
WORKS COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Date of Meeting:	November 14, 2001	Enquiry:	Trudy Perrin
Time:	9:30 a.m.		Committee Administrator
Location:	Committee Room 1		(416) 392-8027
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**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PURSUANT TO
THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT.**

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

1. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE HIGHWAY TRAFFIC ACT.

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 10:00 a.m.

DEFERRED FROM LAST MEETING

General Secretary,
Toronto Transit Commission
(October 2, 2001)

Forwarding Toronto Transit Commission Report No. 24 dated August 29, 2001, entitled “A Proposed Amendment to the Highway Traffic Act”, which was before the Commission at its meeting on August 29, 2001, together with a memorandum from the TTC General Counsel detailing the proposed wording changes to Section 166 of the Highway Traffic Act that the Commission would like implemented; and requesting that City Council approve a formal motion requesting the Ontario Minister of Transportation to amend Section 166 of the Highway Traffic Act to require motor vehicles to stop behind a streetcar where passengers are boarding or exiting.

- 1(a).** Ms. Rhona Swarbrick,
Toronto Pedestrian Committee
 (October 17, 2001)

Regarding the proposed amendment to the Highway Traffic Act by the Toronto Transit Commission.

- 1(b).** Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
 (October 31, 2001)

Commenting, as requested by the Committee at its meeting on October 17, 2001, on the proposal made by the Toronto Transit Commission to seek an amendment to the Highway Traffic Act which would require vehicle operators to stop at the rear of streetcars when passengers are boarding or exiting; and recommending that City Council adopt the recommendation made by the Toronto Transit Commission in their Report No. 24, dated August 29, 2001, requesting that the Ontario Minister of Transportation amend Section 166 of the Highway Traffic Act to require vehicles to stop behind a streetcar where passengers are boarding or exiting.

- 1(c).** City Clerk
 (October 31, 2001)

Advising that the Toronto Pedestrian Committee at its meeting held on October 31, 2001, recommended to the Works Committee that it:

- (1) request that the City Solicitor report on an interpretation of paragraph 130 of Section 210 of the Municipal Act which reads as follows:

“2.10. By-laws may be passed by the Council of local municipalities:

130. For setting aside and designating a suitable visible manner, on any highway upon which street cars or buses are operated, any part or parts as a ‘safety zone’ and for prohibiting motor or other vehicles from driving over or upon any such safety zone while any pedestrian is thereon or about to enter thereon”.

- (2) request that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, and the General Manager of Transportation Services report on:
- (i) the merits of removing the reference to ‘safety zones’ in terms of improving the roadway crossing environment for pedestrians boarding or exiting a streetcar;
 - (ii) modified or new traffic management and traffic operation practices that would protect pedestrians crossing between a sidewalk and a ‘safety zone’ when using a streetcar service; and

- (3) defer any action with regard to the proposed amendment to the Highway Traffic Act, Section 166 (1) until a response from the City Solicitor, the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the General Manager of Transportation Services has been brought back to a future meeting of the Works Committee.

**2. PILOT PROGRAM –
PUBLICATION BOX ENCLOSURES.**

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 10:15 a.m.

DEFERRED FROM LAST MEETING

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 3, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) the appropriate staff of Transportation Services, in consultation with the Purchasing and Materials Management Division, issue an Invitation to Provide Prototype Publication Box Enclosures to establish a pilot program for testing the concept of consolidating existing publication boxes, based on the framework set out in the text of this report;
- (2) at the conclusion of the pilot, after approximately one year, staff report back to Works Committee summarizing the findings of the pilot and recommending future direction in this regard; and
- (3) through the course of the pilot, a number of public consultation events be arranged for the purpose of engaging in dialogue and receiving feedback from affected stakeholders (newspaper companies, newspaper box suppliers, BIAs, the TTC, City staff) and any other interested parties.

- 2(a).** Ms. Rhona Swarbrick,
Toronto Pedestrian Committee
(October 17, 2001)

Expressing concern with respect to pedestrian mobility and pedestrian and driver safety as a result of numerous publication boxes chained to public utility and TTC stop poles.

3. DESIGNATION OF POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN AND POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN SUMMARY FORMS FOR PRINTING SECTOR.

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 10:45 a.m.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 2, 2001)

Respecting the designation of the format for the pollution prevention plan and plan summary forms for the printing sector in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Code Chapter 681; and recommending that the attached pollution prevention plan and pollution prevention plan summary forms be designated for use by the printing industry.

(NOTE: POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN AND SUMMARY FORMS FORWARDED TO MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ONLY)

4. DESIGNATION OF POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN FORM FOR THE AUTOBODY REPAIR SECTOR.

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 10:45 a.m.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 29, 2001)

Respecting the designation of the format for the pollution prevention plan form for the autobody repair sector in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Code Chapter 681; and recommending that the attached pollution prevention plan form be designated for use by the autobody repair industry.

