPORT" WAS FORWARDED TO MEMBERS OF COUNCIL AND SELECT OFFICIALS ONLY; AND A COPY THEREOF IS ALSO ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK.)

4. ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY CENTRES (AOCCs) COMMUNITY CENTRES DEFICITS.

Interim Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer (June 26, 2001)

Reporting on the 1998 and 1999 year-end financial position for 10 Community Centres for core administration; requesting that the 1998 and 1999 accumulated surpluses and deficits be settled; advising that accumulated deficits of \$72,826 from five AOCC Community Centres will be partially offset by the accumulated surpluses of \$49,769 of the other five Community Centres for 1998 and 1999, resulting in a net payment of \$23,057 payable to the AOCC Community Centres in 2001 as detailed in Appendix A; that the payment will be funded through program under-expenditures and will be reported during the 2001 Operating Budget Variance process; and recommending that:

- (1) the accumulated surpluses of \$49,769 be paid to the City of Toronto for five AOCCs and be used to partially fund the payment of operating deficits of \$72,826 for the other five AOCC Community Centres core administration operations resulting in a net payment of \$23,057 funded from under-expenditures within the Consolidated Grants program, as detailed in Appendix A;
- (2) the City continue the practice of funding AOCC deficits as was the practice in the former City of Toronto;
- (3) the AOCC Community Centres report on potential material variances from approved budget on a timely manner during the year, and through the quarterly variance report process, for inclusion in the City's financial statements at year end;
- (4) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report on the AOCC Community Centres surplus/deficits upon receipt of the annual audited financial statements after the year end audit, including reasons;
- (5) the AOCC Community Centres comply in all respects to the City Budget guidelines, policies and timetables in the same manner as Agencies, Boards and Commissions for the 2002 and future budget processes; and
- (6) the appropriate City officials take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

5. INTEGRATED FIRE AND POLICE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM SIX MONTH STATUS REPORT.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Fire Chief and Chief of Police

Providing the fifth semi-annual status report on the Integrated Fire and Police Radio Communications System as directed by the Audit Committee at its meeting on May 25, 1999; advising that the Integrated Fire and Police Radio Communications System was approved by Council at a cost not to exceed \$34.5 million; that funding for this project of \$29.2 million and \$5.3 million was included in the approved capital budgets of the Fire Service and Police Service, respectively; advising that there are no funding implications associated with this report; that the implementation and operation of phase one and the first sector of phase two was successful and the phase two completion date is now scheduled for the end of the year 2001; and recommending that this report be received and forwarded to Community Services Committee for information.

6. ENDORSEMENT OF RESEARCH PROJECT OF FUSION ENERGY – ALL WARDS.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services (June 21, 2001)

Commenting on a proposal for the construction and operation of a large scale experimental project for the development of fusion energy in Clarington, Ontario; advising that there are no direct financial implications for the City of Toronto; that fusion energy is considered a safe, abundant and environmentally clean source of energy; that locating the proposed large scale experimental project facility in Clarington, Canada and Ontario and specifically the GTA and Toronto will stand to win substantial economic, technology and business benefits; and recommending that Council express its support of Iter Canada's bid at the international level to build and operate a fusion energy research and development facility in Clarington, Ontario.

7. METRO TORONTO HOUSING CORPORATION (MTHC), NATURAL GAS BULK PURCHASE

Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services. (July 4, 2001)

Recommending that:

(1) the Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to seek the consent of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for the release of the Metro Toronto Housing Corporation from its obligation to participate in the Ontario Housing Corporation sponsored natural gas bulk supply program so that, upon expiry of the current agreement on October 31, 2001, the Metro Toronto Housing Corporation may participate in the bulk purchasing program established by the City of Toronto; and

(2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to give effect to this recommendation.

8. BEAVER HALL ARTISTS' CO-OPERATIVE INC.

Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services. (July 4, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) the City increase the amount of its guarantee of the first mortgage on the property at 29 McCaul Street by an amount not to exceed \$500,000 and that Council state that the purpose of granting aid to Beaver Hall Artists' Co-operative Inc., by way of such guarantee, is in the opinion of Council, in the interests of the municipality;
- (2) the City obtain security for the increased amount of the guarantee and that all documentation necessary to secure the City's interest in respect of the guarantee referred to in recommendation number 1 be in a form and content satisfactory to the City solicitor.
- (3) authority be granted to enter into an agreement with Beaver Hall Artists' Co-operative Inc. which will, among other things, establish operating guidelines and compliance requirements, such agreement to be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and the City Solicitor, and that City approval of the mortgage guarantee be conditional upon the Co-op's signing of the agreement and compliance with the workout solution as proposed in this report; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to do whatever is necessary to give effect to these recommendations.

