

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PARKS COMMITTEE  
AGENDA  
MEETING 9**

<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>November 9, 2005</b>	<b>Enquiry:</b>	<b>Merle MacDonald</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>		<b>Acting Committee Administrator</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Committee Room 1</b>		<b>416-392-7340</b>
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Under the *Municipal Act, 2001*, the Economic Development and Parks Committee must adopt a motion to meet In-camera (privately) and the reason must be given.

Declarations of Interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*

Confirmation of Minutes – October 17, 2005

Speakers/Presentations: A Complete list will be distributed at the meeting.

9:45 a.m. - Item 2

11:00 a.m. – Item 1

Communications/Reports:

**1. 2006 Capital Budgets – Economic Development and Parks Committee**

**(Staff Presentations at 11:00 a.m., then Public Speakers)**

2006 Capital Budgets under the purview of the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- Culture;
- Economic Development;
- Tourism;
- Parks, Forestry and Recreation; and
- Yonge Dundas Square.

(Note: Budget Material will be distributed as soon as it is available.)

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM AND CULTURE**

### **2. Green Tourism Association**

**(Speakers – 9:45 a.m.)**

Communication (October 11, 2005) from Justin Lafontaine, Director, Green Tourism Association, regarding the achievements of the Green Tourism Association.

### **3. Tourism Action Plan – Further Report on Gay and Lesbian Tourism Development and Museum Pass**

Report (October 20, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, reporting on the inclusion of Gay and Lesbian marketing and marriage and the coordination of a one-day only unified pass to all museums in Toronto in the City's Tourism Action Plan.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

### **4. Culture Plan Progress Report (All Wards)**

**(Presentation and Speakers)**

Report (July 26, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, updating City Council on the progress made on key recommendations of the Culture Plan, reporting on the health of Toronto's culture sector through eleven indicators as outlined in the Culture Plan, and highlighting priority next steps in order to achieve the goals of the Culture Plan.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

**(Note: A copy of Attachment 1: Culture Plan Progress Report and Attachment 2: Economic Contribution of Toronto's Culture Sector, was forwarded to all Members of Council and Special Officials with the Agenda of the Economic Development and Parks Committee for its meeting on November 9, 2005.)**

**5. Impact of Alberta's Tax Position on the Toronto Economy  
(All Wards)**

Report (October 24, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, providing an overview of Alberta's tax position and possible impacts on the City of Toronto.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

**6. Fort York: Adding New Buildings  
(Ward 19 Trinity-Spadina)**

**(Speakers)**

Report (October 18, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, reporting on "Fort York: Adding New Buildings", a study that sets out a capital development program for heritage building restoration and reconstruction at Fort York respecting its status as Toronto's birthplace and a National Historic Site.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) City Council endorse "Fort York: Adding New Buildings" as a document to help guide the future development of Fort York and authorize the General Manager of the Economic Development, Culture and Tourism to continue to work with The Friends of Fort York and Garrison Common, the Fort York Management Board, and other stakeholders on next steps as outlined in the report;
- (2) all financial implications be reviewed as part of the capital budget process for 2006 and beyond; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**(Note: A copy of Attachment 1: Fort York Adding New Buildings, was forwarded to all Members of Council and Special Officials with the agenda of the Economic Development and Parks Committee for its meeting on November 9, 2005.)**

**7. Future Plans for Celebrate Toronto Street Festival  
Produced by Toronto Special Events (All Wards)**

Report (October 25, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, seeking Council approval on the future plans of the Celebrate Toronto Street Festival.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the 2006 edition of the Celebrate Toronto Street Festival maintain its current format, structure and timing; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**8. Business Improvement Area (BIA) 2003-2006 Boards of Management  
Additions and Deletions and Nominees (All Wards)**

Report (October 20, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, on the replacement of existing members of various Business Improvement Area (BIA) Boards of Management with new nominees, advising on the necessary amendments to the City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 19, "Business Improvement Areas".

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) City Council replace some existing members and appoint new members of the Boards of Management to five Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) as set out in Attachment 1 to this report;
- (2) City Council amend the City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 19, "Business Improvement Areas" to alter the number of members on the Boards of Management, as set out in Attachment 2 to this report;
- (3) leave be granted for the introduction of the necessary bills in Council to give effect thereto; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**9. Consideration of Requests for Additional – City-to-City Relationships Under the International Alliance Program (All Wards)**

Report (October 21, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, reporting as requested on requests for additional City-to-City Relationships under the International Alliance Program.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) City Council not adopt any additional relationships at this time and that staff continue to explore City-to-City partnership and friendship opportunities around the world and report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee once annually, on any recommendations for new relationships consistent with the program objectives and guidelines; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**10. Growing Toronto's Food Sector: Status Report on the Economic Development Division/TEDCO International Food Processing Innovation Centre (IFPIC) Study and Best Practices in Human Resources and Skills Development Initiative (All Wards)**

