



INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Report on 2010 Budget

Date:	February 9, 2010
To:	Budget Committee
From:	Integrity Commissioner
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	

SUMMARY

This report details information related to the 2010 budget and recommends a full-year 2010 budget of \$203,900 for approval by the Budget Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Integrity Commissioner recommends that the Budget Committee approve the attached 2010 operating budget for the office of the Integrity Commissioner and forward it to the Executive Committee.

Financial Impact

The 2010 operating budget request seeks a 0% change.

DECISION HISTORY

The Integrity Commissioner is one of four Accountability Officers required under COTA, 2006. The office operates with a part-time Integrity Commissioner, staffed by one part-time Administrative Assistant. A new Integrity Commissioner was appointed by Council in September, 2009 for a five year term.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Integrity Commissioner performs the functions assigned by City Council in an independent manner with respect to the application of the Codes of Conduct for members

of City Council, members of local boards (restricted definition) including adjudicative boards and relating to the application of any procedures, rules and policies of the City, local boards (restricted definition) including adjudicative boards and governing the ethical behavior of members of City Council and those boards.

The Integrity Commissioner provides advice and outreach to members of Council and local and adjudicative boards, opinions as requested by Council, and conducts inquiries into the contravention of the Codes of Conduct reporting to Council in accordance with the Complaint Protocols and Codes of Conduct which have been established by Council.

The Integrity Commissioner reports annually on the work of the office, policy development and provides examples of advice in general terms and formal complaints received and completed.

COMMENTS

The Integrity Commissioner's office currently operates with 1.5 staff. The 2010 operating Budget request will enable the Office of the Integrity Commissioner to fulfill its mandate. As noted in previous years, if a public inquiry was deemed necessary, the funding requirements for such an inquiry would need to be evaluated mid-year.

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ATTACHMENTS