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Minutes of the Community Services Committee

Meeting No. 7

Monday, September 8, 2003

The Community Services Committee met on Monday, September 8, 2003, in Committee Room 2, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:40 a.m.

Members Present: 9:40 a.m.-12:00 noon

Councillor Olivia Chow, Chair	x	
Councillor Maria Augimeri		x
Councillor Joe Mihevc	x	
Councillor Sherene Shaw		x
Councillor Michael Tziretas		x
Councillor Michael Walker		x

Regrets:

Councillor Raymond Cho
Councillor Mario Silva

Also Present:

Councillor Pam McConnell
Councillor Peter Milczyn

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 July 3, 2003, were confirmed.

7.1 Presentation of Commemorative Plaque to the Family of the Late Mary Ellen Glover and the Mary Ellen Glover Award

The Community Services Committee had before it a report (July 29, 2003) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, addressed to the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged, recommending that:

- (1) the Mary Ellen Glover Award be established in tribute to the contributions made by the late Mary Ellen Glover in supporting and advocating for seniors living in long-term care facilities; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Councillor Chow, on behalf of the Community Services Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report; and
- (2) presented to Mr. Bill Glover, and his daughter Margot Glover, a commemorative plaque in memory and recognition of the late Mary Ellen Glover's advocacy and support to seniors in Toronto and across Ontario; and
- (3) presented to Ms. Vija Mallia, Administrator, Castlview Wychwood Towers Home for the Aged, a plaque to be displayed in a prominent public place in the Home in tribute to Mary Ellen Glover's work for residents through the Ontario Association of Residents' Council and her work in the Homes for the Aged Division.

(Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged - September 8, 2003)

(Clause No. 14, Report No. 7)

7.2 Updates on Impact of the August 14/15, 2003, Blackout on Toronto EMS, Fire Services and the Community and Neighbourhood Services Department

The Committee had before it briefing notes from Toronto Emergency Medical Services, Toronto Fire Services and the Community and Neighbourhood Services Department providing updates on the impact of the August 14/15, 2003, Blackout.

The following persons gave verbal presentations to the Community Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Mr. William Stewart, Fire Chief and General Manager, Toronto Fire Service;
- Mr. Bruce Farr, Acting Chief and General Manager, Toronto Emergency Medical Services;
- Mr. Eric Gam, Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; and
- Councillor Pam McConnell, Ward 28, Toronto Centre-Rosedale; and requested that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, in debriefing sessions with his staff, look at ways that the City can be more prepared, including a review of the infrastructure, in an effort to assist and provide citizens with the necessary resources in affected neighbourhoods should similar occurrences happen in the future.

The Committee:

- (1) received the Briefing Notes submitted by Toronto Emergency Medical Services, Toronto Fire Services and the Community and Neighbourhood Services Department, and directed that they be forwarded to Council for information;

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- (2) recommended to Council that:

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- (a) it extend its congratulations and sincere appreciation to Mayor Mel Lastman, Deputy Mayor Case Ootes, and to all City staff for their outstanding performance from the inception of the Blackout on August 14, 2003, to the closing of the City's Emergency Operations Centre on August 22, 2003; and **(Motion by Councillor Walker)**

- (b) the evaluation of the response by the City and its Agencies, Boards and Commissions to the Blackout include an analysis of the City's emergency preparedness in the event of another blackout, and in particular with respect to a review of the systems necessary (e.g., diesel and natural gas generators, etc.) for any similar occurrences in the future. **(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)**

(Clause No. 1, Report No. 7)

7.3 2004 Financial Pressures for Community and Neighbourhood Services

The Committee had before it a report (August 25, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing an overview of some of the financial pressures facing the Community and Neighbourhood Services Department in anticipation of the 2004 City budget process; and recommending that this report be received for information.

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

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services - September 8, 2003)

(Clause No. 27(a), Report No. 7)

7.4 Training of Advanced Care Paramedics for Outside Municipal Agencies

The Committee had before it a report (August 21, 2003) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting the training of advanced care paramedics for outside municipal agencies; and recommending that:

- (1) the Acting EMS Chief and General Manager be authorized to execute an agreement with

Grey-Bruce Huron Base Hospital to implement an advanced life support (ALS) education program in Huron County and actively market this program to other Upper Tier Municipalities;

- (2) the net revenues from this program be returned to the EMS Training and Development Unit for the purpose of funding a co-ordinator when required and to support internal education opportunities for the paramedic staff of Toronto EMS;
- (3) the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer set up a separate corporate account for this program, which will show total expenditures and revenues for this initiative;
- (4) the program be evaluated and a staff report completed at the end of a one-year period; 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. 2, Report No. 7)

7.5 Recommendations Arising Out of the Inquest into the Death of Methusan Vijayaratnam

The Committee had before it a report (August 21, 2003) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services responding to the Jury's recommendations resulting from the Coroner's Inquest into the death of Methusan Vijayaratnam; and recommending that the report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee received the aforementioned report, and directed that it be forwarded to Council and the Chief Coroner of Ontario for information.

(Clause No. 3, Report No. 7)

7.6 Request for Proposal No. 0507-03-0153 - Acquisition of Automated External Defibrillators, Accessories and Services

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The Committee had before it a joint report (August 25, 2003) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer respecting Request for Proposal No. 0507-03-0153 for the supply and delivery of Automated External Defibrillators, accessories and services; and recommending that:

- (1) the City enter into a contract with Access Medical Inc./Medtronic of Canada Ltd., the submitter of the highest-scoring Proposal, for the supply as required of the various types of Automated External Defibrillators, accessories and services described in its Proposal at the firm prices offered therein for a period of two (2) years;
- (2) authority be granted to make acquisitions of goods and services under the contract during its currency as required for the purposes of the Public Access Defibrillator Program, at a cost in 2003 not in excess of the \$400,000.00 available in project account No. CAM026, and for 2004 and the part of 2005 covered by the contract, at a cost not in excess of whatever funds Council may have approved for that purpose for that time; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized to take all necessary steps required for the implementation of Recommendations Nos. (1) and (2).

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

(Clause No. 4, Report No. 7)

7.7 Second Renewal Agreement with Sunnybrook and Women's College Health Sciences Centre for Fire Fighter Training in Defibrillation and Medical Emergency Skills

The Committee had before it a joint report (August 25, 2003) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Fire Chief and General Manager seeking second renewal of the base hospital agreement with Sunnybrook and Women's College Health Sciences Centre for Fire Fighter training in defibrillation and medical emergency skills; and recommending that:

- (1) the City be authorized to enter into an agreement for the purpose of renewing the May 17, 2001, base hospital agreement with Sunnybrook and Women's College Health Sciences Centre for another one-year term, with the term of such renewal agreement to run from May 17, 2003 to May 17, 2004;

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- (2) the renewal agreement referred to in Recommendation No. (1) have terms and conditions substantially as set out in Attachment No. 1 of this report and otherwise have terms and conditions in the interests of the City satisfactory to Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and the Fire Chief and General Manager and be in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
- (3) such renewal be retroactive to May 17, 2003; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto and to take any action required to be taken thereunder.

