

September 24, 2012

To: Planning and Growth Committee

From: Toronto Board of Health

Subject: Toward Healthier Apartment Neighbourhoods

Recommendation:

The Board of Health directed that the report (September 7, 2012) from the Medical Officer of Health be forwarded to the Planning and Growth Management Committee for consideration at its October 12, 2012 meeting where zoning regulation reform recommendations will be reviewed in conjunction with the current Comprehensive Zoning By-law and Official Plan reviews.

Decision Advice and Other Information:

The Board of Health also:

1. Directed that the report (September 7, 2012) from the Medical Officer of Health be forwarded to the Chief Planner and Executive Director of City Planning and the Project Director Tower Renewal Office to support and inform the current Zoning By-law amendment and harmonization processes and the Official Plan review underway.
2. Requested the Medical Officer of Health to collaborate with the Chief Planner and Executive Director of City Planning, Project Director Tower Renewal and the President and CEO, United Way Toronto on the Comprehensive Zoning By-law review process underway.
3. Directed that the report (September 7, 2012) from the Medical Officer of Health be forwarded to the Ontario Ministers of Municipal Affairs and Housing and Infrastructure and request that the findings be considered by the Province as part of the current five-year review of the Provincial Policy Statement and as part of the ongoing implementation of the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe (GGH), to further support the revitalization of apartment neighbourhoods and the health of residents living in these neighbourhoods in Toronto and the Greater Golden Horseshoe (GGH) region.
4. Directed that the report (September 7, 2012) from the Medical Officer of Health be forwarded to the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (ALPHA), Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD), Canadian Association of Business Incubation, Canadian Institute of Planners, Canadian Public Health Association, Canadian Urban Institute, Centre for Research on Inner City Health at St. Michael's Hospital, Centre for Social Innovation, Chief Medical Officer of Health of Ontario, Cites Centre at University of Toronto, Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario, FoodShare, Greater Toronto Apartment Association, Martin Prosperity Institute,

Metrolinx, Minister of Health and Long Term Care, Ontario Professional Planners Institute, Ontario Public Health Association, Public Health Ontario, Social Innovation Generation @ MaRS, Toronto Board of Trade, Toronto Business Development Centre, Toronto Food Business Incubator, Toronto Transit Commission, United Way Toronto, Urban Public Health Network, Urban Land Institute Toronto, Wellesley Institute and the Medical Officers of Health for the regions of Peel Durham, Halton, Peel and York.

Background

The Board of Health on September 24, 2012, considered a report (September 7, 2012) from the Medical Officer of Health on Toward Healthier Apartment Neighbourhoods.

The Medical Officer of Health gave a presentation.

Background Information

(September 7, 2012) Staff Report from the Medical Officer of Health - Toward Healthier Apartment Neighbourhoods

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2012/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-49925.pdf>)

(September 7, 2012) Attachment 1 - Toward Healthier Apartment Neighbourhoods (Part 1)

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2012/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-49926.pdf>)

(September 7, 2012) Attachment 1 - Toward Healthier Apartment Neighbourhoods (Part 2)

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2012/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-49935.pdf>)

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