ANSWER TO INQUIRY IA23.1

July 14, 2008

MEMORANDUM

To: Councillor Karen Stintz

From: Mayor David Miller

Re: IA23.1 – Administrative Inquiry by Councillor Karen Stintz

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I am responding to your Inquiry dated July 4, 2008.

The principles of the procedural by-law are found in Section 27-3:

1. The majority of members have the right to decide;
2. The minority of members have the right to be heard;
3. All members have the right to information to help make decisions; unless otherwise prevented by law;
4. Members have a right to an efficient meeting;
5. All members have the right to be treated with respect and courtesy; and
6. All members have equal rights, privileges and obligations.

The Speaker and Deputy Speaker are responsible for the role of Chair at Council, and Chairs of Committees and Community Councils, respectively, of committees and community councils, and act in accordance with the rules of procedure. Members of Council expect the Speaker, Deputy Speaker and Chairs to rule motions that are not in accordance with the rules out of order in order to protect their right to debate matters that are in order.

Mayor David Miller