

THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk's Division

Minutes of the Works Committee

Meeting No. 8

Thursday, June 21, 2001

A special meeting of the Works Committee was held on Thursday, June 21, 2001, in Committee Room 2, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 10:10 a.m.

Members Present:

10:10 a.m. – 12:35 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 Pam McConnell

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

**8.1 Report of the City of Toronto
Waste Diversion Task Force 2010.**

The Works Committee had before it the Report of the City of Toronto Waste Diversion Task Force 2010, entitled "Beyond Landfill: A Diverting Future", comprised of Volume I recommending a strategic plan for meeting the waste diversion targets for the City of Toronto by means of 47 steps, and Volume II, consisting of key background documents including Appendix M: Staff Responses to Information Requests from the Works Committee; outlining the mandate of the Task Force, which was established by the City on January 29, 2001, and co-chaired by Mayor Mel Lastman and Councillor Betty Disero; and reporting on the activities undertaken by the Task Force.

The Committee also had before it a communication (June 21, 2001) from Mr. Brian Cochrane, President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union, CUPE Local 416, in support of the Waste Diversion Task Force Report and Recommendations; commending Councillor Betty Disero on the consultative process used to arrive at the Task Force recommendations; and urging the City to put in place a comprehensive education program for City workers that complements the public education program planned, and to work with the Union and its membership to achieve increased efficiencies with the Solid Waste Program in all areas of the City.

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

Councillor Betty Disero, Co-Chair, Waste Diversion Task Force 2010, gave a presentation to the Committee on the recommendations of the Task Force.

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

- Mr. Blair McArthur, Vice-President, Miller Waste Systems;
- Mr. Rob Cook, Executive Director, Ontario Waste Management Association;
- Mr. Gord Perks, Toronto Environmental Alliance;
- Mr. Al Metauro, Metro Waste Paper Recovery;
- Mr. Brian Cochrane, President, Toronto Civic Employees' Union, CUPE Local 416;
and
- Mr. Rod Muir, resident, and filed a submission with respect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Disero, as amended where noted:

The Committee recommended to Council:

- (I) that the following recommendations of the City of Toronto Waste Diversion Task Force 2010, contained in the report “Beyond Landfill: A Diverting Future”, be adopted in principle and referred to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration at its meeting on July 12, 2001, and for a report to Council on October 1, 2 and 3, 2001: **(Motion amended by Councillor Layton)**

“A. Source Separated Organics:

- (1) that City staff design and structure a schedule for weekly organics collection and bi-weekly recycling/residuals collection, with a four-year phase-in beginning Spring 2002;
- (2) that City staff design and structure a source separated organics management education and communication program beginning in Fall 2001, and consider the following activities:
- (a) public meetings across the City, hosted by Ward Councillors, to promote participation; meetings will mainly take place as the implementation date for each ward approaches;
- (b) Diversity Advocate role to assist in promotion to ethno-racial communities;
- (c) participation of local Residents’ Associations; and
- (d) engagement of Waste Watchers;
- (3) that the City engage the marketplace to provide the required treatment capacity in 2002 to manage the City’s source separated organics prior to the commissioning of the City’s new Dufferin Transfer Station anaerobic digestion facility (now under construction);
- (6) that the \$2.4 million put aside by Council this year for additional trucks be used to offset some of the costs of the necessary trucks for this program; and

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- (7) that funding for the required kitchen residuals collection containers be attained through a benefiting assessment;”
- (II) the adoption of the following recommendations of the Waste Diversion Task Force 2010, amended to read as follows:
- “A. Source Separated Organics:
- (5) that the City terminate its consideration of proposed aerobic composting facilities other than for yard residuals;
- (8) that the Waste Diversion Organization be requested to actively consider the introduction of a supporting financial program for municipal-based collection, processing, and marketing of source separated organics;
- B. Take It Back Program and/or Product Stewardship Initiatives:
- (9) that City Staff report back in Fall 2001 on a source separated system for multi-residential buildings to begin in 2003;
- (10) that a sub-committee of the Works Committee be established to look at the creation of a “Take It Back” Program and/or Product Stewardship Initiatives for Household Hazardous Waste; and that Councillors Layton and Pitfield be appointed to the sub-committee; **(Motion amended by Councillor Balkissoon)**
- (11) that the sub-committee’s mandate be to establish a “Take It Back” program similar to the system in Ottawa and/or Product Stewardship Initiatives similar to the Province of British Columbia; **(Motion amended by Councillor Balkissoon)**
- (12) that the sub-committee be chaired by a member of the Works Committee;
- (13) that the Toronto Environmental Alliance (TEA) and Target Zero be invited to participate;