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

(Clause No. 8, Report No. 7)

7.8 Expressions of Interest for Child Care Operators

The Committee had before it a report (August 7, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services outlining an expression of interest process and selection criteria to be used in the determination of an operator for new City built child care sites; and recommending that:

- (1) the expression of interest process and selection criteria described in this report be approved;
- (2) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be granted the authority to select the operator/s in accordance with the criteria recommended and report back to Council on the successful operator/s and the contractual arrangements; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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

(Clause No. 9, Report No. 7)

7.9 Child Care Implications of the Mediated Settlement with the Ontario Government of the Pay Equity Charter Challenge

The Committee had before it a report (August 22, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing preliminary information concerning the mediated settlement with the Ontario Government of the Pay Equity Charter Challenge brought by five unions and four individuals, in particular with respect to the implications of the settlement on child care and on the City's role as service system manager for child care; and recommending that:

- (1) the City continue to work through the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to identify the retroactive and future cost-sharing implications of the mediated settlement to the Pay Equity Charter Challenge, and to secure from the Ontario Government adequate additional administrative resources to perform the recently delegated responsibilities associated with implementing the terms of the mediated settlement in Toronto's child care community;
- (2) authority be granted to receive the provincial funds from the mediated settlement, to distribute them to qualifying child care operators, and to adjust all service contracts accordingly;
- (3) the Children's Services Division continue to work with the child care community to identify strategies to resolve the equity, service and funding issues resulting from the distribution of the child care portion of the mediated pay equity settlement;
- (4) in recognition of the unfunded pay equity liabilities within the child care community and the inequities imposed in 2003 by the selective distribution of pay equity monies attached to the mediated settlement, and as a short-term solution, the City authorize the use of the \$667,000.00 approved in the 2003 Operating Budget as its share of this year's instalment in the phased return to actual costs for those child care programs that will not benefit directly from the mediated pay equity settlement;
- (5) as a longer term solution and as part of the 2004 Service Planning Process for Child Care, the City explore revisions to the current fee subsidy and wage subsidy programs such that operators' actual costs of providing subsidized care are reflected in their service contracts and operators have the financial capacity to address outstanding pay equity liabilities as required by the Pay Equity legislation;
- (6) the Department report back to Council through the 2004 budget process on the future and

retroactive cost-sharing implications of this mediated settlement; and

- (7) the appropriate City officials take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.

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

(Clause No. 10, Report No. 7)

7.10 Funding Increase for Long-Term Care Facilities

The Committee had before it a report (August 7, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting a provincial long-term care facility funding increase effective July 1, 2003, and the need to adjust the Homes for the Aged Division's 2003 Operating Budget; and recommending that:

- (1) the Homes for the Aged Division's 2003 Operating Budget be adjusted by \$4.2 million (gross) and \$0 (net) to meet compliance with new provincial long-term care standards, specifically:
 - (a) increase gross expenditures by \$1.8 million to partially implement the new standards as outlined in the report; and
 - (b) allocate the remainder of the provincial subsidy increase to support current operational spending and transfer \$2.4 million of preferred accommodation revenue to the HFA Capital Reserve Fund at year-end;
- (2) this report be referred to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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

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(Clause No. 27(b), Report No. 7)

7.11 City Role in the Provision and Support of Homemaking Services

The Committee had before it a report (June 26, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting the outcome of the review and analysis of data related to the provision of homemaking services within the City of Toronto; providing recommendations to improve the provision of service and on allocation of the 2003 Consolidated Grants Program Homemaking funding; and recommending that:

- (1) Toronto Council reaffirm its commitment to homemaking services and acknowledge these services as an integral part of the health care system that contribute to independence and aging in place;
- (2) Toronto Council advocate to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) to provide funding enhancements for the provision of homemaking services;
- (3) the Chair of the Community Services Committee and the Seniors' Advocate request a meeting with the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care to inform the Minister of the significant unmet need for homemaking services within the City of Toronto and its demonstrated impact on other health and social service costs, and to offer to work collaboratively with MOHLTC staff to establish and implement a plan for improved service co-ordination and a more effective continuum of care;
- (4) the grant allocations totalling \$352,219.00 be made to 16 organizations for homemaking programs for 2003 only, as outlined in Appendix 1;
- (5) the City consolidate its financial support for homemaking services into the Homemakers and Nurses Services Program, recognizing that this funding and service provision model provides the best mechanism currently available to the City to ensure appropriate accountability and service rationalization, and that the funds for homemaking programs in the amount of \$223,426.00 be transferred from the Consolidated Grants Program to the Homes for the Aged Homemakers and Nurses Services Program for the year 2004 and, thereafter, established as a special needs fund, with eligibility criteria and an implementation

schedule to be drafted by members of the Homemaking Advisory Group;

- (6) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services report on the implementation of the special needs fund in July 2004, and on the status of further discussions with the MOHLTC with respect to the co-ordination and funding of homemaking services and their value in the continuum; and
- (7) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Ms. Bea Levis, Toronto Seniors' Assembly, appeared before the Community Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

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

(Clause No. 11, Report No. 7)

7.12 Request for Proposal for Homemaking Services for the Homemakers and Nurses Services Program

The Committee had before it a report (August 22, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services advising of the Homes for the Aged Division's intention to issue a Request for Proposal for homemaking services for the Homemakers and Nurses Services Program; and recommending that:

- (1) the City renew service agreements with the existing contracted homemaking agencies under the same terms and conditions as set out in the current agreements for the period of time from January 1, 2004, until new service agreements are established as a result of a Request for Proposals process;
- (2) City staff initiate a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, with the intention of entering into new agreements by April 1, 2004, or by June 1, 2004 at the latest, with proponents who satisfy the criteria developed for the RFP process and the terms and conditions outlined in this report; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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

(Clause No. 12, Report No. 7)

7.13 Request for Proposal No. 0117-03-0002 for the Supply and Delivery and In-House Education, Training and On-Going Support of Disposable Incontinent Products at Various Locations for Homes for the Aged

The Committee had before it a joint report (August 13, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting Request for Proposal No. 0117-03-0002 for the supply and delivery and in-house education, training and on-going support of disposable incontinent products at various locations for Homes for the Aged; and recommending that:

- (1) the proposal submitted by Source Medical Corporation, the highest scoring proponent, be accepted for one (1) year and two (2) months in the estimated amount of \$2,188,200.00 including all charges and applicable taxes for the contract for the supply, delivery and in-house education, training and on-going support of disposable incontinent products for the period November 1, 2003 to December 31, 2004;
- (2) the option to renew on an annual basis for the balance award period from January 1, 2005 to July 31, 2008, in the estimated amount of \$6,720,900.00 including all charges and taxes, be reviewed by the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services in co-operation with the Purchasing Agent, provided the first term of the contract has been performed satisfactorily;
- (3) provided that there is a favourable review, in accordance with Recommendation No. (2), the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be the delegated authority to exercise the option within the terms and conditions set out above and be authorized to instruct the Purchasing Agent to process the necessary contract; and
- (4) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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

(Clause No. 13, Report No. 7)

**7.14 “Design at Work” Award Winner
Entro Communications and Cummer Lodge -
“Cummer Lodge Signage and Wayfinding”**

The Committee had before it a report (July 30, 2003) from the General Manager, Homes for the Aged, addressed to the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged, advising that Entro Communications won the 2002 “Design at Work” Award for three dimensional signage in the 2002 Juried Exhibition of Graphic Design, sponsored by The Association of Registered Graphic Designers of Ontario, for the creative and effective interior signage and wayfinding system developed for Cummer Lodge; and recommending that the report be referred to the Community Services Committee for information and acknowledgement.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Committee received the aforementioned report, and extended its congratulations to all those involved in the project.

(Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; General Manager, Homes for the Aged; Administrator, Cummer Lodge - September 8, 2003)

(Clause No. 27(c), Report No. 7)

7.15 Tripartite Agreements to Support Toronto’s Social Infrastructure

The Committee had before it a report (August 20, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing an update on progress in pursuing tripartite agreements as a potential source of funding to support Toronto’s social infrastructure, as proposed by the Toronto City Summit Alliance; and recommending that the report be received for information.

