
PLEASE NOTE DATES OF MEETING

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Date of Meeting: Wednesday, January 16 & 23, 2002 **Enquiry:** Rosalind Dyers
Time: 9:30 a.m. **Committee Administrator**
Location: Committee Room 1 **416-392-8018**
City Hall
100 Queen Street West

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

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATION: List to be Distributed at Meeting

January 16, 2002

- 11:00 a.m. - Presentation by staff respecting the 2002 Capital and Operating Budgets (Item No. 1)**
- 2:00 p.m. - Deputations - 2002 Capital and Operating Budgets**

January 23, 2002

- 9:30 a.m. - Committee Review of the 2002 Capital and Operating Budgets under Item No. 1**

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS.

1. 2002 CAPITAL AND OPERATING BUDGETS.

Presentations on the Capital and Operating Budgets with respect to:

- Emergency Medical Services;
- Fire Services;
- Community and Neighbourhood Services, viz:
 - Children's Services;
 - Homes for the Aged;
 - Shelter, Housing and Support;
 - Social Development and Administration; and
 - Social Services.

- (NOTE: (1) **2002 Capital and Operating Budget Material will be distributed as soon as it is available; and**
- (2) **Committee Review of the foregoing budgets will take place on Wednesday January 23, 2002.)**

1(a). FISCAL SUSTAINABILITY PRINCIPLES AND FINANCIAL PRIORITY SETTING.

City Clerk

(December 10, 2001)

Advising that City Council on December 4, 5 and 6, 2001, adopted, without amendment, Clause No. 1 of Report No. 16 of The Policy and Finance Committee, headed "Fiscal Sustainability Principles and Financial Priority Setting", and in so doing Council referred the:

- (1) fiscal principles to the Budget Advisory Committee, the Standing Committees, the Chief Administrative Officer and the Acting Chief Financial Officer, as guidelines for use in responding to the City's fiscal issues and financial pressures; and
- (2) Priority Setting Guide to the Standing Committees and Budget Advisory Committee for use in assessing service level changes for City programs and setting financial priorities for the City.

1(b). TORONTO EMS PORTABLE RADIO SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION.Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services

(January 7, 2002)

Respecting the Toronto EMS portable radio participation in the Toronto Fire Services and Toronto Police Services Integrated Radio System and the recommended plans for implementation; advising that Toronto EMS is seeking 100 percent funding for this project from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care; and recommending that:

- (1) Council approve the Portable Radio Infrastructure project as part of the 2002-2006 Capital Program for Toronto Emergency Medical Services;
- (2) Council approve that, should the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care Fail to approve the funding in 2002, Toronto EMS may request the City to provide the necessary funding in the 2003-2004 budget submissions;
- (3) Council approve the implementation of the Portable Radio Infrastructure project in stages, over two years subject to funding availability;
- (4) Toronto EMS optimize the implementation steps in order not to exceed the total estimated cost; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

1(c). CHILDREN AND YOUTH ACTION COMMITTEE'S ACTION PLAN 2002 AND YOUTH ACTION PLAN BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS.City Clerk

(December 5, 2001)

Advising that the Children and Youth Action Committee on November 29, 2001, recommended to the Community Services Committee, the Economic Development and Parks Committee, the Library Board and the Board of Health:

- (1) the adoption of the recommendations contained in the Children and Youth Action Committee's Draft Action Plan 2002, as amended; and
- (2) the adoption of the recommendations contained in the Youth Action Plan Budget Recommendations for 2002 from the Toronto Youth Cabinet.

(NOTE: Copies of the Children and Youth Action Committee's Action Plan 2002 will be distributed as soon as it is available.)

2. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TZIRETAS TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE.

City Clerk

(December 14, 2001)

Advising, for information, that City Council on December 4, 5 and 6, 2001, appointed Councillor Michael Tziretas to the Community Services Committee, for a term of office to expire on May 31, 2002, and until his successor is appointed.

3. INCIDENT RESPONSE PLAN.

Councillor Ron Moeser,
Ward 44, Scarborough East
(December 27, 2001)

Submitting a copy of a letter from Mr. Brian Howieson, District Manager, Ministry of the Environment, concerning the City's need for an "Incident Response Plan" in light of the U.S.E. Hickson chemical plant fire; and requesting that staff be asked to report on the process for such a review and on how such an incident response plan can be put into place for the future protection of the City.

