STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY AND DEVELOPMENT

QUESTION PERIOD

Minute No. 254
Councillor Swandel referred to the recent practice of accepting stamped engineer's or architect's work for permit approval and the issue where apparently the engineer, whose stamp was on it, had not actually stamped and signed. He asked if the process should be looked at to ensure that some sort of direct contact was made with the engineer prior to accepting the stamp on the drawings. Councillor Browaty agreed to ask the Department if this issue should be revisited.

In reference to the situation and evaluation of the permit process, Councillor Eadie asked if the Chair would consider making sure that all employees do a similar declaration as to their potential conflict of interests in businesses as Members of Council do. Councillor Browaty declined comment due to an ongoing investigation.

Councillor Eadie questioned if the Chair believed that when the public interest was at hand that anybody working in that area should have to declare any potential conflicts in a form as Members of Council do. Councillor Browaty replied that he would be happy to check on HR processes but believed safeguards were already in place to ensure that City employees were acting in the best interests of the City.