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(14) that \$20,000.00 be put aside from the 2001 funding available for diversion programs (Account No. SW0005), to help with administration of the sub-committee;

(15) that the sub-committee be requested to report back by the Fall of 2001 for commencement in January 2002;

C. New and Emerging Technologies:

(16) that City staff report to the Works Committee in Fall 2001, in consultation with the Ward Councillor, on a lease of land, possibly on the Gulf Oil site or another site on the Port Lands, to Enwave/Toronto Hydro for a potential energy facility;
(Motion amended by Councillor Layton)

(17) that staff be directed to enter into partnership with other GTA regions for the purpose of exploring new and emerging technologies. Councillor Balkissoon should be the lead for Council on this initiative;

(18) that staff be requested to come forward to the Works Committee twice a year with a report on the status of each of the three processes identified or any other diversion solutions;

D. Blue and Grey Boxes:

(19) that City staff design and structure a bag program to supplement the existing Blue and Grey Box programs, including a potential partnership with the private sector, and report to Council in Fall 2001;

E. The Depot Program:

(20) that City staff design and structure two city-wide garage sales or giveaways at the Exhibition or Downsview sites, whereby all residents of the City of Toronto would be invited to participate;

(21) that City staff design and structure a Mayor's proclamation for two "Amnesty Days" per year that would encourage residents to put their unwanted goods by the curb where they could be picked up by others;

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- (22) that City staff design and structure a cost-neutral curbside collection method for scrap metal;
- (23) that City staff review the possibility of an increase of styrofoam recycling and the possibility of adding it to the Blue Box;
- (24) that City staff review the potential installation of woodbins at transfer stations to allow for the public to deposit used wood;
- (25) that City staff be instructed to establish a list of items that can be collected at each transfer station depot;
- (26) that City Staff report back on the above listed items in Fall 2001;

F. Home and Garden Composting:

- (27) that the City re-start truckload sales for backyard composters, even without the \$10.00 subsidy;
- (28) that City staff report in September 2001 on:
 - (a) a phone campaign by volunteer Waste Watchers to contact everyone who has a backyard composter and offer tips, as well as asking about their interest in vermi-composting (composting with worms);
 - (b) putting a compost display at Nathan Phillips Square to manage organic kitchen residuals generated at City Hall's Café on the Square;
 - (c) putting one compost display in each Ward or community garden;
 - (d) any other possible opportunities identified in the community meetings, as contained in Appendix L; and

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- (e) the establishment of a worm composter at City Hall, such report to be submitted by the appropriate staff to the appropriate committee; **(Motion by Councillor Layton)**

H. Bag Limits:

- (30) that bag limits for residual garbage be lowered to five bags every two weeks in 2002 and four bags every two weeks in 2003;
- (31) the issue of bag limits be reviewed by the Works Committee in January 2003 to see if there should be further reductions;

I. The Provincial Government:

- (32) that the City encourage the provincial government to immediately establish a permanent Waste Diversion Organization to legislate on an urgent basis private sector financial contributions to fund the Blue Box program. Financing should be high enough to ensure that the program can operate at no cost to the City;
- (33) that the City encourage the Province to follow the principles of the first two R's – reduce and reuse – and mandate a deposit-return system for beverage containers; and that City Council reaffirm its position that this system include the immediate implementation of a deposit-return for the Liquor Control Board of Ontario; **(Motion amended by Councillor Layton)**
- (34) that the City call on the Province to review packaging regulations and guidelines. The goal of the review should be to reduce the amount of packaging that must be managed, and to bring in incentives for industry to make or use packaging that is readily recyclable and maximize recyclable content (such as PET and HDPE plastics), instead of products designed for disposal after one use;

