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Toronto's Urban Development Services defines the way the city looks and feels, manages the way the city grows and regulates that growth to ensure public safety. The department has 972 staff operating out of four divisions - Municipal Licensing and Standards, Building, City Planning and Business Support Services.

Urban Development Services' <u>proposed budget for 2001</u> was presented to Planning and Transportation Committee on February 5, 2001. The department's 2001 net budget request of \$16.4 million represents less than one per cent of the City's overall net budget and the department generates 79 cents in revenue for every dollar spent.

The department initially faced \$11.6 million in operating budget pressures at the beginning of the budget process. Staff have worked hard to reduce the shortfall to approximately \$0.9 million by finding further efficiencies in the department and identifying potential revenue opportunities. On the capital budget side, Urban Development Services is requesting approximately \$2.9 million in 2001 for streetscape projects, Zoning Bylaw harmonization and an IBMS program that focuses on improving access, turnaround and processing times for permit, licensing and development applications.

All departmental budgets will be reviewed by Standing Committees of Council and the Budget Advisory Committee before Council approves the City's final budget in April.

Urban Development Services' proposed budget for 2001.

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