



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Authority for City Solicitor to Recover Accommodation Cost Arrears owing to Homes for the Aged

Date:	April 15, 2008
To:	Government Management Committee
From:	City Solicitor
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	

SUMMARY

This report is to obtain authority to initiate litigation against C.W. and/or C.D. to recover outstanding accommodation costs owing to the City of Toronto (Homes for the Aged Division) in the amount of \$16,158.86 (as of April 4, 2008), plus \$2,091.45 per month until the date of judgement, plus interest and costs.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Solicitor recommends that:

1. Council authorize the commencement of litigation against C.W. and/or C.D. to recover outstanding accommodation costs in the amount of \$16,158.86 (as of April 4, 2008), plus \$2,091.45 per month until the date of judgement, plus interest and costs, and to grant authority to appeal any decision where warranted, to discontinue or to settle the action or claim where it is concluded that it is reasonable to do so (including authority to effect a write off of any amounts as necessary), and to execute any documents in furtherance hereto, all in consultation with the General Manager, Toronto Homes for the Aged, or her designate; and
2. the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect hereto.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

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

ISSUE BACKGROUND

On November 17, 2006, C.W. was admitted to Lakeshore Lodge, Homes for the Aged. At the time of admission, C.D., C.W.'s son-in-law, signed an admission agreement as guarantor, agreeing to pay for all costs, fees and charges incurred by C.W. during his stay at Lakeshore Lodge, including but not limited to an obligation to pay any outstanding arrears not paid by C.W.

C.W. continues to be a resident of Lakeshore Lodge, incurring accommodation costs of \$2,091.45 each month.

As of April 4, 2008, C.W. had accumulated arrears of accommodation costs owing in the amount of \$16,158.86.

It is recommended that Council authorize the commencement of legal action against C.W. and/or C.D. and grant authority to take whatever steps as are considered necessary to recover the debt owing to the City.

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