J. The Federal Government:

- (36) that City Council call on the Federal Government to bring in an infrastructure program specifically designed to provide municipalities with funds to build recycling and composting plants;

K. The Private Sector:

- (37) that the City actively pursue advertising revenues linked to Environment Days and corporate sponsorship of recycling programs;

L. The Community:

- (39) that City staff report back in Fall 2001 on an educational/promotional campaign to encourage the widespread adoption of its diversion strategies;
- (40) that the City perform resource audits on litter collected, and pursue main offenders, particularly the fast-food industry, to provide support for a clean city, including the adoption of litter bins throughout the City;
- (41) that the City analyze resource disposal practices on a community-by-community basis to identify the best communities, and develop an education program with the local Councillor's help to encourage the remaining communities to improve their performance;

M. Agencies, Boards, Commissions and Departments:

- (42) that every Agency, Board, Commission and Department submit to City Council by January 1, 2002, through the office of the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, a plan to achieve, as a minimum, Council's diversion targets;

P. Separate Bill:

- (43) that the City explore a number of options for billing residents for resource management, such as: creating an "environmental control bill" or "green bill" jointly with

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Toronto Hydro and Toronto Water; sending out in the same envelope as the property tax bill a separate tax bill dealing with garbage only; asking the Province to allow Council to make note of the garbage portion of the tax bill; or, continuing to make notes on the tax bill envelopes; and that the discussions with respect to such options be held at the Resource Diversion Implementation Working Group, recommended in Recommendation No. (47);

Q. User Fee:

- (44) that City Council not implement a user fee, at this time;
- (45) that City staff report in January 2003 on a user fee, in conjunction with the bag limits report;

R. Benefiting Assessment:

- (46) that City staff report to Council in Fall 2001 on an appropriate container for an organics collection system for single family homes and a means of funding the containers, in addition to the benefiting assessment as proposed in Recommendation No. (7);
- (47) that the City create a Resource Diversion Implementation Working Group as a sub-committee of the Works Committee, comprised of Councillors Disero, Balkissoon, Layton, Li Preti and Pitfield. The Working Group, which will be chaired by the Chair of the Works Committee, will be mandated to:
 - (a) work with City on implementing resource diversion policies and recommendations that are adopted by Council;
 - (b) continue to meet on an ongoing basis with the public, the environmental non-governmental organizations and other stakeholders – at least until 2004 – to build support and momentum;
 - (c) follow up on the implementation of diversion solutions in apartments and condominiums;

- (d) shape a more detailed strategy for ensuring that Council's target of 100 percent diversion by 2010 is met; and
 - (e) review the issue of commingling materials from the Blue and Grey Boxes; and **(Motion by Councillor Layton)**
- (48) that staff give priority to exploring the "No Cost" proposal by Green Tech to collect all used computer printer cartridges within the City boundaries, and report back to the Works Committee by September 2001;" **(Motion by Councillor Balkissoon)**
- (III) the adoption of the following recommendations contained in Appendix M of the Report of the Waste Diversion Task Force 2010, "Staff Recommendations to Waste Diversion Task Force 2010", amended to read as follows, and that all other reports in Appendix M be received for information:

Item No. (4)(i) - Single-Family Residences and Multi-Unit Residential Buildings:

- "(1) that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to undertake a consultation process regarding the establishment of a service fee for solid waste management with stakeholders such as apartment and condominium management associations, ratepayers' associations, condominium boards, members of the public, and other self-identified stakeholders; and
- (2) that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, the Chief Financial Officer, and the City Solicitor be requested to submit a report to the January 2002 meeting of the Works Committee, and subsequently to the Policy and Finance Committee, containing recommendations for the establishment of a residential service fee for solid waste management services;"