4. FIREGROUND INCIDENT TECHNICIANS.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(December 20, 2001)

Advising that the Fire Services Task Force on December 10, 2001, considered a joint report (November 29, 2001) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Fire Chief on Fireground Incident Technicians and recommended to the Community Services Committee, and Council, that:

- (1) the use of dedicated Fire Services Fireground Incident Technicians (FITS) be endorsed, subject to the stipulation that the Fire Chief develop statistics for monitoring the performance of FITS and report thereon to the Community Services Committee and to the Budget Advisory Committee as part of the 2003 Operating Budget process; and
- (2) Council acknowledge that the Fire Services Task Force has completed its mandate and authorize that it be disbanded;

and further reports having requested that Councillors Altobello, Chow, Kelly, Lindsay-Luby, Ootes and Pitfield be notified in advance when the staff report on monitoring the performance of FITS is scheduled to be considered by the Committee.

5. UPDATE ON TRANSFER OF CARE DELAYS EXPERIENCED BY TORONTO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services
(December 21, 2001)

Respecting the waiting times for the transfer of patient care at Toronto-area hospital emergency departments and the costs associated with such delays; and recommending that:

- (1) Toronto Council continue to endorse the efforts of Toronto EMS to resolve the offloading delay problem; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

6. APPOINTMENT TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HOMES FOR THE AGED.

City Clerk
(December 10, 2001)

Advising that the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged on December 7, 2001, recommended the adoption of a report (December 4, 2001) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged wherein it recommends that:

- (1) Mr. Gus Kotsiomitis, Senior Sales and Market Manager with the Royal Bank of Canada (RBC), be appointed to membership on the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged, for a period of three (3) years, with the provision for an extension of an additional term, as outlined in the terms of reference; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

7. REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 0602-00-1173 FOR THE SUPPLY OF COFFEE, TEA, JUICE CONCENTRATES AND DISPENSING EQUIPMENT FOR THE HOMES FOR THE AGED.

Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and
Chief Administrative Officer and Acting Chief Financial Officer
(December 18, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) the City exercise the option to renew for four (4) years with the current supplier, Serca Foodservice Inc. (Ontario Division), in the estimated amount of \$400,000.00 per year including all charges and applicable taxes, for the supply of Coffee, Tea, Juice Concentrates and Dispensing Equipment for the period January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2005; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

8. AGREEMENTS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY BEDS - ALBION LODGE AND TRUE DAVIDSON ACRES.

Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services
(December 28, 2001)

Requesting authority to enter into agreements with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care for the development of long-term care facility beds at Albion Lodge and True Davidson Acres; and recommending that:

- (1) the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, be given authority to execute "Agreements for Development of Long-Term Care Facility Beds" for the Albion Lodge and True Davidson Acres Homes for the Aged; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

9. UPDATE ON THE PROVINCIAL ONTARIO WORKS MANDATORY DRUG TREATMENT INITIATIVE.

Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services
(December 10, 2001)

Providing an update on the current status of the Province's mandatory drug treatment initiative; describing the current state of drug awareness and prevention programs in Toronto; and recommending that:

- (1) this report, and the issues identified therein, be forwarded to the Ministry of Community and Social Services for its consideration;
- (2) on the completion of the evaluation of the initial mandatory drug treatment implementation sites, the Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services report back to the Community Services Committee; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect hereto.

10. TORONTO SOCIAL SERVICES FACILITIES REQUIREMENTS: STATUS UPDATE.

Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services
(December 10, 2001)

Responding to the request to report on the consolidation of 14 Toronto Social Services offices into 5 to 10 local offices; and recommending that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services report back to the Community Services Committee in 2002, if necessary, on the implications for the existing physical plant to service a higher caseload resulting from an economic downturn, including recommendations to increase the physical plant capacity, where appropriate; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

11. FEASIBILITY OF THE CITY UNDERTAKING A LEGAL CHALLENGE UNDER THE CONSTITUTION AGAINST THE FEDERAL OR PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS DUE TO THE CUTBACKS THE CITY IS EXPERIENCING WITH RESPECT TO ITS SOCIAL PROGRAMS.

