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Minutes of the Community Services Committee

Meeting No. 3

February 4, 5 and 11, 2004

The Community Services Committee met on Wednesday, February 4, Thursday, February 5 (Committee Room 2) and Wednesday, February 11, 2004, in Committee Room 1, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:44 a.m.

Members Present:	February 4, 2004		February 5, 2004		February 11, 2004	
	9:44 a.m. to 12:31 p.m.	2:15 p.m. to 5:55 p.m.	9:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	2:15 p.m. to 5:50 p.m.	9:45 a.m. to 12:35 p.m.	2:10 p.m. to 5:40 p.m.
Councillor Olivia Chow, Chair	x	x	x	x	x	x
Councillor Raymond Cho	x	x	x	x	x	x
Councillor Gay Cowbourne	x	x	x	x	x	x
Councillor Norm Kelly	x	x	x	x	x	x
Councillor Giorgio Mammoliti	x	x	x	x	x	x
Councillor Joe Mihevc	x	x	x	x	x	x
Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong	x	x		x	x	x
Councillor David Shiner	x	x	x	x	x	x

Also Present:

Councillor Janet Davis

Members were present for some or all of the time period indicated.

Confirmation of Minutes

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Services Committee held on January 13, 2004, were confirmed.

3.1 2004-2013 Capital Programs - Community Services Committee

The Community Services Committee had before it:

- the Analyst Briefing Notes with respect to the 2004-2013 Capital Programs under its purview:

Works and Emergency Services:

- Emergency Management Plan;
- Emergency Medical Services; and
- Fire Services;

Community and Neighbourhood Services:

- Children's Services;
 - Homes for the Aged;
 - Shelter, Housing and Support; and
 - Social Services;
- 2004 EMT Recommended Capital Budget: Corporate Summary by Program; and
 - 2004 Capital and Operating Budget Review Recommendations.

The following persons made presentations to the Community Services Committee with respect to the 2004-2013 Capital Programs under their purview:

Works and Emergency Services:

- Mr. Barry Gutteridge, Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, and provided an overview of the programs for review;
- Mr. Bruce Farr, Chief and General Manager, Toronto Emergency Medical Services;
- Mr. Bill Stewart, Fire Chief and General Manager, Toronto Fire Services;
- Mr. William Crowther, Executive Director, Technical Services, on the Emergency Management Plan; and

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Community and Neighbourhood Services:

- Mr. Eric Gam, Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, and provided an overview of the programs for review.

The following persons appeared before the Community Services Committee in connection with the 2004 budgets under its purview:

- Mr. Hazem Jamjoum, Arab Students Collective;
- Ms. Farrah Miranda and Ms. Antonia Baker, No One Is Illegal, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Mr. Don Weitz, Anti-Psychiatric Activist;
- Ms. Judy Koch;
- Mr. Dennis Black, 220 Oak Street Tenants Association, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Ms. Tucker Kaar;
- Mr. Gaetan Heroux;
- Ms. Dawn Harnett;
- Ms. Hazel Jackson, Parkdale Activity and Recreation Centre;
- Mr. Tony Neale, Independent Film Maker;
- Ms. Christy Ogienwanre, Jane and Finch Community Centre;
- Ms. Amandeep Kaur, Project Threadbare;
- Ms. Dana Milne and Ms. Boni Barter, Toronto Disaster Relief Committee, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Ms. Kelly O'Sullivan, Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 4308;
- Ms. Irene Ryner;

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- Ms. Stefanie Gude, Ontario Coalition Against Poverty, and submitted a copy of the Ontario Coalition Against Poverty Ten Demands for Action on Poverty;
- Mr. Howard Watson, Canadian Pensioners Concerned Inc., and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Ms. Tonika Morgan, Toronto Youth Cabinet;
- Ms. Jane Mercer, Toronto Coalition for Better Child Care, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Mr. Ron Zinck and Ms. Theresa Thornton, Housing Action Now, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Ms. Margaret Vandenbroucke, The Homelessness Action Group, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Mr. Rob Howarth, Toronto Neighbourhood Centres;
- Mr. John Campey, Community Social Planning Council of Toronto;
- Mr. Francisco Ricco-Martinez, FCJ Hamilton House;
- Mr. Spyros Volonakis, Home Child Care Association of Toronto, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Ms. Loly Rico, Vice-President, Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrants, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Mr. Julien LeBourdais, Member of the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged;
- Dr. Paul Gamble, Chair, Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Mr. Todd Minerson, Touchstone Youth Centre;
- Ms. Sharon Brayley, Finch Flyers Child Care;
- Mr. Rick Davies, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;

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- Ms. Cindy Cowan, Nellie's, and Mr. Keith Hambly, Fred Victor Centre, on behalf of the Ontario Association of Hostels, Toronto Region, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Ms. Rachna Contractor, Toronto Civil Action Network;
- Mr. David Wurfel, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Mr. Patrick Opoku, For Youth Initiatives;
- Ms. Lisa Tjernstrom, Lakeshore Community Child Care Centre;
- Ms. Wilma Morrison, Executive Director, and Ms. Kim Moran, Chair, Kids Haven Child Care, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Ms. Michelle Webber, Centro Clinton Day Care;
- Dr. Tim Myles, Director, Urban Entomology Program, University of Toronto, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Ms. Laura Berman, FoodShare;
- Mr. Anan Lololi, African Food Basket;
- Mr. Nick Saul, Stop Community Food Centre,
- Ms. Barby Hall, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Ms. Althea Martin-Risen, Ms. Earla Johnson, and Ms. Georgina Wheeler, Rexdale Community Health Centre;
- Mr. Adam Silavs;
- Ms. Virginia Sanchez;
- Mr. Ken McCracken, Toronto Free-Net Inc., and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Mr. Mohamed Gilao, Dejinta Beesha, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;

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- Ms. Dana Kamin, Community Food Access Plan Co-ordinator, Scadding Court Community Centre, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Mr. Tim Rourke; and
- Councillor Janet Davis, Ward 31, Beaches-East York.

