

THE CITY OF TORONTO

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Minutes of the Budget Advisory Committee

Meeting No. 9

Thursday, March 11, 2004

The Budget Advisory Committee met on Thursday, March 11, 2004, in Committee Room No. 1, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:40 a.m.

Attendance

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

	9:40 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	2:15 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.
Councillor David Soknacki, Chair	X	X
Councillor Joe Mihevc, Vice Chair	X	X
Councillor Jane Pitfield, Vice Chair	X	X
Councillor Shelley Carroll	X	X
Councillor Peter Milczyn	X	X
Councillor Kyle Rae	X	X
Councillor Sylvia Watson	X	X

Also Present:

Councillor Sandra Bussin	Councillor Suzan Hall
Councillor Olivia Chow	Councillor Bill Saundercook
Councillor Janet Davis	Councillor David Shiner
Councillor John Filion	Councillor Michael Walker

9.1 2004 Capital and Operating Budgets

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Capital and Operating Budgets for Community Services.

Children's Services

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Capital and Operating Budgets for Children's Services.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it a communication (March 5, 2004) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting held on March 1, 2 and 3, 2004, adopted, without amendment, Clause No. 26 contained in Report No. 2 of The Policy and Finance Committee, headed "2004 Action Plan for Children", and referred those recommendations with budgetary implications to the Budget Advisory for consideration and information.

The following persons appeared before the Budget Advisory Committee in connection with this matter:

- Councillor Olivia Chow, Ward 20 Trinity Spadina;
- Councillor Janet Davis, Ward 31 Beaches-East York;
- Councillor Suzan Hall, Ward 1 Etobicoke North;
- Councillor David Shiner, Ward 24 Willowdale; and
- Councillor Michael Walker, Ward 22 St. Paul's.

Capital

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Budget Advisory Committee recommended to Policy and Finance Committee and Council that the 2004 Capital Budget for Children's Services Capital Budget, as recommended by the Community Services Committee, be adopted, subject to the following adjustments:

- (1) the adoption of the 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustments in the amount of \$0.161 million (gross) and \$0.063 million (debt);
- (2) the adoption of the 2002 and Prior Carry Forward Technical Adjustments in the amount of \$122,000.00 (gross) and \$0.0 debt; and
- (3) receiving and not recommending Community Services Committee recommendation to reallocate to Debt from the Childcare Capital Reserve Fund for the Jane Street Childcare Centre.

Operating

- A. Councillor Milczyn moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Operating Budget for Children's Services, as recommended by the Community Services Committee, be adopted, subject to eliminating the printing of the Annual Report Card in the amount of \$29,000.00, such amount to be reallocated towards the Wage Subsidy funds.

(Carried)

- B. Councillor Watson moved that Councillor Milczyn's motion A. be amended by adding that the 2004 contribution of \$320,000.00 to the child Care Capital Reserve Fund be deferred until 2005, such funds to be used for Operating purposes within the Children's Services envelope.

(Carried)

- C. Councillor Mihevc moved that:

- (1) Councillor Milczyn's motion A. be amended by adding that the Community Services Committee recommendation to draw from the Child Care Capital Reserve Fund to offset the net impact of reversing the wage subsidy reduction in the amount of \$356,300.00 be received and not recommended; and
- (2) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to prepare an information document that outlines clearly the issue of Provincial funding shortfall for Children's Services and the funding that the Provincial government has received and will receive from the Federal government as part of the Early Childhood Development Initiative and the Multilateral Framework and that this information be sent to all Child Care Centres in the City of Toronto, and this document to include contact information on Members of Provincial parliament;
- (3) the Chief Administrative Officer, the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and a Budget Advisory Committee representative meet with Provincial and Federal counterparts to press them to restore funding to Children's Services in the amount of \$26 million and report thereon to the Budget Advisory Committee wrap-up; and

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- (4) the report "2004 Action Plan for Children" be referred to the Chief Administrative Officer, the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and relevant staff, for further consultation and report thereon to the Budget Advisory Committee wrap-up meetings.

(Carried)

- D. Councillor Carroll moved that the issue of cutting 180 child care spaces (\$1.4 million) in 2004, annualized to 855 spaces in 2005 be deferred until the Budget Committee wrap-up meeting on March 25 and that, in the interim, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and a Budget Advisory Committee representative meet with Provincial and Federal counterparts to press them to restore funding to Children's Services in the amount of \$26 million, through implementation of their legislative duties.