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

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(Clause No. 27(d), Report No. 7)

**7.16 Breaking the Cycle of Violence Grants Program -
2004 Program Update**

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The Committee had before it a report (August 22, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing an update on the review of the Breaking the Cycle of Violence Grants Program priorities and ongoing improvements to the program related to eligibility and assessment criteria; and recommending that:

- (1) the revised statement of mission and priorities be approved as outlined in Appendix A;
- (2) the strategic directions for improvements to program requirements and delivery, including a three-year project option, be approved as outlined in Appendix B; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Ms. Keri Gordon, Shouters National Evangelical Spiritual Baptist Faith, appeared before the Community Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

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

(Clause No. 15, Report No. 7)

7.17 “TB or not TB? There is no question - Report of A Public Inquiry into the State of Tuberculosis Within Toronto’s Homeless Population, June 2003”

The Committee had before it a communication (August 25, 2003) from Councillor Jane Pitfield, Co-Chair, Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons, advising that the Advisory Committee on July 11, 2003, received a presentation from the TB Action Group on its report, entitled “TB or not TB? There is no question - Report of A Public Inquiry into the State of Tuberculosis Within Toronto’s Homeless Population, June 2003”; and that the Advisory Committee endorsed the recommendations contained in the report and requested that the Community Services Committee adopt the income, housing and shelter related recommendations, as follows:

- (1) that the Community Services Committee adopt Recommendations Nos. 1, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 of the TB Action Group report, specifically that:
 - (a) all levels of government should immediately implement the One Percent Solution, a social housing strategy that calls on all levels of government to double their spending on a comprehensive new social housing strategy. This would provide decent affordable housing with a range of options and supports including

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supportive and flexible housing for people with a range of health issues;

- (b) the City of Toronto must create a fast track process to the Rent Supplement Program to rapidly house homeless people with active TB, and also those homeless people with any serious health issue that increases their risk from TB infection including Hepatitis C, HIV/AIDS, and cancer;
 - (c) the Shelter, Housing and Support Division must develop a fast-track process to implement its revised Shelter Standards in all Toronto shelters. In particular, those standards that ensure adequate space, nutritious food, proper air ventilation and fair barring practices must be addressed. This must include the provision of adequate funding to shelter operators to help them meet the new standards;
 - (d) the Shelter, Housing and Support Division must open more shelter facilities to reduce dangerous overcrowding. Shelter occupancy rates in each shelter must not exceed the City's own recommendation of 90 percent occupancy;
 - (e) the Shelter, Housing and Support Division must eliminate all forced movement of homeless people between shelters, and to this end must develop a comprehensive shelter strategy to eliminate reliance on volunteer-based seasonal shelter programs (The Out of the Cold Program);
 - (f) the Shelter, Housing and Support Division must recognize the risks associated with overcrowded drop-in centres (day shelters) and immediately develop a plan to adequately and stably fund such programs with core funding; and
 - (g) the Shelter, Housing and Support Division must create shelters with policies and structures in place to accommodate people with serious addiction issues. At least 20 percent of shelter beds need to be dedicated to harm reduction to begin to meet the needs of the conservatively estimated number of shelter users with addictions and mental health issues;
- (2) that the Community Services Committee adopt Recommendations Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 28 of the TB Action Group report related to the federal or provincial governments with a request that Toronto Council forward these recommendations to the appropriate Ministry, specifically that:
- (a) all levels of government should immediately implement the One Percent Solution, a social housing strategy that calls on all levels of government to double their spending on a comprehensive new social housing strategy. This would provide

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decent affordable housing with a range of options and supports including supportive and flexible housing for people with a range of health issues;

- (b) the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing must immediately increase the allocation of Rent Supplement units to the City of Toronto for both private and not-for-profit housing providers so that an emergency rehousing program can begin to reduce overcrowding in shelters;
- (c) the Ministry of Community, Family and Children's Services must ensure that the process by which individuals with active TB are fast tracked to the Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) continues to be made available;
- (d) the Ministry of Community, Family and Children's Services must increase social assistance rates (Ontario Works and ODSP) to livable levels. Social assistance rates must be indexed to the cost-of-living. The housing portion of funds needs to be enough so that people can live in healthy circumstances;
- (e) the provincial government must increase the minimum wage to \$10.00 per hour. On a lesser wage people cannot afford to live in safe housing nor eat healthy foods; and
- (f) the provincial and federal governments must reinstate funding to Welcome Homes to help new refugees and immigrants settle into Canada in order to minimize their settlement trauma.

The Committee also had before it a brief (September 8, 2003) from Mr. Rick Wallace in connection with the foregoing matter.

The following persons appeared before the Community Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Ms. Anne Egger, TB Action Group, and submitted a brief in regard thereto;
- Ms. Dawn Dowling, Friendship Centre, and submitted a brief in regard thereto; and
- Ms. Margaret Sumadh, Homelessness Action Group, and submitted a brief in regard thereto.

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On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee unanimously recommended to Council:

- (1) the adoption of the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons contained in the communication dated August 25, 2003, from Councillor Jane Pitfield, Co-Chair;
- (2) that the recommendations under the purview of the Shelter, Housing and Support Division, contained in the report, entitled "TB or not TB? There is no question – Report of a Public Inquiry into the State of Tuberculosis Within Toronto's Homeless Population, June 2003", from the TB Action Group be endorsed; and further directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, in consultation with the Medical Officer of Health, be requested to report to the Community Services Committee as soon as possible on the implications of these recommendations, and on how they can be implemented.

The following motion by Councillor Walker, moved on behalf of Councillor Mihevc, was not voted upon:

"That the aforementioned communication from Councillor Jane Pitfield be referred to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, in consultation with the Medical Officer of Health, for a report thereon to the Community Services Committee and the Board of Health."

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Councillor Jane Pitfield; Board of Health; Medical Officer of Health; All Interested Parties; c. General Manager, Shelter, Housing and Support; Ms. Susan Shepherd, Community and Neighbourhood Services Department - September 8, 2003)

(Clause No. 16, Report No. 7)

7.18 The Toronto Report Card on Housing and Homelessness 2003

The Committee had before it a report (August 25, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting The Toronto Report Card on Housing and Homelessness 2003; and recommending that:

- (1) Council request the provincial government to match the federal funding levels as part of its contribution to the Community Rental Housing Program and that the funding be directed to increasing the affordability of the rental housing units developed;
- (2) Council request the provincial government to increase funding for the New Tomorrow Rent Supplement Program to improve the affordability of rental housing for low-income tenants;
- (3) Council request the provincial government to increase its funding for supportive housing and for ongoing funding for community-based mental health and addiction programs to ensure appropriate housing and services are in place for people who need support to live independently;
- (4) Council request the provincial government to increase the shelter component of social assistance to reflect local market rents;
- (5) Council request the provincial government to increase the minimum wage to be more in line with the cost of living;
- (6) Council request the provincial government to amend the Tenant Protection Act to provide some form of rent protection for vacant rental units;
- (7) Council request the provincial government to provide operating funding for support services attached to transitional housing projects;
- (8) Council request the federal government to expedite the use of the additional \$320 million in nation-wide funding for affordable housing that it announced in February 2003;
- (9) Council request the provincial and federal governments to provide capital funding to support the revitalization of Toronto's social housing stock;
- (10) Council continue its support for affordable housing development through the levers it has

at its disposal including continuing to make surplus municipal lands available; and

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

The following persons appeared before the Community Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Ms. Tanya Gulliver, Toronto CAN; and
- Mr. Michael Rosenberg.

The Committee:

- (1) recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report; and
(Motion by Councillor Walker)
- (2) directed that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be requested to report to the Community Services Committee in March 2004 on the success of the City's requests to the provincial and federal governments on the issue of housing and homelessness. **(Motion by Councillor Chow)**

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; c. General Manager, Shelter, Housing and Support; Ms. Susan Shepherd, Community and Neighbourhood Services Department - September 8, 2003)

(Clause No. 17, Report No. 7)

7.19 Strengthening the City's Housing and Support Responses to Homelessness

The Committee had before it a report (August 22, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services responding to Council motions with regard to reallocation of

emergency shelter funding to affordable housing; providing an overview of the programs and services provided through the Shelter, Housing and Support Division, the funding involved, and the policy framework; describing the existing emphasis on housing and support responses to homelessness and the opportunities to strengthen such permanent solutions; and recommending that the report be received for information.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Committee received the aforementioned report, and directed that it be forwarded to Council for information.

