

**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
AGENDA
MEETING 4**

Date of Meeting: Thursday, June 8, 2006
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Committee Room 1
City Hall
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, Ontario

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If the Community Services Committee wishes to meet in camera (privately), a motion must be made to do so, and the reason must be given (*Municipal Act, 2001*).

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

Confirmation of Minutes – May 8, 2006

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

Item 3	9:30 a.m. (Public Notice)
Item 5	Presentation
Item 9	Presentation
Item 13	10:00 a.m.
Item 19	11:30 a.m.

Communications/Reports:

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

1. Amendment to Sole Source Contract 47010425 with M/A-COM

Report (May 17, 2006) from the Chief and General Manager, Emergency Medical Services, and the Acting Director, Purchasing and Materials Management, requesting Council's authority to increase the sole source contract with M/A-COM (Contract 47010425) for the provision of proprietary operating accessories, maintenance,

repairs and supplies for the Enhanced Digital Access Communications (EDACS) trunking radio system to Toronto EMS.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Contract 47010425 with M/A-COM be amended by \$168,500.00 from \$195,500.00 to \$364,000.00, including all applicable taxes and charges;
- (2) the validity date of Contract 47010425 be amended to December 31, 2007; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

2. Request for Authority to Enter into an Agreement with St. John Ambulance (Toronto District) for the Rental of Decommissioned Ambulances

Report (May 24, 2006) from the Chief and General Manager, Emergency Medical Services, seeking Toronto City Council's approval to permit Toronto Emergency Medical Services ("EMS") to enter into an agreement with St. John Ambulance (Toronto District) (herein referred to as St. John) for the rental of decommissioned Toronto EMS ambulances.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Chief/General Manager, Toronto Emergency Medical Services, be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City, an agreement with St. John for the rental and possible sale of three decommissioned ambulances, or more if required and available, such agreement to contain the terms and conditions set out in the body of this report;
- (2) the net revenues received from the rental or sale of the vehicles to St. John be redirected to Toronto EMS' Vehicle Reserve fund to offset future vehicle purchases; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be given the authority to give effect thereto.

FIRE SERVICES

3. Increased Charge for Special Request Services Per Hour for Toronto Fire Services' Personnel for Services After Normal Business Hours

(Public Notice)

Report (May 8, 2006) from the Fire Chief and General Manager, proposing an amendment to Section 441-1 of the Municipal Code to charge for the full cost of Fire Services' personnel conducting services after normal business hours.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Item 25 of Schedule "A" (Fee Schedule for Fire Services/Inspections) to Municipal Code Chapter 441- Fees, being the hourly rate per person for Special Request Services, be amended by deleting the existing hourly fee of \$45.00 per person and replacing it with an hourly fee for Special Request Services, charged at time and one half per hour, of \$63.00 per hour for each Firefighter/Inspector, \$76.00 per hour for each Captain, and \$87.00 per hour for each District Chief, plus an administration/processing fee of seven percent of the total of Toronto Fire Services personnel fees per work order and applicable G.S.T.;
- (2) fees for all Toronto Fire Services personnel for training programs offered to municipalities and private/public corporations, and any activity conducted by Fire Services outside of normal business hours be based on Recommendation (1) in order to enable full-cost recovery to be achieved; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

4. Fire at 35 Ardmore Road and Hydrant Maintenance

(In-Camera – Litigation or Potential Litigation)

Confidential report (May 2, 2006) from Deputy City Manager Fareed Amin, the Fire Chief and General Manager and the General Manager, Toronto Water, respecting the "Fire at 35 Ardmore Road and Hydrant Maintenance", such report to be considered in-camera as the subject matter relates to Litigation or Potential Litigation.

CHILDREN'S SERVICES

5. Toronto First Duty Phase 1 Final Report

(Presentation)

Report (May 24, 2006) from the General Manager, Children's Services, providing information on the Toronto First Duty Phase 1 Summary Report; describing sustainable elements of the First Duty Projects; and recommending changes to the City's Operating Criteria and Purchase of Service Budget Guidelines.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the City's Operating Criteria for Child Care Programs be amended to include program integration;
- (2) the staffing costs related to integration, including professional development, planning and staff release time be included as allowable expenditures under the City's Purchase of Service Budgets Guidelines; and
- (3) the appropriate City official be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

6. Update on Best Start Funding and Principles for a Revised Service Plan

Report (May 24, 2006) from the General Manager, Children's Services, providing an update on provincial funding commitments for Best Start for 2006 and seeking approval of the principles for a revised Child Care Service Plan.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the principles for a revised Service Plan contained in appendix A be approved;
- (2) the General Manager, Children's Services, use the approved principles to develop an updated Child Care Service Plan which reflects provincial funding allocations and report back to the July 2006 Community Service Committee; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

HOMES FOR THE AGED

7. Homes for the Aged – 2005 Employee Satisfaction Survey

Communication (May 19, 2006) from the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged, advising that the Advisory Committee on May 19, 2006, referred the report (May 5, 2006) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, respecting the results of the 2005 Employee Satisfaction Survey conducted in the Homes for the Aged Division to the Community Services Committee for its information.

