
**BOARD OF HEALTH
AGENDA
MEETING No. 4**

Date of Meeting:	Tuesday, April 10, 2001	Enquiry:	Yvonne Davies
Time:	2:00 p.m.		Secretary
Location:	Committee Room No. 1 100 Queen Street West Toronto City Hall		416-395-7343 ydavies@city. toronto.on.ca

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN TIME OF MEETING

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PURSUANT TO
THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT.**

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES –February 19, 2001.
[Sent to Members by electronic mail]

**1. APPOINTMENT OF CITIZEN MEMBERS
TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH.**

City Clerk, Nominating Committee
(March 14, 2001)

Advising that City Council, at its meeting on March 6, 7 and 8, 2001, by its adoption of Clause No. 2 of Report No. 2 of the Nominating Committee, appointed the following people to the Board of Health for a term of office to expire November 30, 2003, and until their successors are appointed: Ms. Helen Chan, Mr. Brian Hyndman, Dr. Rosanna Pellizzari, Ms. Nancy E. Peters, Mr. Brian S. MacKay, Mr. Lee Zaslofsky and Trustee Mark Stefanini as a representative from education.

**A COPY OF CITY COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT AND AN EXTRACT OF
THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT, REFERRED TO IN THE
FOREGOING COMMUNICATION WAS PROVIDED TO MEMBERS OF THE
BOARD ONLY.**

2. UPDATE ON BUDGET PROCESS.

Chair to provide a verbal report. No written material.

**3. IMPLEMENTATION OF “THE GROWING SEASON,”
PHASE 2 REPORT OF THE FOOD AND HUNGER
ACTION COMMITTEE .**

Medical Officer of Health
(March 28, 2001)

Presenting the Toronto Food Charter and the "Growing Season," Phase 2 Report of the Food and Hunger Action Committee, outlining the role of Toronto Public Health in the implementation of the Food and Hunger Action Plan, advising that there are no financial implications arising from this report and **recommending** that this report be received for information.

A COPY OF THE GROWING SEASON, PHASE 2 REPORT OF THE FOOD AND HUNGER ACTION COMMITTEE WAS DISTRIBUTED TO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ONLY.

TORONTO’S FOOD CHARTER AND THE GROWING SEASON, PHASE 2 REPORT OF THE FOOD AND HUNGER ACTION COMMITTEE CAN BE FOUND ON THE CITY OF TORONTO’S WEBSITE AT www.city.toronto.on.ca/food_hunger/index.htm

4. GENETICALLY ENGINEERED FOODS.

Medical Officer of Health
(March 26, 2001)

Reporting on the issue of genetic engineering of food using public health principles and presenting a summary of a larger Technical Report prepared by Toronto Public Health staff (see Attachment 1); synthesizing relevant information based on the findings of reviews of scientific evidence published in peer-reviewed journals, government reports, and advocacy group reports, in relation to public health principles, recommending that other Public Health stakeholders be consulted in order to develop recommendations, and further **recommending** that:

- (1) the Board of Health direct public health staff to lead a consultation with other Public Health stakeholders (e.g., the Ontario Public Health Association, the Canadian Public Health Association, Boards of Health in Ontario) to develop recommendations that will address the public health implications of genetically engineered food; and

- (2) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to continue to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

5. WEST NILE VIRUS.

Medical Officer of Health

(March 28, 2001)

Informing the Board of Health on the current situation in Ontario on prevention and control measures for the West Nile Virus (WNV), recommending action to be taken by the City; advising that there are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report, that resource requirements for the West Nile Response Plan will be subject to a future report to be prepared by the Inter-departmental West Nile Co-ordinating Committee; and **recommending** that:

- (1) the Board of Health request City Council to:
- (a) endorse the preparation of a co-ordinated City of Toronto West Nile Response Plan for the prevention and control of the West Nile Virus that minimizes the use of pesticides;
 - (b) ensure that the Inter-departmental West Nile Co-ordinating Committee develop and implement a West Nile Response Plan for the City including estimates of the costs of implementation;
 - (c) request the Province of Ontario to provide 100 percent funding to support the measures required to prevent and control the spread of West Nile virus, including the implementation of the City of Toronto West Nile Response Plan;
- (2) the Medical Officer of Health be requested to report back on staff activities to prevent and control the West Nile virus in Toronto; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

6. HARMONIZED MUNICIPAL ALCOHOL POLICY ALL WARDS.

Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and

Medical Officer of Health

(March 7, 2001)

