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Meeting 7

July 11, 2005

TO BE CONFIRMED

The Board of Health met on Monday, July 11, 2005 in Committee Room 1, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 1.10 p.m.

Attendance

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

	1:10 p.m. to 6:05 p.m.
Councillor John Filion, Chair	X
Trustee Sheila Cary-Meagher	
Councillor Oliva Chow	X
Cathy Crowe	X
Councillor Janet Davis	X
Councillor Glenn De Baeremaeker	X
Councillor Paula Fletcher, Vice-Chair	X
Nathan Gilbert	
Brian Hyndman	X
Councillor Joe Mihevc	
Fiona Nelson	X
Rhonda Roffey	X
Valerie Sterling	X

Councillor Filion in the Chair.

Confirmation of Minutes

On motion by Valerie Sterling, the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Health on June 7, 2005 and June 23, 2005 were confirmed.

Chair/MOH Announcements:

The Chair of the Board of Health, Councillor Filion, presented a Certificate of Recognition Award to representatives of Young Parents No Fixed Address (YPNFA) – an interagency network convened by Toronto Public Health in 1997 that supports and advocates for homeless, street involved youth who are pregnant or parents.

7.1 Toronto Public Health Strategic Plan – 2005 - 2009

The Board considered a report (June 29, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, seeking Board of Health approval of the Toronto Public Health Strategic Plan 2005-2009.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Board of Health adopt the attached Toronto Public Health Strategic Plan 2005-2009;
- (2) the Medical Officer of Health disseminate the plan to the general public and key stakeholders;
- (3) the Medical Officer of Health report annually to the Board of Health on implementation of the Strategic Plan 2005-2009; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

A presentation on the Toronto Public Health Strategic Plan for 2005 to 2009, was made by Dr. David McKeown, Medical Officer of Health.

On motion by Brian Hyndman, the Board of Health adopted the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 29, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health.

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

(Deferred from May 9, 2005 meeting)

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

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

(1) the Board of Health request the Ontario Minister of the Environment to consider the cumulative impact of emissions from any new or modified industrial facility on adjacent residential areas with elevated burden of illness/mortality, or that have a disproportionate share of pollution point sources, such as in South Riverdale, prior to issuing a Certificate of Approval;

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

The Board also considered the following:

- Report (June 27, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, reporting back on the public meeting on Toronto Public Health Studies related to the Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant held at the Toronto Fire Academy on May 11, 2005.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Board of Health receive this report for information.

- Communication (May 17, 2005) from Andrew Paterson.
- Communication (June 3, 2005) from Dr. Stephen Connell, submitting a study titled "Disposal and recycling routes for sewer sludge Part 4 Economic report"
- Communication (June 7, 2005) from Kelly Ing.
- Communication (July 11, 2005) from Paul Young, Health Promoter, South Riverdale Community Health Centre

Communication (July 11, 2005) from Philip A. Knox

- Communication (July 11, 2005) from Aliss Terpstra RNCP, Board member of International Institute of Concern for Public Health and Research Co-ordinator for Fluoride Toxicity Research Collaborative
- Communication (July 11, 2005) from Karen Buck, President, Citizens for a Safe Environment
- Communication (July 11, 2005) from Constance Brown Demb
- E-mail communication (July 7, 2005) forwarding resolution made by the Toronto East York Local Health Committee.

The following persons appeared before the Board:

- Dr. Stephen Connell
- Lela Gary, Air Pollution Coalition, with written submission
- Constance Brown Demb
- Philip A. Knox
- Aliss Terpstra RNCP, Board member of International Institute of Concern for Public Health and Research Co-ordinator for Fluoride Toxicity Research Collaborative
- Karen Buck, President, Citizens for a Safe Environment
- David Done
- Sharon Howarth
- Sandra Bussin, Councillor, Ward 32 Beaches-East York, and Deputy Mayor
- A. Councillor Fletcher moved that the Board of Health:
 - (1) adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (April 29, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, subject to:
 - (a) amending Recommendation (1) in the report (April 29, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health by adding the words, "and City of Toronto" after the word "Environment", so that it reads as follows:
 - **'(1)** the Board of Health request the Ontario Minister of the Environment and City of Toronto to consider the cumulative impact of emissions from any new modified industrial facility on adjacent or residential areas with elevated burden of illness/mortality, or that have a disproportionate share of pollution point sources, such as in South Riverdale, prior to issuing a Certificate of Approval;'

