

## Board of Health

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| <b>Meeting No.</b>  | 23                          | <b>Contact</b> | Candy Davidovits, Committee Administrator |
| <b>Meeting Date</b> | Tuesday, May 19, 2009       | <b>Phone</b>   | 416-392-8032                              |
| <b>Start Time</b>   | 1:00 PM                     | <b>E-mail</b>  | boh@toronto.ca                            |
| <b>Location</b>     | Committee Room 1, City Hall | <b>Chair</b>   | Councillor John Filion                    |

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| Councillor John Filion, Chair<br>Councillor Janet Davis, Vice-Chair<br>Councillor Raymond Cho<br>Councillor Paula Fletcher | Councillor Chin Lee<br>Councillor Gord Perks<br>Trustee Soo Wong<br>Alejandra Bravo | Vaijyanthi Chari<br>Fiona Nelson<br>Lisa O'Brien<br>Valerie Sterling |

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**Confirmation of Minutes - April 20, 2009**

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

**Communications/Reports**

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| HL23.1 | Information |  |  | Ward: All |
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**Resignation of Citizen Member of the Board of Health**

**Origin**

(April 23, 2009) Letter from Wangari Muriuki

**Summary**

Wangari Muriuki submitting her resignation from the Board of Health effective April 23, 2009.

**Background Information**

hl23.1 – Letter from Wangari Muriuki

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-21036.pdf>

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**Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Update**

**Summary**

The Medical Officer of Health will give a verbal update on Pandemic Influenza Preparedness.

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**2009/2010 Student Nutrition Program Service Subsidies**

**Origin**

(May 4, 2009) Report from Medical Officer of Health

**Recommendations**

The Medical Officer of Health recommends that:

1. City Council enter into agreements totalling \$3,255,327.00 with the Toronto Foundation for Student Success (\$2,800,954.90) and the Angel Foundation for Learning (\$454,372.10) to administer the Community Partnership and Investment Program

funding to eligible student nutrition programs across the City of Toronto.

2. City Council grant authority to the Medical Officer of Health to take the necessary action to give effect to Recommendation (1), including the execution of agreements with the Toronto Foundation for Student Success and the Angel Foundation for Learning on behalf of the City.
3. The Board of Health forward this report for information to the Ontario Minister of Children and Youth Services, the Ontario Minister of Health Promotion, the Toronto District School Board and the Toronto Catholic District School Board.

### Summary

This report requests that the Board of Health adopt the recommendations of the Toronto Partners for Student Nutrition (TPSN) Steering Committee regarding the 2009/2010 Student Nutrition Program service subsidy allocations.

The TPSN Steering Committee requests that the Board of Health recommend the City of Toronto execute agreements with the Angel Foundation for Learning and the Toronto Foundation for Student Success, for a combined total of \$3,255,327.00, which includes an amount of \$298,073.53 that will be held for appeals/late applications within the recommended allocation for the Toronto Foundation for Student Success.

### Financial Impact

This report recommends that the 2009 approved Operating Budget of \$3,255,327.00 for the Student Nutrition Program be allocated to the Angel Foundation for Learning (\$454,372.10) and the Toronto Foundation for Student Success (\$2,800,954.90), including \$298,073.53 in reserve for appeals/late applications.

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

### Background Information

hl23.3 - 2009/2010 Student Nutrition Program Service Subsidies - Staff Report  
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-21097.pdf>

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| HL23.4 | Information |  |  | Ward: All |
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## Final Evaluation of Toronto's Pesticide Bylaw and Summary of New Provincial Pesticide Regulation

### Origin

(May 4, 2009) Report from Medical Officer of Health

### Summary

City Council enacted Toronto's Pesticide Bylaw (Municipal Code 612) in 2003 and it came into effect on April 1, 2004. Toronto Public Health led the implementation of the bylaw,

frequently collaborating with Parks, Forestry and Recreation and Toronto Water.

Toronto's bylaw succeeded in reducing pesticide use and encouraging residents and companies to adopt more sustainable lawn and garden care approaches. In 2007, almost 60 per cent fewer Toronto households reported any use of pesticides on their lawns, as compared with 2003. Furthermore, about two-thirds of homeowners report that they or their lawn care companies are using lower-risk pesticides and/or more natural alternatives, which is a higher proportion than before the bylaw was in place.

An estimated 154 municipalities in seven provinces – including 35 in Ontario – have passed bylaws to restrict pesticide use to protect health and the environment. This municipal leadership has prompted province-wide restrictions on the use and sale of pesticides, first in Quebec and now in Ontario. On April 22, 2009, Ontario Regulation 63/09 came into effect, restricting the use and sale of cosmetic pesticides across the province. The new regulation replaces municipal bylaws in Ontario, therefore Toronto's Pesticide Bylaw is no longer in effect.

