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Minutes of the Community Services Committee

Meeting 4

Thursday, May 26, 2005

The Community Services Committee met on Thursday, May 26, 2005, in Committee Room 2, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:35 a.m.

Members Present: 9:35 a.m.-10:25 a.m.

Councillor David Shiner, Acting Chair	x	
Councillor Raymond Cho		x
Councillor Norm Kelly	x	
Councillor Giorgio Mammoliti	x	
Councillor Joe Mihevc, Vice-Chair		x
Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong		x

Regrets:

Councillor Olivia Chow, Chair
Councillor Gay Cowbourne

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 April 27, 2005, were confirmed.

4.1 Toronto EMS First Aid Trade-mark

The Community Services Committee considered a report (May 13, 2005) from the Chief and General Manager, Toronto EMS, seeking approval for registration of two official marks under the federal Trade-marks Act.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the word mark “EMS First Aid,” and the EMS First Aid visual identifier, set out below in this report, be adopted and used as official marks of the City of Toronto, and the City Solicitor be directed to request the Registrar of Trade-marks to give public notice of their adoption and use; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto and to take any action required to be taken thereunder.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (May 13, 2005) from the Chief and General Manager, Toronto EMS.

Report 5, Clause 1

4.2 Continuation of the Toronto First Duty Project

The Community Services Committee considered a report (May 5, 2005) from the General Manager, Children’s Services, outlining funding for the Toronto First Duty Project and seeking authority to enter into contracts to support the continuation of the Toronto First Duty Project from July 1, 2005, to June 20, 2006.

Recommendations:

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- (1) authority be granted to extend agreements with Macaulay Child Development Centre; Not Your Average Daycare (NYAD); The Child Development Institute (formerly operated and known as The Creche), East York/East Toronto Family Resources and the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education University of Toronto, and to enter into an agreement with Woodgreen Community Centre for the purpose of the continuation of the Toronto First Duty pilot project;
- (2) withdrawals from Child Care Expansion/First Duty Reserve of up to \$250,000.00 for Macaulay Child Development Centre, up to \$300,000.00 for Woodgreen Community Centre, up to \$184,000.00 for each of the following projects: NYAD, The Child Development Institute, East of York/East Toronto Family Resources, and up to \$25,000.00 for Ontario Institute for Studies in Education University of Toronto for the period of July 1, 2005, to June 30, 2006, be approved;
- (3) the Children's Services General Manager report back on the final evaluation of Toronto First Duty following the completion of the pilot project;
- (4) the Children's Services 2005 Operating Budget be adjusted by \$550,000.00 gross and revenue to reflect the 2005 estimated expenditures;
- (5) this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for its consideration; and
- (6) 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 Community recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (May 5, 2005) from the General Manager, Children's Services.

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Report 5, Clause 11(a)

4.3 Proposal for a Purchase of Service Agreement to Provide Supportive Housing Services at Brimley Acres

The Community Services Committee considered a report (May 9, 2005) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, seeking authority to implement the provision of supportive housing

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services at Brimley Acres, 2950 Lawrence Avenue East, through collaboration with Toronto Community Housing Corporation (TCHC) and a purchase of service agreement with Scarborough Support Services.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) approval be given to work collaboratively with TCHC, at the Brimley Acres site, to provide supportive housing to eligible clients;
- (2) approval be given for staff to negotiate and enter into a purchase of service agreement with Scarborough Support Services for the provision of personal support and homemaker services (supportive housing services) at Brimley Acres;
- (3) contingent upon successful negotiations, the initial hourly rate be set at a level that is equitable to the rate paid to comparative contracted service providers currently under contract with the supportive housing program;
- (4) the 2006 rate be negotiated when the 2006 purchase of service agreements are signed;
- (5) the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, be given authority to execute the annual purchase of service agreements, in a form and content satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and
- (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Community Services Committee also considered a communication (May 25, 2005) from Ann Dembinski, President, CUPE Local 79, filed at the meeting, requesting that the Committee consider utilizing the City's own Homes for the Aged staff to provide supportive housing services in this building.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (May 9, 2005) from the General

Manager, Homes for the Aged.

