

BOARD OF HEALTH

AGENDA

Date of Meeting: Monday, January 26, 1998 Enquiry: Christine Archibald

Time: 4:00 p.m. Interim Contact

Location: Committee Room C, 2nd Floor, 392-7039

Metro Hall, 55 John Street, carchib@city.toronto.

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

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:

1. THE ROLE OF NON-MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND CITY COUNCIL'S ACTION OF JANUARY 2, 6, 8 AND 9, 1998 RESPECTING THE BOARD OF HEALTH

<u>City Solicitor</u> January 15, 1998

Recommending that the report be received for information.

2. PRESCHOOL SPEECH AND LANGUAGE SERVICES SYSTEM

Acting Medical Officer of Health January 7, 1998

Recommending that:

1. The Interim Board of Health approve implementation of the Health Department's role as lead agency for the Metro Toronto Preschool Speech and Language System (pending Triministry approval of the plan).

3. UPDATE ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Acting Medical Officer of Health January 13, 1998

Recommending that the report be received for information.

4. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ACTING MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

City Clerk

January 12, 1998

Forwarding Council's action taken at its meeting on January 2, 6, 8 and 9, 1998, in which Council granted authority for the introduction of a bill in Council substantially in the form of the draft by-law attached as Schedule 1 of the report dated January 5, 1998, from the Chief Administrative Officer.

5. PROCEDURAL BY-LAW OF THE NEW BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE CITY OF TORONTO

No material.

6. THREATS TO HEALTH IN THE CHANGING CITY: CHOICES FOR THE FUTURE

Assistant City Clerk, former City of Toronto October 6, 1997

Forwarding the former City of Toronto's action at its meeting on September 22 and 23, 1997, in which City Council endorsed the actions of the former City of Toronto's Board of Health and:

- 1. Directed that the report (September 9, 1997) from the Medical Officer of Health be forwarded to the Board of Health for the new City of Toronto.
- 2. Forwarded the report (September 9, 1997) from the Medical Officer of Health to all Boards of Health in Metropolitan Toronto, the Liaison Committee of the Boards of Health in the Toronto area and to the Boards of Education in Metropolitan Toronto.
- 3. Forwarded the report (September 9, 1997) from the Medical Officer of Health to the Ministers of Health, Community and Social Services, Education and Municipal Affairs with a request for an early conference to discuss the redeployment of potential savings

from health services restructuring into community-based structures, including full service schools, as outlined in the "First Duty" report.

7. REPORT OF THE TASK FORCE ON HEALTH AND WORK

Assistant City Clerk of the former City of Toronto October 6, 1997

Forwarding the former City of Toronto's action at its meeting on September 22 and 23, 1997, in which Council:

- 1. Adopted the report of the Task Force on Health and Work
- 2. Recommended that the new City of Toronto and the Board of Health for the new City of Toronto adopt the Report of the Task Force on Health and Work.
- 3. Forwarded the Report of the Task Force on Health and Work to the appropriate federal and provincial agencies and authorities concerned with this matter.

8. LOW BIRTHWEIGHT PREVENTION: A COHORT STUDY OF THE CITY OF TORONTO HEALTHIEST BABIES POSSIBLE PROGRAM.

Assistant City Clerk, former City of Toronto October 6, 1997

Forwarding the former City of Toronto's action at its meeting on September 22 and 23, 1997, in which Council endorsed the actions of the former City of Toronto's Board of Health and:

- 1. Adopted the report (September 2, 1997) from the Medical Officer of Health and forwarded same to the Toronto Transition Team, the Board of Health of the new City of Toronto and the new City of Toronto Council with the recommendation that the Healthiest Babies Possible program be expanded to meet the need for low birthweight prevention in the new City of Toronto.
- 2. Distributed the report to all health units in Ontario, the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Community and Social Services and the Office of Integrated Studies.
- 3. Recommended program strategies be put in place to enable women to enter the program earlier in their pregnancies, and to maintain their participation to the end of their pregnancies as much as possible.

