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

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- recommendations of the Committee to City Council appear after the item heading and any amendments by Committee to recommendations appearing in staff reports are italicized;
- action taken by the Committee on its own authority does not require Council's approval and is listed in the decision document under the heading "Decision Advice and Other Information" at the end of the item; and
- Declarations of Interest, if any, appear at the end of an item.

Minutes Confirmed – February 19, 2007

Communications/Reports

CD3.1	Presentation	Received	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;

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- 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.

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Community Development and Recreation Committee received the presentations and expressed its thanks to the presenters.

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

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

Committee Recommendations

The Community Development and Recreation Committee 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

Committee Recommendations

The Community Development and Recreation Committee 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)

CD3.4	ACTION	Referred	Transactional	
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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

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

cd3.4

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

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Community Development and Recreation Committee:

- i. recommended to the Budget Committee 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 \$408,098.00 as the program costs for the

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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 \$500,000.00 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 \$908,098.00;
- 4. the Social Development, Finance and Administration Division's 2007 Operating Budget be increased by \$432,806.00 gross, zero net; and
- 5. the Chair of the Community Development and Recreation Committee be requested to write a letter to the Minister responsible for the Department of Canadian Heritage requesting that the contract be signed and the money released for this program; and
- ii. requested the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration, to arrange for a presentation on the St. Jamestown pilot project at the next meeting of the Community Development and Recreation Committee, such presentation to include information on the successes of the pilot project and how those successes can be transferred to the other challenged communities.

CD3.5	ACTION	Received	Transactional	
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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

cd3.5

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

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Community Development and Recreation Committee received the report.

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Enlargement of Supplies for School Food Programs

(February 26, 2007) letter from Board of Health

Committee Recommendations

The Community Development and Recreation Committee submits this matter to City Council without recommendation.

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

cd3.6

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

Communications

(March 29, 2007) letter from Councillor Paul Ainslie, Ward 43 - Scarborough-East - CDMain CD3.6.1

CD3.7	ACTION	Noted/Filed	Transactional	
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Inclusion of Dental Health Care under OHIP

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

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

cd3.7

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

Communications

(March 29, 2007) letter from Councillor Paul Ainslie, Ward 43 - Scarborough-East - CDMain CD3.7.1

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Community Development and Recreation Committee noted and filed the communication (February 26, 2007) from the Board of Health.

CD3.8	ACTION	Referred	Transactional	
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Youth Shelter Interagency Network (YSIN) Report: "System in Crisis: An Action Plan for the Future of Toronto's Homeless Youth"

(March 23, 2007) memo from Councillor David Shiner, Ward 24 - Willowdale

Summary

Communication from Councillor Shiner entitled "Systems in Crisis: An Action Plan for the Future of Toronto's Homeless Youth" prepared by the Youth Shelter Interagency Network (YSIN) and recommending that the report be forwarded to Deputy City Manager Sue Corke for comments to the Community Development and Recreation Committee.

Background Information

cd3.8-Letter

(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2776.pdf)

cd3.8-Attachment from Youth Shelter Interagency Network

(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2777.pdf)

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Community Development and Recreation Committee:

- 1. referred this matter to the Budget Committee to consider an increase to the average youth shelter per diem rate to \$65.00 to cover 80 percent of the costs incurred in providing basic food and shelter services to homeless youth;
- 2. recommended to the Budget Committee that the City provide sufficient funding so that no youth shelters close in 2007;
- 3. requested the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration to report to the Budget Committee on what resources within the youth envelope can be reallocated to support youth shelters; and
- 4. referred the report entitled "System in Crisis: An Action Plan for the Future of Toronto's Homeless Youth", and its recommendations, to Deputy City Manager Sue

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Corke, in conjunction with the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, for a report back to the Community Development and Recreation Committee within three months.

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Volleyball Programs in Scarborough

Summary

Councillor Kelly requested permission to introduce new business relating to volleyball programs in Scarborough.

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Community Development and Recreation Committee requested the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, to submit a report to the Community Development and Recreation Committee at its next meeting on May 7, 2007, on the Toronto Sun article of April 1, 2007, commenting on the decline in hours and service for volleyball programs at Cityoperated facilities in Scarborough.

Meeting Sessions

Session Date	Session Type	Start Time	End Time	Public or Closed Session
2007-04-02	Morning	9:40 AM	11:40 AM	Public
2007-04-02	Morning	11:45 PM	12:50 PM	Public