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Minutes of the Economic Development and Parks Committee

Meeting 9

Wednesday, November 9, 2005

The Economic Development and Parks Committee met on Wednesday, November 9, 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. – 12:30 p.m.	2:10 p.m. – 3:43 p.m.
Councillor Gloria Lindsay Luby, Chair	X	X
Councillor Maria Augimeri, Vice-Chair	-	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 Peter Li Preti
Councillor Olivia Chow	Deputy Mayor Joe Pantalone
Councillor Paula Fletcher	

Confirmation of Minutes

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Minutes of the Economic Development and Parks Committee meeting held on October 17, 2005, were confirmed.

9.1 2006 Capital Budgets – Economic Development and Parks Committee

The Economic Development and Parks Committee heard staff presentations on the 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.

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered the following communications:

- (i) (November 2, 2005) from Deputy Mayor Bussin, Chair of the Beautiful City Roundtable;
- (ii) (November 9, 2005) from Councillor Chow, Ward 20 Trinity-Spadina; and
- (iii) (November 9, 2006) from Councillor Fletcher, Ward 30 Toronto-Danforth.

The following persons appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- Joe Gill, Friends of Fort York, and filed a copy of his submission;
- Susan Crocker, Chair of the Board of Management, and David Wallett, General Manager, St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts, and filed a copy of his submission;
- Henry Calderon;
- Michael Kilpatrick, and filed a copy of his submission;
- Keegan Henry-Mathieu, Toronto Youth Cabinet, and filed a copy of his submission;
- Martin Koob, and filed a copy of his submission;
- Councillor Cho, Ward 42 Scarborough Rouge River;
- Councillor Chow, Ward 20 Trinity-Spadina; and
- Councillor Fletcher; Ward 30 Toronto-Danforth.

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

(1) recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee:

I. Yonge-Dundas Square:

the adoption of the Capital Recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes for Yonge-Dundas Square;

II. Economic Development:

the adoption of the Capital Recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes for the Economic Development Division;

III. Culture:

the adoption of the Capital Recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes for the Culture Division;

IV. Tourism:

the adoption of the Capital Recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes for the Tourism Division;

V. Parks, Forestry and Recreation:

the adoption of the Capital Recommendations contained in the Analyst Briefing Notes for the Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division;

(2) referred the following motions to the appropriate Program staff and Finance staff for consideration and report to the Budget Advisory Committee meeting on November 17, 2005:

Economic Development:

(1) \$12,500.00 be added to the Economic Development's Capital Budget for 2006 for façade improvements to 335 Yonge Street;

(Motion by Councillor Rae)

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Culture:

- (2) the 2006 Capital Budget for the Franklin Carmichael Art Centre Expansion be amended to include \$75,000.00 to produce working drawings for the project;

(Motion by Councillor Hall)

- (3) staff of the Culture Division and the Heritage Preservation Services be requested to work with the Emery Village Heritage and Arts Committee to determine how best the City can help in the Heritage Committee's plans to build the replica Emery Elementary School;

(Motion by Councillor Mammoliti)

- (4) staff be requested to report on the phasing of the Fort York Restoration proposal;

(Motion by Councillor Rae)

- (5) staff be requested to report on the additional \$1.5 Million to the Culture Capital Budget for St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts renewal project;

(Motion by Councillor Rae)

Parks, Forestry and Recreation:

- (6) \$745,000.00 for the Vehicle purchases (Parks 443) budget under the "Clean and Beautiful City" Initiative be approved in 2006, with a 2007 impact of \$305,000.00;

(Motion by Councillor Rae)

- (7) increase of \$250,000.00 in the 2006 budget for Various Parks Rehab;

(Motion by Councillor Rae)

- (8) increase of \$500,000.00 in the 2006 ORC Camp Sports Fields budget;

(Motion by Councillor Rae)

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- (9) increase of \$150,000.00 in the 2006 Edgehill House (169) budget; with a reduction in the 2010 budget;

(Motion by Councillor Rae)

- (10) reduction of \$200,000.00 in the 2006 budget for Eglinton Pond (EI 180), and an increase of \$200,000.00 in the 2007 budget;

(Motion by Councillor Rae)

- (11) project 173 (Environmental Initiatives) Humber Arboretum Nature Centre Construction be adjusted by increasing its scope by \$600,000.00 with cash flow of \$300,000.00 in 2007 and \$300,000.00 in 2008, conditional on matching funding from Humber College;

(Motion by Councillor Hall)

- (12) further, the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee in April 2006 on the renewal of the existing joint venture agreement with Humber College and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority on the operation of the Humber Arboretum;

(Motion by Councillor Hall)

- (13) a technical adjustment to Park Development Category, Sub-project 392, North Rexdale Parks Priority Site 4 (North Humber Park) be made to correct a cash flow error by increasing the 2006 budget by \$100,000.00 (for a cash flow of \$150,000.00) and reducing the 2007 cash flow by \$100,000.00 to \$600,000.00; this change can be accommodated in the 2006 corporate debt target for Parks, Forestry and Recreation;

