

Community Development and Recreation Committee

Meeting No. 3 **Contact** Candy Davidovits, Committee

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Meeting Date Monday, April 2, 2007 Phone 416-392-8032

Start Time 9:30 AM E-mail cdavidov@toronto.ca

Location Committee Room 1, City Hall

Community Development and Recreation Committee				
Councillor Joe Mihevc, Chair	Councillor Janet Davis, Vice-Chair	Councillor Frances Nunziata		
Councillor Maria Augimeri, Vice-Chair	Councillor Norm Kelly	Councillor David Shiner		

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Confirmation of Minutes – February 19, 2007

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

Item CD3.1 - 10:00 a.m.

Communications/Reports

CD3.1	Presentations		Transactional	
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Social Inclusion

Summary

Presentations by the following invited speakers on the issue of social inclusion:

- Ted Richmond, Program Coordinator, Inclusive Communities for Children, Youth and Families, Laidlaw Foundation;
- Uzma Shakir, Executive Director, South Asian Legal Clinic of Ontario (SALCO);
- Susan Pigott, Executive Lead for Citizen Engagement, Ontario Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform;
- Debbie Douglas, Executive Director, Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrants (OCASI); and
- Ken Battle, President, Caledon Institute of Social Policy.

CD3.2	ACTION		Transactional	Ward: 30
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Loan Guarantee for Creative Preschool

(March 8, 2007) report from General Manager, Children's Services

Recommendations

The General Manager, Children's Services Division, recommends that:

1. the City of Toronto provide a loan guarantee for up to \$100,000 on behalf of Creative Preschool (CPS) to its financial institution, to provide for leasehold improvements to preserve licensed spaces;

- 2. such guarantee and all related agreements be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the City Solicitor, the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer as well as the General Manager, Children's Services, and that the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer be requested to negotiate appropriate and adequate safeguards, to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor, with the City being promptly advised in the event of default or delay in the payment of interest;
- 3. the City enters into an agreement with CPS with respect to the line of credit guarantee;
- 4. the City enters into a tri-party agreement with CPS and its financial institution with respect to the line of credit guarantee;
- 5. the guarantee be deemed to be in the interest of the municipality; and
- 6. the appropriate officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Financial Impact

The recommendations will have no financial impact beyond what has already been approved in the current year's budget.

There is no direct cost to the City for providing this guarantee unless CPS defaults on its obligation and the City cannot recover any funds from the organization. In future years, if there were a default, there could be a financial impact in the City's budget. That impact would be a loss of up to \$100,000 (the amount of the loan guarantee) plus interest. This expenditure would be taken from the Child Care Expansion Reserve Fund.

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

Summary

Creative Preschool of East Toronto (CPS) is losing its current space and has found a new location. This report recommends that the City of Toronto provide a loan guarantee for up to \$100,000 for CPS to provide for leasehold improvements to meet the Day Nurseries Act requirements, avoid service disruption and maintain licensed spaces.

Background Information

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(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2421.pdf)

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Municipal Service Manager Nominations to the Social Housing Services Corporation

(March 19, 2007) report from Deputy City Manager Sue Corke

Recommendations

The Deputy City Manager recommends that:

- 1. Council endorse Phil Brown, General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, as the City of Toronto service manager staff nomination to the Social Housing Services Corporation Board of Directors for a two and a half year term commencing June 30, 2007; and
- 2. Council endorse Mayor Larry O'Conner, Township of Brock, and Adelina Urbanski, Commissioner, Social and Community Services Department, Regional Municipality of Halton, as the nominees for the City of Toronto and municipalities of Durham, Halton, Peel, and York selected position on the Social Housing Services Corporation Board of Directors for a two and a half year term commencing June 30, 2007.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide information on the Call for Nominations currently underway for municipal service manager representation on the Board of Directors of the Social Housing Services Corporation (SHSC) and recommends Council endorse a City of Toronto staff nomination to the City of Toronto position on the Board, and two other persons to the SHSC Board selected by Toronto City Council and the councils of the regional municipalities of Durham, Halton, Peel, and York.

