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October 22, 2012

To: Budget Committee

From: Board of Health

Subject: Student Nutrition Program Expansion in High Need Schools

2013 - 2017 - Item No. HL17.5

Recommendations:

The Board of Health recommends to Budget Committee, for consideration during the 2013 Operating Budget process, that:

- 1. City Council approve the Board of Health's previous request for a \$1,257,416 gross/net increase to municipal funding in 2013 towards stabilizing existing Student Nutrition Programs; including \$247,616 for the inflationary cost of food in 2012/13.
- 2. City Council approve \$222,912 gross/net towards expanding Student Nutrition Programs into 19 additional schools beginning in the 2013/14 school year.

Decision Advice and Other Information:

The Board of Health also:

- Endorsed, in principle, a proposed five year plan for expansion of the Student Nutrition Program in Toronto in high need schools, with an incremental increase in municipal investment over the next five years to provide up to 20% of estimated program costs; and
- 2. Forwarded this report to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Ministers of Children and Youth Services, Health and Long-Term Care, and Education, the Toronto District School Board, the Toronto Catholic District School Board, le Conseil scolaire Viamonde, le Conseil scolaire de district catholique Centre-Sud, the Toronto Foundation for Student Success, the Angel Foundation for Learning, United Way Toronto, and the Greater Toronto Civic Action Alliance.

Background

The Board of Health on October 22, 2012, considered a report (October 12, 2012) from the Medical Officer of Health – Student Nutrition Program Proposed Expansion in High Need Schools 2013-2017.

Background Information

(October 12, 2012) Staff Report from the Medical Officer of Health - Student Nutrition Program Proposed Expansion in High Need Schools 2013 - 2017 including Appendix 1 & II (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2012/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-50860.pdf

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