Report 5, Clause 3

4.4 Request for Service Provider for Supportive Housing Program at 111 Kendleton Drive (formerly Albion Lodge)

The Community Services Committee considered a report (May 9, 2005) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, seeking authority to implement a purchase of service agreement with Central and North Etobicoke Services for Seniors (CANES), as the provider for supportive housing services at 111 Kendleton Drive, effective July 1, 2005.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) staff be authorized to negotiate a purchase of service agreement with Central and North Etobicoke Services for Seniors, for the provision of supportive housing services (personal support, homemaking services, and 24-hour intermittent supervision) at 111 Kendleton Drive, under the supportive housing program, effective July 1, 2005;
- (2) contingent upon successful negotiations, an initial hourly rate be set at a level that is equitable to the rate paid to comparative contracted service providers currently under contract with the supportive housing program;
- (3) the 2006 rate to be paid to Central and North Etobicoke Services for Seniors be negotiated when the 2006 purchase of service agreement is signed;
- (4) the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, be given authority to execute the annual 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.

The Community Services Committee also considered a communication (May 25, 2005) from Ann Dembinski, President, CUPE Local 79, filed at the meeting, requesting that the Committee consider utilizing the City's own Homes for the Aged staff to provide supportive housing services in this building.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (May 9, 2005) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged.

Report 5, Clause 4

4.5 Appointment to the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged

The Community Services Committee considered a communication (May 6, 2005) from the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged advising that the Advisory Committee on May 6, 2005, recommended to the Community Services Committee that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (April 21, 2005) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, respecting the appointment of Mr. Gerry Sutton to the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged in the communication (May 6, 2005) from the Advisory Committee.

Report 5, Clause 5

4.6 Community Services Grants Program – 2005 Allocations

The Community Services Committee considered a communication (May 13, 2005) from the Community Services Grants Appeals Sub-Committee advising that the Sub-Committee at its meeting on May 11, 2005, recommended to the Community Services Committee that City Council adopt the following recommendations contained in the Recommendations Section of the report (April 25, 2005) from the Executive Director, Social Development and Administration Division:

- (1) the attached 2005 Community Services Grants Program allocations totalling \$10,068,974.00 for 498 programs in 235 organizations as described in Appendices "A"

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and “E” be approved;

- (2) the base funding of \$53,600.00 to the Good Neighbours Club be transferred from the Community Services Grants Program envelope to the Homeless Initiatives Fund Grants Program within the Community Partnership Investment Program budget in 2006; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Community Services Committee also considered a report (May 13, 2005) from the Executive Director, Social Development and Administration Division, presenting information arising from the Grants Appeals Sub-Committee consideration of the Community Services Grants Program – 2005 Allocation Report.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the recommendation of the Community Services Grants Appeals Sub-Committee in the communication (May 13, 2005) from the Sub-Committee.

Report 5, Clause 6

4.7 Breaking the Cycle of Violence Grants Program (BTCV) – 2005 Allocations

The Community Services Committee considered a communication (May 13, 2005) from the Community Services Grants Appeals Sub-Committee advising that the Sub-Committee at its meeting on May 11, 2005, recommended to the Community Services Committee that City Council adopt the following recommendations contained in the Recommendations Section of the report (April 27, 2005) from the Executive Director, Social Development and Administration Division:

- (1) Breaking the Cycle of Violence allocations, totalling \$657,000.00 to 29 applicants as recommended in Appendices A and B of this report be approved; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Community Services Committee also considered a report (May 12, 2005) from the Executive Director, Social Development and Administration Division, presenting the recommended allocations from the \$12,820.00 appeal fund.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the appeal fund of \$12,820.00 be allocated as recommended in Appendices 1 and 2 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 Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt:

- (a) the recommendation of the Community Services Grants Appeals Sub-Committee in the communication (May 13, 2005) from the Sub-Committee; and
- (b) the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (May 12, 2005) from the Executive Director, Social Development and Administration.