The Community Services Committee reviewed the 2004-2013 Capital Programs under its purview, and recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee:

Works and Emergency Services:

(1) Emergency Management Plan:

- (a) that the EMT Recommendations Nos. (1), (2), (3), (4) and (6) pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for the Emergency Management Plan be approved;

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

- (b) that the 2004 Debt amount under the Carry Forward Request for the CBRN Federal Funding Reduction from 75 percent to 45 percent be reduced by \$294 thousand, from \$560 thousand to \$266 thousand;

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

(2) Emergency Medical Services:

- (a) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Emergency Medical Services be approved, subject to reducing the 2004 Capital Program by \$110 thousand (the project management fee of 10 percent for the 40/50 Toryork Drive project); and further that the fee be absorbed by the Corporate Services Department, such amount to be divided between the different departments involved in the project;

(Motion by Councillor Shiner)

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- (b) that, with respect to the Joint Building Project with Toronto Police Service (EMS Station 26/Toronto Police Service Station 43 – Lawrence Avenue), Station 43 in the Toronto Police Service's 2004-2013 Capital Budget be reviewed to ensure that the project is constructed in 2004;

(Motion by Councillor Shiner, seconded by Councillor Cowbourne)

- (c) that the Toronto Police Services Board be requested to fulfil its commitment to build Station 43 (Lawrence Avenue) in 2004;

(Motion by Councillor Shiner, seconded by Councillor Cowbourne)

- (3) Fire Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Fire Services be approved;

(Motion by Councillor Mammoliti)

Community and Neighbourhood Services:

- (4) Children's Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Children's Services be approved, subject to the Jane Street Child Care Centre project being funded from Debt rather than from the Child Care Capital Reserve Fund;

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

- (5) Homes for the Aged:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for the Homes for the Aged be approved;

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

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(6) Shelter, Housing and Support:

- (a) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Shelter, Housing and Support be approved, subject to the Debt being reduced by \$600 thousand to reflect the sale of Princess Margaret Hospital; and

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

- (b) that funds resulting from future sales of City residential buildings be allocated to the Let's Build budget envelope; and

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

(7) Social Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Social Services be approved.

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

The Community Services Committee reports having further:

Works and Emergency Services:

(A) Emergency Management Plan:

- (i) referred the following EMT Recommendation No. (5) to the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, with a request that he provide a briefing note to the Budget Advisory Committee on the details of the expenses, the business case, and what can be reduced with respect to the scope of the CBRN project, given the reduction of Federal support from 75 percent to 45 percent:

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“(5) The following sub-project COR906171-6-CBRN be approved, subject to the receipt of Federal funding through the Joint Emergency Preparedness Program, during 2004, and that, if such financing is not received, the sub-project priority and funding be reassessed by City Council through the 2005 Capital submission in accordance with City-wide priorities and needs.”;

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

(ii) directed that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be requested to provide a briefing note to the Budget Advisory Committee on the business case and detailed expenses for the following new projects:

HUSAR/CBRN Facility;
HUSAR Fire Equipment;
Upgrade Phase 3; and
Emergency Back-up Systems;

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

(B) Emergency Medical Services:

(i) directed that the Commissioner of Corporate Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, be requested to report to the Budget Advisory Committee, the Community Services Committee and the Ward Councillor on the exact time line of the Joint Building Project with Toronto Police Service (EMS Station 26/Toronto Police Service Station 43 – Lawrence Avenue), such report to clarify that sufficient funding exists in the 2004 Capital Program to start construction in 2004;

(Motion by Councillor Cowbourne)

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- (ii) directed that the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer be requested to report to the Budget Advisory Committee, the Community Services Committee, and the Ward Councillor on why the Analyst Notes for Emergency Medical Services contains the following statement on page 13, under the heading “Joint Building Project with Toronto Police Service”:

“TPS has decided not to proceed with this project in 2004 but rather delay it until 2005.”; and

(Motion by Councillor Cowbourne)

- (iii) directed that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Commissioner of Corporate Services be requested to submit a report to the Community Services Committee on Station 21 – Sunnybrook and the reasons for the delay (“what is the hold up?”) with respect to this project;

(Motion by Councillor Shiner)

Community and Neighbourhood Services:

- (C) Shelter, Housing and Support:

directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to report to the Community Services Committee before the 2005 budget process on the adequacy of the Capital Revolving Fund in light of new Federal/Provincial commitments to housing, such report also to include mechanisms on how the Fund can be built up; and

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

- (D) received staff presentations on the 2004-2013 Capital Programs under its purview.

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

The following motion by Councillor Shiner **lost on a tie vote**:

“That the Commissioner of Corporate Services be requested to submit a report to the next meeting of the Community Services Committee, in connection with the 40/50 Toryork Drive property purchased from Toronto Hydro in late 2002, such report to include the reasons for the delay in proceeding with the project as scheduled.”

The following motion by Councillor Shiner was not put to a vote due to the action taken in adopting Recommendation (B)(i) by Councillor Cowbourne:

“That the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004-2013 Capital Program for Emergency Medical Services be amended to provide that the EMT recommendation to reduce the budget by \$1 million for Station 26 Lawrence Avenue - Joint Building Project with the Toronto Police Service not be approved; and that the gross capital budget be \$9,403 thousand.”

(Budget Advisory Committee; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Fire Chief and General Manager; Chief and General Manager, Toronto Emergency Medical Services; Commissioner of Corporate Services; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Chair, Toronto Police Services Board; All Interested Parties; c. Mr. Alan Cohen, Budget Services; Ms. Shirley MacPherson, Budget Services - February 11, 2004)

(Clause No. 10(a), Report No. 2)

3.2 2004 Operating Budgets - Community Services Committee

The Community Services Committee had before it:

- the Analyst Briefing Notes with respect to the 2004 Operating Budgets under its purview:

Works and Emergency Services:

- Emergency Management Plan;
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Community and Neighbourhood Services:

- Children's Services;
 - Homes for the Aged;
 - Shelter, Housing and Support;
 - Social Development and Administration;
 - Social Services;
 - Consolidated Grants Programs under the purview of the Committee; and
 - Association of Community Centres;
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- 2004 Operating Budget: Net, Gross, Revenues Corporate Summary by Program;
 - 2004 Operating Budget: Summary of EMT Review – Service Level Adjustments;
 - 2004 Operating Budget: Summary of EMT Review – New/Enhanced Services; and
 - 2004 Capital and Operating Budget Review Recommendations.

