

Excerpts from City of Toronto Parks Committee meetings about food in public spaces, February 14, 2000

Parks and Recreation Division – Food Service Review
(All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (January 27, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, providing a summary of the recommendations resulting from the review of food services carried out for the Parks and Recreation Division; requesting approval for staff to implement those recommendations; and recommending that:

(1) the Foodservice Review and Master Plan prepared for the Toronto Parks and Recreation Division by FHG International be received;

(2) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be directed to implement a consolidated approach to food service operations across the Parks and Recreation Division;

(3) the Parks and Recreation Division move to food service operation by private operators utilizing branded concepts, as opportunities to tender existing contracts arise, as recommended in the Master Plan;

(4) existing food service operations provided by community groups and for fund raising purposes be retained; and

(5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Mr. Dennis Casey, 1st Vice President, Local 79, Canadian Union of Public Employees, appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

A. Councillor Pitfield moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Carried)

Councillor Ashton appointed Councillor Feldman Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

B. Councillor Ashton moved that Councillor Pitfield's motion A. be amended by amending Recommendation No. (3) to provide that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, be requested to report to the Economic Development and Parks Committee on proposals to tender prior to issuance of same.

(Carried)

Councillor Asthon resumed the Chair.

B. Councillor Shaw moved that Recommendation No. (3) be referred back to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism for a further report.

(Lost)

(Clause No. 11, Report No. 2)

Request for Proposals for Cold Drink Vending and Pouring Rights

(All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a joint report (August 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer advising of the Request for Proposal for Cold Drink Vending and Pouring Rights, in accordance with the requirements of the Economic Development, Culture and Tourism Department, Parks and Recreation Division, for the period of three to five years; requesting authority to negotiate a contract with the successful proponent; and recommending that:

(1) the proposal received from The Pepsi Bottling Group for Cold Drink Vending and Pouring Rights for Parks and Recreation locations for the period of a minimum of three years and a maximum of five years, depending on final negotiations, be accepted, this being the overall highest scoring proposal received;

(2) staff be authorized to negotiate and execute an agreement, in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor with The Pepsi Bottling Group; and

(3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Economic Development and Parks Committee also had before it, during consideration of the foregoing matter, a communication (September 15, 2000) from Ms. Anne Dubas, President, Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 79, expressing concern that the staff report has proceeded in a way that violates the Collective Agreements with the City of Toronto for full-time and part-time employees, and a copy thereof is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

The following persons appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Mr. David Kidd, Recording Secretary, Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 79; and

- Mr. Ross Tripp, Area Manager, Ontario Central, Coca Cola Bottling Company.
On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the joint report (August 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer,

subject to adding the following:

“the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be granted the authority to include ‘cultural’ drinks in future negotiations with regard to Request for Proposals for Cold Drink Vending and Pouring Rights.”:

(Clause No. 6, Report No. 9)

Request for Proposals for Hot Drink Vending and Snacks

(All Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a joint report (August 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer advising of the results of the Request for Proposal for the Hot Drink Vending and Snacks, in accordance with the requirements of the Economic Development, Culture and Tourism Department, Parks and Recreation Division, for the period of three to five years; requesting authority to negotiate a contract with the recommended proponent; and recommending that:

(1) the proposal received from Mr. Vending Inc. for Hot Drink Vending and Snacks for Parks and Recreation locations for the period of a minimum of three years and a maximum of five years, depending on final negotiations, be accepted, being the highest overall highest scoring proposal received;

(2) staff be authorized to negotiate and execute an agreement, in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor with Mr. Vending Inc; and

(3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Mr. Wayne Habbib, Coffee Delight Coffee Service, appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Feldman, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the joint report (August 29, 2000) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, subject to the following:

(i) that Recommendation No. (1) be amended to include the wording **“and that the proposal received from Coffee Delight Coffee Service be accepted for the North District of the Parks and Recreation Division”**; and

(ii) that Recommendation No. (2) be amended to authorize staff to negotiate and execute an agreement, in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor, with Coffee Delight Coffee Service, for Hot Drinks and Snack Vending in the North District of the Parks and

Recreation Division.

(Clause No. 7, Report No. 9)

Request for Proposal No. 0613-01-0203 for the Operation of Concession Services for the Parks and Recreation Division (Various Wards)

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a report (December 17, 2001) from the Acting Chief Financial Officer and the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, recommending the awarding of the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the operation of concessions services for the Parks and Recreation Division of the Economic Development, Culture and Tourism Department; the agreement to commence May 1, 2002, for a five-year term expiring April 30, 2007, with the option for renewal for a further five-year term, at the request of the Department Head in conjunction with the Purchasing Agent; and recommending that:

(1) the proposals submitted by Mr. Vending/Country Style, the highest scoring proponent, and Java Express, the second highest scoring proponent, being the proposals receiving the highest overall score, be accepted for the five-year period; ending April, 30 2007 with the City's option for renewal for a further five-year term;

(2) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be directed to negotiate and execute contracts in a form and content, consistent with the RFP and acceptable to the City Solicitor with the successful proponents;

(3) staff continue to work with CUPE Local 79 to mitigate impacts on part-time and temporary staff who are members of the Recreation Workers Unit of Local 79 who are affected by these contracts; and

(4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Economic Development and Parks Committee also had before it during consideration of the foregoing matter, a communication (January 21, 2001) from Ms. Ann Dembinski, President, Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 79, urging Councillors to reject the proposal for the Operation of Concession Services for the Parks and Recreation Division.

The following persons appeared before the Economic Development and Parks Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Mr. Ken Amoroso, Membership Secretary, CUPE Local 79; and
- Councillor Doug Holyday, Ward 3 Etobicoke Centre.

A. Councillor Mammoliti moved that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommend to City Council the adoption of the joint report (December 17, 2001) from the Acting Chief Financial Officer and the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture

and Tourism, subject to adding that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to implement pilot initiatives and alternate arrangements for the locations not recommended for award under RFP No. 0163-01-0203, using the existing delegated approval procedures.

(Carried)

B. Councillor Moeser moved that the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be requested to report back to the Economic Development and Parks Committee:

(i) on a yearly basis as to how the concession services in the noted facilities are performing and if they are meeting financial expectations; and

(ii) on the City's option for renewal for a further five-year term, prior to such renewal taking place.

(Carried)

(Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; c. Mr. Ken Amoroso, Membership Secretary, CUPE Local 79; Councillor Doug Holyday, Ward 3 Etobicoke Centre - January 28, 2002)

(Clause No. 3, Report No. 1)

Request for Proposal No. 0613-02-0223 for the Operation of Concession Services for the North District of the Parks and Recreation Division

The Economic Development and Parks Committee had before it a joint report (December 16, 2002) from the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, seeking Council authorization to award the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the operation of concessions services for the North District of the Parks and Recreation Division of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism Department; and recommending that:

(1) the Proposals submitted by International Foods, the highest scoring proponent, and Cittadelle Café, the second highest scoring proponent, be accepted for the five year period; ending April 30, 2008, with the City's option for renewal for a further five year term;

(2) the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be directed to negotiate and execute contracts in a form and content, consistent with the RFP and acceptable to the City Solicitor with the successful proponents;

(3) the option to renew for the period May 1, 2008 to April 30, 2013 be reviewed by the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism in cooperation with the Purchasing Agent, provided the first term of the contract was

performed satisfactorily;

(4) provided that there is a favourable review, in accordance with Recommendation No. (3), the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism be the delegated authority to exercise the option on the terms and conditions set out above and be authorized to instruct the Purchasing Agent to process the necessary contract; and

(5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Pantalone, the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned joint report.

(Clause No. 7, Report No. 2)