

THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk's Division

Minutes of the Works Committee

Meeting No. 6

Wednesday, May 9, 2001

The Works Committee met on Wednesday, May 9, 2001, in Committee Room 1, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:35 a.m.

Members Present:

9:35 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Councillor Betty Disero, Chair	x
Councillor Jane Pitfield, Vice-Chair	x
Councillor Bas Balkissoon	x
Councillor Frank Di Giorgio	x
Councillor Irene Jones	x
Councillor Jack Layton	x
Councillor Gloria Lindsay Luby	x
Councillor Peter Li Preti	x

Also Present:

Councillor Raymond Cho
Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski
Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong
Councillor Frances Nunziata
Councillor Paul Sutherland

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

Confirmation of Minutes.

On motion by Councillor Di Giorgio, the Minutes of the meeting of the Works Committee held on March 28, 2001, were confirmed.

**6.1 Don Valley Parkway
High Mast Lighting Installation.
(Ward 34 – Don Valley East)**

The Works Committee had before it a report (April 23, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services outlining the City of Toronto's progress with the installation of high mast lighting along the Don Valley Parkway, as requested by Councillor Minnan-Wong in response to a complaint from a constituent regarding a particular high mast pole; advising that the high mast lighting system from the Gardiner Expressway to Highway No. 401 is anticipated to be completed by December 2001; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Committee also had before it a communication (April 1, 2001) from Mr. Lorne Dubros, Don Mills, Ontario, requesting the opportunity to appear before the Committee with respect to concerns about the high mast pole lighting on the Don Valley Parkway, and its effects on his family and neighbourhood.

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

- Mr. Lorne Dubros, Don Mills, Ontario, and submitted a petition from 15 persons in opposition to the high mast lighting, and a communication respecting the market value of his property; and
- Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong, Ward 34 – Don Valley East.

On motion by Councillor Li Preti, on behalf of Councillor Minnan-Wong, the Committee:

- (1) received the aforementioned report and communication; and
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to directly contact all the individuals on the petition submitted by Mr. Dubros, once the lighting in the area is activated, to determine whether anything can be done in the event of light spilling onto residents' properties, and if residents have any concerns, to address these issues.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong; Mr. Lorne Dubros; c: General Manager, Transportation Services – May 9, 2001)

(Clause No. 18(a), Report No. 7)

6.2 Safety Issues Regarding Cycling on Reserved Lanes.

The Works Committee had before it a communication (February 21, 2001) from Ms. Lela Gary, Air Pollution Coalition of Ontario, requesting the opportunity to appear before the Committee with respect to concerns about safety issues of cycling on Reserved Lanes, and Municipal Code Chapter 400, Section 400-21, "Reserved Lanes".

Ms. Lela Gary, Air Pollution Coalition of Ontario, appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

The Committee:

- (1) referred the aforementioned communication to the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Toronto Cycling Committee **(Motion by Councillor Disero)**; and further requested that:
 - (a) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services report to the Works Committee, through the Toronto Cycling Committee, on:
 - (i) the concerns raised by Ms. Gary during her deputation; **(Motion by Councillor Balkissoon)**
 - (ii) opportunities for the installation of vinyl pylons along dividing lines of dedicated lanes for the protection of cyclists, as used in some cities in the Province of Quebec; **(Motion by Councillor Layton)**
 - (iii) statistics regarding the number and frequency of accidents involving cyclists; and **(Motion by Councillor Li Preti)**
 - (iv) the feasibility of some form of flashing lights or extra signage where lanes are shared by cyclists, buses and taxis, to emphasize that such lanes are used by cyclists; and **(Motion by Councillor Pitfield)**
 - (b) the Toronto Cycling Committee consider and recommend alternatives that might improve safety for cyclists, including the possibility of a pilot project involving the use of vinyl pylons; and **(Motion by Councillor Layton)**

- (2) requested that the Toronto Police Services Board be advised of the concerns raised with respect to enforcement of the use of Reserved Lanes. **(Motion by Councillor Pitfield)**

