
2013 BUDGET BRIEFING NOTE

Identifying Priority Locations for Security Cameras in Toronto Community Housing

Issue/Background:

City Council, at its meeting on November 27, 28 and 29, 2012, adopted the following motion (MM28.10):

1. City Council request the Chief Executive Officer, Toronto Community Housing Corporation, in consultation with Toronto Community Housing Corporation tenants, to determine priority locations for high-resolution security cameras and forward the associated costs to the 2013 Budget Process.

Key Points:

- Toronto Community Housing (TCH) staff have identified 61 communities that currently do not have security camera systems.
- The cost for installing security camera systems in the 61 communities is estimated at \$29,700 per community for a total of \$1,811,700, excluding applicable taxes, based on the following assumptions:
 - The number of cameras required per community is 16 based on the average number of security cameras within communities where they are currently installed
 - \$1,200 cost per camera
 - \$10,500 per community for security camera recorders and related equipment
 - Costs for creating secure equipment rooms in communities where they may not exist have not been included (i.e. townhouse communities)
- It should be noted that given time constraints, TCH has not had an opportunity to consult with its residents to determine priority locations.

Attachment:

- January 3, 2013 letter from Eugene E. Jones Jr., CEO, TCH, Re: MM28.10

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