5. DRAIN GRANT POLICY.

NOTE: The staff report requested by the Committee at its meeting on June 6, 2001, on amending the Drain Grant Policy will be forwarded at a later date.

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 11:15 a.m.

**6. DRAIN GRANT APPEAL FOR 250 GLEBEHOLME BOULEVARD.
(Ward 32 – Beaches-East York)**

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 11:15 a.m.

DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF JUNE 6, 2001

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(May 28, 2001)

Advising that an appeal to a denied Drain Grant Claim has been made by the property owner of 250 Glebeholme Boulevard, and that the applicant is requesting to be reimbursed \$149.80 for snaking his private drain due to roots from the City tree; and recommending that this appeal be denied as applying to ineligible expenses under the policy.

6(a). Councillor Sandra Bussin,
Ward 32 - Beaches-East York
(June 6, 2001)

In support of awarding a full grant in the amount of \$1,500.00 to the owner of the property at 250 Glebeholme Boulevard based on the extenuating circumstances surrounding this matter.

6(b). Mr. Roland Jen
Toronto, Ontario
(undated)

Submission by Mr. Roland Jen, respecting the drain grant appeal for 250 Glebeholme Boulevard.

**7. DRAIN GRANT APPEAL FOR 761 MILLWOOD AVENUE.
(Ward 26 – Don Valley West)**

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 11:15 a.m.

DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF JUNE 6, 2001

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(May 31, 2001)

Advising that an appeal to a denied Drain Grant application has been made by the property owner of 761 Millwood Avenue, and that the applicant is asking for a rebate to cover her costs to repair drains in the interior of her house; and recommending that this appeal be denied as it is ineligible since it relates to interior work and camera investigations.

**8. DRAIN GRANT APPEAL FOR 204 SWANWICK AVENUE.
(Ward 32 – Beaches-East York)**

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 11:15 a.m.

Acting City Clerk
(August 1, 2001)

Advising that City Council at its meeting held on July 24, 25 and 26, 2001, directed that Clause No. 4 contained in Report No. 11 of The Works Committee, headed “Drain Grant Appeal for 204 Swanwick Avenue (Ward 32 – Beaches-East York)”, wherein the Committee recommended the adoption of the report (May 28, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services which recommended that the Drain Grant Appeal for 204 Swanwick Avenue be denied since no roots from a City tree were involved, be struck out and referred back to the Works Committee for further consideration.

**9. DRAIN GRANT APPEAL FOR 12 MONTEITH STREET.
(Ward 27 – Toronto Centre-Rosedale)**

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 11:15 a.m.

Councillor Kyle Rae,
Ward 27 – Toronto Centre-Rosedale
(June 6, 2001)

Forwarding correspondence with respect to a claim for compensation under the City’s drain grant program by Mr. Bruce Conlin and Mr. Greg O’Grady, with respect to a drain blockage at 12 Monteith Street, Toronto.

**10. DRAIN GRANT APPEAL FOR 1804 DUFFERIN STREET.
(Ward 17 – Davenport)**

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 11:15 a.m.

Councillor Betty Disero,
Ward 17 – Davenport
(September 26, 2001)

Respecting the costs incurred by Mrs E. Mele as a result of a drain blockage on her property at 1804 Dufferin Street, Toronto, caused by the roots of a City-owned tree.

11. DRAIN GRANT APPEAL FOR 66 DEWHURST BOULEVARD.

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 11:15 a.m.
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Mr. Fred Gandolfi
Toronto, Ontario
 (October 1, 2001)

Respecting reimbursement for expenses incurred in the repair of property damage done to 66 Dewhurst Boulevard by a City-owned tree.

12. BASEMENT FLOODING AT 1024 O'CONNOR DRIVE.

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 11:15 a.m.
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Former Councillor Michael Prue,
Ward 31 – Beaches-East York
 (August 16, 2001)

Forwarding a communication from Mr. Mike Klisouras, owner of 1024 O'Connor Drive, respecting compensation for basement flooding at these premises; and appealing the decision to deny compensation to Mr. Klisouras under both the Downspout Disconnection and Basement Flooding Protection Subsidy Programs.

13. WASTE DIVERSION PROPOSALS.

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Wayne Roberts,
 Project Co-ordinator,
Toronto Food Policy Council
 (October 24, 2001)

Requesting the opportunity for the following presentations to be made to the Committee with respect to waste diversion proposals to increase the amount and value of composting going on in the City: (1) by Mr. Alasdair Love in support of his proposal to ban the landfilling of corrugated wax cardboard, and to initiate a pilot project testing the viability of using it as a carbon stock in mid-scale composting projects; and (2) by Mr. Kevin Lee and Ms. Christine Saraceno, General Manager and Urban Agriculture Director respectively of Scadding Court Community Centre, presenting a proposal outlining the advantages of working closely with community-based agencies to promote composting and supporting a pilot project involving Scadding Court.