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Toronto Cycling Committee; Toronto Police Services Board; Ms. Lela Gary; c: General Manager, Transportation Services – May 9, 2001)

(Clause No. 18(b), Report No. 7)

6.3 Feasibility of Lane Reductions on Sections of Kipling Avenue, Islington Avenue, and Burnhamthorpe Road. (Etobicoke Centre; Etobicoke-Lakeshore)

The Works Committee again had before it a report (January 16, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) the existing five-lane roadway configuration on Kipling Avenue between Bloor Street West and Eglinton Avenue West be retained;
- (2) the existing four-lane roadway configuration on Islington Avenue between Dundas Street West and Eglinton Avenue West be retained; and
- (3) the existing four-lane roadway configuration on Burnhamthorpe Road between The East Mall and Dundas Street West be retained.

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

- Mr. Robert DiVito, Islington Avenue Residents' Association and Maximum 50 Committee;
- Mr. Ron Barr, Etobicoke, Ontario; and
- Ms. Faye Lyons, Municipal Affairs Specialist, Public and Government Affairs Department, CAA Central Ontario.

On motion by Councillor Jones, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 14, Report No. 7)

6.4 Residential On-Street Permit Parking By-law.

The Works Committee had before it a report (April 19, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services submitting a proposed common residential on-street permit parking by-law for application on a City-wide basis; and recommending that this report be forwarded to all Community Councils for consideration and that their comments be submitted to the Works Committee, in order that the Committee may consider and make recommendations on this proposed residential on-street permit parking by-law in the context of such comments at its July 4, 2001 meeting.

The Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services requested the permission of the Committee to make technical amendments to the aforementioned report as identified, which was granted.

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

- Councillor Raymond Cho, Ward 42 - Scarborough-Rouge River; and
- Councillor Frances Nunziata, Ward 11 - York South-Weston.

Councillor Balkissoon moved that:

- (1) the aforementioned report be amended by adding to the recommendation the words “on a public consultation process and report back to the Committee if necessary”; and
- (2) the Committee recommend to the Community Councils the adoption of Item (h) contained in the report.

(Lost)

Councillor Jones moved that the Committee approved the recommendation contained in the aforementioned report. **(Carried)**

(Community Councils; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: Councillor Raymond Cho; Councillor Frances Nunziata; General Manager, Transportation Services – May 9, 2001)

(Clause No. 18(c), Report No. 7)

6.5 Salt Management Strategy.

The Works Committee had before it a report (April 23, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services responding to the requests of the Committee at its meeting on March 28, 2001, for information with respect to the use of road salt and the location of snow dumping sites; advising that the Federal Government will be announcing this spring whether road salt is to be classified as a toxin, and that Transportation Services staff in collaboration with the Transportation Association of Canada is developing an action plan which could be used by Canada transportation agencies in creating local salt management plans; further advising that Transportation Services is currently reviewing the City's salt management operations with a view to implementing a new road salt management plan based on the action plan being developed by the Transportation Association of Canada; and recommending that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services report on the new salt management plan prior to the 2001/2002 winter season.

The Committee:

- (1) approved the recommendation contained in the aforementioned report, with a request that the following be included in the forthcoming report:
 - (i) that the proposed Salt Management Plan include ongoing monitoring by the Industrial Waste and Stormwater Quality Group of Water and Wastewater Services to ensure that the plan is achieving reductions in impact to surface waters; **(Motion by Councillor Pitfield)**
 - (ii) that the proposed Salt Management Plan include education to address public awareness of the toxic properties of salt use and the need to reduce its application to save rivers, street trees and other habitat at risk throughout this City; and that this education program work in collaboration with community environmental groups to assist with the public outreach and awareness; and **(Motion by Councillor Pitfield)**
 - (iii) the feasibility of a similar policy for the private sector, for example, areas such as plazas, apartment buildings and parking lots, and including information on the amount of salt being used and where snow is being stored; **(Motion by Councillor Li Preti)**

- (2) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to submit a report to the Committee as soon as possible with respect to the feasibility of relocating the four or five snow dumping sites located near rivers, in order for the relocation to take place before the winter season; and **(Motion by Councillor Balkissoon)**

- (3) further requested that:
 - (i) Water and Wastewater Services staff prepare a Road Salt Surface and Groundwater Quality Impact Assessment and Policy Recommendation report for October 2001; and

 - (ii) the Industrial Waste and Stormwater Quality Group of Water and Wastewater Services produce an annual Chloride Monitoring report, similar to the report completed in 2001.

