

Clause embodied in Report No. 14 of the Policy and Finance Committee, as adopted by the Council of the City of Toronto at its meeting held on November 6, 7 and 8, 2001.

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**World Youth 2002 Legacy Project  
(Ward 19 - Trinity Spadina)**

*(City Council on November 6, 7 and 8, 2001, adopted this Clause, without amendment.)*

**The Policy and Finance Committee recommends the adoption of the Recommendation of the Economic Development and Parks Committee embodied in the following communication (October 23, 2001) from the City Clerk:**

Recommendation:

The Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the approval of the concept and budget for the “Inukshuk” as the World Youth Day 2002 Legacy Project, as requested by the Budget Advisory Committee, and embodied in the report (October 22, 2001) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; and further advised the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the requirements are expected to be \$200,000.00 Gross, \$50,000.00 Net, in the pre-approved Capital Budget.

Background:

The Economic Development and Parks Committee at its meeting held on October 22, 2001, had before it a report (October 22, 2001) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism reporting, as requested by the Budget Advisory Committee at its meeting held on October 18, 2001, providing information on the scope and budget for the Legacy Project (“Inukshuk”) proposed to commemorate World Youth Day 2002.

Councillor Joe Pantalone, Ward 20 Trinity Niagara, appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

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(Report dated October 22, 2001, addressed to the Economic Development and Parks Committee from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism)

Purpose:

To report as requested, by Budget Advisory Committee October 18, 2001 meeting, to provide information on the scope and budget for the Legacy Project proposed to commemorate World Youth Day 2002.

Financial Implications and Impact Statement:

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

Background:

The Budget Advisory Committee at its meeting of October 18, 2001, requested that staff report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on the Inukshuk project's scope and budget and requested that the Committee review this project in detail. Based on the current design parameters, the estimated costs of the proposed project including design, site preparation, engineering and construction is \$200,000.00. The request for \$50,000.00 contained in the pre-approved Economic Development, Culture and Tourism 2002 Capital Budget submission, is necessary to finalize design specifications and to complete site preparations before winter.

It is anticipated that the balance of funds required for this project will be secured through a corporate sponsorship and fundraising campaign, led by the local Councillor. There are no further costs anticipated with this project, as minimal annual maintenance requirements would fall within the Parks and Recreation existing operating budget.

Comments:

As an unparalleled event in the City's history, World Youth Day 2002 will enhance the City's stature as an international tourist destination, and will provide numerous social and economic benefits to communities, residents and local businesses. It was on this basis that a legacy project, to recognize the importance and significance of World Youth Day, was explored.

The criteria established to guide the development of a legacy project called for thematic links to World Youth Day 2002, while appealing to all faiths and cultural groups. The project would utilize natural materials, be highly visible, and be located within a natural environment. Preliminary investigations identified the "Inukshuk" as an appropriate concept to pursue. The Inukshuk, in its most rudimentary form, is a monument made of rock slabs, in the shape of a human figure. It is a legendary guide, pointing the way to safe passage on both land and water.

The Inukshuk is also an international symbol of the importance of friendship, and reminds us of our dependence on one another.

Battery Park(Ward 19) is an appropriate location for the proposed structure, as it is currently under restoration, and is visible from Lake Ontario, the Martin Goodman Trail and Lakeshore Blvd.

To ensure the legacy project is built in advance of World Youth Day, consultation with appropriate Inuit representatives is planned to expedite the design, and to establish the technical specifications. Once the design is finalized, the project can move forward quickly, and significant cost savings are possible if the mound and base platform are installed before winter.

The overall cost of the project is estimated at \$200,000. An estimated \$50,000 is required to proceed with design, engineering, and site development plans.

Conclusions:

This report describes the rationale, scope and budget for developing an Inukshuk as a World Youth Day 2002 Legacy Project.

(A copy of Attachment No. 1, entitled “Conceptual Drawing of the Inukshuk”, was forwarded to all Members of Council with the October 22, 2001 agenda of the Economic Development and Parks Committee, and a copy thereof is on file in the office of the City Clerk.)