

LOBBYIST REGISTRAR'S REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Supplementary Report: Lobbyist Registrar's Report on a Prosecution for Breach of the Lobbying By-law

Date:	July 7, 2015
To:	City Council
From:	Lobbyist Registrar
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	

SUMMARY

This report supplements CC8.4, the Lobbyist Registrar's Report on a Prosecution for Breach of the Lobbying By-law. On July 3, 2015, counsel for the corporation named in the report wrote to the Office of the Lobbyist Registrar Inquiries and Investigations Counsel (OLR counsel), alleging that the report was factually incorrect, misleading and improper, and requesting that the report be withdrawn or amended. This letter has now been submitted as CC8.4.1. On July 6, 2015, OLR counsel wrote to counsel for the corporation, advising that the report was properly made and would not be amended or withdrawn.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Lobbyist Registrar recommends that:

1. City Council receive this report for information.

Financial Impact

This report has no financial impact.

DECISION HISTORY

The *City of Toronto Act*, 2006, s. 169 and Toronto Municipal Code, § 3-7B, provide that the Lobbyist Registrar may report to City Council on inquiries conducted by her, and in the report may disclose such matters as in the Registrar's opinion are necessary for the purposes of the report.

COMMENTS

The report contains a history of the prosecution, including the charges that were laid, the fact that one of the charges was withdrawn, and the agreed facts on a plea to a charge of unregistered lobbying.

The report is factually correct. The charges that were laid are accurately reported and are a matter of public record. The withdrawal of one charge, plea and agreed statement of fact is accurately recorded.

As explained by OLR counsel in APPENDIX B, the report is made under the Registrar's authority under the *City of Toronto Act*, 2006 and Chapter 3, § 3-7. Reporting on the completion of a prosecution provides transparency by informing City Council, the public and public office holders. The report is for the purposes of transparency and for no improper purpose.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Appendix A – Letter dated July 3, 2015 from Brian Duxbury Appendix B – Letter dated July 6, 2015 from Stephen Littlejohn