# **Community Development and Recreation Committee**

Meeting No. 9 Contact Candy Davidovits, Committee

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**Meeting Date** Tuesday, October 9, 2007 **Phone** 416-392-8032

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**Location** Committee Room 1, City Hall

9:30 AM

#### **Attendance**

**Start Time** 

Members of the Community Development and Recreation Committee were present for some or all of the time periods indicated under the section headed "Meeting Sessions", which appears at the end of the Minutes.

Councillor Joe Mihevc, Chair	X
Councillor Maria Augimeri, Vice-Chair	X
Councillor Janet Davis, Vice-Chair	X
Councillor Brian Ashton	X
Councillor Frances Nunziata	X
Councillor David Shiner	-

## **Confirmation of Minutes**

On motion by Councillor Davis, the minutes of the meeting of the Community Development and Recreation Committee held on September 7, 2007, were confirmed.

CD9.1	Presentation	Received		
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# **Streets to Homes - Post Occupancy Survey Results**

# Summary

Presentation by General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, on Streets to Homes - Post Occupancy Survey Results.

## **Speakers**

Phil Brown, General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration Iain De Jong, Acting Manager, Housing and Homelessness Supports and Initiatives

#### **Decision Advice and Other Information**

The Community Development and Recreation Committee received the staff presentation for information.

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# Partnership Initiatives and Achievements in the Priority Neighbourhoods

# Summary

Presentation by Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration, on Partnership Initiatives and Achievements in the Priority Neighbourhoods.

# **Speakers**

Nancy Matthews, Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration Evelyn Murialdo, Director, Tenant and Community Services Unit, Toronto Community Housing Corp.

Pam Roberts, District Director, Children's Services Carol Timmings, Director, Health Living, Toronto Public Health

## **Decision Advice and Other Information**

On motion by Councillor Nunziata, the Community Development and Recreation Committee:

- 1. received the staff presentation for information; and
- 2. requested Deputy City Manager Sue Corke to report to the Community Development and Recreation Committee on a communication and engagement strategy with the local Councillors in the 13 Priority Neighbourhoods.

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## **Part-Time and After Hours Child Care**

(September 24, 2007) Report from General Manager, Children's Services

#### Recommendations

The General Manager of Children's Services recommends that:

1. As part of the service planning process for the 2010-2014 Child Care Service Plan, Children's Services hold consultations with stakeholders, including parents, to determine the demand for part-time and after hours child care and opportunities to provide it.

# **Financial Impact**

This report will have no financial impact beyond what has already been approved in the current year's budget.

# **Summary**

This report examines commitments made regarding part-time and after hours child care in the current 2005-2009 Child Care Services Plan. It looks at ways in which Toronto currently supports part-time and after hours child care including initiatives the City has undertaken to encourage it. The report concludes that it is not particularly timely to consider new policies and incentives to increase the availability of part-time and after hours child care. It recommends that Children's Services hold consultations with stakeholders, including parents, to determine the demand for part-time and after hours child care and opportunities to provide it, as part of the service planning process for the 2010-2014 Child Care Service Plan.

#### **Decision Advice and Other Information**

On motion by Councillor Davis, the Community Development and Recreation Committee requested the General Manager, Children's Services, to:

- 1. as part of the service planning process for the 2010-2014 Child Care Service Plan, hold consultations with stakeholders, including parents, to determine the demand for part-time and after hours child care and opportunities to provide it; and
- 2. report to the January 2008 meeting of the Community Development and Recreation Committee on the feasibility and costs of implementing a small pilot project to model part-time care options and test various fee and cost scenarios.

# **Links to Background Information**

cd9.3-Report

(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-7264.pdf)

CD9.4	ACTION	Adopted		
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# Request for a Tenant Support Grant under the Tenant Defence Fund from 25 St. Mary Street Tenants' Association

(July 9, 2007) Letter from Tenant Defence Sub-Committee

#### Recommendations

The Tenant Defence Sub-Committee recommends to the Community Development and Recreation Committee that City Council:

1. approve a grant of up to \$1,000 to the tenants' association of 25 St. Mary Street from the 2007 Tenant Support Grants Program to assist the tenants towards the payment of their legal costs for disputing their landlord's application for above-guideline rent increases; and

2. authorize the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing, to take necessary actions to implement Council's approval.

# **Summary**

Letter from the Tenant Defence Sub-Committee submitting recommendations on a request for a Tenant Support Grant under the Tenant Defence Fund from 25 St. Mary Street Tenants' Association.