Item No. (4)(ii) – School Boards:

- “(1) that as of January 1, 2002, all solid waste collected or received for disposal by the City of Toronto from the Toronto District School Board and the Toronto Catholic District School Board and private schools operating in the City of Toronto be subject to service charges based on full cost recovery;
- (2) that the City of Toronto provide the Toronto District School Board, the Toronto Catholic District School Board, and private schools located in the City of Toronto with continued access to the City’s current Blue and Grey Box recycling service and leaf and yard waste composting program at no charge, other than the provision of approved collection containers and associated in-house management costs, and be subject to review after a period of five years commencing January 1, 2002; and
- (3) that the current charge to the School Boards of \$12,500.00 for recycling from September 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001 be withdrawn;”

Items Nos. (4)(iii) and (iv) – City Departments, Agencies, Boards and Commissions:

- “(1) that City Council establish a policy whereby all solid waste generated for disposal by the City’s Agencies, Boards, Commissions and Departments and City-controlled corporations be managed by the City’s Solid Waste Management Services Division, in order to avoid additional disposal capacity planning and tendering costs, potentially higher disposal costs and additional risk, and direct or request, as applicable, the Agencies, Boards and Commissions to adhere to the policy;
- (2) that each Agency, Board, Commission and Department and of the City of Toronto and each City-controlled corporation be requested to submit to City Council for review and approval a comprehensive three-year solid waste diversion program by January 1, 2002, through a consolidated report to be submitted by the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services;

- (3)(i) that as of January 1, 2002, all solid waste collected and/or received for disposal by the City of Toronto's Solid Waste Management Division from the Agencies, Boards, Commissions and Departments of the City of Toronto and City-controlled corporations, be subject to an intra-departmental charge-back (or other appropriate means of billing) based on a full cost recovery, with the exception of tonnage collected and disposed from residential units of Community and Neighbourhood Services; and
- (3)(ii) that the City of Toronto's Solid Waste Management Services Division provide Agencies, Boards, Commissions, Departments and City-controlled corporations with continued access to its existing Blue and Grey Box recycling service and leaf and yard waste composting program at no charge, other than the provision of approved collection containers and associated in-house management costs, and be subject to review after a period of five years commencing January 1, 2002;" and

(Motion amended by Councillor Layton)

Item No. (4)(v) – Charitable Organizations:

- “(1) that the City of Toronto maintain its no-charge solid waste disposal policy for Community Service Organizations currently receiving this service, subject to the provisions contained in Recommendation No. (2); and
- (2) that by January 1, 2002, Community Service Organizations currently approved for no- charge disposal of residual solid waste be required to re-apply to the City of Toronto for this service, based on the provision of service conditions cited in this report, through the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services”; and

- (IV) that Council commend the Chair of the Committee, Councillor Betty Disero, and the Mayor for their leadership in co-chairing the Waste Diversion Task Force 2010, and express its appreciation to all involved in the work of the Task Force, including Councillors, stakeholders, members of the public, members of industry, environmental groups, all staff and the Union. **(Motion by Councillor Pitfield)**

The Committee further:

- (1) requested the General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services, to report directly to Council for its meeting on June 26, 2001, in camera, on the following Recommendation No. (4) of the Waste Diversion Task Force 2010:
- “(4) That, beginning immediately, the Dufferin Transfer Station be expanded in phases through the addition of modular components, at a capital cost of \$25 million or less (depending on the volume of organics collected) to process residential source separated organics. The Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services is requested to undertake the required engineering design and report back to Council in Fall 2001”; and
- (2) received Recommendations Nos. (29), (35) and (38) of the Waste Diversion Task Force 2010.

The foregoing motion by Councillor Disero, as amended by Councillors Layton, Balkissoon and Pitfield, was carried unanimously.

(Clause No. 1, Report No. 10)

Councillor Disero resumed the Chair.

