

Budget Committee

Meeting No.	26	Contact	Kelly McCarthy, Committee Administrator
Meeting Date	Tuesday, May 29, 2012	Phone	416-392-7340
Start Time	2:00 PM	E-mail	buc@toronto.ca
Location	Committee Room 1, City Hall	Chair	Councillor Mike Del Grande

BU26.1	ACTION	Adopted		Ward:All
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Ontario Power Authority Funding for Apartment Building Improvements - Energy Efficiency Impact Program

Committee Decision

The Budget Committee recommends to the Executive Committee that:

1. City Council authorize the City Manager to receive and expend funds from the Ontario Power Authority's Energy Efficiency Service Providers Initiative (the EESP Initiative) in the amount of approximately \$500,000.00 to implement an energy efficiency improvement program targeting the City's older high-rise apartment buildings.
2. City Council increase the 2012 Approved Operating Budget for the City Manager's Office by \$221,000.00 gross, and \$0 net to reflect the Ontario Power Authority's 2012 project funding contribution.
3. City Council increase the Operating Budget of the Tower Renewal Office by 1.0 temporary position (1.0 management/non-union position) for the duration of the Ontario Power Authority funded project.

Origin

(May 11, 2012) Report from the City Manager

Summary

The purpose of this report is to seek approval from City Council to amend the 2012 Approved Operating Budget for the City Manager's Office, Executive Management Division, and to accept project funding from the Ontario Power Authority's Energy Efficiency Service Providers

Initiative for the Tower Renewal Office.

The Tower Renewal Office has developed and is implementing a system for apartment building and community improvements across the City. Tower Renewal has been selected by the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) to receive funding for an energy efficiency improvement program targeted to apartment buildings. OPA funding will be in the amount of approximately \$500,000.00 for the duration of the program which is scheduled to operate from 2012 to the end of 2014.

Funds will be applied to provide education, outreach and technical expertise to support apartment buildings in undertaking improvement actions. In particular, the program will leverage private sector investments to expedite the implementation of energy efficiency projects in apartment buildings. This program will compliment the implementation of the Tower Renewal program to improve the state of the City's apartment buildings and their communities.

Financial Impact

The Ontario Power Authority has awarded a minimum of \$500,000.00 to the City of Toronto for an energy efficiency program. The funding will be provided on a cost recovery basis, over the years 2012 to 2014. It is anticipated that \$221,000.00 will be required by the City Manager's Office in 2012 for this initiative. Therefore, it is recommended that the 2012 Approved Operating Budget be increased by \$221,000.00, funded from the OPA, for a \$0 net increase. The 2013 and 2014 budget submissions will include estimated funding requirements for the second and third years of the program for the remainder of the funding from OPA, \$0 net.

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

Background Information

(May 11, 2012) Report from the City Manager on Ontario Power Authority Funding for Apartment Building Improvements - Energy Efficiency Impact Program
(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2012/bu/bgrd/backgroundfile-47337.pdf>)

Speakers

Councillor Janet Davis
Councillor Gord Perks