(Clause No. 18, Report No. 7)

7.20 “Building on Successes: The Community Plan for the Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative (SCPI) in Toronto, 2003-2006”

The Committee had before it a report (August 25, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting the document, entitled “Building on Successes: The Community Plan for the Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative (SCPI) in Toronto, 2003-2006”; and recommending that:

- (1) Council approve the City of Toronto to resume the lead administration role in Toronto for the renewed federal program, Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative, subject to clarification of program terms and conditions and operating guidelines to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services;
- (2) Council approve the attached plan, substantially as written, entitled “Building on Successes: The Community Plan for Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative (SCPI) in Toronto, 2003-2006”, in Appendix B and submission of the Plan to Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC) for ministerial approval;
- (3) Council endorse the objectives, priorities and associated funding targets in the Plan, and authorize the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services to adjust targets if necessary to ensure maximum and appropriate use of available federal funds;
- (4) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to enter into a contribution agreement with Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC) in regard

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to approval authority delegated by HRDC to the City, the contribution agreement being satisfactory to the Commissioner in consultation with the City Solicitor;

- (5) Council approve the immediate priority projects (Appendix A), substantially as written, and authorize the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services to enter into agreements with project sponsor agencies and/or private expertise regarding funding of the immediate priority projects under the Plan, in a form satisfactory to the Commissioner;
- (6) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to make arrangements for staff positions and other necessary resources to administer the SCPI program, within the amount available for administration purposes, at no net cost to the City;
- (7) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services proceed to implement the 2003/2004 timeline of the Plan, provided that federal funding is received at each stage to cover corresponding expenditures;
- (8) in the fall of 2004, the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services provide the Community Services Committee with a report that updates the progress on implementation of the Community Plan;
- (9) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Ms. Ann Fitzpatrick, Councillor Liaison Project, Advisory Committee on Homeless and Socially Isolated Persons, appeared before the Community Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter, and submitted a brief in regard thereto.

Councillor Joe Mihevc declared his interest in that portion of the foregoing recommendations and report pertaining to Item No. 18, Agency Staff Training, referred to in Appendix A, in that St. Stephen's Community House is in partnership with St. Christopher House on this project and his spouse has a contract with St. Christopher House.

Councillor Augimeri moved that Item No. 6 "Transitional Housing Project for Youth at 1900 Sheppard Avenue West (Ward 9)" referred to in Appendix A of the report be deferred until the first meeting of the new Committee in 2004.

Councillor Mihevc moved the adoption of the report with the exception of those portions of the recommendations and report pertaining to Item No. 18, referred to in Appendix A (upon which he had declared his interest).

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Councillor Walker moved the adoption of Item No. 18, referred to in Appendix A.

Councillor Mihevc requested that Item No. 6, pertaining to 1900 Sheppard Avenue West, and Item No. 18, pertaining to Agency Staff Training, contained in Appendix A be voted upon separately.

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing deferral motion by Councillor Augimeri it was **lost**.

Upon the question of the adoption of the foregoing motion by Councillor Mihevc recommending the adoption of the report of the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services with the exception of Item No. 6 pertaining to 1900 Sheppard Avenue West and Item No. 18 pertaining to Agency Staff Training, referred to in the Appendix A, it was **carried**.

Upon the question of the adoption of that portion of the foregoing report from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services pertaining to Item No. 18, Agency Staff Training, in Appendix A, it was **carried**.

Upon the question of the adoption of that portion of the foregoing report from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services pertaining to Item No. 6, 1900 Sheppard Avenue West, in Appendix A, it was **lost** on a tie vote.

The following is a summary of the action taken by the Committee:

“The Community Services Committee:

- (a) recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services with the exception of those portions of the recommendations and report pertaining to Item No. 6 “Transitional Housing Project for Youth at 1900 Sheppard Avenue West (Ward 9)”, referred to in Appendix A; and
- (b) submitted to Council without recommendation those portions of the recommendations and report pertaining to Item No. 6 “Transitional Housing

Project for Youth at 1900 Sheppard Avenue West (Ward 9)", having regard that the motion to approve the project lost on a tie vote."

(Clause No. 19, Report No. 7)

**7.21 Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative -
Final Allocation Requests**

The Committee had before it a report (August 25, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing an update on the status of the Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative and final allocation requests; and recommending that:

- (1) as a result of delays in the Salvation Army's City Core Program, up to \$1.5 million dollars be reallocated to other priorities (see Recommendations Nos. (2), (3), (4), (5) below) and that the construction costs of \$1.5 million dollars required to complete the Salvation Army project, be deferred to the second phase of the SCPI program;
- (2) Council approve funding in the amount of up to \$100,000.00 from the Emergency Shelter envelope of SCPI to cover additional costs incurred by Dixon Hall as a result of a legal challenge to the construction of their shelter at 2714 Danforth Avenue:
 - (a) the business case submitted by 873815 Ontario Limited operating as Mahogany Management, or another entity associated or controlled by it and acceptable to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be accepted as a SCPI transitional housing project for the development of 19 units to be built at 131 Coxwell Avenue (Ward 32);
 - (b) for the purpose of securing transitional housing, Council approve SCPI funding of up to \$820,000.00 for the above project and delegate authority to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services to negotiate and enter into SCPI funding agreements and related agreements deemed appropriate by the Commissioner, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Commissioner in consultation with the City Solicitor, in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
 - (c) for the purpose of securing transitional housing, that portion of 131 Coxwell Avenue in the City of Toronto (Assessment Roll No. 09224000100) which is used

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to provide transitional housing, be exempt from property taxation for a period commencing at the date of first occupancy and subject to the agreements referred to in Recommendation No. (3)(b), terminating 20 years thereafter;

- (d) Council pass a site specific by-law under the Housing Facility By-law (By-law No. 282-2002) providing authority to enter into a Municipal Housing Project Facility Agreement, and that authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary bill in Council to give effect thereto; and
- (e) after the respective Municipal Housing Project Facility Agreement has been entered into, Council pass a by-law providing for the respective property tax exemption and that authority be granted for the introduction of the necessary bill in Council to give effect thereto;
- (4) the current contribution agreement with the Hostels Training Centre be enhanced by \$150,000.00 to enable training and backfill costs for shelter staff to continue until March 31, 2004;
- (5) funding be made available to shelters to address necessary one time small capital and health and safety related improvements which have been identified through the 2004 budget preparation process and that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be delegated authority to approve such projects up to a total of \$350,000.00;
- (6) due to the March 31, 2004, deadline for the expenditure of SCPI funding, Council authorize the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services to approve allocations of any unexpended cashflow to projects which are in line with the objectives of the SCPI program, and to enter into any necessary agreements to give effect thereto; and to report to Council on any such allocations and agreements in the second quarter of 2004; and
- (7) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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

(Clause No. 20, Report No. 7)

**7.22 2002/03 Audit Report on the Federal Supporting
Communities Partnership Initiative**

The Committee had before it a report (August 20, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services providing the results of the 2002/03 annual audit report on the Federally funded Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative; and recommending that:

- (1) this report be forwarded to the next meeting of the Audit Committee for its information; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee received the aforementioned report, and directed that it be forwarded to the Audit Committee for information.

(Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Audit Committee; c. General Manager, Shelter, Housing and Support - September 8, 2003)

(Clause No. 27(e), Report No. 7)

**7.23 Funding Approvals for the 2003 City of Toronto
Homeless Initiatives Fund**

The Committee had before it a report (August 25, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting funding approvals for the 2003 City of Toronto Homeless Initiatives Fund; and recommending that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to enter into service agreements with and allocate funds to 78 community agencies for funding up to the amounts set out in Appendix A for a total of up to \$6,389,645.00 for the 2003 City of

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Toronto Homeless Initiatives Fund;

- (2) funds in the amount of \$27,000.00 be designated for CT-HIF appeals;
- (3) funds of up to \$200,000.00 be designated to assist in the implementation of the recommendations from the Housing Help Review; and
- (4) 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. 21, Report No. 7)

**7.24 Funding Approvals for the 2003 Off the Street,
Into Shelter Program**

The Committee had before it a report (August 21, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting funding approvals for the 2003 Off the Street, Into Shelter Program; and recommending that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to enter into service agreements with and allocate funds to eight community agencies for funding up to the amounts set out in Appendix A for the 2003 Off the Street, Into Shelter program for a total of up to \$1,080,226.00;
- (2) funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 be designated for appeals of the 2003 Off the Street, Into Shelter funding recommendations;
- (3) funds in the amount of \$70,000.00 be designated for a new downtown street outreach project and that staff proceed with a targeted RFP to develop this project; 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 recommended to Council the adoption of the aforementioned report.

(Clause No. 22, Report No. 7)

7.25 Funding Approvals for the 2004 Community Partners Program

The Committee had before it a report (August 21, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting funding approvals for the 2004 Community Partners Program; and recommending that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to enter into service agreements for the first half of 2004 and allocate funds to the ten community agencies listed in Appendix A of this report for the first half of 2004 up to a total of \$438,914.26 gross and no new net for the 2004 Community Partners Program;
- (2) this report be referred to the Policy and Finance Committee for its consideration; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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 8, 2003)

(Clause No. 27(f), Report No. 7)

7.26 2004 Redirection of Emergency Hostel Funding Initiative

The Committee had before it a report (August 25, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting funding approvals for the 2004 Redirection of Emergency Hostel Funding Initiative; and recommending that:

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- (1) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to enter into service agreements for the first half of 2004, to allocate funds to the agencies listed in Appendix A of this report for the first half of 2004 up to a total of \$2,974,981.60 gross and \$594,996.32 net for 2004 Redirection of Emergency Hostel Funding Initiative. The net cost represents an increase of \$8,370.00 and will be absorbed within the existing base budget of Shelter, Housing and Support;
- (2) this report be referred to the Policy and Finance Committee for its consideration; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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 8, 2003)

(Clause No. 27(g), Report No. 7)

7.27 Funding Approvals for the 2004 Supports to Daily Living Program

The Committee had before it a report (August 21, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting funding approvals for the 2004 Supports to Daily Living Program; and recommending that:

- (1) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to enter into service agreements for the first half of 2004 and allocate funds to the community agencies listed in Appendix A of this report for the first half of 2004 up to a total of \$1,786,647.00 gross, \$16,000.00 net to 13 organizations for the 2004 Supports to Daily Living program;
- (2) this report be referred to the Policy and Finance Committee for its consideration; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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 8, 2003)

(Clause No. 27(h), Report No. 7)

7.28 Update on the Status of Beaver Hall Artists' Co-operative Inc.

The Committee had before it a report (August 25, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services responding to the Council recommendation to provide an annual report on the status of the condition of the building at 29 McCaul Street (known as Beaver Hall Artists' Co-operative Inc.) and the state of the organization's finances, including its reserve fund; and recommending that:

- (1) this report be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for its information; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Committee received the aforementioned report, and directed that it be forwarded to the Policy and Finance Committee for information, in accordance with Recommendation No. (1).

(Policy and Finance Committee - September 8, 2003)

(Clause No. 27(i), Report No. 7)

7.29 Funding for Ten Affordable Rental Housing Projects Under Let's Build and the Community Rental Housing Program,

Pilot Project Component - Various Wards

The Committee had before it a report (September 2, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services respecting Municipal, Provincial and Federal funding for ten affordable rental housing projects under Let's Build and the Community Rental Housing Program; and recommending that:

- (1) for the purposes of securing approximately 264 units of affordable rental housing at 333 Belsey Crescent (Ward 11):
 - (a) Council approve the affordable housing project at 333 Belsey Crescent substantially as described in Appendix A of this report;
 - (b) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to negotiate an affordable housing agreement and any other agreements deemed appropriate with B. G. Schickedanz Central Incorporated or another entity associated and controlled by B. G. Schickedanz Central Incorporated and acceptable to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for this affordable housing at this site;
 - (c) these agreements substantially implement the funding recommendations summarized in Appendix A and include municipal development charge exemptions for each designated affordable unit (estimated at \$596,383.00 in total), property tax exemptions for 20 years for each designated affordable unit (estimated at a cost of \$143,699.00 per year to the City of Toronto and \$73,321.00 to the Province of Ontario), a PST rebate of \$2,000.00 per designated affordable unit (\$528,000.00 for the project), and a federal grant to a maximum of \$6,403,251.00;
 - (d) these agreements are consistent with the designation of this project as a Municipal Housing Facility pursuant to By-law No. 282-2002 and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
 - (e) these agreements be presented to the earliest possible meeting of Toronto City Council for final approval;

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- (f) the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, prepare a site-specific Municipal Housing Project Facility by-law and a property taxation exemption by-law for this project and that these by-laws be presented to Council at the time project agreements are submitted for approval;
 - (g) Council designate the project proposed by B. G. Schickedanz Central Incorporated for this site as a Pilot Project under the Community Rental Housing Program and authorize up to \$6,931,251.00 of Federal and Provincial funding for this initiative;
 - (h) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to submit any required documentation to the Province of Ontario for this project, pursuant to the agreement to be entered into by the City and the Province for administration of the Community Rental Housing Program – Pilot Project Component;
- (2) for the purposes of securing approximately 31 units of affordable rental housing at 1082 Dundas Street West (Ward 19):
- (a) Council approve the affordable housing project at 1082 Dundas Street West substantially as described in Appendix A of this report;
 - (b) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to negotiate an affordable housing agreement and any other agreements deemed appropriate with Bellwoods Centres for Community Living Incorporated or another entity associated and controlled by Bellwoods Centres for Community Living Incorporated and acceptable to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for this affordable housing at this site;
 - (c) these agreements substantially implement the funding recommendations summarized in Appendix A and include a loan from the CRF to a maximum of \$576,053.00, municipal development charge exemptions for each designated affordable unit (estimated at \$53,630.00 in total), planning fee and levy exemptions, (estimated at \$70,348.00), property tax exemptions for 20 years for each designated affordable unit (estimated at a cost of \$17,714.00 per year to the City of Toronto and \$9,038.00 to the Province of Ontario), a PST rebate of \$2,000.00 per designated affordable unit (\$62,000.00 for the project), and a federal grant to a

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maximum of \$775,000.00;

- (d) these agreements are consistent with the designation of this project as a Municipal Housing Facility pursuant to By-law No. 282-2002 and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
 - (e) these agreements be presented to the earliest possible meeting of Toronto City Council for final approval;
 - (f) the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, prepare a site-specific Municipal Housing Project Facility by-law and a property taxation exemption by-law for this project and that these by-laws be presented to Council at the time project agreements are submitted for approval;
 - (g) Council designate the project proposed by Bellwoods Centres for Community Living Incorporated for this site as a Pilot Project under the Community Rental Housing Program and authorize up to \$837,000.00 of Federal and Provincial funding for this initiative;
 - (h) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to submit any required documentation to the Province of Ontario for this project, pursuant to the agreement to be entered into by the City and the Province for administration of the Community Rental Housing Program – Pilot Project Component;
- (3) for the purposes of securing approximately 30 units of affordable rental housing at 151 Beecroft Road (Ward 23):
- (a) Council approve the affordable housing project at 151 Beecroft Road substantially as described in Appendix A of this report;
 - (b) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to negotiate an affordable housing agreement and any other agreements deemed appropriate with Concert Properties Limited or another entity associated and controlled by Concert Properties Limited and acceptable to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for this affordable housing at this site;

