

**MOTION****Review of Councillor Indemnification Policies****Moved by: Councillor Moscoe**  
\_\_\_\_\_**Seconded by:**  
\_\_\_\_\_**SUMMARY:**

There have been an increasing number of situations where Councillors must retain legal services with respect to various matters arising from their role as councillor. Depending on the situation, Members of Council may be covered by the City's insurance policies or by the Indemnification Policy for Members of Council and Management and Excluded Staff adopted by Council on November 24, 2005.

It may be opportune to review the 2005 Indemnification Policy as it applies to Members of Council and to consolidate and update the policy.

It would also be helpful to Members of Council to have an understanding of situations that are covered by the City's insurance policy.

It would also be helpful to have a clear language explanation of all policies providing for coverage of individual legal costs in one easy to read document that could be provided to all Councillors.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. The City Manager in consultation with the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer and the City Solicitor, review the Indemnification Policy and the Insurance Coverage for Members of Council and to report back to the executive Committee no later than May 2008, with amendments to the policy to facilitate payment of legal expenses by Councillors.

February 6, 2008

**According to Chapter 27, Council Procedures:**

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 Committee/Community Council Requires two-thirds vote to consider at this meeting	
Motion Recommendations are <b>Urgent – (e.g. Health and Safety)</b>	

\* Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer to advise.

*Members should discuss their Motions with appropriate City staff to ensure the correct information is included.*