- (b) amending Recommendation 2(b) in the report (April 29, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health by replacing the word "periodically" with the word "annually";
- (2) recommend that the Works Committee request the Toronto Water Division to provide permanent monitoring stations at the site at Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant and Highland Creek;
- (3) reiterate to the Provincial Minister of the Environment its firm position that no re-activation of incineration be considered at Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant should there be a termination of landfill disposal;
- (4) the Board of Health urge the Provincial Minister of the Environment to complete the review on new standards for Ontario Ambient Air Quality Criteria.
- B. Councillor De Baeremaker moved that the staff recommendations be amended by inserting the words "Highland Creek Facility" after the acronym (ABTP) wherever it appears in the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (April 29, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health.
- C. Councillor Fletcher moved that the Board of Health request the Medical Officer of Health to report back to the Board on:
 - (i) mechanisms to identify those undertakings by all City Departments which could significantly impact health and which could benefit from advice from the Medical Officer of Health;
 - (ii) options to resource Medical Officer of Health oversight of identified undertakings; and
 - (iii) review of best practices from other jurisdictions.
- D. Valerie Sterling moved that the Board of Health request City Council, when it considers this matter, to:
 - (i) request the Ministry of the Environment to operate a permanent air monitoring station near the Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant and the Highland Creek facility; and
 - (ii) request Toronto Water Division to provide on-going monitoring of the air quality within these three communities.

E. Fiona Nelson moved that the communication from the Toronto/East York Local Health Committee, which contains the following resolution, be received:

'WHEREAS there is concern about pollution burden in South Riverdale and the Beaches areas, and its impact on the health of residents;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Toronto/East York Local Health Committee recommends that the Toronto Board of Health oppose the building of an incinerator in these areas;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any other industrial projects considered for this area be carefully evaluated for their cumulative impact on the community's health, by both city staff and the Ministry of the Environment prior to any implementation'.

Motion A., moved by Councillor Fletcher, **Carried**. Motion B., moved by Councillor De Baeremaker, **Carried**. Motion C., moved by Councillor Fletcher, **Carried**. Motion D., moved by Valerie Sterling, **Carried**. Motion E., moved by Fiona Nelson, **Carried**.

(Minister of Environment; Works Committee; Toronto/East York Local Health Committee; c. Interested Persons – July 18, 2005)

7.3 Comments on the Draft Biosolids and Residuals Master Plan

The Board considered a report (June 27, 2005) from the Medical officer of Health, commenting on the biosolids program contained in the draft City of Toronto Biosolids and Residuals Master Plan in comparison to programs in other large urban areas in North America.

Recommendations:

- (1) the Board of Health request the General Manager of Toronto Water to:
 - (i) include in the scope of the peer review of the draft Biosolids and Residuals Master Plan the criteria used in the initial screening to short-list management options and the implementation of the decision-making tool;
 - (ii) investigate the merit of increasing alkalinity of drinking water supply as a means to reduce metals leaching from pipes in the water and wastewater systems; and
 - (iii) explore innovative technologies to produce safe and more diverse biosolids products and actively develop market opportunities more fully

before defining preferred management strategies for individual wastewater treatment plants;

- (2) the Board of Health request the Ontario Ministers of Agriculture and Food and of the Environment to undertake the regular monitoring of soil, vegetation or water after biosolids are applied to land and if necessary make such monitoring a requirement under provincial regulations, and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Board also considered the following:

- Communication (July 11, 2005) from Karen Buck, President, Citizens for a Safe Environment
- Communication (July 11, 2005) from Paul Young, Health Promoter, South Riverdale Community Health Centre
- Communication (July 11, 2005) from Aliss Terpstra RNCP, Board member of International Institute of Concern for Public Health and Research Co-ordinator for Fluoride Toxicity Research Collaborative
- Communication (July 11, 2005) from Constance Brown Demb

The following persons appeared before the Board:

- Constance Brown Demb
- Aliss Terpstra RNCP, Board member of International Institute of Concern for Public Health and Research Co-ordinator for Fluoride Toxicity Research Collaborative
- Karen Buck, President, Citizens for a Safe Environment
- Michael Rosenberg
- Sandra Bussin, Councillor, Ward 32 Beaches-East York, and Deputy Mayor
- A. Councillor Fletcher moved that the Board of Health:
 - (1) adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 27, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, subject to:
 - (a) amending Recommendation (1) in the report by adding the words "in collaboration with the Medical Officer of Health" after the words "General Manager of Toronto Water", so it now reads as follows:

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- "(1) The Board of Health request the General Manager of Toronto Water, in collaboration with the Medical Officer of Health to:"
- (b) add a further recommendation (1)(iv) in the report, as follows:
 - "(1)(iv) that the Board of Health request that the involvement of Toronto Public Health in the above tasks be funded through the Biosolids Review Master Plan;" and
- (2) direct the Medical Officer of Health and the Acting General Manager of Toronto Water to report back jointly on the establishment of a citizen and academic advisory panel to the City of Toronto on the beneficial use of biosolids.
- B. Councillor Davis moved that the Board of Health request that the report scheduled to be presented to the Works Committee in September, 2005 on the draft biosolids and residuals master plan RFP for the selection of the peer review facilitator and other matters be a joint report from the Medical Officer of Health and the General Manager of Toronto Water Division, such report to be presented to both the Board of Health and the Works Committee at their meetings in September, 2005.

Motion A. moved by Councillor Fletcher, **Carried**. Motion B. moved by Councillor Davis, **Carried**.

(Minister of Environment; Minister of Agriculture and Food; c. Interested Persons – July 18, 2005)

7.4 Update on Ontario's Plan to Revise Air Quality Emission Standards (All Wards)

The Board considered a report (June 27, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, providing an update on the Ministry of the Environment's plan to revise air quality emission standards.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Board of Health receive this report for information.

The Board also considered the following:

- Communication (July 11, 2005) from Karen Buck, President, Citizens for a Safe Environment

- Communication (July 11, 2005) from Paul Young, Health Promoter, South Riverdale Community Health Centre
- Communication (July 11, 2005) from Aliss Terpstra RNCP, Board member of International Institute of Concern for Public Health and Research Co-ordinator for Fluoride Toxicity Research Collaborative
- Communication (July 11, 2005) from Constance Brown Demb

The following persons appeared before the Board:

- Constance Brown Demb
- Aliss Terpstra RNCP, Board member of International Institute of Concern for Public Health and Research Co-ordinator for Fluoride Toxicity Research Collaborative
- Karen Buck, President, Citizens for a Safe Environment

On motion by Fiona Nelson, the Board of Health received the report (June 27, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health.

(Interested Persons – July 18, 2005)

7.5 iPHIS Implementation

The Board considered a report (June 23, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, requesting authorization for the Toronto Public Health (TPH) to implement the provincially mandated Integrated Public Health Information System (iPHIS) for communicable disease control.

Recommendations:

- (1) the City execute further agreements from time to time with the Province's Smart Systems for Health Agency (SSHA) to amend or replace any existing or future Services Level Agreement (SLA) including any referred to in Recommendation (2) below, relating to the use by TPH of any of the MOHLTC's systems for storage and retrieval of various types of health-related information, in order to accommodate that Agency's desire for province-wide standardization of the terms of the SLAs, as long as there is continued compliance with all the data safeguards called for in the original authorization respecting the SLA, and provided that the Medical Officer of Health and the Executive Director of Information and Technology are satisfied as to content and the City Solicitor is satisfied as to form;
- (2) the City execute whatever supplementary documentation is necessary to extend the scope of existing SLAs as described in Recommendation (1) above to enable

use by TPH of the Province's new mandatory iPHIS for communicable disease and outbreak control data, on the basis set forth in this report, subject to the requirements set forth in that Recommendation;

- (3) an amount of \$63,039.00 gross expenditure and \$63,039.00 revenue be added to the 2005 Toronto Public Health Operating Budget to support the iPHIS implementation activities;
- (4) the condition for approval of the \$0.628 million for the integrated Public Health Information System project based on receiving \$0.345 million funding from the Province, be rescinded;
- (5) if the provincial funding for the project in 2005 in the amount of \$0.345 million is not received then Toronto Public Health will provide Capital from Current funding for this amount from its 2006 operating budget;
- (6) the Medical Officer of Health report on the status of the funding for this project through the 2006 first quarter capital variance report; and
- (7) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect to these recommendations.