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- (c) these agreements substantially implement the funding recommendations summarized in Appendix A and include a loan from the CRF to a maximum of \$573,765.00, property tax exemptions for 20 years for each designated affordable unit (estimated at a cost of \$18,643.00 per year to the City of Toronto and \$9,513.00 to the Province of Ontario), a PST rebate of \$2,000.00 per designated affordable unit (\$60,000.00 for the project), and a federal grant to a maximum of \$870,000.00;
 - (d) these agreements are consistent with the designation of this project as a Municipal Housing Facility pursuant to By-law No. 282-2002 and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
 - (e) these agreements be presented to the earliest possible meeting of Toronto City Council for final approval;
 - (f) the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, prepare a site-specific Municipal Housing Project Facility by-law and a property taxation exemption by-law for this project and that these by-laws be presented to Council at the time project agreements are submitted for approval;
 - (g) Council designate the project proposed by Concert Properties Limited for this site as a pilot project under the Community Rental Housing Program and authorize up to \$810,000.00 of Federal and Provincial funding for this initiative;
 - (h) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to submit any required documentation to the Province of Ontario for this project, pursuant to the agreement to be entered into by the City and the Province for administration of the Community Rental Housing Program – Pilot Project Component;
- (4) for the purposes of securing approximately 24 units of affordable rental housing at 5145 Dundas Street West (Ward 5):

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- (a) Council approve the affordable housing project at 5145 Dundas Street West substantially as described in Appendix A of this report;

- (b) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to negotiate an affordable housing agreement and any other agreements deemed appropriate with Concert Properties Limited or another entity associated and controlled by Concert Properties Limited and acceptable to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for this affordable housing at this site;

- (c) these agreements substantially implement the funding recommendations summarized in Appendix A and include a loan from the CRF to a maximum of \$463,301.00, municipal development charge exemptions for each designated affordable unit (estimated at \$88,699.00 in total), property tax exemptions for 20 years for each designated affordable unit (estimated at a cost of \$14,607.00 per year to the City of Toronto and \$7,453.00 to the Province of Ontario), a PST rebate of \$2,000.00 per designated affordable unit (\$48,000.00 for the project), and a federal grant to a maximum of \$600,000.00;

- (d) these agreements are consistent with the designation of this project as a Municipal Housing Facility pursuant to By-law No. 282-2002 and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;

- (e) these agreements be presented to the earliest possible meeting of Toronto City Council for final approval;

- (f) the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, prepare a site-specific Municipal Housing Project Facility by-law and a property taxation exemption by-law for this project and that these by-laws be presented to Council at the time project agreements are submitted for approval;

- (g) Council designate the project proposed by Concert Properties Limited for this site as a Pilot Project under the Community Rental Housing Program and authorize up to \$648,000.00 of Federal and Provincial funding for this initiative;

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- (h) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to submit any required documentation to the Province of Ontario for this project, pursuant to the agreement to be entered into by the City and the Province for administration of the Community Rental Housing Program – Pilot Project Component;
- (5) for the purposes of securing approximately 193 units of affordable rental housing at 1555 Jane Street (Ward 12):
- (a) Council approve the affordable housing project at 1555 Jane Street substantially as described in Appendix A of this report;
 - (b) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to negotiate an affordable housing agreement and any other agreements deemed appropriate with Medallion Properties Inc. or another entity associated and controlled by Medallion Properties Inc. and acceptable to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for this affordable housing at this site;
 - (c) these agreements substantially implement the funding recommendations summarized in Appendix A and include a loan from the CRF to a maximum of \$797,822.00, municipal development charge exemptions for each designated affordable unit (estimated at \$491,178.00 in total), property tax exemptions for 20 years for each designated affordable unit (estimated at a cost of \$124,308.00 per year to the City of Toronto and \$63,427.00 to the Province of Ontario), a PST rebate of \$2,000.00 per designated affordable unit (\$386,000.00 for the project), and a federal grant to a maximum of \$4,825,000.00;
 - (d) these agreements are consistent with the designation of this project as a Municipal Housing Facility pursuant to By-law No. 282-2002 and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
 - (e) these agreements be presented to the earliest possible meeting of Toronto City Council for final approval;
 - (f) the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, prepare a site-specific Municipal Housing Project Facility by-law and a property taxation exemption by-law for this project and that these by-laws be presented to Council at the time project agreements are

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submitted for approval;

- (g) Council designate the project proposed by Medallion Properties Inc. for this site as a Pilot Project under the Community Rental Housing Program and authorize up to \$5,211,000.00 of Federal and Provincial funding for this initiative;
 - (h) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to submit any required documentation to the Province of Ontario for this project, pursuant to the agreement to be entered into by the City and the Province for administration of the Community Rental Housing Program – Pilot Project Component;
- (6) for the purposes of securing approximately 27 units of affordable rental housing at 25 Leonard Street (Ward 20):
- (a) Council approve the affordable housing project at 25 Leonard Street substantially as described in Appendix A of this report;
 - (b) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to negotiate an affordable housing agreement and any other agreements deemed appropriate with St. Clare's Multifaith Housing Society or another entity associated and controlled by St. Clare's Multifaith Housing Society and acceptable to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for this affordable housing at this site;
 - (c) these agreements substantially implement the funding recommendations summarized in Appendix A and include a loan from the CRF to a maximum of \$416,581.00, municipal development charge exemptions for each designated affordable unit (estimated at \$32,870.00 in total), property tax exemptions for 20 years for each designated affordable unit (estimated at a cost of \$8,883.00 per year to the City of Toronto and \$4,532.00 to the Province of Ontario), a PST rebate of \$2,000.00 per designated affordable unit (\$54,000.00 for the project), and a federal grant to a maximum of \$675,000.00;
 - (d) these agreements are consistent with the designation of this project as a Municipal Housing Facility pursuant to By-law No. 282-2002 and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;

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- (e) these agreements be presented to the earliest possible meeting of Toronto City Council for final approval;
 - (f) the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, prepare a site-specific Municipal Housing Project Facility by-law and a property taxation exemption by-law for this project and that these by-laws be presented to Council at the time project agreements are submitted for approval;
 - (g) Council designate the project proposed by St. Clare's Multifaith Housing Society for this site as a Pilot Project under the Community Rental Housing Program and authorize up to \$729,000.00 of Federal and Provincial funding for this initiative;
 - (h) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to submit any required documentation to the Province of Ontario for this project, pursuant to the agreement to be entered into by the City and the Province for administration of the Community Rental Housing Program – Pilot Project Component;
- (7) for the purposes of securing approximately 8 units of affordable rental housing at 25 Carnation Avenue (Ward 6):
- (a) Council approve the affordable housing project at 25 Carnation Avenue substantially as described in Appendix A of this report;
 - (b) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to negotiate an affordable housing agreement and any other agreements deemed appropriate with Urban Habitat Development Corporation or another entity associated and controlled by Urban Habitat Development Corporation and acceptable to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for this affordable housing at this site;
 - (c) these agreements substantially implement the funding recommendations summarized in Appendix A and include a loan from the CRF to a maximum of \$73,004.00, municipal development charge exemptions for each designated affordable unit (estimated at \$30,996.00 in total), property tax exemptions for 20 years for each designated affordable unit (estimated at a cost of \$4,972.00 per year to the City of Toronto and \$2,537.00 to the Province of Ontario), a PST rebate of \$2,000.00 per designated affordable unit (\$16,000.00 for the project), and a federal grant to

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a maximum of \$200,000.00;

