## Terms of Reference -- Toronto External Contracts Inquiry

WHEREAS, under section 100 of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.45, a Council of a municipality may, by resolution, request a Judge of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice to inquire into or concerning any matter connected with the good government of the municipality or the conduct of any part of its public business;

AND WHEREAS any Judge so requested shall make inquiry and shall report with all convenient speed, to Council, the result of the inquiry and the evidence taken, and for that purpose shall have all the powers of a commission under Part II of the Public Inquiries Act, R.S.O. 1990 c. P.41;

AND WHEREAS Madame Justice Denise Bellamy was designated as Commissioner for an inquiry established by the Council of the City of Toronto under s. 100 of the Municipal Act by resolution dated February 14, 2002 (" Toronto Computer Leasing Inquiry%);

AND WHEREAS Justice Bellamy has appointed Commission Counsel who have been conducting investigations including the interview of witnesses and the review of documents since that time;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Toronto believes it would be fair and expedient for Madame Justice Bellamy to conduct a further inquiry into certain external contracts entered into by the City of Toronto;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Toronto hopes to minimize delay in the conduct of the Toronto Computer Leasing Inquiry by requesting this further inquiry in this manner;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Toronto does hereby resolve that:

- 1. an inquiry is hereby requested to be conducted pursuant to section 100 of the Municipal Act which authorizes the Commissioner to investigate any matter relating to a supposed malfeasance, breach of trust or other misconduct on the part of a member of the council, or an officer or employee of the City, or of any person having a contract with it, in regard to the duties or obligations of the member, officer, employee or other person to the City, and to inquire into or concerning any matter connected with the good government of the municipality or the conduct of any part of its public business, including any business conducted by a commission appointed by the municipal council or elected by the electors (" Toronto External Contracts Inquiry‰or " TECI‰; and
- 2. Madame Justice Denise Bellamy, a judge of the Superior Court of Justice, be requested to act as Commissioner for the TECI and the judge so designated is hereby authorized to conduct the TECI.

AND IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the terms of reference of the TECI shall be:

- 1. To investigate and inquire into all of the circumstances related to the retaining of consultants to assist in the creation and implementation of the tax system of the former City of North York ("TMACS%) including, but not limited to whether or not:
  - a. expenditures relating to consultants were accurately reported;
  - b. the need for consulting services was appropriately determined, justified and documented;
  - c. consulting services were awarded based on sound business practices and in accordance with established procurement by-laws, policies and procedures;
  - d. adequate procedures justification existed for waivers from required procedures;
  - e. consulting contracts were effectively managed to ensure the contract deliverables were achieved, expenses incurred were reasonable and justifiable, and ", value for money" was obtained; and
  - f. payments were made in accordance with the terms of the contract.
- 2. To investigate and inquire into all of the circumstances related to the amalgamated City of TorontoÊs selection of TMACS.
- 3. To investigate and inquire into all of the circumstances surrounding the selection of consultants to develop and/or implement TMACS at the amalgamated City of Toronto (" Tax System Consultants%), including, but not limited to whether or not: a. expenditures relating to consultants were accurately reported;
  - b. the need for consulting services was appropriately determined, justified and documented;
  - c. consulting services were awarded based on sound business practices and in accordance with established procurement by-laws, policies and procedures;
  - d. adequate justification existed for waivers from required procedures;
  - e. consulting contracts were effectively managed to ensure the contract deliverables were achieved, expenses incurred were reasonable and justifiable, and ", value for money" was obtained; and
  - f. payments were made in accordance with the terms of the contract.

- 4. To investigate and inquire into all of the circumstances surrounding the selection of Ball HSU & Associates Inc. consultants to provide consulting services to the City of Toronto, including, but not limited to whether or not:
  - a. expenditures relating to consultants were accurately reported;
  - b. the need for consulting services was appropriately determined, justified and documented;
  - c. consulting services were awarded based on sound business practices and in accordance with established procurement by-laws, policies and procedures;
  - d. adequate justification existed for waivers from required procedures;
  - e. consulting contracts were effectively managed to ensure the contract deliverables were achieved, expenses incurred were reasonable and justifiable, and , value for money‰was obtained; and
  - f. payments were made in accordance with the terms of the contract.
- 5. To investigate and inquire into all aspects of the purchase of the computer hardware and software that subsequently formed the basis for the computer leasing RFQ that is the subject of the Toronto Computer Leasing Inquiry.
- 6. To investigate and inquire into all aspects of the matters set out above, their history and their impact on the ratepayers of the City of Toronto as they relate to the good government of the municipality, or the conduct of its public business, and to make any recommendations which the Commissioner may deem appropriate and in the public interest as a result of her inquiry.

AND IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Commissioner, in conducting the inquiry into the matters set out above in question to which the City of Toronto is a party, is empowered to ask any questions which she may consider as necessarily incidental or ancillary to a complete understanding of these matters;

And, for the purpose of providing fair notice to those individuals who may be required to attend and give evidence, without infringing on the CommissionerÊs discretion in conducting the inquiry in accordance with the terms of reference stated herein, it is anticipated that the TECI may include the following:

1. an inquiry into all relevant circumstances pertaining to the various matters referred to in this resolution, the basis of and reasons for making the recommendations for entering into the subject transactions and the basis of the decisions taken in respect of these matters

- 2. an inquiry into the relationships, if any, between the existing and former elected and administrative representatives of the City of Toronto, the Tax System Consultants, Ball HSU & Associates Inc., and any representatives of companies or persons referred to in paragraph 5 above at all relevant times; and
- 3. an inquiry into any professional advice obtained by the City of Toronto in connection with the matters referred to in this resolution at the relevant times.)