

Confirmed at the July 13, 2006 meeting

THE CITY OF TORONTO

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Minutes of the Affordable Housing Committee

Meeting 4

Thursday, June 15, 2006

The Affordable Housing Committee met on June 15, 2006, in Committee Room 1, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 9:35 a.m.

* Councillor	
Councillor G. Mammoliti, Chair	X
Councillor P. McConnell, Vice-Chair	X
Councillor S. Carroll	X
Councillor P. Fletcher	X
Councillor N. Kelly	X
Councillor J. Mihevc	X
Councillor C. Palacio	X

* Members were present for all or part of the meeting.

Declarations of Interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.

None declared.

Confirmation of Minutes

On motion by Councillor Kelly, the minutes of the meeting of the Affordable Housing Committee held on May 11, 2006 were confirmed.

4.1 Toronto's participation in the Homeownership Component of the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program

The Affordable Housing Committee considered a report (May 24, 2006) from Sue Corke, Deputy City Manager, seeking authorization from Council to participate in the Homeownership Component of the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) Council authorize Deputy City Manager Sue Corke to communicate to the Province the City's intention to participate in the Homeownership Component of the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program;
- (2) Deputy City Manager Sue Corke discuss with the Province changes to the program that would improve its effectiveness in meeting the needs of moderate to low-income first time homeowners and provide funding to absorb the full administrative costs of this program;
- (3) the Affordable Housing Office undertake a consultation with housing stakeholders, including TCHC, to determine their interest in administering the program on behalf of the City of Toronto;
- (4) Deputy City Manager Sue Corke be authorized to provide the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, on behalf of the City, any needed supplementary information for the Housing Delivery Plan (2006 Action Plan for Affordable Housing Development) adopted by Council in January 2006;
- (5) Council direct the Deputy City Manager Sue Corke to report early in 2007 on a recommended strategic approach to the administration of the remaining funds; and
- (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

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(I) recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee that
City Council

A. adopt the staff recommendations in the
Recommendations Section of the report (May 24,
2006) from Sue Corke, Deputy City Manager,

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subject to adding three new recommendations (6), (7) and (8) and renumbering Recommendation (6) to (9), so that the recommendations now read:

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- (5) Council direct Deputy City Manager Sue Corke to report early in 2007 on a recommended strategic approach to the administration of the remaining funds;
- (6) up to 25 percent of the City's allocation of 429 first time homeowner loans under the federal/provincial Affordable Housing Program be deployed to assist members of

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Toronto's Aboriginal community become homeowners;

(7) the Affordable Housing Office consult with representatives of Toronto's Aboriginal community on options for the delivery of the reserved Aboriginal first time homeownership program allocation;

(8) the Affordable Housing Office report to the Affordable Housing Committee and City Council on a recommended approach for delivery of the proposed Aboriginal first-time homeowner assistance initiative prior to implementation; and

(9) the appropriate City officials be authorized and take the necessary action to give effect thereto." (moved by Councillor McConnell); and

B. request the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to provide capital funding to bring the former Ontario/MTHA Housing stock that was downloaded by the Province back to a state of good repair. (moved by Councillor Palacio)

(II) requested the Deputy City Manager to report back on:

(1) a retention policy on the first time Homeownership Component of the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing program;

(2) what kind of guidelines or protocol will be in place for the selection process; and

(3) what kind of mechanism will be in place to establish the City's interest in deploying the remaining allocation of \$3.734 million by ward across the City; or in consultation with Members of Council who are interested in the first time homeownership program. (moved by Councillor Palacio)

The following motion was voted on and lost:

Moved by Councillor Palacio:

“That Recommendation (3) be amended by striking out “TCHC”.

Kenn Ross, Miziwe Biik, Aboriginal Employment and Training addressed the Affordable Housing Committee.

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4.2 Status of Affordable Housing and Shelter Initiatives – June 2006

Sean Goetz-Gadon, Director, Affordable Housing Office, gave a presentation on the Progress Report on New Affordable Homes in Toronto.

The following persons addressed the Affordable Housing Committee:

- Elizabeth Anacleto, Homefree Affordable Housing for Youth;
- Mary Difrancesco, Homefree Affordable Housing for Youth; and
- Anne Fitzpatrick, Childrens Aid Society

On motion by Councillor Palacio, the Affordable Housing Committee received the staff presentation

The meeting adjourned at 11:39 a.m.

Chair