

THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk's Division

Minutes of the Works Committee

Meeting No. 4

Wednesday, February 21 and 28, 2001

A special meeting of the Works Committee was held on Wednesday, February 21, 2001, commencing at 9:35 a.m., and Wednesday, February 28, 2001, commencing at 10:40 a.m., in Committee Room 1, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto.

Members Present:

	<u>February 21, 2001</u>		<u>February 28, 2001</u>	
	9:35 a.m. - 12:35 p.m.	2:05 p.m. - 6:10 p.m.	10:40 a.m. - 12:40 p.m.	2:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
Councillor Betty Disero, Chair	x	x	x	x
Councillor Jane Pitfield, Vice-Chair	x	x	x	x
Councillor Bas Balkisson	x	x	x	x
Councillor Frank Di Giorgio	x	x	x	x
Councillor Irene Jones	x	x	x	x
Councillor Jack Layton	x	x	x	x
Councillor Gloria Lindsay Luby	x	x	-	x

Regrets:

Councillor Peter Li Preti

Also Present:

Councillor John Filion
Councillor Douglas Holyday
Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski
Councillor Kyle Rae

Members were present for some or all of the time period indicated.

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**4.1 Works and Emergency Services
2001-2005 Capital Budget and
2001 Operating Budget.**

The Works Committee had before it a communication (February 7, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Works Committee at its meeting on February 7, 2001:

- (1) received presentations from the Chief Administrative Officer, the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and relevant staff providing an overview of the 2001-2005 Capital Budget and 2001 Operating Budget for the following:

Works and Emergency Services Department:

- Solid Waste Management Services;
- Transportation Services;
- Technical Services; and
- Support Services;

- (2) deferred consideration of the aforementioned budgets until the special meeting of the Works Committee scheduled to be held on February 21, 2001;

further advising that the Committee also had before it the following communications:

- (i) (January 29, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Toronto Pedestrian Committee, at its meeting held on January 24, 2001, recommended that the Works Committee direct staff to:
 - (1) establish in the 2001 and future Transportation Services Capital Budgets a program for completing the sidewalk network on existing streets that are TTC routes; and
 - (2) determine the dollar figure and time frame to complete the sidewalk network on existing streets that are TTC routes during deliberations of the Capital Budget for the years 2001 to 2005;
- (ii) (January 29, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Toronto Pedestrian Committee, at its meeting held on January 24, 2001, recommended that the Works Committee endorse the request for a "full-time dedicated staff position and resources from Urban Development Services, in addition to resources from Transportation Services, to support the proper functioning and higher profile activities of the Toronto Pedestrian Committee";

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- (iii) (January 29, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Toronto Pedestrian Committee, at its meeting held on January 24, 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;
- (iv) (February 1, 2001) from Ms. Jessica Mendes, Project Coordinator, Junction Gardens BIA, requesting support for the funding to complete the sidewalk reconstruction project from Quebec Street to Runnymede Road;
- (v) (February 2, 2001) from Ms. Ann Dembinski, President, CUPE Local 79, expressing concern with respect to the lack of budget information; and requesting the opportunity to appear before the Committee at its meeting on February 21, 2001; and
- (vi) (undated) from Councillor Jack Layton, Ward 30 – Broadview-Greenwood, respecting Solid Waste Management budget issues;

and also advising that the following persons appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Mr. George S. Belza, Edithvale/Yonge Community Association, and submitted a copy of Clause No. 51 of Report No. 10 of The North York Community Council with respect to additional funding for the acquisition of properties required for the construction of the Service Road from Finch Avenue West to Kempford Boulevard;
- Ms. Rhona Swarbrick, Co-Chair, Toronto Pedestrian Committee;
- Mr. Henry Calderon, Project Director, West Toronto Junction; Ms. Vera Bobson; and Mr. Thomas Flannery, and submitted material with respect to the Junction Economic Revitalization and the completion of the sidewalk reconstruction from Quebec Street to Runnymede Road;
- Mr. Gord Perks, Toronto Environmental Alliance, and submitted material with respect to fees for garbage by the bag;
- Councillor David Shiner, Chair, Budget Advisory Committee; and
- Councillor Joe Pantalone, Ward 19 – Trinity-Spadina.

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The following gave further presentations to the Committee on the 2001-2005 Capital Budget and 2001 Operating Budget for the aforementioned divisions of the Works and Emergency Services Department, and submitted copies of their presentations:

- Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer;
- Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services;
- General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services;
- General Manager, Transportation Services;
- Executive Director, Technical Services; and
- Director, Support Services.

The Committee also had before it the following reports and material:

- (i) (February 9, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services responding to a request from the Committee to consider issues raised regarding seniors' sidewalk snow clearing, namely the time frame for the City to clear public sidewalks under free snow clearing programs, and whether such services should be provided by the City on the private walkways to their homes; and recommending that the report be received for information;
- (ii) (February 20, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services responding to the issues raised by Works Committee members during the budget presentations made at the February 7, 2001 meeting of the Committee with respect to the Transportation Services 2001 Operating Budget;
- (iii) (February 20, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services responding to issues and requests identified during the preliminary review of the Solid Waste Management Services 2001 Operating Budget submission by the Works Committee;
- (iv) (February 21, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services providing additional information with respect to the 2001 Operating Budget for the Technical Services and Support Divisions as requested by the Committee in conjunction with the Works and Emergency Services budget presentation on February 7, 2001;

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- (v) (February 26, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting reductions to the 2001 Operating Budget of the Transportation Services Division, as requested by the Committee on February 21, 2001; and
- (vi) Works and Emergency Services 2001 Operating Budget – Reconciliation of 2001 Recommended Budget for Solid Waste Management Services, Transportation Services, Technical Services and Support Services.

The Committee also had before it the following additional communications:

- (i) (January 31, 2001) from Councillor Ron Moeser, Ward 44 – Scarborough East, requesting the Committee to give consideration to suggestions for garbage collection every two weeks from September 1 to May 30, and every week from June 1 to July 31; and that neighbours put the garbage in one location collectively;
- (ii) (February 15, 2001) from Councillor David Shiner, Chair, Budget Advisory Committee, requesting the Committee to report to the Budget Advisory Committee on a budget with no increase over last year, and to prioritize reductions of 5 percent below and increases of 5 percent above the 2000 budget;
- (iii) February 20, 2001) from Mr. Paul Ioannidis, Administrator, Greektown on the Danforth Business Improvement Area, in protest of the City's proposal to cut garbage collection for the commercial sector, and forwarding a petition from 49 persons in opposition to the proposal;
- (iv) (February 21, 2001) from Councillor Jack Layton, Ward 30 – Toronto-Danforth, recommending that staff report to the next Works Committee that will consider the Capital and Operating Budget on the total costs involved in immediately expanding the Dufferin Organic Processing Facility to full capacity (150,000 tonnes) to handle source separated organics, and that this report be written in consultation with any interested Councillors;
- (v) (February 21, 2001) from Councillor John Fillion, Ward 23 – Willowdale, recommending that:
 - (1) the Transportation Services Division be requested to report to the Budget Advisory Committee on Clause No. 51 of Report No. 10 of The North York Community Council, referred to the Budget Advisory Committee by City Council for consideration with the Transportation Services budget, in conjunction with the forthcoming funding report on that item requested of the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer by the Budget Advisory Committee on February 9, 2001; and