- (d) these agreements are consistent with the designation of this project as a Municipal Housing Facility pursuant to By-law No. 282-2002 and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
 - (e) these agreements be presented to the earliest possible meeting of Toronto City Council for final approval;
 - (f) the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, prepare a site-specific Municipal Housing Project Facility by-law and a property taxation exemption by-law for this project and that these by-laws be presented to Council at the time project agreements are submitted for approval;
 - (g) Council designate the project proposed by Urban Habitat Development Corporation for this site as a Pilot Project under the Community Rental Housing Program and authorize up to \$216,000.00 of Federal and Provincial funding for this initiative;
 - (h) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to submit any required documentation to the Province of Ontario for this project, pursuant to the agreement to be entered into by the City and the Province for administration of the Community Rental Housing Program – Pilot Project Component;
- (8) for the purposes of securing approximately 12 units of affordable rental housing at 805-807 College Street (Ward 19):
- (a) Council approve the affordable housing project at 805-807 College Street substantially as described in Appendix A of this report;
 - (b) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to negotiate an affordable housing agreement and any other agreements deemed appropriate with Aykler & Company Realty Ltd. or another entity associated and controlled by Aykler & Company Realty Ltd. and acceptable to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for this affordable housing at this site;

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- (c) these agreements substantially implement the funding recommendations summarized in Appendix A and include a loan from the CRF to a maximum of \$54,276.00, municipal development charge exemptions for each designated affordable unit (estimated at \$20,760.00 in total), property tax exemptions for 20 years for each designated affordable unit (estimated at a cost of \$6,857.00 per year to the City of Toronto and \$3,499.00 to the Province of Ontario), a PST rebate of \$2,000.00 per designated affordable unit (\$24,000.00 for the project), and a federal grant to a maximum of \$300,000.00;
 - (d) these agreements are consistent with the designation of this project as a Municipal Housing Facility pursuant to By-law No. 282-2002 and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
 - (e) these agreements be presented to the earliest possible meeting of Toronto City Council for final approval;
 - (f) the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, prepare a site-specific Municipal Housing Project Facility by-law and a property taxation exemption by-law for this project and that these by-laws be presented to Council at the time project agreements are submitted for approval;
 - (g) Council designate the project proposed by Aykler & Company Realty Ltd. for this site as a Pilot Project under the Community Rental Housing Program and authorize up to \$324,000.00 of Federal and Provincial funding for this initiative;
 - (h) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to submit any required documentation to the Province of Ontario for this project, pursuant to the agreement to be entered into by the City and the Province for administration of the Community Rental Housing Program – Pilot Project Component;
- (9) for the purposes of securing approximately 232 units of affordable rental housing at 121 Parkway Forest Drive (Ward 33):
- (a) Council approve the affordable housing project at 121 Parkway Forest Drive substantially as described in Appendix A of this report;

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- (b) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to negotiate an affordable housing agreement and any other agreements deemed appropriate with The Verdirock Development Corporation or another entity associated and controlled by Verdirock Development Corporation and acceptable to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for this affordable housing at this site;

- (c) these agreements substantially implement the funding recommendations summarized in Appendix A and include a loan from the CRF to a maximum of \$2,431,735.00, municipal development charge exemptions for each designated affordable unit (estimated at \$913,265.00 in total), property tax exemptions for 20 years for each designated affordable unit (estimated at a cost of \$147,078.00 per year to the City of Toronto and \$75,045.00 to the Province of Ontario), a PST rebate of \$2,000.00 per designated affordable unit (\$464,000.00 for the project), and a federal grant to a maximum of \$5,800,000.00;

- (d) these agreements are consistent with the designation of this project as a Municipal Housing Facility pursuant to By-law No. 282-2002 and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;

- (e) these agreements be presented to the earliest possible meeting of Toronto City Council for final approval;

- (f) the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, prepare a site-specific Municipal Housing Project Facility by-law and a property taxation exemption by-law for this project and that these by-laws be presented to Council at the time project agreements are submitted for approval;

- (g) Council designate the project proposed by Verdirock Development Corporation for this site as a Pilot Project under the Community Rental Housing Program and authorize up to \$6,264,000.00 of Federal and Provincial funding for this initiative;

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- (h) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to submit any required documentation to the Province of Ontario for this project, pursuant to the agreement to be entered into by the City and the Province for administration of the Community Rental Housing Program – Pilot Project Component;
- (10) for the purposes of securing approximately 83 units of affordable rental housing at 3810 Bathurst Street (Ward 32):
- (a) Council approve the affordable housing project at 3810 Bathurst Street substantially as described in Appendix A of this report;
 - (b) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to negotiate an affordable housing agreement and any other agreements deemed appropriate with The Remington Group Inc. or another entity associated and controlled by The Remington Group Inc.. and acceptable to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services for this affordable housing at this site;
 - (c) these agreements substantially implement the funding recommendations summarized in Appendix A and include a loan from the CRF to a maximum of \$564,928.00, municipal development charge exemptions for each designated affordable unit (estimated at \$306,572.00 in total), property tax exemptions for 20 years for each designated affordable unit (estimated at a cost of \$51,126.00 per year to the City of Toronto and \$26,068.00 to the Province of Ontario), a PST rebate of \$2,000.00 per designated affordable unit (\$166,000.00 for the project), and a federal grant to a maximum of \$2,075,000.00;
 - (d) these agreements are consistent with the designation of this project as a Municipal Housing Facility pursuant to By-law No. 282-2002 and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
 - (e) these agreements be presented to the earliest possible meeting of Toronto City Council for final approval;
 - (f) the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, prepare a site-specific Municipal Housing Project Facility by-law and a property taxation exemption by-law for this project and that

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these by-laws be presented to Council at the time project agreements are submitted for approval;

- (g) Council designate the project proposed by The Remington Group Inc. for this site as a Pilot Project under the Community Rental Housing Program and authorize up to \$2,241,000.00 of Federal and Provincial funding for this initiative;
 - (h) the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services be authorized to submit any required documentation to the Province of Ontario for this project, pursuant to the agreement to be entered into by the City and the Province for administration of the Community Rental Housing Program – Pilot Project Component;
- (11) Council urge the Province of Ontario to provide at least 212 rent supplements as a form of matching funding under this pilot initiative;
 - (12) Council urge the Province of Ontario to continue using the City of Toronto's Let's Build RFP process as the delivery vehicle for further units under the Community Rental Housing Program;
 - (13) Council urge the Province of Ontario to simplify the delivery of Community Rental Housing Program funding by delegating the delivery of this funding to Service Managers; and
 - (14) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Councillor Peter Milczyn, Ward 5, Etobicoke-Lakeshore, appeared before the Community Services Committee in connection with the foregoing matter.

The Committee:

- (1) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee:
 - (a) the adoption of the aforementioned report of the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, with the exception of Recommendation No. (4)(a) to (h) pertaining to the project at 5145 Dundas Street West (Ward 5);

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- (b) that Recommendation No. (4)(a) to (h) pertaining to the project at 5145 Dundas Street West be submitted to Council without recommendation; and

(Motion by Councillor Walker)

- (c) that, due to the serious shortage of affordable rental housing, approval in principle be given to renting the units to those on the City's housing waiting list, on a priority basis;

(Motion by Councillor Shaw, on behalf of Councillor Milczyn)

- (2) requested that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Urban Development Services, meet with the appropriate staff of Urban Development Services, Shelter, Housing and Support, the local Councillor, and the developer in an effort to resolve the concerns with respect to the proposed project at 5145 Dundas Street West (Ward 5) expressed by Councillor Milczyn in his deputation to the Community Services Committee, and report thereon directly to Council for consideration at its meeting on September 22, 2003;

(Motion by Councillor Walker)

- (3) requested that the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services report directly to Council for consideration at its meeting on September 22, 2003, on the foregoing Recommendation (1)(c); and

(Motion by Councillor Shaw, on behalf of Councillor Milczyn)

- (4) extended its appreciation to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services and the staff of the Shelter, Housing and Support Division for their hard work in bringing these ten projects to fruition.