**(Presentation)**

Report (October 21, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, providing an overview of a proposed International Food Processing Innovation Centre (IFPIC) and Best Practices in Human Resources and Skills Development program and an overview on the Food and Beverage sector in Toronto.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

**11. Economic Development Policy and Programs  
Early Consultation with Industry, Public and Interdivisional (All Wards)**

**(Speakers)**

Report (October 12, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, responding to Economic Development and Parks Committee direction to report on a general protocol to co-ordinate involvement between various divisions within the City, and for consultation with industry.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

**PARKS, FORESTRY AND RECREATION**

**12. 2005 Communities in Bloom Program - City of Toronto Evaluation  
(All Wards)**

Report (October 24, 2005) from General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, reporting on the evaluation of the City of Toronto in the 2005 Communities in Bloom Program.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

**13. Education Campaign Respecting Tree Care and Maintenance  
(All Wards)**

Report (October 12, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, reporting, as requested by the Economic Development and Parks Committee, on actions taken to educate the public with respect to the importance and responsibility of maintaining privately owned trees.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

**14. Dovercourt Boys' and Girls' Club, 180 Westmoreland Avenue  
Renewal Lease Agreement (Ward 18 Davenport)**

Report (October 11, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, seeking approval for the City to enter into a renewal lease agreement with the Dovercourt Boys' and Girls' Club ("the Lessee") for the use of the building situated within part of Dovercourt Park, municipally known as 180 Westmoreland Avenue, City of Toronto, generally in accordance with the terms and conditions detailed in the body of this report and in a form and content satisfactory to the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation and the City Solicitor.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) authority be granted to enter into a renewal lease agreement with the Dovercourt Boys' and Girls' Club for the use of the building situated within part of Dovercourt Park, municipally known as 180 Westmoreland Avenue, City of Toronto, for a 20-year term at a nominal rent, generally in accordance with the terms and conditions detailed in the body of this report and in a form and content satisfactory to the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation and the City Solicitor; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**15. Scadding Court Community Centre and Alexandra Park Residents Association  
(Ward 20 Trinity-Spadina)**

Report (October 25, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, reporting on Scadding Court Community Centre and Alexandra Park Residents Association and how these two organizations can assist each other and what joint projects are being undertaken.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

**16. Western Beaches Watercourse – Potential for Staging Other Major Events; Operating Budget Impact; Opportunities to Extend the Course to its Full 1,000 Metre Length (Ward 14 Parkdale-High Park)**

Report (October 14, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, providing City Council with information regarding the operation and potential expansion of the Western Beaches Watercourse.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Terms of Reference for the Western Beaches Watercourse Advisory Committee, as contained in Attachment 1, be approved; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**GENERAL**

**17. Chester Springs Marsh**

Communication (October 24, 2005) from the Task Force to Bring Back the Don, advising that the Task Force to Bring Back the Don on October 19, 2005 requested:

- (1) the Economic Development and Parks Committee to direct the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation to include funds in the 2006 Operating Budget to commence a comprehensive study on Chester Springs Marsh, or, if funds are not available, to create a funding proposal specifically for this study; and
- (2) that the Habitat Restoration Team of the Task Force to Bring Back the Don be included in writing the Terms of Reference for this study.





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SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA  
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**Date of Meeting:** November 9, 2005  
**Time:** 9:30 a.m.  
**Location:** Committee Room 1  
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**Communications/Reports:**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM AND CULTURE**

**18. Agreement for Advancing Tourism in Toronto Between  
the City of Toronto and Tourism Toronto (All Wards)**

Report (October 31, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, reporting on a framework to develop a renewed partnership arrangement between the City of Toronto and Tourism Toronto.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the strategic objectives, guiding principles, roles and responsibilities, schedule for annual consultation, dispute resolution mechanism, partnership framework, City of Toronto representation on the Tourism Toronto Board of Directors and the duration of the agreement for advancing tourism in Toronto between the City of Toronto and Tourism Toronto be approved;
- (2) this information be incorporated into a formal memorandum of understanding and be in a form and content satisfactory to the City Solicitor and the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**19. 2006 Business Improvement Area Operating Budgets:  
Report 1 (All Wards)**

Report (November 2, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer, forwarding Business Improvement Area (BIA) annual operating budgets for approval by Council as required by Section 205 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Economic Development and Parks Committee adopt and certify to City Council the 2006 expenditure requests and levy requirements of the following Business Improvement Areas:

