Minutes - Executive Policy Committee - April 14, 2004

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Minute No. 280 Preliminary Operating Budget Review Process
File F

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee laid over consideration of the March 24, 2004 Council Motion for thirty (30) days.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Eadie,
That consideration of the March 24, 2004 Council Motion be laid over for thirty (30) days.

Carried

COUNCIL DECISION:

On March 24, 2004, Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Executive Policy Committee:

Moved by Councillor Steek,
Seconded by Councillor De Smedt,

WHEREAS it is the responsibility of the Mayor and the Executive Policy Committee to prepare a Preliminary Current Budget;

AND WHEREAS the essence of a budgetary process is transparency and accountability;

AND WHEREAS the priorities of all members of Council should be given equal consideration;

AND WHEREAS the current budgetary process precludes consultation with all members of Council prior to the preparation of the Preliminary Budget;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Executive Policy Committee convene informal Council meetings with all department heads before the Preliminary Budget document is presented to Council.