(Motion by Councillor Mihevc)

(Policy and Finance Committee; Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; Commissioner of Urban Development Services; Councillor Peter Milczyn, Ward 5, Etobicoke-Lakeshore; c. General Manager, Shelter, Housing and Support - September 8, 2003)

(Clause No. 27(j), Report No. 7)

7.30 Shelter Management Information System: Request for Proposals and Partnership Arrangement with the Federal Government

The Committee had before it a report (August 21, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services, addressed to the Administration Committee, respecting a Request for Proposals and Partnership Arrangement with the Federal Government for the development of a Shelter Management Information System for the Hostel Services Unit of the Shelter, Housing and Support Division, wherein it recommends that:

- (1) City Council approve an increase in scope for the development and implementation of the Shelter Management Information System (SMIS) from the approved \$3.047 million to \$3.649 million, with no resulting additional net cost;
- (2) City Council provide authority to the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services to release a Request for Proposals (RFP) over \$500,000.00 for the development of the Shelter Management Information System;
- (3) City Council approve in principle the following elements of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding a partnership that will include a cost-sharing arrangement with the federal government (Human Resources Development Canada - National Secretariat on Homelessness) for the development and implementation of the SMIS:

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- (a) the City will be the lead project authority and will manage the project;
 - (b) the City will maintain full authority for system changes and enhancements;
 - (c) the City will be responsible for identifying the user community and determining the consultation process for development of the system;
 - (d) the City will be responsible for the future management and maintenance of the Toronto-based system;
 - (e) the Shelter Management Information System in Toronto will be hosted in the City of Toronto computing environment; and
 - (f) all materials and documents pertaining to project development, as well as the web-based information system will be equally owned by the City and HRDC-NSH, with copyrights, and each party has the right to use the system and documents for non-commercial purposes without consent of the other party and without payment of royalty or other fees;
- (4) City Council delegate authority to the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the aforementioned MOU;
 - (5) this report be forwarded to the next meeting of the Community Services Committee for its information; and
 - (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee received the aforementioned report, in accordance with Recommendation No. (5).

(Clause No. 27(k), Report No. 7)

**7.31 Appeal of Denial of Application for Tenant Support
Grant - 2121 Bathurst Street**

The Committee had before it a communication (September 5, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee on September 5, 2003, had before it a communication (September 2, 2003) from Councillor Michael Walker, Chair, Tenant Defence Sub-Committee,

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forwarding a request for an appeal of an administrative decision by City staff to refuse an application for a Tenant Support Grant to the Marquesa Tenants Association - 2121 Bathurst Street; and recommending that the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee recommend the issuance of a Tenant Support Grant of up to \$1,000.00 to the Marquesa Tenants Association; and that the Sub-Committee recommended to the Community Services Committee the adoption of the foregoing recommendation.

The Committee also had before it a communication (September 8, 2003) from Mr. Vance Latchford in support of the grant referred to in the foregoing report.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee contained in the aforementioned communication from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 23, Report No. 7)

7.32 Divisional Court Appeal by Landlord - 55 Ellerslie Avenue

The Committee had before it a communication (September 5, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee on September 5, 2003, had before it a communication (August 26, 2003) from Councillor Michael Walker, Chair, Tenant Defence Sub-Committee, forwarding a request from Ms. Paulette Poitras, on behalf of 116 tenant households at 55 Ellerslie Avenue, for a grant from the Tenant Defence Fund to retain legal representation at a Divisional Court hearing with respect to their application to the Ontario Rental Housing Tribunal for a rent reduction for loss of use of their balconies for an eight-month period in 2002; and recommending that a special grant of up to \$10,000.00 from the Tenant Defence Fund be awarded to the Tenant's Association of 55 Ellerslie Avenue to have legal representation at the appeal to Divisional Court by their landlord of matters arising from the Ontario Rental Housing Tribunal; and that the Sub-Committee recommended to the Community Services Committee the adoption of the foregoing recommendation.

The Committee also had before it a communication (September 5, 2003) from Councillor John Filion, Ward 23, Willowdale, in support of the grant to the Tenants' Association of 55 Ellerslie Avenue.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee contained in the aforementioned communication from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 24, Report No. 7)

**7.33 Changes in Administration Responsibilities for
Toronto Youth Job Corps**

The Committee had before it a report (August 26, 2003) from the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services advising that as a result of contract negotiations with Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC) an additional amount of \$75,288.00 will be received from HRDC for the Toronto Youth Job Corps program; and recommending that:

- (1) the 2003 approved budget for Toronto Youth Job Corps be increased by \$75,288.00 gross, zero net; and
- (2) 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 the Policy and Finance Committee, and Council, the adoption of the aforementioned report.

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(Clause No. 27(1), Report No. 7)

**7.34 Amendment to Sole Source No. AM57081, Purchase Contract
No. 47007714 for Emergency Purchases Related to SARS**

The Committee had before it a report (August 25, 2003) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services advising of the need to amend Sole Source No. AM57081, Purchase Contract No. 47007714, via Sole Source No. 53212, for emergency purchases of protective medical equipment and supplies from Source Medical Corporation related to the SARS emergency; and recommending that:

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- (1) authority be granted to increase the amount of contract No. 47007714, not to exceed \$500,000.00 gross and \$0 net to the City of Toronto, for material purchases in response to the second SARS outbreak;
- (2) the technical adjustment for this item be conducted as part of the corporate adjustment being made for SARS expenditures; and
- (3) 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. 5, Report No. 7)

7.35 2002-2003 ITG Software Development and Support Sole Source Contract

The Committee had before it a report (September 4, 2003) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services respecting the need to increase the amount of the sole source ITG 2002-2003 contract by \$30,000.00 for the performance of necessary reconfiguration work on the EMS Computer Aided Dispatch Interfaces systems, as a result of the SARS outbreak and Rolling Stones concert; noting that this increase is funded 100 percent by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care; and recommending that:

- (1) approval be granted to increase the cost of the 2002-2003 ITG contract by \$30,000.00, including taxes. The original two-year contract for 2002 and 2003 was in the amount of \$200,000.00 and later amended by an additional amount of \$85,000.00, as approved by the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services on July 7, 2003.

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- (2) 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. 6, Report No. 7)

**7.36 Divisional Court Appeal by Landlord -
545, 555 and 565 Sherbourne Street**

The Committee had before it a communication (September 5, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee on September 5, 2003, recommended the adoption of the following recommendations contained in a communication from Councillor Pam McConnell, Ward No. 28, Toronto Centre-Rosedale:

- (1) that a special grant of up to \$10,000 from the Tenant Defence Fund be paid to address tenants' legal costs of the Divisional Court Appeal concerning tenant rent issues at 545, 555 and 565 Sherbourne Street in Toronto;
- (2) that the terms and conditions of the grant be subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Community and Neighbourhood Services; and
- (3) that the City Solicitor be directed to review the circumstances of this case and determine their role if any.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee contained in the aforementioned communication from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 25, Report No. 7)

**7.37 Supply and Delivery of Medical Grade Oxygen Cylinder
Refilling - Quotation Request No. 6613-02-3109**

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The Committee had before it a joint report (September 5, 2003) from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services and Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer recommending that Quotation Request No. 6613-02-3109 for the Supply and Delivery of Medical Grade Oxygen Cylinder Refilling be cancelled and reissued in 2004.

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

(Clause No. 7, Report No. 7)

7.38 Changes to Membership - Children and Youth Action Committee

The Committee had before it a communication (September 5, 2003) from the City Clerk advising that the Children and Youth Action Committee on September 5, 2003, recommended that Ms. Michele Lupa replace Ms. Ana Vicente as the Family Services Association of Toronto's representative, and that Francis McCormack, Manager, Youth Outreach and Intervention replace Mr. Vicente Gannam as Members of the Children and Youth Action Committee.

On motion by Councillor Walker, the Committee recommended to Council the adoption of the recommendation of the Children and Youth Action Committee contained in the aforementioned communication from the City Clerk.

(Clause No. 26, Report No. 7)

The Committee adjourned its meeting at 12:00 noon.

Chair.