

**THE CITY OF TORONTO**

**City Clerk's Office**

**Minutes of the Community Services Committee**

**Meeting No. 7**

**Thursday, September 12, 2002**

The Community Services Committee met on Thursday, September 12, 2002, in Committee Room 2, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:40 a.m.

Members Present: 9:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.

Councillor Olivia Chow, Chair	x	
Councillor Maria Augimeri		x
Councillor Raymond Cho		x
Councillor Joe Mihevc	x	
Councillor Sherene Shaw		x
Councillor Mario Silva	x	
Councillor Michael Tziretas		x
Councillor Michael Walker		x

Also Present:

Councillor David Shiner

Members were present for some or all of the time period indicated.

**Confirmation of Minutes.**

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Services Committee held on June 24, 2002, were confirmed.

**7.1 Consolidation of Works and Emergency Services Division Facilities, Proposed Future Toronto Police Service Vehicle Operations Facility and Proposed Purchase of 40-50 Toryork Drive (presently a Toronto Hydro Garage).**

The Committee had before it a joint report (August 30, 2002) from the Commissioner of Works

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and Emergency Services, the Fire Chief, General Manager, Toronto Emergency Medical Services, General Manager, Transportation Services and the Chief Administrative Officer, Toronto Police Services providing a business plan for the consolidation of facilities utilized by Toronto Fire Services, Toronto Emergency Medical Services, Transportation Services, the purchase of 40-50 Toryork Drive that will be utilized by the three divisions of Works and Emergency Services, and the Toronto Police Service for a Police Vehicle Operations facility; and recommending that:

- (1) Council approve the consolidation plan involving sites identified under the Works and Emergency Services Divisions of the Toronto Fire Services, Toronto Emergency Medical Services and Transportation Services, and Toronto Police Service;
- (2) the Commissioner of Corporate Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, be authorized to negotiate an Agreement of Purchase and Sale with Toronto Hydro for the acquisition of property located at 40-50 Toryork Drive;
- (3) Council provide pre-approval for the purchase of the 40-50 Toryork Drive property and existing facilities for a total of approximately \$4.90 million gross;
- (4) Council provide pre-approval for the \$0.450 million in capital contributions being provided by the Toronto Police Service for the project;
- (5) Council provide pre-approval for the \$0.550 million gross expenditures required to complete the appropriate facilities work necessary at the Toryork site to allow for relocation of Transportation staff to the new location;
- (6) a draw of \$2.5 million dollars be made in 2002 from the City's Land Acquisition Reserve Fund to be allocated towards the Toryork Drive initiative as to be reflected in the Toronto Fire Services 2003-2007 Capital Budget submission;
- (7) Council confirm its approval for the cash flow deferrals identified as offsets to the Toryork costs as found in the 2002 and 2003 capital cash flows for the Sunnybrook and Asset Management projects of the Toronto Fire Services and Toronto Emergency Medical Services;
- (8) Works and Emergency Services be required to release the southerly portion of 2756 Old Leslie Street once Transportation Services has been relocated to 40 Toryork Drive;
- (9) Toronto Police Service and all affiliated programs utilizing the Wilson Heights driver training facility, be required to vacate the Wilson Heights driver training facility and relocate these

functions to 40 Toryork Drive; and

- (10) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Councillor David Shiner, Ward 24, Willowdale, appeared before the Community Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Committee recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Policy and Finance Committee - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 13(a), Report No. 8)**

## **7.2 Agreement Between Toronto Emergency Medical Services and the Rouge Valley Health System.**

The Committee had before it a report (August 26, 2002) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) City of Toronto Council approve the participation of Toronto EMS in the Pilot Project for Stand Alone Percutaneous Coronary Interventions ("PCI")/Angioplasty Services involving Rouge Valley Health System, St. Michael's Hospital and Sunnybrook and Women's Health Sciences Centre; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be given the authority to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 1, Report No. 8)**

## **7.3 Update on Transfer of Care Delays Experienced by Toronto EMS.**

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The Committee had before it a report (August 26, 2002) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting the waiting times for the transfer of patient care at Toronto area hospital emergency departments and on steps being taken to address the problem; 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.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report; and
- (2) directed that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the General Manager, Toronto Emergency Medical Services be requested to continue to provide the Community Services Committee, on a regular basis, with updates on the transfer of care delays experienced by Toronto EMS and on the actions taken to resolve these delays.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; General Manager, Toronto Emergency Medical Services - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 2, Report No. 8)**

**7.4 Signing Authority - General Manager,  
Toronto Emergency Medical Services.**

The Committee had before it a report (August 28, 2002) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services recommending that:

- (1) City Council authorize the General Manager of Toronto Emergency Medical Services to execute, on behalf of the City of Toronto, agreements within the limitations set out in this report on matters pertaining to the delivery of emergency medical services within and surrounding the City of Toronto; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be given the authority to give effect thereto.