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- (2) this report include an expected time-line for completion of the Service Road, the Capital Budget implications, and the relationship between the timing of land acquisition and the City's ability to recover its costs through the sale of density from the acquired land;
- (vi) (undated) from Councillor Gloria Lindsay Luby, Ward 4 – Etobicoke Centre, respecting the inconsistencies in snow clearing and windrow removal, and requesting a thorough evaluation of the 2000/2001 snow clearing program;
- (vii) (February 21, 2001) from Ms. Rhona Swarbrick, Chair, Toronto Pedestrian Committee, providing recommendations with respect to the Pedestrian Committee's goals for the 2001-2005 Capital Budget and 2001 Operating Budget;
- (viii) (February 21, 2001) from Mr. Blair McArthur, President, Ontario Waste Management Association, respecting potential budget/costs savings to the City through the contracting of waste collection and other waste management services to the private sector;
- (ix) (February 21, 2001) from Mr. Daniel Clairet, Daniel et Daniel Catering and Special Events, urging the City to continue to provide waste collection service for small commercial businesses;
- (x) (February 21, 2001) Ms. Ann Dembinski, President, Canadian Union of Public Employees – Local 79, with respect to the 2001 Operating Budget, and urging Councillors to reinvest in the City's programs and services, instead of recommending cuts to deal with the financial pressures facing the City; and
- (xi) (February 27, 2001) from Mr. Bill Guthrie, Vice President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union – CUPE Local 416, forwarding a copy of the submission made to the Committee on February 21, 2001, with respect to the 2001 budget.

The following persons appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Ms. Rhona Swarbrick, Chair, Toronto Pedestrian Committee, and submitted a communication with respect thereto;
- Mr. Rob Cook, Executive Director, Ontario Waste Management Association, and submitted a communication with respect thereto;
- Mr. Carl J. Lorusso, Vice-President, Wasteco;

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- Mr. Steve Trimm, representing Mr. Denis Goulet, Divisional Vice-President, Canadian Waste Services Inc.;
- Mr. Chris Trahiotis, owner, Ouzeri Restaurant, Danforth Avenue, and Vice-Chair, Greektown on the Danforth BIA, and submitted a communication and petition with respect thereto;
- Mr. Anastasios Angelopoulos, Omonia Restaurant, Danforth Avenue, and Member of Greektown on the Danforth BIA;
- Ms. Lois Corbett, Toronto Environmental Alliance;
- Mr. Stephen Chan, representing the Ontario Chinese Restaurant and Food Services Association;
- Mr. Ken Amoroso, Membership Secretary, and Ms. Anne Dubas, Past President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union – CUPE Local 79, and submitted a communication with respect thereto;
- Mr. Tony Louie; and
- Mr. Bill Guthrie, Vice-President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union – CUPE Local 416, and submitted a communication with respect thereto.

The following Councillors appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Councillor John Filion, Ward 23 – Willowdale;
- Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, Ward 14 – Parkdale-High Park; and
- Councillor Kyle Rae, Ward 27 – Toronto Centre-Rosedale.

2001-2005 Capital Budget:

The Committee reviewed the 2001-2005 Capital Budget for the following programs of the Works and Emergency Services Department, and took the following action with respect thereto:

I. Solid Waste Management Services:

Councillor Layton moved that the 2001-2005 Capital Program for Solid Waste Management Services be amended by increasing the project cost by \$25.0 million for the expansion of the Dufferin diversion facility, with an increase in recommended cash flow of \$12.5 million in 2001 and \$12.5 million in 2002, pending the outcome of the Waste Diversion 2010 Task Force's discussions with respect to diversion initiatives. **(Lost)**

Councillor Balkissoon moved that the 2001-2005 Capital Program for Solid Waste Management Services be amended by increasing the project cost by \$25.0 million for the expansion of the Dufferin diversion facility, with an increase in recommended cash flow of \$5.0 million in 2001 and \$20.0 million in 2002, pending the outcome of the Waste Diversion 2010 Task Force's discussions with respect to diversion initiatives. **(Carried)**

The Committee therefore recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee the adoption of the recommended 2001-2005 Capital Program for Solid Waste Management Services, subject to increasing the project cost by \$25.0 million for the expansion of the Dufferin diversion facility, with an increase in recommended cash flow of \$5.0 million in 2001 and \$20.0 million in 2002, pending the outcome of the Waste Diversion 2010 Task Force's discussions with respect to diversion initiatives.

II. Transportation Services:

The Committee:

- (1) recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee the adoption of the recommended 2001-2005 Capital Program for Transportation Services, subject to:
 - (i) deferring the amount of \$260,000.00 for the proposed Local Road Reconstruction on Wellesley Street East, from Yonge Street to Jarvis Street, Ward 27, until 2002;

(Motion by Councillor Jones, on behalf of Councillor Rae)

- (2) requested that the Budget Advisory Committee review with the Ward Councillors the phasing in of the Dufferin Jog Elimination costs over a number of years rather than completing the work in 2001;

(Motion by Councillor Jones)

- (3) identified to the Budget Advisory Committee that the Economic Development and Parks Committee has not recommended the BIA portion of funding for the Yonge Street sidewalk upgrade project, and, given the high priority of sidewalk reconstruction at the same location provided for in the Transportation Services Capital Budget, the Works Committee requested that the Budget Advisory Committee give consideration to ensuring that the necessary funding is in the budget for the projects to be co-ordinated;

(Motion by Councillor Disero, on behalf of Councillor Rae)

- (4) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to submit a report to the Budget Advisory Committee outlining a time completion schedule for the North Yonge Centre Plan Service Road;

(Motion by Councillor Di Giorgio, on behalf of Councillor Filion)

- (5) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to forward to all Members of Council the recommended projects for their respective wards for review;
- (6) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to prepare a Memorandum with the Province of Ontario with respect to the shortfall in funding for the Gardiner Expressway rehabilitation, for discussion at the Works Committee at its meeting scheduled to be held on May 9, 2001;

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- (7) requested that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services meet with officials of Toronto Hydro, including the Vice-Chair, with respect to the street lighting portions of the 2001 Capital and Operating budget with a view to reducing expenditures; and
- (8) requested that a special discussion be held with the Works Committee and the Toronto Cycling Committee before the next budget process on the cycling infrastructure capital requirements in the context of the emerging master plan.

(Motions (5) to (8) by Councillor Layton)

III. WES Departmental Requirements:

Councillor Layton moved that the 2001 cash flow of \$150,000.00 for the Corporate Identify Program be deferred for one year. **(Carried, as amended)**

Councillor Jones moved that the foregoing motion by Councillor Layton be amended to provide that the amount of \$150,000.00 be phased in over three years. **(Carried)**

The Committee therefore recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee the adoption of the recommended 2001-2005 Capital Program for WES Departmental Requirements, subject to deferring the 2001 cash flow of \$150,000.00 for the Corporate Identity Program to 2002, 2003 and 2004 at \$50,000.00 per year.