8. Smoke-Free Ontario Act – Impact on the Homes for the Aged

Report (May 23, 2006) from General Manager, Homes for the Aged, informing the Community Services Committee about the impact of Regulation 48/06 of the Smoke-Free Ontario Act to residents in the Homes for the Aged and clients of the community-based programs and seeking authority to proceed with the necessary capital upgrades.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Homes for the Aged submit an application to the Ministry of Health Promotion by June 30, 2006 as required under Regulation 48/06, requesting an exemption under the *Smoke-Free Ontario Act*, and indicating that the City intends to meet the requirements for controlled smoking areas by the required date of December 31, 2006;
- (2) plans be initiated immediately to retrofit three of the City of Toronto's Homes for the Aged, namely Castleview Wychwood Towers, Fudger House and Kipling Acres, to meet compliance with Ontario Regulation 48/06 of the *Smoke-Free Ontario Act*;
- (3) construction of controlled smoking areas in these three Homes be managed through the HFA Capital Maintenance Program budget, and if additional funding is required, a maximum of \$300,000.00 be provided from the HFA Capital Reserve Fund through the year-end Capital Variance Reporting;
- (4) staff report back to the July 5, 2006, meeting of the Community Services Committee with respect to the remaining seven of the City of Toronto's Homes for the Aged, indicating if they should also be retrofitted or whether they should be operated as smoke-free environments; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

SHELTER, SUPPORT AND HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

9. Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative (SCPI) Update and Funding Recommendations

(Presentation)

Report (May 23, 2006) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, providing an update on the Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative (SCPI) and seeking approval for funding recommendations.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration be authorized to enter into a service agreement with the United Way of Greater Toronto for up to \$325,000.00 to undertake a second phase of a joint initiative to maintain and build community agency capacity and to report back to Community Services Committee on the results of this initiative in 2007;
- (2) the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration be authorized to extend existing service agreements with Frontier College and St Clare's Multifaith Housing Society to December 31, 2006 for up to \$20,900.00 and \$7,100.00 respectively to continue to provide services to homeless youth and adults;
- (3) between October 1, 2006 and March 31, 2007, Council authorize the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration to approve allocations of any unexpended SCPI funding to projects and initiatives that are in line with the objectives of the SCPI Community Plan, and to enter into any necessary agreements to give effect thereto; and to report to Council on any such allocations and agreements early in 2007. This authority would not apply to approvals related to new transitional or supportive housing development projects;
- (4) the 2007 Operating Budget for Shelter, Support and Housing Administration be adjusted to include the SCPI funding for January through March 2007; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

10. Resolution from the Aboriginal Affairs Committee Regarding Funding for the Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative (SCPI) Program

Communication (April 24, 2006) from the Chair, Aboriginal Affairs Committee, advising that the Aboriginal Affairs Committee on April 19, 2006, recommended that City Council urge the Prime Minister of Canada and the Federal Minister of Finance to extend the Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative (SCPI) Program at similar funding levels for a further five years beyond March 31, 2007.

11. Recommendations Submitted by the Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons

Communication (May 23, 2006) from Councillor Jane Pitfield, Co-Chair, Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons, advising that the Advisory Committee on April 24, 2006 and May 15, 2006, passed the following motions:

- (1) ask Council to call on the Canadian military to not use Toronto's City parks for military training with guns;
- (2) request a report from the City Manager on monies allocated from the City budget to track deaths related to homelessness;
- (3) request a report from staff on developing a City policy to provide cash honoraria to homeless people rather than fast food coupons in return for their participation;
- (4) ask Council to call upon the Provincial Government to strike down the Safe Streets Act immediately and to forward this resolution to all three political parties and request a response within one week's time;
- (5) reinforce to Council and the citizens of Toronto that the homeless crisis has not been solved as long as there are over 4,000 people spending the nights in the emergency shelter system; and
- (6) ask Council to ask the government of Ontario to raise the per diem in shelter to meet the actual costs of providing shelter in the City of Toronto and to raise rates pursuant to inflation thereafter.

