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**PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
AGENDA  
MEETING NO. 6**

<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>Tuesday, June 3, 2003</b>	<b>Enquiry:</b>	<b>Christine Archibald</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>		<b>Committee Administrator</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Committee Room 1</b>		<b>(416) 392-7039</b>
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**Declarations of Interest Pursuant to the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.**

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**Items 1-3 are Public Meetings under the Municipal Act**

**Public Meeting**

**1. 10:00 a.m. Proposed Change to the Taxi By-law Respecting Printable Receipts**

Amendments to Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing to remove the requirement that the taximeter in a taxicab be equipped with an automatic receipt dispenser.

Report (May 12, 2003) from the City Solicitor responding to the direction from City Council to prepare a draft by-law removing the requirement for taximeters to be equipped with an automatic receipt dispenser and recommending that:

If City Council wishes to remove the requirement for taximeters to be equipped with an automatic receipt dispenser, it is recommended that:

- (1) Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, be amended in accordance with the proposed by-law attached as Appendix "A" to this report, which removes the requirement for taximeters to be equipped with an automatic receipt dispenser while ensuring that passengers remain entitled to the information that would be found on the printed receipt; and
- (2) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**1(a).** Communication (April 28, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting held on April 14, 15 and 16, 2003, adopted the following Motion:

“Whereas in 1999 as a part of the taxicab reform package, the City mandated that taxis be required to have meters that provided printable receipts; and

Whereas these meters are universally disliked by the entire taxicab industry; and

Whereas customers consistently request traditional written receipts from taxicab drivers and refuse, in most cases, to accept the printable receipts; and

Whereas drivers are required to pay for rolls of paper for their receipt meters that nobody needs or wants; and

Whereas the City will shortly be in a position to test and reseal all taxicab meters, as a result of the upcoming fare increase being proposed to Council;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the Planning and Transportation Committee hold a public meeting to give consideration to amending Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, to eliminate the requirement for a taxicab to have a meter that provides printable receipts and to restore the former requirement that taxicab owners may choose from a variety of meter types that have been approved by the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division;

And Be It Further Resolved That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare a draft By-law for consideration at the public meeting;

And Be It Further Resolved That notice of the proposed By-law be given in accordance with Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 162, Notice, Public, and s.150(4) of the Municipal Act, 2001.”

## **Public Meeting**

### **2. 10:15 a.m. Misleading Demands for Payment by Businesses Conducting Parking Enforcement Services on Private Property**

Amendment to Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing to prohibit private parking enforcement agencies from using notices of payment that resemble official City of Toronto parking infraction notices and ensuring the notice contains certain relevant information.

Report (May 2, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services seeking an amendment to the Municipal Code to augment the licensing provisions relative to documents issued by businesses requesting or demanding the payment of money in relation to vehicles parked on private property without the consent of the owner or occupant of the property and recommending that:

- (1) the City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 545, be amended to add the following section:

“Any agency which issues a document that is not a parking infraction notice pursuant to Part II of the Provincial Offences Act, shall ensure that such document:

- (a) not be of the same colour or simulate the colour of an official City of Toronto Parking Infraction Notice;
- (b) clearly indicate in bold lettering and in a font size larger than the rest of the notice, on the front and back of each notice, “This is not a City of Toronto Parking Infraction Notice”;
- (c) clearly indicate the reasons why the notice is being issued, outlining the alleged wrongdoing;
- (d) clearly indicate dispute options on the notice, advising of the address of the licensed agency, hours of operation, and a telephone number where a member of the public may speak to an agent or employee of the agency; and
- (e) include the business licence number on the face of the notice;

- (2) for the purposes of this section, “issues a document” referred to in Recommendation (1), includes to personally hand a document to the vehicle owner, to leave a document on the vehicle with the intention that the vehicle owner will recover it, to mail it to the vehicle owner, or to cause the document to be delivered to the vehicle owner in any other fashion;
- (3) the City Clerk be directed to publish notice of the proposed by-law amendment and the Planning and Transportation Committee meeting at which it will be discussed in a newspaper of general circulation at least 14 days prior to the meeting; and that notice also be given in accordance with any notice by-law that may be in force at the time the notice is published; and
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

### **Public Meeting**

#### **3. 10:45 a.m. Scarborough Adult Video By-law**

Licensing by-law restricting adult video stores in the former City of Scarborough to industrial areas in the former City of Scarborough

Report (April 22, 2003) from the City Solicitor bringing forward in accordance with the relevant provisions of the procedural by-law, a licensing by-law restricting adult video stores in the former City of Scarborough to industrial areas in the former City of Scarborough as requested by the Scarborough Community Council at its meeting of January 21, 2003, and to obtain direction to hold a public meeting as required by the Municipal Act, 2001. A report regarding this procedure has also been forwarded to the Scarborough Community Council and recommending that:

- (1) the Committee consider adopting the attached by-law at a public meeting held in accordance with the Municipal Act, 2001, and Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 162, Notice, Public; and
- (2) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

#### **4. Central Ontario Smart Growth Panel's Final Report**

Report (May 8, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services summarizing the implications for the City of Toronto of the Central Ontario Smart Growth Panel's final report to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing on a long-term growth strategy for the Central Ontario Region and recommending that:

- (1) the Central Ontario Smart Growth Panel be commended for their work on developing a vision for Central Ontario in 2035;
- (2) the Province consult with municipalities on the development of legislation and on the scope and mandate of the Smart Growth stakeholder advisory body to support the implementation of the Panel's recommendations;
- (3) the next steps of the Central Ontario Smart Growth initiative address specific geographical areas, such as the Toronto region, in order to ensure effective implementation;
- (4) the Province include only elected officials, based on representation proportional to population, on any accountable advisory body that is established to co-ordinate implementation of the recommendations put forward by the Central Ontario Smart Growth Panel; and,
- (5) the Province establish adequate and stable funding for the maintenance and planned expansion of public transit.

#### **5. Selected Avenue Studies for 2003 and 2004 - File No. 002050**

Communication (May 14, 2003) from the City Clerk, Planning and Transportation Committee advising that the Planning and Transportation Committee at its last meeting on April 28, 2003, considered the report (April 8, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development and amended this report by:

- (1) adding to the list of 2004 Avenue Studies contained on Page 4 of the report, the following Avenue Study:
 

"St. Clair Avenue from Keele Street to Scarlett Road"; and
- (2) directing the Commissioner, Urban Development Services to fast track the "Bloor Street between Mimico Creek and Prince Edward Drive (West District)" study, included as item (c) in the report;

and forwarded this report, as amended, to the Etobicoke, North York and Toronto East Community Councils to endorse the planning studies for 2003 outlined in this report at their May meeting and requested that their recommendations to initiate the studies be forwarded back to the Planning and Transportation Committee for its meeting of June 3, 2003.

- 5(a).** Communication (May 7, 2003) from the City Clerk, Toronto East York Community Council advising that the Toronto East York Community Council at its meeting on May 6, 2003 endorsed the recommendations contained in the report (April 8, 2003) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services.
- 5(b).** Communication (May 12, 2003) from the City Clerk, North York Community Council advising that the North York Community Council at its meeting on May 7, 2003 recommended to the Planning and Transportation Committee that:
  - (1) the Avenue Studies referred to in the report (April 8, 2003) from the Commissioner of Urban Development Services, be endorsed and initiated; and
  - (2) the recommendations from the North York Community Council on any Avenue Studies in the North York Community Council boundary area, be forwarded directly to City Council rather than through a Standing Committee of Council.
- 5(c).** Communication (May 9, 2003) from the City Clerk, Etobicoke Community Council advising that the Etobicoke Community Council, at its meeting held on May 7, 2003, requested the Commissioner, Urban Development Services to consider adding Dundas Street North between Royal York Road and the Humber River, to the list of 2004 Avenue Studies, if feasible.

## **6. New Ravine By-law – Further Report**

Joint report (May 8, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services, the Commissioner, Economic Development Culture and Tourism and the Commissioner, Works and Emergency Services responding to the request of Council at its meeting on October 3, 2002 regarding refining the location of the Ravine By-law within the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) regulated areas; changes to the Ravine Protection By-law pertaining to the new Municipal Act; additional field work and mapping to delineate springs and groundwater discharge areas; and funding mechanisms for enhancement and maintenance of ravines and recommending that:

- (1) the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Commissioners of Urban Development Services, Economic Development Culture and Tourism, Works and Emergency Services, introduce a by-law amending the City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 658, Ravine Protection in the first quarter of 2004 so as to:
  - (a) amend the maps forming Schedule A of the by-law by altering the boundaries of the ravine, within the TRCA regulated ravines, consistent with the criteria used to establish other ravine boundaries;
  - (b) provide for the integration of the issuance of a ravine permit within the *Planning Act* processes of Site Plan Approval, Plan of Subdivision and Consent to Sever land; and
  - (c) provide for the increase of fines as per the new *Municipal Act*.
- (2) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, in consultation with appropriate departments and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, prepare a report outlining measures for the protection of springs and groundwater discharge areas at the conclusion of the necessary field work and documentation; and
- (3) the Commissioner of Economic Development Culture and Tourism, in consultation with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, engage in a program of promoting naturalization of the City's ravines to ratepayers groups and other interested parties to achieve enhancement and maintenance of ravines and other natural parklands.