(Budget Advisory Committee; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, Toronto Cycling Committee; Toronto Pedestrian Committee; All Interested Parties; c: General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services; General Manger, Transportation Services; Executive Director, Technical Services; Director, Support Services; Mr. Carmine Bruno, Budget Division, Finance Department – February 28, 2001)

2001 Operating Budget:

The Committee reviewed the 2001 Operating Budget for the following divisions in the Works and Emergency Services Department, together with itemized listings by staff of proposed reductions to the recommended budget, and took the following action with respect thereto:

I. Solid Waste Management Services:

The Committee:

- (1) recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee the adoption of the recommended 2001 Operating Budget for Solid Waste Management Services, subject to the following reductions:

	<u>Gross</u>	<u>Net</u>
	(\$000's)	(\$000's)
(i) Defer 2000 Waste Management Reserve Contribution until 2001		(850.0)
(ii) Transfer of leaf collection from Transportation	85.0	85.0
(iii) Increase Gapping Allowance to 2%	(619.0)	(619.0)
(iv) Eliminate summer twice-per-week waste collection	(2,706.4)	(2,706.4)
(v) Do not provide free multi-bin composters to schools or day cares	(1,279.9)	(1,279.9)
(vi) Do not provide free composters on Environment Days	(500.0)	(500.0)
(vii) Do not transfer restaurant tonnage to Newmarket	(5,341.2)	(5,341.2)
(viii) Do not distribute free Kraft Bags nor educate residents who set out bags improperly	(400.0)	(400.0)

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(ix)	Develop interdepartmental charges to ABCs for waste services	(585.0)	
(x)	Reduce number of pilot projects under 3Rs Plan	(500.0)	(500.0)
(xi)	Do not provide for Diversion Symposium	(50.0)	(50.0)
(xii)	Undertake 44 Environment Days at 2000 budget level	(367.2)	(367.2)
(xiii)	Reduction for Support Services Operating Charges	(2,149.1)	(2,149.1)
(xiv)	Increase to Technical Services Operating Charges	910.6	910.6
(xv)	Do not implement summer once-per-week yard waste collection	(433.5)	(433.5)
(xvi)	Do not implement weekly recycling in District 3, effective June 1, 2001	(285.2)	(285.2)
(xvii)	Do not implement weekly recycling in East York effective June 1, 2001	(356.0)	(356.0)
(xviii)	Do not add two new By-law Officers and one new Supervisor for after hour enforcement	(133.3)	(133.3)
(xix)	Do not provide for a new Project Manager	(95.9)	(95.9)
(xx)	Do not add one Data Systems Analyst to Head Office Weighscale Function	(52.8)	(52.8)
(xxi)	Increase revenue at Keele Valley	(1,300.0)	
(xxii)	Implement White Goods user fee	(126.0)	
(xxiii)	Further reduce business and conference related expenditures	(60.0)	(60.0)

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(xxiv) Reduce reimbursement of membership fees to the 2000 actual level	(4.9)	(4.9)
(xxv) Reduce training and development	(19.2)	(19.2)
(xxvi) Reduce funding requested for office renovation	(55.0)	(55.0)
(xxvii) Reduce funding related to Payment in Lieu of Taxes related to the former Beare Road Landfill	(156.4)	(156.4)
(xxviii) Additional gapping	(109.3)	(109.3)

(2) submitted to the Budget Advisory Committee without recommendation the following proposed reduction, with a request that the Committee pursue a more comprehensive approach when dealing with the School Boards, including the feasibility of an exchange of services that would be beneficial to both the City and the Boards:

(i) Implement user fee for School Boards (effective September 1, 2001)	(162.5)
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(Motion by Councillor Disero)

(3) reported to the Budget Advisory Committee having:

(a) deferred consideration of the following proposed reduction to its next meeting, scheduled to be held on March 28, 2001:

(i) Delete waste and recycling pick-up at commercial locations effective May 1, 2001	(3,100.0)(2,103.0)
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(b) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to report to the next meeting on a cost recovery program, recognizing that the night-time

collection of commercial waste is an essential service and should continue to be provided and that it be revenue neutral to the City; and

(Motions (3)(a) and (b) by Councillor Disero)

- (c) requested staff to report further to the Works Committee on providing a Tuesday and Friday pick-up service on Lakeshore Boulevard West/The Queensway and Bloor Street commercial areas in Etobicoke, thereby reducing the number of pick-ups to twice per week only;

(Motion by Councillor Jones)

- (4) recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that the tipping fee for commercial waste at the Keele Valley Landfill Site be increased by \$10.00 from \$55.00 to \$65.00 per tonne, and the fee for commercial waste at transfer stations be increased by \$10.00 from \$65.00 to \$75.00 per tonne;

(Motion by Councillor Layton)

and requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to:

- (a) report to the next meeting of the Works Committee on a potential phase-in of the recommended increase in tipping fees; and

(Motion by Councillor Disero)

- (b) report in time for the next budget process on the actual dollar impact of the recommended increase in tipping fees;

(Motion by Councillor Lindsay Luby)

- (5) recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that waste diversion initiatives be given high priority during the budget discussions in the event that additional funding is available;

(Motion by Councillor Disero)

- (6) recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that surplus garbage packers be sold to offset contributions to the cost of vehicle equipment and replacement;

(Motion by Councillor Disero)

- (7) referred the matter of the provision of free multi-bin composters to schools or day cares to the Waste Diversion 2010 Task Force for consideration; and

(Motion by Councillor Layton)

- (8) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to submit a report to the next meeting of the Works Committee on the allocation for increased contributions to Vehicle and Equipment.

(Motion by Councillor Balkissoon)

Respecting Item No. (1)(i) above:

Councillor Balkissoon moved that the proposed reduction of \$850,000 (net) to defer the 2000 Waste Management Reserve Contribution until 2001 be deleted. **(Lost)**

Respecting Item No. (1)(vii) above:

Councillor Jones moved that the proposed reduction of \$5,341,200 for the transfer of restaurant tonnage to Newmarket be amended by recommending to the Budget Advisory Committee a reduction of \$4,000,000 and that \$1,341,200 be retained for a reserve for organic diversion. **(Lost)**

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Councillor Layton moved that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to report back to the Committee on a program design based on that expenditure, to be implemented later in the year. **(Redundant)**

Councillor Pitfield moved that the proposed reduction of \$5,341,200 for the transfer of restaurant tonnage to Newmarket be recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee. **(Carried)**

II. Transportation Services:

The Committee:

- (1) recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee the recommended 2001 Operating Budget for Transportation Services, subject to the following reductions:

	<u>Gross</u>	<u>Net</u>
	(\$000's)	(\$000's)
(i) Transportation Services Division undertaking to reassign existing contracts for snow clearing on sidewalks on local roads in the former City of North York to arterial and collector roads in the former City of Etobicoke for the balance of their term (i.e., April 2003), and contracts not being prepared for the ramp-up of sidewalk snow clearing on local roads at this time	(1,200.0)	(1,200.0)
(ii) Reduction in Business and Conference Travel	(54.5)	(54.5)
(iii) Reduction in Training and Staff Development	(145.5)	(145.5)