(Motion by Councillor Layton)

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: General Manager, Transportation Services; general Manager, Water and Wastewater Services - May 9, 2001)

(Clause No. 18(d), Report No. 7)

**6.6 Status Update on Provincial Highways
Transferred to the Former Municipality of
Metropolitan Toronto in 1997.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (April 23, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services providing an update on the highways transferred to the former Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto from the Ministry of Transportation in April 1997, as requested by the Committee during its consideration of the 2001-2005 Capital Works Program for the Transportation Services Division; advising that in April 1997, five provincial highways were transferred and that to date, a total of \$3.1 million has been spent on the rehabilitation of these highways, with \$1.2 million programmed for 2001; further advising that the City is currently developing a Strategic Rehabilitation Program for the F.G. Gardiner Expressway between Highway 427 and the Humber River (formerly the Queen Elizabeth Way), to minimize costs and disruption to the public; and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee submitted the aforementioned report to Council for consideration.

(Clause No. 15, Report No. 7)

6.7 Construction of Bus Loop at Avenue Road and Bombay Avenue.

The Works Committee had before it a communication (April 12, 2001) from the General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission, advising that the Toronto Transit Commission, at its meeting on April 11, 2001, approved the following recommendations embodied in a report entitled "Construction of a Bus Loop at Avenue Road and Bombay Avenue":

"That the Commission:

- (1) request Toronto City Council to direct City Transportation Services staff to work with TTC staff to obtain approvals for, and to construct, in 2001, at TTC expense, a bus loop at the north end of Avenue Road at Bombay Avenue to replace the current sub-standard U-turn bus operation within the Avenue Road/Bombay intersection;
- (2) note that staff recently met with the local Councillor for the area and, at his request, are arranging a community meeting to discuss this proposal; and
- (3) forward this report to Councillors Feldman and Johnston, and to City Transportation Services."

The Committee referred the aforementioned communication to the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to work with Toronto Transit Commission staff as requested, and report thereon to the Committee if necessary.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Chief General Manager, Toronto Transit Commission; c: Councillor Mike Feldman; Councillor Anne Johnston; General Manager, Transportation Services – May 9, 2001)

(Clause No. 18(e), Report No. 7)

**6.8 Adjustments to On-Street Parking Meter
Hours of Operations – Eglinton Avenue West.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (April 25, 2001) from the President, Toronto Parking Authority, recommending that:

- (1) the current hours of operation for parking meters located on Eglinton Avenue West between Blackthorn Avenue and the William Allen Expressway be reduced to operate for a maximum period of two hours between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday (except where peak hour parking restrictions apply); and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be requested to take whatever action is necessary to give effect to the foregoing including the introduction in Council of any Bills that are required.

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

(Clause No. 16, Report No. 7)

6.9 Self-Funded Don Valley Parkway Expansion.

At the request of the Chair of the Works Committee, a communication (April 20, 2001) from Councillor Paul Sutherland, Ward 33 – Don Valley East, that was listed on the Agenda for this meeting of the Works Committee, requesting that staff report on a proposal to expand the Don Valley Parkway, including maintaining up to three existing lanes in either direction while adding two new centre toll lanes each way, to be funded by private firm(s) with a portion of the tolls returned to the City for transit initiatives, was withdrawn.

Councillor Paul Sutherland, Ward 33 - Don Valley East, appeared before the Committee in connection with the withdrawal of the aforementioned communication.

(Clause No. 18(f), Report No. 7)

6.10 Pilot Program - OMG Newspaper Boxes.

The Works Committee had before it a communication (April 19, 2001) from the Executive Vice-President, OMG Media Inc., respecting the installation of OMG newspaper boxes to alleviate litter problems on City streets; and requesting the City's assistance, including participation with staff, to initiate meetings with various newspaper publishing companies to allow OMG to install such newspaper boxes on a pilot basis to assess their performance.

Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, Ward 14 - Parkdale-High Park, appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

The Committee referred the aforementioned communication to the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services for a report thereon to the Committee, including:

- (i) the issue of tendering the project; and **(Motion by Councillor Jones, on behalf of Councillor Korwin-Kuczynski)**
- (ii) the feasibility of a pilot project on the south side of Danforth Avenue. **(Motion by Councillor Layton)**

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Executive Vice-President, OMG Media Inc.; c: Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski; General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services – May 9, 2001)

(Clause No. 18(g), Report No. 7)

**6.11 Structural Rehabilitation of
Kingston Road Bridge over Highland Creek –
Contract No. 01FS-18S, Tender Call No. 54-2001.
(Ward 44 – Scarborough East)**

The Works Committee had before it a joint report (April 4, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that Contract No. 01FS-18S, Tender Call No. 54-2001, for the structural rehabilitation of the Kingston Road Bridge over Highland Creek be awarded to Anskon Contracting Inc. & Janscon Holdings Inc. in the amount of \$2,613,107.03 including all taxes and charges, being the lowest Tender received.

The Committee awarded the contract as recommended in the aforementioned joint report, in accordance with Chapter 195, Purchasing, of the Municipal Code.

(Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; City Solicitor; c: Executive Director, Technical Services; Director, Purchasing and Materials Management – May 9, 2001)

(Clause No. 18(h), Report No. 7)

**6.12 Agreement for Process Controller
Equipment Contract for Use in Water and
Wastewater Services Facilities.
Contract No. MWRFP198.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (April 24, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) the execution of an agreement with GE Fanuc Automation Canada Inc. for the supply and delivery of process controller equipment for use in water and wastewater facilities be authorized; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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

(Clause No. 11, Report No. 7)

**6.13 Cost Recovery for Requests to Rename Street
Using a Corporate or Business Name.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (May 1, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) applicants who request to rename a street or lane after a business be required to pay full costs incidental thereto, including but not limited to the publishing of notices, sign fabrication and installation, registration of by-law and all staff costs associated with the preparation and circulation of related correspondence and the updating of

City databases;

- (2) a non-refundable fee of \$3,000 be submitted with each request to rename a street or lane after a business;
- (3) the applicant be required to compensate the residents and businesses affected by the street or lane name change proposal;
- (4) the introduction of a by-law renaming a street or lane after a business be conditional upon the receipt of funds referred to in Recommendation No. (1); and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto including the introduction of any by-law that may be required.

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

(Clause No. 12, Report No. 7)

**6.14 Monthly Status Report on
Development Applications – District 1.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (April 24, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services 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.

The Committee received the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 18(i), Report No. 7)

6.15 Ultra Low Flush Toilet Incentive Program.

The Works Committee had before it a report (April 27, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting the effectiveness of the 1999 Ultra Low Flush Toilet Incentive Program; and recommending that:

- (1) the Toronto Housing Company (Inc.) and the Metro Toronto Housing Corporation be provided a financial incentive to replace existing high water consumption toilets

with ultra-low flush toilets in the amount of \$60 per toilet to a total maximum funding of \$600,000 in 2001;

- (2) authority be granted to offer multi-unit residential property owners a financial incentive to replace existing high water consumption toilets with ultra-low flush toilets in the amount of \$40 per toilet to a total maximum of \$760,000 in 2001;
- (3) the City pre-qualify Performance Contractors to undertake the ultra-low flush toilet replacement program for privately owned multi-unit residential buildings;
- (4) the Solid Waste Management fees be waived for the disposal of all existing high water consumption toilets replaced through this program; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be granted authority necessary to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee recommended to Council:

- (i) the adoption of the aforementioned report;
- (ii) that staff of the Toronto Housing Company and the Metro Toronto Housing Corporation be requested to prepare an application to the Toronto Atmospheric Fund for the securing of a loan to assist with enlarging this program; and
- (iii) that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services ensure that community businesses, such as GreenSaver, are included with respect to Recommendation No. (3).

