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TENANT DEFENCE SUB-COMMITTEE AGENDA MEETING 3

Date of Meeting:June 22, 2005Enquiry:Merle MacDonald, ActingTime:9:30 a.m.Committee AdministratorLocation:Committee Room 4416-392-73402nd Floor City Hallmmacdona@toronto.ca100 Queen Street West100 Queen Street West

Under the *Municipal Act, 2001*, the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee 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 19, 2005.

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:

1. 2005 Status Report: Applications under the Tenant Support Grants Program

Memorandum (June 13, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, providing, for information, an update of the applications received under the 2000, 2001, 2002-2003, 2004 and 2005 Tenant Support Grant Program as of June 13, 2005.

2. Costs and Feasibility of Including a Standard Letter from Councillors in the Notice to Tenants on Automatic Rent Reductions

Report (June 13, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, addressed to the Community Services Committee and the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee, on costs and feasibility of including a standard letter from Councillors in the Notice to Tenants on Automatic Rent Reductions.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Council approve the use of a standard letter to be issued with each Rent Reduction Notice to Tenants for the 2005 notification program substantially as presented in Appendix A;
- (2) Councillors who choose to include a standard letter with each Rent Reduction Notice to tenants for the 2005 notification program provide staff with an electronic copy of their letterhead and signatures on or before September 30, 2005; and
- (3) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

3. Updated Report – Condition of Property at 103-105 West Lodge Avenue Ward 14 – Parkdale – High Park

(Deferred from April 19, 2005 meeting)

Report (April 6, 2005) from the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards Division, Urban Development Services, responding to a request from the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee at its March 11, 2005 meeting for an updated report on the site conditions at 103-105 West Lodge Avenue relating to issues within the purview of the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division, Urban Development Services.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information purposes.

4. Tenant Defence Fund Available Grants -Inclusion of Maintenance (T6) Tribunal Applications

Communication (May 17, 2005) from Councillor Walker on changes to the Tenant Defence Fund to allow Council to approve grants for other applications based on recommendations from the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee.

Recommendations:

- 1) that City staff report on the feasibility of including in its terms of reference for the Tenant Defence Fund, support to tenants making applications to the Ontario Rental Housing Tribunal (ORHT) for bad maintenance; and
- 2) that the appropriate City staff contact the provincial Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to determine when the province's new tenant legislation will be introduced to the Provincial Legislature and also to detail the contents of their new tenant legislation, the results of these inquiries to be reported on to the next meeting of the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee.

5. Report on Phase 1 Parking and Loading Zoning Standards Review

Clause 7 of Planning and Transportation Committee Report 5, entitled "Report on Phase 1 Parking and Loading Zoning Standards Review, which was amended and adopted by Council at its meeting on June 14, 15 and 16, 2005. (Council amendments not available at time of printing).