Councillor Walker moved that Recommendation No. (1) of the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services be amended by adding the name “Ronald L. Kelusky” after the word “authorize”, which was **lost**.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 3, Report No. 8)**

**7.5 Request for Proposal No. 0507-02-0195 for the Supply and Delivery of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) and Accessories for the City of Toronto.**

The Committee had before it a report (August 28, 2002) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services providing an update on the progress of the Cardiac Safe City Program; noting that funds in the amount of \$200,000.00 for the purchase of approximately 50 Automatic External Defibrillators were previously approved in the Toronto EMS 2002 Capital Works Program and that in August 2002 a contract to purchase these defibrillators was awarded to Access Medical to increase the number of PAD sites to approximately 75 locations within City boundaries; and recommending that the report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee received the aforementioned report.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; General Manager, Toronto Emergency Medical Services - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 13(b), Report No. 8)**

**7.6 Multi-Agency Response Plans and Procedures.**

The Committee had before it a communication (June 26, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that City Council on June 18, 19 and 20, 2002, received as information Clause No. 21 of Report No. 6 of The Community Services Committee, headed “Other Items Considered by the Committee”, subject to striking out and referring Item (b), entitled “Multi-Agency Response Plans and Procedures”, embodied therein back to the Community Services Committee for further

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consideration, viz:

“(b) Multi-Agency Response Plans and Procedures.

The Community Services Committee reports having received the following report:

(May 13, 2002) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services responding to a request by the Community Services Committee on January 16 and 23, 2002, to report on an communication addressed to Councillor Moeser from Mr. Brian Howieson, District Manager, provincial Ministry of the Environment, respecting its role during spills and environmental incidents, and the need for the City to develop an “Incident Response Plan”; providing an overview of the results of a meeting between City staff, emergency response organizations and the Ministry of the Environment in this regard; and recommending that the report be received for information.”

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee received the aforementioned communication.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; Councillor Ron Moeser, Ward 44, Scarborough East - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 13(c), Report No. 8)**

**7.7 Proposed 2002 Spending Strategy for Child Care Services.**

The Committee had before it a report (August 16, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting the provincial subsidy available for child care services and the implications of the cost-sharing shortfall; and recommending that:

- (1) \$.5 million of the net City contribution to child care which was approved in the 2002 budget but which has not secured provincial cost-sharing approval be spent to finance approved health and safety projects including playground retrofit in child care programs;

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- (2) the balance of the net City contribution to child care which was approved in the 2002 budget but which has not secured provincial cost-sharing approval (\$2.9 million) be spent to implement this year's base funding increment in the phased return to the payment of actual costs for child care programs under contract with the City including child care centres, private home child care agencies and providers, family resource centres and agencies providing special needs resourcing;
- (3) the City continue to advocate to the Province for its fair share of the provincial Early Childhood Development Initiative (ECDI) funding to support the City's priorities for young children, including child care, as identified in the Children's Action Plan and Toronto's Child Care Service Plan; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Ms. Jane Mercer, Toronto Coalition for Better Child Care, appeared before the Community Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

The Chair appointed Councillor Augimeri Acting Chair and vacated the Chair.

On motion by Councillor Chow, the Committee unanimously:

- (a) recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report, subject to amending Recommendation No. (3) to read as follows:
  - “(3) the City continue to advocate to the Province for its fair share of the Federal Early Childhood Development Initiative (ECDI) funding, as distributed by the Province, to support the City's priorities for young children, including child care, as identified in the Children's Action Plan, Toronto's Child Care Service Plan and 'The Early Years Study Three Years Later' by Dr. Fraser Mustard and Margaret Norrie McCain;” and
- (b) directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to forward a copy of “The Early Years Study Three Years Later” to Members of the Community Services Committee, and a copy of the Executive Summary from such report to all other Members of Council.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. General Manager,  
Children's Services - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 4, Report No. 7)**

Councillor Chow resumed the Chair.

