

PLEASE NOTE DATE AND LOCATION OF MEETING

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Date of Meeting:	
Time:	
Location:	

Wednesday, July 14, 1999 9:30 a.m. <u>Committee Room 2</u> 2nd Floor, City Hall 100 Queen Street West Toronto Enquiry: Ms. Rosalind Dyers Committee Administrator 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. AMENDMENTS TO EMERGENCY PLANNING BY-LAW No. 47-1998 AND REVISIONS TO THE CITY OF TORONTO EMERGENCY PLAN.

<u>Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services</u> (June 30, 1999)

Respecting amendments to the Emergency Planning By-law No. 47-1998, and revisions to the City of Toronto Emergency Plan; and recommending that:

- (i) approval be given to amend By-law No. 47-1998 to add a representative of the Ontario Hospital Association as a member of the Toronto Emergency Planning Committee established by the By-law;
- (ii) approval be given to amend the By-law to remove all references to the Emergency and Protective Services Committee and substitute references to the Community Services Committee;

- (iii) those portions of the report addressing revisions to the Plan be received for information; and
- (iv) authority be given to introduce the necessary bill at Council.

(NOTE: A COPY OF THE EMERGENCY PLAN WILL BE FORWARDED TO MEMBERS OF COUNCIL AS SOON AS IT IS AVAILABLE.)

1a. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS - PUBLIC EDUCATION.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services (July 5, 1999)

Outlining plans for public education on emergency preparedness; advising that the Fire Services Division of the Works and Emergency Services Department is taking the lead on emergency preparedness planning, and is providing brochures, web site information, presentations and fact sheets in this regard; noting that the City plans to provide additional guidelines for community or other groups who want more neighbourhood-specific information; and recommending that the report be received for information.

2. OFFICIAL REGISTRATION OF THE TERM "TORONTO EMS" IN REFERENCE TO TORONTO AMBULANCE SERVICES.

<u>Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services</u> (June 23, 1999)

Advising that the term EMS, Emergency Medical Services, is synonymous with ambulance services throughout North America and has been utilized by Toronto Ambulance Services on its vehicles, uniforms and equipment for some time now; and recommending that the Community Services Committee and City Council agree to permit Toronto Ambulance Services to work with the Legal Division in securing the necessary registration of Toronto EMS under the Trade Mark Act.

3. TORONTO AMBULANCE MEDICAL COVERAGE FOR THE 1999 C.N.E.

<u>Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services</u> (June 22, 1999)

Advising of the expanded role of Toronto Ambulance in providing emergency medical coverage for this year's Canadian National Exhibition; and recommending that this report be received for information.

4. HATZOLOH.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services (June 3, 1999)

Advising of the establishment of the volunteer Hatzoloh organization which provides emergency response and other community-related services to the Orthodox Jewish community in the area bounded by Sheppard Avenue to the north, Dufferin Street to the west, Avenue Road to the east and Eglinton Avenue to the south; and recommending that the report be received for information.

5. REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS FOR SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services <u>Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer</u> (June 24, 1999)

Recommending that the bid submitted by MSA Canada Inc. for the supply and delivery of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, accessories, cylinder assemblies, records management system and dynamic test equipment be accepted at the total bid price of \$2,865,683.59 including taxes less the trade-in amount offered for existing equipment of \$843,209.00 for a total expenditure of \$2,022,474.59 including all taxes and charges, being the lowest bid received.

6. REVIEW OF SUB-COMMITTEES, SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND TASK FORCES.

<u>City Clerk</u> (June 28, 1999)

Providing a list of the various sub-committees, special committees, advisory committees and task forces, which were formed under the previous Council-Committee structure and are now grouped under each Standing Committee in accordance with the new Committee Structure; and recommending that the Standing Committees:

(1) determine whether the mandate and membership of those sub-committees listed under the column "Sub-Committees" in Schedule 1 attached should be continued; and

(2) receive for information the balance of Schedule 1 regarding special committees, advisory committees and task forces established by Council.

