

MINUTES

BUDGET COMMITTEE

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MISSISSAUGA

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2008 – 11:29 AM

COUNCIL CHAMBER, 2nd FLOOR, CIVIC CENTRE 300 CITY CENTRE DRIVE, MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO L5B 3C1

PRESENT:	Mayor Hazel McCallion	(Chair)
	Councillor Carmen Corbasso	n Ward 1
	Councillor Pat Mullin	Ward 2
	Councillor Maja Prentice	Ward 3
	Councillor Frank Dale	Ward 4
	Councillor Eve Adams	Ward 5
	Councillor Carolyn Parrish	Ward 6
	Councillor Nando Iannicca	Ward 7
	Councillor Katie Mahoney	Ward 8
	Councillor Pat Saito	Ward 9
	Councillor George Carlson	Ward 11
ABSENT:	Councillor Sue McFadden	Ward 10 (Illness)

STAFF: Janice Baker, City Manager & Chief Administrative Officer
Martin Powell, Commissioner, Transportation and Works
Ed Sajecki, Commissioner, Planning and Building
Paul Mitcham, Commissioner, Community Services
Brenda Breault, Commissioner, Corporate Services & Treasurer
Crystal Greer, Director, Legislative Services & City Clerk
Karin Ann Brent, Legislative Coordinator, Office of the City Clerk

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CLOSED SESSION - Nil

(Pursuant to Subsection 239(2) of the Ontario Municipal Act, 2001, as amended)

ADJOURNMENT

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CALL TO ORDER – 11:29 AM

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DEPUTATIONS

A Item 2 Audrey Nichols, General Vice-President of CUPE Local 966

Committee concurred to hear the deputation by Mrs. Nichols and consider Item #2 of this agenda as the first matter of business at this meeting.

MATTERS CONSIDERED

1. Information Related to Illegal Accessory Unit Dwellings and "Smart Car" Usage by the Fire & Emergency Services Division of Community Services

Corporate Report dated October 2, 2008 from the Commissioner of Community Services responding to enquiries by Budget Committee at its meeting on September 17, 2008.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Corporate Report dated October 2, 2008 from the Commissioner of Community Services regarding the information related to illegal accessory unit dwellings and "Smart Car" usage within the Fire Department be received for information.

Councillor Carolyn Parrish initiated discussion questioning if Fire Prevention staff check for smoke alarms during their inspections of accessory units. Acting Fire Chief John McDougall advised that this is part of the inspection process and that statistics indicate that Mississauga is a "fire safe" city, and that smoke alarms are also distributed to residents during these inspections.

Subsequently, Councillor Pat Saito moved receipt of the subject Corporate Report for information. The motion was voted upon and carried.

<u>Received for Information</u> (Councillor Pat Saito) FA.19 (CS.14) (EC.06.Vehicles) - 2 -

2. Changes to Library Hours in 2009

Corporate Report dated October 6, 2008 from the Commissioner of Community Services responding to enquiries by Budget Committee at its meeting on September 17, 2008.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Corporate Report dated October 6, 2008 from the Commissioner of Community Services on changes to library hours in 2009 be received for information.

Committee concurred to hear the deputation by Mrs. Nichols and consider Item #2 of this agenda, as the first matter of business at this meeting.

<u>Mrs. Audrey Nichols, General Vice-President of CUPE Local 966</u> addressed Committee expressing advocacy of literacy and the benefits provided by the Mississauga library system through the community located branches and "home bound" delivery services to senior residents. Further, Mrs. Nichols noted that Mississauga's library system is one of the very few unionized library systems which allows volunteers to assist with delivery of its programs; and also that the genealogy section of Mississauga Library system has been recognized across Ontario. Mrs. Nichols provided the Clerk with a copy of her comments read from her letter form dated October 15, 2008.

Mayor Hazel McCallion acknowledged Mrs. Nichols comments about Mississauga's library system being one of the few in Canada that allows volunteers to assist with delivering its programs. Councillor Katie Mahoney noted her work on the Mississauga Library Board and acknowledged the benefits that library services provide to the community. Further, Councillor Mahoney spoke to the Sheridan Branch library and advised her concurrence with reducing its hours of operation if required to allow that branch to remain open and available to the surrounding residents.