SOCIAL SERVICES

12. Update on Delivery of Employment Services to Ontario Works Clients in Toronto

Report (May 23, 2006) from the General Manager, Social Services, providing an update on the delivery of employment services to Ontario Works clients in Toronto by recommended organizations approved by Council at its meeting of June 14, 15 and 16, 2005.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

13. Report of the Task Force on Modernizing Income Security for Working-Age Adults

(Speakers – 10:00 a.m.)

Report (May 23, 2006) from the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration, requesting that Toronto Council endorse the general directions of the report released by the Task Force on Modernizing Income Security for Working-Age Adults, entitled “Time for a Fair Deal”.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Toronto Council endorse the general directions of the report released by the Task Force on Modernizing Income Security for Working-Age Adults and forward a communication to that effect to the Prime Minister of Canada and the Premier of Ontario; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

14. Enhancements to Youth Civic Engagement and Integrated Service Delivery in Priority Neighbourhood Areas

Report (May 23, 2006) from the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration, recommending a program model for the allocation of the additional \$150,000.00 approved by Council as a part of the 2006 Community Partnership and Investment Program to enhance opportunities for youth civic engagement in priority neighbourhood areas; seeking approval for delegated authority to issue these funds; providing a final update on the status of 2004-5 projects funded with Ontario Works Target Incentive Funds; and recommending that the \$259,484.81 in under-expenditures from this Fund be used to support integrated service delivery and innovative service partnerships in priority neighbourhood areas.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the \$150,000.00 for youth civic engagement activities under the 2006 Community Partnership and Investment Program be allocated as a part of the Identify 'N Impact Youth Investment Program, which has the following parameters:
 - (a) allocations will be made to youth-led groups and organisations in the City's 13 priority neighbourhood areas, with an emphasis on youth-led organisations that are comprised of and/or work with racialized youth, particularly African Canadian youth;
 - (b) funds will be allocated to eligible groups and organisations for activities that build their organisational capacity for needs identification, planning, problem solving, prioritisation, decision-making, and collective, community-focused action;
 - (c) a panel comprised of youth from the 13 priority neighbourhood areas will develop recommendations for allocations under the program; and
 - (d) the maximum individual allocation under the program will be \$10,000.00;
- (2) the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration be delegated the authority to allocate funds under the Identify 'N Impact Youth Investment Program;
- (3) the \$259,484.81 in under-expenditures from the Ontario Works Target Incentive Fund be used to support the development and implementation of integrated service delivery and innovative service partnerships in the City's 13 priority neighbourhood areas;

- (4) the Social Development, Finance and Administration 2006 operating budget be adjusted by an increase of \$259,484.81 gross, zero net; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

15. Community Partnership and Investment Program – 2006 Allocations for Food Security Investment Program (FSIP), Social Development Investment Program (SDIP), and Snow Shovelling and Lawn Care Program

Report (May 18, 2006) from the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration, presenting recommendations for municipal support under the 2006 Food Security Investment Program (FSIP); 2006 Social Development Investment Program (SDIP) and 2006 Snow Shovelling and Lawn Care Program.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Food Security Investment Program allocations totalling \$300,000.00 to 10 organizations as described in Appendix 1 be approved;
- (2) the Service Development Investment Program allocations totalling \$250,000.00 to 7 organizations as described in Appendix 2 of this report be approved;
- (3) the Snow Shovelling and Lawn Care Program allocations totalling \$344,383.00 to 12 organizations, as described in Appendix 3, be approved;
- (4) an amount of \$31,717.00 be used to address transition issues and individual subsidy claims; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

16. Increasing the Supply of Space Available for Community Use

Report (May 24, 2006) from Deputy City Manager Sue Corke documenting the need for increased access to space by community-based social service and cultural groups, to propose a policy direction; request that the Property Management Committee explore the feasibility of implementing such a policy, and recommending that Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer explore the feasibility of relieving non-profit groups of the cost of paying building permit fees for the development of new facilities.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Property Management Committee establish a working group to explore the feasibility of implementing a policy designating use by non-profit community organizations serving vulnerable neighbourhoods as a priority for the allocation of surplus City-owned space and report to Council through the Administration Committee;
- (2) the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer, in consultation with the Chief Building Official, the General Manager of Economic Development and the City Solicitor, review the feasibility, including the legal and financial implications, of waiving building permit fees for the development by non-profit organizations of space for community, recreational and cultural use, and report back through the Policy and Finance Committee; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

17. Community Partnership and Investment Program: Community Safety Investment Program (CSI) – 2006 Allocations

Communication (May 10, 2006) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Partnership and Investment Program Appeals Sub-Committee on May 10, 2006, recommended to the Community Services Committee that City Council adopt the following staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (April 25, 2006) from the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Community Safety Investment allocations, totalling \$655,820.00 to 27 applicants as recommended in Appendices A and B of this report be approved and \$14,000.00 be held for appeals;
- (2) this report be forwarded to the Community Services Committee; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

(Note: A copy of Appendix E: Detailed Organization Recommendations – Summary Sheets attached to the foregoing report was forwarded to all Members of Council with the May 10, 2006, agenda of the Community Partnership and Investment Program Appeals Sub-Committee.)

