CITY OF TORONTO

BY-LAW No. 549-1999

To further amend Interim Purchasing By-law No. 57-1998 to permit the Bid Committee to award certain contracts if a labour disruption occurs and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to award contracts of any value in case of emergency.

WHEREAS, except as provided by By-law No. 527-1999, the Bid Committee is authorized to award contracts valued at a maximum amount of $1 million and Standing Committees of Council are authorized to award contracts valued between the amounts of $1 million and $2.5 million; and

WHEREAS there is a possibility that Standing Committee meetings will be cancelled or their normal meeting schedule interrupted in the event of a labour disruption; and

WHEREAS it may be necessary to award contracts valued in excess of $1 million and less than $2.5 million in order to ensure that those contracts are not subject to unnecessary delays; and

WHEREAS if Standing Committee meetings are cancelled or their normal meeting schedule interrupted because of a labour disruption, Council is authorizing the Bid Committee to award contracts valued between $1 million and $2.5 million during the period of such labour disruption; and

WHEREAS it may be necessary that contracts be awarded by the Chief Administrative Officer during the period of a labour disruption if emergency purchases are required because of public health, public safety or public service concerns; and

WHEREAS Council is authorizing the Chief Administrative Officer during the period of a labour disruption to award contracts of any value if required because of public health, public safety or public service concerns;

The Council of the City of Toronto HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

1. Interim Purchasing By-law No. 57-1998, being a by-law “To establish interim procedures and authority for the procurement of goods and services”, is further amended by adding the following sections:

   “6.2 Bid Committee - Extended Authority in the Event of Labour Disruption

   (1) If Standing Committee meetings are cancelled or their normal meeting schedule interrupted because of a labour disruption, the Bid Committee is authorized to exercise the powers of a Standing Committee set out in subsection 6(3) above.

   (2) If the Bid Committee has made an Award under subsection 6.2(1), the Award shall be reported to Council through the Administration Committee.
6A Emergencies

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this by-law, if a labour disruption occurs and in the opinion of the Chief Administrative Officer an emergency exists involving public health, public safety or public service, the Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to award contracts of any value.

(2) Contracts awarded under subsection (1) shall be reported to Council through the Administration Committee.”

ENACTED AND PASSED this 31st day of August, A.D. 1999.

MEL LASTMAN,                             NOVINA WONG,
Mayor                                   City Clerk

(Corporate Seal)