

Office of the Regional Clerk
CORPORATE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

REVISED AGENDA

COMMUNITY SERVICES AND HOUSING COMMITTEE

Committee Room "A"
Administrative Centre
17250 Yonge Street
Newmarket, Ontario

Wednesday June 4, 2003

2:00 p.m.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

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DEPUTATIONS

1. Pamela Fulford, York Community Mediation Service

COMMUNICATIONS

2. May 27, 2003 from Pamela Fulford regarding York Community Mediation Service **1**

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

3. ***Accessibility Advisory Committee Report No. 4***

May 29, 2003, providing for consideration by the Community Services and Housing Committee, Report No. 4 of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

COMMUNITY SERVICES

**REPORTS SUBMITTED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF
COMMUNITY SERVICES AND HOUSING**

4. **Program Activity Report 1st Quarter (June 4th, 2003)** **3**

Program Activity Report

5. **Amendment to Regional Schedule of Rates for Child Care Fee Assistance** **9**

May 23, 2003 recommending that:

1. Regional Council approve the Regional Schedule of Rates for Child Care Fee Assistance (*see Attachment 1*), effective January 1, 2003.
2. Purchase of Service Agreements with the child care operators be amended to reflect the revised rate schedule.

3. Staff be authorized to do all things necessary to give effect hereto.

6. Early Intervention Services for Children with Special Needs Staffing Request

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May 23, 2003 recommending that:

1. The Regional Municipality of York approve the hiring of two full-time Early Interventionists on a permanent basis subject to 100% base Provincial subsidy of \$120,000 effective July 1, 2003.
2. The approved 2003 Budget be amended to reflect an additional staff complement of two Early Interventionists, and salaries and benefits offset by 100% Provincial subsidy. There is no impact to the approved tax levy budget from the additional salaries and benefits.
3. Staff be authorized to take all necessary action to give effect thereto.

HOUSING

REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF COMMUNITY SERVICES AND HOUSING, THE COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE AND THE COMMISSIONER OF PLANNING

7. Federal Housing Program Community Rental Housing Program (CRHP)

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May 23, 2003 recommending that:

1. Regional Council agree in principle to participate in the Community Rental Housing Program (CRHP) and set aside up to \$7.5 million from the Social Housing Reserve for the years 2003-2005, to upfront the costs associated with matching Provincial and Federal funding, additional to previously approved contributions of reductions to the new multi-residential property tax rate and conditional grants to non-profit groups equivalent to the amount of regional development charges, subject to the successful negotiation of outstanding issues with the Province.
2. Regional Council authorize the Regional Chair or designate, in consultation with the Regional Solicitor, to enter into negotiations with the Province regarding the content of the agreements and the outstanding issues for the Community Rental Housing Program and report back to Committee in Fall 2003.

3. Regional Council authorize staff to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) appropriate for York Region, that reflects the results of a consultation with area municipalities, to identify potential affordable rental housing projects to be funded under this program and report the results to Council in the Fall 2003.
4. This report be circulated to area municipalities in York Region formally requesting that they support the success of the CRHP and the Region's Housing Supply Strategy by providing local incentives such as the waiver of fees and charges to support affordable housing development and assist the Region in achieving the required matching of funds under the program.
5. Regional Council requests that the Province contribute additional funds to the Community Rental Housing Program to reflect a meaningful commitment to the Program.

REPORTS SUBMITTED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF COMMUNITY SERVICES AND HOUSING

8. Community Rental Housing Program Pilot Projects

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May 23, 2003 recommending that:

1. Regional Council agree, in principle, to participate in the Pilot Program of the Community Rental Housing Program (CRHP) subject to successful resolution of outstanding program issues between the Region and the Province.
2. The Commissioner of Community Services and Housing be authorized to submit application to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for Federal/Provincial funding for three Pilot Projects, namely Armitage Gardens and Sandford Street in Newmarket, and the Vaughan Partnership Project in Woodbridge.
3. The Commissioner of Community Services and Housing be authorized to work in consultation with the Regional Solicitor to negotiate the terms of the required administrative agreement(s) with the Province.

9. RFP FOR DESIGN/BUILD CONTRACTORS FOR SANDFORD STREET, TOWN OF NEWMARKET AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT 43

May 23, 2003 recommending that:

1. The Region issue a Request for Qualification to pre-qualify design/build proponents, followed by a Request for Proposal (RFP) for an affordable rental housing project to be constructed on Sandford Street, in the Town of Newmarket in accordance with the Region's Purchasing By-Law A0304-2002-031.
2. Regional staff report back to the Board and Council on the results of the RFP with a recommendation as to selection of a proponent.
3. Staff be authorized to take necessary actions to give effect thereof.