The Ontario regulation is more restrictive than Toronto's bylaw, banning the sale of many common pesticides, limiting exemptions, and tightly restricting remaining uses. It should further decrease the use of pesticides, and therefore human exposure to these substances, in Toronto and across Ontario. TPH anticipates a smooth transition for the City and its residents in meeting the new provincial requirements.

### Background Information

hl23.4 - Final Evaluation of Toronto's Pesticide Bylaw and Summary of New Provincial Pesticide Regulation - Staff Report

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-21099.pdf>)

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### Budget Adjustments to the Toronto Public Health 2009 Approved Operating Budget and Delegation of Authority to Receive and Spend Grants

#### Origin

(May 4, 2009) Report from Medical Officer of Health

#### Recommendations

The Medical Officer of Health recommends that:

1. The Budget Committee make the following adjustments to Toronto Public Health's 2009 Approved Operating Budget:
  - a. an increase of \$353.7 thousand gross and \$0.0 net, and an increase of ten temporary positions, to reflect confirmed one time funding from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care (MOHLTC) for the Nursing Graduate Guarantee

Program (NGG) Phase 3; and

- b. an increase of \$61.3 thousand gross and \$0.0 net, and an increase of one temporary position, to reflect confirmed one time funding from the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) for the Enhanced Hepatitis Strain Surveillance System (EHSSS).
2. City Council delegate authority to the Medical Officer of Health to receive grants from various levels of government and agencies for Toronto Public Health programs covering 100 percent of the program cost.
  3. City Council delegate authority to the Medical Officer of Health to execute agreements when necessary with other governments and agencies for the purpose of accepting grants for Toronto Public Health programs.
  4. The grant agreements referred to in Recommendation 3 be in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.
  5. The Medical Officer of Health report to City Council, for information on the details of grants received, including the organization name, amount and the purpose of the grant as part of the quarterly operating budget variance report.

### Summary

The purpose of this report is to request budget adjustments to Toronto Public Health's (TPH) 2009 Approved Operating Budget due to confirmation of funding from the Ministry of Health and Long-term Care (MOHLTC), and the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC), received after the approval of the Operating Budget in March 2009.

This report also seeks City Council authority for the Medical Officer of Health to accept grants with no maximum limit, and to enter into contractual agreements with organizations for the purposes of accepting grants covering 100 percent of the program costs.

### Financial Impact

The table below summarizes the required budget adjustments to Toronto Public Health's 2009 Approved Operating Budget.

| <b>Budget Adjustments to the 2009 Approved Operating Budget</b> |                  |              |               |            |                   |
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|   | No. of Positions | Gross \$000  | Revenue \$000 | Net        | 2010 Impact \$000 |
| NGG Phase 3   | 10.0             | 353.7        | 353.7         | 0.0        | (353.7)           |
| EHSSS   | 1.0              | 61.3         | 61.3          | 0.0        | (47.6)            |
| <b>2009 Total Budget Adjustment</b>                             | <b>11.0</b>      | <b>415.0</b> | <b>415.0</b>  | <b>0.0</b> | <b>(401.3)</b>    |

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

**Background Information**

hl23.5 - Budget Adjustments to the Toronto Public Health 2009 Approved Operating Budget and Delegation of Authority to Receive and Spend Grants - Staff Report  
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-21100.pdf>

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| HL23.6 | Information |  |  | Ward: All |
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**Results of Follow-up of Previous Audit Recommendations****Origin**

(April 28, 2009) Report from Auditor General

**Summary**

The Auditor General's Office conducts an annual follow-up review on the implementation of recommendations contained in audit reports issued since January 1, 1999. This report contains the follow-up results on the status of recommendations included in reports issued to the Board of Health.

The results of our review indicate that a majority of the audit recommendations have been implemented by staff. Audit recommendations fully implemented since our last follow-up review are listed in Attachment 1. Audit recommendations not fully implemented, as well as management's comments and action plan, are included in Attachment 2 and will be carried forward to our next annual follow-up review.

**Background Information**

hl23.6 - Results of Follow-up of Previous Audit Recommendations - Staff Report  
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-21049.pdf>

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| HL23.7 | Information |  |  | Ward: All |
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**Local Health Committee Minutes****Summary**

- Minutes of the North York Local Health Committee meeting held on January 13, 2009.
- Minutes of the North York Local Health Committee meeting held on March 3, 2009.

**Background Information**

hl23.7 - North York Local Health Committee Minutes - January 13, 2009  
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-21023.pdf>  
 hl23.7 - North York Local Health Committee Minutes - March 3, 2009  
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-21024.pdf>

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| HL23.8 | Information |  |  | Ward: All |
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### **Strategic Planning - 2010-2014 Update**

#### **Summary**

The Medical Officer of Health will give a verbal update on Strategic Planning - 2010-2014.

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| HL23.9 | Presentation |  |  | Ward: All |
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### **Review of Compliance with Ontario Public Health Standards**

#### **Summary**

The Medical Officer of Health will be submitting a report on this matter as soon as possible.