



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Resubmission – A Policy Framework for Toronto's Accountability Officers, Technical Amendment

Date:	August 10, 2010
To:	City Council
From:	City Manager
Wards:	ALL
Reference Number:	

SUMMARY

At its meeting on October 26 and 27, 2009, City Council referred the report titled, "*A Policy Framework for Toronto's Accountability Officers – Technical Amendment*", back to the City Manager with a request that he re-submit it to City Council once the annual reports of the four Accountability Officers have been considered by City Council.

The annual reports of all four of the Accountability Officers have now been considered by City Council and the City Manager is resubmitting the original report as requested by City Council.

This report seeks authority to require a two-thirds majority vote of all Members of City Council (30 members) to amend or repeal the new Toronto Municipal Code Chapter in order to ensure consistency across the four accountability officers. The requirement for a two-thirds majority vote of Members of City Council is already in place to amend or repeal the respective sections of Chapter 169, City Officials for the Auditor General and Ombudsman but is not in place for the Lobbyist Registrar and the Integrity Commissioner.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Manager recommends that City Council adopt the recommendations in the report dated October 19, 2009 from the City Manager titled, "*A Policy Framework for Toronto's Accountability Officers – Technical Amendment*" as follows:

1. City Council require a two-thirds majority vote of all Members of City Council (30 members) to amend or repeal the new City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter implementing the Policy Framework for Toronto's Accountability Officers adopted by Council at its meeting of April 2009; and
2. City Council authorize the City Solicitor to prepare and introduce in Council any bills required to implement the requirement described in recommendation 1.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting on October 26 and 27, 2009, City Council referred item CC41.4, titled "*A Policy Framework for Toronto's Accountability Officers – Technical Amendment*", to the City Manager with a request that he resubmit it to City Council once the annual reports of the four Accountability Officers have been considered by City Council.

The link to the original report is below.

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/cc/bgrd/backgroundfile-24352.pdf>.

COMMENTS

The annual reports of the four accountability officers have now been considered by City Council. The City Manager is resubmitting the report titled, "*A Policy Framework for Toronto's Accountability Officers- Technical Amendment*" as requested by City Council and it is attached as Appendix A.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Report (October 19, 2009) from the City Manager, titled, "*A Policy Framework for Toronto's Accountability Officers – Technical Amendment*"

Resubmission of Staff Report – A Policy Framework for Toronto's Accountability Officers,
Technical Amendment