

## Community Development and Recreation Committee

<b>Meeting No.</b>	3	<b>Contact</b>	Candy Davidovits, Committee Administrator
<b>Meeting Date</b>	Monday, April 2, 2007	<b>Phone</b>	416-392-8032
<b>Start Time</b>	9:30 AM	<b>E-mail</b>	cdavidov@toronto.ca
<b>Location</b>	Committee Room 1, City Hall		

### Attendance

Members of the Community Development and Recreation Committee were present for some or all of the time periods indicated under the section headed "Meeting Sessions", which appears at the end of the Minutes.

Councillor Joe Mihevc, Chair	X
Councillor Maria Augimeri, Vice-Chair	-
Councillor Janet Davis, Vice-Chair	X
Councillor Norm Kelly	X
Councillor Frances Nunziata	X
Councillor David Shiner	X

### Confirmation of Minutes

On motion by Councillor Shiner, the minutes of the meeting of the Community Development and Recreation Committee held on February 19, 2007, were confirmed.

CD3.1	Presentation	Received	Transactional	
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### Social Inclusion

#### Summary

Presentations by invited speakers on the issue of social inclusion:

#### Speakers

Ted Richmond, Program Coordinator, Inclusive Communities for Children, Youth and Families, Laidlaw Foundation;

Debbie Douglas, Executive Director, Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrants (OCASI);

Uzma Shakir, Executive Director, South Asian Legal Clinic of Ontario (SALCO);

Susan Pigott, Executive Lead for Citizen Engagement, Ontario Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform;

Michael Mendelson, Senior Scholar, Caledon Institute of Social Policy and

Axelle Janczur, Executive Director, Access Alliance Multicultural Community Health Centre.

### **Decision Advice and Other Information**

The Community Development and Recreation Committee received the presentations and expressed its thanks to the presenters.

CD3.2	ACTION	Adopted	Transactional	Ward: 30
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### **Loan Guarantee for Creative Preschool**

(March 8, 2007) report from General Manager, Children's Services

### **Recommendations**

The General Manager, Children's Services Division, recommends that:

1. the City of Toronto provide a loan guarantee for up to \$100,000 on behalf of Creative Preschool (CPS) to its financial institution, to provide for leasehold improvements to preserve licensed spaces;
2. such guarantee and all related agreements be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the City Solicitor, the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer as well as the General Manager, Children's Services, and that the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer be requested to negotiate appropriate and adequate safeguards, to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor, with the City being promptly advised in the event of default or delay in the payment of interest;
3. the City enters into an agreement with CPS with respect to the line of credit guarantee;
4. the City enters into a tri-party agreement with CPS and its financial institution with respect to the line of credit guarantee;
5. the guarantee be deemed to be in the interest of the municipality; and
6. the appropriate officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

### **Financial Impact**

The recommendations will have no financial impact beyond what has already been approved in the current year's budget.

There is no direct cost to the City for providing this guarantee unless CPS defaults on its obligation and the City cannot recover any funds from the organization. In future years, if there were a default, there could be a financial impact in the City's budget. That impact would be a loss of up to \$100,000 (the amount of the loan guarantee) plus interest. This expenditure would be taken from the Child Care Expansion Reserve Fund.

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

### **Summary**

Creative Preschool of East Toronto (CPS) is losing its current space and has found a new location. This report recommends that the City of Toronto provide a loan guarantee for up to \$100,000 for CPS to provide for leasehold improvements to meet the Day Nurseries Act requirements, avoid service disruption and maintain licensed spaces.