(Lost)

(Chief Administrative Officer; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services – March 11, 2004)

Homes for the Aged

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Capital and Operating Budgets for Homes for the Aged.

Capital

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Budget Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Capital Budget for Homes for the Aged, as recommended by the Community Services Committee, be adopted, subject to the adoption of the 2003 carry forward technical adjustments in the amount of \$168,000.00.

Operating

On motion by Councillor Watson, the Budget Advisory Committee deferred consideration of the 2004 Operating Budget for the Homes for the Aged until the Budget Advisory Committee wrap-up meetings, with a request that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services provide a briefing note comparing the City Homes with Not for Profit Homes of similar size, including costs, provincial grants, etc.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. Chief Administrative Officer; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer – March 11, 2004)

Shelter, Housing and Support

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Capital and Operating Budgets for Shelter, Housing and Support.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it the following communications/report:

- (a) (January 27, 2004) from Ms. Theresa Thornton, c/o HOUSING ACTION NOW, forwarding their recommendations for the 2004 Budget;
- (b) (June 9, 2003) from the City Clerk, advising that the Community Services Committee on June 9, 2003:
 - (1) concurred in the recommendations contained in the report (May 22, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; and
 - (2) referred such report to the Budget Advisory Committee for its consideration during the 2004 budget process, in accordance with Recommendation No. (2).
- (c) (February 27, 2004) from the City Clerk, advising that the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee the adoption of Recommendation Nos. 1(a) and 1(b) embodied in the communication (February 23, 2004) from Councilor Michael Walker, subject to amending Recommendation No. 1(b) to read as follows:
 - “(b) funding to the Grants portion of the Tenant Defence Fund be decreased by \$70,000.00 in 2004, leaving a total of \$105,000.00; and”.

Councillor Janet Davis, Ward 31 Beaches-East York appeared before the Budget Advisory Committee in connection with this matter.

Capital

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Budget Advisory Committee:

- (1) recommended to Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Capital Budget for Shelter, Housing and Support, as recommended by the Community Services Committee, be adopted, subject to reducing the 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustments in the amount of \$3.181 million (gross and 2004 cash flow of \$5.477 million (gross); and
- (2) requested the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services to report, for the 2005 Budget process, on the adequacy of the Capital Revolving Fund to meet the Social Housing goals and objectives; and
- (3) received the following communication and report:
 - (a) (January 27, 2004) from Ms. Theresa Thornton: "Housing Policy"; and
 - (b) (June 9, 2003) from the City Clerk: "Update on Local Access Priorities for Social Housing Applicants".

Operating

A. Councillor Rae moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:

- (1) recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Operating Budget for Shelter, Housing and Support, as recommended by the Community Services Committee, be adopted, subject to the adoption of the recommendations contained in the report (February 27, 2004) from the City Clerk: "2004 Budget Allocation – Tenant Defence Sub-Committee; and
- (2) request the Chief Administrative Officer, the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and a Budget Advisory Committee representative to meet with Provincial counterparts to press them to restore funding to Shelter per diems in the amount of \$22 million and report thereon to the Budget Advisory Committee wrap-up meetings;

(Carried)

- B. Councillor Milczyn moved that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to provide a briefing note to the wrap-up meetings on revenues and rates of increases of revenues of properties within the Shelter, Housing and Support portfolio.

(Carried)

(Chief Administrative Officer; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; General Manager, Shelter, Housing and Support – March 11, 2004)

Social Development and Administration

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Operating Budget for Social Development and Administration.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it the following report and communication:

- (a) (March 3, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services describing the role of the new Community Safety Secretariat; seeking funding for its operation; and recommending that:
- (1) Council approve the 2004 budget of \$460,000.00 for the Community Safety Secretariat, funded by reallocating the task force budget in Non-program expenditure so that there is no net impact on the 2004 budget;
 - (2) the Community and Neighbourhood Services, Social Development and Administration Division budget be adjusted to reflect the 2004 Community Safety Secretariat budget of \$460,000.00 gross, 0 net; and
 - (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto; and
- (b) (March 5, 2004) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting held on March 1, 2 and 3, 2004, adopted, as amended, Clause No. 2 contained in Report No. 2 of The Policy and Finance Committee, headed “Community Safety Plan and Malvern Youth Employment Initiative”.

