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Minutes of the Community Services Committee

Meeting 5

Wednesday, June 29, 2005

The Community Services Committee met on Wednesday, June 29, 2005, in Committee Room 2, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:40 a.m.

Members Present:

	<u>9:40 a.m.-12:30 p.m.</u>	<u>2:10 p.m.-5:27 p.m.</u>
Councillor Joe Mihevc, Chair	x	x
Councillor Gay Cowbourne, Vice-Chair	x	x
Councillor Raymond Cho	x	x
Councillor Olivia Chow	x	x
Councillor Norm Kelly	x	x
Councillor Jane Pitfield	x	x
Councillor David Shiner	x	x

Regrets:

Councillor Mike Feldman

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

Confirmation of Minutes

On motion by Councillor Cho, the Minutes of the meetings of the Community Services Committee held on May 17 and May 26, 2005, were confirmed.

5.1 Public Access Defibrillation (PAD) – Municipal Program Expansion

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 14, 2005) from the Chief and General Manager, Toronto Emergency Medical Services, presenting to Council an implementation plan and timetable to expand the City of Toronto's Public Access Defibrillation (PAD) program to enhance workplace and community safety as related to sudden cardiac arrest.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Council support Toronto EMS and all participating City divisions in the expansion of the Cardiac Safe City Program in efforts to increase public employee and community safety at City-owned sites. High-risk PAD locations (as identified in Attachment 1) are to be phased in on a voluntary basis in 2006, with future voluntary locations being phased in starting with the highest priority sites;
- (2) Council direct General Managers and Executive Directors to give the implementation of PAD programs in their workplaces priority during budget and program planning, so that the health and safety of public employees and the community is protected;
- (3) Toronto EMS contribute an annual amount (currently \$463.00) per AED to the existing EMS Equipment Component of the Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund to facilitate anticipated AED replacement every 10 years. Minimal adjustments to this fee may be made to cover inflation and to better reflect current market pricing of AEDs;
- (4) Toronto EMS implement a system to charge-back participating City divisions an annual fee (currently \$690.00) per AED to cover a comprehensive maintenance plan and the annual contributions to the existing EMS Equipment Component of the Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund;
- (5) Toronto EMS implement a charge-back system to recover costs related to AED training from participating City divisions. Most sites require 8-10 persons trained per AED on-site and the average charge-back to recover costs is currently \$77.65 per student;
- (6) Toronto EMS provide PAD program set-up and training services to the private sector at marketable rates and use the revenues gained from external programs to off-set the administration costs of the Cardiac Safe City Program and municipal PAD program expansion;

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- (7) Council forward this report to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration; and
- (8) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take necessary actions to give effect thereto.

Councillor Pam McConnell, Toronto Centre-Rosedale, addressed the Community Services Committee.

The Community Services Committee:

- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 14, 2005) from the Chief and General Manager, Toronto Emergency Medical Services, subject to amending Recommendation (3) by deleting the words “the existing EMS Equipment Component of the Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund”, and inserting instead the words “a separate reserve account identified for the AED equipment”, so that Recommendation (3) now reads as follows:

“(3) Toronto EMS contribute an annual amount (currently \$463.00) per AED to a separate reserve account identified for the AED equipment to facilitate anticipated AED replacement every 10 years. Minimal adjustments to this fee may be made to cover inflation and to better reflect current market pricing of AEDs;”; and

(Motion by Councillor Shiner)

- (2) requested the Chief and General Manager, Toronto Emergency Medical Services, to submit a report to Council on July 19, 2005, on:
 - (a) whether the City is receiving value for the AED cost at \$463.00 per unit, and why the City is paying \$2,172.00 per unit in operating costs (\$480,000.00 operating cost for 221 units) and the breakdown of those costs; and
 - (b) the implementation of an advocacy outreach program for locations outside of City of Toronto’s properties.

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

The following motion moved by Councillor Kelly was ruled by the Chair to be out of order:

“That the Chief and General Manager, Toronto Medical Services, be requested to report to the Community Services Committee on the issue of health risks and mortality rates due to the widespread use of traffic calming methods.”

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Report 6, Clause 22(a)

5.2 Request for Council’s Authorization for Sole-Sourced Purchase of Two Demonstrator Specialized Rescue Bronto Fire Apparatus from E-One Inc. Required for Emergency Rescue Efforts

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 16, 2005) from the Fire Chief and General Manager requesting Council’s approval for the sole source purchase of two demonstrator model specialized rescue Bronto fire apparatus from E-One Inc. that provide a telescopic articulating boom rescue platform (rescue basket) to assist with complex rescue incidents.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) staff be authorized to award a sole source contract for the purchase of two Brontos for a total cost of \$2,401,259.76 including all taxes and charges (fire vehicles are P.S.T. exempt at source) to E-One Inc; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Pitfield, the Community Services Community recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 16, 2005) from the Fire Chief and General Manager.

Report 6, Clause 1

5.3 Toronto Fire Services – 2004 Annual Report

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 16, 2005) from the Fire Chief and General Manager, providing Council with a copy of the Toronto Fire Services Annual Report for 2004.

Recommendation:

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

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee received the report (June 16, 2005) from the Fire Chief and General Manager for information.

Report 6, Clause 22(b)

5.4 Status Report on Child Care Subsidy Spaces for 2005

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 14, 2005) from the General Manager, Children's Services, providing an overview of the current level of child care fee subsidy spaces, identifying strategies to ensure that the City maximizes available provincial subsidy and outlining the impact on child care subsidy spaces in 2005.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Division manage service levels within confirmed provincial funding approvals;
- (2) the General Manager report at the first opportunity on any funding announcement from the Province under Best Start; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Jane Mercer, Toronto Coalition for Better Child Care, addressed the Community Services Committee.

The Community Services Committee:

- (A) recommended that:
- (1) City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 14, 2005) from the General Manager, Children's Services; and
 - (2) the Mayor, the Chair of the Community Services Committee and the City's Children and Youth Advocate, and Councillor Raymond Cho, seek a meeting with the new Ontario Minister for Children and Youth Services to discuss the City's Service Plan as related to the allocation of federal funding; and

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

- (B) requested the General Manager, Children's Services, to:
- (a) report to the Community Services Committee in October 2005 on ways to indicate the subsidy that is provided to what is currently called "full fee" childcare spaces, so in the future the users of these childcare spaces will be advised of the financial assistance the City is providing for "full fee" childcare spaces; and

(Motion by Councillor Shiner)

- (b) report to the Community Services Committee on the outcomes of the various varieties of daycare delivery, e.g. private, public, high wage, low wage.