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(iv)	Budget reduction in railway protection	(19.5)	(19.5)
(v)	Reduce payment to TAF	(400.0)	(400.0)
(vi)	Phase in of the winter maintenance increase	(950.0)	(950.0)
(vii)	Reduce increase in bus stop snow clearing	(60.0)	(60.0)
(viii)	Reduce mobile communication equipment	(200.4)	(200.4)
(ix)	Eliminate special leaf collection	(200.0)	(200.0)
(x)	Reduce use of salt	(300.0)	(300.0)
(xi)	Reduce support and technical services	(56.0)	(56.0)
(xii)	Defer in-house standby and call-in policy	(613.1)	(613.1)
(xiii)	Defer traffic island planting	(60.0)	(60.0)
(xiv)	Defer stage 2 of the traffic safety bureau	(105.0)	(105.0)
(xv)	Delay filling new vacancies	(789.0)	(789.0)
(xvi)	Reduce hired equipment	(200.0)	(200.0)
(xvii)	Defer filling 30 most critical vacancies	(1,797.5)	(1,797.5)
(xviii)	Reduce increase in grass cuttings (8 to 6)	(785.0)	(785.0)
(xix)	Eliminate manual cleaning around parked cars	(1,000.0)	(1,000.0)

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(xx)	Eliminate funds for 2002 Papal visit planning	(100.0)	(100.0)
(xxi)	Eliminate funds for 2008 Olympics planning	(100.0)	(100.0)
(xxii)	Reduce signal upgrades	(75.0)	(75.0)
(xxiii)	Reduce summer contracted maintenance	(4,096.8)	(4,096.8)

- (2) advised the Budget Advisory Committee of the Committee's concerns with respect to reductions in summer contracted maintenance, the impact on the City's infrastructure and the increased costs in future years;

(Motion by Councillor Balkissoon)

and requested staff to meet with Local 416 to discuss ways to improve road maintenance within the current budget;

(Motion by Councillor Layton)

- (3) recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that Urban Development Services be requested to impose an additional fee for licences of fast-food businesses and convenience stores for a revenue increase of \$727,000.00, to be shown as an interdepartmental recovery to cover the additional cost of extra manual litter pickers; and that the interdepartmental charge be reflected in the Urban Development Services 2001 Operating Budget;

(Motion by Councillor Disero)

- (4) reported to the Budget Advisory Committee having deferred consideration of the following proposed reductions until its next meeting, scheduled to be held on March 28, 2001:

(i)	Reduce the increase in grass cutting costs	1,235.0	1,235.0
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(Motion by Councillor Balkissoon)

and requested that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, in conjunction with the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, report back to such meeting with respect to the impact of reducing the increase in grass cutting costs, and on areas that have been naturalized; and

(Motion by Councillor Balkissoon, as amended by Councillor Jones)

- (ii) Reduce increase in street lighting maintenance 150.0 150.0

and requested that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services meet with officials of Toronto Hydro, including the Vice-Chair, with respect to the street lighting portions of the 2001 Capital and Operating Budgets with a view to reducing expenditures;

(Motion by Councillor Jones)

- (5) recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that the related costs for the 2002 Papal visit planning and 2008 Olympics planning be assumed by the appropriate agencies;

(Motion by Councillor Jones)

- (6) recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that annual permit parking fees and front yard parking fees be increased by \$3.00 per annum, with annual increments appropriate to inflation and relevant costs, for a revenue increase of \$225,000.00; and that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services report back to the Works Committee with a before-and-after analysis;

(Motion by Councillor Layton)

- (7) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to investigate means of providing a more harmonized approach to the in-house standby and call-in policy within the current budget, in the context of corporate policy;

(Motion by Councillor Layton)

- (8) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to report back to the Works Committee at its next meeting on March 28, 2001, on the impact on by-law enforcement of deferring the filling of the 30 most critical vacancies;

(Motion by Councillor Jones)

- (9) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to submit a report to a future meeting of the Works Committee on the 150 vacancies identified, and how long such positions have been vacant;

(Motion by Councillor Balkissoon)

- (10) requested the City Auditor to report back to the Works Committee on the adequacy of financial reporting in the snow removal budget;

(Motion by Councillor Pitfield)

- (11) referred the issue of the safety of bicycle lanes on McCowan Avenue to the Toronto Cycling Committee; and

(Motion by Councillor Balkissoon)

- (12) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to provide a response to Councillor Pitfield with respect to the differences in budget allocations for Roadway Services and Pedestrian Services.

(Motion by Councillor Pitfield)

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Councillor Balkissoon moved that the proposed reduction of \$150,000 for the reduction of signal upgrades be amended to \$75,000. **(Carried – Refer to Item No. (1)(xxii) above)**

Councillor Layton moved that the proposed reduction of \$160,000 for the reduction of pavement markings be deleted, and that such funds remain in the budget. **(Carried)**

III. Technical Services:

The Committee:

- (1) recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee the adoption of the recommended 2001 Operating Budget for Technical Services, subject to the following reductions:

		Net Levy <u>Gross</u> <u>Impact</u> (\$000's) (\$000's)
(i)	Reversal of Support Charges	(3,488.7)(1,517.6)
(ii)	Reduce increases in various units	(958.3) (416.9)
(iii)	Reduce Capital Support Request	(1,277.7) 0.0
(iv)	Replace Capital Recovery Revenue lost in (iii)	0.0 (321.4)
(v)	Staffing for TIADs Database Administration/Environmental Technician	(202.0) (118.4)
(vi)	Change in Interdivisional Recovery Formula	(-1,657.4)
(vii)	Materials and Supplies	(200.0) (87.0)

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| (viii) | Equipment | (262.6) | (114.2) |
| (ix) | Services and Rents – Various accounts | (186.2) | (81.0) |
| (x) | Services and Rents – Training | (152.8) | (66.5) |
| (xi) | Services and Rents – Professional/ Consulting Services | (249.8) | (108.7) |
- (2) reported to the Budget Advisory Committee having deferred consideration of the following proposed reduction until its next meeting, scheduled to be held on March 28, 2001:
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| (i) | Eliminate new Environmental Plan Initiatives | 3,048.2 | 3,048.2 |
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(Motion by Councillor Layton)

and requested that the forthcoming report from the Chief Administrative Officer with respect to the Environmental Plan initiatives be brought back to the Works Committee and the Sustainability Round Table, prior to being submitted to the Budget Advisory Committee; and

(Motion by Councillor Jones)

- (2) reported to the Budget Advisory Committee having deferred consideration of the following proposed reduction until its next meeting, scheduled to be held on March 28, 2001:
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| (ii) | Eliminate Development Review Increase | 562.2 | 244.6 |
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(Motion by Councillor Balkissoon)

and requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, in conjunction with the Commissioner of Urban Development Services, to submit a report to the Works Committee at its next meeting on March 28, 2001, on:

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- (a) options for expediting the development application process and the possibility of the development industry contributing to costs related to planning applications;

(Motion by Councillor Balkissoon)

- (b) the costs charged for services and the ratio for those costs that are recovered; and
- (c) any technical services for which the City could potentially charge a fee.