Councillor Pat Saito thanked Mrs. Nichols for her presentation, and opined that statistics about circulation of materials do not reflect all benefits that a branch library offers to a community. Further, Councillor Saito referenced the positive relationship that the Meadowvale library staff has developed with the youth in that area of the City. Councillor Pat Saito opined that the Meadowvale, Burnhamthorpe and South Common library branches are in communities with low to moderate income families that rely on the services provided by those municipal facilities and that the cost savings achieved by the reduction of operating hours will not offset the resultant impacts to the local community. Subsequently, Councillor Saito requested that meetings be convened for discussion between the respective Ward Councillors and branch library staff about the potential impact on the area client groups.

(2.) With permission of Mayor McCallion, Mrs. Nichols thanked Councillors Mahoney and Saito for their supportive comments. Further, Mrs. Nichols advised Committee that the YMCA staff tend to use the Central Library branch for their youth program activities and that this is not reflected in the circulation statistics. Further, Mrs. Nichol opined that that the Malton library branch is needed to provide activities for youth with limited resources.

Councillor Carolyn Parrish complimented Director of Library Services Don Mills for his Corporate Report responding to the request issued at the Budget Committee on September 17, 2008 to identify possible reductions to library operations for cost savings. Further, Councillor Parrish acknowledged Mrs. Nichols comments about libraries being used for drop-in centres, and moved that staff review and report back with options for reduced hours of branch library operations, including the feasibility of allowing community organizations to use (lease) library facilities for their programs at times when library services are not offered, and that the subject review include consultation between the respective Ward Councillor and library branch staff.

Councillor Parrish expressed her preference to issue a directive to reduce the library operating budget at this meeting, and opined that provincial funding needs to be increased for the Mississauga library system.

Councillor Eve Adams referenced page -2- of the subject Corporate Report about the strategic location of the branches recommended for Sunday operations, and suggested that volunteers could assist with Sunday operations at the Malton branch library, emphasizing that the Malton area of the city is geographically remote and that it would take an hour or more for people to travel to one of the library branches that are recommended for Sunday operation. Further, Councillor Adams noted the programs that the Malton library branch provide for English-language learning and also resident seniors, and requested a minimum four (4) hours of operation on Sundays during the winter months at the Malton branch library.

Councillor Maja Prentice noted that the Burnhamthorpe Library branch renovations have been pulled from the capital budget forecast despite the circulation statistics for that branch library being well above other locations. Further, Councillor Prentice advised that Ward 3 residents speak over fifty-three (53) different languages. In regard to the suggestion to close the subject branch on Friday evenings and/or Sundays, Councillor Prentice advised her opposition and suggested that if operating reductions must be done, that another evening of the week such as Tuesday, when there are fewer patrons that will be impacted, be closed. (2.) Councillor Pat Saito expressed concern with the proposed reduction of branch library hours in relation to schools no longer allowing children to be in those facilities after hours, and that the school boards are not willing to contribute funding to assist with the existing "after-school" programs. Further, Councillor Saito expressed concern for the depersonalization of library operations, noting that the Meadowvale branch library has been operated for over thirty (30) years and was the first public facility in the Meadowvale area of Ward 9. Responding to the request by Councillor Saito for statistics on the potential cost savings that would result from reducing the hours of operation at the Meadowvale branch by closing on Friday evenings and Sundays, Director of Library Services Don Mills referred to the Appendix attached to the subject Corporate Report and clarified that the Churchill Meadows branch is not open on Sundays.

At the request of Councillor Saito for his opinion on the viability of the suggested change of hours for certain branch libraries, Mr. Mills advised that he requires direction of Budget Committee and suggested that this matter be referred to the Library Board and management staff for discussion with the respective Ward Councillor and branch library staff.

Councillor Nando Iannicca noted the population served by the Cooksville branch library which is located in a leased facility, and opined that review might determine the need to construct of a library facility for that community. Further, Councillor Iannicca expressed his concurrence with directing further review and a report back with options for reduced hours of branch library operations, including the feasibility of allowing community organizations to use library facilities for their programs.

Councillor Carolyn Parrish advised her concurrence with the ideology that libraries serve a social function in a community, and moved that staff review the feasibility of allowing community organizations to use (lease) library facilities for their programs at times when library services are not offered staff, including consultation with the respective communities.