City Solicitor
(December 31, 2001)

Responding to the request of the Community Services Committee to report regarding the feasibility of the City undertaking a legal challenge under the Constitution against the federal or provincial governments due to the cutbacks the City is experiencing with respect to its social programs; and recommending that this report be received for information.

12. RESPONSE TO TUBERCULOSIS OUTBREAK AT SEATON HOUSE.

Secretary, Board of Health
(November 27, 2001)

Advising that the Board of Health on November 26, 2001, directed that a report (November 15, 2001) from the Medical Officer of Health providing information with respect to a recent outbreak of tuberculosis at Seaton House be forwarded to the Community Services Committee for information.

13. FEDERAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM.

Councillor Jack Layton
Co-Chair, Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons
(December 20, 2001)

Advising that the Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons on December 14, 2001, discussed the affordable housing program recently announced by the federal government; and recommended that, if the Province of Ontario does not commit to the contribution of adequate funds as required under The Framework for Bilateral Agreements Aimed at Affordable Housing signed by the federal, provincial and territorial housing ministers on November 30, 2001, Toronto City Council will ask the federal government to negotiate administration and funding agreements related to this program directly with the municipality.

14. UPDATE ON THE EMERGENCY SHELTER SYSTEM.

Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services

Report will be distributed as soon as it is available.

- 14(a).** Councillor Jack Layton
Co-Chair, Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons
 (December 20, 2001)

Advising that the Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons on December 14, 2001, discussed the serious shortage of emergency shelter beds in Toronto despite the ongoing efforts of City staff to open new facilities; and recommended that Toronto City Council authorize City staff to immediately open a temporary emergency shelter at either City Hall or Metro Hall to ensure that people out on the street have a safe and warm place to sleep during the winter months.

15. IMPLEMENTATION OF CITY AUDITOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS - COMMUNITY SERVICES GRANTS PROGRAM.

City Clerk
 (December 10, 2001)

Advising that City Council on December 4, 5 and 6, 2001, adopted, without amendment, Clause No. 4 of Report No. 10 of The Audit Committee, headed "Implementation of City Auditor's Recommendations - Community Services Grants Program", and in so doing directed that a copy be referred to the Community Services Committee for information.

16. CITY OF TORONTO CONSOLIDATED GRANTS ALLOCATION REPORT: TERMITE RESEARCH GRANT, AND UPDATE ON THE TERMITE RESEARCH PROGRAM.

Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services
 (December 24, 2001)

Responding to Council's request on December 4, 5 and 6, 2001, during consideration of Clause No. 16 of Report No. 13 of The Community Services Committee, headed "City of Toronto Consolidated Grants Allocations Report: Termite Research Grant," to review termite research projects in the former municipalities; and recommending that:

- (1) Council authorize payment of the Termite Research Grant of \$99,000.00 from the 2001 budget for the second of three reports comprising the Termite Research Program (a liability was set up in 2001 to offset the receipt of the report and invoice);
- (2) staff report back with a full evaluation of the three-year research project in 2002 following receipt of the final report from the Termite Research Program regarding “Towards a Neighbourhood-Based Termite Program”; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

16(a). City Clerk
(December 13, 2001)

Advising that City Council on December 4, 5 and 6, 2001, struck out and referred back to the Community Services Committee for further consideration Clause No. 16 of Report No. 13 of the Community Services Committee, headed “City of Toronto Consolidated Grants Allocation Report: Termite Research Grant”, with a request that the Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services review termite research projects in the former municipalities, especially with respect to original terms of reference for research projects, contract milestones and results, royalties and any duplication, and report thereon to the Committee.

