

THE CITY OF TORONTO

Clerk's Division

Minutes of the Planning and Transportation Committee

Meeting No. 13

Friday, December 13, 2002

The Planning and Transportation Committee met on December 13, 2002, in Committee Room No. 1, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:30 a.m.

Councillor	9:30 a.m.
Councillor Gerry Altobello, Chair	X
Councillor Pam McConnell, Vice-Chair	-
Councillor Lorenzo Berardinetti	-
Councillor Betty Disero	-
Councillor Joanne Flint	X
Councillor Peter Milczyn	X
Councillor Howard Moscoe	X
Councillor Kyle Rae	X

Declarations of Interest Pursuant to the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act

None declared.

Confirmation of Minutes

On motion by Councillor Moscoe, the minutes of the meetings of the Planning and Transportation Committee held on September 24, 2002 and November 4, 2002 were confirmed.

13.1 2003 Operating and Capital Budget Presentation and Preliminary Review

The Planning and Transportation Committee had a presentation on the 2003 Capital and Operating Budgets relating to the Department of Urban Development Services:

- Building Services
- City Planning Services

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- Municipal Licensing and Standards
- Business Support Services

The Committee also had before it the following material:

- copy of Urban Development Services PowerPoint Presentation entitled "2003 Capital & Operating Budget";
- copies of Analyst Briefing Notes for:
 - 2003-2012 Capital Program : Urban Development Services;
 - 2003-2012 Capital Program : Waterfront Revitalization Project;
 - 2003-2012 Capital Program: Yonge Dundas Project;
 - 2003 Operating Budget : Urban Development Services; and
 - 2003 Operating New/Enhanced Services : Urban Development Services;

- communication (November 13, 2002) from the City Clerk, Toronto Cycling Committee advising that the Toronto Cycling Committee, at its meeting on November 12, 2002, requested the Planning and Transportation Committee to approve the following:

"Whereas the 2002 Report on the Road and Trail Safety Ambassador program has shown a drop in cycling promotion, safety and education activities in the City of Toronto, from the years 2000 to 2002, due to a decrease in staff level from 20 persons to 5 persons;

And Whereas a report has been prepared by the Director, Transportation Planning, making a business case for hiring 5 additional Road and Trail Safety Ambassadors;

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Planning and Transportation Committee be requested to approve \$208,000.00, for the Department of Urban Development Services' cycling operating budget for 2003, including funding for the Bicycle Promotions Coordinator staff position, and new and enhanced funding of \$42,000.00 for 5 additional Road and Trail Safety Ambassadors";

- report (December 5, 2002) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services reporting on proposed funding for a revised project plan that uses City staff rather than consultants, providing a new work plan for the completion of the Project using seconded City staff, and a revised budget envelope for the entire Project, and recommending that:

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- (1) Council endorse the continuation of a project to develop a single, comprehensive Zoning By-law for the entire City, using staff on a secondment and back-fill basis, under the lead of the Commissioner of Urban Development Services;
- (2) the proposed funding for the Zoning By-law Project be forwarded to the Budget Advisory Committee for its review during consideration of the 2003 Capital Budget; and
- (3) the Commissioner of Urban Development Services report annually on the status of the work and budget of the Zoning By-law Project to the Planning and Transportation Committee indicating any changes in the scope or timelines of the project and the general findings to date.

The Planning and Transportation Committee:

- (1) on motion by Councillor Flint, recommended the approval of the 2003-2012 Capital Budget and the 2003 Operating Budget for the Urban Development Services subject to the adoption of the following reports:
 - (a) (December 5, 2002) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services recommending that:
 - “(1) Council endorse the continuation of a project to develop a single, comprehensive Zoning By-law for the entire City, using staff on a secondment and back-fill basis, under the lead of the Commissioner of Urban Development Services;
 - (2) the proposed funding for the Zoning By-law Project be forwarded to the Budget Advisory Committee for its review during consideration of the 2003 Capital Budget; and
 - (3) the Commissioner of Urban Development Services report annually on the status of the work and budget of the Zoning By-law Project to the Planning and Transportation Committee indicating any changes in the scope or timelines of the project and the general findings to date.”; and

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- (b) (on motion by Councillor Rae), the communication (November 13, 2002) from the City Clerk, Toronto Cycling Committee recommending that the Planning and Transportation Committee be requested to approve \$208,000.00, for the Department of Urban Development Services' cycling operating budget for 2003, including funding for the Bicycle Promotions Coordinator staff position, and new and enhanced funding of \$42,000.00 for 5 additional Road and Trail Safety Ambassadors;

and forwarded the Committee's recommendations in this regard to the Budget Advisory Committee for its review during its consideration of the 2003 Capital and Operating Budgets;

- (2) on motion by Councillor Milczyn, requested the Commissioner, Urban Development Services to report to the Planning and Transportation Committee:
 - (a) in the first quarter of 2003, on the reprioritization of projects in the Routes and Places Programme;
 - (b) to the January 13, 2003 meeting, in consultation with the Toronto Transit Commission, on the consequences of all Section 37 Agreement monies and other monies related to streetscape and local improvements and whether they can be consolidated within the capital budget;
 - (c) (on motion by Councillor Moscoe), the new amendments to the Municipal Act which permits municipalities to charge back the costs involved in license enforcement.

