

## Board of Health

<b>Meeting No.</b>	20	<b>Contact</b>	Candy Davidovits, Committee Administrator
<b>Meeting Date</b>	Monday, January 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

### Attendance

Members of the Board of Health were present for some or all of the time periods indicated under the section “Meeting Sessions”, which appears at the end of the Minutes.

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

### Confirmation of Minutes

On motion by Councillor Davis, the Board of Health confirmed the Minutes of its meeting held on November 17, 2008.

HL20.1	ACTION	Amended		
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### Election of Chair for 2009

### Decision Advice and Other Information

The Secretary called for nominations for the office of Chair of the Board of Health for a term

of office starting on January 19, 2009 to December 31, 2009, and until a successor is appointed.

Valerie Sterling moved that Councillor Filion be nominated as Chair of the Board of Health.

There being no further nominations, the Secretary declared the nominations closed and announced that Councillor John Filion was elected as Chair of the Board of Health.

### Summary

The Board of Health to elect its Chair for 2009.

### Motions

*Motion to Nominate a Member moved by Valerie Sterling (Carried)*

HL20.2	ACTION	Amended		
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### Election of Vice-Chair for 2009

#### Decision Advice and Other Information

The Chair called for nominations for the office of Vice-Chair of the Board of Health for a term of office starting on January 19, 2009 to December 31, 2009, and until a successor is appointed.

Councillor Fletcher moved that Councillor Davis be nominated as Vice-Chair of the Board of Health.

There being no further nominations, the Chair declared the nominations closed and announced that Councillor Janet Davis was elected as Vice-Chair of the Board of Health.

### Summary

The Board of Health to elect its Vice-Chair for 2009.

### Motions

*Motion to Nominate a Member moved by Councillor Paula Fletcher (Carried)*

HL20.3	ACTION	Amended		
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### Update: Trans Fat Reduction in Toronto

#### Decision Advice and Other Information

The Board of Health requested that:

1. Toronto Public Health evaluate the success of the Federal voluntary approach to trans fat reductions in Toronto by conducting a survey to determine the extent to which specific food products containing trans fat are still available on grocery store shelves

and in Toronto food service operations. This survey will follow the end of the two-year federal review period and the results will be reported to the Board of Health;

2. Toronto Public Health continue to monitor trans fat reduction initiatives at the Federal level and in other jurisdictions; and
3. This report be sent to all Toronto school boards highlighting the progress made and the further need to reduce the trans fat levels of the nutrition programs for children and youth.

## **Origin**

(January 7, 2009) Report from Medical Officer of Health

## **Summary**

The purpose of this report is to summarize progress in reducing trans fat in Toronto since the September 2007 Board of Health report, *The Reduction of Trans Fat in the Toronto Food Supply*. That report reviewed the public health implications of artificially produced trans fat in the food supply, including an increased risk of heart disease, and reported on steps taken to reduce artificial trans fat in the operations of Toronto Agencies, Boards, Commissions and Divisions.

At that time, it was recommended that Toronto Public Health (TPH) assist the food and food service industries in shifting from the use of trans fat to healthier alternatives by education and monitoring, with public reporting on trans fat levels in the food supply. The option of regulation to restrict trans fat use was deferred pending the results of Health Canada's national monitoring and voluntary approach, and an evaluation of the effectiveness of this strategy.

TPH has collaborated with Health Canada's Trans Fat Monitoring Program to ensure that low-cost and ethno-cultural foods were included in the sampling. TPH has also trained staff involved in the delivery of the Student Nutrition Programs to ensure that programs are serving foods with reduced trans fat. In addition, TPH has promoted voluntary trans fat reductions to Toronto food service operators.

## **Background Information**

hl20.3 - Update: Trans Fat Reduction in Toronto

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18201.pdf>)

## **Motions**

*Motion to Amend Item (Additional) moved by Valerie Sterling (Carried)*

That this report be sent to all Toronto school boards highlighting the progress made and the further need to reduce the trans fat levels of the nutrition programs for youth programs.

