

# TENANT DEFENCE SUB-COMMITTEE DECISION DOCUMENT MEETING 2

Date of Meeting: Thursday, March 2, 2006

Time: 2:00 p.m.

**Location:** Committee Room 1

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor City Hall 100 Queen Street West **Enquiry: Merle MacDonald, Acting** 

**Committee Administrator** 

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If the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee wishes to meet in-camera (privately) a motion must be made to do so and the reason given (Municipal Act, 2001).

Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act

Confirmation of Minutes – January 6, 2006 - Confirmed.

## **Communications/Reports:**

1. 2006 Status Report: Applications under the Tenant Support Grants Program

Action taken by the Sub-Committee:

The Tenant Defence Sub-Committee received the memorandum.

Memorandum (February 17, 2006) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, providing, for information, an update of the applications received under the 2000, 2001, 2002-2004, 2005 and 2006 Tenant Support Grant Program as of February 17, 2006.

2. Annual Report of the Tenant Defence Fund Outreach and Organizing Team – January 1 to December 31, 2005

Action taken by the Sub-Committee:

The Tenant Defence Sub-Committee received the memorandum.

Memorandum (February 17, 2006) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, forwarding a copy of the Annual Report of the Tenant Defence Fund Outreach and Organizing Team which outlines outreach and organizing activities for the 12-month period between January 1 and December 31, 2005, in accordance with the City's Purchase of Service Agreement.

3. Recommendations Proposed by Tenant Defence Sub-Committee with respect to the Reform of the *Tenant Protection Act* 

## Action taken by the Sub-Committee:

The Tenant Defence Sub-Committee forwarded the report and the communication to the General Manager of Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, for inclusion in the items to be discussed at the Tenant Forum on March 9, 2006.

Report (February 24, 2006) from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, providing a comparative analysis between the previously approved Council recommendations and the recommendations proposed by Councillor Walker with respect to changing the *Tenant Protection Act*.

## Recommendations:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

- **3(a).** Communication (February 24, 2006) from Brad Butt, Greater Toronto Apartment Association (GTAA)
- 4. Community Services Committee Report 1, Clause 7
  103-105 West Lodge Avenue Request for Clarification
  on a Legal Opinion Provided in a Public Document
  (In-camera Solicitor Client Privilege)

## Action taken by the Sub-Committee:

The Tenant Defence Sub-Committee postponed consideration of this matter until its meeting to be held on May 17, 2006.

Communication (February 9, 2006) from the City Clerk advising that City Council on January 31, February 1 and 2, 2006, referred this Clause back to the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee for further consideration, and that such report be considered in-camera as the subject matter relates the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege.

4(a). 103-105 West Lodge Avenue Request for Clarification on a Legal Opinion Provided in a Public Document (In-camera – Solicitor Client Privilege)

Confidential communication (January 6, 2006) addressed to the Community Services Committee, from the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee, respecting 103-105 West Lodge Avenue Request for Clarification on a Legal Opinion Provided in a Public Document, and that such report be considered in-camera as the subject matter relates the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege.

#### ITEMS WALKED ON

# 5, 48 Havelock Street Tenants – Application for Grant

#### Action taken by the Sub-Committee:

The Tenant Defence Sub-Committee submitted this matter to the Community Services Committee without recommendation, and requested:

- (1) the tenants of 48 Havelock Street to submit their grant application to staff as soon as possible; and
- (2) the General Manager of Shelter, Support and Housing Administration to submit a report to City Council with recommendations on the grant application.

Dan McIntyre, Program Co-ordinator, Outreach and Organizing Team, Federation of Metro Tenants' Associations, addressed the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee, in support of an application to be submitted by the 48 Havelock Tenants' Association, for a grant to assist the tenants at the Tribunal.

6. Provision of Administrative Support to the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee

#### Action taken by the Sub-Committee:

The Tenant Defence Sub-Committee received this matter as the motion was defeated on a tie vote.

Motion from Councillor Walker, that the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee forward a recommendation to City Council, for consideration with the 2006 Operating Budget, that the City Clerk's Office continue to provide administrative support to the Sub-Committee.