9. AIR QUALITY AND FEDERAL STANDARDS FOR SULPHUR IN ON-ROAD DIESEL.

Secretary, Board of Health (June 19, 2001) Advising that the Board of Health at its meeting held on June 18, 2001, recommended that the City, its agencies, boards and commissions:

- (1) investigate the particulate trap retrofit or repowering of existing City-owned diesel powered on and off road vehicles and engines; and
- (2) where possible, purchase or lease non-diesel fueled vehicles and engines for on and off road applications.

10. SERVICE AGREEMENT CONTRACTS AWARD AND EXECUTED BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

Secretary, Board of Health (June 19, 2001)

The Board of Health at its meeting held on June 18, 2001, recommended that City Council:

- (1) authorize the Medical Officer of Health to amend the fees awarded to purchase of service contracts related to the Healthy Babies Healthy Children, Preschool Speech and Language, and Sexual Health programs as set out in this report;
- (2) authorize the Medical Officer of Health to award and execute contracts, within approved budgets and in accordance with established selection criteria, as necessary to implement the Infant Hearing program, Early Years Challenge Fund Initiative, Early Postpartum Discharge Follow-up program, and the Community Heart Health Partnership Initiative;
- (3) require annual (as opposed to quarterly) reports to the Policy and Finance Committee, on service agreement contracts awarded and executed by the Medical Officer of Health; and
- (4) authorize and direct the appropriate City officials to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.
- 11. CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR REFUSE, BULKY ITEMS AND RECYCLABLE COLLECTION FROM MULTI-RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT BUILDINGS, MULTI-RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOUSE LOCATIONS, MUNICIPAL AND INSTITUTIONAL AND COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS IN DISTRICT 3 AND 4 (NORTH YORK AND SCARBOROUGH) – CONTRACT NO. 358.

Acting City Clerk. (July 4, 2001) Advising that the Works Committee at its meeting on July 4, 2001, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the report dated June 21, 2001, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting the extension of Contract No. 358 for refuse, bulky items and recyclable collection from multi-residential apartment buildings, multi-residential townhouse locations, and municipal and institutional and commercial establishments in District 3 and 4 (North York and Scarborough) for the period February 1, 2002, to January 31, 2003, wherein it is recommended that:

- (1) authority be granted to extend the existing contract with J & F Waste Systems Inc. for refuse, bulky items and recyclable collection from multi-residential apartment buildings, multi-residential townhouse locations, and municipal, institutional and commercial establishments in Districts 3 and 4 (North York and Scarborough) at a total estimated cost of \$1,915,548.75 including all charges and taxes, for an additional one-year period commencing February 1, 2002, and expiring on January 31, 2003; and,
- (2) the appropriate officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

12. REVISION TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE TORONTO CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD FOR THE PAYMENT OF OCCUPANCY COSTS FOR CHILD CARE PROGRAMS LOCATED IN TCDSB FACILITIES

Acting City Clerk. (July 4, 2001)

Advising that the School Advisory Committee on July 4, 2001, recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee the adoption of the report (June 21, 2001) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting the Revision to the Agreement between the City and the Toronto Catholic District School Board for the Payment of Occupancy Costs for Child Care Programs located in TCDSB Facilities, wherein it is recommended that:

- the City make remittances to the Toronto Catholic School Board at the rate of \$6.11 per square foot for space used to provide child care services effective January 1, 2001;
- (2) actual payments be tied to approved square footage in accordance with the Child Care Service Plan; and
- (3) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

13. TORONTO POLICE SERVICES BOARD BY -LAW NO. 139, AMENDING BY-LAW NO. 110: INCREASE TO THE FEE CHARGED BY THE TORONTO POLICE SERVICE FOR ATTENDING FALSE ALARMS.

<u>Chairman, Toronto Police Services Board</u>. (June 28, 2001)

Requesting that an increase in the fee charged by the Toronto Police Service for attending false alarms be increased from \$73.50 to \$83.50 as set out in the attached Toronto Police Services Board By-Law No. 139; advising that it is estimated that the increase in revenues as a result of the fee increase would be approximately \$70,000 in 2001 with an annualized amount of \$140,000; and recommending that the Policy and Finance Committee:

- (1) approve Toronto Police Services Board By-Law No. 139, amending By-Law No. 110, which will increase the fee charged by the Toronto Police Service attending false alarms from \$73.50 to \$83.50; and
- (2) forward this report to City Council for approval.

14. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE TORONTO TRANSIT COMMISSION FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000.

<u>General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission</u> (June 21, 2001)

Advising that the Toronto Transit Commission at its meeting held on June 20, 2001, considered the report entitled "Consolidated Financial Statements of Toronto Transit Commission for Year Ended December 31, 2000" and approved the following recommendation contained in the report:

"It is recommended that the Commission:

- (1) receive and approve the attached consolidated financial statements of the Toronto Transit Commission for the year ended December 31, 2000; and
- (2) forward a copy of the approved consolidated financial statements to the City of Toronto Council, through the City Policy and Finances Committee"; and

forwarded the foregoing recommendation to the City of Toronto Council through the City Policy and Finance Committee for information, as required by the City of Toronto Act.

15. BUILDING THE NEW CITY OF TORONTO FINAL THREE YEAR STATUS REPORT ON AMALGAMATION – JANUARY 1998 – DECEMBER 2000.

Acting City Clerk (June 8, 2001)

Advising that City Council at its meeting held on May 30, 31 and June 1, 2001, had before it Clause No. 8 of Report No. 8 of The Policy and Finance Committee, headed "Other Items Considered by the Committee"; and that Council directed that the aforementioned Clause be received as information, subject to striking out and referring the Item (a), entitled "Building the New City of Toronto - Final Three-Year Status Report on Amalgamation, January 1998 - December 2000", back to the Policy and Finance Committee for further consideration.

(NOTE: A COPY OF THE REPORT, ENTITLED "BUILDING THE NEW CITY OF TORONTO, FINAL THREE YEAR STATUS REPORT ON AMALGAMATION – JANUARY 1998 – DECEMBER 2000" WAS FORWARDED TO ALL MEMEBRS OF COUNCIL AND SELECT OFFICIALS WITH THE JUNE 14, 2001, AGENDA OF THE POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE AND IS ALSO POSTED ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE.)

16. 2001 BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA OPERATING BUDGETS: REPORT NO. 4.

Acting City Clerk (June 5, 2001)

Advising that City Council at its meeting held on May 30, 31 and June 1, 2001, had before it Clause No. 5 contained in Report No. 5 of the Economic Development and Parks Committee, headed "2001 Business Improvement Area Operating Budgets: Report No. 4", which was adopted, without amendment. Council recommended that a copy of the report (May 2, 2001) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, contained in the Clause, be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for its information.

17. QUARTERLY REPORT OAK RIDGES PRESERVATION ACCOUNT.

Mr. Michael Price, Executive Team Lead, Oak Ridges Moraine Steering Committee

(June 12, 2001)

Providing the first quarterly report on the financial status of the Oak Ridges Preservation Account; advising that there are no financial implications associated with this report; that the uncommitted balance remaining in the account is \$326,690; and recommending that this report be received for information.

18. EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, DEVELOPMENT AND CARE PILOT PROJECT.

(PRESENTATION ITEM.)

Report addressed to the Community Services Committee from the <u>Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services</u>. (June 20, 2001)

Outlining the progress of the City's Early Childhood Education, Development and Care (ECEDC) pilot projects; obtaining permission to proceed with Phase 2 including expenditures on the early leader pilot site and subsequent sites; providing an update on City activities regarding the provincial Early Years Challenge Fund; advising that Council has set aside \$3 million in the social services reserve for the operation and evaluation of the ECEDC pilots over a three-year period; that to date \$100,000 has been spent; that the recommendations of this report will commit expenditures of \$87,500 in 2001; \$409,300 in 2002; \$331,000 in 2003 and \$212,500 in 2004; and recommending that:

- (1) funding approval be given to the York Early Years Proposal under the sponsorship of Macaulay Child Development Centre for the purpose of the implementation of an ECEDC pilot;
- (2) funding approval be given to the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education to support the evaluation of all pilot sites;
- (3) funding of \$ 62,500 be approved to support the York Early Years pilot in 2001 with commitment of \$250,000 for each of 2002 and 2003; and \$187,000 in 2004, the final year of the pilot project;
- (4) funding of \$ 25,000 be approved to support the evaluation component of all the ECEDC pilots in 2001; \$159,300 in 2002; \$ 81,000 in 2003 and \$25,500 in 2004;

- (5) the application of the York Early Years Proposal to the Provincial Early Years Challenge Fund for matching support be endorsed;
- (6) City staff report further once Order in Council appointments are made to the Toronto Early Years Steering Committee;
- (7) this report be forwarded to Policy and Finance Committee; and
- (8) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

(NOTE: THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE RESPECTING THE FOREGOING MATTER WILL BE DISTRIBUTED PRIOR TO THE MEETING.)