(Clause No. 8, Report No. 7)

6.16 Designation of Generic and Sector Specific Pollution Prevention Plan and Pollution Prevention Plan Summary Forms.

The Works Committee had before it a report (April 24, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services advising that since the enactment of the new Sewer Use By-law No. 457-2000, which has been incorporated into the Municipal Code Chapter 681, generic P2 plan and P2 plan summary forms for most manufacturing industries have been revised to make them more user friendly and conform to the requirements specified in the By-law, and that P2 plan and P2 plan summary forms for the photographic processing have been developed; and recommending that the revised generic pollution prevention plan and

pollution prevention plan summary forms be designated for use by the manufacturing industries, and that the sector specific pollution prevention plan and pollution prevention plan summary forms for photographic processing be designated for use by that sector.

The Committee also had before it a communication (May 9, 2001) from Mr. John Wehrstein, Government Relations Officer, Ontario Dental Association, forwarding a copy of a communication from Ms. Linda Samek, Director of Professional Affairs, Ontario Dental Association, expressing concerns about the broad application of the proposed Pollution Prevention Plan to matters that fall outside of the Sewer Use By-law.

On motion by Councillor Di Giorgio, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 9, Report No. 7)

**6.17 Works Best Practices Program –
Value for Money Assessment.**

The Works Committee had before it a communication (April 17, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Audit Committee, on April 11, 2001, had before it a report (January 18, 2001) from the City Auditor respecting the Works Best Practices Program – Value for Money Assessment; and that the Audit Committee referred the aforementioned report to the Works Committee and further:

- (1) directed that Toronto Civic Employees' Union Local 416 and the members of the Audit Committee be provided a copy of the report from the consulting firm Hatch Beddows, as requested in the communication (April 11, 2001) from the President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union Local 416; and
- (2) directed that Toronto Civic Employees' Union Local 416 be consulted prior the implementation of the recommendations of the report from the consulting firm Hatch Beddows, as requested in the communication (April 11, 2001) from the President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union Local 416.

The Committee also had before it a communication (May 9, 2001) from Mr. Brian Cochrane, President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union - CUPE Local 416, requesting that no action be taken on the Auditor's report until such time as the Union has had a chance to receive and analyse the consultants' report.

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

- Mr. Bill Guthrie, Vice-President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union – CUPE Local 416; and
- Mr. Richard D. Majkot, Executive Director, City of Toronto Administrative, Professional, Supervisory Association, Incorporated (COTAPSAI).

On motion by Councillor Jones, the Committee:

- (1) received the aforementioned communications; and
- (2) requested that a copy of the consultants' report be forwarded as soon as possible to Toronto Civic Employees' Union - CUPE Locals 79 and 416 and COTAPSAI, and that Locals 79 and 416 and COTAPSAI continue to be included in the consultation process.

(City Auditor; c: Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; General Manager, Water and Wastewater Services; President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union – CUPE Local 416; President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union – CUPE Local 79; Mr. Richard D. Majkot; Administrator, Audit Committee – May 9, 2001)

(Clause No. 18(j), Report No. 7)

6.18 Mandatory Recycling Food Courts and Public Spaces.

The Works Committee had before it a report (April 23, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting the possibility of the City enacting a by-law to make recycling mandatory in food courts and public spaces, and the necessary resources, as requested by the Committee at its meeting on March 28, 2001; advising that the City, in reliance on its waste management powers, may be able to mandate recycling at food courts or other public spaces to which it provides waste collection services, but that most food courts and public spaces do not receive collection services from the City; further advising that while it is unlikely that the City could rely on its licensing powers to make recycling mandatory in food courts and other public spaces, the Province, through Ontario Regulation No. 103/94, does have the authority to enforce compliance with regards to recycling containers at complexes containing food courts and public spaces; and recommending that the City formally request the Province of Ontario to enforce Ontario Regulation No. 103/94.

The Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report;
- (2) further recommended that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services initiate an education program for commercial businesses where the City provides waste collection services, indicating that the City will be considering a mandatory recycling by-law in the fall, and encouraging their participation in a recycling program; and

(Motions (1) and (2) by Councillor Balkissoon)

- (3) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, in consultation with appropriate staff, to explore and report further to the Committee on options for amending the licensing requirements for food establishments in food court situations that would require them to provide recycling options for their customers.

(Motion by Councillor Layton)

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services – May 9, 2001)

(Clause No. 1, Report No. 7)

6.19 Tire Recycling.

The Works Committee had before it a report (April 20, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) authority be granted to conduct a pilot program, in conjunction with the Resources Renewal Group, whereby tires at the Dufferin Transfer Station are sorted and the tires that are in good condition are shipped to Third World countries for reuse; and
- (2) the appropriate officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

The Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report, subject to:

- (1) there being no increase in the number of tires accumulated at the Dufferin Transfer Station as a result of this or other programs; and **(Motion by Councillor Li Preti)**
- (2) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services seeking assurance in writing from the proponent that under no circumstances would the tires be incinerated. **(Motion by Councillor Layton)**

(Clause No. 2, Report No. 7)

6.20 Contract Extension for Rental of Three Recycling Collection Vehicles with Operators in Districts 3 and 4 (North York and Scarborough) - Quotation Request No. FA63-99007.

The Works Committee had before it a joint report (April 26, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) authority be granted to extend the existing contract with Canadian Waste Services Inc. for the rental of three recycling collection vehicles with operators in Districts 3 and 4 (North York and Scarborough) at an hourly rate of \$76.27 including all charges and taxes, for an additional one-year period commencing on July 1, 2001, and expiring on June 30, 2002, at a total estimated cost of \$533,890.00 including all charges and taxes; and
- (2) the appropriate officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

The Committee also had before it a communication (May 9, 2001) from Mr. Brian Cochrane, President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union - CUPE Local 416, requesting that the City consider bringing back in house the work covered in the contract extension for the rental of three recycling vehicles with operators in Districts 3 and 4.

Mr. Bill Guthrie, Vice-President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union – CUPE Local 416, appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee:

- (1) submitted the aforementioned joint report to Council without recommendation; and
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to report directly to Council for its meeting to be held on May 30, 2001, on the possibility of leasing the vehicles and having the work undertaken by staff.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services; President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union – CUPE Local 416 – May 9, 2001)

(Clause No. 4, Report No. 7)

6.21 Contract Extension for Rental of Six Refuse Packers with Operators in Districts 3 and 4 (North York and Scarborough) – Tender Call No. 98-T026.

The Works Committee had before it a joint report (April 26, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that:

- (1) authority be granted to extend the existing contract with BSD Environmental Solutions/Capital Environmental Resource Inc. for the rental of six refuse packers with operators in Districts 3 and 4 (North York and Scarborough) at an hourly rate of \$83.26 including all charges and taxes, for an additional one-year period commencing on July 1, 2001, and expiring on June 30, 2002, at a total estimated cost of \$1,082,337.10, including all charges and taxes; and
- (2) the appropriate officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

The Committee also had before it a communication (May 9, 2001) from Mr. Brian Cochrane, President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union - CUPE Local 416, requesting that the City consider bringing back in house the work covered in the contract extension for the rental of six refuse packers with operators in Districts 3 and 4.

Mr. Bill Guthrie, Vice-President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union – CUPE Local 416, appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee:

- (1) submitted the aforementioned joint report to Council without recommendation; and
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to report directly to Council for its meeting to be held on May 30, 2001, on the possibility of leasing the vehicles and having the work undertaken by staff.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services; President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union, CUPE Local 416 – May 9, 2001)

(Clause No. 5, Report No. 7)

6.22 Commercial Garbage Collection Review.

The Works Committee had before it a communication (April 17, 2001) from the City Clerk 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;

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- (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.”

