

**THE CITY OF TORONTO**

**City Clerk's Office**

**Minutes of the Economic Development and Parks Committee**

**Meeting 8**

**Monday, October 17, 2005**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee met on Monday, October 17, 2005, in Committee Room 1, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:35 a.m.

Attendance:

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

	9:35 a.m. – 12:32 p.m.	2:10 p.m. – 2:55 p.m.
Councillor Gloria Lindsay Luby, Chair	X	X
Councillor Maria Augimeri, Vice-Chair	X	X
Councillor Brian Ashton	X	X
Councillor Mark Grimes	X	X
Councillor Suzan Hall	X	X
Councillor Giorgio Mammoliti	X	X
Councillor Kyle Rae	X	X
Councillor Michael Walker	X	X

Also Present:

Councillor Raymond Cho	Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong
Councillor Gay Cowbourne	

### **Confirmation of Minutes**

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Minutes of the Economic Development and Parks Committee meeting held on September 12, 2005, were confirmed.

### **8.1 Toronto Financial Services Alliance (TFSA): Financial Services Sector Profile and Update (All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (September 22, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, providing an update on the status of the financial services sector in the City and associated Toronto Financial Services Alliance (TFSA) activities.

#### Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

Janet Ecker, Executive Director, Toronto Financial Services Alliance, gave a presentation to the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

- A. Councillor Ashton moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee receive the report (September 22, 2005) from Deputy City Manager Sue Corke and the presentation.

**(Carried)**

- B. Councillor Hall moved that a copy of the report and the presentation material from Janet Ecker of the Toronto Financial Services Alliance be forwarded to the joint meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee and the Economic Development and Parks Committee on October 20, 2005, for information and consideration with the report entitled "Final Recommendations – Enhancing Toronto's Business Climate – It's Everybody's Business."

**(Carried)**

(Policy and Finance – October 18, 2005)

**(Report 9, Clause 8(a))**

## **8.2 Business Improvement Area (BIA) 2003-2006 Boards of Management Additions and Deletions and Nominees to a Newly Established BIA (All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (September 28, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, reporting on the Business Improvement Area (BIA) 2003-2006 Boards of Management additions and deletions and nominees to a newly established BIA.

### Recommendations:

- (1) Council replace some existing members and appoint new members of the Boards of Management for the five Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) with new nominees as set out in Attachment 1 to this report;
- (2) Council amend the City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 19, "Business Improvement Areas" to alter the number of members on the Boards of Management, and the number of members required for quorum for the BIAs, 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.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (September 28, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager.

**(Report 9, Clause 1)**

## **8.3 International Alliance Program (All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (September 29, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager seeking Council approval for the reassignment of selected partnership and friendship cities under the International Alliance Program (IAP) further to the policy report approved by City Council in February 1, 2 and 3, 2005.

### Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

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- (1) Council adopt as Partnership Cities: Chicago, Chongqing, Frankfurt and Milan; and as Friendship Cities: Amsterdam, Warsaw, Kyiv, Sagamihara, Ho Chi Minh City and Quito;
- (2) a new/enhanced program request of \$89,000.00 to support an expanded program of Partnership Cities: Chicago, Chongqing, Frankfurt, Milan, Amsterdam and Warsaw; and as Friendship Cities: Kyiv, Sagamihara, Ho Chi Minh City, Quito, Thessaloniki and Volgograd be forwarded to the 2006 budget process for consideration;
- (3) the process for adding new relationships, outlined in Attachment 4 be approved; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- (1) recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (September 29, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager; and
- (2) referred the following motions put forward at this meeting to the Deputy City Manager for report thereon to the Committee at its meeting on November 9, 2005:

By Councillor Mammoliti:

That staff conduct discussions with members of the South American Community, the Russian Community, and Dunedin, Florida, to determine if there are any future alliances with any cities in those communities that would meet our criteria and that staff report to this Committee as soon as possible, and that two members of this Committee, to be determined by the Chair, be part of these discussions.

By Councillor Walker:

That Councillor Mammoliti's motion be amended to add the City of Derry, Ireland.

By Councillor Grimes:

That any future friendship and alliance with Dunedin, Florida be at no cost to the City; and that Councillor Grimes be the Council Sponsor.

By Councillor Lindsay Luby:

That the Cities of Melbourne, Australia, and London, England be referred to Staff for report.

**(Report 9, Clause 2)**

**8.4 The Winterlicious and Summerlicious Culinary Programs Produced by Toronto Special Events (All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (September 22, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, providing City Council with an overview of the two culinary programs offered by Toronto Special Events and seeking council approval on the current guidelines and operation of the programs.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Toronto City Council approve "Criteria, Process and Procedures: Winterlicious and Summerlicious" as presented in Attachment 1;
- (2) Toronto Special Events staff report back in January 2006 with the results from a consultation in partnership with the Ontario Hotel, Motel and Restaurant Association (OHMRA) to discuss other initiatives; and
- (3) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (September 22, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager.