The Committee also had before it the following reports and communications:

- (i) (December 17, 2003) from Ms. Stefanie Gude, Ontario Coalition Against Poverty, requesting the opportunity to address the Committee respecting the realities and issues being faced by the poor in the City of Toronto;
- (ii) (October 17, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged on October 17, 2003, had before it a report dated August 7, 2003, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services headed "Long-Term Care Facility Funding Increase, which was subsequently adopted by City Council in September 2003; and further that the Advisory Committee:
 - (1) received the aforementioned report; and
 - (2) recommended to the Community Services Committee, for consideration during the 2004 Budget process, that the City support the principal that funds which are allocated from the Province to enhance resident care and service not be used to offset the City's contribution to the Homes for the Aged;
- (iii) (January 30, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting the Consolidated Grants Budget and the 2004 budget request for grants programs reporting through the Community Services Committee; and recommending that the report be received for information;

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- (iv) (January 27, 2004) from Ms. Barby Hall;
- (v) (January 29, 2004) from Ms. Deborah Joyce;
- (vi) (February 5, 2004) from Mr. Paul Richard Erato;
- (vii) (February 5, 2004) from Mr. Jim Tsatsos, Child Care Advisory Committee;
- (viii) (February 5, 2004) from Ms. Ann Dembinski, President, Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 79; and
- (ix) (February 5, 2004) from Ms. Kai Lai, Volunteer, St. Stephen's Community House;
- (x) (February 10, 2004) from Ms. Darlene Stripe, Emergency Medical Dispatcher, Toronto EMS;
- (xi) (February 4, 2004) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee on February 4, 2004, had before it a communication (January 21, 2004) from Councillor Olivia Chow respecting a funding request from Share the Warmth; and that the Committee:
 - (1) referred the communication from Councillor Olivia Chow to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for a report to the February 11, 2004, portion of the meeting of the Committee for discussion with the 2004 Operating Budget, and with a request that such report include information on the policies and costs of Toronto utility companies with respect to termination and reconnection of services; and
 - (2) tabled the following motion by Councillor Mihevc until such time as the report requested of the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services is submitted to the Community Services Committee:

“That the Province of Ontario be requested to raise the shelter allowance in order to permit social assistance recipients to pay for utilities.”; and
- (xii) (February 9, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services responding to the request to report to the Committee on the service disconnection policies and costs related thereto of Toronto utility companies, in addition to programs that assist low income residents of Toronto with shelter and utility expenses; and recommending that the report be received for information.

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- Ms. Irene Ryner;
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- Mr. Adam Silavs;
- Ms. Virginia Sanchez;
- Mr. Ken McCracken, Toronto Free-Net Inc., and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Mr. Mohamed Gilao, Dejinta Beesha, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Ms. Dana Kamin, Community Food Access Plan Co-ordinator, Scadding Court Community Centre, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Mr. Tim Rourke; and
- Councillor Janet Davis, Ward 31, Beaches - East York.

The Community Services Committee reviewed the 2004 Operating Budgets under its purview, and recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee:

Works and Emergency Services:

Emergency Management Plan:

- (1) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for the Emergency Management Plan be approved;

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

Emergency Medical Services:

- (2) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Emergency Medical Services be approved, subject to adding two Handy Persons Grade 2 positions, under Emergency Medical Services/EMS Operating Support Services (AM-E03), with no increase to the EMT recommended budget; and that the \$116.0 thousand gross, \$58.0 thousand net, be accommodated within the Emergency Medical Services 2004 Operating Budget.

(Motion by Councillor Shiner)

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Fire Services:

- (3) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Fire Services be approved, subject to deleting the amount of \$5.555 million for Recognition Pay for Firefighters, so that the Total Program Budget reads \$294,009.3 thousand net in EMT Recommendation No. (1);

(Motion by Councillor Shiner)

Community and Neighbourhood Services:

- (4) Children's Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Children's Services be approved, subject to restoring the amount of \$356.3 thousand net to Wage Subsidies, so that there will be no reductions; and further that the funding for this increase be provided from the Child Care Capital Reserve Fund;

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

- (5) Homes for the Aged:

- (a) that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for the Homes for the Aged be approved; and

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

- (b) that City Council adopt the following recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged contained in the communication dated October 17, 2003, from the City Clerk:

“That the City support the principle that funds which are allocated from the Province to enhance resident care and service not be used to offset the City's contribution to the Homes for the Aged.”;

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

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(6) Shelter, Housing and Support:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Shelter, Housing and Support be approved;

(Motion by Councillor Kelly)

(7) Social Development and Administration:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Social Development and Administration be approved;

(Motion by Councillor Kelly)

(8) Social Services:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget for Social Services be approved, subject to amending the budgeted social assistance caseload from 75,000 to 72,000, resulting in a reduction to the Social Assistance Stabilization Reserve draw from an estimated \$18.6 million to an estimated \$15.3 million;

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc, as amended by Councillor Shiner)

(9) Association of Community Centres:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget of the Association of Community Centres be approved;

(Motion by Councillor Mammoliti)

(10) Consolidated Grants Under the Purview of the Community Services Committee:

that the EMT recommendations pertaining to the 2004 Operating Budget of the Consolidated Grants under the purview of the Community Services Committee be approved, subject to amending the Consolidated Grants Program by adding the following:

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- (a) Community Information Toronto \$250.0 thousand;
– 211 Website
- (b) Community Services Grants \$600.0 thousand;
– expansion
- (c) Food Security Grant Program \$500.0 thousand;
- (d) Service Development Program \$400.0 thousand;

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

and further that:

- (i) the \$1,750.0 thousand funding for this increase be provided from the \$5.555 million reduction to the Fire Services Operating Budget for Recognition Pay for Firefighters; and

(Motion by Councillor Shiner)

- (ii) half of the \$1,750.0 thousand be allocated to grants agencies in the former area municipalities, other than the former City of Toronto; and

(Motion by Councillor Mammoliti)

(11) General:

that the 2003 actuals for all Departments' budgets be provided to all Members of Council prior to the Budget Advisory Committee and Policy and Finance Committee deliberations on the 2004 budgets; and further that the actuals be provided in all future year budgets.

(Motion by Councillor Kelly, on behalf of Councillor Davis)

The Community Services Committee reports having further:

Works and Emergency Services:

(A) Fire Services:

directed that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Fire Chief and General Manager be requested to report to the Budget Advisory Committee on the possibility of increasing the fine for false alarms, in order to reduce the number of false alarms, such report to include:

- a statistical breakdown;
- recommendations on ways to reduce the one false alarm out of every four; and
- a list of the worst offenders;

and further that:

- (i) the Toronto Community Housing Corporation be invited to attend the meeting at which this report will be discussed; and
- (ii) a copy of the report be forwarded to Councillor Giorgio Mammoliti prior to the meeting of the Budget Advisory Committee;

(Motion by Councillor Mammoliti)

Community and Neighbourhood Services:

(B) Children's Services:

directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to report to the Policy and Finance Committee for its meeting on April 13, 2004, with respect to the \$4.2 million provincial shortfall and the possible elimination of 550 child care spaces;

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

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(C) Homes for the Aged:

directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to report to the Budget Advisory Committee on the impact of restoring \$100.0 thousand net to the Homes for the Aged 2004 Operating Budget, such report to include the nursing, personal care and quality of life services that could be added by the City sustaining its net contribution at 2003 adjusted budget levels;

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

(D) Association of Community Centres:

directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to report to the Community Services Committee on the feasibility of including the Humber/Sheppard Management Board under the Association of Community Centres' Operating Budget in future; and

(Motion by Councillor Mammoliti)

(E) received communications 2(i) and (iii) to (xii) and staff presentations on the 2004 Operating Budgets under its purview.

