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**PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
AGENDA  
MEETING No. 1**

<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>January 14, 2002</b>	<b>Enquiry:</b>	<b>Christine Archibald</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>		<b>Administrator</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Committee Room 1</b>		<b>(416) 392-7039</b>
	<b>City Hall</b>		<b>carchiba@city.toronto.on.ca</b>
	<b>100 Queen Street West</b>		

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**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PURSUANT TO THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT.**

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 12, 2001 MEETING - available in qry\2001\standing\planning\minutes and on the City's website**

**PUBLIC MEETING**

- 1. 10.00.A.M. DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO THE FORMER METRO AND AREA MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL PLANS AND DRAFT CITYWIDE ZONING BY-LAW TO PERMIT SENIORS COMMUNITY HOUSES CITYWIDE**

Commissioner of Urban Development Services  
(December 13, 2001)

**Forwarding** draft official plan and zoning by-law amendments to permit Seniors Community Houses across the City wherever residential uses are permitted in the existing zoning By-laws, for consideration at a January 14, 2002 public meeting of the Planning and Transportation Committee, and **recommending** that:

- (1) the City Solicitor submit by-laws for the consideration of Council substantially as contained in Appendices A and B attached to this report, being amendments to the former Metro and area municipal plans and a citywide zoning By-law, for the purpose of permitting Seniors Community Houses in all zones or districts where

residential uses are permitted, excluding the Parkdale community;  
and

- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto, including any unsubstantive technical, stylistic or format changes to the proposed by-laws as may be necessary.

**1(a)**

City Clerk  
(December 10, 2001)

**Advising** that City Council, at its meeting on December 4, 5 and 6, 2001, adopted Clause No. 3 of Report No. 14 of the Planning and Transportation Committee, titled “Proposed City-wide Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments to Permit Seniors Community Houses”, and in so doing directed that:

- (1) draft Zoning By-law amendments, generally as described in the report (November 6, 2001) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services, to permit a Seniors Community House use in any zone where residential uses are generally permitted, except within the Parkdale community in the former City of Toronto, be forwarded to a statutory Public Meeting held pursuant to the Planning Act at the January 14, 2002 meeting of Planning and Transportation Committee;
- (2) the necessary amendments to the former Metro and former Area Municipal Official Plans, as may be required to authorize the draft Zoning By-law amendments referenced above, be drafted and also be forwarded to a statutory Public Meeting held pursuant to the Planning Act at the January 14, 2002 meeting of Planning and Transportation Committee; and
- (3) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**2. 11.00.A.M. HARMONIZATION OF SIGN PERMIT APPLICATION FEES AND OTHER SIGN-RELATED ISSUES**

Commissioner of Urban Development Services  
(December 12, 2001)

**Providing** the necessary draft by-law to give effect to the proposed sign permit fee increases outlined in the report of the Commissioner of Urban Development Services dated October 26, 2001, and to provide the further information as requested by Committee at its meeting of November 12, 2001, and **recommending** that:

- (1) the attached by-law be approved; and
- (2) authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary bill in Council, substantially in the form of the draft by-law, to give effect thereto.

2(a)

City Clerk  
(December 13, 2001)

**Advising** that City Council, at its meeting on December 4, 5 and 6, 2001, adopted and amended Clause No. 1 of Report No. 14 of the Planning and Transportation Committee titled "Sign Permit and Variance Application Fee Harmonization", and in part **authorized** the Planning and Transportation Committee to hold a public meeting on January 14, 2002, to consider a draft by-law amendment to adjust sign permit fees as outlined in the further report (October 30, 2001) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services, and other sign matters that may be contained in the staff reports requested to be submitted to the January 14, 2002 public hearing, that notice of hearing be given in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Act and staff be directed to prepare a draft by-law for consideration at the public meeting.

## PRESENTATION

### 3. 2:00 P.M. 2002 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS

*Note: Budget related material not yet available.*

### 4. PARKLAND ACQUISITION STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS REPORT

City Clerk  
(November 9, 2001)

**Forwarding** Clause No. 10 of Report No. 10 of the Economic Development and Parks Committee which was adopted, as amended, by City Council at its meeting on November

6, 7 and 8, 2001, and **advising** that City Council, in part, directed that the Parkland Acquisition Strategic Directions Report be forwarded to Community Councils and the Planning and Transportation Committee for their consideration and report back to the January 21, 2002 meeting of the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

**4(a)** City Clerk, Humber York Community Council  
(November 23, 2001)

**Advising** that the Humber York Community Council, at its meeting on November 20, 2001, **recommended** to the Planning and Transportation Committee that it ensure that a mechanism is in place for the provision of green space in communities when development applications are being considered, by requiring that the Official Plan specifically address the provision of parkland and/or green space in considering development issues; and that the Parkland Acquisition Strategic Directions Report, be also considered together with Official Plan documents.