**(Report 9, Clause 3)**

**8.5 Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People Line of Credit Guarantee Renewal  
(All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (September 21, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager and the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer, seeking approval to renew a line of credit guarantee for the Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People (LKTYP, formerly Young People's Theatre), in the amount of \$250,000.00.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) City Council:
  - (a) provide a renewed line of credit guarantee on behalf of Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People (LKTYP, formerly Young People's Theatre) to its financial institution in the amount of \$250,000.00 (inclusive of all interest payable by Lorraine Kimsa Theatre) for a three-year period starting January 1, 2006 and ending December 31, 2008;
  - (b) enter into an agreement with Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People with respect to the line of credit guarantee; and
  - (c) enter into a tri-party agreement with Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People and with its financial institutions with respect to the line of credit guarantee;
- (2) such guarantee and all related agreements be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the City Solicitor, the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer as well as Deputy City Manager Sue Corke, and that the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer be requested to negotiate appropriate and adequate safeguards, to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor, with the City being promptly advised in the event of default or delay in the payment of interest;
- (3) the guarantee be deemed to be in the interest of the municipality;
- (4) this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration; and

- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Ashton, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt staff Recommendations (1), (2), (3) and (5) in the Recommendations Section of the report (September 21, 2005) from Deputy City Manager Sue Corke and Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer Joseph Pennachetti.

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**(Report 9, Clause 8 (b))**

**8.6 Toronto Arts Council 2004 Annual Allocations Report**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered the following reports:

- (a) (September 19, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, reporting on 2004 funding activities reported to the Economic Development and Parks Committee, submitted by the Toronto Arts Council.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report and the 2004 Annual Allocations Report submitted by the Toronto Arts Council be received for information.

- (b) (undated) from the Toronto Arts Council, providing a summary of the City's financial investment in its arts community for the period January 1 to December 31, 2004.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to City Council that:

- (1) the report (September 19, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager and the 2004 Annual Allocations Report submitted by the Toronto Arts Council be received for information; and

- (2) the Toronto Arts Council continue to submit Quarterly Reports on its activities to the General Manager, Economic Development, Tourism and Culture, the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer, and the City Auditor, as required by the funding agreement; that the Quarterly Reports only be forwarded to the Economic Development and Parks Committee if issues are identified by staff; and further, the Toronto Arts Council continue to submit its Annual Report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

**(Report 9, Clause 4)**

**8.7 Exchange of Services Agreement between the City of Toronto and Toronto Catholic District School Board (All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a revised report (September 22, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, reporting as directed by the Economic Development and Parks Committee on the evaluation of the one-year pilot Exchange of Services Agreement between the City of Toronto and the Toronto Catholic District School Board, and requesting authority to negotiate and execute a financially neutral Exchange of Services Agreement for a further three-year term.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation be given authority to negotiate and execute a financially neutral exchange of services agreement for a further three-year term with the Toronto Catholic District School Board to exchange daytime ice in City-operated ice rinks for school space for Parks, Forestry and Recreation programs and camps, in form and content that is acceptable to the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation, the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer, and the City solicitor;
- (2) this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration and to Budget Advisory Committee as a part of the 2006 Operating Budget review; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.



- A. Councillor Augimeri moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend to City Council adoption of the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the revised report (September 22, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation.

**(Carried)**

- B. Councillor Mammoliti moved that discussions with the Toronto Catholic District School Board continue as it relates to St. Gaspar School and that staff be given authority to include St. Gaspar School on the current service agreement at the appropriate time.

**(Carried)**

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**(Report 9, Clause 8(c))**

## **8.8 Ongoing Care, Maintenance and Enhancement of the Katyn Monument (Ward 14 Parkdale-High Park)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (September 26, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager, providing information on the ongoing care and maintenance of the Katyn Monument and the potential enhancement of the parkland surrounding the Katyn and Siberian Monuments.

### Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Ashton, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the report for information.