Further, Councillor Parrish moved that the library operating budget be reduced by \$174,000.00 with direction that the Provincial Ministry of Culture be requested to increase its funding of the Mississauga library system, and that Mississauga's Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) be requested to support this request.

Mayor Hazel McCallion advised her concurrence with reviewing this matter and looking for reductions to other services, and noted that municipal libraries began in history as the only community-based facility and opined that there is a need to keep these facilities available to the residents, as basic service provider in particular for youth, seniors and new residents. In regard to the Malton branch library, Mayor McCallion acknowledged its benefit to that community which is geographically remote to the remainder of other city facilities.

(2.) Further, Mayor McCallion advised that she would prefer to see longer hours of operation at community centres and branch libraries to accommodate various programs and community needs in view of the current economic climate, noting the Walmart Learning program which has been announced.

Councillor Pat Mullin noted the need for literacy and the benefits that library services bring to a community, opining that library hour reductions would be an impact, even though that would be a viable alternative to closing any of the local branches, and advised her concurrence with looking for other cost reductions.

Subsequently, the motions to reduce the library operating budget by \$174,000.00 for library operating hours in 2009, as addressed in the Corporate Report dated October 6, 2008 from the Commissioner of Community Services, with direction that staff review and report back with options for reduced hours of branch library operations, including the feasibility of allowing community organizations to use (lease) library facilities for their programs at times when library services are not offered, including consultation between the respective Ward Councillor and library branch staff, and also to request the Provincial Ministry of Culture to increase its funding of the Mississauga library system, and seek support from the local Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs), were voted upon and carried.

<u>Directives</u> (Councillor Carolyn Parrish / Councillor Pat Saito) Recommendation BC-0024-2008 FA.19 (CS.06)

At approximately 12:46pm Committee concurred to recess for a twenty (20) minute lunch break. Committee resumed this meeting at approximately 1:24pm, and commenced with Item #1 of the agenda for this meeting.

3. 2009 and 2010 Budget Items Requiring Additional Responses from the Recreation and Parks Division of Community Services

Corporate Report dated October 6, 2008 from the Commissioner of Community Services responding to enquiries by Budget Committee at its meeting on September 17, 2008.

RECOMMENDATION

In response to Budget Committee Recommendations BC-0020-2008 and BC-0021-2008, the following are recommendations from the Commissioner of Community Services:

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- (3.) 1. Retain \$25,000 savings through statutory holiday savings as presented on September 17th budget session.
 - 2. Continue ad-hoc incidental billing for excessive maintenance costs at ice arena tournaments.
 - 3. Reduction of \$42,000 in each year, in 2009 and 2010 operating budgets by reducing the print quantity of the Fall/Winter 2009/2010 "Active Mississauga" and "Your Guide".
 - 4. Set the level of funding for 2009 "Mississauga in Bloom" and "Winterlights" funding as \$35,000; reducing the budget by \$25,000 from the 2008 level.

Councillor Pat Saito initiated discussion, requesting clarification of the reduction listed for printing the Active Mississauga and Your Guide publications. Director of Recreation and Parks John Lohuis advised that a reduced quantity of the subject publications will be printed and distributed only at city facilities, with the bulk mailing to Mississauga households discontinued.

Further, Councillor Saito referenced the listing about the Communities in Bloom program and suggested that the time and resources required to submit applications for nominations be reviewed for tangible benefits of receiving such awards. City Manager Janice Baker advised that the City of Mississauga applies for very few awards and that some programs require an application fee of \$100.00, noting that application to this type of award program provides an opportunity to benchmark Mississauga against other municipalities. Councillor Saito opined that the Mississauga Blooms program is wonderful, and advised that she does not however support keeping a \$35,000.00 budget for that project, weighing it against the need to keep branch libraries open for the respective communities. Councillor Carolyn Parrish expressed concern with the current Corporate Report indicating a reduced budget for the Mississauga Blooms program in regard to Council having adopted Budget Committee's recommendation from September 17, 2008 to cut funding of this program. Councillor Adams advised her dismay about discontinuing the Mississauga Blooms program, and also expressed preference to fund branch library operations, suggesting that if allowed, allocation of \$25,000.00 of the saved funds would leave \$10,000.00 for park clean up or other community needs.