The Board of Health recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 23, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health.

(Report 6 – Clause 1)

7.6 Toronto Public Health 2006 – 2010 Capital Plan and Budget Submission

The Board considered a report (June 24, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, providing an overview of the Toronto Public Health 2006 - 2010 Capital Plan and Budget Submission for the Toronto Board of Health's review and approval.

Recommendations:

- (1) the 2006 2010 Toronto Public Health Capital Plan and Budget totalling \$19,032.2 thousand as detailed in Appendix 1, "Toronto Public Health 2006 – 2010 Capital Budget & Plan" be endorsed;
- (2) ten new Information & Technology and six new Facilities sub-projects with a total project cost of \$19,032.2 thousand and 2006 cash flow of \$6,165.0 thousand and future year commitments of \$5,615.4 thousand for 2007, \$4,074.8 thousand for 2008, \$2,849.0 thousand for 2009, and \$328.0 thousand for 2010, be approved;

- (3) one previously approved project with a carry forward cashflow from 2005 to 2006 totalling \$1,070.0 thousand be approved;
- (4) an amount of \$134.2 thousand be contributed to the Public Health Efficiency Reserve Fund for five years starting in 2007 for the purpose of offsetting the cost of the Animal Services On-line Licence Renewal project;
- (5) the operating impacts of \$414.4 thousand for 2006, \$593.6 thousand for 2007, \$562.5 thousand for 2008, \$42.2 thousand for 2009, and \$657.1 thousand for 2010, totalling \$2,269.8 thousand as detailed in Appendix 2, "Toronto Public Health 2006 – 2010 Operating Impact of Capital" within the overall scope of Toronto Public Health 2006 and future years' operating budget submissions be approved;
- (6) this report be forwarded to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration; and
- (7) that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Board of Health adopted the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 24, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health and recommended to the Budget Advisory Committee that:

- the 2006 2010 Toronto Public Health Capital Plan and Budget totalling \$19,032.2 thousand as detailed in Appendix 1, "Toronto Public Health 2006 2010 Capital Budget & Plan" be endorsed;
- (2) ten new Information & Technology and six new Facilities subprojects with a total project cost of \$19,032.2 thousand and 2006 cash flow of \$6,165.0 thousand and future year commitments of \$5,615.4 thousand for 2007, \$4,074.8 thousand for 2008, \$2,849.0 thousand for 2009, and \$328.0 thousand for 2010, be approved;
- (3) one previously approved project with a carry forward cashflow from 2005 to 2006 totalling \$1,070.0 thousand be approved;
- (4) an amount of \$134.2 thousand be contributed to the Public Health Efficiency Reserve Fund for five years starting in 2007 for the purpose of offsetting the cost of the Animal Services On-line Licence Renewal project; and
- (5) the operating impacts of \$414.4 thousand for 2006, \$593.6 thousand for 2007, \$562.5 thousand for 2008, \$42.2 thousand for 2009, and \$657.1 thousand for 2010, totalling \$2,269.8 thousand as detailed in Appendix 2, "Toronto Public Health 2006 2010 Operating Impact of Capital" within the overall scope of Toronto

Public Health 2006 and future years' operating budget submissions be approved.

(Budget Advisory Committee – July 18, 2005)

7.7 Sole Source Contract for 100% Provincially Funded Parenting Program

The Board considered a report (June 27, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, seeking Council authority to exceed the \$500,000 limit to enter into a sole source contract with The Incredible Years for the provision of training, consultation, and program materials related to The Incredible Years Parent, Child and Teacher Programs.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- the Medical Officer of Health be authorized to award and execute a purchase of service contract in 2005 with The Incredible Years in the amount of \$200,000 USD including all taxes and charges;
- (2) this report be forwarded to City Council for approval; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Board of Health recommended that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 27, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health.

