

TORONTO PARKING AUTHORITY

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Toronto Parking Authority was held at Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen Street West, 2nd Floor, Meeting Room B at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15, 2007.

Present: George K. Soulis, Chair
Stan Kumorek, Vice Chair
John W. Maletich
Councillor Kyle Rae
Councillor Michael Feldman
Ron Y.M. Tsin
Diana Birchall

Maurice J. Anderson, President
Teresa Toigo, Board Secretary

For the record it is noted that City Council, at its meeting on April 23 and 24, 2007, by its adoption of Civic Appointments Committee Item CA7.8, made the following citizen appointments to the Toronto Parking Authority Board for a term of office ending November 30, 2010, at the pleasure of Council, and until successors are appointed: Diana Birchall and Ron Y.M. Tsin

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Council citizen appointees to the Toronto Parking Authority Board, for a term of office to start on April 1, 2009 and ending November 30, 2010, at the pleasure of Council and until successors are appointed, to replace George K. Soulis, Stan Kumorek and John Maletich are: Thomas Carter, Valentine Lovekin and Franklin Sinanan.

Toronto Parking Authority staff member Linda Macumber was in attendance to receive congratulations from the Board on the occasion of her retirement from the TPA.

Mr. Richard Poole of Walker Poole Nixon was in attendance to answer questions with regards to in-camera minute #07-086.

Mr. Jerry Shaubel of the City of Toronto Auditor General's office was in attendance to answer questions with regards to minute # 07-082.

07-074 The President called the meeting to order and requested nominations for the position of "Chair".

Councillor Michael Feldman nominated George K. Soulis as Chair. Seconded by Councillor Kyle Rae. Motion carried unanimously.

07-075 The Chair expressed his thanks to the Board and welcomed new Directors Ron Tsin and Diana Birchall to the Board and also expressed thanks to the two departed Directors Bob Brent and Myron Pestaluky for their service to the TPA. The Chair then requested nominations for the position of Vice Chair.

Director John W. Maletich nominated Stan Kumorek as Vice Chair. Seconded by Director Tsin. Motion carried unanimously.

07-076 The Board confirmed the minutes of the April 17, 2007 meeting.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

07-077 The Board received, for information only, a list of cheques issued and shown as Annex A to the May 15, 2007 Agenda (vouchers 36251-36521 and voucher 400001).

07-078 The Board received, for information only, a staff memorandum dated May 15, 2007 regarding the on and off-street revenue results for April 2007 and year to date.

07-079 The Board approved a staff memorandum dated May 1, 2007 recommending a five (5) year renewal of the TPA's existing credit card processing agreement with Moneris Solutions at rates which are lower than the expiring agreement.

07-080 The Board approved a staff memorandum dated April 30, 2007 recommending an amendment to the vacation pay policy (Policy Resolution 4-1 Appendix 3) that states *"Management has the right and obligation to approve, in advance, when vacation can be taken with due consideration given to the efficient operation of the Authority and the related ability to schedule the workforce"*.

07-081 The Board approved a staff memorandum dated May 8, 2007 recommending:

- 1) the purchase of 20 AutoCite X3 handheld ticketing computers from Parksmart to replace existing units at a total cost of \$158,086.00 (including PST) and net of an estimated trade-in credit of \$250.00 each for the old units. An amount of \$120,000.00 was included in the 2005 operating budget for equipment additions. Depreciation expense is provided for in the operating budget; and,
- 2) the expenditure of up to \$20,000.00 for the purchase of X600 handheld terminals from Schweers Technologies in order to assess their long term performance under live operating conditions as a basis for a future year upgrade of ticketing devices.

07-082 The Board received, for information only, a staff memorandum dated May 10, 2007 regarding the City of Toronto Auditor General results of the Audit Recommendations.

Mr. Jerry Shaubel of the Auditor General's office was in attendance to answer questions from the Board.

DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION

- 07-083 The Board approved a staff memorandum dated April 30, 2007 recommending that the construction contract for the 2007 Surface Carpark Paving Program be awarded to Melrose Paving Company Limited for the sum total amount of \$615,000.00 plus GST.
- 07-084 The Board approved a staff memorandum dated May 1, 2007 recommending that the construction contract for the 2007 Painting Program – Carpark No. 36 – Stage 1 be awarded to Duron Ontario Ltd. for the sum total amount of \$305,000.00 plus GST.
- Councillor Rae moved that staff contact Bruce Bowes, City of Toronto's Chief Corporate Officer, requesting that the Facilities & Real Estate Division address the leakage problems from the Square above the TPA's municipal Carpark 36 garage. Motion was carried.
- 07-085 The Board approved a staff memorandum dated May 4, 2007 recommending that the contract for the construction of Municipal Carpark No. 104 at 745 Ossington Avenue, CP No. 402 at 10 Empress Avenue and CP No. 709 at 1940/1950 Lawrence Avenue East be awarded to Tony Battista Paving Inc. for the sum total amount of \$654,000.00 plus GST.