Councillor Soknacki appointed Councillor Mihevc as Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

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On motion by Councillor Soknacki, the Budget Advisory Committee:

- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Operating Budget for Social Development and Administration, as recommended by the Community Services Committee, be adopted;
- (2) referred the report (March 3, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services to the Chief Administrative Officer to be considered together with the Roundtables report request and report thereon to the Budget Advisory Committee wrap-up meetings; and
- (3) received the communication from the City Clerk (March 5, 2004): "Community Safety Plan and Malvern Youth Employment Initiative".

(Chief Administrative Officer; c. Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer;
Executive Director, Social Development and Administration – March 11,
2004)

Councillor Soknacki resumed the Chair.

Social Services

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Capital and Operating Budgets for Social Services.

Councillor Janet Davis, Ward 31 Beaches-East York appeared before the Budget Advisory Committee in connection with this matter.

Capital

On motion by Councillor Carroll, the Budget Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Social Services Capital Budget, as recommended by the Community Services Committee, be adopted.

Operating

On motion by Councillor Carroll, the Budget Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Social Services Operating Budget, as recommended by the Community Services Committee, be adopted, subject to the tax funding of \$3.4064 million for the Ontario Works base caseload being reduced from 60,000.00 to 57,000.00 and funded by an increase in a draw from the Social Assistance Stabilization Reserve Fund.

Association of Community Centres

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Operating Budget for Association of Community Centres.

On motion by Councillor Rae, the Budget Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee and Council, that the 2004 Operating Budget for the Association of Community Centres, as recommended by Community Services Committee, be adopted, subject to the following adjustments:

- (1) Ralph Thornton Community Centre: the addition of \$18,800.00 for a part-time volunteer co-ordinator;
- (2) Community Centre 55: the addition of \$5,700.00 for an increase in the Clerical support;
- (3) Swansea Town Hall Community Centre: the addition of \$15,400.00 for part-time Administrative Support;
- (4) Eastview Neighbourhood Community Centre: the addition of \$10,000.00 for bookkeeping support;
- (5) Community Centre 55: Increase in Caretaker's hours with funds in the amount of \$4,600.00 reallocated within the Base Budget;
- (6) 519 Church Street: the addition of \$20,100.00 for relocation costs during renovations; and
- (7) Scadding Court Community Centre: the addition of \$10,000.00 for facility development (additional space).

Community Services Committee - 2004 Capital Program

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it a communication (February 11, 2004) from the City Clerk, advising that the Community Services Committee on February 4, 5 and 11, 2004, reviewed the 2004-2013 Capital Programs under its purview, and recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee:

Works and Emergency Services:

(1) Emergency Management Plan:

- (a) that the EMT Recommendations Nos. (1), (2), (3), (4) and (6) pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for the Emergency Management Plan be approved;
- (b) that the 2004 Debt amount under the Carry Forward Request for the CBRN Federal Funding Reduction from 75 percent to 45 percent be reduced by \$294 thousand, from \$560 thousand to \$266 thousand;

(2) Emergency Medical Services:

- (a) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Emergency Medical Services be approved, subject to reducing the 2004 Capital Program by \$110 thousand (the project management fee of 10 percent for the 40/50 Toryork Drive project); and further that the fee be absorbed by the Corporate Services Department, such amount to be divided between the different departments involved in the project;
- (b) that, with respect to the Joint Building Project with Toronto Police Service (EMS Station 26/Toronto Police Service Station 43 – Lawrence Avenue), Station 43 in the Toronto Police Service's 2004-2013 Capital Budget be reviewed to ensure that the project is constructed in 2004;
- (c) that the Toronto Police Services Board be requested to fulfil its commitment to build Station 43 (Lawrence Avenue) in 2004;

(3) Fire Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Fire Services be approved;

Community and Neighbourhood Services:

(4) Children's Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Children's Services be approved, subject to the Jane Street Child Care Centre project being funded from Debt rather than from the Child Care Capital Reserve Fund;

(5) Homes for the Aged:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for the Homes for the Aged be approved;

(6) Shelter, Housing and Support:

(a) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Shelter, Housing and Support be approved, subject to the Debt being reduced by \$600 thousand to reflect the sale of Princess Margaret Hospital; and

(b) that funds resulting from future sales of City residential buildings be allocated to the Let's Build budget envelope; and

(7) Social Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Social Services be approved.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Budget Advisory Committee received the foregoing communication.