*Motion to Adopt Item as Amended moved by Valerie Sterling (Carried)*

HL20.4	ACTION	Amended		
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## **Proposed Amendment to Municipal Code, Chapter 608, Parks, to Prohibit Smoking around Playgrounds and Other Areas in City of Toronto Parks**

### **Decision Advice and Other Information**

The Board of Health advised City Council that it endorsed the following recommendations of the Parks and Environment Committee:

1. Smoking tobacco and the holding of lighted tobacco be prohibited within a 9-metre radius of the edge of playground safety surfaces or any playground equipment in Toronto parks, and within a 9-metre radius of the edge of wading pool basins or safety surfaces of splash pads operated by Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division;
2. Smoking tobacco and the holding of lighted tobacco also be prohibited within zoos and farms managed by Parks, Forestry and Recreation;
3. The City Solicitor be directed to amend Municipal Code Chapter 608, Parks, to prohibit smoking tobacco and holding lighted tobacco within a 9-metre radius surrounding the edge of playground safety surfaces or any playground equipment in Toronto parks, within a 9-metre radius surrounding the edge of wading pool basins or safety surfaces of splash pads, and within zoos and farms operated by Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division, substantially as outlined in Appendix A of this report, subject to any necessary minor substantive or stylistic refinements as may be identified by the General Manager and the City Solicitor;
4. The amendments to Municipal Code Chapter 608, Parks, come into force the day after the set fine order is issued by the Province;
5. Signage be designed and installed identifying the smoking prohibition and identify the relevant provisions of *Municipal Code, Chapter 608, Parks*; and
6. The City Solicitor be authorized to introduce the necessary bills to give effect to these recommendations.

### **Origin**

(December 9, 2008) Report from General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation and Dr. David McKeown, Medical Officer of Health addressed to the Parks and Environment Committee

### **Summary**

Tobacco use is the greatest single cause of preventable disease. Research clearly indicates that there is no safe level of exposure to second-hand smoke. Children are especially vulnerable. Second-hand smoke impacts a growing child's body and has been linked to increased respiratory illnesses including ear infections, lower lung capacity, childhood asthma and sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS).

This report proposes amendments to *Municipal Code, Chapter 608, Parks*, to prohibit smoking tobacco and the holding of lighted tobacco in City of Toronto playgrounds, wading pools and splash pads, and within zoos and farms that are managed by Parks, Forestry and Recreation.

### Background Information

hl20.4 - Proposed Amendment to Municipal Code, Chapter 608, Parks, to Prohibit Smoking around Playgrounds and Other Areas in City of Toronto Parks - Staff Report  
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18133.pdf>

## 4a Proposed Amendment to Municipal Code, Chapter 608 Parks, to Prohibit Smoking around Playgrounds and Other Areas in City of Toronto Parks

### Origin

(January 16, 2009) Letter from Parks and Environment Committee

### Summary

Forwarding the recommendation of the Parks and Environment Committee from its meeting held on January 16, 2009.

### Background Information

hl20.4a - Proposed Amendment to Municipal Code, Chapter 608 Parks, to Prohibit Smoking around Playgrounds and Other Areas - Letter  
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18345.pdf>

### Motions

*Motion to Amend Item moved by Councillor Paula Fletcher (Carried)*

That the Board of Health endorse the recommendations in the report (December 9, 2008) from the Parks and Environment Committee and the Medical Officer of Health.

*Motion to Adopt Item as Amended moved by Councillor Paula Fletcher (Carried)*

HL20.5	ACTION	Adopted		
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## Ontario Public Health Standards

### Decision Advice and Other Information

The Board of Health requested the Medical Officer of Health to report to the Board of Health in May 2009, on the implementation of the Ontario Public Health Standards and Protocols outlining how Toronto Public Health will incorporate the new standards in strategic and service planning.