**7.8 Property Tax Impact on Child Care.**

The Committee had before it a report (August 8, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing information clarifying the impact of past provincial and municipal decisions concerning property tax on child care programs; and recommending that this report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Silva, the Committee received the aforementioned report.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. General Manager,  
Children's Services - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 13(d), Report No. 8)**

**7.9 Ontario Long-Term Care Facility Funding Announcement.**

The Committee had before it a report (August 26, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing an overview of the Ontario Associate Minister of Health and Long-Term Care's July 31, 2002, announcement on long-term care facility funding and the implications for the City of Toronto; and recommending that:

- (1) the General Manager, Homes for the Aged undertake a review of the program and financial implications of the provincial funding increase for long-term care and services for the City and report back the findings to Toronto Council; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.



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The Committee also had before it a communication (August 23, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged on August 23, 2002, adopted a report dated August 7, 2002, from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged advising of the resident accommodation co-payment increase announced by the Associate Minister of Health and Long-Term Care on July 31, 2002; noting that there are no immediate financial implications arising out of this report, but that the planned co-payment increases may negatively affect future demand for preferred accommodation; and wherein it recommended that this report be forwarded to the Community Services Committee for information.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the report dated August 26, 2002, from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; and
- (2) directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to submit the report on the impact of the proposed changes in the way the Province will fund long-term care facilities in the future to the Community Services Committee by November 2002, and elaborate further with respect to the report dated August 7, 2002, from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, headed "Long-Term Care Resident Co-Payment Increase".

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. General Manager, Homes for the Aged - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 5, Report No. 8)**

#### **7.10 Nurse Practitioner Pilot Project.**

The Committee had before it a communication (August 23, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged on August 23, 2002, adopted a report (August 22, 2002) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged respecting the Nurse Practitioner Pilot Project and further:

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- (1) directed that it be forwarded to the Community Services Committee for its information and future planning; and
- (2) recommended that City Council urge the Province of Ontario to make a permanent commitment to fully funding the Nurse Practitioner Program in Long-Term Care Facilities in Ontario.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of Recommendation No. (2) of the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged contained in the aforementioned communication from the City Clerk, viz:

“that City Council urge the Province of Ontario to make a permanent commitment to fully funding the Nurse Practitioner Program in Long-Term Care Facilities in Ontario.”

**(Clause No. 6, Report No. 8)**

**7.11 Accreditation Report - Kipling Acres.**

The Committee had before it a communication (August 23, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged on August 23, 2002, adopted a report (July 10, 2002) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged providing a summary of the outcomes of the recent survey of Kipling Acres conducted by the Canadian Council on Health Services Accreditation (CCHSA); and recommending that:

- (1) this report be forwarded to the Community Services Committee; and
- (2) the management, staff and volunteers of Kipling Acres be congratulated on this significant achievement.

On motion by Councillor Augimeri, the Committee received the aforementioned communication and extended its congratulations to the management, staff and volunteers at Kipling Acres.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; General Manager, Homes for the Aged; Administrator, Kipling Acres - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 13(e), Report No. 8)**

**7.12 Accreditation Report - Lakeshore Lodge.**

The Committee had before it a communication (August 23, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged on August 23, 2002, adopted a report (July 10, 2002) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged providing a summary of the outcomes of the recent survey of Lakeshore Lodge conducted by the Canadian Council on Health Services Accreditation (CCHSA); and recommending that:

- (1) this report be forwarded to the Community Services Committee; and
- (2) the management, staff and volunteers of Lakeshore Lodge be congratulated on this significant achievement.

On motion by Councillor Augimeri, the Committee received the aforementioned communication and extended its congratulations to the management, staff and volunteers at Lakeshore Lodge.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; General Manager, Homes for the Aged; Administrator, Lakeshore Lodge - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 13(f), Report No. 8)**

**7.13 Update on the Provincial Zero Tolerance Policy for Social Assistance Fraud.**

The Committee had before it a report (August 6, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing an update on the implementation of the Province of Ontario's zero tolerance policy for social assistance fraud that was introduced in April 2000; and recommending that:

- (1) City Council request the Minister of Community, Family and Children's Services to

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reconsider the implementation of a lifetime ban for individuals convicted of social assistance fraud;

- (2) this report be forwarded to the Minister of Community, Family and Children's Services and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be granted the authority to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

The Committee also had before it a communication (September 11, 2002) from Ms. Ann Dembinski, President, Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 79, urging the Community Services Committee to support the recommendations contained in the report.