9. PARENTS HELPING PARENTS - RESEARCH RESULTS

Assistant City Clerk, former City of Toronto October 6, 1997 Forwarding the former City of Toronto's action at its meeting on September 22 and 23, 1997, in which Council endorsed the action of the former City of Toronto's Board of Health, and

- 1. Adopted the report (September 3, 1997) from the Medical Officer of Health and forwarded same to the Toronto Transition Team, the Board of Health of the new City of Toronto, and the new City of Toronto Council with the recommendation that the Parents Helping Parents program be continued and expanded to other communities with similar needs within the new City of Toronto.
- 2. Distributed the report to all health units in Ontario and the Ministry of Health.
- 3. Forwarded the report to the Metropolitan Toronto Community Services Department and to Caroline DiGiovanni, Chair, Metro Task Force on Services for Young Children and Families.
- 4. Recommended that periodic needs assessments be undertaken to determine the changing needs of ethno-cultural communities at risk in the new Toronto and ensure their access to the program.
- 5. Recommended that planning for the Parents Helping Parents program be closely coordinated with development of the new Healthy Babies, Healthy Children Program.

10. REVIEW OF PCB WASTE TRANSFERS ACROSS CITY BOUNDARIES

Assistant City Clerk, former City of Toronto October 6, 1997

Forwarding the former City of Toronto's action at its meeting on September 22 and 23, 1997, in which Council endorsed the actions of the former City of Toronto's Board of Health and:

- 1. Requested the Medical Officer of Health to continue to monitor the quantity and type of PCB waste transferred into and out of the City of Toronto, and the storage and treatment scenarios associated with those transfers, under the policy adopted by City Council at its meeting of November 1 and 2, 1993.
- 2. Requested the Ontario Ministry of Environment and Energy to continue to notify the new City of Toronto regarding all PCB waste transfers.
- 3. Requested the Medical Officer of Health of the new City of Toronto to continue to advise the Board of Health for the new City regarding PCB waste transfers into the new City.
- 4. Forwarded a copy of this report to the Regional Director, Ministry of Environment and Energy, Toronto District Office for consideration and response.

11. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AVAILABILITY

Dr. A. Hukowich, Medical Officer of Health, Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Board of Health

November 20, 1997

Forwarding a resolution passed by The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Board of Health concerning the Sunday opening of Liquor and Beer Stores in their jurisdiction and recommending that the new City of Toronto oppose the extended hours of operation by the Liquor Control Board of Ontario (LCBO) and Brewers Retail Inc. by advising the LCBO, in writing, that the new City of Toronto objects to the Sunday opening of retail outlets selling beverage alcohol.

12. PUBLIC HEALTH IN THE NEW CITY OF TORONTO

B. McKelvy, Leadership Group and Mental Health and Addictions Action Coalition Undated

Stating that they believe that public health in Toronto is at risk and that the following recommendations should be adopted as Public Health policy:

- 1. The provision of and commitment to ongoing base funding for public health services, including reinvestment of monies already taken from public health budgets in Toronto and an emphasis on zero tolerance of further cutbacks to public health services.
- 2. Creation of a MegaBoard of Health that is robustly democratic with solid structural links to local voices; these links must be formal and have an appropriate degree of power to define public health needs and issues specific to local communities.
- 3. Membership on the MegaBoard of Health by people with substance abuse and other addictions problems and by psychiatric consumer/survivors.
- 4. Directly or indirectly achieved, two outcome criteria for determining all health-related policies, programs, activities and services: increased quality of life and increased choices/self-empowerment as defined by those who use the service, program and/or who are governed by the policy.
- 5. Priority for the prevention of poverty-related illnesses, such as homelessness, HIV, TB and pneumonia, with an emphasis on improving access to health care.

ANY OTHER MATTERS