STANDING COMMITTEE ON FISCAL ISSUES

MOTIONS

Minute No. 170
Moved by Councillor Pagtakhan,
Seconded by Councillor Smith,
WHEREAS the International Worship Centre, a non-profit church organization is hosting a fundraising effort to build a brand new church at 1535 Elgin Avenue;

AND WHEREAS the proposed location of the new building is designated in a Rehabilitation Area, where the neighbourhood is in decline and having an effect on the overall stability of the neighbourhood , and where some intervention is required to stimulate private investment;

AND WHEREAS the proposed privately invested use is a first step in strengthening such a neighbourhood, and becoming a centre of focus for the neighbourhood;

AND WHEREAS Executive Policy Committee at its meeting of January 22, 2003 concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Fiscal Issues that the International Worship Centre did not meet criteria set forth in Schedule "B" of the Entertainment Funding By-law 7710/2000;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the criteria set forth in Schedule "B" of the Entertainment Funding By-law 7710/2000 be waived and that the International Worship Centre be listed in Schedule "A" of the Entertainment Funding By-law 7710/2000 and that the International Worship Centre fundraising effort be exempt from paying the amusement tax, projected at $10,000 to $12,000.

With the concurrence of the seconder, Councillor Smith, and the permission of Council, Councillor Pagtakhan withdrew the motion.