The Committee:

- (i) recommended to Council:
  - (a) the adoption of the aforementioned report, subject to amending Recommendation No. (2) to read as follows:

“(2) this report, together with any previous reports reiterating Council's policy with respect to the provincial zero tolerance policy, be forwarded to the Minister of Community, Family and Children's Services and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario;”;

**(Motion by Councillor Shaw)**

- (b) that the Chair of the Community Services Committee, and appropriate staff, meet with the Minister of Community, Family and Children's Services to request the Minister to reconsider the zero tolerance policy for social assistance fraud; and

**(Motion by Councillor Walker)**

- (ii) directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to:
  - (a) document the increased costs resulting from the zero tolerance policy, such as extra court costs and the cost of increased shelter use, and report thereon to the Community Services Committee; and

**(Motion by Councillor Cho)**

- (b) report to the Community Services Committee on whether it would be in the City's interest, from a compassionate and financial point of view, to cover the full 100 percent cost of social assistance to those suffering from extreme hardship as a result of the lifetime ban; and further that such report include any figures from other municipalities in this regard.

**(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)**

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Ms. Ann Dembinski, President, Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 79; c. General Manager, Social Services - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 7, Report No. 8)**

**7.14 Living the Vision: Toronto Social Services'  
Report to the Community.**

The Committee had before it a report (July 22, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services submitting a document prepared by Toronto Social Services (TSS), entitled "Living the Vision", which provides a general overview of the Ontario Works Program and is the foundation for broader public education efforts intended to provide clients and others with ready access to the information needed to understand the programs; and recommending that the report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Augimeri, the Committee received the aforementioned report; and directed that its appreciation be expressed to the staff involved in the

publication of such an excellent report.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. General Manager,  
Social Services - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 13(g), Report No. 8)**

**7.15 Delivery of Information, Counselling and Referral on Workplace Issues Service Formerly Offered by Workers' Information and Action Centre of Toronto (WIACT).**

The Committee had before it a report (August 26, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting funding for the Information, Counselling and Referral on Workplace Issues Service for 2002, which was formerly offered by the Workers' Information and Action Centre of Toronto (WIACT); and recommending that:

- (1) Parkdale Community Legal Services be allocated the \$60,000.00 from the Grants Contingency account for the provision of the Information, Counselling and Referral on Workplace Issues Service; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Augimeri, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 8, Report No. 8)**

**7.16 Community Services Grants Program - 2002/2003 Program Update.**

The Committee had before it a report (August 28, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services updating the Committee on actions taken with regard to the ongoing refinement of the Community Services Grants Program (CSGP) and its alignment with other City policies; and recommending that:

- (1) the clarifications and revisions to the CSGP eligibility and assessment criteria and ineligible

program areas be approved as outlined in this report;

- (2) changes to the timing of the assessment process that facilitate the continued implementation of a risk management framework be approved as outlined in this report;
- (3) modifications to the allocations framework that provide returning applicants with an opportunity to alter the distribution of their CSGP grant among funded programs be approved as described in this report;
- (4) the method for managing the recovery of surplus CSGP funds and funds used for ineligible purposes be approved as described in this report; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 9, Report No. 8)**

#### **7.17 Toronto Police Service's Request for Partnership with City-Funded Agencies.**

The Committee had before it a report (August 23, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services responding to the request of the Committee on May 2, 2002, to report on a request from the Toronto Police Services Board that the Community Services Committee review and encourage agencies that are funded by Toronto City Council through Community and Neighbourhood Services to partner with the Toronto Police Service and school boards on collaborative efforts dealing with youth-related issues to avoid overlap and duplication; noting how these partnerships can be strengthened and new ones developed, in order to maximize co-ordination and avoid overlap or duplication in services provided to at-risk youth; indicating that the Department will continue to collaborate with the Toronto Police Service and through its grants programs foster appropriate links and partnerships between the Toronto Police Service and community agencies; and recommending that the report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Committee received the aforementioned report; and directed that a copy thereof be forwarded to the Toronto Police Services Board and the Task Force on Community Safety for information.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Chair, Toronto Police Services Board; Task Force on Community Safety - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 13(h), Report No. 8)**