(Motion by Councillor Kelly)

Report 6, Clause 5

5.5 The Children's Report Card

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The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 9, 2005) from Councillor Olivia Chow, Chair, Mayor's Roundtable on Children, Youth and Education, submitting recommendations on the Children's Report Card.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the recommendations of the Roundtable on Children, Youth and Education concerning the Children's Report Card be approved to direct production of future Children's Report Cards; and
- (2) that this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt the recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 9, 2005) from the Chair of the Mayor's Roundtable on Children, Youth and Education.

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Report 6, Clause 22(c)

5.6 Review of the "Realizing the Potential of HOME CARE: Competing for Excellence by Rewarding Results" Report Released in May 2005 by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, under the Leadership of the Honourable Elinor Caplan, PC

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 13, 2005) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, providing a high level summary and analysis of the "Realizing the Potential of HOME CARE: Competing for Excellence by Rewarding Results" report; and commenting on the report's applicability to the City of Toronto and Toronto agencies providing community services for seniors.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Ontario government be complimented for the release of the Caplan Report;
- (2) Homes for the Aged staff use the Caplan Report as a planning document to guide possible quality improvements in the City's own operations with respect to its homemakers and nurses services program (HMNS) and its procurement processes;
- (3) City Council inform the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care about the urgent need for expanded funding for chronic home care, to serve the needs of the frail elderly and other vulnerable persons who need long-term home care;
- (4) the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) consider revised funding and procurement models for home care services so that chronic home care and acute home care are treated separately;
- (5) the MOHLTC be asked to defer on making any changes to Personal Support Worker (PSW) training requirements until there is agreement between the long-term care homes sector, home care sector, community colleges, vocational schools and the MOHLTC on whether revisions in length or content are needed;
- (6) City Council continue to provide support in principle for and community development in a not-for-profit home care sector; and
- (7) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 13, 2005) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged.

Report 6, Clause 7

5.7 Review of the Recommendations Contained in the Verdict of the Coroner's Jury Regarding the Deaths of Ezz-El-Dine El-Roubi and Pedro Lopez, Casa Verde Nursing Home, Toronto, June 2001

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The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 13, 2005) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, informing the Community Services Committee and City Council about the verdict of the Coroner's Jury regarding the deaths of Ezz-El-Dine El-Roubi and Pedro Lopez at Casa Verde Nursing Home in June 2001.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) City Council endorse the recommendations of the Coroner's Jury as set out in the Jury Verdict and Recommendations related to the Ezz-El-Dine El-Roubi and Pedro Lopez deaths, except in those areas identified to be conflict with City staff recommendations, and as set out in this report;
- (2) City Council appeal to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care for an immediate adjustment in funding for long-term care homes, and in particular:
 - (a) note the need for increased funding in the Programs and Services envelope, in addition to the Nursing and Personal Care envelope; and
 - (b) advocate for an immediate increase for long-term care homes that have special units and programs to provide care to individuals with dementia and related behavioural response issues;
- (3) City Council submit a request to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care to pilot a revised policy and funding model for dementia care, in one or more of the City's Homes for the Aged;
- (4) City Council recommend that the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) revise assessment admission policies and protocols for individuals with dementia by December 2005, with input and guidance on content of the required revisions from a knowledgeable stakeholder reference group;
- (5) City Council recommend that the MOHLTC require mental health and acute care hospitals to develop alliances and linkages with long-term care homes to ensure that if a situation arises in which a resident's high risk behaviours present an immediate and significant risk to other residents, the long-term care home can rely on a more appropriate partner to intervene and provide the requisite care;
- (6) the Homes for the Aged Division receive support, in principle, to include a provision for increased staff education in its 2006 budget submission, to be supported by a business case and discussed during the 2006 budget deliberations;

- (7) the Homes for the Aged Division continue to adjust its staffing levels in the operating budget year-by-year by the full extent possible, based on MOHLTC funding increases;
- (8) a copy of this report be forwarded to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, along with an offer from senior staff to continue to work on MOHLTC committees and task groups and a City commitment to work collaboratively with the MOHLTC to achieve system-wide improvements; and
- (9) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 13, 2005) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged.

Report 6, Clause 8

5.8 One Year Evaluation Regarding the Voluntary Agreement between Toronto Homes for the Aged, Toronto Emergency Medical Services and the Local Community Care Access Centres – Emergency Evacuation of Vulnerable Seniors

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 9, 2005) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, reporting back one year after the City Council approval to enter into a voluntary agreement to allow Toronto Homes for the Aged to directly admit individuals who are dislocated from their homes as a result of an emergency situation and who require short-term care, service and accommodation.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information by the Community Services Committee.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee received the report (June 9, 2005) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, for information.

Report 6, Clause 22(d)

5.9 Food Security and Service Development Investment Programs

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 17, 2005) from the Executive Director, Social Development and Administration, reporting on a framework for establishing a Food Security Investment Program and a Service Development Investment Program.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Food Security Investment Program as outlined in Appendix 1 of this report be approved;
- (2) the Service Development Investment Program as outlined in Appendix 2 of this report be approved; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 17, 2005) from the Executive Director, Social Development and Administration.

Report 6, Clause 10

5.10 Interim Report on 2004-2005 Ontario Works Incentive Fund Projects

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 13, 2005) from Sue Corke, Deputy City Manager, providing an interim update on the status of the 85 projects funded by the second round of one-time provincial incentive funds received by Toronto Social Services

in 2003 for exceeding Ontario Works placement targets and recommends a re-allocation of under-expenditures. The report also provides an update on the Life Skills in the Community Program funded by under-expenditures from the first round of the Ontario Works Incentive Fund program.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) \$135,000.00 of identified under-expenditure in the 2004-2005 Ontario Works Incentive Fund be re-allocated in the following manner:
 - (a) \$50,000.00 to West Scarborough Neighbourhood Community Centre to administer a Life Skills in the Community Program;
 - (b) \$50,000.00 to Tropicana Community Services to administer a Jobs for Youth initiative;
 - (c) \$20,000.00 to expand Parks, Forestry and Recreations Multi-Media Centre at Driftwood Community Centre; and
 - (d) \$15,000.00 to support the development of youth safety resources in the four Neighbourhood Action communities; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Kelly, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 13, 2005) from the Sue Corke, Deputy City Manager.