(Budget Advisory Committee and Commissioner, Urban Development Services; c.c.: City Clerk, Toronto Cycling Committee and Toronto Transit Commission - December 18, 2002)

(Clause No. 6(b), Report No. 1)

13.2 Pre-Campaign Feasibility Study

The Planning and Transportation Committee gave consideration to a report (November 28, 2002) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services reporting on findings of a initial feasibility study on the Great City Campaigns and recommending that Council acknowledge the findings of the Pre-campaign Feasibility Study.

On motion by Councillor Flint, the Planning and Transportation Committee:

- (1) recommended to City Council, for its meeting on February 4, 2003, the adoption of the report (November 28, 2002) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services; and
- (2) established a sub-committee with a mandate to work on the development of a "Beautiful City Campaign" encompassing the entire City of Toronto and comprising the following members of Planning and Transportation Committee:

Councillor Flint
Councillor Milczyn
Councillor Moscoe
Councillor Rae

and requested that representatives of the Toronto Transit Committee be invited to be included in the development of this campaign.

(Toronto Transit Commission; c.c.: Commissioner of Urban Development Services; City Clerk, Attn: Helen Smith, Appointments and Nominations Administrator; Councillor Flint; Councillor Milczyn; Councillor Moscoe; Councillor Rae and Administrator, Planning and Transportation Committee - December 18, 2002)

(Clause No. 1, Report No. 1)

13.3 Stakeholder Satisfaction with Committee of Adjustment Hearing Times

The Planning and Transportation Committee gave consideration to a communication (November 7, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting on October 29, 30 and 31, 2002, directed that Clause No .5 of Report No. 12 of the Planning and Transportation Committee, headed "Other Items Considered by the Committee", be

received as information, subject to striking out and referring Item (a), entitled "Stakeholder Satisfaction with Committee of Adjustment Hearing Times", embodied therein, back to the Planning and Transportation Committee for further consideration.

The Committee also had before it the following communications:

- (December 12, 2002) from John McGinnis, President, Deer park Ratepayers' group Inc., opposing the daytime only meetings for Committee of Adjustment Hearings;
- (December 11, 2002) from John Smart, Acting President, Teddington Park Residents' Association, opposing the daytime only meetings for Committee of Adjustment Hearings;
- (December 12, 2002) from Brian Maguire, Secretary, North Hill District Home Owners' Association, submitting comments on the daytime only meetings for Committee of Adjustment Hearings; and
- (December 11, 2002) from Merle Hudson, Swansea Area Ratepayers' Association, opposing the daytime only meetings for Committee of Adjustment Hearings.

Ms. Merle Hudson, Swansea Area Ratepayers Association appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Moscoe, the Planning and Transportation Committee recommended to City Council, for its meeting on February 4, 2003, that the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be requested to formalise the present system whereby all Committees of Adjustment meetings may begin at a later start date upon the request by a community group or an applicant.

(Clause No. 2, Report No. 1)

13.4 Referral by Council of Recommendation to Report on New Site Plan Control Practices - Streamlining the Application Review (STAR) Process

The Planning and Transportation Committee gave consideration to a communication (November 7, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting on October 29, 30 and 31, 2002, adopted, as amended, Clause No. 4 of Report No. 12 of the Planning and Transportation Committee, headed "Progress Report - Streamlining the Application Review (STAR) Process - All Wards", and struck out and referred the following Recommendation No. (4) contained in the report (September 23, 2002) from

the Development Review Task Force, as amended by the Planning and Transportation Committee, back to the Planning and Transportation Committee for further consideration:

- "(4) Council direct the Commissioner of Urban Development Services to review the December 1999 Council direction regarding new practices for Site Plan Control applications and to report thereon to Planning and Transportation Committee as soon as possible in 2003."

The Committee also had before it a report (December 2, 2002) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services reporting on Council's referral of a clause from the recent Development Review Task Force report regarding improvements to the City's development review and building permit issuance process, and recommending that the Planning and Transportation Committee refer the matter back to staff for further consideration.

On motion by Councillor Flint, the Planning and Transportation Committee adopted the report (December 2, 2002) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services and in so doing referred this matter back to the Commissioner for further consideration.