Further, Councillor Eve Adams expressed concern about closing community centres on statutory holidays during the winter months, and subsequently moved that the proposed reduction of \$25,000.00 related to statutory holidays be amended to indicate that the savings would be for the closure of community centres on Canada Day and the Civic Statutory Holidays, with all community centres to be open on Family Day in February.

(3.) Mayor Hazel McCallion spoke in support of keeping the Malton community centre open on Statutory Holidays. Responding to Mayor McCallion's request for clarification, Director of Recreation and Parks John Lohuis explained that the Corporate Report recommends closures based on retaining certain facilities that have pools which can accommodate certain levels of swimming activity.

Councillor Maja Prentice expressed concern with the community centre identified for closure on Canada Day and the Civic Holiday in August, and advised her preference to close on those days and keep all community centres open on Family Day in February. Responding to Councillor Prentice's question, Mr. Lohuis opined that this scenario of operation could likely be achieved within the \$25,000.00 savings targeted for community centre operations.

Responding the question by Councillor Carolyn Parrish on whether the \$35,000.00 savings associated with the Mississauga Blooms and Winterlight programs would be available to allocate to other projects, Mr. Lohuis advised that the \$35,000.00 is the budget for expenses of producing the judging booklets and advertising the noted projects and therefore those funds would not be available for other programs or services.

In answer to a further question by Councillor Parrish, Commissioner of Community Services Paul advised that the \$42,000.00 savings resulting from the decision to produce a less or quantity of the annual publications for recreation and parks programs could be re-allocated. Further, Councillor Parrish requested that staff monitor and report back on the number of the noted publications that are not retrieved by the public attending the community centres and city facilities. In response to the question by Councillor Pat Saito, Mr. Lohuis advised that the 'Your Guide' publication is available on the City's web site and that the web version has been improved with icons which make navigating the information user-friendly.

Subsequently, Councillor Pat Saito moved approval of the recommendation in the subject Corporate Report as amended regarding the statutory holiday closures of community centres on Canada Day and Civic Holiday while remaining open on Family Day. The motion was voted upon and carried.

<u>Approved</u> (Councillor Pat Saito) Recommendation BC-0025-2008 FA.19 (PM.02) (FA.11)

4. <u>Mississauga Transit Service Reduction Recommendation (Wards 2, 4, 5, 7 & 8)</u>

Corporate Report dated October 3, 2008 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works responding to enquiries by Budget Committee at its meeting on September 17, 2008.

(4.) <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

That the Transportation and Works Department undertake a detailed analysis of the impacts of the \$563,800 of service reductions outlined in the report dated October 3, 2008 to Budget Committee from the Transportation and Works Department using 2008 ridership information and develop an implementation plan to be brought back to Budget Committee by the end of 2008.

Councillor Frank Dale initiated discussion questioning whether the proposed changes to Transit Route #63 will impact the patrons using that service for travel to the Cooksville GO station. Director of Transit Geoff Marinoff advised that those patrons can use Route #19 at times when Route #63 is not operating, and that the integrated GO Transit fare can still be used. Councillor Dale expressed the need to provide City Centre shuttle bus service for senior adults that now reside in this area, and further, questioned whether additional buses might be put into service on routes experiencing "closed-door" situations. City Manager Janice Baker advised that additional revenues could be generated through additional service. Commissioner of Transportation and Works Martin Powel advised that staff is confident that Transit use will continue to occur and therefore there is small risk that discounted passes will have a negative impact. Mr. Marinoff advised that "closed-door" buses result from situations such as mechanical breakdown of a bus on a particular Route causing the other buses to service more passengers than usual, noting that only three (3%) percent of the buses servicing Route #19 were "closed-door" at peak service times. Responding to the suggestion by Councillor Dale that more buses be put into service on Routes that operate at capacity, Mr. Powell noted that fifteen (15) buses are being purchased with funding via the federal gas tax.

Councillor Pat Mullin spoke to the recommended change to the shuttle bus service on Route 37 to the Clarkson GO station and requested that this be reviewed in regard to peak hour service needs. Councillor Mullin also questioned the recommended changes to Route #43 which serves the Sheridan research park. Director of Transit Geoff Marinoff advised that peak hour service on Route #43 will continue, with only the mid-day service discontinued.

Mayor Hazel McCallion noted that Transit service is becoming a major issue raised in negotiations for new business coming to Mississauga.

