

Authority Executive Committee Item 22.5, adopted as amended,
by City of Toronto Council on July 15, 16 and 17, 2008
Enacted by Council: October 30, 2008

CITY OF TORONTO

BY-LAW No. 1129-2008

To amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 140, Lobbying, to simplify certain registration requirements and make technical amendments.

WHEREAS City Council at its meeting held on July 15, 16 and 17, 2008 approved policy changes to the lobbyist registry as outlined in Schedules 1 and 2 of the report set out in Executive Committee Item 22.5, authorized Municipal Code Chapter 140 to be amended as necessary and that the policy changes in Schedule 2 come into effect on a date to be determined by the Lobbyist Registrar; and

WHEREAS under sections 7 and 8 of the *City of Toronto Act, 2006* and the specific powers and restrictions respecting delegation in sections 20 to 24, the City may delegate its powers and duties under the Act to an officer or employee of the City, including administrative and quasi-judicial powers and legislative powers of a minor nature as provided in section 21; and

WHEREAS under § 169-29 of the Municipal Code the City Solicitor, in consultation with the City Clerk, may submit bills directly to Council to make technical amendments to the Municipal Code to correct technical errors;

The Council of the City of Toronto HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

1. Chapter 140, Lobbying, of The City of Toronto Municipal Code is amended as follows:
 - A. Section 140-15 is amended as follows:
 - (1) By deleting Subsections F and G and substituting the following:
 - “F. If, during the client’s fiscal year preceding the registration, or if no fiscal year applies, the calendar year preceding the registration, the client received funding from a government or government agency, the name of the government or government agency and the ministry, department, or program, as the case may be, that provided the funding.
 - G. If, to the knowledge of the consultant lobbyist, during the client’s fiscal year preceding the registration, or if no fiscal year applies, the calendar year preceding the registration, the client received a contribution of \$750 or more to the consultant lobbyist’s activities on behalf of the client:
 - (1) In the case of a contribution from an entity or organization that is not a government or government agency, the name of the entity or organization, the name of the contact person and the telephone number of the entity or organization;

- (2) In the case of a contribution from an individual, the name and telephone number of the individual; and
 - (3) If, to the knowledge of the consultant lobbyist the contribution was made by a party described in Subsection G(1) or (2), on behalf of another entity, organization or individual:
 - (a) The name of the other entity or organization, the name of the contact person and the telephone number of the entity or organization; and
 - (b) The name and telephone number of the other individual.”
 - (2) By deleting Subsection H.
- B. Section 140-21 is amended as follows:
- (1) Subsections B and C(1) are amended in each case by deleting “O and P” and substituting “O, P and P.1(2)”.
 - (2) Subsection D is amended as follows:
 - (a) By deleting “O and P” and substituting “O, P and P.1(2)”;
 - (b) By inserting “or committee” after “lobbyist”.
- C. Section 140-22 is amended as follows:
- (1) By amending Subsection F by deleting “If applicable, the” and substituting “The”.
 - (2) By deleting Subsections H and I and substituting the following:
 - “H. If, during the employer’s fiscal year preceding the registration, or if no fiscal year applies, the calendar year preceding the registration, the employer received funding from a government or government agency, the name of the government or government agency and the ministry, department, or program, as the case may be, that provided the funding.
 - I. If, to the knowledge of the senior officer, during the employer’s fiscal year preceding the registration, or if no fiscal year applies, the calendar year preceding the registration, the employer received a contribution of \$750 or more toward the in-house lobbyist’s activities on behalf of the employer:
 - (1) In the case of a contribution from an entity or organization that is not a government or government agency, the name of the entity or organization, the name of the contact person and the telephone number of the entity or organization;

- (2) In the case of a contribution from an individual, the name and telephone number of the individual; and
 - (3) If, to the knowledge of the senior officer the contribution was made by a party described in Subsection I(1) or (2), on behalf of another entity, organization or individual:
 - (a) The name of the other entity or organization, the name of the contact person and the telephone number of the entity or organization; and
 - (b) The name and telephone number of the other individual.”
 - (3) By deleting Subsection J.
 - (4) By adding the following Subsection:

“P.1. If a committee of an organization meets as a committee with a public office holder, the senior officer may register the information required under Subsections L, N, O and P by committee instead of each individual in-house lobbyist, as follows:

 - (1) Prior to the meeting, the senior officer holder shall register for each subject matter, the name of the committee and the date of the proposed committee meeting; and
 - (2) After the meeting, the senior officer shall register for each subject matter and committee, the names of the committee members and public office holders who attended the meeting.”
- D. Section 140-28C is amended by deleting “Subsection D” and substituting “Subsection E” [to reflect the renumbering of “Subsection D” to “Subsection E” by By-law No. 852-2008.]
- 2. In force date, application and transition.**
- A. Except as provided in Subsection B, Section 1 of this by-law comes into force on November 4, 2008.
 - B. Section 1D of this by-law is deemed to have come into force on July 17, 2008 [the in force date of By-law No. 852-2008].

- C. Despite Subsections A, the Lobbyist Registrar may permit such exceptions from the registration requirements, for example, additional time to file information, as the Registrar considers necessary to implement the additional amendments, enacted by section 1 of this by-law, to the simplified registration system enacted by By-law No. 852-2008, in cases where a lobbyist or senior officer was unable to register information as required under the amended simplified registration system, as a result of a temporary closure of the registry to make the system changes required to implement the amended simplified registration process.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 30th day of October, A.D. 2008.

GLORIA LINDSAY LUBY,
Deputy Speaker

ULLI S. WATKISS
City Clerk

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