Community Services Committee - 2004 Operating Program

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it a communication (February 11, 2004) from the City Clerk, advising that the Community Services Committee on February 4, 5 and 11, 2004, reviewed the 2004 Operating Budgets under its purview, and recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee:

Works and Emergency Services:

Emergency Management Plan:

- (1) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for the Emergency Management Plan be approved;

Emergency Medical Services:

- (2) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Emergency Medical Services be approved, subject to adding two Handy Persons Grade 2 positions, under Emergency Medical Services/EMS Operating Support Services (AM-E03), with no increase to the EMT recommended budget; and that the \$116.0 thousand gross, \$58.0 thousand net, be accommodated within the Emergency Medical Services 2004 Operating Budget.

Fire Services:

- (3) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Fire Services be approved, subject to deleting the amount of \$5.555 million for Recognition Pay for Firefighters, so that the Total Program Budget reads \$294,009.3 thousand net in EMT Recommendation No. (1);

Community and Neighbourhood Services:

(4) Children's Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Children's Services be approved, subject to restoring the amount of \$356.3 thousand net to Wage Subsidies, so that there will be no reductions; and further that the funding for this increase be provided from the Child Care Capital Reserve Fund;

(5) Homes for the Aged:

- (a) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for the Homes for the Aged be approved; and

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- (b) that City Council adopt the following recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged contained in the communication dated October 17, 2003, from the City Clerk:

“That the City support the principle that funds which are allocated from the Province to enhance resident care and service not be used to offset the City’s contribution to the Homes for the Aged.”;

- (6) Shelter, Housing and Support:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Shelter, Housing and Support be approved;

- (7) Social Development and Administration:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Social Development and Administration be approved;

- (8) Social Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Social Services be approved, subject to amending the budgeted social assistance caseload from 75,000 to 72,000, resulting in a reduction to the Social Assistance Stabilization Reserve draw from an estimated \$18.6 million to an estimated \$15.3 million;

- (9) Association of Community Centres:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget of the Association of Community Centres be approved;

- (10) Consolidated Grants Under the Purview of the Community Services Committee:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget of the Consolidated Grants under the purview of the Community Services Committee be approved, subject to amending the Consolidated Grants Program by adding the following:

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| (a) | Community Information Toronto – 211 Website | \$250.0 thousand; |
| (b) | Community Services Grants – expansion | \$600.0 thousand; |
| (c) | Food Security Grant Program | \$500.0 thousand; |
| (d) | Service Development Program | \$400.0 thousand; |

and further that:

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- (i) the \$1,750.0 thousand funding for this increase be provided from the \$5.555 million reduction to the Fire Services Operating Budget for Recognition Pay for Firefighters; and
- (ii) half of the \$1,750.0 thousand be allocated to grants agencies in the former area municipalities, other than the former City of Toronto; and

(11) General:

that the 2003 actuals for all Departments' budgets be provided to all Members of Council prior to the Budget Advisory Committee and Policy and Finance Committee deliberations on the 2004 budgets; and further that the actuals be provided in all future year budgets.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Budget Advisory Committee received the foregoing communication.

Toronto Public Library

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Capital and Operating Budgets for the Toronto Public Library.

Councillor Janet Davis, Ward 31 Beaches-East York appeared before the Budget Advisory Committee in connection with this matter.

Capital

On motion by Councillor Pitfield, the Budget Advisory Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 Capital Budget for the Toronto Public Library, be adopted, subject to the adoption of the 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustments in the amount of \$669,000.00.

Operating

A. Councillor Mihevc moved that the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the 2004 Operating Budget for the Toronto Public Library, subject to the following adjustments:

- (1) \$670,000.00 for Unallocated EMT Reductions not be accepted;

- (2) ABC Reduction Target in the amount of \$582,900.00 not be accepted;
- (3) the Gapping request be increased from 2.6 to 3.0 for savings of \$476,000.00; and
- (4) the reduction of \$40,000.00 by reducing standardized latest close times in four branches (removing eight hours of service per week).

