

TORONTO TRANSIT COMMISSION REPORT NO.

MEETING DATE: April 6, 2011

SUBJECT: CITY REPORTS: GOVERNANCE, BOARD APPOINTMENTS,
SERVICE REVIEW PROGRAM & BUDGET PROCESS

INFORMATION ITEM

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Commission receive this report for information.

BACKGROUND

The City Manager recently issued a letter dated March 14, 2011 with respect to the following three reports that were considered by the Executive Committee of the City of Toronto on March 21, 2011:

- Managing Through Agencies and Corporations
- Amendments to Public Appointments Policy
- Service Review Program, 2012 Budget Process and Multi-Year Financial Planning Process

An outline of the content of these reports is set out in the letter from the City Manager attached as Appendix A. The reports are intended to ensure that the City's obligations to the public for good governance of City agencies and corporations are met. These reports will be before the April 12, 2011 meeting of City Council. Copies are available on the City of Toronto website.

DISCUSSION

The purpose of this report is to ensure that the Commission is aware of these City initiatives and to specifically draw attention to the Service Review Process and the 2012 Budget Process as summarized in Table 1 from that report and attached as Appendix B.

The Commission will be participating in the Core Service Review which will examine what services the TTC is delivering and the Service Efficiency Review which will examine how TTC services are delivered. The TTC will also be involved in the User Fee Review, and as part of the 2012 Budget Process, staff will examine a multi-year fare strategy policy. In addition, former Chief General Manager David Gunn will review the TTC's current financial position and budgets and provide comments and/or recommendations for consideration during

preparation of the 2012 budgets in the coming months. Each of these initiatives will proceed concurrently commencing in April, culminating in consideration of the results by City Council in late September. At that time, Council will provide budget directions and guidelines to permit finalization of the 2012 budgets in early fall prior to the launch of the City Budgets in December. Staff is seeking clarification from the City administration on certain matters with a view to establishing the internal TTC budget process, schedule and guidelines for development of the 2012 budgets.

JUSTIFICATION

Participation by the Commission in these City initiatives is necessary to ensure alignment among the City's governance and program delivery goals, the interests and activities of the Commission, and the needs of Toronto residents and TTC patrons.

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Attachments: Appendix A
Appendix B