The Committee also had before it the following communications:

- (i) (May 7, 2001) from Councillor Pam McConnell, Ward 28 – Toronto Centre-Rosedale, expressing deep concern about the Audit Committee’s proposals for reductions in garbage pick-up in the downtown core; and
- (ii) (May 8, 2001) from the Ms. Colette French and Ms. Helene St. Jacques, Directors, Queen East Business Association Inc., in opposition to any reduction in garbage and recycling services, and urging the Committee to maintain world class waste diversion program.

Councillor Disero appointed Councillor Pitfield as Acting Chair, and vacated the Chair.

On motion by Councillor Disero, the Committee deferred consideration of the aforementioned communications to be brought back for consideration with the forthcoming report on full cost recovery, as a deputation item.

(City Auditor; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: Councillor Pam McConnell; General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services; Director, Queen East Business Association Inc.; Administrator, Audit Committee – May 9, 2001)

(Clause No. 18(k), Report No. 7)

DEFERRED

Councillor Disero resumed the Chair.

**6.23 Tipping Fees Review -
Solid Waste Management Services Division
Works and Emergency Services Department.**

The Works Committee had before it a confidential communication (April 12, 2001) from the City Clerk respecting the recommendations of the Audit Committee on April 12, 2001, with regard to a confidential report (January 31, 2001) from the City Auditor respecting Tipping Fees Review – Solid Waste Management Services Division, such communication to be considered in camera having regard that the subject matter relates to the security of the property of the municipality.

On motion by Councillor Balkissoon, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendations of the Audit Committee contained in the aforementioned confidential communication.

(Clause No. 6, Report No. 7)

**6.24 Update and Future Action -
Automated “Flower Pot”
Waste Collection System.**

The Works Committee had before it a communication (March 29, 2001) from the City Clerk advising that the Automated “Flower Pot” Waste Collection System Working Group on March 27, 2001, recommended that:

- (1) the report (March 6, 2001) from the Co-ordinator, Operational Planning, Solid Waste Management Services, Works and Emergency Services, be adopted, viz:
 - “(1) that alternative collection systems for small apartments, townhouses and City facilities be examined, including the cost impacts to the City and property owners; and that the results and staff recommendations be reported to the Automated “Flower Pot” Waste Collection System Working Group for consideration and recommendations regarding further action; and
- (2) the following proposed action in regard to the future replacement of the large automated “flower pot” containers:
 - (a) the replacement of the large “flower pot” containers along Wilson Avenue continue and be completed by the end of March 2001;
 - (b) the large automated “flower pot” containers at all other strip plazas that are currently serviced with the large “flower pot” containers be replaced with roll-out carts that are purchased at cost by the property owners; and
 - (c) staff complete a study and report back to the Working Group regarding the replacement of the large, automated “flower pot” containers with alternative collection containers at locations other than strip plazas, such as apartments over eight units, townhouses and City facilities emphasizing those locations where the containers are highly visible, and provide an estimate of the cost to both the City and the property owners;”

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- (2) the community and the local Councillors consider using a portion of the \$150,000.00 contributed by First Professional for streetscaping along Wilson Avenue, to streetscaping those areas where a number of roll-out carts are set out for collection in a group (e.g., Sparrow Avenue and Dufferin Street);
- (3) the roll-out carts be retrofitted with a sticker or licence plate which would allow City staff to identify the owner of each bin, to facilitate enforcement;
- (4) the aforementioned report (March 6, 2001) from the Co-ordinator, Operational Planning, Solid Waste Management Services, Works and Emergency Services, be distributed to all businesses that are on the program, with a copy to the local Councillors involved, and the names listed, along with the appropriate telephone numbers, to enable businesses to get information or to express concerns;
- (5) the pilot project be extended to locations where “flower pots” are to be replaced, as well as to other areas contiguous to the pilot area, where waste collection can be improved; with the property owner being responsible for paying for the roll-out carts; and
- (6) the program be extended to one other pilot area not now on the “flower pot” waste collection system (e.g., Eglinton Avenue from Dufferin Street to the William Allen Road) to test merchant reaction.

The Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council:
 - (i) the adoption of the recommendations of the Automated “Flower Pot” Waste Collection System Working Group embodied in the aforementioned communication; and
 - (ii) that the location of 2901 Jane Street be the first project to be implemented under the extension of the pilot project referred to in Recommendation No. (5) of the Working Group; and

(Motion by Councillor Li Preti)

- (2) requested the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to investigate, in consultation with Councillor Irene Jones, the use of the “flower pot” containers in positive ways, such as for the planting of trees.

(Motion by Councillor Jones)

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; c: Councillor Irene Jones; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services; Administrator, Automated “Flower Pot” Waste Collection System Working Group – May 9, 2001)

(Clause No. 7, Report No. 7)

6.25 Cost of Waste Diversion Programs.

The Works Committee had before it a report (April 18, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services providing information on the cost of the City’s waste diversion programs, including detailed breakdowns with respect to the Blue/Grey Box and Household Hazardous Waste programs, as requested by the Committee at its meeting on March 28, 2001; advising that the total cost of Toronto’s waste diversion programs in 2000 was \$17,176,000, which equates to an average cost of \$73 per tonne, and which includes direct operating costs and debt charges on capital expenditures and excludes indirect administration and corporate overhead costs; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Committee received the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 18(1), Report No. 7)

6.26 Proposed Changes to Solid Waste Transfer Station Service Areas.

The Works Committee had before it a report (April 23, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services advising the Committee that Solid Waste Management Services intends to proceed with an application to the Ontario Ministry of the Environment to expand the service areas of its solid waste transfer stations to include the entire City of Toronto and the neighbouring Regions of Durham, Peel and York; noting that with the impending closures of the Keele Valley Landfill Site and the Britannia Landfill Site, the City

has an opportunity to amend the current transfer station Certificates of Approval, and that by expanding the service areas, the City could realize new revenues and optimize the use of its current infrastructure; and recommending that this report be received for information.

The Committee received the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 18(m), Report No. 7)

**6.27 Burning of Used Motor Oil -
By-law Amending Municipal Code
Chapter 497 - Heating.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (May 3, 2001) from the City Solicitor advising that Article II of Chapter 497 of the Municipal Code, Heating Oil, does not provide for the contravention of any of the provisions of that article constituting an offence; and recommending that City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 497 – Heating, be amended by adoption of this report and the enactment of the attached draft amending by-law.

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

(Clause No. 17, Report No. 7)

**6.28 Unilateral Access to Final and Binding
Arbitration for Construction Contracts.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (May 4, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that the trial period for unilateral access to final and binding arbitration for Works construction contracts be extended by incorporating provision for such arbitration in all Works construction tenders issued within the further one-year period, commencing May 1, 2001.

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

(Clause No. 13, Report No. 7)

6.29 Additional Expenditures for Work on Biosolids Plant-Wide Heating Contract at Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant.

The Works Committee had before it a report (April 27, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) additional expenditures in the amount of \$2,140,000.00, inclusive of GST, be authorized for the performance of necessary additional works in connection with the design/build contract with Thorburn-Penny Ltd. for the construction of the biosolids plant-wide heating contract at the Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant, which will allow for the replacement of existing deteriorated secondary hot water piping and an appropriate contractual time extension to complete the work; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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

(Clause No. 10, Report No. 7)

6.30 Increase in Tipping Fees for Clean Fill and Rubble at Landfills.

The Works Committee had before it a report (May 7, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) the tipping fees be increased for every load of clean fill received at City of Toronto landfills from \$20.00 to \$30.00 per load within two weeks of Council approval;
- (2) the tipping fees be increased for every load of brick, block or asphalt rubble received at City of Toronto landfills from \$20.00 to \$30.00 per load within two weeks of Council approval;
- (3) if the tipping fee increases indicated in Recommendations Nos. (1) and (2) above require additional changes, either up or down, in the future, staff be given authority with two weeks' notice to customers to adjust the tipping fees as required;
- (4) the quantities accepted will continue to be limited to our requirements and must be suitable for the intended use; and

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- (5) appropriate City of Toronto officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 3, Report No. 7)

The Works Committee adjourned its meeting at 12:15 p.m.

Chair.