



Communities Committee

931 Yonge Street
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The Communities Committee of the Toronto Community Housing Corporation met on Friday, January 9, 2009 in the Ground Floor Boardroom, 931 Yonge Street at 9:50 a.m.

Directors present: Ms. Catherine Wilkinson, Chair
Councillor Paula Fletcher
Ms. Michelle Joseph
Mr. David Mitchell

Regrets: Ms. Zahra Dhanani
Councillor Suzan Hall
Ms. Carol Osler

Also present: Mr. Rajesh Kanhai, Manager, Community Engagement
Ms. Keiko Nakamura, Chief Operating Officer
Mr. Brian Davis Manager, Social Inclusion

The Chair, Ms. Catherine Wilkinson, called the meeting to order, and Elora Nichols served as recording secretary.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Chair requested members of the Communities Committee to indicate any agenda item in which they had a conflict of interest, together with the nature of the interest. None were declared.

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

ON MOTION MADE

The Agenda was approved as presented.

MINUTES CONFIRMATION OF PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE FOR NOVEMBER 20, 2008

Motion carried **ON MOTION MADE** by Councillor Paula Fletcher, seconded by Ms. Michelle Joseph:

the Communities Committee adopted the above captioned minutes.

ITEM 1 STEELES - / L'AMOREAUX YOUTH HUB Presentation

Motion carried The Communities Committee received a presentation on the Steeles / L'Amoreaux Youth Hub by Clinton Reid (Youth Engagement Coordinator) Taiwo Bah, (Youth in Power), and Ms.Khadra Ali (Gashanti Unity). 365 Bay Mills Boulevard is a mixed use Toronto Community Housing building located in the Steeles L'Amoureaux region of Scarborough. Community plans for the common space had always been limited by funding gaps, as well as the limitations of existing space. These issues, however, are to be addressed, as a result of a generous allocation from the Youth Challenge Fund. In December, 2008, the Youth Challenge Fund awarded \$1.1 million dollars towards the capital refurbishment of the 365 Bay Mills space, as well as \$800,000 dollars in funding for programming and capacity building. The funding will allow for large-scale revitalization, which will enable the space to be fully utilized by the community at large.

Of particular significance is the fact that the new community space will be able to serve as a hub for youth focused programming and capacity building. The proposed youth hub will be of great benefit to the significant Steeles L'Amoureaux youth population, as well as to youth focused agencies and groups currently serving the area.

ON MOTION MADE by Ms. Michelle Joseph, seconded by Mr. David Mitchell:

the Communities Committee received the presentation for information.

The Chair, on behalf of the Committee thanked Mr. Reid, Mr. Bah and Ms. Ali for their presentation.

ITEM 2 CONTACT CENTRE SERVICES - UPDATE CC:2009-03

Motion carried The Communities Committee had before it the above-captioned report (CC:2000-03) from the Chief Executive Officer recommending that the Communities Committee receive the report for information.

ON MOTION MADE by Mr. David Mitchell, seconded by Councillor Paula Fletcher:

the Communities Committee received the report for information.

Mr. Graham Leah, Director Contact Centre gave the Committee a presentation on the progress achieved to date.

On behalf of the Communities Committee, the Chair thanked Mr. Leah for his presentation.

ITEM 3	COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE 2009 – 1st Qtr WORK PLAN	CC:2009-02
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Motion carried The Communities Committee had before it the above-captioned report (CC:2009-02) from the Chief Executive Officer recommending that the Communities Committee receive the report for information.

ON MOTION MADE by Mr. David Mitchell, seconded by Ms. Michelle Joseph:

the Communities Committee received the report for information.

The Committee agreed to meet in February to review Pest Management progress and that the Gun Amnesty Program would be forwarded to a future date.

ITEM 4	REPORT ON THE 2009-2011 COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT PLAN MEASURES	CC:2009-04
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Motions carried The Communities Committee had before it the above-captioned report (CC:2009-04) from the Chief Executive Officer recommending that the Communities Committee:

- (1) approve the attached outcomes and measures for the Community Management Plan, 2009-2011;
- (2) request that staff report on progress made in achieving the outcomes and measures according to the timeline set out for each measure; and
- (3) authorize staff to take the necessary actions to give effect to these decisions.

ON MOTION MADE by Ms. Michelle Joseph, seconded by Mr. David Mitchell :

the Communities Committee adopted the report.

IN CAMERA PROCEEDINGS

Motion carried **ON MOTION MADE** by Councillor Paula Fletcher, seconded by Mr. David Mitchell:

The Communities Committee resolved to meet in camera to consider Items A and B.

PUBLIC PROCEEDINGS

Motion carried At 12:28 a.m. the Chair announced the resumption of the public proceedings and the public meeting reconvened at that time.

ON MOTION MADE by Councillor Paula Fletcher, seconded by Ms. Michelle Joseph:

The Communities Committee ratified Item A as authorized during the *in camera* meeting. Item B was deferred to the February meeting of the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting of the Communities Committee was adjourned at 12:29 am.

Secretary

Catherine Wilkinson, Chair