

## City Council

### Removal of Item GM24.7 from Government Management Committee

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### Approval to Initiate and Participate in Assessment Appeals

***A two-thirds vote is required to remove this matter from the Government Management Committee.***

**Confidential Attachment - Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board**

#### Recommendations

**The City Manager recommends that:**

1. City Council remove from the Government Management Committee Item GM24.7, headed "Approval to Initiate and Participate in Assessment Appeals", and bring the Item forward to City Council for consideration.

#### Summary

The June 25, 2009 meeting of the Government Management Committee was cancelled as a result of the labour disruption. Government Management Committee Item GM24.7 is deemed urgent. A motion to remove this matter from the Government Management Committee and bring it forward to City Council for consideration at its meeting on August 5, 2009 is proposed.

*Recommendations contained in Item GM24.7:*

The Acting Treasurer and City Solicitor recommend that:

1. The assessment appeals initiated by Revenue Services staff, as identified in Appendix A of this report, be authorized.
2. City participation in the assessment appeals initiated by the taxpayer, as identified in Appendix B to this report, be authorized and actions taken to-date by Revenue and Legal Services staff in respect to these appeals be approved.
3. Authority be delegated to the Acting Director of Revenue Services and/or their Designee, in consultation with the City Solicitor, to take all steps appropriate to deal with the assessment appeals identified in this report, including retroactive authority to file assessment appeals already initiated by the Acting Director; authority to withdraw any appeal filed by the City; authority to initiate or end the City's participation in any appeal; authority to execute Minutes of Settlement or other settlement agreements related to any appeal.

4. Council adopt the recommendations contained in Confidential Attachment 2.
5. Council authorize the public release of the confidential information and recommendations contained in Confidential Attachment 2, at the discretion of the City Solicitor.
6. The appropriate City staff be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

### **Background Information**

Approval to Initiate and Participate in Assessment Appeals

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/cc/bgrd/backgroundfile-22509.pdf>)

Appendix A - Appeals Initiated by the Treasurer

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/cc/bgrd/backgroundfile-22510.pdf>)

Appendix B - Appeals filed by the Owner(s) requiring City Participation

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/cc/bgrd/backgroundfile-22511.pdf>)