(Motion by Councillor Mammoliti)

(Budget Advisory Committee; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Fire Chief and General Manager; Chief and General Manager, Toronto Emergency Medical Services; Commissioner of Corporate Services; Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; All Interested Parties; c. Mr. Alan Cohen, Budget Services; Ms. Shirley MacPherson, Budget Services - February 11, 2004)

(Clause No. 10(b), Report No. 2)

3.3 New By-Law for Fire Safety Boxes

The Community Services Committee had before it a joint report (January 22, 2004) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Fire Chief and General Manager respecting a new by-law requiring the installation of a fire safety box in all buildings that require a Fire Safety Plan under Section 2.8 of the Fire Code; and recommending that:

- (1) a new Fire Safety Box By-Law, based on the By-Law set out in Appendix "A", be adopted;
- (2) upon adoption of this By-Law, the City of Toronto Municipal Code be amended by adding this By-Law to the Code as Chapter 470, Fire Safety Boxes; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The following persons appeared before the Community Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Mr. Brad Butt, Executive Director, Greater Toronto Apartment Association; and
- Councillor Janet Davis, Ward 31, Beaches-East York.

The Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the joint report from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Fire Chief and General Manager; and further that the implementation date for the Fire Safety Box By-law be January 1, 2005, in order to allow time to communicate the new by-law requirement to all property owners in the City of Toronto; and

(Motion by Councillor Mammoliti, as amended by Councillor Mihevc)

- (2) directed that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Fire Chief and General Manager be requested to report directly to Council for its meeting on March 1, 2004, on possible amendments to the By-law to allow for two Fire Safety Boxes in buildings.

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Fire Chief and General Manager; City Solicitor; Mr. Brad Butt, Executive Director, Greater Toronto Apartment Association - February 4, 5 and 11, 2004)

(Clause No. 1, Report No. 2)

**3.4 Amendment to Sole Source Blanket Contract No. 47007285
for the Purchase of Shelter Equipment for the Toronto
Heavy Urban Search and Rescue Team**

The Community Services Committee had before it a joint report (January 23, 2004) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Fire Chief and General Manager advising of the need to increase a sole source purchase order for the Toronto Heavy Urban Search and Rescue Team; and recommending that:

- (1) approval be granted to increase the amount of Sole Source Blanket Contract No. 47007285 to Design Shelter by \$70,000.00, from \$500,000.00 to \$570,000.00 including all taxes and charges, to accommodate the additional equipment to deal with cold temperatures; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Cho, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the joint report.

(Clause No. 2, Report No. 2)

**3.5 Heavy Urban Search and Rescue Team
Mutual Aid System and Cost-Sharing Percentages
with the Provincial and Federal Governments**

The Community Services Committee had before it a joint report (January 15, 2004) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Fire Chief and General Manager respecting the Heavy Urban Search and Rescue Team mutual aid system and cost-sharing percentages with the Provincial and Federal Governments; and recommending that the report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Committee received the aforementioned joint report.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Fire Chief and General Manager - February 4, 5 and 11, 2004)

(Clause No. 10(c), Report No. 2)

3.6 2003 Toronto Report Card on Children

The Community Services Committee had before it a communication (February 3, 2004) from Councillor Olivia Chow, Children and Youth Advocate, submitting the 2003 Toronto Report Card on Children; and recommending that:

- (1) the 2003 Toronto Report Card on Children be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for discussion and information;
- (2) the 2003 Toronto Report Card on Children be distributed to the following:
 - Prime Minister of Canada, Opposition Leaders, and Toronto Members of Parliament;
 - Premier of Ontario, Opposition Leaders and Toronto Members of Provincial Parliament;
 - Provincial Minister of Children's Services and Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and their critics;
 - Federation of Canadian Municipalities;
 - Association of Municipalities of Ontario; and
 - School Board Trustees;

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- (3) the Report Card on Children be used as tool for communities, City officials and elected representatives to develop specific recommendations for strategic investments, service planning and advocacy required to promote the well-being and meeting the needs of Toronto's families and children;
- (4) the City request the provincial government to:
 - fund adequately mandated public health programs such as Healthy Babies, Healthy Children and Preschool Speech and Language;
 - substantially increase the shelter allowance component of social assistance for families with children;
 - eliminate the claw-back of National Child Benefit to families on social assistance;
 - provide sufficient funding for child care services to allow for payment of actual costs of service and subsidies cut since 2002;
 - develop a new funding formula to ensure full community access to educational facilities for programs serving children and families;
- (5) the City again reiterate its request that the Federal Government increase its investment in child care to a minimum of \$2.2 billion per year;
- (6) the City prevent erosion of existing programs serving families and children;
- (7) the City staff, in co-operation with individual communities, develop and implement a program aimed at increasing the awareness of the importance of being included in the 2006 Census; and
- (8) departments and Boards (Public Health and Library) take all the necessary steps to improve the collection of data in order to assess the effectiveness, and improve access to City programs, and that a survey be designed that would span all sectors dealing with children, focusing on access to, and participation in, developmental activities.

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The Committee:

- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the recommendations contained in the communication dated February 3, 2004, from Councillor Olivia Chow; and

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

- (2) directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to report to the Community Services Committee on strategies to improve the well-being of children in those areas of the City with a higher than 14 percent poverty rate.