8.2 Garbage Services Fee Harmonization and Enhanced Diversion Initiatives for Commercial Sector.

The Works Committee had before it a report (June 8, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that Council approve in principle the following:

- (1) all business-related food waste and organics, recyclable corrugated cardboard (excluding waxed coated corrugated cardboard), and recyclable container materials be banned from municipally collected commercial garbage;
- (2) municipal recycling collection of container materials and fibre materials (mixed paper, newspapers and corrugated cardboard) be provided at no charge to eligible commercial locations twice per week in the “Core” area and extended to eligible commercial locations in the “Non-Core” areas of the City with a collection frequency of once per week;
- (3) the “Core” or downtown tourist area be defined as being the area bounded by the shore of Lake Ontario to the south, Parkside Drive and Keele Street to the west, Eglinton Avenue to the north, and Victoria Park Avenue to the east. The Core area would include commercial locations on both sides of the referenced boundary streets;
- (4) eligible commercial businesses in the “Core” area be limited to businesses in buildings with a ground floor area not exceeding 500 square metres and less than four above ground commercial floors and industrial locations are not eligible;
- (5) eligible commercial businesses in the “Non-Core” area be limited to businesses in mixed residential/commercial buildings including businesses in plazas and malls where the residential area of the plaza or mall is at least one-third of the total area, and with less than three above ground floors and industrial locations are not eligible;
- (6) businesses that are eligible for municipal garbage collection that also need food waste collection will be provided this service by the City of Toronto. Only businesses that are eligible for garbage collection will be permitted to set their food waste at the curb for collection;
- (7) businesses that are otherwise eligible for commercial municipal garbage collection that choose to contract with the private sector for either garbage or organics collection are not eligible for municipal garbage, organic or recyclable collection;

- (8) food waste and organics set out at the curb from eligible municipal commercial locations must be in containers approved by the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services;
- (9) municipal garbage collection from eligible commercial locations be limited to a standard two times per week across the City, Monday to Friday;
- (10) businesses currently receiving municipal commercial garbage collection that do not meet the recommended eligibility criteria, including commercial and industrial businesses that may have been included under “grandfather” provisions with former municipalities, have three months to arrange for private sector service after being notified in writing by the City of their eligibility status, at which time the City will discontinue the service;
- (11) commercial waste (garbage, recyclables and food waste) collected by private contractors cannot be set out for collection on the street before 12:00 midnight or after 6:00 a.m. and that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services will regulate the days of the week when private commercial collection is permitted for each affected street;
- (12) municipally collected garbage from eligible commercial locations other than municipally collected cart or bulk lift materials, must be set out in plastic bags with a capacity not exceeding 66 centimetres (26 inches) by 90 centimetres (36 inches) and capable of supporting 20 kg and the weight not exceeding 20 kg, with materials that cannot be readily placed in bags, wrapped in bundles not exceeding 120 centimetres (48 inches) by 60 centimetres (24 inches) by 30 centimetres (12 inches) and not exceeding 20 kg;
- (13) all costs associated with municipal collection and disposal of garbage and municipal collection and processing of organics from commercial locations be fully recovered by the use of a service fee dependant upon the volume of materials set out by the business for collection; and
- (14) local Business Improvement Areas (BIAs), the Restaurant Hotel and Motel Association of Ontario, as well as other interested parties be consulted in regard to the recommendations outlined in this report, and that staff report further to the Works Committee at its September 2001 meeting on fee schedules, implementation plans, organic collection and processing plans.

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The Committee also had before it the following communications:

- (i) (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;
 - (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

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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.”;

- (ii) (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;
- (iii) (May 8, 2001) from 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 deliver a world class waste diversion program; and
- (iv) (June 21, 2001) from Mr. Brian Cochrane, President, Toronto Civic Employees’ Union, CUPE - Local 416, expressing concerns with regard to the staff report regarding garbage services fee harmonization and enhanced diversion initiatives for the commercial sector, including lack of consultation on the impact of the initiatives on the workforce, the availability of City services to businesses and the increased cost of collection services by the private sector.

