

# COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE

# AGENDA

Date of Meeting: Time: Location: Thursday May 21, 1998 9:30 a.m. Committee Room A 2nd Floor, Metro Hall 55 John Street Toronto

Enquiry: Ms. Rosalind Dyers Committee Secretary 392-8018

## DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PURSUANT TO THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

# DEPUTATIONS. LIST TO BE DISTRIBUTED AT MEETING

## COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS.

## 1. TORONTO DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD - PRESSURES RESULTING FROM PROVINCIAL RESTRUCTURING OF EDUCATION FINANCE.

#### **DEPUTATION.**

Mr. John Davies, Director - Executive Council, <u>Toronto District School Board</u> (April 6, 1998)

Requesting the opportunity to appear before the Committee to discuss a number of issues resulting from the Provincial restructuring of education finance which has created considerable pressure on the ability of school boards to deliver services to the community.

## 2. TORONTO DISTRICT HEALTH COUNCIL.

Mr. Lorne Zon, Executive Director, <u>Toronto District Health Council</u> (April 20, 1998)

Requesting the opportunity to brief the Committee on the following issues:

- Mandate and accountability of the TDHC;
- Long Term Care Planning;
- Mental Health Services Planning;
- Hospital Restructuring;
- Homeless Task Force; and
- Community Services Inventory.

#### 3. RESPONDING TO CLIENT INQUIRIES, ISSUES AND COMPLAINTS IN SOCIAL SERVICES.

Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services (April 30, 1998)

Describing how the Social Services Division responds to client inquiries, issues and problems related to the determination of eligibility or entitlements, including client complaints about service quality, staff conduct, eligibility decisions, in working with the Division to address client issues; and recommending that the report be received for information.

## 4. ANALYSIS OF IMPACTS OF ONTARIO WORKS REGULATIONS.

Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services (May 11, 1998)

Providing an analysis of the immediate impacts related to the introduction of the new Ontario Works Act regulations, and a description of the Federal National Child Benefit Supplement to be introduced in July, 1998; and recommending that:

- (1) Council express its concerns to the Minister of Community and Social Services as they pertain to the negative impact of the regulations of Ontario Works on youth, dependent families, low income families, and individuals with special needs (as described in this report);
- (2) the Chair of the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee seek a meeting with the Minister to discuss these concerns and seek the Minister's response to the recommendations (contained in this report) to remedy the problems; and
- (3) this report be forwarded to the Ministers of Community and Social Services and Health; and

(4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto."

#### 5. HEALTH AND SAFETY ALLOCATIONS FOR HOSTELS.

Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services (April 27, 1998)

Recommending that:

- (1) the Department of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to administer 100 percent Provincial funds to hostels for minor capital needs;
- (2) the following allocations totalling \$70,813.95 be approved;

Shelter		Amount
(1)	Redwood (heating upgrades, camera)	\$ 9,220.75
(2)	WoodGreen - The Pines (5 flushometers, shower upgrades)	9,250.00
(3)	WoodGreen - Lawrence (major plumbing, heating, electrical work)	23,596.39
(4)	Fred Victor Women's Shelter (security camera)	1,432.00
(5)	Native Men's Residence (kitchen upgrades)	10,314.80
(6)	Parkdale Recovery Inc. (building upgrades)	17,000.00
Total		\$70,813.95

- (3) 80 percent of these amounts be advanced to the hostels as soon as required, with the remaining 20 percent released after the work is completed and appropriate expenditure documents have been submitted; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

#### 6. TRUE DAVIDSON ACRES HOME FOR THE AGED -THREE-YEAR ACCREDITATION AWARD.

City Clerk

(May 4, 1998)

Advising that the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged on May 1, 1998, had before it a report from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, indicating that the accreditation survey for True Davidson Acres by the Canadian Council on Health Services Accreditation was carried out from January 18-20, 1998, and that the Home received a three-year award.

## 7. PURCHASE OF ONTARIO HYDRO PROPERTY - MAXWELL STREET.

<u>City Clerk</u> (May 11, 1998)

Advising that North York Community Council on May 6, 1998, concurred in a motion by Councillor Howard Moscoe, North York Spadina, respecting the purchase of Ontario Hydro property on Maxwell Street, and wherein it recommended that:

- (1) staff of the Parks and Recreation Department, North York Civic Centre, be requested to contact Ontario Hydro immediately to indicate a desire to enter into discussions with respect to the purchase of the subject property;
- (2) if negotiations proceed to a conclusion, a further report be submitted to Council through the appropriate Standing Committee seeking approval to expend funds; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

# ANY OTHER MATTERS.