### **Committee Recommendations**

On motion by Councillor Davis, the Community Development and Recreation Committee recommended to City Council that:

1. the City of Toronto provide a loan guarantee for up to \$100,000 on behalf of Creative Preschool (CPS) to its financial institution, to provide for leasehold improvements to preserve licensed spaces;
2. such guarantee and all related agreements be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the City Solicitor, the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer as well as the General Manager, Children's Services, and that the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer be requested to negotiate appropriate and adequate safeguards, to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor, with the City being promptly advised in the event of default or delay in the payment of interest;
3. the City enters into an agreement with CPS with respect to the line of credit guarantee;
4. the City enters into a tri-party agreement with CPS and its financial institution with respect to the line of credit guarantee;
5. the guarantee be deemed to be in the interest of the municipality; and
6. the appropriate officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

### **Links to Background Information**

cd3.2

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2421.pdf>

CD3.3	ACTION	Adopted	Transactional	
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## **Municipal Service Manager Nominations to the Social Housing Services Corporation**

(March 19, 2007) report from Deputy City Manager Sue Corke

### **Recommendations**

The Deputy City Manager recommends that:

1. Council endorse Phil Brown, General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, as the City of Toronto service manager staff nomination to the Social Housing Services Corporation Board of Directors for a two and a half year term commencing June 30, 2007; and
2. Council endorse Mayor Larry O’Conner, Township of Brock, and Adelina Urbanski, Commissioner, Social and Community Services Department, Regional Municipality of Halton, as the nominees for the City of Toronto and municipalities of Durham, Halton, Peel, and York selected position on the Social Housing Services Corporation Board of Directors for a two and a half year term commencing June 30, 2007.

### **Financial Impact**

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

### **Summary**

The purpose of this report is to provide information on the Call for Nominations currently underway for municipal service manager representation on the Board of Directors of the Social Housing Services Corporation (SHSC) and recommends Council endorse a City of Toronto staff nomination to the City of Toronto position on the Board, and two other persons to the SHSC Board selected by Toronto City Council and the councils of the regional municipalities of Durham, Halton, Peel, and York.

### **Committee Recommendations**

On motion by Councillor Nunziata, the Community Development and Recreation Committee recommended that:

1. Council endorse Phil Brown, General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, as the City of Toronto service manager staff nomination to the Social Housing Services Corporation Board of Directors for a two and a half year term commencing June 30, 2007; and
2. Council endorse Mayor Larry O’Conner, Township of Brock, and Adelina Urbanski, Commissioner, Social and Community Services Department, Regional Municipality of Halton, as the nominees for the City of Toronto and municipalities of Durham, Halton, Peel, and York selected position on the Social Housing Services Corporation Board of Directors for a two and a half year term commencing June 30, 2007.

## Links to Background Information

cd3.3

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2422.pdf>

CD3.4	ACTION	Referred	Transactional	
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## Receiving Funds for Involve Youth Program and Service Delivery Agreement with a Community-Based Agency

(March 19, 2007) report from Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration

### Recommendations

Social Development, Finance and Administration recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the Executive Director of Social Development, Finance and Administration to enter into agreement with Canadian Heritage to receive funds in an amount not to exceed \$408,098 as the program costs for the Involve Youth;
2. City Council authorize the Executive Director of Social Development, Finance and Administration to enter into agreement with United Way of Greater Toronto to receive funds in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 as the program costs for the Involve Youth;
3. City Council authorize the Executive Director of Social Development, Finance and Administration to enter into a service agreement with Tropicana Community Services for the delivery of the Involve Youth not to exceed \$908,098;
4. the Social Development, Finance and Administration Division's 2007 Operating Budget be increased by \$432,806.00 gross, zero net.

### Financial Impact

Involve Youth is a fully funded program through the joint contributions of the Department of Canadian Heritage and the United Way of Greater Toronto. There are no net impacts on the 2007 operating budget arising from the adoption of this report. The Social Development, Finance and Administration budget will be adjusted by \$432,806.00 gross, zero net, to reflect the 2007 funding of this program.

Budget Years	Source of Funds	Total Adjustments
2007	Department of Canadian Heritage United Way of Greater Toronto	\$432,806.00
2008	Department of Canadian Heritage United Way of Greater Toronto	\$339,146.00
2009	Department of Canadian Heritage	\$136,146.00

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

### **Summary**

This report seeks approval to accept funds from the Department of Canadian Heritage and the United Way of Greater Toronto. This funding is to enhance youth civic engagement opportunities in four priority neighbourhoods through the program model, Involve Youth. This report also seeks approval to enter into a purchase of service agreement with the community-based delivery agency, Tropicana Community Services to deliver the Involve Youth Program.

