

Committee Agendas

BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health will consider the following at its meeting at Toronto City Hall on Tuesday, May 20 at 1:00 p.m. in Committee Room 1.

REPORTS

Pesticide problems?

A report on the impact that the proposed provincial *Cosmetic Pesticides Ban Act* will have on Toronto's own pesticide by-law. The report recommends the board request that the environment minister change the act to state that if the provincial legislation conflicts with a similar by-law anywhere in the province, the stricter rule on the use of pesticides shall be the authority.

PARKS & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

The Parks & Environment Committee will consider the following at its special meeting at Toronto City Hall on Wednesday, May 21 at 3:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

PRESENTATIONS

Embracing change

The committee will hear a presentation on the city's Climate Change Adaptation Strategy. The presentation recommends that specific goals for adaptation and mitigation, with respect to infrastructure and buildings, be incorporated into the official plan, and be implemented by the city's agencies, boards, commissions, corporations and divisions in their programs, plans and strategies.

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City in Brief

Design excellence

A picture of the city landscape tattooed on a man's back—representing those

"I am Toronto" - a picture of the city landscape tattoo representing Torontonians who truly wear the city on their sleeve, was the winner of the Astral Media Outdoor OCAD Student Design Competition.

Team Members: Barbara Solomon, Brooke Taylor, Katelynn Ubbi



who truly wear the city on their sleeve—is the winner of the **Astral Media Outdoor Ontario College of Art and Design** student design competition. The winning team of **Barbara Solomon, Brooke Taylor and Katelynn Ubbi** was revealed yesterday.

More than 280-transit shelters featured designs by the four finalists and people were encouraged to vote online. The final four OCAD student design teams were the group of Barbara Solomon, Brooke Taylor and Katelynn Ubbi; Je Jun Lee and Matthew Yoon; Ilona Kazlova, Ester Lin, John Fong and Victoria Kouvinova; and Julia Dickinson and Olivia Chow. The winning design will be displayed on more than 70-transit shelters across the city.

Bright ideas

Ontario's solar task force is looking for ideas from anyone interested in harnessing the sun's energy. A province-wide consultation with the public and the renewable energy industry is looking for answers to three questions: what are the barriers to the installation and use of residential solar hot water systems in Ontario, how can they be removed and what actions could be taken by governments, the solar indus-

try and others to expand residential solar hot water markets in the province? The provincial task force will present the findings in a report to the energy minister in October.

Submissions are due by June 27. They should be a maximum of five pages and must include a name and contact e-mail or street address. Email to solartaskforce@ontario.ca or mail to Solar Task Force, c/o Conservation and Distributed Energy Branch, Ontario Ministry of Energy, 880 Bay Street, 6th Floor, Toronto, ON, M7A 2C1.

ULI blog

Urban Land Institute Toronto has created a new tool for members to interact with each other. The ULI Toronto blog contains information on all event speakers, copies of event materials and a discussion section to allow event participants to comment on the event. Visit: <http://ulitoronto.wordpress.com>.

New home slowdown

New home construction will begin to slow in 2008, according to **Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation's** second quarter *Housing Market Outlook*,