#### **Committee Recommendations**

On motion by Councillor Nunziata, the Community Development and Recreation Committee recommends that City Council:

- 1. approve a grant of up to \$1,000 to the tenants' association of 25 St. Mary Street from the 2007 Tenant Support Grants Program to assist the tenants towards the payment of their legal costs for disputing their landlord's application for above-guideline rent increases; and
- 2. authorize the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, to take the necessary actions to implement Council's approval.

# **Links to Background Information**

cd9.4-Letter

(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-7254.pdf)

cd9.4-Attachment-Report from General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-7255.pdf)

CD9.5	ACTION	Adopted		
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# Amendment to the Terms of Reference for the Youth Strategy Panel

(September 24, 2007) Letter from Youth Strategy Panel

#### Recommendations

The Youth Strategy Panel requested that the Community Development and Recreation Committee amend Section (C)(2)(ii) of the Terms of Reference - Toronto Youth Strategy Panel, to the following:

"(ii) three (3) representatives from community-based youth led-organizations;".

#### **Summary**

Letter from the Youth Strategy Panel forwarding a recommendation from its meeting held on September 20, 2007, requesting an amendment to its Terms of Reference through the Community Development and Recreation Committee.

#### **Committee Recommendations**

On motion by Councillor Augimeri, the Community Development and Recreation Committee recommended that City Council amend Section (C)(2)(ii) of the terms of reference for the Toronto Youth Strategy Panel to read as follows:

"(ii) three (3) representatives from community-based youth-led organizations;".

# **Links to Background Information**

cd9.5-Letter

(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-7256.pdf)

CD9.6	ACTION	Referred		
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# Request to Secure a Community Centre in the South Etobicoke-Lakeshore Area: A Position Paper Developed by the South Etobicoke Youth Assembly

(September 24, 2007) Letter from Youth Strategy Panel

#### Recommendations

The Youth Strategy Panel requested that the Community Development and Recreation Committee request that the Deputy City Manager, Cluster "A", engage in a meaningful community consultation to secure a community centre in the south Etobicoke-Lakeshore area, as stated in a letter dated September 10, 2007 from the Lakeshore Community Centre Working Group, and advised the Committee that the Panel supports the efforts of the Lakeshore Community Centre Working Group.

# **Summary**

Letter from the Youth Strategy Panel forwarding a recommendation from its meeting held on September 20, 2007, respecting the establishment of a Community Centre in the South Etobicoke-Lakeshore Area.

#### Communications

(August 2007) Submission from Lakeshore Community Centre Workgroup (CD.Main.CD9.6.1) (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/comm/communicationfile-4009.pdf)

#### **Speakers**

Brad Jewers, Director, South Etobicoke Youth Assembly Amber Morley, Director, South Etobicoke Youth Assembly Natalie Hay, Program Worker, South Etobicoke Youth Assembly

#### **Decision Advice and Other Information**

On motion by Councillor Nunziata, the Community Development and Recreation Committee referred the letter (September 24, 2007) from the Youth Strategy Panel to the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, for the appropriate action.

# **Links to Background Information**

cd9.6-Letter from Youth Strategy Panel (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-7259.pdf) cd9.6-Attachment-Letter from Lakeshore Community Centre Workgroup (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-7260.pdf) cd9.6-Attachment-Pamphlet from Lakeshore Community Centre Workgroup (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-7261.pdf) cd9.6-Attachment-Position Paper from Lakeshore Community Centre Workgroup (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-7262.pdf)

CD9.7	ACTION	Referred		
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Wellesley Institute Report "We Can't Afford to do Business this Way: A Study of the Administrative Burden Resulting from Funder Accountability and Compliance Practices"

(October 9, 2007) Letter from Councillor Joe Mihevc, Chair

# Summary

The Chair submitted a copy of a report prepared by the Wellesley Institute entitled "We Can't Afford to Do Business This Way: A Study of the Administrative Burden Resulting from Funder Accountability and Compliance Practices."

#### **Decision Advice and Other Information**

On motion by Councillor Mihevc, the Community Development and Recreation Committee requested Deputy City Manager Sue Corke to:

- 1. report to the Community Development and Recreation Committee on November 5, 2007, on efforts taken by the City of Toronto to address the issues related to administrative burden on community agencies raised in the "We Can't Afford to Do Business This Way" report, and also on further opportunities to reduce the administrative burden on community agencies; and
- 2. invite the authors/consultants of the report to the Community Development and Recreation Committee meeting on November 5, 2007.

# **Meeting Sessions**

Session Date	Session Type	Start Time	End Time	Public or Closed Session
2007-10-09	Morning	9:40 AM	12:05 PM	Public

Chair