**5. HARMONIZATION OF THE SIGN BY-LAW CONCERNING POSTERS ON UTILITY POLES**

Commissioner, Urban Development Services  
(December 12, 2001)

**Reporting** on alternative options to simplify the proposed by-law and suggest alternative enforcement strategies and cost recovery options, as requested by Council, and **recommending** that:

- (1) the Planning and Transportation Committee be authorized to hold a public meeting on March 25, 2002 to consider the proposed by-law amendments with respect to posters on utility poles and that Notice of Hearing be given in accordance with the requirements of the *Municipal Act*;
- (2) posters not be permitted on any privately-owned pole located on the boulevard;
- (3) posters be permitted only on utility poles located on a boulevard if:
  - (a) the utility pole is fitted with an approved collar;
  - (b) the poster is no larger than 22 centimetres by 28 centimetres and consists of lightweight cardboard or paper only;
  - (c) the poster is at least 100 metres from any other poster that conveys essentially identical information;
  - (d) the poster is securely attached flush to the surface of the collar using staples or removable tape;
  - (e) the poster is dated, showing the date of posting; and

- (f) the poster is displayed for not more than 30 days or five days after the end of the advertised event, if any, whichever is earlier;
- (4) the purchase and installation of 2,000 collars be approved in principle;
- (5) the location and placement of all collars be determined by the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services;
- (6) the Commissioner of Urban Development Services, the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, Toronto Hydro Corporation, the Toronto Transit Commission or their designates, be authorized to remove any poster or sign in the course of periodic cleaning or maintenance or where it is found that a poster or other sign is displayed in contravention of the by-law;
- (7) where a poster or sign is removed in accordance with the provisions of the by-law, any person responsible for erecting, attaching, placing or displaying, or causing or permitting the erecting, attaching, placing or displaying of the sign in contravention of the by-law be required to pay the City the greater of a per sign removal fee of \$60.00 or the actual cost of removal and disposal of the sign, and;
- (8) if, after a public meeting, the Committee finds it desirable to adopt the draft by-law, that the City Solicitor be authorized, once all collars have been installed, to prepare and introduce in Council a bill substantially in the form of the attached draft by-law.

## **6. HARMONIZATION OF THE DIVISION FENCE BY-LAW**

Commissioner of Urban Development Services  
(December 12, 2001)

**Reporting** on the continuation of the current method of arbitrating issues related to division fences in the former City of Toronto and **recommending** that:

- (1) Council adopt the procedure outlined in the *Line Fences Act* for the entire City;
- (2) the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Urban Development Services, be authorized to prepare and introduce in Council the necessary bill(s) to give effect to the decision of the Committee, and
- (3) the balance of this report be received for information.

**7. LICENSING AND REGULATING OF MOBILE SIGNS/TRUCKS TOWING SIGNAGE**

Commissioner of Urban Development Services  
(December 12, 2001)

**Providing** information on the feasibility of licensing and regulating trucks towing signage in the City of Toronto and **recommending** that the issue of trucks towing signage be dealt with as part of the overall development of a new sign by-law for the city and that appropriate licensing regulations be considered at that time.

**7(a) IN-CAMERA: In accordance with the Municipal Act, a motion is required for the Committee to meet privately and the reason must be stated.**

City Solicitor  
(December 20, 2001)

Confidential report respecting the City's authority to license and regulate billboard-type signs mounted on or towed by trucks ("mobile signs") having regard that the subject matter relates to the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

**8. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO LIMITING DISTANCE AGREEMENTS**

Commissioner of Urban Development Services  
(December 12, 2001)

**Seeking** authority for the Chief Building Official and Deputy Chief Building Officials to enter into limiting distance agreements under the Building Code on behalf of the City in situations where the City's interests are not affected by the agreement and **recommending** that:

- (1) the Chief Building Official and the Deputy Chief Building Officials be authorized to enter into limiting distance agreements under the Building Code that do not affect lands owned by the City if the agreements do not impose any obligations on the City and are in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and
- (2) the City Solicitor be authorized to introduce a bill in Council to give effect thereto.

**9. ZONING BY-LAW REGULATION OF THE PLACEMENT OF CENTRAL AIR CONDITIONING UNITS**

Commissioner of Urban Development Services  
(December 11, 2001)

**Responding** to the Planning and Transportation Committee's request about the possibility of regulating the placement of central air conditioning units in the zoning by-laws and **recommending** that the Commissioner of Urban Development Services give consideration to the development of city-wide zoning provisions to regulate the placement of central air conditioning units during the new zoning by-law project process.

**10. URBAN DEVELOPMENT SERVICES – BUILDING DIVISION REVIEW**

City Clerk  
(December 10, 2001)

**Forwarding** Clause No. 5 of Report No. 10 of the Audit Committee which was adopted by City Council at its meeting on December 4, 5 and 6, 2001 and **advising** that Council. in addition to adopting the report (November 13, 2001) from the City Auditor also directed that a copy of this clause be forwarded to the Planning and Transportation Committee for information.