Councillor Maja Prentice noted that the availability of Transit service was part of the draw of RIM to Mississauga, noting that this company is proposing the development of a second building. Councillor Prentice requested clarification on the late evening service reductions, to which Mr. Marinoff responded that late evening Transit service will be continued with adequate capacity operating in one (1) hour loops.

(4.) Councillor Eve Adams questioned Route 15B, to which. Marinoff advised that this Route parallels Drew Road and travels Derry Road, and has fifteen (15) riders that do not have an alternative Route for travel along that corridor. In response to Councillor Adams question on whether another bus will be added to the service on Route #1 along Hurontario Street, Mr. Marinoff advised that two (2) additional buses have already been put into peak service on that Route, noting the balance required when contemplating additional buses to avoid revenue loss on that Route. Mr. Powell noted that the statistics presented in the subject Corporate Report do not reflect the buses put in to service in September 2008.

Councillor Carolyn Parrish questioned the viability of using double-decker buses, and whether operation of these buses uses less fuel. Mr. Marinoff referenced the doubledecker bus service implemented by GO Transit for its route between York University and Square One advising that this works well due to the long distances traveled by a larger amount of passengers. Mr. Marinoff explained that using a double-decker bus on a local route would not be economical as passengers would not likely go to the top floor when riding short distances, and also the City's infrastructure such as the wash bays would not accommodate double-decker buses.

Councillor Nando Iannicca referenced the bus lay-by located on Glendarry Road and express concern for the disruption to traffic resulting from right turn movements when buses are stopped. Mr. Marinoff advised that this situation can occur at Transit stops involving "near side" bus lay-by lanes and vehicle drivers not heeding the signage directing that buses be given the right-of-way.

Subsequently, Councillor Pat Mullin moved approval of the recommendation in the subject Corporate Report with direction that Route #37 Clarkson Shuttle Service be reviewed for the provision of peak hour service to the local GO station. The motion was voted upon and carried.

<u>Approved as Amended</u> (Councillor Pat Mullin) Recommendation BC-0026-2008 FA.19 (TS.01)

5. Overnight Parking – Proactive Enforcement of all City Streets for Three Hour By-law Overnight Parking – Restrict Overnight Street Parking from November 1st to March 31st Proposed Service Reduction Options

Corporate Report dated October 1, 2008 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works responding to enquiries by Budget Committee at its meeting on September 17, 2008.

(5.) <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

- 1. That Parking Enforcement be directed to enforce the three hour on-street parking restriction within Traffic By-law 555-2000 on a city-wide proactive basis between the hours of 11:00pm to 6:00am (2300 hours to 0600 hours).
- 2. That Traffic By-law 555-2000 as amended, be amended to restrict overnight on street parking between the hours of 2:00am to 6:00am, (0200 hours to 0600 hours), November 1st to March 31st inclusive.
- 3. That a new fine for prohibited parking between the hours of 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m., (0200 hours to 0600 hours) in the amount of thirty dollars \$30.00 (voluntary) thirty-five dollars \$35.00 (set fine) be established.
- 4. That Legal Services be directed to make application to the Ministry of the Attorney General for approval of the new voluntary and set fine for the offence of prohibited parking between the hours of 2:00am to 6:00am (0200 hours to 0600 hours).

Councillor Katie Mahoney initiated discussion questioning how complaints about parking will be dealt with, to which Manager of Parking Enforcement Sheena Rodda advised that staff will respond to situations involving potential safety issues. Responding to Councillor Mahoney's question about proactive enforcement, Ms. Rodda advised that staff will monitor the locations with three (3) hour on-street parking, noting that the complaints received are often about overnight parking at locations where parking is limited to three (3) hour time spans.

Responding the question by Councillor Frank Dale about parking enforcement between the hours of 11:00pm and 6:00am, Ms. Rodda advised that enforcement of overnight onstreet will also be done in three (3) hour segments. Councillor Dale expressed concern that the proposed regulation will encourage boulevard parking, and suggested that the results need to be monitored in this regard.