(Report 6 – Clause 1)

7.8 Portlands Energy Centre (Ward 30) – Works Committee Report 6, Clause 10

The Board considered a communication (June 20, 2005) from the City Clerk, advising that City Council, on June 14, 15 and 16, 2005, considered Clause 10 of the Works Committee Report 6, titled "Portlands Energy Centre (Ward 30)" and directed that a copy be forwarded to the Board of Health.

On motion by Fiona Nelson, the Board of Health received the communication (June 20, 2005) from the City Clerk.

7.9 Toronto Bike Plan – Year 3 Progress Report (2004)

The Board considered a communication (June 22, 2005) from the Toronto Cycling Committee, advising that the Toronto Cycling Committee, at its meeting held on June 20,

2005, among other things, recommended that the Board of Health request the Medical Officer of Health to:

- (a) assist the Toronto Cycling Committee in promoting cycling as one of the means to reduce smog and improve air quality; and
- (b) arrange a presentation to the Toronto Cycling Committee by Toronto Public Health staff regarding:
 - (i) air quality;
 - (ii) fitness;
 - (iii) injury prevention; and
 - (iv) disease prevention

as it relates to promoting cycling as one of the tools to help improve the quality of life for the citizens of Toronto.

On motion by Fiona Nelson, the Board of Health requested the Medical Officer of Health to:

- (1) discuss the promotion of cycling as one of the means to reduce smog and improve air quality with the Toronto Cycling Committee; and
- (2) arrange a presentation to the Toronto Cycling Committee by Toronto Public Health staff regarding:
 - (i) air quality;
 - (ii) fitness;
 - (iii) injury prevention; and
 - (iv) disease prevention

as it relates to promoting cycling as one of the tools to help improve the quality of life for the citizens of Toronto.

(Toronto Cycling Committee – July 11, 2005)

7.10 Early Consultation with Industry on Policy Changes and Other Matters Affecting Manufacturing in Toronto.

The Board considered a communication (May 26, 2005) from the City Clerk, Works Committee, advising that the Works Committee at its meeting held on May 26, 2005, referred the following recommendation, contained in the submission from the Toronto Industry Network, to the Board of Health for consideration:

"We recommend that the Works Committee be more involved in Board of Health initiatives that have a Works mandate."

The Board of Health received the communication (May 26, 2005) from the Works Committee.

(Works Committee – July 18, 2005)

7.11. Croplife v. City of Toronto

The Board considered a report (May 27, 2005) from the City Solicitor, reporting on the outcome of proceedings before the Court of Appeal for Ontario in the Croplife Canada challenge of the City of Toronto's Pesticide By-law.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that this report be forwarded to Council for information.

The Board also considered a communication (June 29, 2005) from the Administration Committee, advising that the Administration Committee received the report (May 27, 2005) from the City Solicitor regarding Croplife v. City of Toronto and congratulated City Legal staff.

The Board of Health received the report (May 27, 2005) from the City Solicitor.

7.12 Establishment of a Toronto Public Health Dental Clinic in the North York Civic Centre

The Board considered a report (June 27, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, requesting approval to establish a Toronto Public Health Dental Clinic in the North York Civic Centre.

Recommendations:

- (1) the Board of Health approve the establishment of a Toronto Public Health dental clinic at the North York Civic Centre to replace the North York school mobile dental program;
- (2) \$300,000 be included in the Toronto Public Health 2006 Capital Budget Request for renovation costs at the North York Civic Centre to accommodate a dental clinic;
- (3) the hours of operation of the proposed clinic be the same as other Toronto Public Health dental clinics;

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- (4) \$130,000 from the 2006 savings realised from the closure of the school clinics in the north region of the City be included in the 2006 Operating Budget request on a one-time basis to purchase the required dental equipment for the dental clinic at the North York Civic Centre;
- (5) \$20,000 from the 2006 savings realised from the closures be included in the 2006 Operating Budget request for ongoing maintenance cost associated with the use of the space; and
- (6) a request be included in the 2006 Public Health Operating Budget Submission to further harmonize city-wide dental services for seniors living in Long-Term Care facilities, utilizing the \$120,000 estimated balance of the 2006 annual savings resulting from the restructuring of the delivery of dental services in North York.

