

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 C at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 11, 2010.

Present: Ron Y. Tsin, Chair
Valentine Lovekin, Vice Chair
Diana Birchall
Thomas Carter
Frank Sinanan

Gwyn Thomas, President
Teresa Toigo, Board Secretary

Absent: Councillor Mike Feldman
Councillor Kyle Rae

Toronto Parking Authority staff members Lorne Bolte and David Hardy were in attendance to receive congratulations from the Board on achieving 25 years of service with the TPA.

10-024 The Board confirmed the minutes of the February 16, 2010 meeting.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

10-025 The Board received, for information only, a list of cheques issued and shown as Annex A to the Agenda (vouchers 47952 - 48145).

10-026 The Board approved a staff memorandum dated March 10, 2010 recommending the expenditure of funds in the amount of \$35,998.40 plus GST and PST to Access Computer Solutions for the acquisition of six (6) IBM System x 3550 servers, peripherals and system software for use in the TPA data center.

DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION

10-027 The Board approved a staff memorandum dated February 23, 2010 recommending that the contract for the 2010 Line Marking Program for Parking Garages be awarded to College Parking Liners for the sum total amount of \$18,000 plus GST.

10-028 The Board approved, with amendment, a staff memorandum dated February 26, 2010 which recommended that:

- 1) the construction contract for the 2010 Line Marking Program for Surface Carparks be awarded to College Parking Liners for the sum total amount of \$44,000.50 plus GST; and,
- 2) the amount of \$16,000 (plus GST) be recovered from the TTC for the 2010 Line Marking Program carried out for the TTC parking lots.

On motion by Vice Chair Lovekin, seconded by Director Carter, the Board requested that recommendation #2 be amended to read:

- 2) recognizing that \$16,000 (plus GST) will be recovered from the TTC for the 2010 Line Marking Program carried out for the TTC parking lots, pursuant to the TTC Commuter Operating Agreement.

Motion carried.

10-029 The Board approved, with amendment, a staff memorandum dated March 1, 2010 which recommended that:

- 1) the contract for the Landscape Planting and Maintenance Program for years 2010, 2011 and 2012 for Tender No. 1 be awarded to Hank Deenen Landscape Ltd. for the sum total amount of \$326,760 plus GST. For year 2010, the contract amount will be a sum total amount of \$111,760 plus GST;
- 2) the contract for the Landscape Planting and Maintenance Program for years 2010, 2011 and 2012 for Tender No. 2 be awarded to Clintar Groundskeeping Service Ltd. for the sum total amount of \$415,000 plus GST. For year 2010, the contract amount will be a sum total amount of \$149,000 plus GST;
- 3) subject to TTC approval of the cost, the contract for the Landscape Planting and Maintenance Program for years 2010, 2011 and 2012 for Tender No. 3 be awarded to Parente Landscaping Inc. for the sum total amount of \$310,240 plus GST. For year 2010, the contract amount will be a sum total amount of \$103,240 plus GST; and,
- 4) the Toronto Parking Authority recover the amount of \$103,240 plus GST from the Toronto Transit Commission for the Landscape Planting and Maintenance Tender No. 3 work.

On motion by Vice Chair Lovekin, seconded by Director Carter, the Board requested that recommendation #4 be amended to read:

- 4) recognizing that the amount of \$103,240 (plus GST) will be recovered from the TTC for the Landscape Planting and Maintenance Tender No. 3 work, pursuant to the TTC Commuter Operating Agreement.

Motion carried.

PARKING OPERATIONS – OFF-STREET

10-030 The Board approved a staff memorandum dated March 5, 2010 recommending the expenditure of funds in the amount of \$40,500 plus GST and PST to Parksmart Inc. to upgrade the existing Autocite handheld ticket issuing terminals to communicate wirelessly and in real time.

DEVELOPMENT & MARKETING

- 10-031 The Board approved a staff memorandum dated March 4, 2010 recommending a two-year extension to the existing music program service provided by CHUM Satellite Services for the Village Arcade Mall located at Municipal Carpark 15 (50 Cumberland Street) under the terms and conditions as outlined in staff's report.

On motion by Vice Chair Lovekin, seconded by Director Birchall, the Board recessed the public session of the meeting to consider the following confidential reports in closed session with specific reference made to the reasons cited under both the City of Toronto Act for closed meetings and the Toronto Parking Authority's Policy Resolution 1-1 "Meetings and Minutes Open to the Public".

IN-CAMERA

- 10-032 The Board approved a staff memorandum dated March 4, 2010 regarding a property disposition.

(Confidential – re: A proposed land sale for City or Agency purposes)

On motion by Director Birchall, seconded by Vice Chair Lovekin, the Board recessed the closed session of the meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 10-033 The Board received, for information only, copies of the following articles recently appearing in local newspapers, publications and media:

- 1) "Public Safety Alert, Increasing thefts from vehicles, crime prevention information", Toronto Police Service, News Release, February 15, 2010;
- 2) "Bill for Toronto street lights will top \$400 million", Toronto Star, February 19, 2010;
- 3) "Toronto defends streetlight deal", Toronto Star, February 19, 2010; and,
- 4) "Canadian currency to go plastic next year", Toronto Star, March 5, 2010.

- 10-034 Director Birchall, Chair of the TPA's Greening Committee, advised the Board and staff that a meeting of the Committee will be scheduled in April 2010. The Committee Chair requested that Board members forward any agenda discussion topics to the Chair prior to the meeting date.

In response to staff member Lorne Bolte's comment regarding the inclusion of HVAC units in the attended booths, Vice Chair Lovekin suggested that investigating temperature differentials between the interior and exterior of the attended booths be discussed at the upcoming Greening Committee meeting.

10-035 In response to the Board's conversation with invited staff members achieving 25 years of service with the TPA, Board Director Birchall proposed that 'suggestion boxes' be made available for any employee wishing to offer constructive comments/suggestions related to the TPA's operations, service, etc.

President Thomas advised the Board that the 'suggestion box' had been tried in the past, but with little success. As an alternative to the 'suggestion box', President Thomas advised the Board that a Labour Management Committee is in place which provides the opportunity for both management and staff/union members to bring topics forward for discussions. The Committee is comprised of up to four union and four management representatives who meet at least quarterly at the request of either party. The Labour Management Committee was established by way of a Letter of Agreement between the Union and the TPA forming part of the current Collective Agreement.

10-036 Board Chair Tsin requested that staff arrange for the members of the Board to visit and tour the facilities of the TPA's equipment suppliers, Precise Parklink and Zeag Canada. Staff to follow-up with the Board regarding possible dates for the site visits.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Ron Y. Tsin, Board Chair