
PLEASE NOTE DAY OF MEETING

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Date of Meeting: Wednesday, April 19, 2000 **Enquiry:** Rosalind Dyers
Time: 9:30 a.m. **Committee Administrator**
Location: Committee Room 1 **392-8018**
City Hall
100 Queen Street West

**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 FIRE SERVICES - REWARDS BY-LAW
FOR FALSE ALARM INFORMATION.**

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Fire Chief
(March 27, 2000)

Responding to the request of the Community Services Committee on December 1, 1999, to report on the false alarm reward system and the possibility of increasing rewards to individuals who report others for pulling fire alarms that are false; and recommending that:

- (a) a new False Alarm Reward By-law, based on the draft By-law set out in Appendix "A", be adopted; and

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

2. TORONTO FIRE SERVICES – BURSARY OUTREACH PROGRAM.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Fire Chief
(March 24, 2000)

Respecting a proposed bursary program to assist people in designated target groups with financial assistance in obtaining qualifications to apply for a fire-fighting career with Toronto Fire Services; noting that the \$300,000.00 for this program was not recommended for funding in the year 2000 Operating Budget; and recommending that Council provide direction to the Fire Services in respect of the concept of a bursary program for applicants to obtain job-related qualifications for a career in fire-fighting.

3. TORONTO FIRE SERVICES - PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE ONTARIO BUILDING CODE.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Fire Chief
(March 6, 2000)

Respecting proposed changes to the Ontario Building Code; and recommending that:

- (1) Council endorse the Fire Chief's initiative to request the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to conduct additional research into the concept of requiring all new residential construction to include mandatory fire sprinkler systems; and
- (2) the Clerk be requested to write to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing on behalf of Council to request such additional research.

4. PHARMACY SERVICES - HOMES FOR THE AGED.

Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services
(March 15, 2000)

Recommending that:

- (1) the current service agreement with Medical Pharmacies Ltd., 590 Granite Court, Pickering, Ontario, be extended for an additional two-year period of time, for the period of April 1, 2000 to April 1, 2002;

- (2) prior to the conclusion of the extension period, a Request for Proposals (RFP) be issued to community-accredited pharmacies with expertise in pharmacy service to long term care facilities, for the future provision of pharmacy services; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

5. CONSULTING SERVICES FOR DESIGN OF NEW HOME FOR THE AGED TO REPLACE ALBION LODGE AND REDEVELOPMENT OF TRUE DAVIDSON ACRES.

Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services
and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
(April 3, 2000)

Recommending that:

- (1) the proposal submitted by the firm of Shore Tilbe Irwin & Partners, in association with Mill & Ross Architects Inc., be accepted for consulting services for the design of a new Home for the Aged to replace the existing Albion Lodge, at a cost of 7.0 percent of the construction cost, currently estimated to be \$1,344,000.00 exclusive of taxes and disbursements, being the highest evaluated proposal received; and that the firm of Shore Tilbe Irwin & Partners be retained for the Albion Lodge project;
- (2) the fees paid to Montgomery Sisam Associates Inc., for consulting services for the redesign of True Davidson Acres be revised as follows:
 - (a) fee for the originally estimated cost of construction up to \$7,500,000.00 would be 8.25 percent, as originally negotiated; and
 - (b) fee for estimated cost of construction beyond \$7,500,000.00 would be 7.5 percent; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**6. REDEVELOPMENT OF ALBION LODGE -
COMMUNITY CONSULTATION PROCESS.**

Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services
(April 5, 2000)

Advising that staff of the Homes for the Aged Division are committed to working collaboratively with the community, the community consultation consultant team, and the architect with respect to the redevelopment of Albion Lodge to ensure that the new Home environment, ensures safety and security, and blends into the streetscape and the neighbourhood; indicating that the recommended architectural firm of Shore Tilbe Irwin & Partners has agreed to contract with a consultant, acceptable to the Homes for the Aged Division, in order to conduct meaningful community consultation, as part of their 7 percent professional services fee; and recommending that the report be received for information.

**7. ADMINISTRATION OF THE TORONTO YOUTH JOB CORPS
AND YOUTH OUTREACH TORONTO PROGRAMS.**

Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services
(April 6, 2000)

Recommending that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to sign agreements with Human Resources Development Canada to receive funds in an amount not to exceed \$1,365,600.00 as its share of program costs for Toronto Youth Job Corps and Youth Outreach Toronto;
- (2) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to renew agreements with St. Christopher House, West Scarborough Neighbourhood Community Centre and Youth Clinical Services to deliver the Toronto Youth Job Corps program on the proviso that;
 - (a) the funds have been approved in the City's budget;
 - (b) the delivery agencies of the Toronto Youth Job Corps program comply with all applicable requirements under the purchase of service agreement;
 - (c) the agreements shall be in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor and contain such other items and conditions as he may deem advisable; and
 - (d) the agreements are within the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services delegated approval limits; and

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

8. PROVINCIAL ZERO TOLERANCE FOR SOCIAL ASSISTANCE FRAUD POLICY.

City Solicitor
(March 30, 2000)

Responding to the request of the Community Services Committee on March 22, 2000, for a report on the means which may be available to the City of Toronto to appeal the provincial legislation on social assistance fraud and to support individuals who have been cut off social assistance as a result of the Province's proposed zero tolerance for social assistance fraud legislation; advising that the City does not have the legal ability to commence a challenge to the zero tolerance for fraud policy; and recommending that the report be received for information.

9. THE TORONTO YOUTH PROFILE.

City Clerk
(March 31, 2000)

Advising that the Children and Youth Action Committee on March 29, 2000, received the report (March 9, 2000) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, respecting the "Toronto Youth Profile"; and directed that it be forwarded to the Community Services Committee.

(NOTE: A COPY OF THE "TORONTO YOUTH PROFILE" WAS SENT OUT TO ALL MEMBERS OF COUNCIL AND A COPY THEREOF IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK.)

10. SECOND SUITES IN RESIDENTIAL FAMILY DWELLINGS – TAX IMPACT.

City Clerk
(March 28, 2000)

Advising that the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force, on March 27, 2000, had before it a report (March 2, 2000) from the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, headed "Second Suites in Residential Family Dwellings – Tax Impact," wherein it was recommended that:

- “(1) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer report separately on the concept of dedicated revenue specifically in this case for second suites as well as dedicated revenue in general; and
- (2) this report be forwarded to the Community Services Committee”;

and that the Assessment and Tax Policy Task Force directed that the report be forwarded to the Community Services Committee, in accordance with Council’s directive, with a request that comments be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee.

11. EMERGENCY SHELTER SERVICES PROVIDED TO ABORIGINAL PERSONS.

The Honourable Robert D. Nault,
Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development
(March 10, 2000)

Responding to the communication dated November 26, 1999, from the City Clerk concerning hostel services and the request that the federal government provide 100 percent funding for all emergency shelter services provided to Aboriginal persons by the City of Toronto; reminding the City that Aboriginal persons are entitled to access all programs and services by the municipality where they reside, as well as provincial programs, on the same basis as other residents; and noting that the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, the Canada Health and Social Transfer, and the recent Social Union Agreement set out the principles that must be applied to ensure Canadians have access to government programs in a fair and equitable way.

ANY OTHER MATTERS.