Business Improvement Area	2006 Expenditure Estimates (\$)	2006 Levy Funds Required (\$)
Beaches	161,940	110,000
Bloor Annex	66,126	51,743
Bloor West Village	516,328	320,298
Bloorcourt Village	118,336	112,336
Bloor-Yorkville	1,937,344	1,490,100
Church-Wellesley Village	240,896	209,509
College Promenade	113,961	107,261
Corso Italia	263,759	209,759
The Danforth	180,956	150,765
Dovercourt Village	6,928	6,928
Downtown Yonge	1,802,645	1,711,145
Eglinton Way	317,048	238,797
Emery Village	707,693	549,828
Forest Hill Village	96,372	74,927
Greektown on the Danforth	463,503	420,110
Hillcrest Village	71,729	39,232
Junction Gardens	319,503	303,726
Kennedy Road	327,138	247,500
Kingsway	345,741	306,252
Korea Town	106,222	47,982
Lakeshore Village	68,077	62,890
Liberty Village	221,932	184,653
Long Branch	63,838	51,458
Mimico by the Lake	83,525	29,427
Mimico Village	21,747	15,805
Mirvish Village	61,260	54,560
Parkdale Village	340,737	243,934

Riverside	127,333	71,500
Roncesvalles Village	206,453	114,485
St. Lawrence Market Neighbourhood	98,411	72,786
Upper Village (Toronto)	65,000	0
Village of Islington	66,652	57,775
West Queen West	110,041	107,041
Wexford Heights	256,105	183,210
Yonge-Lawrence Village	186,440	161,227

- (2) this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for its information;
- (3) authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary bill in Council; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

## **PARKS, FORESTRY AND RECREATION**

### **20. Lakeshore Lions Arena and the Toronto District School Board Negotiations for the Development of a New Arena Complex (Ward 6 Etobicoke-Lakeshore)**

Report (November 1, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, To providing an update on the progress of discussions with the Lakeshore Lions Club and the Toronto District School Board with respect to the development of a new arena complex.

#### Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, be authorized to continue to pursue the potential for a land exchange with the Toronto District School Board following the established process;
- (2) the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, be authorized to continue negotiations with the Lakeshore Lions Club on the business plan, financial aspects, community consultation, and the community benefits of this project to determine if suitable terms and conditions can be reached and report further if an agreement can be finalized;
- (3) public consultation and a review of technical studies be undertaken; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**21. Ward 37 Skateboard Park Fundraising  
(Ward 37 Scarborough Centre)**

Report (October 12, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, regarding Ward 37 Skateboard Park Fundraising.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) City Council establish an obligatory reserve fund called “Ward 37 Skateboard Park Reserve Fund” for receiving cash donations for the purpose of providing funding for the planning, design and development of additional phases of the Ward 37 Skateboard Park and related amenities;
- (2) Municipal Code, Chapter 227 [Reserves and Reserve Funds] be amended by adding the “Ward 37 Skateboard Park Reserve Fund” to Schedule 9 – Donations Reserve Fund;
- (3) all donations received by the City for the planning, design and development of additional phases of the Ward 37 Skateboard Park and related amenities, be held separately in the “Ward 37 Skateboard Park Reserve Fund” designated for this purpose, and receipts for income tax purposes be issued to donors for eligible donations in accordance with the *Income Tax Act* and City policy in this regard;
- (4) any donations, previously deposited and recorded for the Ward 37 Skateboard Park be transferred to this reserve fund upon its establishment;
- (5) authority be granted to enter into an agreement, if necessary, with Marcia Stiles to allow Marcia Stiles to fundraise on behalf of the City of Toronto for the planning, design and development of additional phase of the Ward 37 Skateboard Park and related amenities, generally in accordance with the terms and conditions detailed in the body of this report and in a form and content satisfactory to the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation and the City Solicitor;
- (6) this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration; and
- (7) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto; and that leave be granted for the introduction of any necessary bills in Council to give effect thereto

## GENERAL

### **22. Canadian National Exhibition Association (“CNEA”) Appointments to The Board of Governors of Exhibition Place**

Communication (October 31, 2005) from the General Manager and CEO, Exhibition Place, seeking approval of the Canadian National Exhibition Association appointments to the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place.

#### Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Debbie Woodman (Honourary President), Andre Tellier (First Vice-President) and Jim McMillen (Second Vice-President) be appointed to The Board of Governors of Exhibition Place for a term of office expiring on the date of the CNEA Annual Meeting of the Association in the fall of 2006, on October 19th, or until their successors are duly appointed; and
- (2) the appropriate Exhibition Place officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.