

**Office of the Regional Clerk  
CORPORATE AND LEGAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

**REVISED AGENDA**

**COMMUNITY SERVICES AND HOUSING COMMITTEE**

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

**Wednesday, March 19, 2003**

**2:00 p.m.**

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**DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

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**PRESENTATIONS**

1. Challenges and Opportunities for Social Service Delivery Connected to York Region's Increasingly Diverse Population – by Joann Simmons, Commissioner of Community Services and Housing
2. Transition of Duties from Interim Accessibility Advisory Committee to Community Services and Housing Committee- by Cordelia Abankwa-Harris and Lisa Gonsalves

**COMMUNICATIONS**

3. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing dated February 19, 2003 regarding the Federal/Provincial Affordable Housing Program **1**
4. Town of Markham dated February 14, 2003 regarding follow-up on the recommendations of the Markham Task Force on Affordable Housing **5**

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

5. **The Provincial Auditor's Report on the Province's Ontario Works System and its Implications for York Region** **9**

March 5, 2003, recommending that:

1. The following report be shared with the Ministry of Community, Family and Children's Services.
2. The Community Services and Housing Department continue to work with the Province to resolve issues identified in this report.

**6. Ontario Child Care Management System Program Activity Report 2001–2002 15**

March 5, 2003, recommending that:

1. The following report be received for information by Committee and Council.
2. This report be circulated to the Province for their information.

**7. Early Intervention Services – 2002 Activity Report 19**

March 5, 2003, recommending that:

1. This report be received for information by Committee and Council.

**8. Child Care Centre Health and Safety Capital Improvements 23**

March 5, 2003, recommending that:

1. The Commissioner of Community Services and Housing be authorized to receive and allocate the uncommitted fiscal Provincial Child Care funds to fund health and safety improvements in child care centres licensed under the *Day Nurseries Act* at no additional cost to the Region.
2. The Commissioner of Community Services and Housing be authorized to sign Service Agreements with licensed Child Care Operators regarding the implementation of health and safety capital improvements subject to prior review by the Regional Solicitor.
3. Staff be authorized to do all things necessary to effect hereto.

**9. Challenges and Opportunities for Social Service Delivery Connected to York Region’s Increasingly Diverse Population 27**

March 5, 2003, recommending that:

1. The following report be received for information by Committee and Council.

**10. Federal Budget as it Relates to Services Provided by Community Services and Housing 33**

March 12, 2003, recommending that:

1. The Province establish a municipal reference group including The Regional Municipality of York to consult on the implementation of Federal Budget initiatives and municipal financial impacts and that this recommendation be communicated to the Provincial Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH).
2. Council approve, in principle, Community Services and Housing becoming a Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program delivery agent and that Community Services and Housing contact the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) to indicate our interest in beginning discussions.
3. Staff report back on the results of the above discussions.

**11. Contract to Conduct an Energy Management Study and Develop an Energy Management Plan 41**

March 5, 2003 recommending that:

1. The proposal submitted by Finn Projects (Synchronicity Projects) Inc. to conduct an Energy Management Study, develop individual comprehensive energy management plans for 11 housing communities, and recommend an energy procurement strategy, in the amount of \$47,508 be accepted.

**12. *Award of the Contract for the Review and Evaluation of Homelessness and Programs in York Region***

*March 17, 2003 recommending that:*

1. *Committee and Council approve the award of a contract for the Evaluation of Homelessness Initiatives and Programs in York Region to ARAL Consulting Inc., in the amount of \$91,545.*

**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.