10. FRIULI BENEVOLENT CORPORATION LAND TRANSFER 51

May 23, 2003 recommending that:

1. Regional Council approve a land swap between Friuli Benevolent Corporation and Friuli Long Term Care, in order to facilitate the development of a long term care facility subject to all required criteria being met and documentation being received by the Region, and subject to final prior written consent of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.
2. The Commissioner of Community Services and Housing be authorized to take all necessary steps to give effect thereto.

11. RENT GEARED TO INCOME UNITS WAITING LIST ANALYSIS – PHASE 1 55

May 23, 2003 recommending that:

1. This report be referred back to staff to be used in the development of a broader analysis of the programs included in GTA pooling and a report to be provided to Council at a later date.
2. Additional analysis of housing needs and waiting list trends be brought back to Committee as Phase 2 of this project, early in 2004.

12. ADDITIONAL FUNDING REQUEST **71**
CHARLES DARROW HOUSING COOPERATIVE
TOWN OF AURORA

May 23, 2003 recommending that:

1. Regional Council approve additional funding of up to \$450,000 from the Social Housing Program Budget towards remaining health and safety repairs within the Charles Darrow Housing Co-operative.
2. Staff report back to Council once the health and safety repairs are complete.

13. DR. ALBERT ROSE BURSARY FUNDING **75**

May 23, 2003 recommending that:

1. The Regional Municipality of York contribute up to \$27,300 toward the 2003 Dr. Albert Rose Bursary Program, for 2003 only, to be matched by the Province, for the education of students residing in York Region rent-geared-to-income assistance households.

14. NEW DOMICILIARY HOSTEL **79**
PER DIEM AGREEMENT

May 23, 2003 recommending that:

1. The Commissioner of Community Services and Housing be authorized to enter into a new Per Diem Agreement with Domiciliary Hostel operators, which provides a stronger accountability framework and improved financial controls such as:
 - Ability to recover Region's payments if agreement is breached.
 - Time requirements to provide records for inspection by Regional staff.
 - Obligation to retain records for seven years.
 - Greater clarity of client services.
 - Strengthening of trust account requirements.
 - Establishment of maximum number of funded beds.
 - Operator funding limited by Region's funding arrangement with Province.

as proposed in this report, subject to prior review by the Regional Solicitor.

2. Staff be authorized to take all necessary steps to give effect thereto.

REPORTS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF COMMUNITY SERVICES AND HOUSING AND THE COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE

15. CONDITIONAL GRANTS EQUAL TO DEVELOPMENT CHARGES FOR NON-PROFIT GROUPS BUILDING AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING 85

May 23, 2003 recommending that:

1. Council approve the application process outlined in this report to provide conditional grants equal to Regional development charges paid by eligible non-profit and co-operative organizations developing affordable rental housing units.
2. Area municipalities be asked to adopt similar policies in order to support the development of affordable rental housing in their communities.

16. REQUEST FOR CONDITIONAL GRANT EQUAL TO REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CHARGES FROM LING-LIANG CHURCH 91

May 23, 2003 recommending that:

1. Council authorize a conditional grant equal to Regional development charges estimated at \$231,477 to be paid on eligible affordable housing units in the proposed Ling-Liang World Wide Evangelistic Mission, Toronto Ling-Liang Church (Bread of Life) housing projects to be paid from the Social Housing Reserve Fund, subject to confirmation by the Region that the proposed development has received all necessary municipal approvals and meets the criteria outlined in this report.
2. The grant be subject to the conditions set out in the Municipal Housing Facilities by-law and the report concurrently being considered by Council.
3. The Regional Solicitor be authorized to prepare the site specific by-law to give effect to these recommendations.
4. The Region enter into an Agreement with Ling-Liang Church as outlined in the Municipal Housing Facilities by-law.
5. The Town of Markham be requested to make a similar contribution demonstrating their support for affordable housing development in their community.

17. VAUGHAN PARTNERSHIP PROJECT

June 2, 2003 recommending that:

- 1. Council award a contract to Allen & Sherriff Architects Inc. for the provision of architectural services at a cost of \$280,340 (including GST) to develop a housing project and seniors' active living centre in the City of Vaughan. The responsibility for funding this contract is to be proportionately shared by agreement between York Region and the City of Vaughan.*
- 2. The Commissioner of Community Services and Housing be authorized to utilize funds from the Social Housing Reserve fund to cashflow the development of this project to a maximum of \$250,000, to cover architectural services as per this contract, and such other development related costs, as may be required until such time as a financing mechanism is selected and approved by Council. The balance of costs is to be cash-flowed through the City of Vaughan's \$100,000 commitment to consulting costs.*
- 3. The Region enter into an agreement with the selected architect, and the Chair and Regional Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement, subject to the approval of the Regional Solicitor.*
- 4. Council authorize staff to work with representatives from other levels of government, and any other potential funder, to investigate and pursue capital funding assistance available to develop this mixed-use project.*
- 5. Council authorize staff to take the necessary actions to give effect thereto.*

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Note: There may be additional items considered that do not appear on this Agenda. Please refer to the Committee Report to Council for all items considered at this meeting.