Introducing, for Council's consideration, a draft harmonized Municipal Alcohol Policy (MAP), advising the MAP will apply to all Special Occasion Permit events held on City-owned locations, and to any event for which the City is the Special Occasion Permit

holder, advising that there are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report; and **recommending** that:

- (1) Council adopt the harmonized Municipal Alcohol Policy as outlined in Attachment No. 1;
- (2) the harmonized Municipal Alcohol Policy not come into effect until six months after the date of Council's approval in order that implementation measures identified in Attachment No. 3 may be carried out;
- (3) the existing Municipal Alcohol Policies of the former municipalities remain in effect during the six-month period noted in Recommendation No. 2 above;
- (4) the harmonized Municipal Alcohol Policy be forwarded to all City agencies, boards and commissions for their information, and that Council recommend to all agencies, boards and commissions that they give consideration to adopting policies respecting alcohol risk management; and
- (5) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

7. AIR QUALITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE NANTICOKE COAL-FIRED POWER PLANT.

Medical Officer of Health
(March 21, 2001)

Informing the Board of Health of the health and environmental implications of Ontario Power Generation's proposal to install selective catalytic reduction (SCR) units at the Nanticoke coal-fired power plant, seeking authorization to request that an environmental assessment be conducted; advising that there are no direct financial implications for Toronto Public Health or the City of Toronto, and **recommending** that City Council:

- (a) request that Canada's Minister of the Environment refer Ontario Power Generation's proposal to install selective catalytic reduction (SCR) units on its Nanticoke coal-fired power plant to an Environmental Assessment Panel with directions to consider the alternative of conversion to natural gas;
- (b) request that the Ontario Minister of the Environment require Ontario Power Generation (OPG) to prepare an environmental assessment under section 6.1(2) of the Environmental Assessment Act for its proposal to install selective catalytic reduction units on its Nanticoke coal-fired power plant with directions to give full consideration to the alternative of conversion to natural gas, and refer this assessment to the Ontario Environmental Review Tribunal for a full public hearing;

- (c) request that both Ministers of the Environment establish a joint review panel to address OPG's environmental assessment; and
- (d) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

7(a). Mr. Jack Gibbons, Chair, Ontario Clean Air Alliance
(February 7, 2001)

Requesting Council to pass a resolution requesting the Provincial and Federal Ministries of the Environment to subject Ontario Power Generation's proposal to install selective catalytic reduction units at its Lambton and Nanticoke coal-fired plants to a full public environmental assessment, and providing background information.

8. PREVENTION OF FEEDING OF WILD ANIMALS.

Councillor David Miller (High Park – Parkdale)
(January 30, 2001)

Requesting the Board of Health to develop and recommend to Council a by-law to prevent the feeding of wild animals.

9. AGGRESSIVE DOGS.

Councillor Flint
(March 3, 2001)

Submitting a proposed resolution for the Board's consideration, the operative paragraph of which reads:

“THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Legal staff, in cooperation with Animal Control and Health Department staff, report on ways and means in which the City's by-laws might be amended so as to afford more protection to those people who feel threatened by vicious and uncontrolled animals.”

10. CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS IN TORONTO.

Report not yet available.

11. ANIMAL WILDLIFE.

Report not yet available.

12. APPOINTMENT TO THE SUSTAINABILITY ROUNDTABLE.

DEFERRED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

City Clerk, Sustainability Roundtable
(February 2, 2001)

Recommending that a member of the Board of Health be appointed as the Board's representative to the Sustainability Roundtable for a term of office expiring May 31, 2002, and until their successor is appointed.

13. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO THE TORONTO DISTRICT HEALTH COUNCIL.

DEFERRED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

[No written material.]

Board to nominate its representative to the Toronto District Health Council to replace Councillor Joan King.

14. MEMBERSHIP/APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH SUBSTANCE ABUSE SUBCOMMITTEE.

City Clerk, Substance Abuse Subcommittee
March 27, 2001

Recommending that:

- (1) the Board of Health re-confirm the establishment of the Substance Abuse Sub-Committee and endorse the Terms of Reference, Objectives, and membership composition, as outlined in Appendix "A";
- (2) the Board of Health appoint three of its members (at least one member to be a member of Council) for a term expiring May 31, 2002, or until a successor is appointed, to the Substance Abuse Sub-Committee;
- (3) the City Clerk contact the organizations listed in Appendix "A" to determine if said organization wishes to continue as a member of the Substance Abuse Sub-Committee; and
- (4) the Substance Abuse Sub-Committee meet at the call of the Chair or as needed.