**7. Response to Environmentalists Plan Transportation proposal entitled "Rapid Transit for Downtown Toronto: An Alternative to Rebuilding the Gardiner Expressway".**

Report (May 8, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services responding to the Planning and Transportation Committee's request that the Commissioner of Urban Development Services review the Environmentalists Plan Transportation (EPT) proposal entitled "Rapid Transit for Downtown Toronto: An Alternative to Rebuilding the Gardiner Expressway", and recommending that:

- (1) the Environmentalists Plan Transportation's proposal for a new downtown subway line along the King Street corridor not be subjected to an independent analysis or otherwise further pursued at this time; and

- (2) this report be forwarded to the Toronto Transit Commission, GO Transit and the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation for their information.

## **8. Pilot Graffiti Incentive Program with Business Improvement Areas**

Report (May 7, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services recommending grants in three BIA's for the removal of graffiti as a pilot partnership program and recommending that:

- (1) funds in the amount of \$3,400 be granted to each of the York Eglinton, Downtown Yonge and Bloor West Village BIA's for the purpose of graffiti removal within the boundaries of their BIA's, such funds being available in the 2003 Consolidated Grants Budget;
- (2) the grants be contingent on the BIA's allocating matching funds in their budgets and on the signing of letters of understanding with the BIA's satisfactory to the Commissioner of Urban Development Services;
- (3) an evaluation of the program be reported to Council as soon as possible after completion of the program; and,
- (4) appropriate Civic Officials be authorized to do what is necessary to implement the foregoing recommendations.

## **9. Enforcement Powers Regarding Littering and Graffiti**

Report (May 20, 2003) from the City Solicitor advising on the ability of City enforcement staff to enforce laws dealing with littering and graffiti and recommending that this report be received for information.

## **10. Response to Ontario Code Consultation**

Report (May 13, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services reporting on the proposed new format for the Ontario Building Code, the comments provided to the Province as part of the Code consultation and certain policy issues associated with the proposed technical amendments and recommending that:

- (1) Council endorse the comments attached to this report in response to the consultation on the objective-based code format (Attachment A) and request that the Province allow additional time to review the attributions of objectives and functional statements once all supporting documentation is available;



- (2) Council endorse the comments, based on the technical review, on issues relating to the costs and complexities of new design requirements and that the Province be advised that, before adopting the new requirements, it should consider the impacts on the costs and feasibility of construction and municipal ability to determine Code compliance;
- (3) Council support the changes to the barrier-free requirements, as they are a significant positive step towards improving the accessibility requirements of the Ontario Building Code, as previously advocated by the Disability Issues Advisory Committee of the City of Toronto (see Attachment B);
- (4) Council support the changes to the hot water temperatures from fixtures, consistent with the April 29, 2003 report from Toronto Public Health to the Board of Health (see Attachment C); and
- (5) the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing be requested to consider, at minimum, updating the version of the referenced ASHRAE/IES 90.1 standard and to work towards adopting the proposal in the federal Kyoto plan to require that new commercial / institutional construction meet standards that are 25 percent higher than the current Model National Energy Code for Buildings.

#### **11. Building Activity Report for 2002 (All Wards)**

Report (May 13, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services providing information on building permit activity in the City of Toronto for the year 2002 and recommending that this report including its attachment be received for information.

#### **12. 30 Boncer Drive, (Ward 6, Etobicoke-Lakeshore)**

Report (May 12, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services reporting on a request from the Planning and Transportation Committee with respect to stop work orders and administrative charges levied to 30 Boncer Drive, Ward 6, Etobicoke-Lakeshore and recommending that this report be received for information.

**13. Contract for Vehicle Test Facility**

Report (May 12, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services seeking Council approval to extend the existing contract until August 31, 2004 to allow staff the opportunity to complete the on-going review of services and programmes relative to the mechanical safety testing of vehicles licensed by the City of Toronto under the provisions of Chapter 545 of the Municipal Code and recommending that:

- (1) approval be given to Urban Development Services to extend the current contract for the provision of vehicle inspection service at 25 Civic Road until August 31, 2004; and
- (2) that a further report be submitted to the Planning and Transportation Committee in the first quarter of 2004 with the results of the review, including any recommendations to enhance the nature and level of mechanical inspections and the means by which these inspections are provided.

**14. Terms of Reference - Licensing Sub-Committee**

*(To be included on supplementary agenda)*

- 14(a).** Report (March 25, 2003) from the City Clerk responding to a request of the Planning and Transportation Committee that the City Clerk provide the Committee with comments on how the duplication of speakers at both the Licensing Sub-Committee and the Planning and Transportation Committee can be avoided and recommending that this report be received for information.