(Motion by Councillor Hall)

- (14) the following parks be added to the capital budget 2006 projects list with zero net dollars from the City as there are section 45 and 37 funding for these projects:

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Huron Park;
Bellevue Square Park;
Taddle Creek Park;
Grange Park;
Sibelius Park;
St. Patrick Square Park;
Joseph Tyrell Park;
Walmer Road Circle Park;
Clarence Square Park;
Harbourfront Community Centre Pool;
Brunswick Park;

and that staff report in September 2006 on the progress of these parks;

(Motion by Councillor Rae)

- (15) staff report to Budget Advisory Committee on funding in 2006 for Victoria Memorial Square and the Bathurst Quay Parks Yard (Irish Park) dock wall repair;

(Motion by Councillor Rae)

- (16) staff report to Budget Advisory Committee on resources required to install additional lighting in that section of Greenwood Park that was not lighted and was the location of the recent robbery;

(Motion by Councillor Rae)

- (17) staff report to Budget Advisory Committee on a signage program for the Toronto bike plan;

(Motion by Councillor Rae)

- (18) the following Section 37 items be added to the Capital Budget at zero net dollars from the City:
- (a) Humber Sheppard – rooftop garden, kitchen replacement, soccer stadium;
 - (b) Strathburn Park – waterplay area;
 - (c) Gord and Irene Risk Community Centre – addition and ice rink summer floor;

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- (d) Lindy Lou Park - playground (donations already given to the City);

(Motion by Councillor Mammoliti)

- (19) reallocating \$5.5 Million in 2008, as recommended in last year's budget, to the North-East Scarborough Community Centre; and that staff report to the Budget Advisory Committee on whether or not community facilities were identified in the Development Charges By-law with respect to the development of the North-East Scarborough Community Centre; and

(Motion by Councillor Grimes)

Parks, Forestry and Recreation,
and Economic Development:

- (20) the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation and the Acting Executive Director of Economic Development report to the Budget Advisory Committee on offering to BIAs a cost-shared Pilot Program in 2006 for tree watering, in the amount of \$100,000.00 net, \$200,000.00 gross range; and

(Motion by Councillor Hall)

- (3) received the communications for information.

(Motion by Councillor Rae)

(Budget Advisory Committee; c. Deputy City Manager,
All Interested Parties – November 10, 2005)

(Report 10, Clause 12(a))

9.2 Green Tourism Association

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a communication (October 11, 2005) from Justin Lafontaine, Director, Green Tourism Association, regarding the achievements of the Green Tourism Association.

Brian Jamison, Green Tourism Association, addressed the Economic Development and Parks Committee and filed background information on Green Tourism Association.

On motion by Councillor Ashton, the Economic Development and Parks Committee referred the communication (October 11, 2005) from the Director, Green Tourism Association, to the Deputy City Manager for report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee as soon as possible, on program partnerships with the City and Tourism Toronto and grant opportunities.

(Report 10, Clause 12(b))

9.3 Tourism Action Plan – Further Report on Gay and Lesbian Tourism Development and Museum Pass

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

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

(Report 10, Clause 12(c))

9.4 Culture Plan Progress Report (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

The following persons addressed the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- Matthew Teitelbaum, Director and CEO, Art Gallery of Ontario; and
- Claire Hopkinson, Executive Director, Toronto Arts Council.

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

- (1) received the report; and
- (2) requested staff to consult with stakeholders outside the downtown core of the City of Toronto, and ask for their opinion on Culture budgets and the potential for increasing the budgets for their programs; and that a report be submitted to the Committee meeting on January 16, 2006.

(Report 10, Clause 12(d))

9.5 Impact of Alberta's Tax Position on the Toronto Economy (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

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

- (1) received the report; and
- (2) requested the Deputy City Manager to report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee as soon as possible on:
 - (a) the types of businesses and sectors that could potentially be affected; and
 - (b) recommendations on options to ensure that the City does not lose business to Alberta.

(Report 10, Clause 12(e))

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

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

The following persons addressed the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- Joe Gill, Friends of Fort York and filed a copy of his submission;
- Sean Fraser, Fort York Management Board; and
- Stephen Otto, a Toronto Historian.

- A. Councillor Rae moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (October 18, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager.

(Carried)

(Carried on the following Recorded Vote:

FOR: Councillors Ashton, Grimes, Hall, Lindsay Luby, Rae and Walker

AGAINST: Councillor Mammoliti)

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B. Councillor Rae moved that the following recommendations 1 to 4 contained in the communication (November 9, 2005) from Joe Gill, Friends of Fort York be endorsed, and requested the Deputy City Manager to report thereon:

- (1) that the staff report be approved noting that the net costs of the new building proposals should be reduced to reflect a \$5.5 Million outside contribution;

(Carried)

(Carried on the following Recorded Vote:

FOR: Councillors Ashton, Grimes, Hall, Lindsay Luby, Rae and Walker

AGAINST: Councillor Mammoliti)