(NOTE: COPIES OF SCHEDULE 1 HAVE BEEN FORWARDED TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ONLY, AND CERTAIN OFFICIALS. ALL OTHER MEMBERS OF COUNCIL WILL RECEIVE A COPY WITH THE AGENDA OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE TO WHICH THEY ARE A MEMBER.)

7. SEATON HOUSE RENOVATIONS.

Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services (June 21, 1999)

Advising that the tender call for renovations to Seaton House will close on June 30, 1999, and a staff report on award of the contract will be submitted to the Committee; and recommending that:

- (1) a construction contract be awarded for Seaton House renovations, as per the staff report to be made available on July 10, 1999;
- (2) financing in the amount of \$4.0 million net, and debentured if necessary for a term up to but not exceeding 10 years, be approved; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

8. OPERATING AGREEMENTS FOR CITY-OWNED BUILDINGS RECEIVING FEDERAL FUNDING UNDER THE RESIDENTIAL REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

<u>Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services</u> (June 28, 1999)

Recommending that:

- (1) authority be granted to enter into operating agreements with Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation for receipt by the City of funding under the Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program for the renovation of 11 Ordnance Street, 349 George Street, and 156-158 Munro Street, in a form satisfactory to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, the Chief Financial Officer and the City Solicitor; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

9. REMOVING BARRIERS TO SINGLE ROOM OCCUPANCY DEVELOPMENT IN TORONTO.

<u>Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services</u> (June 28, 1999)

Recommending that:

- (1) Council support, in principle, the use of City incentives and regulatory tools to encourage the development of SRO (Single Room Occupancy) housing by private firms and not-for-profit groups;
- (2) staff proceed with an open competition for SRO pilot projects based on the models outlined in this report (i.e., Market, Assisted, Supportive), with the following incentives (subject to Council approval): specific land sites; financial incentives from the Capital Revolving Fund; and other incentives that may be made available by the Provincial or Federal Governments;
- (3) the Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services report back on a zoning model and other regulatory changes required to support SRO development as outlined in this report, addressing issues such as location, parking, unit size and culinary/sanitary facilities;
- (4) Council request the Province of Ontario to support SRO development through: changes to the Ontario Building Code and other regulations; removing the eight-year limitation on the new Multi-Residential assessment class; providing provincial sites at nominal cost; funding rent supplements; and providing supportive housing funding where required;
- (5) Council request the Federal Government to support SRO development by: making federal sites available at nominal cost; and providing incentives such as favourable mortgage insurance terms and additional Residential Rehabilitation Program Assistance Program funding; and
- (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

10. PROPOSED "ADD-A-SUITE" INCENTIVE PROGRAM.

Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services (June 29, 1999)

Proposing that an "Add-a-Suite" program be created to encourage creation and upgrading of second suites (basement apartments etc.) through incentive grants and forgivable loans; and recommending that:

(1) Council endorse the establishment of an "Add-a-Suite" incentive program, as outlined in this report, and write to the Honourable Steve Gilchrist, the Honourable Claudette Bradshaw, and the Honourable Alfonso Gagliano to seek provincial and federal funding contributions to the program;

- (2) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report back by October 1999 on:
 - (a) any commitments of funding from the federal and provincial governments; and
 - (b) funds that could be made available to this program from the Mayor's Homeless Initiative Reserve Fund as a result of the underspending in the Provincial Housing Download service area; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

11. **REDIRECTION OF EMERGENCY HOSTEL FUNDING.**

Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services (June 28, 1999)

Respecting the Provincial Redirection of Emergency Hostel Funding Initiative announced in March 1999; outlining the financial implications; and recommending that:

- (1) Council approve the expenditure of up to \$2.5 million gross on the Redirection of Emergency Hostel Funding Initiative during the last six months of 1999 which represents a cost to the City of \$500,000.00 which will be partially offset by projected savings of \$100,000.00 for a final net cost of \$400,000.00 to be funded through Departmental underspending;
- (2) the City seek provincial approval for funding of Project Going Home and the expansion of the Housing Contacts program through the Redirection Initiative;
- (3) based on consultation with emergency shelter operators and other community agencies, the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to select the other programs which meet program criteria and the needs of the City of Toronto, and, within the funding limits established, submit the necessary business plans to the Ministry of Community and Social Services seeking approval;
- (4) this report be referred to the Policy and Finance Committee for their consideration; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

12. PROVINCIAL HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVES FUND - INTERIM REPORT.

<u>Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services</u> (June 23, 1999) Providing an update on the activities funded through the 1998/1999 Provincial Homelessness Initiatives Fund; and recommending that the report be received for information.