(Motion by Councillor Mammoliti)

(Policy and Finance Committee; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. General Manager, Children's Services - February 4, 5 and 11, 2004)

(Clause No. 10(d), Report No. 2)

3.7 Funding for Child Care in Toronto from the Multilateral Framework on Early Learning and Child Care

The Community Services Committee had before it a report (January 14, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting health and safety funding for licensed child care programs made available under the federal, provincial and territorial Multilateral Framework on Early Learning and Child Care; and recommending that:

- (1) authority be granted to receive approximately \$2.1 million from the Province of Ontario for the purpose of funding approved health and safety projects including retrofitting playgrounds in child care programs prior to March 31, 2004;
- (2) Council provide pre-approval to spend \$0.1 million over and above the \$2.5 million capital budget previously approved for these health and safety projects prior to March 31, 2004;

- (3) the City continue to advocate to the Province for future funding allocations to be made in a manner permitting each municipality to address its unique service needs as outlined through their Service Plan; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the report.

(Policy and Finance Committee - February 4, 2004)

(Clause No. 10(e), Report No. 2)

3.8 Mediated Pay Equity Settlement Funding for Non-Profit Child Care

The Community Services Committee had before it a report (January 14, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing an outline of the funding allocation for the City of Toronto under the April 2003 Memorandum of Settlement between the Province of Ontario and the Equal Pay Coalition, comprised of five unions and four women, with regard to proxy pay equity funding for non-profit child care; and recommending that this report be received for information.

Councillor Janet Davis, Ward 31, Beaches-East York, appeared before the Community Services Committee and asked questions of staff in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Committee received the aforementioned report.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. General Manager, Children's Services - February 4, 2004)

(Clause No. 10(f), Report No. 2)

**3.9 Computer Systems for Kids@Computers Project -
Request for Quotation No. 3401-03-3440**

The Community Services Committee had before it a joint report (January 20, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer respecting the Request for Quotation No. 3401-03-3440 issued for computer systems for Kids@Computers Project; and recommending that:

- (1) the quotation submitted by N2END Connectivity Inc. be accepted for the supply, delivery, installation, set up and make ready for use of up to approximately 4,000 total systems for the period ending December 31, 2004, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in the Request for Quotation for a total estimated amount of \$4,135,400.00 including all taxes and charges being the lowest overall quotation meeting specifications received;
- (2) should there be a need to purchase additional computer systems at a cost higher than \$3.0 million available in the 2004 EMT recommended operating budget, funds up to \$1.135 million will be transferred from the Kids@Computers Reserve Fund number XR2104 to the 2004 operating budget cost centre C07 236, cost element 4995; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Community Services Committee:

- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the joint report from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; and
- (2) directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to report to the next meeting of the Community Services Committee on where the computers are being distributed geographically by ward across the City of Toronto.

(Policy and Finance Committee; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. General Manager, Social Services - February 4, 2004)

(Clause No. 10(g), Report No. 2)

**3.10 Request for Increase in the Rate Paid to
Cedarbrook Lodge for Supportive Housing Services**

The Community Services Committee had before it a communication (January 16, 2004) from the City Clerk advising that the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged on January 16, 2004, recommended the adoption of a report (January 14, 2004) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged recommending that:

- (1) City Council approve an increase in the rate paid under the current purchase of service agreement with Retirement Residences Genpar Inc., operating as Cedarbrook Lodge, from \$18.75 to \$20.00 per unit of service;
- (2) this rate increase be implemented April 1, 2004, subject to the agreement of the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care;
- (3) a per diem rate of \$22.01 be continued only for the 38 supportive housing clients who continue to reside at Cedarbrook Lodge, having exercised their legal rights under the *Tenant Protection Act* (1997) and chose not to move to the renovated supportive housing floors;
- (4) the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, be given authority to execute the amended service agreement in a form and content acceptable to the City Solicitor; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged contained in the communication from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 3, Report No. 2)

3.11 Final Report on the Research Project “Creating Home in the Institution: Community Development in the Context of Dementia”

The Community Services Committee had before it a communication (January 16, 2004) from the City Clerk advising that the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged on January 16, 2004, recommended the adoption of a report (January 14, 2004) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged respecting the Final Report on the Research Project “Creating Home in the Institution: Community Development in the Context of Dementia” conducted by Castlevue Wychwood Towers, in association with Ms. Maura McIntyre, Ed. D., and wherein the recommendations were amended to read as follows:

- (1) this report be referred to the Community Services Committee;
- (2) the Community Services Committee consider allowing the researcher to present the Reader’s Theatre Presentation entitled “RESPECT” at a future Community Services Committee meeting, following her return to Canada in July 2004;
- (3) the Community Service Committee support the recommendations arising out of the researcher’s findings and direct staff to report back on the resource required to implement them in full;
- (4) the Homes for the Aged Division augment the current “Just for Families” series of educational pamphlets by the topics recommended by the researcher and detailed in the body of this report;
- (5) the importance of cultivating strong caregiver/resident relationships as a precursor for trust and quality care and the need for unit-based scheduling be reaffirmed;
- (6) staff and management of Castlevue Wychwood Towers be commended for the observed excellence in care, compassion and respect in staff/resident interactions at Castlevue Wychwood Towers; and
- (7) this report and the appended article be forwarded to the local media.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged contained in the communication from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 4, Report No. 2)

3.12 Accreditation Report - Carefree Lodge Home for the Aged

The Community Services Committee had before it a communication (January 16, 2004) from the City Clerk advising that the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged on January 16, 2004, adopted a report (January 2, 2004) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged respecting the positive results of the November 2003 survey at Carefree Lodge, conducted by the Canadian Council on Health Services Accreditation; and wherein it recommended that:

- (1) this report be referred to the Community Services Committee for its information; and
- (2) management, staff and volunteers of Carefree Lodge be congratulated on this significant achievement;

and further advising that the Advisory Committee requested the General Manager, Homes for the Aged to ensure that, in future, the Administrators of the Homes hold a celebration to acknowledge Accreditation and that an invitation be extended to their MPP and local Councillor to attend, such invitation to include information on the success of the Accreditation and its significance.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Committee received the aforementioned communication, and extended its congratulations to the management, staff, volunteers and Home Advisory Committee at Carefree Lodge.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; General Manager, Homes for the Aged; Administrator, Carefree Lodge - February 4, 2004)

(Clause No. 10(h), Report No. 2)

3.13 Development of a Comprehensive Drug Policy Framework and Strategy for the City of Toronto

The Community Services Committee had before it a joint report (January 21, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and the Medical Officer of Health respecting the proposed structure and process to develop a comprehensive drug policy framework and strategy for the City of Toronto; and recommending that:

- (1) a Member of Council be designated as the political lead for the development of the comprehensive drug policy framework and strategy;

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- (2) Council establish a small Council Reference Group for the term of this initiative with the membership to be solicited by the designated lead, in consultation with City staff;
- (3) this report be forwarded to the Board of Health for consideration and appropriate action; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Councillor Mihevc moved that the Committee recommend to Council:

- (i) the adoption of the joint report from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and the Medical Officer of Health, subject to amending Recommendation No. (1) by inserting the name "Councillor Kyle Rae" in place of "a Member of Council", so that the recommendation now reads as follows:
 - "(1) Councillor Kyle Rae be designated as the political lead for the development of the comprehensive drug policy framework and strategy;"
- (ii) that Councillor Kyle Rae, in consultation with City staff, be authorized to solicit Council membership for the project's Council Reference Group, in accordance with Recommendation No. (2); and
- (iii) that the Terms of Reference for the Council Reference Group, including membership, be reported to City Council as soon as possible.