Report 6, Clause 11

5.11 Social Assistance Impacts of an Economic Recession

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 14, 2005) from the General Manager, Social Services, responding to a request from City Council for a report to the Community Services Committee on the anticipated pressure on the social assistance caseload

that could result should the City experience a recession.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee received the report (June 14, 2005) from the General Manager, Social Services, for information.

Report 6, Clause 22(e)

5.12 Kids @ Computers Scholarship Project – Impacts, Outreach and Recognition

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 14, 2005) from the General Manager, Social Services, describing the accomplishments of the Kids @ Computers Scholarship Project since 2001, including its recent selection as the 2005 recipient of the Willis Award for Innovation by the Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators and its contribution to Toronto's selection as one of 2005's top seven intelligent communities in the world; and responding to a request by the Community Services Committee to describe outreach activities aimed at expanding project awareness at the community level.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

The Community Services Committee requested:

- (1) the General Manager, Social Services, to submit a report directly to City Council on July 19, 2005, on:
 - (i) the referral process for applicants on the [Kids@Computers](#) Scholarship Project's waiting list to other programs providing computers;
 - (ii) the distribution of the Social Services Division's computers recently replaced as a result of the City of Toronto technology refresh strategy; and
 - (iii) the distribution of the surplus computers and what, if any, programs or operating systems were included in the

computers and the costs; and

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

- (2) the Executive Director, Information and Technology, to submit a report to City Council on July 19, 2005, on the possibility of donating 3000 retired computers for the Breakfast Club.

(Motion by Councillor Pitfield)

Report 6, Clause 13

5.13 Building Condition Assessment and Analysis of Capital Reserve Funds in the Downloaded Non-Profit and Co-operative Social Housing Portfolio, not including Toronto Community Housing Corporation (TCHC)

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 14, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, describing the findings of a Building Condition Assessment and Analysis of Capital Reserve Funds Study conducted by Shelter, Support and Housing Administration Division, including the reviews of the physical condition of the downloaded non-profit and co-operative social housing stock and the current and projected future adequacy of the capital reserve funds maintained by social housing providers.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, be directed to report back to Council before June 2006 on recommended strategies to help mitigate the City's financial exposure and risk related to the capital repair needs of social housing providers;
- (2) this report be referred to Policy and Finance Committee for its consideration;
- (3) this report be forwarded to the Federal and Provincial Ministers of Housing for their information and action; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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The Committee also considered a communication (June 28, 2005) from the Chair, Social Housing Services Corporation, submitting the following recommendations on this matter:

- (1) the Community Services Committee adopt the staff report submitted by the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration;
- (2) the appropriate City staff be directed to work in collaboration with Social Housing Services Corporation on its mandated services, including capital reserves and energy and water efficiency and retrofit; and
- (3) the Social Housing Services Corporation be consulted in the preparation of the staff report due before June 2006.

Dr. Gordon Chong, Chair, Social Housing Services Corporation, addressed the Community Services Committee.

The Community Services Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council:

- (1) adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 14, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, subject to:
 - (i) amending Recommendation (1) by deleting the date “June 2006”, and inserting instead “December 2005”, and by adding “that the report include a policy on establishing a state of good repair of existing housing stock before adding housing stock”, so that Recommendation (1) now reads as follows:

“(1) the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, be directed to report back to Council before December 2005 on recommended strategies to help mitigate the City’s financial exposure and risk related to the capital repair needs of social housing providers and that the report include a policy on establishing a state of good repair of existing housing

stock before adding housing stock;"; and

- (ii) amending Recommendation (3) of the report by adding the words "and the opposition critics" after the word "Housing" so that Recommendation (3) now reads as follows:

“(3) this report be forwarded to the Federal and Provincial Ministers of Housing, and the opposition critics, for their information and action;”;

(Motion by Councillor Chow as amended by Councillor Mihevc)

- (2) direct the appropriate City staff to:
 - (a) work in collaboration with Social Housing Services Corporation on its mandated services, including capital reserves and energy and water efficiency and retrofit; and
 - (b) consult with the Social Housing Services Corporation in the preparation of the staff report due in December 2005;

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

- (3) forward this report to the Mayor's Office for consideration during the City of Toronto Act negotiations;

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

- (4) request the Provincial and Federal Governments to permit some of the new monies for housing to go to the state of good repair;

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

- (5) request the Provincial Government to re-evaluate the Social Housing Reform Act as part of the new deal with the City of Toronto and take back the funding responsibility for social housing in order to maintain the level of funding in the downloaded housing portfolio at a standard equal to or better than that which is considered to be a good standard provided by the private housing market; and

(Motion by Councillor Pitfield, as amended by Councillor Shiner, carried on the following recorded vote:

FOR: Councillors Cho, Cowbourne, Mihevc, Pitfield and Shiner

SUBJECT: Councillors Chow and Kelly

- (6) request the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, to report to the Community Services Committee in September 2005 on the funding needed from the Social Housing Stabilization Reserve Fund to provide immediate maintenance of social housing (including TCHC) to ensure a state of good repair and that tenants are living in a safe and healthy environment and that the funding be submitted for consideration.

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

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Report 6, Clause 22(f)

5.14 Determining the Number and Service Needs of Homeless Persons Living on Toronto's Streets and in its Public Spaces

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 14, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, responding to Recommendation (10) of the report "From the Street into Homes: A Strategy to Assist Homeless Persons Find Permanent Housing" which requested staff to report on an appropriate method for determining the number and service needs of homeless persons on Toronto's streets and public spaces for City Council's July 19, 2005 meeting; and providing information about the number of outreach workers deployed by the City and City-funded agencies.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Council support the five principles to govern the initiative to determine the number and service needs of homeless persons on the street and in public spaces as outlined in the report and the methodological approach substantially as outlined in

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Appendix B;

- (2) the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, be delegated authority to finalize the operational details of the methodological approach substantially as outlined in Appendix B and implement the initiative to determine the number and service needs of homeless persons on the street and in public spaces;
- (3) the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, report to City Council, through the Community Services Committee, on the results of the initiative in the first half of 2006; and
- (4) 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 (June 23, 2005) from Councillor Mike Del Grande, Scarborough-Agincourt, expressing his disappointment on the recommendations in the staff report on this matter.

