

Regional Clerk's Office
CORPORATE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

REVISED AGENDA

COMMUNITY SERVICES AND HOUSING COMMITTEE

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

June 6, 2007

2:00 p.m.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

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A. DEPUTATION

1. *Sara Lawson, Community Development Coordinator - GTA and John Scaini, Volunteer, Parkinson Society Canada.* **Withdrawn**

B. PRESENTATION

None.

C. COMMUNICATION

1. *Proposed Resolution submitted by the Parkinson Society dated June 6, 2007.*

D. REPORTS

COMMUNITY SERVICES

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

1. **Update on the Ontario Works
Mental Health Resource Model** **1**

May 24, 2007, recommending that:

1. This report be received for information.

2. “Best Start” Child Care Service Expansion Opportunity

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May 28, 2007, recommending that:

1. Council approve additional gross expenditures in 2007 of up to \$1.6 million, offset by 100% provincial subsidy of \$1.6 million with no change to the 2007 budgeted net tax levy expenditure.
2. The 2008 Budget incorporate additional expenditures related to Best Start of up to \$2.15 million offset by 100% provincial subsidy of \$2.15 million with no increase to net tax levy expenditures.

3. A Potential Strategy to Deliver York Region’s Allocation Under the Province’s Developing Opportunities for Ontario Renters (DOOR) Initiative

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May 30, 2007, recommending that:

1. Regional Council approve the following principles, outlined in this report, to guide the use of Developing Opportunities for Ontario Renters (DOOR) funding in the amount of \$9.665 million recently received from the Province. These principles include:
Increasing/extending affordable housing supply.
Using funds for housing related purposes not allowed under other very proscriptive programs.
Distributing funds to extend and complement existing housing investments.
Leveraging funding through use of regionally owned land and equity contributions.
Increasing access to those who are disabled, where possible.
2. The Commissioner of Community Services, Housing and Health Services be directed to investigate potential initiatives for DOOR funding and report back to Committee and Regional Council with specific project budgets and program plans.
3. The \$9.665 million be deposited in a deferred revenue account until required for program initiatives that have been approved by Council.

4. **Community Services and Housing Department** **17**
1st Quarter Activity Report
January to March, 2007

Program Activity Report

5. **Specific Mandate Designation for Social Housing Providers** **Attached**

June 5, 2007, recommending that:

1. *Council approve, in principle, a process for the consideration of requests by social housing providers for specific mandate designations, subject to the requirement that any housing provider applying for specific mandate designation:*

- *Provide a legal opinion to the Commissioner of Community Services, Housing and Health Services which addresses the issues raised in Section 14 or Section 18 of the Human Rights Code and states that the housing provider falls within the exemptions contained in either of those sections of the Code and complies with the policies of the Ontario Human Rights Commission.*
- *Clearly define the population to be served.*
- *Indemnify the Region with respect to any costs that the Region may incur as a result of any litigation related to the specific mandate designation.*
- *Acknowledge that all units in projects with mandates continue to be filled through the Region's Housing Access Unit's waiting list process in accordance with the Social Housing Reform Act, 2000 (SHRA) and its associated regulations as well as the Region's Program Instructions.*
- *Agree that the Region reserves the right to unilaterally change or terminate the mandate should the results of an evaluation indicate that it is prudent to do so.*

Provided that the housing provider has met the aforementioned conditions, staff will forward any referrals to Committee and Council for its decision to permit a specific mandate designation.

2. *Prior to implementing the specific mandate process outlined in Recommendation No. 1, staff report back to Committee and Council regarding the outcome of the Ontario Human Rights Commission consultation on Human Rights and Rental Housing in Ontario and any implications arising out of the consultation.*

PRIVATE SESSION

Motion to Resolve into Private Session to consider a Private Communication regarding Agenda Item No. 3, “A Potential Strategy to Deliver York Region’s Allocation Under the Province’s Developing Opportunities for Ontario Renters (DOOR) Initiative” relating to the security of municipal property.

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.