Councillor Kelly moved that the Committee defer consideration of the report, with a request that Councillor Rae be invited to appear before the Community Services Committee with respect to this matter, which was **lost**.

Upon the question of the adoption of the motion by Councillor Mihevc, it was **carried**.

(Board of Health; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Acting Medical Officer of Health; Councillor Kyle Rae, Ward 27, Toronto Centre-Rosedale - February 4, 2004)

(Clause No. 5, Report No. 2)

3.14 “Cracks in the Foundation” - Community Agency Survey 2003

The Community Services Committee had before it a report (January 21, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing the findings of the report “Cracks in the Foundation: Community Agency Survey 2003; and recommending that:

- (1) the report “Cracks in the Foundation” be referred to the Corporate Grants Team with a request to report to Policy and Finance Committee on how the issues identified in that report can be addressed through the pending revision of the Corporate Grants Policy and the development of program standards for City grants programs;
- (2) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services facilitate discussions with key government and foundation funders of the community-based service system on options to address the issues associated with the lack of funding for core organizational costs, annual versus multi-year funding and application and reporting requirements; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The following persons appeared before the Community Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Ms. Romona Gananathan and Mr. Rob Howarth, Toronto Neighbourhood Centres; and
- Councillor Janet Davis, Ward 31, Beaches-East York.

The Committee:

- (I) recommended to Council:
 - (a) the adoption of the report from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, subject to:
 - (i) amending Recommendation No. (2) by adding the words “Mayor and” prior to the words “Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services”, so that the recommendation now reads as follows:

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“(2) the Mayor and Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services facilitate discussions with key government and foundation funders of the community-based service system on options to address the issues associated with the lack of funding for core organizational costs, annual versus multi-year funding and application and reporting requirements;”;

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

(ii) adding the following new Recommendation No. (3):

“(3) that, in order to support this initiative, the appropriate City staff and interested Councillors, in partnership with the Summit Alliance and Toronto Neighbourhood Centres, organize forums in high need neighbourhoods and invite the participation of local MPs and MPPs, and non-profit funding agencies; and”;

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

(iii) renumbering Recommendation No. (3) as Recommendation No. (4) accordingly;

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

(b) that the report “Cracks in the Foundation” be forwarded to:

(i) the United Way of Greater Toronto and other funding agencies and foundations;

(ii) Provincial and Federal Ministers, and their departments, such as Children’s Services, Community and Social Services, Human Resources Development Canada, and Heritage Canada; and

(iii) the Roundtable on Education, Children and Youth;

(Motion by Councillor Chow, as amended by Councillor Mihevc)

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- (c) that the Mayor of the City of Toronto be requested to include the role of the voluntary sector and appropriate financing for the community sector in discussions on the new deal for cities; and

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

- (II) directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to report to the Community Services Committee on:
 - (a) how the administrative funding component of the Community Services Grants Program could be more effectively utilized to support the core infrastructure costs of non-profit community agencies; and
 - (b) how a multi-year funding approach for Community Services Grants can be implemented as soon as possible.

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Mr. Rob Howarth, Toronto Neighbourhood Centres; c. Executive Director, Social Development and Administration Division - February 4, 2004)

(Clause No. 6, Report No. 2)

3.15 Update on Tripartite Agreements to Support Toronto's Social Infrastructure

The Community Services Committee had before it a report (January 13, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing an update on progress to date in pursuing tripartite agreements to support Toronto's social infrastructure as proposed by the Toronto City Summit Alliance; noting that significant progress has been made on the establishment of the Strong Neighbourhoods Task Force, which will begin building the tools necessary to develop these tripartite agreements; and recommending that the report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Committee received the aforementioned report.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services;
c. Executive Director, Social Development and Administration -
February 4, 2004)

(Clause No. 10(i), Report No. 2)

3.16 Ineligible Applicants to the 2004 Community Services Grants Program

The Community Services Committee had before it the following reports and communication:

- (January 12, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services presenting the results of the initial eligibility assessment of applicants under the 2004 Community Services Grants Program; and recommending that:
 - (1) the 34 new, 2 returning and 4 late applicants determined to be ineligible at this stage of the assessment process be advised that they are not eligible for support under the 2004 Community Services Grants Program;
 - (2) the 9 new applicants determined eligible proceed to the assessment review; and
 - (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto;

- (January 26, 2004) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Grants Appeals Sub-Committee on January 26, 2004, heard appeals with respect to the recommendations of the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services contained in the report dated January 12, 2004, headed "Ineligible Applicants to the 2004 Community Services Grants Program"; and that the Sub-Committee:
 - (1) referred the appeals from the following organizations to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for further consideration and report thereon to the next meeting of the Community Services Committee to be held on February 4, 2004:
 - Advance Network (Agency No. 2);
 - Broad African Resource Centre (Agency No. 4);

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- Canada-Hong Kong Link (Agency No. 5);
 - Canadian Ecuadorian Foundation of Social Development (Agency No. 7);
 - Etobicoke Humane Society (Agency No. 10);
 - Horn of Africa Community Development Agency (Agency No. 14);
 - Jane Finch Concerned Citizens Organization (Agency No. 16);
 - National African Integration & Families Association (Agency No. 19);
 - (Shouters) National Evangelical Spiritual Baptist Faith International Centre of Canada (Agency No. 27);
 - Somali Family & Child Skills Development Services (Agency No. 30);
 - Thistletown Community Services Unit (Agency No. 35);
 - West Indian Volunteer Community Support Services (Agency No. 36);
 - Africans in Partnership Against AIDS (Agency No. 37);
 - Christie/Ossington Neighbourhood Centre (Agency No. 38);
 - Davenport-Perth Neighbourhood Centre (Agency No. 39);
 - Native Women's Resource Centre of Toronto (Agency No. 40);
 - Canadian Hearing Society; and
 - Silayan Community Centre;
- (2) directed that the grant application from Home for Creative Opportunity, Toronto Christian Resource Centre be referred to the Toronto Arts Council for consideration; and further that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to advise the organization on how the City of Toronto Grants Programs are structured; and
- (3) directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to investigate the feasibility of providing receipts for all grants applications that are hand delivered, noting the date and time of receipt, as well as the name of the person accepting the application; and
- (January 28, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting the appeals heard by the Community Services Grants Appeals Sub-Committee on January 26, 2004; and recommending that:
- (1) the 12 new applicants, 2 returning applicants and 2 other deputants as identified in Appendix 1 of this report be confirmed as ineligible for support under the 2004 Community Services Grants Program;
 - (2) the 4 late applicants as identified in Appendix 1 of this report proceed to the assessment review; and