(Motions (b) and (c) by Councillor Jones)

IV. Support Services:

The Committee recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee the adoption of the recommended 2001 Operating Budget for Support Services, subject to the following reductions:

		Net Levy
	<u>Gross</u>	<u>Impact</u>
	(\$000's)	(\$000's)
(i) Increase Gapping to 2%	(275.2)	(118.7)
(ii) Eliminate Process change staff – alternative delivery	(982.5)	(423.9)
(iii) Reduce Program staff increase	(26.0)	(11.2)
(iv) Annual report	(30.0)	(12.9)
(v) Reduce I.T. overtime, other I.T increases	(436.6)	(188.4)
(vi) Reduce Licensing provision	(1,212.3)	(523.1)
(vii) Reduce Connectivity Charges	(287.7)	(124.1)
(viii) Reduce I.T. Equipment provision	(250.0)	(107.9)

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(ix)	Reduce Radio Maintenance provision	(102.0)	(44.0)
(x)	Reduce positions – 17 FTE’s	(936.1)	0.0
(xi)	Other Changes – (Reversal of 2001 New Recovery Formula)	0.0	(4,778.7)
(xii)	Materials and Supplies	(180.0)	(77.7)
(xiii)	Equipment	(33.8)	(14.6)
(xiv)	Services and Rents	(141.5)	(61.1)
(xv)	Interdepartmental Charges	(900.0)	(388.4)

V. General:

The Committee requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to submit to the Budget Advisory Committee a list of further reductions to achieve 5 percent below the 2000 budget, as requested by Councillor Shiner in his communication dated February 15, 2001, noting that such additional reductions are not part of the recommendations of the Works Committee and would cause serious problems.

(Motion by Councillor Di Giorgio, as amended by Councillor Layton)

(Budget Advisory Committee; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Chief Administrative Officer; City Auditor; Commissioner of Urban Development Services; Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; Waste Diversion 2010 Task Force; Toronto Cycling Committee; Toronto Pedestrian Committee; All Interested Parties; c: General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services; General Manger, Transportation Services; Executive Director, Technical Services; Director, Support Services; Mr. Carmine Bruno, Budget Division, Finance Department – February 28, 2001)

(Clause No. 7(a), Report No. 3)

**4.2 Prince Edward Viaduct – Don Section
Funding Proposal for Safety Barrier.
(Toronto Centre-Rosedale and Toronto-Danforth)**

The Works Committee had before it a communication (January 18, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Policy and Finance Committee, at its meeting held on January 18, 2001, had before it a presentation by Ms. Ellis Kirkland, Chair, Project Steering Committee of the Bloor Viaduct Safety Committee, outlining various projects to raise funds for the installation of a suicide barrier at the Bloor Viaduct, and submitted a proposal by Tribar Industries Incorporated outlining a commitment of funds for this project in the amount of \$3.5 million; and further advising that the Policy and Finance Committee:

- (1) referred the issue of the Bloor Viaduct Barrier to the Works Committee for consideration at its meeting scheduled to be held on February 7, 2001;
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services:
 - (i) to submit a report to the aforementioned meeting of the Works Committee, respecting the safety aspect of the proposal; and
 - (ii) to complete this project in an expeditious manner; and
- (3) conveyed its appreciation to:
 - (a) Ms. Ellis Kirkland for her work and commitment and success in finding a solution to this issue; and
 - (b) staff in the Works and Emergency Services Department especially Mr. Dave Kaufman, General Manager, Transportation Services and Mr. Tom Denes, Executive Director of Technical Services, for their work respecting this project.

The Committee also had before it a report (February 7, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services providing further information with respect to the installation of the safety barrier, as requested by City Council at its meeting held on February 1, 2 and 3, 2000, and concerning the fundraising proposal presented to the Policy and Finance Committee on January 18, 2001; and recommending that:

- (1) this report be received and forwarded to City Council for its meeting on March 6, 2001; and

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- (2) in the event that City Council supports in principle the proposal submitted by Tribar Industries Incorporated for the installation and operation of electronic animation signs on or adjacent to the Don Valley Parkway:
 - (i) that approval be granted to enter into an agreement with Tribar Industries Incorporated with terms and conditions satisfactory to the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the City Solicitor;
 - (ii) that the said agreement define the contribution from Tribar Industries Incorporated as the greater of a guaranteed minimum amount (\$3.5 million) or a percentage of gross revenues, similar to the recently concluded "Transit Shelter" agreement, and include a minimum of six percent time allocation for public service announcements; and
 - (iii) that the sign control by-law, that prohibits the placement of advertising signs within 45 metres of the centreline of controlled access highways, be amended to allow the placement of the proposed signs, or that an exemption from the by-law be granted.

The Committee also had before it a report (February 6, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services addressing traffic safety issues for Don Valley Parkway drivers/travellers that will arise from the proposed installation of electronic animation signs on the Prince Edward Viaduct (Bloor Street bridge), or any alternative location that may be proposed, adjacent to the Don Valley Parkway; and recommending that:

- (1) this report be received and forwarded to City Council for its meeting on March 6, 2001, for information;
- (2) the Chief of Police be requested to submit a report directly to City Council for its meeting on March 6, 2001, addressing any traffic safety concerns the Police Service may have regarding the installation and operation of the proposed signs;
- (3) the City Solicitor be requested to submit a report directly to City Council for its meeting on March 6, 2001, assessing the need for the City of Toronto to be protected from any and all claims that may arise from the installation and operation of the proposed signs; and
- (4) in the event that City Council approves the installation and operation of electronic animation signs on or adjacent to the Don Valley Parkway,

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- (i) approval be granted to enter into an agreement with Tribar Industries Incorporated with terms and conditions satisfactory to the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the City Solicitor;
- (ii) the operational guidelines for these signs and any future signs, as outlined in this report, be adopted as an interim City-wide standard and included in the agreement mentioned in (i); and
- (iii) funds up to a maximum of \$150,000.00 be set aside from Tribar Industries Incorporated's contribution for, firstly, a pre-installation human factors evaluation and secondly, a post-installation evaluation to quantitatively measure the effects on traffic safety of the new signs on the Don Valley Parkway.