IN-CAMERA

- 07-086 The Board received, for information only, a staff memorandum dated April 30, 2007 regarding property tax appeals.
- 07-087 The Board received, for information only, a staff memorandum dated April 26, 2007 regarding an invoice received.
- 07-088 The Board ratified the results of a telephone poll conducted on May 3, 2007 approving a staff memorandum dated April 30, 2007 regarding a Lease Agreement.
- 07-089 The Board approved a staff memorandum dated May 9, 2007 regarding a Management Agreement for municipal parking purposes.
- 07-090 The Board approved a staff memorandum dated May 9, 2007 regarding a proposed Easement Agreement.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 07-091 The Board received, for information only, copies of the following articles recently appearing in local newspapers:
- 1) "Chorus of boos greets Toronto fee proposal", Globe & Mail, May 8, 2007;
 - 2) "Forget pay-as-you-go; think pay-as-you-stop", Globe & Mail, May 5, 2007;
 - 3) "Charge more for SUV parking? Do it right, don't waste our time", The Globe & Mail, May 5, 2007;

- 4) "Parking meter rates to rise", Toronto Star, May 4, 2007;
- 5) "Voice: Parking Meters", Toronto Star, May 4, 2007;
- 6) "A 50-cent hike is a joke", The Globe & Mail, May 3, 2007;
- 7) "E-mail's tales of debit, credit card fraud apparently false", Metro, May 3, 2007;
- 8) "Silver lining to parking-meter price hike?", Globe & Mail, May 2, 2007;
- 9) "Can we turn parking lots into paradise?", Globe & Mail, April 28, 2007;
- 10) "Parking Authority looks to drive up prices", National Post, April 28, 2007;
- 11) "City may be on the hook for lakefront project", Toronto Star, April 27, 2007;
- 12) "City urged to back off on old parking tickets", Toronto Star, April 20, 2007;
- 13) "City about to go broke, staff say", Toronto Star, April 20, 2007;
- 14) "Fess up on figures, critics demand", Toronto Star, April 20, 2007;
- 15) "Has daylight saving time fuelled gasoline consumption? Canadian electricity usage not seen cut by DST change", The Globe & Mail, April 18, 2007.

07-092 The Board received, for information only, a copy of a memorandum dated May 7, 2007 from past Board Director Myron Pestaluky thanking the Toronto Parking Authority for the opportunity of having served as a member of the Board.

07-093 The Board received, for information only, a staff memorandum dated May 10, 2007 regarding the TPA Board's Remuneration.

07-094 The Board received, for information only, a staff memorandum dated May 10, 2007 regarding 2007 conferences attended by the Toronto Parking Authority. The Board approved that the following conferences will be attended by members of the Board. Board Chair Soulis requested that the new Board Directors advise the Board at its next meeting if they would be interested in attending one of the following conferences:

Conference	Date	Delegate(s)
World Parking Symposium (Penn State University, PA)	June 24-27, 2007	Chair George K. Soulis
Canadian Parking Association Charlottetown, PEI	Sept 30-Oct 3, 2007	Vice Chair, Stan Kumorek Director John Maletich

07-095 The Board Chair advised the new Board members of the various Board committees and requested their participation on one or more of the following Committees:

Rate Review (on & off-street) Committee
Finance Committee
Marketing Committee

It was agreed by the Board that appointment selections made by the Chair to the above Committees would be ratified at the Board's June 12th meeting.

07-096 The President advised the Board that the Toronto Parking Authority have finalized negotiations with the Toronto Transit Commission with regard to the Maintenance and Operation Agreement of their commuter parking facilities. Councillor Rae congratulated the TPA's President on the successful outcome of the negotiations.

07-097 The President advised the Board of Council's decision to implement charging for parking at the City of Toronto Parks & Recreation carparks commencing on the May long weekend. There was concern amongst the members of the Board as to whether or not City officials were aware of this program being resurrected. Staff advised that a letter had been sent by the Director of Parks and Recreation to City officials.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

George K. Soulis
Chair