**14. TRANSPORTATION AND DISPOSAL OF
RESIDUAL SOLID WASTE TO MICHIGAN.**

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 2:15 p.m.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(November 1, 2001)

Providing information regarding the potential of engaging rail haul as an alternative to the current truck haul of residual solid waste to landfills in the State of Michigan under contract to the City of Toronto; advising that Onyx North America Corp. are not supplying a rail haul option to their Arbor Hills Landfill, and that both of the integrated rail haul options developed by Republic Services Inc. would require long-term put-or-pay contracts and increased costs; further advising that staff are therefore not recommending that the City engage in rail haul to Michigan landfills, and maintain truck haul as the preferred method of transportation in order to maintain greater flexibility and not hinder the City's ability to reach its diversion targets; also advising in response to a motion tabled by Councillor Frank Di Giorgio regarding the export of residual solid waste to Michigan that the engagement of outside legal review is not recommended at this time, and submitting related reports including an opinion from the legal firm of Torys; noting that staff concur with Councillor Di Giorgio that the current situation does pose risks to the City, and that the most productive means to address the risks is an increased capability on the part of the City to divert waste from disposal by achieving the diversion program set by the Waste Diversion Task Force 2010; and recommending that this report be received for information.

14(a). Governor John Engler,
State of Michigan
(September 11, 2001)

Expressing concern with respect to any increase in Toronto's waste exports to the Republic Carleton Farms landfill site in Michigan; and requesting the opportunity to appear before the Committee with respect to the City of Toronto's options for the disposal of municipal solid waste.

15. RESULTS OF LITTER AUDIT AND FORMATION OF CLEAN STREETS WORKING GROUP.

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 3:00 p.m.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(November 1, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) a Clean Streets Working Group be created that will include City and private sector representation and whose mandate will be to identify solutions to address litter in the City of Toronto;
- (2) a member of the Works Committee be appointed to chair this Working Group under the umbrella of Waste Diversion Task Force 2010;
- (3) the Chair of the Working Group in consultation with staff prepare a list of potential private sector representatives to be appointed to the Working Group. The Co-Chairs of Task Force 2010 write to the identified companies and/or Trade Associations inviting their participation;
- (4) the activities of T.O. Toss be incorporated into the mandate of the Clean Streets Working Group;
- (5) the Working Group develop a protocol for measuring litter and conduct audits to identify the baseline quantity and composition of litter in the City; and
- (6) using baseline data, the Working Group develop principles of the roles and responsibilities of the City, the private sector and citizens with regards to the prevention and management of litter and public space waste and recycling receptacles.

16. COMMERCIAL ELIGIBILITY HARMONIZATION AND PROPOSED COMMERCIAL COLLECTION SERVICE FEES FOR MUNICIPAL COLLECTION.

DEPUTATION ITEM – SCHEDULED FOR 4:00 p.m.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(November 2, 2001)

Recommending that, effective 12 months after Council approval of a revised system for municipal collection of recyclables, organics and residual waste from commercial locations:

- (1) commercial locations must separate organics, recyclables and residual waste into separate streams to be eligible for municipal collection;
- (2) municipal collection services to all eligible commercial locations include once per week recycling, organics and residual waste collection;
- (3) municipal collection services to all eligible commercial locations located in the area(s) defined in Appendix "G" also include twice per week recycling, organics and residual waste collection, with extra Saturday and/or Sunday organics collection being provided where an efficient collection route can be established and owners agree to a charge for the enhanced service;
- (4) commercial locations be eligible for municipal collection services only if:
 - not designated industrial;
 - either in buildings with a ground floor area not exceeding 500 square metres and with fewer than four above ground floors; or
 - located in mixed residential/commercial buildings or in plazas and malls where the residential area of the plaza or mall is at least one-third of the total area, and with fewer than four above ground floors;
- (5) depending on the form of collection containers authorized by the City, the requirements for receiving municipal collection from commercial locations include:
 - purchase of authorized bags for recyclables, organics, and residual waste or tags for bundled corrugated cardboard or residual waste;
 - payment to the City of an annual fee per cart for cart collection based on frequency of service; and
 - payment to the City of an annual fee for bulk lift collection plus direct disposal costs;
- (6) a fee schedule be established and approved annually by Council for:
 - authorized bags and tags;
 - cart collection; and
 - bulk lift collection;

with the schedule of fees for the first year being as set out in Appendix "F";
- (7) commercial locations currently receiving municipal collection that do not meet the new eligibility criteria, including those under "grandparenting" provisions with former municipalities be removed from municipal collection services;