**Origin**

(January 5, 2009) Report from Medical Officer of Health

**Summary**

The Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care released the new Ontario Public Health Standards (OPHS) in November 2008. The OPHS and their related Protocols are published pursuant to Section 7 of the Health Protection and Promotion Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.7. The new Standards and Protocols establish the minimum requirements for basic public health programs and services including assessment and surveillance, health promotion and policy development, disease and injury prevention, and health protection. Boards of Health are legally responsible for implementing the OPHS and Protocols.

A number of Toronto Public Health (TPH) staff attended the Ministry's November launch which included a series of workshops. The Medical Officer of Health and staff are now working on the development of an internal TPH plan that will:

- communicate the new standards and protocols to staff;
- assess Toronto Public Health service compliance with standards and protocols, which provide direction on how boards of health must operationalize specific requirements; and
- inform ongoing TPH strategic and service planning processes.

**Background Information**

hl20.5 - Ontario Public Health Standards - Staff Report

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18198.pdf>)

**Motions**

*Motion to Adopt Item moved by Valerie Sterling (Carried)*

HL20.6	ACTION	Adopted		
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**Appointment of 2009 Review Panels for the AIDS Prevention and Drug Prevention Community Investment Programs**

**Confidential Attachment - Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees**

**Decision Advice and Other Information**

The Board of Health:

1. appointed the individuals listed in Confidential Attachment 3 to the AIDS Prevention Community Investment Program Review Panel for 2009 and the Drug Prevention Community Investment Program Review Panel for 2009; and
2. directed the City Clerk to make the appointees' names public once appointed by the

## Board:

Confidential Attachment 3 to the report (January 5, 2009) from the Medical Officer of Health is now public in its entirety and contains the names of the following persons appointed to the 2009 AIDS Prevention Community Investment Program Review Panel and the 2009 Drug Prevention Community Investment Program Review Panel:

## City Councillors:

Shelley Carroll\*

Kyle Rae\*

Michael Thompson\*

## Board of Health Member:

Lisa O'Brien\*

## Expert Members:

Mary Grondin\*, Sherbourne Health Centre

John Maxwell\*, AIDS Committee of Toronto

## Citizens:

Alexander Dow\*

Silke Haller\*

John Kerenyi\*

Notisha Massaquoi

## Alternate:

Greg Downer

Claude Isofa Nkanga Bokembya

\* Returning member

Drug Prevention Community Investment Program Review Panel Membership:

## City Councillor:

Paula Fletcher

## Board of Health Member:

Wangari Muriuki\*

## Expert Members:

Wade Hillier\*, College of Physicians and Surgeons

Adonis Huggins\*, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

## Citizens:

Cathy Kozma\*

Shahryar Murshed\*

Gila Raposo\*

Nick Boyce\*

Hermia Corbette\*

Jason Altenberg  
Chi Ching Hui  
Ranee Chambers

\* Returning members

### Origin

(January 5, 2009) Report from Medical Officer of Health

### Summary

The report recommends members of the Review Panels for the 2009 AIDS Prevention and Drug Prevention Community Investment Programs for appointment by the Board of Health. The individuals proposed for panel membership are listed in confidential Attachment 3.

### Background Information

hl.20.6 - Appointment of 2009 Review Panels for the AIDS Prevention and Drug Prevention Community Investment Programs - Staff Report

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18199.pdf>)

hl.20.6 - AIDS Prevention and Drug Prevention Community Investment Program Review Panels - Attachment 3

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18473.pdf>)

### Motions

*Motion to Adopt Item moved by Councillor Janet Davis (Carried)*

HL20.7	Information	Received		
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## Update on City Council Approved Toronto Public Health 2009 – 2018 Capital Plan and Forecast

### Decision Advice and Other Information

The Board of Health received, for information, the report (January 2, 2009) from the Medical Officer of Health.