**15. Terms of Reference - Taxicab Advisory Committee**

*(To be included on supplementary agenda)*

**16. Waterfront Scan and Environmental Improvement Strategy Study and Environmental Approvals Program of the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation**

Communication (May 20, 2003) from the City Clerk, Waterfront Reference Group advising that the Waterfront Reference Group, at its meeting on May 14, 2003, :

- (1) adopted the report (May 6, 2003) from the Commissioner, Works and Emergency Services and forwarded this report to the Works Committee and City Council for information; and
- (2) amended Recommendation (1) of the joint report (February 24, 2003) from the Commissioners of Urban Development Services and Works and Emergency Services by deleting the words “through the Policy and Finance Committee” and inserting the words “through Works Committee”, and in so doing received this report for information and forwarded a copy to City Council, through the Works Committee, for information; and
- (3) also forwarded the above-noted two reports to the Planning and Transportation Committee for information.

*The reports titled "Waterfront Scan & Environmental Improvement Strategy Study" Executive Summary and "Waterfront Scan & Environmental Improvement Strategy Study" are distributed to members of the Planning and Transportation Committee only.*

#### **17. Three Day Taxicab Driver Refresher Training Course**

Communication (May 12, 2003) from the City Clerk,. Taxicab Advisory Committee (TAC) addressed to the Licensing Sub-Committee advising that the Taxicab Advisory Committee, at its meeting on May 5, 2003, recommended the adoption of the following motion:

**WHEREAS** on February 7, 2003, City Council enacted By-law 93-2003, headed ‘Three Day Taxicab Driver Refresher Training Course,’ to come into force on March 8, 2003, to give effect to Planning and Transportation Committee Report No. 6, Clause No. 2, as adopted by City Council on May 21, 22, and 23, 2002; and

**WHEREAS** By-law No. 93-2003 requires taxicab drivers to attend and successfully complete the taxicab driver’s refresher training course [the course] provided by the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division once every four consecutive years; and

**WHEREAS** the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division has been sending out Notices to taxicab drivers, who attended and successfully completed the course in 2001 and 2002, advising they are required to attend the course in 2003, and 2004, respectively; and

**WHEREAS** on April 8, 2003, the Licensing Subcommittee referred the attached communication (April 7, 2003) from the City Clerk, Taxicab Advisory Committee, to the Commissioner of Urban Development Services, and requested staff from that Department

to meet with members of the Taxicab Advisory Committee to attempt to resolve the scheduling concerns mentioned in the communication; and

**WHEREAS** the Chair of the Taxicab Advisory Committee has been unsuccessful in scheduling a meeting with the Executive Director of Municipal Licensing and Standards regarding this matter;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division be directed to comply with By-law 93-2003 by ceasing to send Notices to those taxicab drivers who completed the course in 2001 and 2002;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** those drivers who attended and successfully completed the course in 2001 and 2002, not be required to attend the course until 2005 and 2006, respectively.

**17(a).** Report from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services

*(To be included on supplementary agenda)*

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SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA  
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<b>Time:</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>		<b>Committee Administrator</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Committee Room 1</b>		<b>(416) 392-7039</b>
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**14. Terms of Reference for the Licensing Sub-Committee**

Report (May 21, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services reviewing the current Terms of Reference of the Licensing Sub-Committee and recommending that:

- (1) the Planning and Transportation Committee endorse and adopt the new Terms of Reference for the Licensing Sub-Committee; and
- (2) the Planning and Transportation Committee approve the workplan for the Licensing Sub-Committee for the balance of 2003, as set out in Appendix "C".

*Note: Item 14(a) as listed on the regular agenda, being a report (March 25, 2003) from the City Clerk, was printed as item 14. Please change this City Clerk report to note it is 14(a).*

**15. Terms of Reference for the Taxicab Advisory Committee**

Report (May 22, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services reporting on a review of the Terms of Reference for the Taxicab Advisory Committee (TAC) and recommending that:

- (1) the Planning and Transportation Committee endorse and adopt the revised Terms of Reference for the TAC, including the development of a workplan, attached as Appendix "B";

- (2) the Planning and Transportation Committee endorse the revised plan for the selection of members to, and the composition of the TAC, as outlined in this report;
- (3) the Taxicab Advisory Committee meet quarterly and resources be allocated accordingly; and
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**17(a).** Report (May 22, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services reporting on the implementation of the Three-Day Taxicab Driver Refresher Training Course as approved by City Council at its meeting on May 21, 22, 23, 2002 and recommending that this report be received for information.

### **NEW ITEM**

#### **18. Population, Households and Employment Forecast Review**

Joint report (May 21, 2003) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer seeking authorization for funding to participate in a review of the population and employment forecasts for the Greater Toronto Area, including the city of Hamilton and recommending that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Urban Development Services represent the City of Toronto as a partner in the review of population, households and employment forecasts for the Greater Toronto / Hamilton area;
- (2) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer allocate up to \$10,000 from the Development Charges Reserve Fund account XR2030 for this purpose to be transferred to the Regional Municipality of Halton as required;
- (3) the report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration and recommendation to Council; and
- (4) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.