The following persons addressed the Community Services Committee:

- Michael Shapcott, Toronto Disaster Relief Committee, and filed a written submission;
- Sarah Ayers, Toronto Disaster Relief Committee, and filed a written submission; and
- Jamie Robinson, Ontario Association of Hostels, and Keith Hambly, Fred Victor Centre.

The Community Services Committee:

- (1) referred the report (June 14, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, to the Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons for consultation with community agencies, directors of out of the cold programs and volunteers, and requested that the Advisory Committee report back to the Community Services Committee in the fall of 2005

with suggestions and response; and

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

- (2) requested the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, to report to the Community Services Committee on the following:
 - (a) that the study have as its central organizing goal a Needs Assessment and that the principles and methodologies chosen reflect this central goal;
 - (b) that the methodologies used in Year 1 be evaluated and reported back to the Community Services Committee in late winter 2006; and
 - (c) that the methodologies used include qualitative as well as quantitative approaches.

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

The following motion moved by Councillor Pitfield was redundant:

“That the Community Services Committee recommend to City Council:

- (1) the adoption of the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 14, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration; and
- (2) that Councillor Pitfield be requested to approach the members of the Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons at its next meeting on July 15, 2005, for interest in becoming part of the local experts outlined in Appendix “B”.”

(Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons; General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration; c. Michael Shapcott, Toronto Disaster Relief Committee; Sarah Ayers, Toronto Disaster Relief Committee; Jamie Robinson, Ontario Association of Hostels – June 29, 2005)

Report 6, Clause 22(g)

5.15 Update on from the Streets into Homes: A Strategy to Assist Homeless Persons Find Permanent Housing

The Community Services Committee considered the following:

- (i) report (June 16, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, providing the first update on the Streets to Homes initiative since City Council passed the report, "From the Streets into Homes: A Strategy to Assist Homeless Persons Find Permanent Housing" at its meeting of February 1, 2 and 3, 2005.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information; and

- (ii) communication (May 27, 2005) from Alison Kemper, Co-Chair, Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons, commending the Community Services Committee and City Council for their efforts regarding 110 Edward Street and expressing support for efforts to retain the overall capacity of the shelter system when the Out of the Cold Program closes.

The following persons addressed the Community Services Committee:

- Sarah Ayers, Toronto Disaster Relief Committee, and filed a written submission;
- Bob Rose, Parkdale Recreation Centre;
- Michael Shapcott, Toronto Disaster Relief Committee, and filed a written submission; and
- Mike O'Gorman, President, Circle of Life Homes Inc.

On motion by Councillor Chow, the Community Services Committee received the report (June 16, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, and requested:

- (1) the Street Outreach Steering Committee to conduct regular meaningful consultation sessions with front line workers to review and improve the "From Streets into Homes" strategy;

- (2) the Deputy City Manager to examine the City of Winnipeg's model that phases in unused or derelict buildings' property tax to their full market value in three years and submit a report to the Community Services Committee in October 2005, on the appropriateness of the implementation of such a by-law in Toronto; and
- (3) the Deputy City Manager to submit a report to the Community Services Committee on the City's plan for quick start projects and plan that would fully utilize the City's portion of the \$1.6 billion federal investment in affordable housing.

(Street Outreach Steering Committee; Deputy City Manager Sue Corke; c. General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration; Sarah Ayers, Toronto Disaster Relief Committee; Bob Rose, Parkdale Recreation Centre; Michael Shapcott, Toronto Disaster Relief Committee; Mike O'Gorman, President, Circle of Life Homes Inc.; Alison Kemper, Co-Chair, Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons – June 29, 2005)

Report 6, Clause 22(h)

5.16 Quality Assurance Review of Shelters

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 15, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, providing information on the three phases of Quality Assurance in the shelter system and reporting on the results of the first phase of the Quality Assurance Review of shelters.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the General Manager of Shelter, Support and Housing Administration Division report to Community Services Committee by October 2006 with an update on the findings from the second phase of the Quality Assurance Review of shelters; and

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

Keith Hambly, Fred Victor Centre, representing the Ontario Association of Hostels, Toronto Region, addressed the Community Services Committee.

The Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 15, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration.

Report 6, Clause 14

5.17 Costs and Feasibility of Including a Standards Letter from Councillors in the Notice of Tenants on Automatic Rent Reduction

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 13, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, responding to a previous Council decision requiring staff to report back on the feasibility of including a standard letter from each Councillors in the Rent Reduction Notice sent annually to tenants of residential rental properties subject to automatic rent reduction due to property tax decrease; and providing an estimate of the related costs, in addition to the cost of delivering the annual tenant notice.

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.

The Committee also considered a communication (June 23, 2005) from the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee advising that the Sub-Committee on June 22, 2005, considered the report

(June 13, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration entitled “Costs and Feasibility of Including a Standard Letter from Councillors in the Notice to Tenants on Automatic Rent Reductions” and recommended to the Community Services Committee that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report.

On motion by Councillor Pitfield, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council receive the report (June 13, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration.

The following motion moved by Councillor Cowbourne was redundant:

“That the Community Services Committee recommend that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 13, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration.”

Report 6, Clause 15

5.18 Habitat for Humanity (FHF) – Affordable Housing Project Update: 38 St. Lawrence Street (Ward 28 – Toronto Centre-Rosedale)

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 16, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, updating the status of a Habitat for Humanity (HFH) affordable housing project at 38 St. Lawrence Street.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee received the report (June 16, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, for information.

Report 6, Clause 22(i)

5.19 Supply of Food and Related Supplies and Supply of Prescription Eyeglasses

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 16, 2005) from the Treasurer responding to the request of the Community Services Committee, at its meeting of June 3, 2004, on changes that could be made to the process to create a more competitive environment.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee received the report (June 16, 2005) from the Treasurer for information.

Report 6, Clause 22(j)

5.20 2004 List of Outstanding Items – Community Services Committee

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 15, 2005) from Sue Corke, Deputy City Manager, updating members of Council on the current status of reports requested by Community Services Committee during 2004.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Kelly, the Community Services Committee received the report (June 15, 2005) from Sue Corke, Deputy City Manager, for information.