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

Councillor Mammoliti moved that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, the Fire Chief and General Manager, and the Chief and General Manager of Toronto Emergency Services endeavour to breakdown all budgetary expenditures geographically by former municipalities, both during the 2004 budget discussions and in all future reports;
- (2) all City Heads of Department include, in all future reports, a breakdown of budgetary expenditures geographically by former municipalities;
- (3) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to include in all future grants allocation reports, the allocations geographically for each former municipality; and
- (4) the applications from the following be referred to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services with a request that he give further consideration to such applicants, and report thereon to the Community Services Committee:
 - Broad African Resource Centre;
 - Canadian Ecuadorian Foundation of Social Development;
 - Horn of Africa Community Development Agency;
 - Jane Finch Concerned Citizens Organization;
 - National African Integration & Families Association;
 - Somali Family & Child Skills Development Services.

Councillor Kelly moved that the Committee recommend to Council:

- (a) the adoption of the report dated January 12, 2004, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, as amended by the report dated January 28, 2004, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; and
- (b) the Canadian Hearing Society be added to the list of late applicants to proceed to the assessment review, provided the organization has submitted its application by February 11, 2004.

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Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motion by Councillor Kelly, it was **carried**.

Upon the question of the adoption of part (4) of the foregoing motion by Councillor Mammoliti, it was **lost on the following recorded vote**:

FOR: Councillor Mammoliti and Minnan-Wong - 2

AGAINST: Councillors Chow, Cowbourne, Kelly, and Mihevc - 4

Upon the question of the adoption of part (1) of the foregoing motion by Councillor Mammoliti, it was **lost**.

Upon the question of the adoption of part (2) of the foregoing motion by Councillor Mammoliti, it was **lost**.

Upon the question of the adoption of part (3) of the foregoing motion by Councillor Mammoliti, it was **carried**.

The following is a summary of the action taken by the Committee:

“The Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council:
 - (a) the adoption of the report dated January 12, 2004, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, as amended by the report dated January 28, 2004, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; and
 - (b) that the Canadian Hearing Society be added to the list of late applicants to proceed to the assessment review, provided the organization has submitted its application by February 11, 2004; and

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- (2) directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to include in all future grants allocation reports, that fall under the mandate of the Community Services Committee, the allocations geographically for each former municipality in the City of Toronto.”

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c.
Mr. Chris Brillinger, Director, Community Resources - February 4, 2004)

(Clause No. 7, Report No. 2)

**3.17 Appeals of Funding Recommendations -
2003 City of Toronto Homeless Initiatives Fund**

The Community Services Committee had before it the following communication and report:

- (January 26, 2004) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Grants Appeals Sub-Committee on January 26, 2004, had before it a report (January 16, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, providing background information on the selection of projects through the City of Toronto Homeless Initiatives Fund; noting that \$27,000.00 was set aside for the appeals, and recommending that:
 - (1) all appeals to the City of Toronto Homeless Initiatives Fund be referred back to staff for further consideration;
 - (2) staff bring forward a report to the next Community Services Committee making funding recommendations based on further review; and
 - (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto;

and that the Sub-Committee:

- (a) adopted the aforementioned report; and

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- (b) referred the appeals from the following organizations to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for further review and recommendation thereon to the Community Services Committee for its meeting on February 4, 2004:
- Christie/Ossington Neighbourhood Centre (Agency No. 13);
 - Toronto Christian Resource Centre (Agency No. 64); and
 - Toronto Council Fire Native Cultural Centre (Agency No. 65); and
- (January 29, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services advising that staff reviewed the three community agency appeals under the 2003 City of Toronto Homeless Initiatives Fund; that rather than recommend additional funding to those agencies appealing the funds be used for one-time funding in the drop-in sector; and recommending that:
- (1) Council approve funding from the 2003 City of Toronto Homeless Initiatives Fund (CT-HIF) appeals fund in the amount of up to \$27,000.00 for one-time funding as described in Appendix C of this report; and
 - (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the report dated January 29, 2004, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; and
- (2) directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to report directly to Council for its meeting on March 1, 2004, providing a breakdown of the grants allocations geographically across the City of Toronto with respect to the 2003 City of Toronto Homeless Initiatives Fund.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. General Manager, Shelter, Housing and Support; Ms. Sheryl Pollock, Shelter, Housing and Support - February 4, 2004)

(Clause No. 8, Report No. 2)

**3.18 Appeals of Funding Recommendations -
2003 Off the Street, Into Shelter Program**

The Community Services Committee had before it the following communication and report:

- (January 26, 2004) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Grants Appeals Sub-Committee on January 26, 2004, had before it a report (January 16, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing background information on the selection of projects through the 2003 Off the Street, Into Shelter funding program; noting that funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 were set aside for the appeals; and recommending that:

- (1) all appeals to the Off the Street, Into Shelter funding program be referred back to staff for further consideration;
- (2) staff bring forward a report to the next Community Services Committee meeting making funding recommendations based on further review; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto;

and that the Sub-Committee:

- (a) adopted the aforementioned report; and
 - (b) referred the appeal from Christie/Ossington Neighbourhood Centre (Agency No. 4) to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for further review and recommendation thereon to the Community Services Committee for its meeting on February 4, 2004; and
- (January 29, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services advising that staff has reviewed the one community agency appeal under the 2003 Off the Street, Into Shelter Program; and recommending that:
 - (1) Council approve funding from the 2003 Off the Street, Into Shelter (OSIS) appeals fund in the amount of up to \$1,000.00 as described in Appendix A of this report;
 - (2) Council approve funding from 2003 Off the Street, Into Shelter (OSIS) appeals fund in the amount of up to \$9,000.00 for one-time funding as described in Appendix B of this report; and