- (8) owners of buildings with a commercial/residential mix will be provided with 104 free City authorized residual waste bags per residential unit per year and will be directed to provide them free to their tenants;
- (9) municipal collection from eligible locations shall not occur and by-law enforcement officers shall be notified where:
- the account is in arrears;
 - City authorized bags or bundles containing recyclables, organics or residual waste placed at the curb weigh in excess of 20 kilograms;
 - unauthorized bags are placed at the curb; and
 - unauthorized containers are utilized;

and further recommending that:

- (10) the current 2001 service fee for municipal collection services that expires December 31, 2001 be extended until the proposed user fees recommended in this report are implemented;
- (11) owners of commercial locations wishing municipal collection services be required to apply in writing to the City and provide documentation of their ability to meet the City's eligibility criteria before receiving services;
- (12) the City discontinue collection to all industrial establishments and to industrial malls containing at least 75 percent industrial establishments, including those under "grandparenting" provisions of the former municipalities effective 7 months following Council approval;
- (13) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services consult with the City Solicitor on options for commercial locations that opt for private collection services where sufficient space may not exist on private property for collection by private contractors and report back to Council on the feasibility of assigning restrictive times to commercial establishments whereby bagged or bundled materials may be placed at the curb for private collection;
- (14) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the City Solicitor bring forward a harmonized commercial collection by-law for Council approval six months after Council has approved a revised system for the municipal collection of recyclables, organics and residual waste from commercial locations; and
- (15) the 2002 operating budget for Solid Waste Management Services be increased by \$660,000 for the costs associated with program start-up with these costs being drawn from the Solid Waste Management Services reserve fund in 2002 and repaid in 2003 with expected saving derived from the implementation of the commercial harmonization program outlined in the report.

(NOTE: The foregoing report supercedes the report dated May 23, 2001, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services headed “Garbage Services Fee Harmonization and Enhanced Diversion Initiatives for Commercial Sector”, which was deferred by the Committee at its meeting on June 21, 2001, pending results of the consultation process.)

16(a). Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 25, 2001)

Providing an update on work that has been conducted to date with respect to “waste audits” of restaurants and greengrocers in downtown Toronto; advising that “waste audits” jointly conducted in 2000 by Public Health and Solid Waste Management Services have helped to educate downtown business owners about by-law requirements for storage and setout of garbage and recyclable materials; and recommending that this report be received for information.

16(b). City Clerk
(April 17, 2001)

DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF JUNE 21, 2001

Advising that the Audit Committee, on April 11, 2001, had before it a report (March 29, 2001) from the City Auditor respecting the Commercial Garbage Collection Review, which recommended that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, in harmonizing commercial garbage collection service across the City, consider:
 - (a) limiting commercial garbage collection service to a standard twice-weekly collection for all eligible businesses, and that businesses requiring more frequent garbage collection service beyond the standard service provided by the City, augment that service by contracting with a private garbage collection service; and
 - (b) the revenue and cost implications associated with limiting commercial garbage collection to a twice-weekly service for all eligible businesses across the City, and report to the Works Committee, accordingly;
- (2) the Solid Waste Management Division re-evaluate the current rate structure for commercial garbage collection as a result of the number of businesses that have had their collection service reduced to twice per week and assess the impact on the recovery of costs (including related administrative costs);
- (3) to streamline administrative procedures and to facilitate the billings and collection process:

- (a) the Solid Waste Management Division, in consultation with Revenue Services Division of the Finance Department, investigate the feasibility of billing for commercial garbage collection services, in advance, on an annual or semi-annual basis; and
 - (b) City Legal Services, in consultation with Solid Waste Management Division, develop the necessary by-laws or determine the required changes to existing by-laws to enable the City to charge property owners for commercial garbage collection service;
- (4) the Solid Waste Management Division, in consultation with City Legal Services, incorporate into the harmonized commercial garbage collection by-law, the right for the City to charge back to the property owner's tax bill, costs relating to the inspection, clean-up and court costs associated with any garbage related infraction; and
 - (5) the By-law Enforcement Unit of Solid Waste Management Division implement a plan to re-deploy by-law enforcement officers to the night shift, to perform targeted inspections of businesses who have had their commercial garbage collection service reduced to twice weekly, but continue to put out garbage;

and further advising that the Audit Committee:

- (1) referred the aforementioned report to the Works Committee with the request that it report back to the Audit Committee for its meeting to be held in June 2001; and
- (2) recommended to the Works Committee the adoption of the following motion from Councillor Balkissoon:

“That the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer engage a collection agency to recover outstanding garbage collection fees.”

16(c). Councillor Pam McConnell,
Ward 28 – Toronto Centre-Rosedale
 (May 7, 2001)

DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF JUNE 21, 2001

Expressing deep concern about the Audit Committee's proposals for reductions in garbage pick-up in the downtown core.

