



INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Office of the Integrity Commissioner - 2012 Operating Budget

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To:	Budget Committee
From:	Integrity Commissioner
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	

SUMMARY

This report details information related to the 2012 Operating Budget and recommends a full-year 2012 budget of \$211.0 thousand for approval by the Budget Committee. The 2012 Operating Budget meets the requested budget target of a reduction equivalent to 2.6% of the approved 2011 Operating Budget.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Integrity Commissioner recommends:

1. that the Budget Committee approve the 2012 operating budget of \$211.0 thousand for the Office of the Integrity Commissioner and forward it to the Executive Committee.

Financial Impact

The financial impact of adopting the recommendation in this report will be an inclusion of the annual budget of the Office of the Integrity Commissioner at \$211.0 thousand in the City of Toronto's 2012 operating budget.

DECISION HISTORY

The Integrity Commissioner is one of four Accountability Officers required under City of Toronto Act, 2006. The office operates with a part-time Integrity Commissioner, staffed by one part-time Administrative Assistant. The Integrity Commissioner was appointed by Council in September, 2009 for a five year term.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Integrity Commissioner performs the functions assigned by City Council in an independent manner with respect to the application of the Codes of Conduct for members of City Council, members of local boards (restricted definition) including adjudicative boards and relating to the application of any procedures, rules and policies of the City, local boards (restricted definition) including adjudicative boards and governing the ethical behavior of members of City Council and those boards.

The Integrity Commissioner provides advice and outreach to members of Council and local and adjudicative boards, opinions as requested by Council, and conducts inquiries into the contravention of the Codes of Conduct reporting to Council in accordance with the Complaint Protocols and Codes of Conduct which have been established by Council.

The Integrity Commissioner reports annually to Council on the work of the office.

COMMENTS

The Integrity Commissioner's office currently operates with 1.5 staff. The 2012 Operating Budget request will enable the Office of the Integrity Commissioner to fulfill its mandate and maintain staffing levels. The 2012 operating budget request is \$211.0 thousand with \$194.0 thousand for salary for the Integrity Commissioner and a part-time Administrative Assistant, and \$17.0 thousand for non-salary expenditures.

The 2012 operating budget includes:

- base budget pressures of \$14.3 thousand net, which include reversal of one-time reduction for non-payroll budget and economic factor adjustments for payroll and non-payroll items
- a budget reduction of \$5.3 thousand net that represents a reduction equivalent to 2.6% of the 2011 Approved Net Operating Budget

These result in an increase of \$9.0 thousand or 4.5% from the 2011 Approved Operating Budget of \$202.0 thousand.

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