The Committee also had before it the following communications:

- (i) (January 16, 2001) from Ms. Vee Ledson, Toronto, Ontario, strongly recommending the completion of the Luminous Veil suicide prevention barrier without further delays;
- (ii) (January 18, 2001) from Mr. Ken Stagg, Toronto, Ontario, forwarding correspondence with respect to concerns about the proposed safety barrier on the Prince Edward Viaduct;
- (iii) (January 23, 2001) from Mr. Ronald G. Barr, Executive Director, Government and Community Relations, Pattison Outdoor Advertising, respecting the proposal by Tribar Industries to erect electronic message signs on the Bloor Street Viaduct; and advising that if the City should recommend this type of proposal for signs on the bridge, the sign project should be tendered by the City;
- (iv) (February 1, 2001) from Superintendent Aidan Maher, No. 52 Division, Toronto Police Service, outlining concerns with respect to the Prince Edward Viaduct, and expressing strong support for the erection of a safety barrier;
- (v) (February 7, 2001) from Ms. Jacqueline Corrigan, Toronto, Ontario, urgently recommending that the Luminous Veil suicide prevention barrier begin construction at once;
- (vi) (Undated) from Mr. Ken Magill, Scarborough, Ontario, expressing concern with respect to the length of time in completing the Prince Edward Viaduct safety barrier;

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- (vii) (February 9, 2001) from A. Stokes, President, Brampton Chapter, Schizophrenia Society of Ontario, strongly recommending the installation of the proposed safety barrier on the Prince Edward Viaduct;
- (viii) (February 12, 2001) from Ms. Laura Bedard, Schizophrenia Society of Ontario, Windsor-Essex Chapter, urging the construction of the safety barrier on the Prince Edward Viaduct;
- (ix) (February 13, 2001) from Mr. James Weber, Chapter President, East York Chapter, Schizophrenia Society of Ontario, expressing strong support for the construction of a suicide barrier along the Prince Edward Viaduct, and submitting a petition from 21 persons;
- (x) (February 6, 2001) from Dr. D. Blake Woodside, Past President, Ontario Psychiatric Association, expressing his personal view and the view of the Association that the expense of the safety barrier is most certainly worth while, given the number of deaths that occur annually at the site, and urging Council to move forward with this project as quickly as possible;
- (xi) (February 21, 2001) from Mr. Richard Renaud, President, Schizophrenia Society of Ontario, reaffirming the Society's support for the construction of the Luminous Veil suicide barrier; and expressing appreciation to the volunteers and professionals who have worked on the project, in particular to Al Birney and Michael McCamus;
- (xii) (February 16, 2001) from Councillor Norm Kelly, Scarborough Agincourt, forwarding a communication (February 21, 2001) from Mrs. Mary Doucette, Toronto, Ontario, urging that the construction of the suicide prevention barrier be constructed by the end of the year, and expressing support for the Luminous Veil project;
- (xiii) (February 20, 2001) from Ms. Tanny Wells, Chair, Task Force to Bring Back the Don, advising that the Task Force requests that the Don Valley be protected from the proposed intrusion of commercial advertising;
- (xiv) (February 21, 2001) from Mr. Dereck Revington, Dereck Revington Studio, urging the Committee to support the proposal for additional funding for the suicide deterrent for the Prince Edward Viaduct;
- (xv) (February 21, 2001) from Dr. Sylvia Geist, Psychologist, Geist Family Centre, urging that the Luminous Veil barrier for the Bloor Viaduct be completed without any further delay;

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- (xvi) (February 20, 2001) from Ms. Gail Littlejohn, Toronto, Ontario, in opposition to the proposal to allow advertising billboards in the Don Valley;
- (xvii) (February 20, 2001) from Ms. Catherine Nasmith, Chair, Toronto Preservation Board, advising of the support of the Preservation Board for the Luminous Veil project;
- (xviii) (February 20, 2001) from Ms. Mary E.E. Boyce, Barrister and Solicitor, in opposition to the placement of billboards in the Don Valley; and
- (xix) (February 12, 2001) from Mr. Dave Meslin, Toronto Public Space Committee, expressing concern with respect to the placement of billboards in the Don Valley, and the lack of public consultation.

The following persons appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Mr. Ronald G. Barr, Executive Director, Government and Community Relations, Pattison Outdoor Advertising;
- Mr. Paul Blackwell, Bridge Safety Systems, and submitted material with respect thereto;
- Mr. Dave Meslin, Toronto Public Space Committee;
- Ms. Tanny Wells, Chair, Task Force to Bring Back the Don;
- Ms. Karen Letofsky, Executive Director, Distress Centre One and Suicide Survivor Support Program, and member of City's Bloor Viaduct Project Steering Committee;
- Mr. Ernie Buchner, Executive Director, Heritage Toronto, and interim member of Bloor Viaduct Project Steering Committee;
- Ms. Catherine Nasmith, Chair, Toronto Preservation Board (Local Architecture Conservancy Advisory Committee/LACAC);
- Ms. Vee Ledson, bereaved partner of Hargurchet Singh Bhabra, award-winning Canadian novelist (deceased June 1, 2000);
- Ms. Jacqueline Corrigan, citizen of Toronto who saved a 20-year old man from a suicide attempt at the Viaduct on September 2, 2000;
- Police Constable Bruce Bennett, 55 Division, Toronto Police Service;

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- Dr. T. Mark Quigg, family physician, emergency room doctor, Collingwood, Ontario, former resident staff of Wellesley Hospital, Toronto;
- Dr. Sylvia Geist, psychologist, Geist Family Centre, Past President of the Schizophrenia Society of Canada and Past Chair of the Canadian Alliance on Mental Illness and Mental Health;
- Mr. Marco Polo, Editor of Canadian Architect;
- Mr. Gary and Mrs. Teresa Kruze, bereaved brother and sister-in-law of Martin Kruze (deceased October 30, 1997);
- Mr. J.A. (Al) Birney, Chairman of the Schizophrenia Society of Ontario Bridge Committee, Past Chair of Bloor Viaduct Project Steering Committee, and Past President of East York Chapter of the Schizophrenia Society of Ontario;
- Mr. Ken Magill, Toronto Fire Department (retired), who attended to several suicides at the Viaduct during his 37-year career;
- Mr. Michael McCamus, Vice-Chair, Bloor Viaduct Project Steering Committee;
- Ms. Ellis Kirkland, Chair, Bloor Viaduct Project Steering Committee, Past President of the Ontario Association of Architects, past co-president of Kirkland Partnership Inc. architectural firm, and the City's Urban Planning and Development representative on the Barrier Design Selection Committee; and
- Mr. John Chiappetta, President, and Mr. Bruce Maschmeyer, General Manager, Tribar Industries Incorporated.

The following Members of Council appeared before the Works Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Councillor Douglas Holyday, Ward 3 – Etobicoke North; and
- Councillor George Mammoliti, Ward 7 – York West.

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The Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the approval of the proposal by Tribar Industries Incorporated for the installation and operation of electronic animation signs on or adjacent to the Don Valley Parkway, subject to the following:
 - (i) approval be contingent upon the placement of the signs as shown in the staff presentation, and that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services prepare and forward to Council for its meeting on March 6, 2001, a rendering and precise location site plan;
 - (ii) an Implementation Committee be established comprised of the Chair of the Works Committee or her designate, Councillor Jack Layton and any other interested Councillors, such Committee to submit periodic reports to the Works Committee as required;
 - (iii) approval be granted to enter into an agreement with Tribar Industries Incorporated with terms and conditions satisfactory to the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Implementation Committee;

(Motions (1)(i) to (iii) by Councillor Layton)

- “(iv) the said agreement define the contribution from Tribar Industries Incorporated as the greater of a guaranteed minimum amount (\$3.5 million) or 27 percent of gross revenues, similar to the recently concluded “Transit Shelter” agreement, and include a minimum of 10 percent time allocation for public service announcements.”