- 16(d).** Ms. Colette French and Ms. Helene St. Jacques, Directors,
Queen East Business Association Inc.
(May 8, 2001)

DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF JUNE 21, 2001

In opposition to any reduction in garbage and recycling services, and urging the Committee to deliver a world class waste diversion program.

- 16(e).** Mr. Brian Cochrane, President,
Toronto Civic Employees' Union, CUPE - Local 416
(June 21, 2001)

DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF JUNE 21, 2001

Expressing concerns with regard to the staff report regarding garbage services fee harmonization and enhanced diversion initiatives for the commercial sector, including lack of consultation on the impact of the initiatives on the workforce, the availability of City services to businesses and the increased cost of collection services by the private sector.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

17. AMENDING LICENSING REQUIREMENTS TO IMPOSE MANDATORY RECYCLING IN FOOD COURTS.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(November 1, 2001)

Providing information regarding amending the licensing requirements for food establishments in food court situations that would require them to provide recycling services to their customers, as requested by the Committee at its meeting on May 9, 2001; advising that it is unlikely that the City could rely on its licensing powers to make recycling mandatory in food courts and other public spaces since such a condition does not have health and safety, consumer protection or nuisance implications; further advising that the Province of Ontario, through Ontario Regulation 103/94, does have the authority to enforce compliance with regards to recycling containers at privately owned complexes containing food courts and public spaces; and recommending that:

- (1) public inquiries and comments regarding a lack of recycling facilities in specific food courts be directed to the Ministry of the Environment; and
- (2) the City formally request the Province of Ontario to enforce Ontario Regulation 103/94.

18. IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE FOR THREE-STREAM PROGRAM.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 26, 2001)

Respecting the implications of changing the proposed implementation schedule for the three-stream program, as requested by the Committee at its meeting of September 10, 2001; advising that while it is technically possible to implement the three-stream program throughout the entire City by the fall of 2003, pre-budget approval of approximately \$90 million in capital funds would be required, and the risk of service interruption to residents increases if the program is implemented too quickly; noting that maintaining the three-year phase-in period but changing the order that the communities come on stream so that the program starts sooner in Toronto, East York and York, and later in North York, can be done at no additional cost; and recommending that this report be received for information.

19. WASTE DIVERSION TASK FORCE 2010 INITIATIVES.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 25, 2001)

Respecting a number of initiatives contained in the Waste Diversion Task Force 2010 Report, including City-wide garage sales and “Amnesty Days”, scrap metal and polystyrene recycling, wood waste and recycling depots, and source separated organics collection from apartments; advising that the implementation of a pilot program to accept wood waste at certain transfer stations will enable staff to determine the feasibility of establishing permanent wood waste recycling depots; further advising that implementation of organics pilot projects in apartments will assist staff in mapping out an implementation plan for the recovery of organics from the apartment sector; and recommending that this report be received for information.

20. “TAKE IT BACK” PROGRAM.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(November 1, 2001)

Providing a response to the Committee, at the request of the Works Committee’s Take It Back Sub-Committee, regarding the proposed “Take It Back Toronto” work program and project budget submitted by the Toronto Environmental Alliance and Earth Day Canada; advising that due to a 2001 revenue shortfall, the Division does not have surplus funds available to provide funding to TEA-EDC from its 2001 budget, and suggesting that the entire TEA-EDC funding request be included in the 2002 budget submission; further advising that staff are supportive of a Take It Back program and are exploring additional

funding revenues available to the City, for a report on project management options to be submitted during the budget review process; and recommending that this report be received for information.

21. INCLUSION OF OPTION FOR CONTAINERS WITH WHEELS IN RFP FOR SSO COLLECTION CONTAINERS.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 24, 2001)

Advising, in response to the request from the Policy and Finance Committee and City Council, that staff have adjusted the Request for Proposals for source separated organics collection containers to provide for Respondents to submit proposals that have containers with wheels; further advising that such proposals will be evaluated on technical and financial merits; and recommending that this report be received for information.

22. OMG RECYCLING CONTAINERS.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 24, 2001)

Responding to various concerns and questions about the OMG recycling containers as raised by the Works Committee and the Toronto Cycling Committee with respect to the locking mechanism on the bins, the criteria for bin installation, the maintenance and cleaning of the bins, and the installation of bins on traffic islands; and recommending that this report be received for information.

22(a). City Solicitor
(October 29, 2001)

Providing information regarding the potential liability to the City in the event injury occurs as a result of OMG recycling containers; advising that in such event, the City is protected by a comprehensive indemnity in its agreements with OMG for the provision of such containers; and recommending that this report be received for information.

23. KRAFT PAPER LEAF AND YARD WASTE BAG DISTRIBUTION.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 23, 2001)

Responding to a request from Council at its meeting on May 30, 31 and June 1, 2001, for a report on the feasibility of selling kraft paper leaf and yard waste bags at Toronto civic

centres, community centres, libraries etc.; noting that the kraft leaf and yard waste bags are widely available at various retail locations throughout Toronto, and that if the City chose to sell kraft bags at its facilities, it is unlikely that the price would be lower than the current price offered by retailers; and recommending that this report be received for information.