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

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the report dated January 29, 2004, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; and
- (2) directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to report directly to Council for its meeting on March 1, 2004, providing a breakdown of the grants allocations geographically across the City of Toronto with respect to the 2003 Off the Street, Into Shelter Program.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. General Manager, Shelter, Housing and Support; Ms. Sheryl Pollock, Shelter, Housing and Support - February 4, 2004)

(Clause No. 9, Report No. 2)

3.19 Funding Request - Share the Warmth

The Community Services Committee had before it a communication (January 21, 2004) from Councillor Olivia Chow, Ward 20, Trinity Spadina, respecting the problems being faced by Share the Warmth in paying its heating bill; and recommending that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services consider providing \$150,000.00 in funding to Share the Warmth;
- (2) Toronto Social Services assemble a working group (including Toronto Hydro, the City of Toronto, Share the Warmth, and other stakeholders) to address the issue of maintaining heating for those suffering financial hardship.

Mr. Edward de Gale, Executive Director, Share the Warmth, appeared before the Community Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter, and submitted a brief in regard thereto.

The Committee:

- (1) referred the communication from Councillor Olivia Chow to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for a report to the February 11, 2004, portion of the meeting of the Committee for discussion with the 2004 Operating Budget, and with a request that such report include information on the policies and costs of Toronto utility companies with respect to termination and reconnection of services;

(Motion by Councillor Mammoliti, as amended by Councillor Cowbourne)

- (2) tabled the following motion by Councillor Mihevc until such time as the report requested of the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services is submitted to the Community Services Committee:

“That the Province of Ontario be requested to raise the shelter allowance in order to permit social assistance recipients to pay for utilities.”.

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Community Services Committee; Mr. Edward de Gale, Share the Warmth; c. General Manager, Shelter, Housing and Support; General Manager, Social Services - February 4, 2004)

(See Minute No. 3.2 - Clause No. 10(b), Report No. 2)

(Clause No. 10(j), Report No. 2)

3.20 Investment of Net Proceeds from the Sale of the Former Princess Margaret Hospital to Address Shared Provincial and Municipal Priorities in the Area of Housing and Homelessness

The Community Services Committee had before it a report (January 30, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting the investment of net proceeds from the sale of the former Princess Margaret Hospital to address shared provincial and municipal priorities in the areas of housing and homelessness; and recommending that:

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- (1) Council receive the net proceeds from the sale of the former Princess Margaret Hospital (PMH) of \$3.5 million from the Province of Ontario prior to March 31, 2004, and acknowledge that the funding is to be utilized for projects which support shared priorities to address housing and homelessness in the City of Toronto;
- (2) Council accept the following terms and conditions specific to this funding:
 - (a) the funds must be used to support one or more of the shared priorities of the Province and the City in the areas of housing and homelessness, including affordable, supportive, second stage and transitional housing, and emergency shelter;
 - (b) confirmation that the funding does not replace previously approved City funding for housing and homelessness initiatives;
 - (c) assurance that the project funding is one-time and that projects will be sustainable within existing program funding parameters. For other sources of funding, normal provincial program rules continue to apply;
 - (d) all funds must be expended by March 31, 2006, and any unexpended funds must be refunded to the Province;
 - (e) the expenditure of the \$3.5 million will be reported separately from other homelessness programs;
 - (f) the establishment of performance measures and quarterly reporting on finances and results achieved; and
 - (g) recognition of Provincial contribution through joint announcements.
- (3) a one-time contribution of up to \$2.35 million from the PMH net proceeds be approved for the Wellesley Central Health Corporation for the development of housing with supports for individuals with HIV and at risk frail seniors, subject to receipt of a revised development proposal outlining all required information and financial analyses and evidence of financial viability and program management capability, satisfactory to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services;
- (4) the proposed project by Wellesley Central Health Corporation be submitted for consideration by Council once all due diligence has been undertaken;

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- (5) a one-time contribution of up to \$600,000.00 from the PMH net proceeds, be approved for the development of a 60-bed shelter at Bethlehem United Church, subject to receipt of a development proposal outlining all required information and financial analyses, and evidence of financial viability and program management capability satisfactory to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services;
- (6) a staff report be tabled for consideration by Council on the proposed Bethlehem United Church shelter, once all due diligence has been undertaken;
- (7) a one-time contribution of up to \$150,000.00 from the PMH net proceeds, be approved for predevelopment work related to the redevelopment of 60 Richmond Street East for supportive/transitional/affordable housing/shelter;
- (8) a one-time contribution of up to \$250,000.00 from the PMH net proceeds, be approved for priority repairs to community operated shelters and that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be given delegated authority to approve priority repairs to individual community shelters up to the maximum of \$250,000.00;
- (9) a one time contribution of up to \$150,000.00 from the PMH net proceeds, be approved for the implementation of a special project to reclaim abandoned, unsafe, surplus and vacant buildings for shelter and supportive, transitional and affordable housing use;
- (10) staff report back on the outcomes of Recommendations Nos. (7), (8), and (9) above; and
- (11) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Kelly, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the report.

(Clause No. 10(k), Report No. 2)

**3.21 Use of Fort York Armoury as a
Temporary Shelter and Referral Centre**

The Community Services Committee had before it a report (February 3, 2004) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting the use of Fort York Armoury as a temporary shelter and referral centre; and recommending that:

- (1) City Council approve \$568,040.00 gross and \$370,512.00 net be added to the EMT recommended 2004 Shelter, Housing and Support Operating Budget to cover the cost of opening and operating the Fort York Armoury for use as a temporary shelter and referral centre for a two-month period ending March 15, 2003;
- (2) this report be forwarded to Budget Advisory Committee for its consideration;
- (3) City Council express its thanks to the Minister of National Defence for the rapid response to the City's request for support; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Committee:

- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the report dated February 3, 2004, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services;
- (2) directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to:
 - (a) report directly to Council for its meeting on March 1, 2004, on:
 - (i) the breakdown of costs at Fort York Armoury, including rent costs; and
 - (ii) the cost of motels in the area if they were to be used; and

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- (b) report to the next meeting of the Community Services Committee providing an update on new shelter development and the geographical location of all shelters in the City of Toronto.

(Policy and Finance Committee; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. General Manager, Shelter, Housing and Support - February 4, 2004)

(Clause No. 10(1), Report No. 2)

The Committee adjourned its meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Chair.