Councillor Maja Prentice advised her support of the recommendations in the subject Corporate Report and questioned how the public will be advised about the new regulations. Ms. Rodda advised that signage at the City's boundaries will be changed to reflect the change, as well as on the City's web site and in the 'Your Guide...Mississauga' publication. Councillor Prentice suggested that a flyer also be sent with the next issuance of the municipal tax bill. At the suggestion by Mr. Powell that the new regulation could be advertised through mobile signs, Councillor Prentice suggested that this message could be included on the signage done to announce snow plow service. (5.) Councillor Nando Iannicca requested clarification about overnight on-street parking in residential neighbourhoods where this occurs on an occasional basis due to driveway repairs or other occasional instances. Ms. Rodda advised that staff always have the right to proactively enforce the parking regulations, noting that residents still have the opportunity to request an on-street parking consideration for occasional needs. Councillor Iannicca expressed concern for how the proactive parking enforcement will be received, and opined that enforcement done on a complaint basis can be subject to malicious abuse.

Councillor Carmen Corbasson questioned the enforcement of overnight on-street parking between the hours of 2:00am and 6:00am during the winter months when snow removal is required. Ms. Rodda advised that snow removal is not the only reason that restriction of overnight on-street parking will be enforced. Further, Councillor Corbasson advised her preference to have overnight on-street parking done through the occasionally issued permits.

Councillor Maja Prentice noted that an area in Ward 3 had operated a program involving permits for overnight on-street parking, however as the City could not guarantee the permit holders a parking spot, there were numerous complaints received and the program was not a positive experience.

Councillor Nando Iannicca moved that no program be implemented for proactive enforcement of the city-wide three (3) hour on-street parking restriction addressed in paragraph 1. of the recommendation issued in the Corporate Report dated October 1, 2008 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works. The motion was voted upon and carried.

<u>Directive</u> (Councillor Nando Iannicca) Recommendation BC-0027-2008 BL.02

Subsequently, Councillor Nando Iannicca moved approval of paragraphs 2. through 4. of the recommendation issued in the Corporate Report dated October 1, 2008 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works. The motion was voted upon and carried.

<u>Approved in Part</u> (Councillor Nando Iannicca) Recommendation BC-0028-2008 BL.02 (FA.11) In response to the question by Councillor Carolyn Parrish about the monetary value related to the recommendation to not implement proactive parking enforcement, Ms. Rodda advised that proactive enforcement would have increased parking fine revenues estimated at \$500,000.00. In response to Councillor Parrish's question about pay and display parking, Commissioner of Transportation and Works Martin Powell advised that review and formulation of a Corporate Report on that issue is in progress.

6. <u>Proposed Fee for Lower Driveway Boulevard Parking</u>

Corporate Report dated October 2, 2008 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works responding to an enquiry by Budget Committee at its meeting on September 17, 2008.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report dated October 2, 2008 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works entitled "Proposed Permit Fee – Lower Driveway Boulevard Parking" be received for information.

Councillor Maja Prentice advised Committee that Ward 3 has many locations where boulevard parking has been implemented to meet the need of families with several vehicles and therefore charging a fee might deter them from seeking this permission. Mayor Hazel McCallion expressed objection to the results of parking vehicles in residential driveways on the portion between the sidewalk and the roadway in regard to situations where the sidewalk is blocked, or a vehicle encroaches the roadway, or where residents park across the driveway and onto the sod portion of the boulevard.

Subsequently, Councillor Maja Prentice moved that the Corporate Report dated October 2, 2008 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works titled "Proposed Permit Fee – Lower Driveway Boulevard Parking", be received for information; and that this issue be included in the parking strategy review in progress. The motion was voted upon and carried.

<u>Received for Information / Directive (</u>Councillor Maja Prentice) Recommendation BC-0029-2008 FA.19 (BL.02)

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7. <u>Enhanced Pavement Markings – Proposed Service Level Reduction Option</u>

Corporate Report dated October 1, 2008 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works responding to an enquiry by Budget Committee at its meeting on September 17, 2008.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report dated October 1, 2008 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works entitled "Enhanced Pavement Markings – Proposed Reduction in Funding" be received for information.

Councillor Pat Saito questioned whether the reduction would result in the delay of locations where "zebra stripe" pavement markings would be applied to crosswalks. Commissioner of Transportation and Works Martin Powell advised that a reduced budget for this item would result in "zebra striping" be applied at fewer locations and also less bicycle lanes marked. Supervisor of Traffic Operations Andy Bate explained the new program that includes the use of improved paint products that are water based and have good reflective properties, noting that eight-six (86) intersections will be done by December 2008, including the application of radius lines which are found to be very effective. Councillor Pat Saito requested information on which of the previously targeted intersections will not be done this year. Mayor McCallion opined that the "zebra striping" at signalized intersections works better than mid-block pedestrian walkways.