24. POTENTIAL LEASE OF LANDS FOR ENERGY FACILITY IN THE PORT LANDS.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 30, 2001)

Providing an update regarding the potential siting of an energy facility in the Port Lands, with specific reference to the feasibility study being undertaken with funding from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Green Enabling Fund, as requested by City Council at its meeting on June 26, 27 and 28, 2001; advising that consideration of a land lease in the Port Lands is subsequent to confirmation of the technical and economic feasibility of the anaerobic digestion scheme, and that the location of the proposed digestion facility will also be influenced by the outcome of the Toronto Hydro-Boralex co-generation project which is still in development; and recommending that this report be received for information.

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

25. CITY-WIDE SERVICE LEVELS FOR LEAF COLLECTION.

DEFERRED FROM MEETING OF JULY 4, 2001

Acting City Clerk
(June 6, 2001)

Advising that the Works Committee at its meeting on June 6, 2001, had before it a report (May 29, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting City-wide service levels of sidewalk snow clearing, leaf collection and City cleanliness; and further advising that the Committee, in part:

- (1) deferred consideration of the following Recommendation No. (3) until its next regular meeting, scheduled to be held on July 4, 2001:
 - “(3) the special mechanical leaf collection provided to selected areas within the City be discontinued and all residents be required to bag leaves from private property and adjacent boulevards.”;

- (2) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to report directly to the Community Councils on the Costs to contract out mechanical leaf collection; and
- (3) requested the Community Councils to submit their recommendations and comments with respect to Recommendation No. (3) to the Works Committee for its next meeting.

25(a). City Clerk (Downtown Community Council)
(June 15, 2001)

Advising that the Downtown Community Council at its meeting on June 12, 2001, recommended the adoption of Recommendation No. (3) of the report (May 29, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services.

25(b). Acting City Clerk (East Community Council)
(June 13, 2001)

Advising that the East Community Council at its meeting on June 12, 2001, recommended with respect to Recommendation No. (3), contained in the report (May 29, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, that leaf pick-up be harmonized uniformly across the City as soon as possible based on criteria.

25(c). Acting City Clerk (Midtown Community Council)
(June 13, 2001)

Advising that the Midtown Community Council at its meeting on June 12, 2001, recommended adoption of Recommendation No. (3) contained in the report (May 29, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services.

25(d). Acting City Clerk (North Community Council)
(June 18, 2001)

Advising that the North Community Council at its meeting on June 13, 2001, recommended to the Works Committee and Council, that Recommendation No. (3) embodied in the report (May 29, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be received.

25(e). Acting City Clerk (Southwest Community Council)
(June 18, 2001)

Advising that the Southwest Community Council at its meeting on June 12, 2001, recommended to the Works Committee that Recommendation No. (3) contained in the report (May 29, 2001) from the Commissioner, Works and Emergency Services, with respect to the discontinuation of the special mechanical leaf collection, be adopted.

25(f). Acting City Clerk (West Community Council)
(June 15, 2001)

Advising that the West Community Council at its meeting held on June 13, 2001, recommended to the Works Committee that consideration of the discontinuance of the mechanical leaf collection program be deferred until beyond 2001, pending submission of a report from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services on the possibility of each Community Council Area having a discretionary fund for the provision of unique services, including mechanical leaf collection and snow removal.

**26. YONGE STREET TRANSITWAY ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT.
(Willowdale)**

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
and Commissioner of Urban Development Services
(October 26, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) the General Manager of Transportation Services, on behalf of the Strategic Transportation Planning Group, conduct a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study to examine improved transit services, including a transitway on Yonge Street from Finch subway station to Steeles Avenue; and
- (2) a copy of this report be forwarded to the Toronto Transit Commission, GO Transit, and the Regional Municipality of York for their information.

**27. PERMANENT REPAIRS TO UTILITY ROAD CUTS ON
VARIOUS LOCAL STREETS AND COLLECTOR ROADS,
DISTRICT 1 - CONTRACT No. 01D1-117TU.
(Former Ward 20)**

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 22, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) an additional expenditure in the amount of \$900,000.00 for work to be undertaken under Contract No. 01D1-117TU, for permanent repairs to utility road cuts on various City of Toronto local streets and collector roads, District 1, be authorized by the Works Committee; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

28. ROAD SALT MANAGEMENT PLAN.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 30, 2001)

Respecting the status of the work being undertaken by Transportation Services to better manage the use of road salt, which was considered by the Committee at its meeting on May 9, 2001; outlining initiatives that Transportation Services has commenced since April 2001 that form the basis of the Salt Management Plan, and describing the format for the plan; noting that annual reports will be submitted to the Committee outlining the status of the salt management initiatives; and recommending that this report be received for information.