17. CITY OF TORONTO HOMELESS INITIATIVES FUND - ALLOCATION REPORT.

Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services
(December 19, 2001)

Recommending that:

- (1) Council approve the 2001 City of Toronto Homeless Initiatives Fund (CT-HIF) grants in the amount of \$1,257,483.00 for the 33 agencies described in Appendix “A” of this report;
- (2) Council approve a \$250,000.00 grant from the City of Toronto Homeless Initiatives Fund to the United Way of Greater Toronto for the Toronto Homeless Community Economic Development Program for the Year 2002, as the third and final instalment of the program approved by Council in December 1999, prior to the final approval of the 2002 budget as consistent with the Interim Operating Budget Estimates report;

- (3) funds in the amount of \$100,000.00 be accrued for CT-HIF funding appeals to be held in the spring of 2002; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect hereto.

(NOTE: A copy of the Appendix B (Agency Summary Sheets), referred to in the foregoing report, was forwarded to Members of Council and Special Officials only.)

18. FEDERAL SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE (SCPI): ALLOCATIONS FOR HOMELESS PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, COMMUNITY PLANNING AND RESEARCH, AND SMALL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS.

Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services
(December 21, 2001)

Respecting the allocation of Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative (SCPI) funds for Small Capital Improvements, Homeless Programs and Services, and Community Planning and Research projects; and recommending that:

- (1) up to \$3,382,811.00 from the SCPI Small Capital Improvements envelope be allocated to 39 organizations for 45 new projects as recommended in Appendix A of the report;
- (2) all recommended proposals involving installation of appliances and equipment, building improvements and modifications are conditional on their meeting all applicable codes and standards and appropriate ownership and/or lease arrangements being in place;
- (3) the Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be delegated authority to amend Small Capital Improvement contracts where necessary to cover unforeseen cost increases to small capital projects for a total amount not exceeding \$200,000.00 for all amendments;
- (4) up to \$100,000.00 be set aside for all appeals of Small Capital Improvement recommendations in Appendix A;
- (5) up to \$500,000.00 from the SCPI Contingency envelope be allocated to the SCPI Small Capital Improvements envelope to cover the funding recommendations;
- (6) up to \$1,690,046.00 from the SCPI Homeless Programs and Services and Community Planning and Research envelopes be allocated to 30 organizations for 33 new projects as recommended in Appendix B of the report;

- (7) up to \$100,000.00 be set aside for all appeals of Homeless Programs and Services/Community Planning and Research recommendations in Appendix B;
- (8) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

(NOTE: A copy of each of Appendices C and D (Agency Summary Sheets), referred to in the foregoing report, was forwarded to Members of Council and Special Officials only.)

**19. SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE (SCPI):
ALLOCATIONS FOR TRANSITIONAL HOUSING.**

Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services
(January 2, 2002)

Recommending that:

- (1) Council approve the SCPI funding for transitional housing projects in the amount of \$5,194,005.00 to seven organizations, identified in Appendix 1;
- (2) the Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be delegated authority to enter into SCPI funding agreements with the organizations listed in Appendix 1, for the development and provision of transitional housing and to enter into any other agreements deemed necessary by the Acting Commissioner and the City Solicitor on terms and conditions deemed necessary by the Acting Commissioner in consultation with the City Solicitor;
- (3) a SCPI Contingency Fund be established that is 15 percent of the total amount recommended for funding or \$779,000.00;
- (4) the Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be delegated authority to approve the use of the Contingency Fund under the criteria set out in Appendix 3 and that any such funds so disbursed shall not exceed \$500,000.00 for any one project identified in Appendix 1;
- (5) if Contingency Funds are approved by the Acting Commissioner as described in Recommendation No. (4), the SCPI funding agreement in respect of that project be amended to reflect the additional amount of funding being provided to the project;
- (6) the disbursement of the funding to the organizations identified in Appendix 1 be subject to the project receiving all required planning approvals and having entered into all necessary agreements and fulfilling all conditions contained therein, as described in Recommendation No. (2);

- (7) the Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be delegated authority to terminate a funding agreement at any time prior to the commencement of construction if, in the Acting Commissioner's opinion, increases in costs would prevent the organization being funded from achieving cost-effective transitional housing targets;
- (8) the Acting Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services provide an information report to Council with respect to the cancellation of funding due to circumstances described in Recommendation No. (7); and
- (9) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto including the introduction of any necessary bills in Council.

(NOTE: A copy of the Appendix 4 (Organization Summary Sheets), referred to in the foregoing report, was forwarded to Members of Council and Special Officials only.)