(Carried)

Councillor Soknacki appointed Councillor Pitfield Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

- B. Councillor Soknacki moved that Councillor Mihevc's motion A. be amended by deferring the further gapping request of \$424,000.00 to wrap-up.

(Lost)

Councillor Soknacki resumed the Chair.

Toronto Public Health

The Budget Advisory Committee had before it the 2004 Capital and Operating Budgets for Public Health.

The Budget Advisory Committee also had before it the following communications:

- (a) (February 24, 2004) from the Secretary, Board of Health, advising that the Board of Health, at its meeting held on February 23, 2004, recommended:
 - (1) approval of the 2004-2013 Public Health Capital Budget recommended by the Executive Management Team and detailed in Table 1 of the report (February 9, 2004) from the Medical Officer of Health; and
 - (2) that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto;
- (b) (February 24, 2004) from the Secretary, Board of Health, advising that the Board of Health, at its meeting held on February 23, 2004, recommended:
 - (1) the following base budget adjustments:

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- (a) annualization of initiatives, compensation policies and operating impacts of capital program of -\$2,712.7 thousand (gross)/\$1,319.3 thousand (net);
 - (b) economic factors and zero based adjustments of \$3,685.6 thousand (gross)/\$1,736.9 thousand (net);
 - (c) other base changes of \$863.3 thousand (gross)/\$64.7 thousand (net); and
 - (d) realignment of IT budget from contracted services to salaries and benefits for a reduction of \$20.0 thousand (gross)/\$10.0 thousand (net);
- (2) the following service improvements and new service requests recommended by the Executive Management Team:
- (a) reduction in Toronto Public Health gapping from 4 percent to 3 percent to improve capacity to meet mandatory guidelines and respond to urgent Public Health issues at a cost of \$1,072.8 thousand (gross)/ \$594.9 thousand (net), and that corresponding budget adjustments to gapping be made to new and enhanced requests;
 - (b) criminal background checks at \$10.5 thousand (gross)/\$5.3 thousand (net) as a one time cost for 2004 in response to an anticipated school board requirement;
 - (c) sterile water for needle exchange at \$140.0 (gross)/\$70.0 thousand (net) to address a new provincial download to Toronto Public Health;
 - (d) Hassle Free Clinic at \$167.6 thousand (gross)/\$83.8 thousand (net) for one-time costs of moving and renovations as well as increased operating costs to meet growing service demand, with the understanding that the clinic will generate an additional \$30.0 thousand from OHIP revenues to cover recurring operating costs; one time costs of \$125 thousand (gross)/ \$62.5 thousand (net) to be reversed in 2005;
 - (e) Health Hazard Air Quality equipment for phased in replacement, maintenance and upgrading of pool sampling, indoor air quality and other health hazard equipment at a cost of \$30.0 thousand (gross)/ \$15.0 thousand (net); and

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- (f) interdepartmental charges for facilities maintenance of \$216.3 thousand (gross)/\$171.5 thousand (net);
- (3) the following budget proposals recommended by the Executive Management Team at no net cost to the City of Toronto:
 - (a) Infant Hearing Program reallocation of resources from non-payroll to payroll for an increase adjustment of 1.5 positions;
 - (b) operating expenditures funded in 2004 from the Communicable Disease Control Information System (CDCIS) Capital Project at \$545.9 thousand (gross)/\$0 (net);
 - (c) Environmental studies at Ashbridges Bay of \$291.8 thousand (gross)/ \$0 (net) funded in 2004 from Water Wastewater Capital;
 - (d) Council approved 2004–2005 projects funded from the Ontario Works Incentive Funds for Health Promotion for At-Risk youth at \$80.0 thousand (gross)/\$0 (net); Party in the Right Spirit-Once More at \$30 thousand (gross)/\$0 (net); Young Parents with No Fixed Address at \$125.0 thousand (gross)/\$0 (net); and Establishment of a Mobile Dental Clinic for homeless and underhoused persons at \$75.0 thousand (gross)/ \$0 (net); and
 - (e) funding of 2003 and 2004 economic factors and salary adjustments of \$1,741.7 (gross)/\$0 (net) for Healthy Babies Healthy Children be subject to reinstatement of 100 percent Provincial funding;
- (4) approval of the following service improvements and new service requests with net costs to the City (in priority order):
 - (a) the Communicable Diseases Liaison Unit (CDLU) (formerly called the Hospital Infectious Diseases Unit (HIDU) be approved with an annualized cost of \$4,475.2 thousand (gross)/\$2,237.6 thousand (net) and an additional adjustment of \$897.1 thousand (gross)/-\$417.1 thousand (net) to reflect the maximum allowed Provincial Funding in 2004 and an incremental 2005 annualization of \$1,314.1 thousand (net); and that the City of Toronto request continued 100 percent Provincial funding for this service from April 1, 2004 and on;

