
**BOARD OF HEALTH
AGENDA
MEETING 4**

Date of Meeting: May 9, 2005
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: Committee Room 1
City Hall
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, Ontario

Enquiry: Francine Adamo
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Under the *Municipal Act, 2001*, the Board of Health must adopt a motion to meet In-camera (privately) and the reason must be given.

Declarations of Interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*

Confirmation of Minutes – April 4, 2005

Speakers/Presentations - A complete list will be distributed at the meeting.

1:00 p.m. – Item 1

Communications/Reports:

1. Pandemic Influenza Planning in the City of Toronto

(Presentation and Speakers – 1:00 p.m.)

Report (April 21, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, providing an overview of the pandemic influenza planning that has occurred in the City of Toronto and to identify current issues and future directions.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Board of Health forward this report to City Council for information.

2. The SARS Commission Second Interim Report

Report (April 25, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, providing the Board of Health with the executive summary and recommendations from the SARS Commission Second Interim Report – SARS and Public Health Legislation.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Board of Health reconvene its task group on public health renewal to assess the implications of the SARS Commission recommendations for the Toronto Board of Health and to develop recommendations for the Board; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

(Appendices distributed to Board of Health Members only. Appendices are available at: http://www.health.gov.on.ca/english/public/pub/ministry_reports/campbell05/campbell05.html)

3. Role of the Board of Health in Emergency Response

Report (April 25, 2005) reporting back to the Board of Health on its role in emergency response.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

4. Communicable Diseases in Toronto, 2003

Report (April 25, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, providing incidence rates and updates to trends of reportable communicable diseases in Toronto for 2003.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

5. Response to Internal Audit Division Review of Toronto Public Health's Tuberculosis Program

Report (April 25, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, responding to the recommendations contained in the Internal Audit Division's Review of Toronto Public Health's Tuberculosis Program.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) this report be forwarded to the TB subcommittee of the Board of Health; and
- (2) the Medical Officer of Health report to the Board of Health in one year on the status of action taken to address Internal Audit recommendations regarding the TB program.

6. Toronto Public Health 2005 Operating Budget – Adjustments to 100% Funded Programs

Report (April 25, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, requesting budget adjustments to fully provincially funded programs in the Toronto Public Health (TPH) 2005 Operating Budget that reflect additional one-time funding confirmed from various ministries of the Province of Ontario.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) adjustments to the Toronto Public Health 2005 Operating Budget totaling an increase of \$510.2 thousand gross and revenue / \$0 net, be approved;
- (2) this report be forwarded to the Policy & Finance Committee for its consideration; and
- (3) the appropriate city officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

7. Environmental Funding in the 2005 Federal budget and a Clean Air Perspective on the Toronto Transit Commission 2003-2007 Bus Fleet Plan

Report (April 25, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, reviewing environmental initiatives contained in the 2005 Federal Budget and provides comment on Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) purchases of new buses and fuel technology options from a clean air perspective.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Board of Health forward this report to the Federal Minister of the Environment for his consideration, and encourage the Minister to develop a comprehensive policy framework for aggressively reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from all sources including each industrial sector and to establish clear implementation targets, timelines and a monitoring strategy to ensure that target GHG reductions are achieved; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

8. Performance Appraisal - Medical Officer of Health

(In-camera – personnel matter about an identifiable individual)



**BOARD OF HEALTH
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA
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The following material relates to items already listed on the main agenda.

4(a). Communicable Diseases in Toronto, 2003

Appendix 1: Communicable Diseases in Toronto, 2003

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ADDED ITEMS

9. Air Emissions and Health Status Studies for South Riverdale and The Beaches Communities – Ward 30 – Toronto-Danforth and Ward 32 – Beaches-East York

Report (April 29, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, reporting on the findings and conclusions of the Air Emissions and Health Status studies undertaken for South Riverdale and The Beaches communities in fulfillment of the Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant Environmental Assessment.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Board of Health request the Ontario Minister of the Environment to consider the cumulative impact of emissions from any new or modified industrial facility on adjacent residential areas with elevated burden of illness/mortality, or that have

a disproportionate share of pollution point sources, such as in South Riverdale, prior to issuing a Certificate of Approval;

- (2) the General Manager of Toronto Water:
 - (a) continue to monitor chemical levels in the water entering and exiting the Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant (ABTP) to gain a better understanding of potential release of these chemicals from the plant to the air through evaporation and other processes;
 - (b) periodically update the emission inventory of the ABTP to reflect new information regarding on-site new and existing equipment or changes to the wastewater;
 - (c) conduct analytical testing for polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons in air emissions at large release points at the ABTP; and
 - (d) test the final clarifiers at the ABTP using an appropriate and approved method to determine the potential emissions of sulphur-bearing substances;
- (3) the Executive Director of Technical Services Division examine the air quality impact of emissions of sources in these communities, including the ABTP; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

10. Presentation by Dr. Stephen Hwang, St. Michael's Hospital regarding research on Bed Bug infestations