Involve Youth will begin in April 2007 and run until March 2010.

### **Decision Advice and Other Information**

The Community Development and Recreation Committee:

- i. recommended to the Budget Committee that:
  1. City Council authorize the Executive Director of Social Development, Finance and Administration to enter into agreement with Canadian Heritage to receive funds in an amount not to exceed \$408,098.00 as the program costs for the Involve Youth;
  2. City Council authorize the Executive Director of Social Development, Finance and Administration to enter into agreement with United Way of Greater Toronto to receive funds in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 as the program costs for the Involve Youth;
  3. City Council authorize the Executive Director of Social Development, Finance and Administration to enter into a service agreement with Tropicana Community Services for the delivery of the Involve Youth not to exceed \$908,098.00;
  4. the Social Development, Finance and Administration Division's 2007 Operating Budget be increased by \$432,806.00 gross, zero net; and
  5. the Chair of the Community Development and Recreation Committee be requested to write a letter to the Minister responsible for the Department of Canadian Heritage requesting that the contract be signed and the money released for this program; and

**(Motion by Councillor Davis)**

- ii. requested the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration, to arrange for a presentation on the Jamestown pilot project at the next meeting of the Community Development and Recreation Committee, such presentation to include information on the successes of the pilot project and how those successes can be transferred to the other challenged communities.

**(Motion by Councillor Kelly)**

### **Links to Background Information**

cd3.4

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2423.pdf>

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### **Impacts - Reduction in Permit Fees Policy**

**(Deferred from last meeting for consideration and debate)**

(February 5, 2007) report from General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation

#### **Summary**

To report on the impact of the Reduction in Permit Fees Policy in 2006.

The Harmonized Permit Allocation and Permit Rate Framework were designed to ensure equitable, accessible and consistent permit rates for facilities across the City. Even though the permit rates are financially reasonable and below the pricing charged by other communities and organizations, there are still groups who experience financial hardships. The Reduction in Permit Fees Policy addresses these issues.

#### **Decision Advice and Other Information**

On motion by Councillor Davis, the Community Development and Recreation Committee received the report (February 5, 2007) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, for information.

### **Links to Background Information**

cd3.5

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2424.pdf>

CD3.6	ACTION	Without Recs	Transactional	
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## Enlargement of Supplies for School Food Programs

(February 26, 2007) letter from Board of Health

### Recommendations

Referring the following motion from Fiona Nelson, Chair, Toronto/East York Local Health Committee, to the Community Development and Recreation Committee for consideration:

1. Toronto Public Health investigate the enlargement of supplies for school food programs (including clear nutritional and hygienic standards) using a partnership with the City's restaurant association while continuing its efforts to encourage the provincial and federal governments to establish full universal school meal programs, and that this motion be forwarded to staff for further discussion and report; and
2. Community Colleges be engaged in discussion regarding school food programs and food handling training as well as the University/dietitian program.

### Summary

Letter from the Board of Health endorsing a motion from the Toronto/East York Local Health Committee relating to the enlargement of supplies for school food programs and referring it to the Community Development and Recreation Committee for consideration.

### Communications

(March 29, 2007) letter from Councillor Paul Ainslie, Ward 43 - Scarborough-East CDMAIN CD3.6.1.

### Committee Recommendations

The Community Development and Recreation Committee submitted this matter to City Council without recommendation.

### Motions

*Refer motion moved by Councillor Janet Davis (Lost)*

That the letter (February 26, 2007) from the Board of Health be referred to Deputy City Manager Sue Corke for consideration and appropriate action.

*Take Note and File motion moved by Councillor Norman Kelly (Lost)*

That the letter (February 26, 2007) from the Board of Health be noted and filed.