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- (b) Tobacco Control By-law implementation at a cost of \$273.3 thousand (gross)/\$136.7 thousand (net) in 2004 and an incremental annualization of \$24.8 thousand (gross)/\$12.4 thousand (net) in 2005 to achieve a consistent level of service for tobacco control activities and a higher level of compliance for Phase 3 of the by-law implementation;
- (c) Pesticide By-law implementation at \$450.0 thousand (gross)/\$225.0 thousand (net) in order to implement a public awareness, education and outreach campaign and respond to complaints as described in the February 2004 report to the Board of Health, entitled "Implementation of the Pesticide By-law";
- (d) the enhanced West Nile Virus Program at \$526.8 thousand (gross)/\$263.4 thousand (net) and that the City of Toronto request the Province to fund this enhancement at 100 percent;
- (e) a dedicated AIDS and Drug Prevention Grants Supervisor to improve risk management, accountability and evaluation at a cost of \$45.8 thousand (gross)/\$22.9 thousand (net) for 2004 and an incremental annualization of \$42.1 thousand (gross)/\$21 thousand (net) in 2005;
- (f) Child and Youth Action Committee (CYAC) Action Plan – Peer Nutrition and Nobody's Perfect Parenting program enhancement at \$525.5 thousand (gross)/\$262.8 thousand (net) in 2004 and an incremental annualization of \$415.8 thousand (gross)/\$207.9 thousand (net) in 2005;
- (g) harmonization of mobile dental care for seniors in long-term care facilities at \$472.6 thousand (gross and net) to ensure provision of service on an annual basis;
- (h) enhanced service supports for vulnerable adults and frail elderly including assessment, referral and education at a cost of \$307.6 thousand (gross)/\$153.8 thousand (net) for 2004 and an incremental annualization of \$248.6 thousand (gross)/\$124.3 thousand (net) in 2005;

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- (5) reluctantly, in accepting the recommendations from the EMT, that the following items not be funded:
 - (a) one additional Vaccine Preventable Disease Call Centre supervisor to address major workload and quality assurance issues at a cost of \$45.2 thousand (gross)/\$22.9 thousand (net) for 2004 and an incremental annualization of \$42.1 thousand (gross)/\$21 thousand (net) in 2005; and
 - (b) Hotline and inspection services for retirement homes at \$545.4 thousand (gross)/ \$272.7 thousand (net) in 2004 and an incremental annualization of \$401.1 thousand (gross)/ \$200.53 thousand (net) in 2005; and that the Provincial Government be requested to include retirement homes in its review of Nursing Homes with a view to improving the standards and ensuring mandatory inspection of both retirement homes and Nursing Homes and ensuring consistent monitoring and standards across the province and that the Provincial Government fully fund and deliver these services;
- (6) an increase of \$903.4 thousand (gross)/\$451.7 thousand (net) to match provincial funding for the food safety program as identified in the February 2004 report to the Board of Health, entitled "Supplementary Funding for the Food Safety Program";
- (7) funding for three additional TB staff in 2004 at a cost of \$85.6 thousand (gross)/\$42.8 thousand (net) with annualization impact of \$131.4 thousand (gross)/\$65.7 thousand (net) in 2005, and two additional TB staff in 2005 at a cost of \$168.1 thousand (gross)/\$84.0 thousand (net) with annualization impact of -\$8.3 thousand (gross)/-\$4.2 thousand (net) in 2006 to provide on-site liaison with correctional facilities in order to facilitate timely identification of cases and administration of treatment, appropriate referrals and ongoing educational initiatives;
- (8) TB screening for the homeless/underhoused population be considered within the TB program review and any requests for additional funds be referred for consideration in the 2005 budget process;
- (9) a reduction of \$512.6 thousand (gross)/\$0 (net) to reflect the capping to 2003 levels of 100 percent Provincially Funded programs other than Healthy Babies Healthy Children;