(Motion by Councillor Layton, as amended by Councillor Pitfield)

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- (v) the operational issues listed in the report dated February 6, 2001, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be referred to the Implementation Committee for refining and presentation back to the Works Committee, if necessary, with the exception of the following items (1)(i) and (1)(ii):

“(1)(i) animated video (TV like images) should not be permitted; and

(1)(ii) rapid changing animated graphic displays (more than one change every two seconds) should not be permitted;”

and that the foregoing items (1)(i) and (1)(ii) be deleted at this time from the conditions;

- (vi) the following Recommendation No. (4)(ii) embodied in the report dated February 6, 2001, be referred to the Implementation Committee:

“(ii) the operational guidelines for these signs and any future signs, as outlined in this report, be adopted as an interim City-wide standard and included in the agreement mentioned in Recommendation No. (4)(i)”;

- (vii) the following Recommendation No. (4)(iii) embodied in the report dated February 6, 2001, be deleted:

“(iii) funds up to maximum of \$150,000.00 be set aside from Tribar Industries Incorporated’s contribution for, firstly, a pre-installation human factors evaluation and secondly, a post-installation evaluation to quantitatively measure the effects on traffic safety of the new signs on the Don Valley Parkway”;

(Motions (1)(v) to (viii) by Councillor Layton)

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- (viii) the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be requested to prepare a planning report together with a draft by-law amendment to By-law No. 211-79 of the former Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto, which prohibits and regulates signage on lands within 45 metres of the Don Valley Parkway, in respect of the subject proposal; and
- (ix) the planning report and draft by-law be forwarded to the appropriate Community Council for the holding of a public meeting in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act;

(Motions (1)(viii) and (ix) by Councillor Disero)

- (2) further recommended that the appropriate staff be requested to assist Tribar Industries Incorporated in the preparation and timely submission of any appropriate applications;

(Motion by Councillor Layton)

- (3) further recommended that after 13 years, the City assess the need for continuation of the proposed signs;

(Motion by Councillor Pitfield)

- (4) requested the Chief of Police to submit a report directly to City Council for its meeting on March 6, 2001, addressing any traffic safety concerns the Police Service may have regarding the installation and operation of the proposed signs, and on the Police Service's views regarding the desirability of the suicide prevention proposal;
- (5) requested the City Solicitor to submit a report directly to City Council assessing the need for the City of Toronto to be protected from any and all claims that may arise from the installation and operation of the proposed signs, including appropriate indemnifying recommendations; and

- (6) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the City Solicitor to report directly to City Council on a process that would expedite the approval of the award of tender for the construction of the safety barrier following conclusion of negotiations with Tribar Industries Incorporated.

(Motions (4) to (6) by Councillor Layton)

The foregoing motions by Councillor Layton, as amended by Councillors Disero and Pitfield, were carried unanimously.

The following motion by Councillor Di Giorgio was **ruled out of order**:

“That consideration of the financing of the project be deferred.”

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; City Solicitor; Chair, Toronto Police Services Board; c: Commissioner of Urban Development Services; Executive Director, Technical Services; General Manager, Transportation Services – February 28, 2001)

(Clause No. 1, Report No. 3)

**4.3 Award of Contracts for Tender Call No. 121-2000 -
Collection of Curbside Waste, Bulky Items and Yard Waste,
Litter Waste from Public Waste Receptacles,
and Curbside Recyclable Materials
in District 1, York Community.**

The Works Committee again had before it a joint report (January 24, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) authority be granted to enter into a contract for the collection of curbside waste, bulky items, yard waste and the collection of litter waste from public waste receptacles in District 1, York Community, commencing on or about June 18, 2001, to June 30, 2007, with the option to extend for two additional 12-month periods, with Turtle Island Recycling, being the lowest tender received for these operations combined, based on weekly collection, at a total annual estimated amount of \$1,810,979.28, including all charges and taxes;

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- (2) authority be granted to retender the contract for the curbside collection of recyclable materials, on an hourly basis, in District 1, York Community, and to report back to Council with the new bid prices for this service at a later date; and
- (3) the appropriate officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

The Committee also had before it a joint report (February 19, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) the previous recommendation that authority be granted to retender the contract for the curbside collection of recyclable materials, on an hourly basis, in District 1, York Community, and to report back to Council with the new bid prices for this services at a later date be withdrawn;
- (2) authority be granted to enter into a contract for the bi-weekly curbside collection of recyclable materials in the York Community, commencing January 1, 2002, and terminating June 30, 2007, with the option to extend for two additional 12-month periods, with Miller Waste Systems, being the lowest tender received for these operations, at a total annual estimated amount of \$676,775.00 including all charges and taxes; and
- (3) the appropriate officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

The Committee also had before it the following communications:

- (i) (February 2, 2001) from Mr. Louis Anagnostakos, President, Turtle Island Recycling, providing information on Turtle Island Recycling, as the recommended low bidder on Tender No. 121-2000 for curbside waste and yard collection for the former York Community; and
- (ii) (February 7, 2001) from Mr. Brian Cochrane, President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union – CUPE Local 416, recommending that the Committee reject Recommendation No. (2) in the joint report dated January 24, 2001, and alternatively provide direction that the curbside recycling component for District 1, York Community, be done by municipal forces.

Mr. Dave Hewitt, Toronto Civic Employees' Union – CUPE Local 416, appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

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Councillor Layton moved that consideration of the aforementioned reports be deferred until the Waste Diversion Task Force 2010 has reported, and that any existing contracts be extended until that process is completed. **(Lost)**

Councillor Di Giorgio moved:

- (1) the adoption of the following Recommendation No. (1) embodied in the aforementioned joint report dated January 24, 2001, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer:

“(1) authority be granted to enter into a contract for the collection of curbside waste, bulky items, yard waste and the collection of litter waste from public waste receptacles in District 1, York Community, commencing on or about June 18, 2001, to June 30, 2007, with the option to extend for two additional 12-month periods, with Turtle Island Recycling, being the lowest tender received for these operations combined, based on weekly collection, at total annual estimated amount of \$1,810,979.28, including all charges and taxes”;

- (2) the adoption of the following Recommendation No. (2) embodied in the aforementioned joint report dated February 19, 2001, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer:

“(2) authority be granted to enter into a contract for the bi-weekly curbside collection of recyclable materials in the York Community, commencing January 1, 2002, and terminating June 30, 2007, with the option to extend for two additional 12-month periods, with Miller Waste Systems, being the lowest tender received for these operations, at a total annual estimated amount of \$676,775.00 including all charges and taxes”; and

- (3) that the appropriate officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

(Carried)

(Clause No. 2, Report No. 3)

**4.4 No-Fault Flood Grant Program:
Basement Flooding Damages and Clean-up Costs.**

The Works Committee again had before it a joint report (January 24, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) a City-wide Basement Flood Grant Program not be established for flooded basements, as it would not provide any beneficial effects for the City, the cost of the program is unpredictable and potentially excessive, and the program is not required under the *Municipal Act*;
- (2) Resolution No. 91-21 of the former North York City Council be repealed, being a public No-Fault Grant Program which provides financial assistance to former City of North York residents for damages caused by sewer back-ups and water main breaks;
- (3) should the Committee wish to implement a City-wide Basement Flood Grant Program, such program shall be in the amount of \$500 or \$1,000 or \$1,500 per flooding incident, the approximate cost to the City, based on a typical year of 1,030 occurrences, being estimated to be \$515,000, \$1,030,000 or \$1,545,000 annually;
- (4) should the Committee adopt Recommendation No. (3) of this report, then it is recommended that the following be approved:
 - (i) an additional annual provision of \$500,000 or \$1,000,000 or \$1,500,000, depending on the grant limit chosen, be credited to the Basement Flood Grant Reserve Fund to stabilize the Reserve Fund in the event of an extraordinary storm;
 - (ii) the administrative guidelines as set out in Appendix "A" of this report will apply;
 - (iii) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report back on the creation of the Basement Flood Grant Reserve Fund By-law and funding plan for the program as part of the rate setting report for the 2001 water rate;
 - (iv) two additional clerical positions be created to administer the Basement Flood Grant Program, at an estimated annual expense of \$100,000 plus related expenses;