The Board also considered the following:

- Petition submitted by Toronto Chinese Community Services Association with approximately 591 signatures, in support of establishing a public health dental clinic at the North York Civic Centre;
- Communication (March 8, 2005) from Danny Mui, Executive Director, Centre for Information & Community Services.
- Communication (March 9, 2005) from Rebecca Lee, Executive Director, SEAS Centre.
- Communication (March 22, 2005) from Dawin Kong, Executive Director, Toronto Chinese Community Services Association.
- Communication (April 12, 2005) from Dr. Paul Yeung.

The Board of Health adopted the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 27, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health.

(Interested Persons – July 11, 2005)

7.13 North York Local Health Committee Minutes

The Board considered the Minutes of the North York Local Health Committee meeting held on April 6, 2005.

The Board of Health received the Minutes of the North York Local Health Committee meeting held on April 6, 2005.

7.14 Presentation on City's Clean Air Strategy

On motion by Brian Hyndman, the Board of Health deferred this item to its next meeting on September 26, 2005.

7.15 Performance Appraisal – Medical Officer of Health

The Board considered a communication (June 30, 2005) from the Medical Officer of Health, providing a summary of accomplishments for 2004, as requested by the Board of Health Performance Appraisal Subcommittee, for consideration by the Board of Health.

On motion by Brian Hyndman, the Board of Health recessed at 5:50 p.m. and went in-camera because the subject matter relates to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, with the following members present:

Councillor John Filion, Chair; Cathy Crowe; Councillor Janet Davis; Councillor Paula Fletcher, Vice-Chair; Brian Hyndman; Fiona Nelson; Rhonda Roffey; Valerie Sterling; and Councillor De Baeremaker.

The Board of Health adjourned its private meeting at 6:00 p.m. and resumed its public session at 6:02 p.m. with the following members present:

Councillor John Filion, Chair; Cathy Crowe; Councillor Janet Davis; Councillor Paula Fletcher, Vice-Chair; Brian Hyndman; Fiona Nelson; Rhonda Roffey; Valerie Sterling; and Councillor De Baeremaker.

On motion by Brian Hyndman, the Board of Health:

- (1) accepted the confidential recommendations of the Medical Officer of Health Performance Appraisal Subcommittee;
- (2) forwarded a confidential request to the Medical Officer of Health Performance Appraisal Committee; and

(3) further advised that, in accordance with the Municipal Act, discussions pertaining to the matter were held in camera, because the subject dealt with personal matters about an identifial individual, including municipal or local board employees.

7.16 Hot Weather Response

The Board considered the following:

- Communication (July 6, 2005) from Michael Shapcott, on behalf of Steering Committee, Toronto Disaster Relief Committee
- Copy of Communication (July 6, 2005) from Michael Shapcott, on behalf of Steering Committee, Toronto Disaster Relief Committee to Minister of Labour and Housing
- Submission by Michael Shapcott, dated July 11, 2005 and entitled, "Killer heat, Killer smog: Toronto Board of Health must commit to action to protect lives and health of tenants during extreme heat and smog."
- Communication (July 11, 2005) from Don Weitz, forwarding copy of letter (July 7, 2005) from Dr. Bonnie Burstow, Shaindl Diamond, Don Weitz, Executive Committee, Coalition Against Psychiatric Assault sent to Dr. Barry McLellan, Chief Coroner of Ontario

A staff presentation was made by Dr. David McKeown, Medical Officer of Health.

The following persons appeared before the Committee:

- Michael Shapcott, Steering Committee, Toronto Disaster Relief Committee; and
- Pablo Escobar, Rooming House Policy Worker at Woodgreen Community Services.
- A. Cathy Crowe moved that:
 - (1) the Board of Health direct Toronto Public Health, EMS and the Canadian Red Cross to hold an emergency meeting to evaluate the adequacy of Toronto's Hot Weather Alert Protocol (e.g. availability of TTC tokens, cots, food in cooling centres and the number and locations of the cooling centres);
 - (2) the Board of Health communicate to the Chief Coroner of Ontario the Board of Health's support for the community's request for an inquest into the death of Richard Howell;