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- (10) an increase of \$232.4 thousand (gross and net) to fund the payroll impact of the wage harmonization settlement relating to Animal Care and Control Officers and that these funds be provided through the corporate liability reserve fund;
 - (11) that the following recommendation be referred to the Roundtable on a Beautiful City and that consideration be given to funding this program through interdepartmental charges: “the reinstatement of \$123.5 thousand (gross and net) to the TPH Animal Services budget for continuation of animal cadaver pick-up services and if these monies are not restored to the budget that the service be discontinued;” and
 - (12) that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto;
- (c) (February 24, 2004) from the Secretary, Board of Health, advising that the Board of Health, at its meeting held on February 23, 2004, recommended:
- (1) funding for 3 additional TB staff in 2004 at a cost of \$85.6 thousand (gross)/ \$42.8 thousand (net) with annualization impact of \$131.4 thousand (gross)/ \$65.7 thousand (net) in 2005, and 2 additional TB staff in 2005 at a cost of \$168.1 thousand (gross)/\$84.0 thousand (net) with annualization impact of -\$8.3 thousand (gross)/-\$4.2 thousand (net) in 2006 to provide on-site liaison with correctional facilities in order to facilitate timely identification of cases and administration of treatment, appropriate referrals and ongoing educational initiatives;
 - (2) that TB screening for the homeless/underhoused population be considered within the TB program review and any requests for additional funds be referred for consideration in the 2005 budget process; and
 - (3) that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto;
- (d) (February 24, 2004) from the Secretary, Board of Health, advising that the Board of Health, at its meeting held on February 23, 2004, recommended the adoption of the report (February 9, 2004) from the Medical Officer of Health, entitled “Supplementary Funding for the Food Safety Program”, wherein it is recommended:

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- (1) the Board of Health endorse an increase of \$903,344.00 gross/\$451,672.00 net to the Toronto Public Health 2004 operating budget request, which would allow Toronto Public Health to hire an additional 10 Public Health Inspectors and one Area Services Clerk to ensure compliance inspections and Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points (HACCP) audits of food premises according to provincially mandated requirements;
 - (2) the Board of Health forward this report to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration; and
 - (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to implement the recommendations in this report; and
- (e) (March 5, 2004) from the City Clerk advising that City Council, at its meeting held on March 1, 2 and 3, 2004, adopted, without amendment, Clause No. 21 contained in Report No. 2 of The Policy and Finance Committee, headed "Federal Funding for Access and Equity Project: 'The Path to Excellent Practice – Embracing Diversity and Building on Strength'"; authorized an adjustment to increase the Toronto Public Health 2004 Operating Budget by \$175,516.00 (gross) and 0 (net); and referred this recommendation to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration.

The following Members of Council appeared before the Budget Advisory Committee in connection with this matter:

- Councillor Janet Davis, Ward 31 Beaches-East York; and
- Councillor John Filion, Ward 23 Willowdale.

Capital

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Budget Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, that the 2004 EMT Recommended Capital Budget for Toronto Public Health, be adopted, subject to the following adjustments:

- (1) 2003 Carry Forward Technical Adjustments in the amount of \$0.92 million (gross and debt); and
- (2) 2004 Cash Flow adjustment totalling \$8.0 thousand (gross).