(Commissioner of Urban Development Services - December 18, 2002)

(Clause No. 6(c), Report No. 1)

13.5 Programme to Increase Public Awareness of the Role that Architects and Architecture Play in Shaping the City of Toronto

The Planning and Transportation Committee gave consideration to a communication (October 31, 2002) from Councillor Milczyn advising that the implementation of initiatives will:

- (1) increase awareness about the role that Architects and Architecture play in the planning process and in shaping the City of Toronto;
- (2) promote excellence in Architecture and Design in Toronto; and
- (3) promote discussion and debate about Architecture and Design among Torontonians;

and recommending that appropriate staff be directed to enact the following policies effective January 1, 2003;

- (1) all Planning Reports indicate prominently on their first page the name of the Architect or firm responsible for the design of the project;
- (2)
 - (a) all developers and property owners will be encouraged, in conjunction with their Architects, to affix plaques, or foundation stones, or other permanent signage at a prominent publicly visible location on or near their building or structure indicating the name of the Architect of Record, the date of construction, and the name of the developer or property owner; that this policy will apply to all new buildings in excess of 600 square metres in gross floor area, major structures, and substantially altered existing buildings in excess of 600 square metres in gross floor area; and
 - (b) that the requirement be mandatory in the case of all City-owned or operated buildings and structures.

On motion by Councillor Milczyn, the Planning and Transportation Committee recommended to City Council, for its meeting to be held on February 4, 2003, the adoption of the report (October 31, 2002) from Councillor Milczyn.

(Clause No. 3, Report No. 1)

13.6. Amendment to Terms of Reference - Toronto Cycling Committee

The Planning and Transportation Committee gave consideration to a communication (November 24, 2002) from the City Clerk, Toronto Cycling Committee advising that the Toronto Cycling Committee, at its meeting on November 12, 2002, requested the Planning and Transportation Committee to approve an amendment to the Terms of Reference for the Toronto Cycling Committee, to allow a representative from the Advocacy For Respect For Cyclists (ARC), to be a member on the Toronto Cycling Committee.

On motion by Councillor Moscoe, the Planning and Transportation Committee recommended to City Council, for its meeting to be held on February 4, 2003, the adoption of the report (November 24, 2002) from the City Clerk, Toronto Cycling Committee.

(Clause No. 4, Report No. 1)

13.7 Architecture Tourism Potential - All Wards

The Planning and Transportation Committee gave consideration to a joint report (November 27, 2002) from the Commissioner, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and Commissioner, Urban Development Services, to investigate the impact of good architecture on tourism development and determine how the City of Toronto can promote better architecture and design, as requested by Council at its May 21, 22 and 23, 2002 meeting, and recommending that:

- (1) the Commissioners of Economic Development Culture and Tourism and Urban Development Services be requested to distribute this report and consult with key agencies and institutions in the architectural and heritage preservation sectors, including the Design Exchange, Toronto Society of Architects, Ontario Association of Architects, Ontario Association of Landscape Architects, Association of Registered Interior Designers of Ontario, Heritage Toronto, Toronto Preservation Board, South East Downtown Economic Development Redevelopment Initiative, the Design Industry Advisory Committee, and university and college faculties of architecture and design to explore interest in undertaking or participating in projects designed to increase the linkages between Toronto's architectural product and the tourism market.;
- (2) the further development of architecture tourism be considered as a component of the Tourism Development Action Plan, in consultation with Urban Development Services and the architectural and heritage conservation communities;
- (3) this report be forwarded to the Economic Development and Parks Committee; and
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Planning and Transportation Committee:

- (1) on motion by Councillor Milczyn, recommended to City Council, for its meeting to be held on February 4, 2003, that the joint report (November 27, 2002) from the Commissioner, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Commissioner, Urban Development Services be adopted subject to amending Recommendation (1) by including in the distribution the Director of the Art Gallery of Ontario and the Director of the Royal Ontario Museum; and
- (2) on motion by Councillor Milczyn, in accordance with Recommendation (3) of the above-mentioned joint report,

referred this report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

(Economic Development and Parks Committee; c.c.: Commissioner, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and Commissioner, Urban Development Services - December 18, 2002)

(Clause No. 5, Report No. 1)

13.8. 25 Year Master Plan for the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC)

The Planning and Transportation Committee gave consideration to a communication (December 6, 2002) from Tony O'Donohue, P.Eng., Environmental Probe Ltd., forwarding a submission regarding an attempt to focus on building 100 kilometres of subway over the next 25-years in lock step with the new planning guidelines of the City of Toronto which is based on using known technology with an involvement of the public and private sectors.

With Councillor Milczyn in the Chair, on motion by Councillor Altobello, the Planning and Transportation Committee referred the report (December 6, 2002) from Tony O'Donohue to the Commissioner of Urban Development Services with a request that she provide comments on this proposal directly to the Toronto Transit Commission.

(Commissioner, Urban Development Services; c.c.: Tony O'Donohue, Environmental Probe Ltd. and Toronto Transit Commission - December 18, 2002)

(Clause No. 6(d), Report No. 1)

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.