### Origin

(January 2, 2009) Report from Medical Officer of Health

### Summary

This report provides an update to the Toronto Public Health (TPH) 2009 Capital Budget, 5-Year Capital Plan (2009-2013) and 5-Year Capital Forecast (2014-2018) as approved by City Council.

At its meeting of December 10, 2008, City Council approved a TPH 2009-2013 Capital Budget and Plan for a total of \$18.809 million with a 2009 cash flow of \$5.110 million (including a carry-forward of \$1.611 million from 2008) and future year commitments of \$3.499 million for



2010, and \$3.400 million in each year from 2011 to 2013.

City Council approved, in principle, the 2014-2018 Capital Forecast for TPH totalling \$17.0 million in project estimates, comprised of \$3.400 million in each year from 2014 to 2018 and requested that this forecast be used as a foundation for preparing a 2010-2019 Capital Plan and Forecast as part of the 2010 Capital Budget process.

### Background Information

hl20.7 - Update on City Council Approved Toronto Public Health 2009 -2018 Capital Plan and Forecast - Staff Report

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18197.pdf>)

HL20.8	Information	Received		
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### Local Health Committee Minutes

#### Decision Advice and Other Information

The Board of Health received, for information, the Minutes of the following Local Health Committee meetings:

- Scarborough Local Health Committee meeting held on June 10, 2008.
- Scarborough Local Health Committee meeting held on September 9, 2008.
- Toronto/East York Local Health Committee meeting held on October 21, 2008.

#### Summary

- Minutes of the Scarborough Local Health Committee meeting held on June 10, 2008.
- Minutes of the Scarborough Local Health Committee meeting held on September 9, 2008.
- Minutes of the Toronto/East York Local Health Committee meeting held on October 21, 2008.

### Background Information

hl20.8 - Scarborough Local Health Committee Minutes - June 10, 2008

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18122.pdf>)

hl 20.8 -Scarborough Local Health Committee Minutes - Sept. 9, 2008

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18123.pdf>)

hl20.8 - Toronto/East York Local Health Committee Minutes - October 21, 2008

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18124.pdf>)

HL20.9	Information	Received		
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### **Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Update**

#### **Decision Advice and Other Information**

The Board of Health received, for information, the verbal update on pandemic influenza.

#### **Summary**

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

#### **Motions**

*Motion to Receive Item moved by Fiona Nelson (Carried)*

HL20.10	ACTION	Amended		
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### **Expansion of the Children In Need Of Treatment Dental Program**

#### **Decision Advice and Other Information**

The Board of Health:

1. recommended to the Budget Committee for consideration during the 2009 operating budget process that the Toronto Public Health 2009 Operating Budget be increased by \$5,253.4 thousand gross and \$0.0 net, to reflect confirmed funding from the Ministry of Health Promotion for the expansion of the Children in Need of Treatment (CINOT) dental program to children aged 14 to 17;
2. requested that the Chair write to the Province thanking them for the step taken in funding the program 100 percent in 2009 and pointing out the current and future financial strain that this program will place on municipal budget; and
3. communicated to the Association of Local Public Health Agencies and the Ontario Public Health Association the need to advocate for 100 percent funding in 2010 and beyond for this program.

#### **Origin**

(January 14, 2009) Report from Medical Officer Of Health

#### **Summary**

On December 18, 2008, the Minister of Health Promotion announced that effective January 1, 2009, the provincial Children In Need of Treatment (CINOT) dental program is expanded to include children up to their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. This expansion was announced as part of the provincial poverty reduction strategy.

To implement the expansion of the CINOT dental program, Toronto Public Health will be receiving funds totalling \$5,253,442 to cover 100% of treatment costs in 2009. However, beginning in 2010, the expansion will be cost shared 75:25 percent between the Province and the City, respectively.

### Background Information

hl20.10 - Expansion of the Children in Need of Treatment Dental Program - Staff Report (<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18279.pdf>)

## 10a Expansion of the Children in Need of Treatment Dental Program

### Origin

(January 15, 2009) Letter from Board of Health Budget Sub-Committee

### Summary

Forwarding the recommendation of the Board of Health Budget Sub-Committee from its meeting held on November 12, 2008.