19. PROVINCIAL OFF THE STREET, INTO SHELTER HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVE.

Report addressed to the Community Services Committee from the <u>Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services</u>. (June 19, 2001)

Recommending that:

- the operating budget for Shelter, Housing and Support be increased by \$1.4 million to incorporate the provincial funding for Off the Street, Into Shelter, with zero impact on the 2001 operating budget, subject to 100% funding from the Ministry of Community and Social Services;
- (2) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorised to initiate a Request for Proposal or similar process in line with the seven priority areas identified in this report for funding Off the Street, Into Shelter initiatives;
- (3) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services report back to Council in the fall with the agencies and projects recommended for Off the Street, Into Shelter funding;
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorised and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

(NOTE: THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE FROM ITS MEETING TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, JULY 5, 2001, RESPECTING THE FOREGOING MATTER, WILL BE DISTRIBUTED PRIOR TO THE MEETING.)

20. ADJUSTMENTS TO PARKS AND RECREATION DIVISION 2001 CAPITAL BUDGET ALL WARDS.

Addressed to the Economic Development and Parks Committee from the <u>Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.</u> (June 13, 2001)

Recommending that:

- \$0.270 million approved funding in the Capital Budget for a walkway from Don Valley Brickworks to Todmorden Mills be deleted and re-allocated with \$0.170 million for park and ball diamond upgrading at Leaside Park, and \$0.100 million for various parks improvements in Ward 29;
- (2) the funding of \$1.510 million for the Port Union Village Common Park be financed entirely from available development charge funds as originally intended;
- \$0.065 million approved funding for the J.A. Leslie Ball Diamond Renovation be deleted and re-allocated to Rosetta McLean Park projects in the amount of \$0.065 million;
- (4) \$0.185 million current balance in the Thompson Park Community Trail account be deleted and re-allocated with \$0.095 million for a multi-use sports pad at Knobhill Park and \$0.090 million be used to resurface existing trails in Bendale Park and Thompson Park allowing projects in future years to be deleted;
- (5) the 2001 Capital budget for Parks and Recreation be adjusted accordingly;
- (6) this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration; and
- (7) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

(NOTE: THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PARKS COMMITTEE FROM ITS MEETING SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JULY 9, 2001, RESPECTING THE FOREGOING MATTER, WILL BE DISTRIBUTED PRIOR TO THE MEETING.)

21. 2001 LEVY ON INSTITUTIONS UNDER SECTION 157 OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT – PERMISSION TO REPORT DIRECTLY TO COUNCIL.

Interim Chief Financial Officer. (June 29, 2001)

Recommending that the Interim Chief Financial Officer be authorized to report directly to Council at its meeting to be held on July 24, 2001, regarding the by-laws necessary for the levy and collection of taxes for the 2001 taxation year for Institutions.

22. BENEFITS OF TAF, PROGRESS TOWARDS THE CITY'S 20 PERCENT CO2 EMISSIONS REDUCTION TARGET, AND THE PRIME MINISTER'S COMMENDATION OF TAF ON ITS 10TH ANNIVERSARY.

<u>The Toronto Atmospheric Fund Board</u>. (June 28, 2001)

Providing a report on the benefits of TAF since its inception in 1991, and the progress of the City towards meeting its 20 percent CO2 emissions reduction target; and commendation from the Prime Minister; and recommending that this report be received for information.

23. PROCEEDING WITH THE PROVINCIAL OFFENCES COURT TRANSFER

(NOTE: A REPORT FROM THE INTERIM CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER RESPECTING THE FOREGOING MATTER WILL BE DISTRIBUTED PRIOR TO THE MEETING.)

24. MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT PHOTOCOPYING LICENSE WITH THE CANADIAN COPYWRIGHT LEASING AGENCY.

(NOTE: A REPORT FROM THE INTERIM CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER RESPECTING THE FOREGOING MATTER WILL BE DISTRIBUTED PRIOR TO THE MEETING.)