Supervisor of Traffic Operations Andy Bate responded affirmatively to the question by Councillor Carolyn Parish on whether the pavement markings delayed by reductions to the budget would be forwarded for consideration in the 2010 budget.

Mayor Hazel McCallion questioned sidewalk maintenance issues, to which Mr. Powell noted that approximately one-quarter of this budget item has already been cut. Referencing snow removal on sidewalks, Mayor McCallion requested a review of the criteria for determining sidewalk locations to be repaired. Councillor Carolyn Parrish noted that Canada Post has refused to deliver to certain locations due to poor condition of the area sidewalks.

Councillor Saito noted the discussion by the Safe Driving Committee regarding the use of better quality of paint products for pavement markings, and subsequently moved receipt of the subject Corporate Report for information. The motion was voted upon and carried.

Received for Information (Councillor Pat Saito) Recommendation BC-0030-2008 FA.19 (RT.02) (RT.10)

8. <u>City Centre Street Pole Banners – Budget Elimination Implications</u>

Corporate Report dated October 3, 2008 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services & Treasurer responding to enquiries by Budget Committee at its meeting on September 17, 2008.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the City Centre street pole banner budget of \$20,000.00 be eliminated from the Communications Division Budget, effective January 1, 2009.
- 2. That the remaining 2008 banner budget be utilized to produce generically designed banners that can be used during 2009 and 2010.
- 3. That the possibility of corporate partnerships be explored to partially off-set the cost of downtown banners for 2011 and 2012, and that the City Centre banners budget be revisited as part of the 2011-2012 budget deliberations

Councillor Katie Mahoney moved approval of the recommendation in the subject Corporate Report. The motion was voted upon and carried.

<u>Approved</u> (Councillor Katie Mahoney) Recommendation BC-0031-2008 FA.19 (PR.01) (PO.23)

CLOSED SESSION- Nil

(Pursuant to Subsection 239(2) of the Ontario Municipal Act, 2001, as amended)

OTHER BUSINESS

Committee concurred to allow other matters of business to be introduced at this time in the meeting.

1. Request for Report re: Charging a Fee to All Owners of Vehicles Involved in a Collision Attended by Mississauga Fire and Emergency Services

Mayor Hazel McCallion advised her concurrence with implementing a fee to the owners of all vehicles involved in a collision at which Mississauga's Fire and Emergency Services attends.

OTHER BUSINESS cont'd...

(1.)

Subsequently, Councillor Nando Iannicca moved that staff report back regarding implementation of a fee to be charged to the owners of all vehicles involved in a collision scene attended by Mississauga Fire and Emergency Services, including related information about vehicle insurance covering such a fee, and any impacts on insurance rates for the Mississauga area. The motion was voted upon and carried.

<u>Directive</u> (Councillor Nando Iannicca) Recommendation BC-0032-2008 FA.19

2. Request for Report Back on the Feasibility of Annual Anti-Litter Blitzes

Councillor Eve Adams spoke to the need to address litter and requested that staff report back regarding the cost and feasibility of a pro-active anti-littering blitz (Debris and Anti-Littering By-law 219-85 as amended) on a one to three days per year basis. Committee expressed its concurrence with this request.

<u>Directive</u> (Councillor Eve Adams) Recommendation BC-0033-2008 FA.19 (BL.08)

ADJOURNMENT - 3:06am

REPORT 5-2008

TO: THE MAYOR & MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

The Budget Committee presents its fifth report for 2008 and recommends:

BC-0023-2008

That the Corporate Report dated October 2, 2008 from the Commissioner of Community Services providing information related to the Fire & Emergency Services inspection of illegal accessory unit dwellings, and also responding to the suggestion that the Fire & Emergency Services unit use "Smart Car" vehicles for travel throughout the City for community education and inspection services, be received for information.

