



INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT LOBBYIST REGISTRAR'S REPORT INFORMATION ONLY

Changes to Lobbyist Registry

Date:	January 19, 2009
To:	Executive Committee
From:	Professor Lorne Sossin, Interim Integrity Commissioner Linda L. Gehrke, Lobbyist Registrar
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	

SUMMARY

On January 5, 2009, Executive Committee decision referred Councillor Suzan Hall's letter of November 6, 2008 entitled "Changes to the Lobbyist Registry" to the Lobbyist Registrar and the Integrity Commissioner with a request that they submit a report to the February 2, 2009, meeting of the Executive Committee with any recommendations for changes to the Lobbyist Registry and Code of Conduct by-laws to differentiate between correspondence and personal lobbying, and requisite councillor code of conduct obligations; and requested the Lobbyist Registrar and the Integrity Commissioner to hold a meeting for interested councillors to provide input into the development of the report.

The Lobbyist Registrar and Integrity Commissioner are in the process of arranging a meeting with councillors in order to consult with them as requested by Executive Committee. After they have met with the councillors, the Integrity Commissioner and Lobbyist Registrar will report with their recommendations to Executive Committee. If at all possible, this will be done by February 2, 2009. If it is not possible to meet with councillors and prepare a report before February 2, 2009, the Integrity Commissioner and Lobbyist Registrar will report to Executive Committee at its next meeting thereafter.

Financial Impact

This report has no financial impact.

DECISION HISTORY

Decision Document of Executive Committee dated January 5, 2009, EX28.10
(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ex/decisions/2009-01-05-ex28-dd.pdf>)

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Changes to Lobbyist Registrar
(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ex/bgrd/backgroundfile-17905.pdf>)

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