Operating

- A. Councillor Mihevc moved that the Budget Advisory Committee:
- (1) recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee and Council, that the 2004 Operating Budget for Toronto Public Health, be adopted, subject to:
 - (a) a reduction of \$512.6 thousand (gross)/\$0 (net) to reflect the capping to 2003 levels of 100 percent Provincially Funded programs; and that \$727,067.00 gross "0" net be allocated to the Healthy Babies Healthy Children Program, given the additional funding being made available at 100 percent dollars from the Province;
 - (b) funding for three additional TB staff in 2004 at a cost of \$85.6 thousand (gross)/\$42.8 thousand (net) with annualization impact of \$131.4 thousand (gross)/\$65.7 thousand (net) in 2005, and two additional TB staff in 2005 at a cost of \$168.1 thousand (gross)/\$84.0 thousand (net) with annualization impact of -\$8.3 thousand (gross)/-\$4.2 thousand (net) in 2006 to provide on-site liaison with correctional facilities in order to facilitate timely identification of cases and administration of treatment, appropriate referrals and ongoing educational initiatives;
 - (c) the Pesticide By-law implementation be set at \$450.0 thousand (gross)/ \$225.0 thousand (net) in order to implement a public awareness, education and outreach campaign and respond to complaints as described in the February 2004 report to the Board of Health, entitled "Implementation of the Pesticide By-law";
 - (d) enhanced service supports for vulnerable adults and frail elderly including assessment, referral and education at a cost of \$307.6 thousand (gross)/\$153.8 thousand (net) for 2004 and an incremental annualization of \$248.6 thousand (gross)/\$124.3 thousand (net) in 2005;

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save and except deferring consideration of the Youth Action Committee (CYAC) Action Plan – Peer Nutrition and Nobody’s Perfect Parenting Program enhancement at \$525.5 thousand (gross)/\$262.8 thousand (net) in 2004 and an incremental annualization of \$415.8 thousand (gross)/\$207.9 thousand (net) in 2005 to the Budget Advisory Committee wrap-up meetings for consideration with the 2004 Action Plan for Children;

- (2) refer the TB screening for the homeless/underhoused population within the TB program review and any requests for additional funds for consideration in the 2005 budget process; and
- (3) receive the following communications:
 - (a) (February 24, 2004) from the Secretary, Board of Health: “2004-2013 Capital Plan and Budget”;
 - (b) (February 24, 2004) from the Secretary, Board of Health: “Toronto Public Health – 2004 Operating Budget Submission”;
 - (c) (February 24, 2004) from the Secretary, Board of Health: “Tuberculosis Prevention and Control Services for Homeless/Underhoused Persons and Inmates of Correctional Facilities”;
 - (d) (February 24, 2004) from the Secretary, Board of Health: “Supplementary Funding for the Food Safety Program”;
 - (e) (March 5, 2004) from the City Clerk: “Federal Funding for Access and Equity Project: ‘The Path to Excellent Practice – Embracing Diversity and Building on Strength’”;
 - (f) (February 11, 2004) from the City Clerk: “Community Services Committee Transmittal (Capital)”;
 - (g) (February 11, 2004) from the City Clerk: “Community Services Committee Transmittal (Operating)”.

(Carried)

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B. Councillor Milczyn moved that:

- (1) Councillor Mihevc's motion A.(1) be amended by the deletion of four positions related to the Development Review team resulting in a reduction of \$0.14 million (gross) and \$0.07 million (net) in 2004 and further reduction of \$0.07 million (net) in 2005;
- (2) the Commissioner of Urban Development Services be requested to report on how the Demolition Permit applications should be reviewed and whether a Peer Review process could be implemented for this function and report thereon to the Budget Advisory Committee wrap-up meetings.

(Carried)

C. Councillor Rae moved that:

- (1) Councillor Mihevc's motion A.(1)(b) be amended by deleting the words "3 additional TB staff in 2004" and replacing with "6 additional TB staff in 2004";
- (2) the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chair, Toronto Public Health and a Budget Advisory Committee representative meet with Provincial and Federal counterparts to press them to restore funding for various services in Toronto Public Health in the amount of \$5 million and report thereon to the Budget Advisory Committee wrap-up.

(Lost)

(Carried)

D. Councillor Pitfield moved that Councillor Mihevc's motion A(1) be amended by:

- (1) adding that the Toronto Public Health Animal Services assume the cost of continuation of the cadaver animal pick-up services in the amount of \$123,500.00 within its existing budget; and

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- (2) the addition of \$232.4 thousand (gross and net) to fund the payroll impact of the wage harmonization settlement relating to Animal Care and Control Officers;

(Carried)

(Commissioner of Urban Development Services; Chief Administrative Officer; Chair, Board of Health; c. Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Medical Officer of Health – March 11, 2004)

The Budget Advisory Committee adjourned its meeting at 5:55 p.m.

Chair