FA.19 (CS.14) (EC.06.Vehicles)

BC-0024-2008

- 1. That the deputation by Audrey Nichols, General Vice-President of CUPE Local 966, to Budget Committee at its meeting on October 15, 2008, be received for information.
- 2. That a budget reduction of \$174,000.00 for library operating hours in 2009, as addressed in the Corporate Report dated October 6, 2008 from the Commissioner of Community Services, be approved.
- 3. That staff be directed to review and report back with options for reduced hours of branch library operations, including the feasibility of allowing community organizations to use (lease) library facilities for their programs at times when library services are not offered, and that the subject review include consultation between the respective Ward Councillor and library branch staff.
- 4. That the Provincial Ministry of Culture be requested to increase its funding of the Mississauga library system, and that Mississauga's Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) be requested to support this request.

FA.19 (CS.06)

BC-0025-2008

- 1. That, for the items addressed in the Corporate Report dated October 6, 2008 from the Commissioner of Community Services, the following directives be approved for the 2009 and 2010 budget formulation:
 - 1. A reduction of \$25,000.00 by the closure of community centres on Canada Day and the Civic Statutory Holidays, with all community centres to be open on Family Day in February.
 - 2. Continue ad-hoc incidental billing for excessive maintenance costs at ice arena tournaments.
 - 3. A reduction of \$42,000.00 in each year for the 2009 and 2010 operating budgets, by decreasing the quantity of the Fall/Winter 2009/2010 "Active Mississauga" and "Your Guide" publications printed, for distribution at city-owned facilities.
- 2. Retain the reduction of \$60,000.00 for the Mississauga Communities in Bloom program approved by Budget Committee at its meeting on September 17, 2008.

FA.19 (PM.02) (FA.11)

BC-0026-2008

That the Transportation and Works Department undertake a detailed analysis of the impacts of the \$563,800.00 of service reductions outlined in the Corporate Report dated October 3, 2008 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works, using 2008 ridership information to develop an implementation plan to be brought back to Budget Committee by the end of 2008; and that this review include an assessment of Route #37 Clarkson Shuttle Service to provide peak hour service.

FA.19 (TS.01)

BC-0027-2008

That no program be implemented for proactive enforcement of the city-wide three (3) hour onstreet parking restriction addressed in the Corporate Report dated October 1, 2008 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works. BL.02

BC-0028-2008

- 1. That a by-law be enacted to amend Traffic By-law 555-2000 as amended, to restrict overnight on-street parking between the hours of 2:00am to 6:00am (0200 hours to 0600 hours) from November 1st to March 31st inclusive.
- 2. That a new fine for prohibited parking between the hours of 2:00am to 6:00am (0200 hours to 0600 hours) in the amount of thirty dollars \$30.00 (voluntary) and thirty-five dollars \$35.00 (set fine), be established.
- 3. That Legal Services be directed to make application to the Ministry of the Attorney General for approval of the new voluntary and set fine for the offence of prohibited parking between the hours of 2:00am to 6:00am (0200 hours to 0600 hours).

BL.02 (FA.11)

BC-0029-2008

That the Corporate Report dated October 2, 2008 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works titled "Proposed Permit Fee – Lower Driveway Boulevard Parking", be received for information; and that this be included in the parking strategy review in progress. FA.19 (BL.02)

BC-0030-2008

That the Corporate Report dated October 1, 2008 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works titled "Enhanced Pavement Markings – Proposed Reduction in Funding", be received for information.

FA.19 (RT.02) (RT.10)

BC-0031-2008

- 1. That the City Centre street pole banner budget of \$20,000.00 be eliminated from the Communications Division Budget, effective January 1, 2009.
- 2. That the remaining 2008 banner budget be utilized to produce generically designed banners that can be used during 2009 and 2010.
- 3. That the possibility of corporate partnerships be explored to partially off-set the cost of downtown banners for 2011 and 2012, and that the City Centre banners budget be revisited as part of the 2011-2012 budget deliberations.

FA.19 (PR.01) (PO.23)

BC-0032-2008

That staff report back regarding implementation of a fee to be charged to the owners of all vehicles involved in a collision scene attended by Mississauga Fire and Emergency Services, including related information about vehicle insurance covering such a fee, and any impacts on insurance rates for the Mississauga area. FA.19

BC-0033-2008

That staff report back regarding the cost and feasibility of a pro-active anti-littering blitz (Debris and Anti-Littering By-law 219-85 as amended) on a one to three days per year basis. FA.19 (BL.08)