

NOTICE OF MOTION

Elimination of Blue Jay Ticket Purchases for Councillors

Moved by: **Councillor Heaps**

Seconded by: **Councillor Stintz**

SUMMARY:

The current arrangement between the City of Toronto and Rogers Centre/Toronto Blue Jays Baseball Club originates from the construction of the Sky Dome (Rogers Centre), when the City of Toronto contracted with the Stadium Corporation of Ontario Limited for the lease of Suite 311 for \$1 for the term of the lease, and agreed to purchase 16 season tickets for all home games of the Toronto Blue Jays. In 2007 the cost to the City of Toronto was:

Blue Jays season tickets	\$86,028.50
Hostess	<u>\$ 9,300.00</u>
Total:	<u>\$95,328.50</u>

Under the current arrangement, the City pays for an entire season of box-seat tickets for every home game and then assigns them to individual Councillor offices, through a lottery system.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That City Council direct the City Clerk, effective December 1, 2007, to advise Rogers Centre and the Toronto Blue Jays Baseball Club that the City of Toronto will not be purchasing the Blue Jays home game tickets for Suite 311 for the 2008 baseball season.

October 22, 2007

According to Chapter 27, Council Procedures:

Notice given	
Fiscal Impact Statement provided	
Should have Fiscal Impact Statement prior to debate Requires two-thirds to waive requirement if Council wishes to debate	*
Should be referred to the Executive Committee Requires two-thirds vote to consider at this meeting	(√)
Motion Recommendations are Urgent	

* Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer to advise.