Report 6, Clause 22(k)

5.21 Sale of Assets Under the Purview of the Works Committee

The Community Services Committee considered a communication (May 24, 2005) from the City Clerk advising that City Council on May 17, 18 and 19, 2005, considered Clause 30, Report 5 of the Policy and Finance Committee headed “Sale of Assets Under the Purview of the Works Committee”, and directed the Budget Advisory Committee to inform the Standing Committees as soon as possible if the Committee makes recommendations concerning extraordinary transactions in assets typically within the purview of that Standing Committee.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee

received the communication (May 24, 2005) from the City Clerk for information.

Report 6, Clause 22(l)

5.22 Amendment to Fire Routes By-law

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 22, 2005) from the Fire Chief and General Manager, seeking Council's approval to amend the City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 880, Fire Routes, by adding specific installation requirements for the placement of the Fire Route signs, adding additional fire routes from the former six area municipalities to Schedule "A" and outlining the requirements for a map of the proposed fire route.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Municipal Code Chapter 880, Fire Routes, be amended as follows:
 - (a) by the addition to Schedule "A" of the Chapter of the streets set out in Appendix "A" to this report;
 - (b) by the addition to Schedule "B" of the Chapter of the installation requirements for Fire Route signs as detailed in this report; and
 - (c) by the deletion of the requirement in section 880-6 for the Fire Chief to forward maps of fire routes to the City Solicitor; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 22, 2005) from the Fire Chief and General Manager.

Report 6, Clause 2

5.23 Process for Condominium Corporation to Make Submissions to Toronto Fire Services Concerning the Recovery of Unpaid Fees by Condominium Corporations to the City

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 22, 2005) from Fire Chief and General Manager, reviewing the process, as amended by Council, to provide condominium corporations the opportunity to make submissions so that these corporations be issued a notice of hearing prior to the City adding outstanding unpaid fees or charges to the tax roll of condominium corporations or condominium units as set out in Chapter 441 of the Municipal Code.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) instead of a formal appeal hearing process with respect to outstanding unpaid false alarm charges in relation to condominiums, a revised invoice be sent to condominium corporations or owners of condominium units to advise them that they can provide a written submission to Fire Services to appeal the fee or charges within 60 days of the date of the invoice and receive a consideration of their appeal and a written response back; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 22, 2005) from the Fire Chief and General Manager.

Report 6, Clause 3

5.24 Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 3806-04-0246 for the Supply and Delivery of Bunker Suits and to Provide a Care Program for the Bunker Suits

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 23, 2005) from the Treasurer and the Fire Chief and General Manager, outlining the results of the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Supply and Delivery of Bunker Suits (Firefighter Protective Clothing) and requesting authority to negotiate and enter into two separate agreements, one for the supply and delivery of Bunker Suits and one to provide the Care Program for the Bunker Suits, for a five year term for the period from January 1, 2006, to December 31, 2010, with the recommended proponents.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the contract for Supply and Delivery of Bunker Suits (firefighter protective clothing) be awarded to Starfield Lion Company who submitted the proposal having the overall highest ranking based on evaluations, to enter into an agreement, subject to Recommendation (2);
- (2) the appropriate City staff be authorized to negotiate and enter into an agreement for the supply and delivery of bunker suits with Starfield Lion Company. The resulting contract will be for purchase of bunker suits for a five year term for the period from January 1, 2006, to December 31, 2010, total cost to the City is \$3,751,071.00, including all applicable taxes and charges, \$3,522,745.00 net of the GST, in accordance with the requirements of Toronto Fire Services consistent with the RFP, satisfactory to the Fire Chief, the Deputy City Manager/Chief Financial Officer in form and content acceptable to the City Solicitor;
- (3) the contract to provide the Care Program for fire fighting protective clothing (bunker suits) be awarded to Innotex Inc. who submitted the proposal having the overall highest ranking based on evaluations and being the lowest cost proposal, as determined by the RFP evaluation committee, subject to Recommendation (4);
- (4) the authority be delegated to the Fire Chief and General Manager of Fire Services to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Innotex Inc. for the Care Program, resulting in a contract for a five year term for the period from January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2010, at a maximum cost to the City of \$343,275.00 including all applicable taxes and charges, \$322,380.00 net of the GST, in accordance with the requirements of Toronto Fire Services consistent with the proposal and RFP, satisfactory to the Fire Chief, the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer in form and content acceptable to the City Solicitor;
- (5) funding for the purchase of the initial order of 2,850 bunker suits for 2006 be provided from the Capital Financing Reserve Fund to a maximum cost of \$3,002,589.00 net of the GST. This amount plus financing charges of \$269,971.00 is to be repaid to the reserve fund from Fire Services' operating budget account FR0019, 6030 - Contributions to Reserves in annual payments of \$654,512.00 beginning with budget approval in 2006 and ending with budget approval in 2010;
- (6) funding for the purchase of up to 115 additional suits for each year from 2007 to 2010 be provided from the Fire Services' operating budget account FR0019, 2665 – Protective Clothing in maximum amounts of \$124,604.00, \$128,156.00, \$131,813.00, and \$135,583.00 for each year respectively said amounts being net of

the GST;

- (7) up to \$229,044.00 annually from 2006 to 2010 be utilized from the Fire Services' 2005 base budget of \$1,192,540.00 to fund extraordinary repairs, emergency replacement and maintenance of existing bunker suits used as spares for firefighters;
- (8) any surplus funds in the existing operating funds of \$1,192,540.00 for the bunker suit acquisition and care programs in Fire Services be contributed to the Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve each year from 2006 to 2010; and
- (9) the appropriate City officials are authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 23, 2005) from the Treasurer and the Fire Chief and General Manager.

Report 6, Clause 4

5.25 Federal Funding to Review Municipal Involvement in Early Learning and Child Care

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 23, 2005) from the General Manager, Children's Services, seeking authority to sign a contract with the Government of Canada and receive and spend federal research funding.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) authority be granted to sign a contract with Social Development Canada to obtain up to \$35,000.00 and to carry out the research as outlined in Appendix 1 at a total cost of \$45,000.00; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee

recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 23, 2005) from the General Manager, Children's Services.