Report 5, Clause 7

**4.8 Organizations to Deliver Employment Services to Ontario Works Clients in Toronto
Request for Proposal 9143-05-7119**

The Community Services Committee considered a report (May 12, 2005) from the General Manager, Social Services, and the Treasurer, reporting on the results of the Request for Proposal (RFP) 9143-05-7119 for organizations to deliver employment programs and services to Ontario Works (OW) clients in Toronto with whom Toronto Social Services (TSS) is seeking authority to negotiate and, if negotiations are successful, execute service agreements for the delivery of employment programs and services beginning July 1, 2005 with each recommended organization.

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Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the General Manager, Social Services Division, be authorized to negotiate with, and if negotiations are successful, to execute service agreements for the provision of employment services under the Ontario Works Act, 1997 with any or all organizations listed in Attachment 4 to this report, such agreements to be on terms and conditions as set out in this report and other terms satisfactory to the General Manager, Social Services Division, and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
- (2) each service agreement, as set out in Recommendation (1), be for a term of one year and that the General Manager, Social Services Division, be authorized to renew agreements, at her sole discretion, for further one year terms on the same terms and conditions, for periods up to December 31, 2009;
- (3) the annual expenditure under each service agreement not exceed \$500,000.00 per year, for a total annual expenditure not to exceed the amount included in the Social Services Division's approved annual operating budgets for this purpose;
- (4) the General Manager, Social Services Division, be authorized to cancel agreements at her sole discretion if expectations of the City under the Ontario Works program are not being met;
- (5) to support organizations and clients through the transition period, the General Manager, Social Services Division, be granted the authority to amend existing service agreements with current service providers not listed in Attachment 4 to this report, where appropriate, by extending the term of the agreements to December 31, 2005; and
- (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Mr. Kalman Rooz, P. Eng., da Vinci Polytechnic Institute Inc., addressed the Community Services Committee, and filed a written submission.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Community Services Committee:

- (1) recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the

Recommendations Section of the report (May 12, 2005) from the General Manager, Social Services, and the Treasurer; and

- (2) requested the General Manager, Social Services, to report back to the Community Services Committee by the Spring of 2006 on the possibility of initiating a new Request for Proposals that would take into account changes in organizations delivering new programs and/or changes in funding elements and focuses of other orders of governments and/or changes in clients' needs.

Report 5, Clause 8

4.9 Status – Province of Ontario's Proposed Legislation on Tenant Protection

The Community Services Committee considered a communication (May 9, 2005) from the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee advising that the Sub-Committee on April 19, 2005, recommended to the Community Services Committee that City Council request the Provincial Government to act expeditiously in enacting the proposed legislation on tenant protection.

On motion by Councillor Minnan-Wong, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the recommendation of the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee in the communication (May 9, 2005) from the Sub-Committee.

Report 5, Clause 9

4.10 2004 List of Outstanding Items – Community Services Committee

The Community Services Committee considered a communication (May 16, 2005) from the City Clerk submitting, for information, a copy of the 2004 list of outstanding items for the Community Services Committee, together with departmental responses, revised as requested by the Committee at its meeting on April 27, 2005, to indicate the General Manager/Division responsible for each item

outstanding.

On motion by Councillor Shiner, the Community Services Committee referred the communication (May 16, 2005) from the City Clerk to Deputy City Manager Sue Corke to review the Committee's 2004 list of outstanding items to determine which items can be expedited and which can be recommended for closure and submit a report to the Community Services Committee as soon as possible, such report to include recommendations on items which require comment by roundtables and when they will be reported to the Committee.