29. INTRODUCTION OF CENTRAL HEATING AND COOLING DUCTS INTO THE ROAD ELEMENTS OF THE PROPOSED RAILWAY LANDS DEVELOPMENT.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 29, 2001)

Responding, in consultation with Enwave District Energy Limited, to a request from the Committee to report on the issue related to the feasibility of introducing central heating and cooling ducts into the road elements of the proposed Railway Lands development, in light of the provisions of the Official Plan, and the status of other planned under-pavement services; and recommending that this report be received for information.

**30. SPADINA AVENUE – STATUS OF CYCLING IMPROVEMENTS.
(Ward 20 - Trinity-Spadina)**

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 26, 2001)

Respecting the status of modifications to Spadina Avenue to improve conditions for cyclists; advising that the edge line treatment has been installed on Spadina Avenue between Queen's Quay West and College Street and from Harbord Street to Bloor Street West; further advising that provision of bicycle lanes on Spadina Avenue is only possible through the removal of traffic lanes or reconstruction of the roadway and sidewalk, and that while existing conditions make it impractical to provide bicycle lanes, Spadina Avenue has been identified on the proposed Bikeway Network as part of the Toronto Bike Plan; noting that Transportation Services staff will continue to investigate opportunities for further cycling improvements as conditions change or opportunities arise; and recommending that this report be received for information.

**31. SCARLETT ROAD/CP RAIL GRADE SEPARATION
FEASIBILITY STUDY.
(York South-Weston, Parkdale-High Park)**

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 26, 2001)

Presenting the results of a study that reviewed the feasibility of replacing the CP Rail bridge over Scarlett Road in order to improve the overall safety and operation of Scarlett Road from Dundas Street West to St. Clair Avenue West; advising that an analysis of existing conditions found that replacing the bridge is feasible and, when combined with road and intersection improvements, will improve traffic operations and safety at this location; further advising that the Class EA Study for this project has been tentatively scheduled to begin in 2003, and that while the bridge replacement is not currently scheduled to be initiated in the next five years, a number of small, localized physical and operational improvements have been identified for implementation in the short term to improve safety until the bridge is replaced; and recommending that this report be received for information.

32. STUDENT PICK-UP/DROP-OFF AREAS.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 16, 2001)

Responding to requests from Humber York Community Council and City Council to modify the parking regulations in the vicinity of schools to allow parents to temporarily park in student pick-up and drop-off zones while they accompany young children into the schools; advising that such zones are generally governed by "No Parking" regulations in the municipal by-laws, and that in order to accommodate parents of young children who momentarily have to leave their vehicles to accompany the children into school, the designation of short-term parking, usually 10 or 15 minute maximum, has been used at problem locations; suggesting that due to the unique combinations of circumstances at each school, it would be advisable to continue evaluating the demands on an individual basis; and recommending that this report be received for information.

33. REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES.

City Clerk
(October 31, 2001)

Advising that the Toronto Pedestrian Committee at its meeting held on October 31, 2001, proposed that the Works Committee recommend to the Budget Advisory Committee that volunteer members of the Toronto Pedestrian Committee, and other advisory committees of Council, be reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses incurred in conducting committee business.

WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES

34. INCREASED SECURITY AT TORONTO WATER FACILITIES AND IMPACT ON THE FILM INDUSTRY.

Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism
and Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
 (November 1, 2001)

Respecting enhanced security at Water and Wastewater facilities since September 11, 2001, and the impact this has on the film industry in Toronto, as requested by Council on October 2, 3 and 4, 2001; and recommending that:

- (1) a sub-committee of the Film Liaison Industry Committee (FLIC) meet with City staff and industry participants to discuss what accommodations can be made for future filming at Water and Wastewater facilities; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

35. INSTALLATION OF WATER AND SEWER SERVICES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN ETOBICOKE DISTRICT – CONTRACT No. EB9901WS, TENDER CALL No. 149-1998 (Etobicoke North, Etobicoke Centre, Etobicoke-Lakeshore)

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services,
 Acting Chief Administrative Officer and
Acting Chief Financial Officer
 (October 25, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) Contract No. EB9901WS, Tender Call No. 149-1998, with Co-X-Co Construction Limited, for the installation of water and sewer services at various locations in the Etobicoke District be extended, at the unit rates originally tendered, for one year from January 1, 2002, to December 31, 2002, in the total estimated amount of \$1,200,000.00 including all taxes; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take necessary actions to give effect thereto.