Background Information

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(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2422.pdf)

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Receiving Funds for Involve Youth Program and Service Delivery Agreement with a Community-Based Agency

(March 19, 2007) report from Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration

Recommendations

Social Development, Finance and Administration recommends that:

- 1. City Council authorize the Executive Director of Social Development, Finance and Administration to enter into agreement with Canadian Heritage to receive funds in an amount not to exceed \$408,098 as the program costs for the Involve Youth;
- 2. City Council authorize the Executive Director of Social Development, Finance and Administration to enter into agreement with United Way of Greater Toronto to receive funds in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 as the program costs for the Involve Youth;
- 3. City Council authorize the Executive Director of Social Development, Finance and Administration to enter into a service agreement with Tropicana Community Services for the delivery of the Involve Youth not to exceed \$908,098;
- 4. the Social Development, Finance and Administration Division's 2007 Operating Budget be increased by \$432,806.00 gross, zero net.

Financial Impact

Involve Youth is a fully funded program through the joint contributions of the Department of Canadian Heritage and the United Way of Greater Toronto. There are no net impacts on the 2007 operating budget arising from the adoption of this report. The Social Development, Finance and Administration budget will be adjusted by \$432,806.00 gross, zero net, to reflect the 2007 funding of this program.

Budget Years	Source of Funds	Total Adjustments
2007	Department of Canadian Heritage United Way of Greater Toronto	\$432,806.00
2008	Department of Canadian Heritage United Way of Greater Toronto	\$339,146.00
2009	Department of Canadian Heritage	\$136,146.00

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

Summary

This report seeks approval to accept funds from the Department of Canadian Heritage and the United Way of Greater Toronto. This funding is to enhance youth civic engagement opportunities in four priority neighbourhoods through the program model, Involve Youth. This report also seeks approval to enter into a purchase of service agreement with the community-based delivery agency, Tropicana Community Services to deliver the Involve Youth Program. Involve Youth will begin in April 2007 and run until March 2010.

Background Information

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(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2423.pdf)

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Impacts - Reduction in Permit Fees Policy

(Deferred from last meeting for consideration and debate)

(February 5, 2007) report from General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation

Summary

To report on the impact of the Reduction in Permit Fees Policy in 2006.

The Harmonized Permit Allocation and Permit Rate Framework were designed to ensure equitable, accessible and consistent permit rates for facilities across the City. Even though the permit rates are financially reasonable and below the pricing charged by other communities and organizations, there are still groups who experience financial hardships. The Reduction in Permit Fees Policy addresses these issues.

Background Information

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(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2424.pdf)

Enlargement of Supplies for School Food Programs

(February 26, 2007) letter from Board of Health

Recommendations

Referring the following motion from Fiona Nelson, Chair, Toronto/East York Local Health Committee, to the Community Development and Recreation Committee for consideration:

- 1. Toronto Public Health investigate the enlargement of supplies for school food programs (including clear nutritional and hygienic standards) using a partnership with the City's restaurant association while continuing its efforts to encourage the provincial and federal governments to establish full universal school meal programs, and that this motion by forwarded to staff for further discussion and report; and
- 2. Community Colleges be engaged in discussion regarding school food programs and food handling training as well as the University/dietitian program.

Summary

Letter from the Board of Health endorsing a motion from the Toronto/East York Local Health Committee relating to the enlargement of supplies for school food programs and referring it to the Community Development and Recreation Committee for consideration.

Background Information

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(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2425.pdf)

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Inclusion of Dental Health Care under OHIP

(February 26, 2007) letter from Secretary, Board of Health

Recommendations

Referring the following motion from Fiona Nelson, Chair, Toronto/East York Local Health Committee, to the Community Development and Recreation Committee for consideration:

- 1. the Board of Health advocate vigorously for the inclusion of dental care under OHIP;
- 2. the Province be urged to fund the provision of dental care for vulnerable low income residents through a variety of programs and venues including Community Health Centres; and
- 3. these recommendations be forwarded to City Council for consideration.

Summary

Letter from the Board of Health referring a motion from the Toronto/East York Local Health Committee relating to the inclusion of dental health care under OHIP to the Community Development and Recreation Committee for consideration.

Background Information

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(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2426.pdf)