(Deputy City Manager Sue Corke – May 26, 2005)

Report 5, Clause 11(b)

4.11 Amendment to Blanket Contract No. 47007286 for Dependable Emergency Vehicles

The Community Services Committee considered a report (May 10, 2005) from the Fire Chief and General Manager, Toronto Fire Services, requesting Council authority, as required by Financial Control By-law Article IV, No. 71-11, to increase a sole source purchase order for the Mechanical Maintenance Division of the Fire Services over the \$500,000.00 limit, and to request the authority to spend up to the required amount.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the amount of \$495,000.00 in Blanket Contract No. 47007286 be increased to \$1,000,000.00 to accommodate the increased use of the contract.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendation in the Recommendation Section of the report (May 10, 2005) from the Fire Chief and General Manager.

Report 5, Clause 2

4.12 Opportunities of a Program to Remove, Warehouse and Catalogue Useful Parts from Retired Fire Vehicles

The Community Services Committee considered a report (May 16, 2005) from the Fire Chief and General Manager reporting on the opportunities of a program to remove, warehouse and catalogue useful parts from retired fire vehicles.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Community Services Committee received the report (May 16, 2005) from the Fire Chief and General Manager.

Report 5, Clause 11(c)

4.13 Tender 54-2005 – Construction of a Child Care Centre at 118 Enderby Road (Ward 32 – Beaches-East York)

The Community Services Committee considered a report (May 17, 2005) from the General Manager, Children's Services, and the Treasurer advising on the results of the Tender issued for the Construction of a Child Care Centre at 118 Enderby Road, in accordance with specifications as required by the Children's Services Division and to request an additional allocation of \$410,900.00 from the Child Care Capital Reserve Fund for this purpose.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the total capital budget for the Construction of a Child Care Centre at 118 Enderby Road be increased by \$410,900.00 to \$2,414,900.00 to reflect additional costs and that the additional amount be funded from the Child Care Capital Reserve Fund;
- (2) Tender 54-2005 for the Construction of the Child Care Centre at 118 Enderby Road be awarded to Flat-Iron Building Corp. in the amount of \$2,049,700.00 including all taxes and charges, being the lowest bid received;
- (3) this report be forwarded to Policy and Finance Committee for its consideration; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Community Services Committee

recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (May 17, 2005) from the General Manager, Children's Services, and the Treasurer.

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Report 5, Clause 11(d)

4.14 City Contribution to the Independent Living Accounts (ILA) Demonstration Project

The Community Services Committee considered a report (May 19, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, seeking a grant approval for up to \$60,000.00 under the City of Toronto Homelessness Initiatives Fund to support implementation of the Independent Living Accounts (ILA) Demonstration Project.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the General Manager of Shelter, Support and Housing Administration be delegated authority to enter into an agreement with Social and Enterprise Development Innovations (SEDI) for up to \$60,000.00, using funds from the City of Toronto Homelessness Initiatives Fund for the purpose of supporting an Independent Living Accounts Demonstration Project; 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 Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the

Recommendations Section of the report (May 19, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration.

Report 5, Clause 10

4.15 Update on Initiatives to Assist Homeless Persons Find Employment

The Community Services Committee considered a report (May 19, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, discussing training and planning to assist homeless persons find employment and providing information on current city supported employment initiatives for homeless persons.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Mammoliti, the Community Services Committee received the report (May 19, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration.

Report 5, Clause 11(e)

4.16 Changes to Ontario Works - Announcement by the Minister of Community and Social Services

The Community Services Committee considered a report (May 24, 2005) from the General Manager, Social Services, providing information on the May 17, 2005, announcement by the Minister of Community and Social Services regarding changes to Ontario's social assistance system that are to take effect on August 1, 2005.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

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On motion by Councillor Minnan-Wong, the Community Services Committee received the report (May 24, 2005) from the General Manager, Social Services.

Report 5, Clause 11(f)

The Community Services Committee adjourned its meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Acting Chair.