(NOTE: A COPY OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS DOCUMENT, REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT, HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO MEMBERS OF COUNCIL AND SPECIAL OFFICIALS ONLY.)

13. COMMUNITY SERVICES GRANTS PROGRAM -1999 APPEALS REPORT.

<u>Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services</u> (June 30, 1999)

Respecting the Community Services Grants Program 1999 Appeals; and recommending that:

- the appeal fund of \$45,000.00 be allocated to: Assaulted Women's Helpline (\$8,000.00); ComServ Family Support Inc. (\$1,000.00); Doorsteps Neighbourhood Services (\$8,000.00); Learning Disabilities Association of North York (\$3,000.00); Next Door Family Resources (\$3,500.00); Parkdale Focus Community Project (\$10,000.00); Reena (\$7,500.00); St. Alban's Boys and Girls Club (\$4,000.00);
- a request of \$10,000.00 from the Contingency Grants for the one-time restructuring costs of Volunteers Etobicoke (\$5,000.00) and for East Scarborough Boys & Girls Club (\$5,000.00) be made to the Grants Committee to be established under the Policy and Finance Committee; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

14. BREAKING THE CYCLE OF VIOLENCE GRANTS PROGRAM - 1999 APPEALS REPORT.

<u>Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services</u> (June 30, 1999)

Respecting the Breaking the Cycle of Violence Grants Program 1999 appeals; and recommending that:

- (1) the appeal fund of \$20,000.00 be allocated as recommended in Appendix 1 of the report, viz:
 - Canadian Organization for the Advancement of Black Single Mothers (\$4,000.00);
 - Harriet Tubman Community Organization (\$4,000.00);

- South East Asian Services Centre (\$4,000.00);
- Toronto Christian Resource Centre (\$4,000.00); and
- Vietnamese Youth and Women's Centre (\$4,000.00); and
- (2) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

15. RESIGNATION - CHILDREN AND YOUTH ACTION COMMITTEE.

Councillor Joan King (June 10, 1999)

Submitting, for information, her resignation from the Children and Youth Action Committee, in that she is no longer a member of the Community Services Committee.

16. RAINBOW FUND PROGRAM - PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH.

<u>City Clerk</u> (June 30, 1999)

Advising that the Children and Youth Action Committee on June 25, 1999, had before it a leaflet on the Rainbow Fun Program and a vision for physically active children and families; and that the Committee recommended to the Community Services Committee the adoption of the following:

- (1) that all children in Toronto achieve levels of physical activity which support their optimal health and well-being;
- (2) that all children in Toronto have opportunities to build the skills and habits which assist their development into physically active adults; and

(3) that Departments within the City of Toronto (e.g., Parks and Recreation, Public Health, and the Children's Services Division of Community and Neighbourhood Services) co-ordinate and collaborate to reach children and their parents/guardians/caregivers to increase levels of children's physical activity; this may be accomplished through joint efforts in the areas of: program development, research, training, sharing of resources, promotion, outreach and awareness efforts;

and further that Council endorse the Rainbow Fun Program and that the Provincial and Federal Ministers of Health, Provincial Minister of Community and Social Services, and the Federal Minister of Human Resources be requested to support the Rainbow Fun Program as a health promotion activity of high value.

17. EXPANSION OF PUBLIC HEALTH DENTAL PROGRAM AND NEW MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE FOR DENTAL SERVICES.

Medical Officer of Health and <u>Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services</u> (June 30, 1999)

Responding to the request of City Council on April 26, 1999, during consideration of the Public Health's 1999 Operating Budget, to provide an update on the expansion of the Public Health dental program and the new management structure for dental services; and recommending that the report be received for information.

ANY OTHER MATTERS.