Mr. Rob Cook, Executive Director, Ontario Waste Management Association, appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Layton, the Committee approved Recommendation No. (14) contained in the aforementioned report, and deferred consideration of the balance of the report pending the results of the consultation process, such consultation to also include Toronto Civic Employees' Union, CUPE – Local 416.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; c: Councillor Pam McConnell; General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services; Mr. Rob Cook; Mr. Brian Cochrane; Queen East Business Association Inc.; Administrator, Audit Committee – June 21, 2001)

(Clause No. 5(a), Report No. 10)

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8.3 Litter from Fast-Food Restaurants.

The Works Committee had before it a communication (June 7, 2001) from the Acting City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting held on May 30, 31 and June 1, 2001, had before it Clause No. 1 contained in Report No. 6 of The Works Committee, headed "Litter from Fast-Food Restaurants"; and that Council struck out and referred this Clause, together with the following motion, back to the Works Committee for further consideration at its special meeting to be held on June 21, 2001:

Moved by Councillor Miller:

"It is further recommended that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to conduct a waste composition audit on a representative sample of litter collected by the City forces across the City and determine which fast-food businesses and fast-food corporations are the main contributors to the litter problem in the City; and further, that identified businesses be required to adopt litter bins within a certain vicinity of their business promoting messages to keep the City clean by depositing litter and recycling from their business in the relevant bin; and that staff report on the mechanisms required to accomplish this goal."

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

On motion by Councillor Disero, the Committee again recommended to Council:

- (I) the adoption of the report dated March 15, 2001, from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, which recommended that:

- (1) the Ontario Ministry of the Environment be requested to expand the scope of the Waste Diversion Organization to include the development of cost-sharing mechanisms for fast-food packaging disposed of as waste or litter in public areas; and
 - (2) the Province of Ontario be requested to enforce its regulations that govern waste and recycling for the commercial, industrial and institutional sectors; and
- (II) that if the Ministry of the Environment is unwilling to expand the Waste Diversion Organization to include fast-food packaging, the Ministry be requested to create a similar municipal industry waste management funding model for fast-food packaging;

and noted that the matter of waste audits, referred to in the motion by Councillor Miller, is considered in the Report of the Waste Diversion Task Force 2010.

(Clause No. 3, Report No. 10)

Councillor Disero resumed the Chair.

**8.4 Product Stewardship Initiatives
for Disposable Diapers.**

The Works Committee had before it a report (May 14, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that the Minister of the Environment act immediately to bring forward legislation to the Legislature to implement the recommendations of the Waste Diversion Organization so that Ontario municipalities can obtain funding for the blue box program, recovery of household hazardous waste and composting of disposable diapers and low grade papers.

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

(Clause No. 4, Report No. 10)

8.5 Toronto Integrated Solid Waste Resource Management (“TIRM”) Process, Category 1 – Proven Diversion Capacity, Technical Due Diligence Findings and Proposal Negotiations Results.

The Works Committee had before it a confidential report (June 20, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting the Toronto Integrated Solid Waste Resource Management (“TIRM”) Process, Category 1 – Proven Diversion Capacity, Technical Due Diligence Findings and Proposal Negotiations Results.

On the advice of the Solicitor, the recommendations contained in the aforementioned confidential report were made public.

On motion by Councillor Balkissoon, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the following recommendations contained in the aforementioned confidential report:

“It is recommended that:

- (1) the City of Toronto not award a contract to either of the top-qualified proposals submitted by Groupe Comporec Inc. and Services Matrec, and Rail Cycle North Ltd., (represented by Miller Waste Systems), under the Toronto Integrated Solid Waste Resource Management Process, Category 1, Proven Diversion Capacity; and

subject to the adoption of Recommendation No. (1),

- (2) the City of Toronto’s Integrated Solid Waste Resource Management Process be concluded immediately, and that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be authorized to allocate the remaining budget of the project consultant to the planning of the implementation of diversion of source separated organics.”

(Clause No. 2, Report No. 10)

The Works Committee adjourned its meeting at 12:35 p.m.

Chair.