### Links to Background Information

cd3.6

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2425.pdf>



CD3.7	ACTION	Noted/Filed	Transactional	
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## **Inclusion of Dental Health Care under OHIP**

(February 26, 2007) letter from Secretary, Board of Health

### **Recommendations**

Referring the following motion from Fiona Nelson, Chair, Toronto/East York Local Health Committee, to the Community Development and Recreation Committee for consideration:

1. the Board of Health advocate vigorously for the inclusion of dental care under OHIP;
2. the Province be urged to fund the provision of dental care for vulnerable low income residents through a variety of programs and venues including Community Health Centres; and
3. these recommendations be forwarded to City Council for consideration.

### **Summary**

Letter from the Board of Health referring a motion from the Toronto/East York Local Health Committee relating to the inclusion of dental health care under OHIP to the Community Development and Recreation Committee for consideration.

### **Communications**

(March 29, 2007) letter from Councillor Paul Ainslie, Ward 43 - Scarborough-East CDMAIN CD3.7.1.

### **Decision Advice and Other Information**

The Community Development and Recreation Committee noted and filed the communication (February 26, 2007) from the Board of Health.

### **Motions**

*Refer motion moved by Councillor Joe Mihevc (Lost)*

That the letter (February 26, 2007) from the Board of Health be referred to Deputy City Manager Sue Corke for a report to the Community Development and Recreation Committee.

### **Links to Background Information**

cd3.7

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2426.pdf>

CD3.8	ACTION	Referred	Transactional	
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### **Youth Shelter Interagency Network (YSIN) Report: "System in Crisis: An Action Plan for the Future of Toronto's Homeless Youth"**

(March 23, 2007) memo from Councillor David Shiner, Ward 24 - Willowdale

#### **Summary**

Communication from Councillor Shiner entitled "Systems in Crisis: An Action Plan for the Future of Toronto's Homeless Youth" prepared by the Youth Shelter Interagency Network (YSIN) and recommending that the report be forwarded to Deputy City Manager Sue Corke for comments to the Community Development and Recreation Committee.

#### **Speakers**

Maria Crawford, Youth Shelter Interagency Network (YSIN)  
Susette Clunis, Chair, Youth Shelter Interagency Network (YSIN)

#### **Decision Advice and Other Information**

The Community Development and Recreation Committee:

1. referred this matter to the Budget Committee to consider an increase to the average youth shelter per diem rate to \$65.00 to cover 80 percent of the costs incurred in providing basic food and shelter services to homeless youth;

#### **(Motion by Councillor Shiner)**

2. recommended to the Budget Committee that the City provide sufficient funding so that no youth shelters close in 2007;

#### **(Motion by Councillor Nunziata)**

3. requested the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration to report to the Budget Committee on what resources within the youth envelope can be reallocated to support youth shelters; and

#### **(Motion by Councillor Kelly)**

4. referred the report entitled "System in Crisis: An Action Plan for the Future of Toronto's Homeless Youth", and its recommendations, to Deputy City Manager Sue Corke, in conjunction with the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, for a report back to the Community Development and Recreation Committee within three months.

#### **(Motion by Councillor Shiner)**

**Motions**

*Introduce Report motion moved by Councillor David Shiner (Carried)*

**Links to Background Information**

cd3.8-Letter

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2776.pdf>)

cd3.8-Attachment from Youth Shelter Interagency Network

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-2777.pdf>)

CD3.9	ACTION	Referred	Transactional	
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**Volleyball Programs in Scarborough****Summary**

Councillor Kelly requested permission to introduce new business relating to volleyball programs in Scarborough.

**Decision Advice and Other Information**

On motion by Councillor Kelly, the Community Development and Recreation Committee requested the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, to submit a report to the Community Development and Recreation Committee at its next meeting on May 7, 2007, on the Toronto Sun article of April 1, 2007, commenting on the decline in hours and service for volleyball programs at City-operated facilities in Scarborough.

**Motions**

*Introduce item motion moved by Councillor David Shiner (Carried)*

Session Date	Session Type	Start Time	End Time	Public or Closed Session
2007-04-02	Morning	9:40 AM	11:40 AM	Public
2007-04-02	Morning	11:45 PM	12:50 PM	Public