### Background Information

HL20.10a - Letter from the Board of Health Budget Sub-Committee (<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18334.pdf>)

### Motions

*Motion to Amend Item (Additional) moved by Fiona Nelson (Carried)*

That the Chair of the Board of Health write to the Province of Ontario thanking the Province for the step taken in funding the program 100 percent in 2009 and pointing out the current and future financial strain that this program will place on municipal budgets.

*Motion to Amend Item (Additional) moved by Valerie Sterling (Carried)*

That the Board of Health communicate to the Association of Local Public Health Agencies and the Ontario Public Health Association the need to advocate for 100 percent funding in 2010 and beyond for this program.

*Motion to Adopt Item as Amended moved by Fiona Nelson (Carried)*

HL20.11	ACTION	Adopted		
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## Board of Health Representation and Attendance at 2009 Association of Local Public Health Agencies (ALPHA) Meetings

### Decision Advice and Other Information

The Board of Health:

1. approved the participation of the Board of Health’s representative or alternate at all alPHa Board meetings, alPHa Board of Health Section meetings and alPHa semi-annual meetings/conferences in 2009 and pay expenses associated with this participation; and
2. encouraged the participation of its members at any alPHa Board of Health Section meetings and semi-annual meetings/conferences held in Toronto (see Attachment 1 for the winter semi-annual meeting) in 2009 and pay expenses associated with this participation.

### Origin

(January 19, 2009) Report from the Medical Officer of Health

### Summary

The purpose of this report is to request that the Board of Health approve the payment of expenses for the participation of Board of Health members at the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa) meetings/conferences for 2009.

### Background Information

HL20.11 - Board of Health Representation and Attendance at 2009 Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa) - Staff Report

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18346.pdf>)

HL20.11 - Attachment 1: 2009 alPHa Winter Semi-Annual Meeting

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18347.pdf>)

### Motions

*Motion to Adopt Item moved by Councillor Janet Davis (Carried)*

*Motion to Introduce Report moved by Councillor Janet Davis (Carried)*

HL20.12	Information	Received		
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### Inner City Advisory Committee of the Toronto District School Board

#### Decision Advice and Other Information

The Board of Health received, for information, the letter (January 12, 2009) from Trustee Sheila Cary-Meagher.

### Origin

(January 19, 2009) Letter from Trustee Sheila Cary-Meagher

### Summary

Advising that the Inner City Advisory Committee, at its meeting on January 8, 2009, passed the following motion:

1. that the Inner City Advisory Committee supports Toronto Public Health in matching provincial funding for student nutrition programs;
2. that the Inner City Advisory Committee parity in funding between the elementary and youth funding for nutrition programs; and
3. that this information be forwarded to Trustee Soo Wong, Toronto District School Board's Public Health liaison and both Inner City Advisory Committee Trustee representatives, Chris Tonks and Sheila Cary-Meagher and Liz Janzen, Inner City Advisory Committee representative from Toronto Public Health.

### Background Information

hl20.12 – Letter from Trustee Sheila Cary-Meagher

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-18365.pdf>)

### Motions

*Motion to Add New Business moved by Soo Wong (Carried)*

*Motion to Receive Item moved by Soo Wong (Carried)*

*Monday, January 19, 2009*

*Councillor John Filion, Chair, Board of Health*

### Meeting Sessions

Session Date	Session Type	Start Time	End Time	Public or Closed Session
2009-01-19	Afternoon	1:10 PM	2:05 PM	Public

### Attendance

Date and Time	Quorum	Members
2009-01-19 1:10 PM - 2:05 PM (Public Session)	Present	<i>Present:</i> Bravo, Chari, Cho, Davis, Filion, Fletcher, Lee, Muriuki, Nelson, O'Brien, Perks, Sterling, Wong