- (2) that staff be asked to report back in 2006 (before the 2007 Capital Budget commences), to set out a detailed critical path showing how the New Buildings Proposals can be completed by the end of 2011 so the new facilities will be available for the celebrations of the Bi-Centennial of the War of 1812;

(Carried)

(Carried on the following Recorded Vote:

FOR: Councillors Ashton, Grimes, Hall, Lindsay Luby, Mammoliti, Rae and Walker)

- (3) that the Five-Year Capital Budget included the net costs of the Adding New Buildings Proposals for the years 2006-2010 contingent upon at least \$5.5 Million being raised from outside sources (\$4 Million fundraising from the private sector plus \$1.5 Million from other levels of government); and

(Carried)

(Carried on the following Recorded Vote:

FOR: Councillors Ashton, Grimes, Hall, Lindsay Luby, Rae and Walker

AGAINST: Councillor Mammoliti)

- (4) that staff be asked to develop a working plan for the celebrations relating to the Bi-Centennial of the War of 1812 in Toronto.

(Carried)

(Carried on the following Recorded Vote:

FOR: Councillors Ashton, Grimes, Hall, Lindsay Luby, Mammoliti, Rae and Walker)

- (2) Councillor Rae moved that staff and the Board of Management of Fort York be requested to convene a meeting with representatives of the Provincial and Federal governments to get a commitment of funding for the national heritage site of provincial interest at Fort York.

(Carried)

(Carried on the following Recorded Vote:

FOR: Councillors Ashton, Grimes, Hall, Lindsay Luby, Mammoliti, Rae and Walker)

(Report 10, Clause 1)

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

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

Otimoi Oyemu, Music Africa, addressed the Economic Development and Parks Committee and filed a brochure on Afrofest.

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

- (1) recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (October 25, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager; and
- (2) requested staff to give assistance to Music Africa in taking advantage of any promotional opportunities.

(Report 10, Clause 2)

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

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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, and 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.

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 (October 20, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager.

(Report 10, Clause 3)

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

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

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 (October 21, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager.

Councillor Grimes voted in opposition.

(Report 10, Clause 4)

9.10 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)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

The following persons appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- Warren Webster, Vice-President, Giffels Design-Build Inc.; and
- Brent Arlitt, Director, Engineering Business Solutions, Giffels Design-Build Inc.

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

- (1) recommended that City Council receive the report; and
- (2) requested staff to support Giffels Design-Build Inc. and other stakeholders of the food sector cluster in their endeavours.

(Report 10, Clause 5)

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

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

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

(Report 10, Clause 12(f))

**9.12 2005 Communities in Bloom Program - City of Toronto Evaluation
(All Wards)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

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

(Report 10, Clause 12(g))

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

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

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

(Report 10, Clause 12(h))

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

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

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 (October 11, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation.

(Report 10, Clause 6)

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

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

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

(Report 10, Clause 12(i))

9.16 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)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

On motion by Councillor Grimes, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (October 14, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation.

(Report 10, Clause 7)

9.17 Chester Springs Marsh

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a communication (October 24, 2005) from the Task Force to Bring Back the Don, advising that the Task Force 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.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Economic Development and Parks Committee referred the communication (October 24, 2005) from the Task Force to Bring Back the Don to the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation for consideration and report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee as soon as possible.

(Report 10, Clause 12(j))

9.18 Agreement for Advancing Tourism in Toronto Between the City of Toronto and Tourism Toronto (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

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 (October 31, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager.

(Report 10, Clause 8)

9.19 2006 Business Improvement Area Operating Budgets: Report 1 (All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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

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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.

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 (November 2, 2005) from the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer.

(Report 10, Clause 9)

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

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (November 1, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, 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.

The following persons addressed the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

- Joel Richard and Shawn Mathison, Lakeshore Collegiate High School Students;
- Bruce Davis, Trustee, Toronto District School Board; and
- Paul McCarron, Facility Manager, Lakeshore Lions Club.

On motion by Councillor Grimes, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (November 1, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation.

(Report 10, Clause 10)

**9.21 Ward 37 Skateboard Park Fundraising
(Ward 37 Scarborough Centre)**

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (October 12, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation and Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer, 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.

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt staff Recommendations (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) and (7) in the Recommendations Section of the report (October 12, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation and the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer.

(Policy and Finance Committee – November 10, 2005)

(Report 10, Clause 12(k))

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

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a 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.

On motion by Councillor Hall, the Economic Development and Parks Committee 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 19, 2006, 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.

(Report 10, Clause 11)

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:

9.23 Responsibility for Utility Costs and Community Uses of the Soccer Field at Keele Reservoir (Ward 8 York West)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee considered a report (October 26, 2005) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, reporting on the issues of responsibility for utility payments and community uses of the soccer field and the potential use of the field for football at Keele Reservoir.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

Councillor Li Preti, Ward 8 York West, addressed the Economic Development and Parks Committee.

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

(Report 10, Clause 12(1))

The Economic Development and Parks Committee adjourned its meeting at 3:43 p.m.

Chair