**(Report 9, Clause 8(d))**

## **8.9 Seniors Recreation Strategy**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered the following report and communication:

- (a) (September 27, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, seeking approval of the Toronto Parks, Forestry and Recreation Seniors' Recreation Strategy.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Toronto Parks, Forestry and Recreation Seniors' Recreation Strategy 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.
- (b) (September 29, 2005) from Councillor Gay Cowbourne, Chair, Roundtable on Seniors, advising that the Roundtable on Seniors on September 27, 2005 indicated its support for the Seniors' Recreation Strategy and requested the Chair of the Roundtable on Seniors to forward the following suggestion to the Economic Development and Parks Committee for consideration:

“That the Economic Development and Parks Committee and City Council be requested to:

- (1) adopt the Seniors' Recreation Strategy attached to the communication (September 21, 2005) from Councillor Lindsay Luby, Chair, Task Group on the Seniors Recreation Strategy;
- (2) send the Seniors' Recreation Strategy to the Federal and Provincial Governments for consideration, including financial and joint partnerships considerations; and
- (3) request the Toronto Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division, as part of the implementation of the Seniors' Recreation Strategy, to appoint a staff person with responsibility specifically for Seniors' Programs.”

A. Councillor Mammoliti moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend to City Council that:

- (1) the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (September 27, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation be adopted;
- (2) the Seniors' Recreation Strategy be forwarded to the Federal and Provincial Governments for consideration, including financial and joint partnerships considerations; and

- (3) the Toronto Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division be requested, as part of the implementation of the Seniors' Recreation Strategy, to appoint a staff person with responsibility specifically for Seniors' Programs.

**(Carried)**

- B. Councillor Ashton moved that the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation be requested to report back to the Committee at the appropriate time on the engagement of Council members in the work plan and community consultation.

**(Carried)**

**(Report 9, Clause 5)**

#### **8.10 Donation of Funds from SAS Canada to the City for the Rejuvenation of David Crombie Park (Ward 28 Toronto Centre – Rosedale)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a revised report (September 15, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, seeking permission to accept a cash donation of \$15,000.00 per year for a three-year period from SAS Canada for the rejuvenation of David Crombie Park.

##### Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the City accept cash donations totalling \$45,000.00 for the rejuvenation of David Crombie Park from SAS Canada, with thanks;
- (2) the City issue a tax receipt to SAS Canada for the value of the donation in accordance with CCRA guidelines;
- (3) the Parks, Forestry and Recreation Operating Budget be adjusted by \$15,000.00 gross zero net for the years 2005, 2006 and 2007 to reflect these donations;
- (4) this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

John Quinn, Marketing Communications Manager, BCE Place, addressed the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

On motion by Councillor Ashton, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt staff Recommendations (1), (2), (3) and (5) in the Recommendations Section of the revised report (September 15, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation.

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**(Report 9, Clause 8(e))**

**8.11 Amendment to Parks By-law as it Relates to Professional Dog Walkers**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (September 21, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, providing an update on the Parks By-law timing of revisions as it relates to professional dog walkers.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Grimes, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the report for information.

**(Report 9, Clause 8(f))**

**8.12 Extending the Hours of Seasonal Pools**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (September 26, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, reporting on extending the hours of seasonal pools as requested by Toronto City Council at its meeting of June 14, 15 and 16, 2005.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Ashton, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the report for information.

**(Report 9, Clause 8(g))**

**8.13 2005 Recreation Grants Program – Variety – The Children’s Charity  
(Ward 36 - Scarborough Southwest)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (September 29, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, reporting on any funding available due to under-expenditures in the 2005 Recreation Grants Program.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the report for information.

**(Report 9, Clause 8(h))**

Councillor Mammoliti moved that the Committee meet privately to receive a confidential briefing regarding the Request for Proposal (RFP) 0613-05-0166 Operation of Snack and Hot Drink Vending (All Wards) and because the subject matter pertains to receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor/client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, under the *Municipal Act 2001*, discussions be held in-camera, which was carried.

The Economic Development and Parks Committee recessed at 11:15 a.m. to meet in-camera, with the following Members in attendance:

Councillor Gloria Lindsay Luby, Chair  
Councillor Maria Augimeri, Vice-Chair  
Councillor Brian Ashton  
Councillor Mark Grimes  
Councillor Suzan Hall  
Councillor George Mammoliti  
Councillor Kyle Rae  
Councillor Michael Walker

The Economic Development and Parks Committee adjourned its private meeting at 12:15 p.m. and immediately reconvened in public session with the aforementioned Members in attendance.