- (3) that the Medical Officer of Health, in consultation with other municipal staff, community partners, health care professionals, tenants and others, develop and implement a community response protocol for extreme heat and smog.;
- (4) that the Medical Officer of Health, in consultation with community partners, immediately review and update the Personal Care By-law and confirm its legal status.
- (5) that the Board of Health communicate to the City's Community and Social Services Division that it immediately develop a community response protocol regarding extreme heat and smog conditions as they affect psychiatric survivors, the elderly, people with disabilities and others taking medication;
- (6) that the Medical Officer of Health request the Chief Executive Officer of Toronto Community Housing Corporation to report to the Board of Health and Community Services Committee on the implications of implementing a maximum temperature standard including numbers of low income tenants who pay their own hydro and identify the buildings affected;
- (7) the Board of Health direct that the submission (July 11, 2005) from Michael Shapcott, Toronto Disaster Relief Committee, and the action taken by the Board of Health, at its meeting on July 11, 2005, be forwarded to the Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons.
- B. Fiona Nelson moved that the Board of Health direct the Medical Officer of Health to report back to the Board as soon as possible with recommendations on establishing maximum temperature standards to deal with excessive heat in residences including appropriate bylaws and the staff from the relevant Divisions and budgets required to give these standards effect.
- C. Councillor Janet Davis moved that the following Parts of Motion A., moved by Cathy Crower be referred to the Medical Officer of Health, for a report back to the Board of Health:
 - (a) Part (3) of Motion A. moved by Cathy Crowe:

"that the Medical Officer of Health, in consultation with other municipal staff, community partners, health care professionals, tenants and others, develop and implement a community response protocol for extreme heat and smog";

(b) Part (4) of Motion A. moved by Cathy Crowe:

"that the Medical Officer of Health, in consultation with community partners, immediately review and update the Personal Care By-law and confirm its legal status";

(c) Part (5) of Motion A. moved by Cathy Crowe:

"that the Board of Health communicate to the City's Community and Social Services Division that it immediately develop a community response protocol regarding extreme heat and smog conditions as they affect psychiatric survivors, the elderly, people with disabilities and others taking medication"; and

(d) Part (6) of Motion a. moved by Cathy Crowe:

"that the Medical Officer of Health request the Chief Executive Officer of Toronto Community Housing Corporation to report to the Board of Health and Community Services Committee on the implications of implementing a maximum temperature standard including numbers of low income tenants who pay their own hydro and identify the buildings affected".

Voting:

Motion C., moved by Councillor Davis, **Carried**. Motion A., moved by Cathy Crowe, as amended by Motion C., moved by Councillor Davis, **Carried**.

Motion B., moved by Fiona Nelson, Carried.

(Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons – July 13, 2005; Canadian Red Cross; Chief Coroner of Ontario; c. Interested Persons – July 19, 2005)

7.17 Funding for Toronto Trails Festival

The Board considered a communication (July 8, 2005) from Economic Development and Parks Committee, advising that the Economic Development and Parks Committee recommended to Council for its meeting on July 19, 2005, that City Council adopt the staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (June 24, 2005) from the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation, and directed that the report be forwarded to the Board of Health for its information.

On motion by Councillor De Baeremaker, the Board of Health, in accordance with the provisions of Section 38, Supplementary Items, of By-law No. 1-1998 to govern the proceedings of the Board of Health for the City of Toronto Health Unit, waived the requirement that the supplementary item by placed on the agenda for the next subsequent meeting, and decided to consider same at that meeting, which carried, more than two-thirds of members present, having voted in the affirmative.

A. Councillor De Baeremaker, on behalf of Councillor Mihevc, moved that the Board of Health adopt the following Resolution:

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Health request the City's Deputy City Manager/Chief Financial Officer to report directly to Council for its meeting on July 19, 20 and 21, 2005, on a funding source to fund the printing of the brochure and posters for the 2005 Toronto Trails Festival in consultation with the Medical Officer of Health and General Manager of Parks & Recreation."

B. Valerie Sterling moved that the Board of Health receive the communication (July 8, 2005) from the Economic Development and Parks Committee and take no action.

Motion A., moved by Councillor De Baeremaker, **Lost**. Motion B., moved by Valerie Sterling, **Carried**.

(Economic Development and Parks Committee – July 19, 2005)

The Board of Health adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Chair