36. INSTALLATION OF WATER AND SEWER SERVICES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS (WEST OF BATHURST STREET) IN DISTRICT 3 – CONTRACT No. 01D3-300WS, TENDER CALL No. 275-2000. (York West, York Centre, York South-Weston, Eglinton-Lawrence)

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services,
Acting Chief Administrative Officer and
Acting Chief Financial Officer
(October 25, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) Contract No. 01D3-300WS, Tender Call No. 275-2000, with OJCR Construction Ltd., for the installation of water and sewer services at various locations (west of Bathurst Street) in District 3 be extended, at the unit rates originally tendered, for one year from January 1, 2002, to December 31, 2002, in the total estimated amount of \$1,300,000.00 including all taxes; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take necessary actions to give effect thereto.

37. INSTALLATION OF WATER AND SEWER SERVICES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN DISTRICT 4 – CONTRACT No. 01D4-300WS, TENDER CALL No. 276-2000. (Scarborough Southwest, Scarborough Centre, Scarborough Agincourt, Scarborough Rouge River, Scarborough East)

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services,
Acting Chief Administrative Officer and
Acting Chief Financial Officer
(October 25, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) Contract No. 01D4-300WS, Tender Call No. 276-2000, with Wardet Ltd., for the installation of water and sewer services at various locations in District 4 be extended, at the unit rates originally tendered, for one year from January 1, 2002, to December 31, 2002, in the total estimated amount of \$1,500,000.00 including all taxes; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take necessary actions to give effect thereto.

38. INSTALLATION OF WATER AND SEWER SERVICES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS (EAST OF BATHURST STREET) IN DISTRICT 3 – CONTRACT No. 01D3-301WS, TENDER CALL No. 277-2000. (York Centre, Willowdale, Don Valley West, Don Valley East)

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services,
Acting Chief Administrative Officer and
Acting Chief Financial Officer
(October 25, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) Contract No. 01D3-301WS, Tender Call No. 277-2000, with OJCR Construction Ltd., for the installation of water and sewer services at various locations (west of Bathurst Street) in District 3 be extended, at the unit rates originally tendered, for one year from January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2002, in the total estimated amount of \$1,300,000.00 including all taxes; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take necessary actions to give effect thereto.

TECHNICAL SERVICES

39. IMPLEMENTATION OF CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR THE PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF THE WEST NILE VIRUS.

Medical Officer of Health,
Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism
and Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 31, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) subject to the receipt of full provincial funding, City Council endorse, in principle, the implementation of the Contingency Plan for the Prevention and Control of the West Nile Virus as outlined in Option (a);
- (2) City Council request the Premier of Ontario, the Provincial Minister of Health and Long-term Care, and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to fully fund the implementation of the Contingency Plan for the Prevention and Control of the West Nile Virus as outlined in Option (a) for a total estimated cost of \$1,634,000 in 2002;

- (3) in the event that full provincial funding is not approved, City Council endorse, in principle, Option (b);
- (4) City Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to approve contingency expenditures for mosquito control, on the recommendation of the Medical Officer of Health;
- (5) the Board of Health, Economic Development and Parks Committee, and Works Committee refer this report for consideration in the 2002 Operating Budget process; and
- (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

40. CONSTRUCTION OF WATER MAIN ON WARDEN AVENUE FROM DANFORTH AVENUE TO NORTH OF ST. CLAIR AVENUE – CONTRACT No. 01FS-37WS, TENDER CALL No. 232-2001. (Ward 35 – Scarborough-Southwest)

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services,
Acting Chief Administrative Officer and
Acting Chief Financial Officer
(October 24, 2001)

Recommending that Contract No. 01FS-37WS, Tender Call No. 232-2001, for the construction of a 750 mm water main on Warden Avenue from Danforth Avenue to 300 m north of St. Clair Avenue, be awarded to Clearway Construction Inc. at a total lump sum price of \$4,671,000.00, including all taxes and charges, being the lowest Tender received.

41. RECONSTRUCTION OF PAVEMENTS, SIDEWALKS AND CURBS ON DAVENPORT ROAD - CONTRACT No. 01D1-20RD, TENDER CALL No. 248-2001. (Ward 17 – Davenport, Ward 21 – St. Paul's)

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and
Acting Chief Administrative Officer and
Acting Chief Financial Officer
(October 17, 2001)

Recommending that Contract No. 01D1-20RD, Tender Call No. 248-2001, for the reconstruction of pavements, sidewalks and curbs on Davenport Road from Lansdowne Avenue to Dufferin Street and from Salem Avenue North to Rains Avenue, be awarded to Warren Bitulithic Limited, in the amount of \$3,319,003.53, including all taxes and charges, being the lowest Tender received.

**42. MONTHLY STATUS REPORT ON DISTRICT 1
DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS**

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(October 31, 2001)

Providing a monthly status report on the Department's progress relative to the development application backlog, and the volume of development applications received and processed in District 1, as requested by the Committee at its meeting on March 28, 2001; and recommending that this report be received for information.