Report 6, Clause 6

5.26 Over-expenditure of Blanket Contract No. 47005864 – KCI Medical Canada Inc.

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 22, 2005) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, requesting approval from Council on the over-expenditure in Blanket Contract No. 47005864 with KCI Medical Canada Inc. for the specialized equipment and products purchased under the Ministry of Health's High Intensity Needs (HIN) program for residents with acute and intensive service needs.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the pre-existing Blanket Contract No. 47005864 with KCI Medical Canada Inc. be increased and authorized at an amount not to exceed \$3.0 million; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 22, 2005) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged.

Report 6, Clause 9

5.27 Report on the Administration of the Toronto Youth Job Corps (TYJC) and Youth Employment Toronto (YET) Programs

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 15, 2005) from Sue Corke, Deputy City Manager, seeking approval to enter into agreements with HRSDC for the TYJC

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and YET programs and to enter into purchase of service agreements with successful proponents of the Request for Proposal process for the delivery of the TYJC program.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Deputy City Manager be authorized to sign a 24 month agreement with HRSDC for the TYJC program with annual budget commitments dependant on City and federal budget approval processes;
- (2) the Deputy City Manager be authorized to sign agreements with HRSDC to receive funds in an amount not to exceed \$1,438,861.00 as its share of the 2005/06 program costs for TYJC;
- (3) the Deputy City Manager be authorized to enter into purchase of service agreements for the delivery of TYJC with the successful proponents of the Request for Proposal (RFP) process on the proviso that:
 - (a) the successful proponents of the TYJC program RFP process comply with all applicable requirements under the purchase of service agreement;
 - (b) the agreements shall be in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor and contain such other items and conditions as she may deem advisable; and
 - (c) the agreements are within the Deputy City Manager's delegated approval limits; and
- (4) the Executive Director, Social Development and Administration Division be authorized to sign a five month agreement with HRSDC to receive funds in an amount not to exceed \$135,000.00 as its share of the 2005 program costs for YET;
- (5) the Executive Director, Social Development and Administration report to Council no later than November, 2005 with respect to negotiations with HRSDC with respect to funding agreements for the YET program for 2006; and
- (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 15, 2005) from Sue Corke,

Deputy City Manager.

Report 6, Clause 12

5.28 Municipal, Provincial and Federal Funding for Six Affordable Rental Housing Projects under the Affordable Housing Program – Community Rental Housing Funding – Pilot Project Component (Wards 7, 27, 28, 31 and 32)

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 21, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, recommending six non-profit affordable rental housing projects as Pilot Projects under the federal/provincial Affordable Housing Program; seeking authority for City assistance; seeking authority to enter into implementing agreements.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) for the purpose of securing approximately 8 units of affordable rental housing at 30 Darrell Avenue (Ward 32):
 - (a) Council accept the recommendation from Houses Opening Today Toronto Incorporated (“HOTT”), the proponent of the proposed development at 30 Darrell Avenue, that the site be developed as an 8-unit affordable rental housing project instead of 10;
 - (b) authority be granted for exempting the project from taxation for municipal and school purposes for the term of the lease with the City, and the municipal housing project facility agreement entered into pursuant to Recommendation (d);
 - (c) Council approve the proposed project by HOTT as a project to be recommended to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for funding under the Pilot Project component of the Affordable Housing Program – Community Rental Housing Funding and authorize up to \$232,000.00 in federal and provincial funding; and
 - (d) the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration be authorized to negotiate, enter into and amend a municipal housing project facility agreement, and any other agreements, lease and security documents

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deemed necessary to implement and maintain the project, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;

- (2) for the purpose of securing approximately 48 units of affordable rental housing at 2350 Finch Avenue West (Ward 7):
 - (a) Council accept the recommendation of Ghana Amansie Canadian Non Profit Homes (“Ghana Amansie”), the proponent of the proposed development at 2350 Finch Avenue West, that the site be developed as an affordable rental housing project;
 - (b) Council approve a loan to Ghana Amansie from the City’s Capital Revolving Fund for Affordable Housing to a maximum of \$1,584,000.00 on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration;
 - (c) authority be granted for exempting the project from taxation for municipal and school purposes for the term of the lease with the City, and the municipal housing project facility agreement entered into pursuant to Recommendation (e);
 - (d) Council approve the project by Ghana Amansie as a project to be recommended to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for funding under the Pilot Project component of the Affordable Housing Program - Community Rental Housing Funding and authorize up to \$1,392,000.00 of federal and provincial funding; and
 - (e) the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration be authorized to amend the existing agreements for this project and negotiate, enter into and amend a municipal housing project facility agreement, and any other agreements, lease and security documents deemed necessary to implement and maintain the project, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;

- (3) for the purpose of securing approximately 4 units of affordable rental housing at 108 Lakeshore Avenue (Ward 28):
 - (a) Council approve the proposed development by Shaw House Corporation (“Shaw House”) at 108 Lakeshore Avenue as an affordable rental housing project;
 - (b) Council approve the project by Shaw House as a project to be recommended

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to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for funding under the Pilot Project Component of the Affordable Housing Program - Community Rental Housing Funding and authorize up to \$116,000.00 of federal and provincial funding; and

- (c) the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration be authorized to negotiate, enter into and amend a municipal housing project facility agreement, and any other agreements or security documents deemed necessary to implement and maintain the project, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
- (4) for the purpose of securing approximately 47 units of affordable housing at 418 Dawes Road (Ward 31):
- (a) Council approve the proposed development by Fred Victor Community Homes ("FVCH") at 418 Dawes Road as an affordable rental housing project;
 - (b) Council approve the transfer of the City capital loans and grants totalling \$1,181,000.00 in funding previously allocated to FVCH for the proposed development of 1978 Lake Shore Boulevard West, to the proposed development of 418 Dawes Road on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration;
 - (c) authority be granted for exempting the project from taxation for municipal and school purposes for 25 years, commencing upon substantial completion of the building contemplated by the City agreements and the municipal housing project facility agreement entered into pursuant to Recommendation (e);
 - (d) Council approve the proposed project as a project to be recommended to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for funding under the Pilot Project component of the Affordable Housing Program-Community Rental Housing Funding and authorizes up to \$1,363,000.00 in federal and provincial funding; and
 - (e) the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration be authorized to negotiate, enter into and amend a municipal housing project facility agreement and any other agreements and security documents deemed

necessary to implement and maintain the development, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;