**11. REQUIRING CAB DRIVERS ISSUED AMBASSADOR TAXICAB LICENSES TO PURCHASE ULTRA LOW EMISSION VEHICLES**

City Clerk  
(December 13, 2001)

**Advising** that City Council, at its meeting on December 4, 5 and 6, 2001, had before it Clause No. 8 of Report No. 14 of The Planning and Transportation Committee, titled "Other Items Considered by the Committee", and received this clause for information subject to **striking** out and **referring** the following Item (c) titled "Requiring Cab Drivers Issued Ambassador Taxicab Licences to Purchase Ultra Low Emission Vehicles", back to the Planning and Transportation Committee for further consideration:

“(a) Requiring Cab Drivers Issued Ambassador Taxicab Licences to Purchase Ultra Low Emission Vehicles

The Planning and Transportation Committee reports having:

- (1) referred the report (October 22, 2001) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services back to the Commissioner with a request that the Commissioner:
- (a) with representatives of the Toronto Atmospheric Fund, and including, but not targeting, representatives of the taxi industry, meet with representatives of the Natural Gas Industry to discuss:
    - (i) a proposed fee structure and economic incentives which would allow Ambassador Taxicab owners to purchase ultra low emission vehicles (ULEVs);
    - (ii) the concept of phasing in the use of ULEVs to the entire taxicab industry in the City of Toronto and incentives for moving forward to achieve this goal; and
  - (b) examine any other additional incentives for requiring an Ambassador taxicab license holder to purchase ULEVs, including the issuance of additional Ambassador Licence Plates for 2002;
- and report back to the Planning and Transportation Committee as early as possible in 2002 on the outcome of these discussions; and
- (2) referred this matter to the Sustainability Roundtable for discussion with a request that it report back to the Planning and Transportation Committee at the same meeting that the Commissioner of Urban Development submits her foregoing requested report.”

## 12. FISCAL SUSTAINABILITY PRINCIPLES AND FINANCIAL PRIORITY SETTING

### City Clerk

(December 10, 2001)

**Enclosing** Clause No. 1 contained in Report No.16 of The Policy and Finance Committee, headed “Fiscal Sustainability Principles and Financial Priority Setting”, which was adopted, without amendment, by the Council of the City of Toronto at its meeting held on December 4, 5 and 6, 2001, and **advising** that Council referred the:

- (1) fiscal principles to the Budget Advisory Committee, the Standing Committees, the Chief Administrative Officer and the Acting Chief Financial Officer, as guidelines for use in responding to the City’s fiscal issues and financial pressures; and



- (2) Priority Setting Guide to the Standing Committees and Budget Advisory Committee for use in assessing service level changes for City programs and setting financial priorities for the City.

### 13. **PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BUILDING PERMIT BY-LAW NO. 163-1998**

Commissioner of Urban Development Services  
(December 15, 2001)

**Advising** of the addition of an administrative surcharge to building permits which are secured after construction has commenced prior to the issuance of a building permit; an increase in the deposit required to accompany a building permit application to ensure that the City collects the non-refundable permit fees portion, should the application get cancelled or abandoned; a number of clarifications and house keeping issues; and **recommending** that:

- (1) an additional amount of 25% of the required total permit fee or \$100, whichever is greater, be charged for a project when construction has commenced prior to the issuance of a building permit;
- (2) Building Permit By-law No. 163-1998 be amended to increase the deposit required to accompany the building permit application to ensure that the City collects the non-refundable permit fees portion should the application get cancelled or abandoned;
- (3) Schedule "A" of the Building Permit By-law No. 163-1998 be amended to include the following:
  - (a) revise Section 5. to read "Fees for classes of permits or services not described or included in this Schedule be based on:
    - a fee of \$14.70/thousand dollars of prescribed construction value, or
    - an hourly charge of \$63/hour, to account for processing of the permit and inspections;
  - (b) revise Section 6. f) to change the permit fee refund recipient from the "current permit holder" to the person(s) who actually paid said fees;
  - (c) add a sunset clause for eligibility of permit fee refunds for withdrawal, abandonment or refusal to issue a permit application and request for revocation of a permit. This will eliminate applicants requesting refunds after an unrealistic time period;

- (4) Section 2. h) in Schedule “B” of the Building Permit By-law No. 163-1998 be amended to reflect changes to names of various corporations, boards, commissions and agencies.;
- (5) Building Division staff in conjunction with Legal Services be directed to prepare the necessary by-law amendments for Council consideration; and
- (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action, including the introduction of a bill in Council, in the form of a draft by-law to give effect thereto.

**14. MOTIONS EMANATING FROM THE 2002-2006 CAPITAL PROGRAM AND 10-YEAR CAPITAL FORECAST**

Vincent Rodo, General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission  
(November 30, 2001)

**Recommending** that the following motions, approved by the Commission during its consideration of a report entitled “2002-2006 Capital Program and 10-Year Capital Forecast”, be forwarded to the Planning and Transportation Committee for its consideration:

- (1) that staff review the feasibility of creative utilization of Section 37 under the Planning Act for assistance to transit;
- (2) staff review the model that the 905 Region has used for development levies to fund public transit, i.e. GO Transit, and make recommendations with respect to development levies for public transit related projects within the City of Toronto; and
- (3) that the Province of Ontario be requested to amend the Planning Act to provide for transit benefits under Section 37 and that the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be requested to report further on this proposal.

**14(a) Commissioner, Urban Development Services**

*(Report not yet available)*