**8.14 Request for Proposal (RFP) 0613-05-0166  
Operation of Snack and Hot Drink Vending  
(All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (September 26, 2005) from the Treasurer and the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, advising on the results of Request for Proposal (RFP) 0613-05-0166 for the operation of snack and hot drink vending within the Parks, Forestry and Recreation facility locations.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Proposal submitted by Mr. Vending Inc. be accepted for the period from November 1, 2005 to October 31, 2010 in the East, West and South Districts and from May 1, 2006 to April 30, 2011 for the North District with guaranteed and projected revenues to the City over the five-year term estimated at \$1,120,000.00;
- (2) authority be delegated to the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation to negotiate and execute a License Agreement with Mr. Vending Inc., in a form and content consistent with the RFP and acceptable to the City Solicitor, for the period from November 1, 2005 to October 31, 2010, in the East West and South Districts and, from May 1, 2006 to April 30, 2011, in the North District, and be delegated to exercise the three-year option License Agreement in the East, West and South Districts and the two and one half year option License Agreement in the North District with Mr. Vending Inc. under the same terms and conditions, provided that the operation of snack and hot drink vending were performed at a satisfactory level; and in the form and content consistent with the RFP and acceptable to the City Solicitor, for the period from November 1, 2010 to October 31, 2013, in the East, West and South Districts and for the period from May 1, 2011 to October 31, 2013; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The following persons addressed the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- Ephraim Dloomy, President, Mr. Vending, and
- Wayne Habbib, CEO, Coffee Delight.

Councillor Lindsay Luby appointed Councillor Augimeri Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

A. Councillor Lindsay Luby moved that:

- (1) the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (September 26, 2005) from the Treasurer and the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation; and
- (2) the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation be requested to report to Council on October 26, 2005, in consultation with the City Solicitor, on the language of the additional clause to be included in the Licence Agreement regarding “exclusivity”.

**(Carried)**

(Carried on the following Recorded Vote:

FOR: Councillors Augimeri, Ashton, Grimes,  
Hall, Lindsay Luby, Rae, Walker  
AGAINST: Councillor Mammoliti)

Councillor Lindsay Luby resumed the Chair.

B. Councillor Hall moved that the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer be requested to report to the Administration Committee on amending the policy to facilitate small business being able to bid on City contracts successfully.

**(Carried)**

C. Councillor Mammoliti moved that the Request for Proposal be re-issued and that language be formulated that deals with small business and its experience to deliver products to its communities based on ethnicity.

**(Lost)**

(Lost on the following Recorded Vote:

FOR: Councillor Mammoliti  
AGAINST: Councillors Augimeri, Ashton, Grimes,  
Hall, Lindsay Luby, Rae, Walker)

**(Report 9, Clause 6)**

**8.15 Toronto Aquatic and Pool Strategy Working Group – Status Update  
(All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (October 3, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, providing a status update on the Toronto Aquatic and Pool Strategy Working Group.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks  
Committee received the report for information.

**(Report 9, Clause 8(i))**

**8.16 Appointments to the Board of Management of the Toronto Zoo**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (September 30, 2005) from the Chair, Board of Management and the General Manager and CEO, Toronto Zoo, outlining the rationale for changing the number of Toronto Zoo Foundation members represented on the Zoo Board of Management and nominating three members to replace board members whose terms have expired.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the number of Foundation Board recommended appointees on the Zoo Board of Management be reduced from three to two;
- (2) the Chair and Vice Chair of the Foundation Board be appointed to the Zoo Board of Management;
- (3) Peter Evans, Chair of the Learning Centre Steering Committee, be re-appointed to the Zoo Board of Management; and
- (4) these appointments shall be for a term ending November 30, 2006, and until successors are appointed.



On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (September 30, 2005) from the Chair, Board of Management, and the General Manager and CEO, Toronto Zoo.

**(Report 9, Clause 7)**

### **8.17 Strip Mall Rehabilitation Plan**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a communication (October 6, 2005) from the City Clerk, advising that City Council on September 28, 29 and 30, 2005, requested the City Clerk to forward the strip mall rehabilitation plan, which was tabled at the Planning and Transportation Committee meeting and referred to the Roundtable on a Beautiful City to the Economic Development and Parks Committee for consideration at its next meeting on October 17, 2005.

On motion by Councillor Ashton, the Economic Development and Parks Committee referred the communication (October 6, 2005) from the City Clerk, to the General Manager, Economic Development, Tourism and Culture for report thereon to the Committee, and requested that a copy of the communication be forwarded to the Toronto Economic Development Corporation (TEDCO) for information.

**(Report 9, Clause 8(j))**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee waived the necessary provisions of Chapter 27 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code to permit introduction of the following:

### **8.18 Virtual Tour of Parks, Forestry and Recreation Facilities**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee heard a staff presentation providing a virtual tour of the 28 new and innovative flower beds that were planted across the City in parks and public spaces this year under the Our Common Grounds, the Strategic Plan that has become the defining document for Parks Forestry and Recreation.

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On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee received the presentation and requested the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, to consider funding residential neighbourhood parks in 2006.

**(Report 9, Clause 8(k))**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee adjourned its meeting at 2:55 p.m.

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Chair