- (5) for the purpose of securing approximately 220 units of affordable rental housing as the Phase 1 building, Regent Park Revitalization Plan, at the north-west corner of Dundas and Sackville Streets (Ward 28):
- (a) Council approve the proposed development by the Toronto Community Housing Corporation (“TCHC”) on part of Block 2, proposed draft plan of subdivision, Regent Park redevelopment, as an affordable rental housing project;
 - (b) Council approve the proposed project by TCHC as a project to be recommended to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for funding under the Pilot Project component of the Affordable Housing Program – Community Rental Housing Funding and authorize up to \$6,380,000.00 in federal and provincial funding;
 - (c) authority be granted for exempting the project from taxation for municipal and school purposes for the term of the municipal housing project facility agreement entered into pursuant to Recommendation (d); and
 - (d) the General Manager Shelter, Support and Housing Administration be authorized to negotiate, enter into and amend a municipal housing project facility agreement, and any other agreements or and security documents deemed necessary to implement and maintain the project, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor.
- (6) for the purposes of securing approximately 255 units of affordable housing at 110 Edward Street (Ward 27):
- (a) Council approve the proposed development at 110 Edward Street by the City, or other proponent to be selected by the City, as an affordable rental housing project;
 - (b) Council approve the proposed project as a project to be recommended to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for funding under the Pilot

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Project component of the Affordable Housing Program-Community Rental Housing Funding and authorize up to \$5,916,000.00 in federal and provincial funding for 204 units; and

- (c) the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration be directed to prepare funding proposals to the City's Capital Revolving Fund for Affordable Housing (CRF) Reference Group and subsequent recommendation to Council;
- (7) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to submit any required documentation to the Province of Ontario for the foregoing six projects, pursuant to the agreement entered into by the City and the Province for the administration of the Community Rental Housing Program – Pilot Project Component; and
- (8) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect to the foregoing, including the introduction in Council of any necessary Bills to give effect thereto.

Councillor Giorgio Mammoliti, York West, addressed the Community Services Committee, and filed a submission.

The following persons also addressed the Community Services Committee:

- Mike O'Gorman, President, Circle of Life Homes Inc.; and
 - Tanya Gulliver, Housing Worker, Trinity Multifaith Housing Association.
- The Community Services Committee:

- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt staff recommendations (1), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7) and (8) in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 21, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration and that staff develop a policy to create mixed-income buildings in future affordable housing projects;

(Motion by Councillor Chow)

- (2) submitted Recommendation (2) of the report (June 21, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration at its meeting on July 7, 2005, with the request that the proponent of the project at 2350 Finch Avenue West be given an opportunity to address the Policy and Finance Committee on the matter; and

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

- (3) requested the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, and the appropriate City staff, to meet with Councillor Mammoliti to seek a resolution of the matter related to the project at 2350 Finch Avenue West.

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

(Policy and Finance Committee; General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration; c. Councillor Giorgio Mammoliti, York West – June 29, 2005)

Report 6, Clause 22(m)

5.29 Building Condition Assessment and Analysis of Required Capital Reserve Funds in the Toronto Community Housing Corporation's Downloaded Social Housing Portfolio

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 23, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, describing the findings of the Toronto Community Housing Corporation (TCHC) report on the physical condition of its social housing stock titled "TCHC 30-year Capital Needs Assessment".

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, be directed to report back to Council on the results and further analysis of the data contained in the TCHC 30-year Capital Needs Assessment;
- (2) this report be forwarded to the Federal and Provincial Ministers of Housing for their information and action;
- (3) this report be referred to Policy and Finance Committee for its consideration; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Chow, the Community Services Committee:

- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 23, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration subject to amending Recommendation (2) of the report by adding the words “and the opposition critics” after the word “Housing”, so that Recommendation (2) now reads as follows:

“(2) this report be forwarded to the Federal and Provincial Ministers of Housing, and the opposition critics, for their information and action;”; and

- (2) requested the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, to report to the Community Services Committee in September 2005 on the funding needed from the Social Housing Stabilization Reserve Fund to provide immediate maintenance of Toronto Community Housing Corporation (TCHC) housing stock to ensure a state of good repair and that tenants are living in a safe and healthy environment and that the funding be submitted for consideration.

(Policy and Finance Committee – June 29, 2005)

Report 6, Clause 22(n)

5.30 Public Information and Education Program Regarding Termite Identification, Treatment and Eradication

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 23, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, providing information on the City's previous programs and funding for the treatment of and eradication of termites; recommending that Council approve a modest program of public information and education regarding termite identification, treatment and eradication; and recommending that funding for this program be proposed through the 2006 Operating Budget request for Shelter, Support and Housing Administration.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, develop a modest program of public information and education regarding termite identification

and treatment to be implemented in 2006;

- (2) as part of the development of the public information and education program as outlined in Recommendation (1), the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, review termite treatment and eradication approaches used elsewhere in North America with a view to identifying those that have possible application in the Toronto context;
- (3) the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, propose a budget to support Recommendation (1) and include it for consideration in the 2006 Operating Budget Request from Shelter, Support and Housing Administration; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect there to.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 23, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration.

Report 6, Clause 16

5.31 Tenant Support Grant Program – 266 Sherbourne Street

The Community Services Committee considered a communication (June 23, 2005) from the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee advising that the Sub-Committee on June 22, 2005, recommended to the Community Services Committee that City Council approve a grant of up to \$5,000.00 from the Tenant Support Grant Program for assisting tenants in their dispute with the owner of the property at 266 Sherbourne Street.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the recommendation of the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee in the communication (June 23, 2005) from the Sub-Committee.

Report 6, Clause 18

5.32 Tenant Support Grant Program – 545, 555, 565 Sherbourne Street

Tenants' Association

The Community Services Committee considered a communication (June 23, 2005) from the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee advising that the Sub-Committee on June 22, 2005, recommended to the Community Services Committee that City Council approve a grant of \$2,500.00 from the Tenant Support Grant Program to pay the court awarded costs directly to the landlord of 545, 555, 565 Sherbourne Street.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the recommendation of the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee in the communication (June 23, 2005) from the Sub-Committee.

