Procurement Policies and Practices - by Councillor David Shiner, seconded by Councillor John Parker

* This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.
* This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.

Recommendations
Councillor David Shiner, seconded by Councillor John Parker, recommends that:

1. City Council request the City Manager and the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer to report to the February 24, 2014 meeting of the Government Management Committee on:
   a. procurement issues related to construction contracts raised by Council at its December 16, 17 and 18, 2013 meeting;
   b. procurement policies in other jurisdictions which recognize local or national content;
   c. hiring/jobs requirements within the procurement policy, including the status of Toronto's Canadian Content Policy;
   d. an examination of the differences in the City's and the Toronto Transit Commission's procurement policies, including the Toronto Transit Commission's Canadian procurement practices;
   e. a review of evaluation criteria and under what circumstances the City may not award a contract;
   f. a review of contract performance including how performance on behalf of the City's agencies and corporations can be used as an evaluation criteria;
   g. any other major differences between the City's procurement policy and other City of Toronto agencies and corporations, as appropriate.

Summary
City Council, at its December 16, 17 and 18, 2013 meeting during consideration of Item PW27.3 raised a number of issues about the City's procurement policies and practices.
Members of Council would benefit from a report that responds to the issues raised on the construction contract for the Humber Treatment Plant, in particular, and on other procurement policies, in general.

This Motion is urgent as Council needs these important policy clarifications since the City is continually tendering and awarding major contracts.

(Submitted to City Council on December 16, 17 an 18, 2013, as MM45.32)

**Background Information (City Council)**
Member Motion MM45.32