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- (v) funding for Recommendations Nos. (4)(i) and (iv) be provided from the Water and Wastewater Reserves and that the Water Rate be adjusted accordingly;
 - (vi) the existing North York No-Fault Flood Grant Program remain in place until such time as a City-wide Basement Flood Grant Program is implemented as part of the 2001 budget process; and
- (5) staff be directed to give effect to the foregoing.

The Committee also had before it the following communications:

- (i) (February 5, 2001) from Councillor Howard Moscoe, Ward 15 – Eglinton-Lawrence, respecting the repeal of the public No-Fault Grant Program of the former City of North York; and recommending that Recommendation No. (2) of the staff report be amended by adding thereto the words “at such time as the sewers in flood prone areas have been repaired”;
- (ii) (February 19, 2001) from Councillor Howard Moscoe, Ward 15 – Eglinton-Lawrence, respecting the repeal of the public No-Fault Grant Program of the former City of North York; and recommending that Recommendation No. (2) of the staff report be amended by adding thereto the words “at such time as the sewers in flood prone areas have been repaired”; and
- (iii) (February 20, 2001) from Councillor Anne Johnston, Ward 16 – Eglinton-Lawrence, respecting the repeal of the public No-Fault Grant Program of the former City of North York; and recommending that Recommendation No. (2) of the staff report be amended by adding thereto the words “at such time as the sewers in flood prone areas have been repaired”.

On motion by Councillor Lindsay Luby, the Committee recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee the adoption of Recommendations Nos. (1), (2) and (5) embodied in the aforementioned joint report.

(Budget Advisory Committee; c: Councillor Howard Moscoe; Councillor Anne Johnston; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; General Manager, Water and Wastewater Services – February 28, 2001)

(Clause No. 7(b), Report No. 3)

**4.5 Southbound Through Prohibition:
Emerald Lane/Village Gate at Steeles Avenue West.
(North York Centre)**

The Works Committee again had before it a communication (October 23, 2000) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its regular meeting held on October 3, 4 and 5, 2000, and its Special Meetings held on October 6, 2000, October 10 and 11, 2000, had before it Clause No. 46 contained in Report No. 17 of The Works Committee, headed "Southbound Through Prohibition - Emerald Lane/Village Gate at Steeles Avenue West (North York Centre)", wherein the Works Committee recommended the adoption of a report dated August 28, 2000, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services which recommended that:

- (1) southbound through traffic from Emerald Lane to Village Gate be prohibited at Steeles Avenue West, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday;
- (2) eastbound right-turn traffic from Steeles Avenue West to Village Gate be prohibited, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday;
- (3) westbound left-turn traffic from Steeles Avenue West to Village Gate be prohibited, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday; and
- (4) the appropriate by-law(s) be amended accordingly;

and further advising that Council directed that the aforementioned Clause be struck out and referred back to the Works Committee for subsequent report to the first regular meeting of City Council in 2001.

The Committee also had before it a report (February 9, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) the following turn prohibitions be instituted for a six-month trial:
 - (a) southbound through traffic from Emerald Lane to Village Gate be prohibited at Steeles Avenue West, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Buses Excepted, Monday to Friday;
 - (b) eastbound right turn traffic from Steeles Avenue West to Village Gate be prohibited, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Buses Excepted, Monday to Friday;

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- (c) eastbound right turn traffic from Steeles Avenue West to Cactus Avenue be prohibited, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Buses Excepted, Monday to Friday; and
 - (d) eastbound right turn traffic from Steeles Avenue West to Hilda Avenue be prohibited, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Buses Excepted, Monday to Friday;
- (2) staff report back in six months after the implementation of the prohibitions, advising on their impact and the status of the adjacent road network; and
 - (3) the appropriate by-law(s) be amended accordingly.

The Committee also again had before it a communication (December 22, 2000) from the City of Vaughan, forwarding a copy of Item 2 of Report No. 82 of the Committee of the Whole, headed "Townsgate Drive/Emerald Lane – Traffic Infiltration Concerns", which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on December 18, 2000, wherein it is requested that the City of Toronto:

- (i) provide a report on the timing of the widening of Steeles Avenue;
- (ii) provide a report on the feasibility of implementing dual southbound turn lanes at the intersection of Steeles Avenue and Bathurst Street; and
- (iii) further review the need for a westbound right-turn prohibition at the intersection of Steeles Avenue and Emerald Lane during the time period 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

On motion by Councillor Jones, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report dated February 9, 2001, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services.

(Clause No. 3, Report No. 3)

**4.6 Permanent Repairs to Utility Road Cuts -
District 4 - Contract No. 01D4-111 TU.
(Scarborough Southwest; Scarborough Centre;
Scarborough-Agincourt; Scarborough-Rouge River;
and Scarborough East)**

The Works Committee had before it a joint report (February 5, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that Contract No. 01D4-111 TU, Tender Call No. 283-2000 for the permanent repairs to utility road cuts on Toronto roads, District 4 for 2001, be awarded to Furfari Paving Co. Ltd., in the total amount of \$2,564,079.52 including all taxes and charges, being the lowest Tender received.

The Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned joint report.

(Clause No. 4, Report No. 3)

**4.7 Installation of Water and Sewer Services at
Various Locations (East of Bathurst Street),
District 3 – Contract No. 01D3-301WS.
(York Centre; Eglinton-Lawrence; Willowdale;
Don Valley West; and Don Valley East)**

The Works Committee had before it a joint report (February 7, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that Contract No. 01D3-301WS, Tender Call No. 277-2000, for the installation of water and sewer services at various locations (east of Bathurst Street) in District 3, be awarded to OJCR Construction Ltd., in the total amount of \$1,250,915.60 including all taxes and charges, being the lowest Tender received.

The Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned joint report.

(Clause No. 5, Report No. 3)

**4.8 Installation of Water and Sewer Services at
Various Locations (West of Bathurst Street),
District 3 – Contract No. 01D3-300WS.
(York West; York Centre; York South-Weston;
and Eglinton-Lawrence)**

The Works Committee had before it a joint report (February 7, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that Contract No. 01D3-300WS, Tender Call No. 275-2000, for the installation of water and sewer services at various locations (west of Bathurst Street) in District 3, be awarded to OJCR Construction Ltd., in the total amount of \$1,291,040.60 including all taxes and charges, being the only Tender received.

The Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned joint report.

(Clause No. 6, Report No. 3)

The Works Committee adjourned its meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Chair.