

## City Council

### Notice of Motion

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### **Delegations of Authorities to Administer Tax-Based Funded Housing Services - by Councillor Ana Bailão, seconded by Councillor Paula Fletcher**

*\* Notice of this Motion has been given.*

*\* This Motion is subject to referral to the Executive Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

### **Recommendations**

Councillor Ana Bailão, seconded by Councillor Paula Fletcher, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the Executive Director, Housing Secretariat to administer the Toronto Tenant Support Program established by City Council's decision on Item 2022.PH34.9 and City Council authorize the Executive Director, Housing Secretariat to enter into agreements or other suitable arrangements with other City divisions, agencies, boards, corporations, federal and provincial agencies, community agencies, private entities and/or individuals to allocate funding and deliver the Toronto Tenant Support Program.

2. City Council authorize the Executive Director, Housing Secretariat to develop funding priorities for the City of Toronto Poverty Reduction Strategy funding and to:

- a. allocate the City of Toronto Poverty Reduction funding within the applicable City Council approved budget;
- b. enter into agreements to deliver projects in line with the terms and conditions of the City of Toronto Poverty Reduction Strategy funding; and
- c. execute any required documentation necessary to deliver the City of Toronto Poverty Reduction Strategy funding.

3. City Council authorize the Executive Director, Housing Secretariat and/or the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, in consultation with one another, to administer existing grant programs for housing and homelessness services funded in whole or in part from the tax-base and to enter into agreements or other suitable arrangements with other City divisions, agencies, boards, corporations, federal and provincial agencies, community agencies, private entities and/or individuals to allocate and deliver the funding provided that the funding is:

- a. within the applicable City Council approved budget for the Housing Secretariat, or Shelter, Support, Housing and Administration; and

b. allocated and delivered in accordance with the City's Grants Policy and any applicable program guidelines, terms or conditions determined by City Council, or by the Executive Director, Housing Secretariat and/or the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration respectively where authority to determine same has been delegated to the applicable Division Head.

## **Summary**

As part of its commitment in the HousingTO 2020-2030 Action Plan to enhance service delivery for residents, the City is re-organizing the way it plans and delivers housing and homelessness services. This includes consolidating authorities, responsibilities and oversight for all housing services and functions under the Housing Secretariat.

To support this administrative change, City Council, on March 9, 2022, adopted the recommendations in the report entitled Delegation of Authorities to Administered Housing and Homelessness Services (Item 2022.PH31.2), which transferred part of the service manager authorities and responsibilities under the Housing Services Act, 2011, specific to social and affordable housing, from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration to the Executive Director, Housing Secretariat and provided authority for the Executive Director, Housing Secretariat to receive funding and enter into funding agreements with other levels of government for housing programs, and to spend that funding in accordance with the agreements and program guidelines.

Not included in the previous report to City Council were the transfer of existing authorities in relation to programs and services, including those delivered by community partners, that are tax-based funded. Accordingly, this Motion seeks City Council approval to provide the necessary and outstanding transfer of authorities from the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration to the Executive Director, Housing Secretariat to:

- fund and administer the Toronto Tenants Support Program per Item 2021.PH25.22;
- develop funding priorities related to the City of Toronto Poverty Reduction Strategy per Item 2017.CD22.8; and
- in consultation with the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, fund and administer existing grant programs funded from the tax-base in accordance with approved budgets and in accordance with the City Grant's Policy and any related City Council direction.

## **Background Information (City Council)**

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