



**BELLAMY RECOMMENDATIONS STEERING COMMITTEE
DECISION DOCUMENT
MEETING No. 3**

Date of Meeting:	Thursday, July 13, 2006	Enquiry:	Patsy Morris
Time:	9:30 a.m.		Administrator
Location:	Committee Room 3		(416) 392-9151
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- *recommendations of the Committee to City Council are in bold type after the item heading;*
- *action taken by the Committee on its own authority does not require Council's approval – "Action taken by the Committee"; and*
- *Declarations of Interest, if any, appear at the end of an item.*

Confirmation of Minutes – May 8, 2006 and June 12 and 15, 2006

Communications/Reports

- 1. Draft – Lobbyists' Registry at the City of Toronto**

Action taken by the Committee

The Bellamy Recommendations Steering Committee provided instructions to staff respecting the establishment of a Lobbyists' Registry at the City of Toronto; and received the Draft Discussion document pertaining thereto.

Discussion Paper on a Draft Lobbyists' Registry at the City of Toronto.

2. Draft – Lobbyists' Code of Conduct at the City of Toronto

Action taken by the Committee

The Bellamy Recommendations Steering Committee received the Draft Discussion document and the communications pertaining the Draft Lobbyists' Code of Conduct at the City of Toronto.

Discussion Paper on a Draft Lobbyists' Code of Conduct at the City of Toronto.

- 2(a).** Toronto Computer Leasing Inquiry – Toronto External Contracts Inquiry – Excerpt of Recommendations 97-128.
- 2(b).** Communication (July 6, 2006) from the Public Affairs Association of Canada, entitled “Statement of Ethical Principles”.
- 2(c).** Federal Government of Canada, Lobbyists' Code of Conduct.

3. Code of Conduct and Complaint Protocol

Action taken by the Committee

The Bellamy Recommendations Steering Committee postponed consideration of the report and communication respecting the Code of Conduct and Complaint Protocol; and requested that a meeting be scheduled prior to September to consider this matter, such meeting to be arranged at the call of the Chair.

Report (July 5, 2006) from the Integrity Commissioner advising that further to his report to the Steering Committee on May 8, 2006, submitting items on which he contemplates developing proposals for changes to the Code of Conduct for Members of Council (“Code of Conduct”) and its associated Council Code of Conduct Complaint Protocol (“Complaint Protocol”).

- 3(a).** Code of Conduct for Members of Council – City of Toronto.

(Submitted for reference purposes only).
- 3(b).** Amendments to Integrity Commissioner’s Complaint Protocol Respecting Trivial and Unmeritorious Complaints.

(Submitted for reference purposes only).

3(c). Annual Report of the Integrity Commissioner for the Period September 1, 2004 to December 31, 2005

Communication (June 1, 2006) from the City Clerk advising that City Council on May 23, 24 and 25, 2006, adopted the Notice of Motion J(4) by Mayor Miller, seconded by Deputy Mayor Feldman respecting the Annual Report of the Integrity Commissioner for the period September 1, 2004 to December 31, 2005, as amended, and in so doing has received the report (May 8, 2006) from the Integrity Commissioner, for information; and forwarded a copy of the Integrity Commissioner's Annual Report to the Bellamy Implementation Steering Committee with a request that the Committee consider, as part of its established mandate, expanding the jurisdiction of the Integrity Commissioner and Complaint Protocol to apply to citizen members of agencies, boards and commissions:

4. Request for Investigation – Release of Confidential Information

Action taken by the Committee

The Bellamy Recommendations Steering Committee referred the second operative paragraph contained in the communication (May 5, 2006) from the City Clerk to the Integrity Commissioner for consideration in his forthcoming report:

“AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the matter of breaches of confidentiality by Members and their staff be referred to the Bellamy Recommendations Steering Committee, with the request that it ensure that any amendments to the Code will permit Council to take the fullest advantage of the penalty provisions of Bill 53.”

Communication (May 5, 2006) from the City Clerk advising that City Council on April 25 to 27, 2006, adopted, without amendment, the following Motion: by Councillor Nunziata, seconded by Councillor Palacio:

“WHEREAS on Thursday, April 27, 2006, Council was advised that confidential information respecting a report from the Auditor General on a review of certain applications before the North York Committee of Adjustment was reported in the media; and

WHEREAS a breach of confidentiality compromises Council's privilege and can also cause harm to individuals and breaches are consistently happening; and

WHEREAS Bill 53, if adopted, provides for the suspension of a Member's pay for up to 90 days, in the event of a breach of the Members' Code of Conduct; and

WHEREAS the Bellamy Recommendations Steering Committee is currently reviewing the Members' Code of Conduct with a view to recommending improvements before the next term of Council; and

WHEREAS Council must ensure that breaches of confidentiality are thoroughly investigated;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council request the Integrity Commissioner to investigate the release of confidential information from the Auditor General's report on a review of certain applications before the North York Committee of Adjustment and report his findings to Council;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the matter of breaches of confidentiality by Members and their staff be referred to the Bellamy Recommendations Steering Committee, with the request that it ensure that any amendments to the Code will permit Council to take the fullest advantage of the penalty provisions of Bill 53."

5. Discussion Paper - Towards a Lobbyist Control Framework for the City of Toronto

Action taken by the Committee

The Bellamy Recommendations Steering Committee received the communications (June 14, 2006) from T. A Bryk; and (Undated) from Gregory J. Levine.

Additional communications received respecting the Discussion Paper which was considered by the Steering Committee on June 12 and 15, 2006, entitled "Towards a Lobbyist Control Framework for the City of Toronto":

- (June 14, 2006) from T. A Bryk; and
- ((Undated) from Gregory J. Levine.