17(a). Community Partnership and Investment Program: Community Safety Investment Program (CSI) – 2006 Appeals Allocations

Report (May 22, 2006) from the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration, recommending allocations of the \$14,000.00 appeal fund for Community Safety Investment (CSI) Program.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Community Safety Investment (CSI) appeal fund of \$14,000.00 be allocated to the Centre for Spanish Speaking People and San Romanoway Revitalization Association, as recommended in Appendices 1 and 2 of this report; and
- (2) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

18. Community Partnership and Investment Program: Community Services Partnership (CSP) - 2006 Allocations

Communication (May 10, 2006) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Partnership and Investment Program Appeals Sub-Committee on May 10, 2006, recommended to the Community Services Committee that City Council adopt the following staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (April 25, 2006) from the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration:

- (1) the 2006 Community Service Partnerships allocations totalling \$10,193,370.00 for 484 programs in 230 organizations as described in Appendices “A” and “E” be approved, and that \$17,000.00 be held for appeals;
- (2) the base funding of \$12,000.00 to Project Canoe be transferred from the Community Service Partnerships envelope to the Recreation envelope within the Community Partnership Investment Program budget in 2006;
- (3) this report be forwarded to the Community Services Committee; and

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

(Note: A copy of Appendix B: Detailed Organization Recommendations – Summary Sheets attached to the foregoing report was forwarded to all Members of Council with the May 10, 2006, agenda of the Community Partnership and Investment Program Appeals Sub-Committee.)

18(a). Community Partnership and Investment Program: Community Service Partnerships (CSP) – 2006 Appeals Allocations

Report (May 23, 2006) from the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration, recommending allocation of the \$17,000.00 appeals fund for Community Services Partnerships (CSP).

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Community Services Partnership appeal fund of \$17,000.00 be allocated to Community Information Fairview, Senior Tamils Centre and Thorncliffe Neighbourhood Office for Social and Multicultural Development (TNO), as recommended in Appendices 1 and 2 of this report; and
- (2) the appropriate city Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

GENERAL

19. Canadian Auto Workers (CAW) Canadian Pension Charter

(Speaker – 11:30 a.m.)

Communication (May 17, 2006) from Roland Kiehne, President, CAW Local 112, requesting an opportunity to make a presentation to the Community Services Committee on the issue of pensions and attaching a copy of the CAW Canadian Pension Charter.

20. Proceedings of the Tenant Forum held on March 9, 2006

Communication (May 29, 2006) from the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee advising that the Sub-Committee on May 29, 2006, recommended to the Community Services Committee that City Council adopt the following staff recommendations in the Recommendations Section of the report (May 5, 2006) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration:

“It is recommended that:

- (1) the proceedings of the Tenant Forum attached as Appendix A be received for information;
- (2) the proceedings of the Tenant Forum be distributed to the following groups:
 - (a) the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Chair of the Ontario Rental Housing Tribunal, and the Minister responsible for the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation;
 - (b) Toronto-area elected officials from all three orders of government;
 - (c) key stakeholder groups such as tenant associations, landlord organizations, housing organizations and the legal services community; and
 - (d) individuals who made submissions at the Forum or requested copies of the Proceedings; and
- (3) Council urge the provincial government to move swiftly to repeal the *Tenant Protection Act* and to enact new legislation to regulate rents and protect the rights of tenants during the Spring 2006 sitting of the legislature.”

21. 467/469 Spadina Road – Financial Assistance to Fight Eviction

Communication (May 29, 2006) from the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee submitting a communication (May 25, 2006) from Councillor Michael Walker, Chair, Tenant Defence Sub-Committee, requesting a grant for the tenants of 467/469 Spadina Road to be used towards legal representation to fight the attempted eviction, to the Community Services Committee without recommendation.

22. Request to Remove Councillor Jane Pitfield as Co-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons

Communication (May 23, 2006) from Councillor Sylvia Watson, Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons, advising that the Advisory Committee on May 15, 2006, recommended to the Community Services Committee that City Council request the Striking Committee to remove Councillor Jane Pitfield as Co-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Homeless and Isolated Persons and another Council Member named as Co-Chair in her place.