Report 6, Clause 19

5.33 3-1-1 Customer Service Strategy: 2005 Capital Budget Request and 2006/2007 Capital Budget Progress Report

The Community Services Committee considered a communication (June 22, 2005) from the e-City Committee that the Committee on June 20, 2005, in accordance with staff recommendation (7) in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 17, 2005) from the City Manager, directed that this report be forwarded to all Standing Committees for information, followed by presentations from the e-City Chair in conjunction with the 3-1-1 Project Management Office reflecting the priority Council has given to 3-1-1. Councillor Peter Milczyn, Chair, e-City Committee, gave a presentation to the Community Services Committee on the 3-1-1 Customer Service Strategy and filed a copy of the presentation materials.

On motion by Councillor Chow, the Community Services Committee received the communication (June 22, 2005) from the e-City Committee and the presentation by Councillor Peter Milczyn on the 3-1-1 Customer Service Strategy.

Report 6, Clause 22(o)

5.34 Operator of an Emergency Shelter for Homeless Adults Request for Proposal 9155-04-7392 (Ward 15)

The Community Services Committee considered a report (June 24, 2005) from the General

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Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration and the Treasurer, advising on the results of Request for Proposal (RFP) 9155-04-7392 for an Operator of an Emergency Shelter for Homeless Adults; to request authority to negotiate and enter into an agreement with the recommended Proponent to provide shelter services at 1161 Caledonia Road, and to request authority to negotiate and enter into an agreement with the landowner of 1161 Caledonia Road for lease and food costs.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) authority be granted to negotiate the scope of services submitted, and enter into an agreement with Fred Victor Centre, the only proponent meeting the minimum RFP requirements to provide shelter services for homeless adults at 1161 Caledonia Road for a maximum contract value not to exceed \$1,287,720.00 in the first year of operations including all applicable taxes and charges. This agreement is for one year and shall renew automatically thereafter for successive one year terms subject to the approval of the Shelter, Support and Housing Administration's annual operating budget;
- (2) pending successful contract negotiations with Fred Victor Centre, authority be granted to negotiate and enter into a separate agreement with Bethlehem United Church of Jesus Christ for lease costs and the provision of food services at the shelter located at 1161 Caledonia Road for a maximum contract value not to exceed \$250,000.00 in the first year of operations including all applicable taxes and charges. This agreement is for a one year term and shall renew automatically thereafter for successive one year terms subject to the Shelter, Support and Housing Administration's annual budget approval process;
- (3) the agreements referred to in Recommendations (1) and (2) shall contain terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, and the Treasurer, and shall contain clauses satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee

recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 24, 2005) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration and the Treasurer.

Report 6, Clause 17

5.35 Retirement Homes – Provincial Regulations

The Community Services Committee considered a communication (June 26, 2005) from the Chair, Roundtable on Seniors, forwarding a communication (June 24, 2005) from the Roundtable on Seniors advising that on June 23, 2005, the Roundtable requested the Chair to forward the following suggestion to the Community Services for consideration at its meeting on June 29, 2005:

“That the City of Toronto arrange a meeting with the appropriate Provincial Ministers to discuss the implementation of Provincial regulations around retirement homes.”

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the recommendation of the Roundtable on Seniors in the communication (June 24, 2005) from the Roundtable.

Report 6, Clause 20

5.36 Roundtable on Seniors – Representation at the Ninth Meeting of Federal Provincial-Territorial Ministers Responsible for Seniors

The Community Services Committee considered a communication (June 26, 2005) from the Chair, Roundtable on Seniors, forwarding a communication (June 24, 2005) from the Roundtable on Seniors advising that on June 23, 2005, the Roundtable requested the Chair to forward the following suggestion to the Community Services Committee for consideration at its meeting on June 29, 2005:

“That the Chair of the Roundtable on Seniors, be authorized to attend the Ninth meeting of Federal-Provincial-Territorial Ministers Responsible for Seniors.”

On motion by Councillor Cowbourne, the Community Services Committee requested the Executive Director, Social Development and Administration, to work with the organizers of the 2006 Meeting of Federal, Provincial, Territorial Ministers Responsible for Seniors, to procure an invitation for the Chair of Toronto’s Roundtable on Seniors.

(Executive Director, Social Development and Administration; c. Chair,
Roundtable on Seniors – June 29, 2005)

Report 6, Clause 22(p)

5.37 United Way Study on Poverty and Social Services

The Community Services Committee considered a communication (June 28, 2005) from Councillor Mike Del Grande, Scarborough-Agincourt, requesting that staff be asked to prepare a comprehensive report on the upcoming report by the United Way on Poverty and Social Services for submission to the Community Services Committee in September 2005, such report to include the following:

- (1) a thorough analysis showing where the City is spending its social services dollars and how this compares geographically with the United Way report. This analysis needs to speak to ALL dollars allocated by your committee – regardless of the program;
- (2) commentary on the growth of this funding – again on a geographic basis – over the past 5 years and a comparison of how this measures up with where the United Way suggests the needs have grown; and
- (3) specific recommendations for how the City can quickly and effectively reallocate funding to bring more fairness and equity to our funding allocations.

Councillor Mike Del Grande, Scarborough-Agincourt, addressed the Community Services Committee.

On motion by Councillor Chow, the Community Services Committee submitted the communication (June 28, 2005) from Councillor Mike Del Grande, Scarborough-Agincourt, respecting the United Way Study on Poverty and Social Services, to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration at its meeting on July 7, 2005, together with a copy of the Strong Neighbourhood Task Force report.

(Policy and Finance Committee – June 29, 2005)

Report 6, Clause 22(q)

5.38 Request to Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada to Restore

Funding for Community Services

The Community Services Committee considered a communication (June 28, 2005) from Councillors Olivia Chow and Gay Cowbourne recommending that the Community Services Committee recommend to City Council that:

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Mayor write to the new Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRDSC) and urge her to immediately restore funding to the much needed community services that was de-funded across Toronto; and
- (2) the City staff work with HRDSC to explore ways to assist these agencies so no services would be lost, and report back to the Community Services Committee on the impact of HRDSC funding lost to date and in the immediate future.

On motion by Councillor Chow, the Community Services Committee recommended that City Council adopt the recommendations in the communication (June 28, 2005) from Councillor Olivia Chow and Councillor Gay Cowbourne.

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The Community Services Committee adjourned its meeting at 5:27 p.m.

Chair.