**7.18 Amendment to Lease and Shared Facilities Agreement -  
93 and 95 Lavinia Avenue (Ward 13 - Parkdale-High Park)  
(Clause No. 14 of Report No. 12 of The Administration Committee.)**

The Committee had before it a joint report (August 21, 2002) from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting Amendments to the Lease and Shared Facilities Agreement for 93 and 95 Lavinia Avenue; and recommending that:

- (1) authority be granted to amend the Ground Lease and the Shared Facilities Agreement between the City as the Landlord and the Swansea Town Hall Residences as the Tenant, accepting a surrender of a portion of the demised premises as described herein, on the terms and conditions as agreed and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
- (2) authority be granted to accept a payment of \$50,000.00 from the Swansea Town Hall Residences in return for a release from the City of all potential claims for damage to the Swansea Town Hall which arose at the time of construction of the Residences, and to apply that payment to the costs of constructing the expansion to the Swansea Town Hall;
- (3) authority be given to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, or his designate, to approve, on behalf of the City of Toronto, as service manager, the partial surrender of the lease by Swansea Town Hall Residences, as required under the *Social Housing Reform Act, 2000* (the "SHRA"), and to submit a business case to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (the "Minister") on behalf of Swansea Town Hall Residences to seek Ministry approval under the SHRA; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.



On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee concurred in the recommendations contained in the aforementioned joint report, and directed that City Council be advised accordingly.

**(Clause No. 13(i), Report No. 8)**

**7.19 City of Toronto Homeless Initiatives Fund - Allocations Report 2002.**

The Committee had before it a report (August 26, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services recommending that:

- (1) Council approve the City of Toronto Homeless Initiatives Fund (CT-HIF) grants in the amount of \$6,361,466.00 for 79 agencies as described in Appendix "A" of this report; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect hereto.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 10, Report No. 8)**

**7.20 Off the Street, Into Shelter - Allocations Report.**

The Committee had before it a report (August 26, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting the Off the Street, Into Shelter allocations; and recommending that:

- (1) an in-year budget adjustment be made to the Off the Street, Into Shelter budget line item reducing the budgeted amount from \$2.28 million to \$1.45 million;
- (2) the City approve \$1,007,505.00 in Off the Street, Into Shelter (OSIS) operating funding and enter into service agreements with the agencies recommended for funding in Appendix A of this report to deliver high-support street outreach;

- (3) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be delegated authority to provide OSIS funding for capital requirements necessary for the delivery of high-support street outreach to the agencies recommended for funding in Appendix A, to an amount not exceeding \$100,000.00 in total or \$55,000.00 per individual agency;
- (4) an RFP or similar process be used to solicit proposals for enhanced hostel transportation; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Silva, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

**(Clause No. 11, Report No. 8)**

#### **7.21 Transitional Housing Funding for Youth Clinical Services Through the Federal Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative Program.**

The Committee had before it a report (August 20, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services recommending that:

- (1) Council approve SCPI funding of up to \$1,597,783.00 to Youth Clinical Services for the purpose of developing transitional housing at the City-owned site at 1900 Sheppard Avenue West; as used in this report, "Youth Clinical Services" means Youth Clinical Services, its successors, or another entity associated with and controlled by Youth Clinical Services and acceptable to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services;
- (2) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be delegated authority to enter into a SCPI funding agreement with Youth Clinical Services for its development and provision of transitional housing (the "Project") on the City-owned site at 1900 Sheppard Avenue West and subject to Council declaring the City-owned site surplus to municipal requirements to enter into any other agreements or documentation deemed necessary or desirable to give effect to the foregoing, all on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services in consultation with the City Solicitor, and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
- (3) the Commissioner of Neighbourhood and Community Services be delegated authority to approve the use of the SCPI Contingency Fund and that any such funds disbursed shall not

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exceed \$500,000.00 for the Project;

- (4) if SCPI Contingency Funds are approved by the Commissioner as described in Recommendation No. (3), the SCPI funding agreement in respect of the Project be amended to reflect the additional amount of funding being provided to the Project;
- (5) the disbursement of any SCPI funding to Youth Clinical Services as described herein, be subject to the Project receiving all required planning approvals and Youth Clinical Services having entered into all the necessary agreements and the fulfilment of the conditions as described in Recommendation No. (2).
- (6) the Commissioner be authorized to terminate any SCPI Funding Agreement at any time prior to the commencement of construction if, in the Commissioner's opinion, increases in costs would prevent Youth Clinical Services from achieving cost-effective transitional housing targets;
- (7) the Commissioner provide an information report to Council with respect to funding due to circumstances described in Recommendation No. (6); and
- (8) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Councillor Augimeri moved that the Committee defer consideration of the aforementioned report until its November 7, 2002 meeting.

Councillor Mihevc moved that the foregoing motion by Councillor Augimeri be amended by adding the following words:

“or earlier, if funding for the Library portion of the project has received City Council approval.”

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motion by Councillor Augimeri, as amended by the foregoing motion by Councillor Mihevc, it was **carried**.

(Commissioner of Corporate Services; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Councillor Maria Augimeri, Ward 9, York Centre; City Librarian; c. General Manager, Shelter, Housing and Support - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 13(j), Report No. 8)**

**7.22 Audit Report on the Federal Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative.**

The Committee had before it a report (August 28, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting the 2001/02 annual audit report of the Federally funded Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative (SCPI) undertaken by Ernst & Young, which confirms that the SCPI program is being successfully administered by the City of Toronto according to the terms and conditions of the contribution agreement with the Federal Government; and recommending that the report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Tziretas, the Committee received the aforementioned report, and directed that a copy thereof be forwarded to the Audit Committee for information.

(Audit Committee; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. General Manager, Shelter, Housing and Support - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 13(k), Report No. 8)**

**7.23 Update on the Status of the Municipal Shelter By-law and Multi-Year Shelter Strategy for the City of Toronto.**

The Committee had before it a report (August 28, 2002) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing an update on the status of both the Municipal Shelter By-law and Multi-Year Shelter Strategy for Toronto.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Committee received the aforementioned report; and further directed that the Commissioner of Urban Development Services and the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to process the report on the Municipal Shelter By-law to Council for consideration at its meeting on November 26, 2002, if possible.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Commissioner of Urban Development Services; c. General Manager, Shelter, Housing and Support

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**(Clause No. 13(l), Report No. 8)**

**7.24 Review of Advisory Committees and Special Committees  
Under the Purview of the Community Services Committee.**

The Committee had before it a report (June 24, 2002) from the City Clerk advising that the Community Services Committee on June 24, 2002, during consideration of a report (May 13, 2002) from the City Clerk providing for review a list of sub-committees, advisory committees, special committees and task forces under the purview of the Community Services Committee directed, in part, that consideration of disbanding the following advisory committees and special committees be deferred until the next meeting of the Committee with a request that the City Clerk notify the committees concerned:

- (a) Aboriginal Homelessness Advisory Committee;
- (b) Affordable and Social Housing Committee;
- (c) Council Reference Group to Oversee the Implementation of the Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative (SCPI); and
- (d) Social Development Strategy Steering Committee.

Mr. Vance Latchford, Latchford Associates, appeared before the Community Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

On motion by Councillor Shaw, the Committee directed that the aforementioned communication be submitted to City Council without recommendation; and further that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to ascertain from the Chairs of the following advisory and special committees that they are in agreement with the disbanding of such committees:

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- (a) Aboriginal Homelessness Advisory Committee;
- (b) Affordable and Social Housing Committee;
- (c) Council Reference Group to Oversee the Implementation of the Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative (SCPI); and
- (d) Social Development Strategy Steering Committee,

and report thereon directly to Council for its meeting on October 1, 2002.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. Executive Director,  
Social Development and Administration - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 12, Report No. 8)**

**7.25 Toronto EMS Recruit Class of June 2002.**

The Committee had before it a report (September 6, 2002) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting the Toronto Emergency Medical Services new hire Orientation Program and the background and qualifications of the recruit class of June 2002; and recommending that the report be received for information.

Councillor Augimeri noted that under the heading "Languages Spoken" the word "Gunjarati" should be spelt "Gujarati".

On motion by Councillor Augimeri, the Committee received the aforementioned report.

(Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services; General Manager, Toronto  
Emergency Medical Services - September 12, 2002)

**(Clause No. 13(m), Report No. 8)**

The Committee adjourned its meeting at 12:10 p.m.

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