

Report To: **CITY COUNCIL**

Report Date: June 29, 2001

Meeting Date: July 10, 2001

Subject: Contract 2001-42, Household Hazardous Waste Program

Department Review:



D. Bélisle,
General Manager of Public Works

Recommended for Agenda:



J.L. (Jim) Rule
Chief Administrative Officer

Report Authored by: Chantal Mathieu, Manager of Waste Management

Recommendation:

That Contract 2001-42, Household Hazardous Waste Program, be awarded to Hotz Environmental Services Inc., in the amount of \$336,889.50, as determined by the unit prices and quantities involved, this being the lowest tender meeting all the requirements of the plans and specifications.

Background:

Tenders for Contract 2001-42, Household Hazardous Waste Program, were opened at the Tender Opening Committee on Tuesday, June 26, 2001, and the following are the tender results:

| BIDDER | AMOUNT |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| Hotz Environmental Services Inc. | \$ 336,889.50 |
| Drain-All Ltd. | \$ 385,842.00 |

The tenders have been reviewed and found to be in order.

Award is recommended to Hotz Environmental Services Inc.

The Manager's estimate for the works was \$300,000.00. The higher unit prices will take effect mid August and staff anticipates that the current 2001 accounts for this area will be adequately funded.

City Agenda Report

Report To: CITY COUNCIL

Report Date: June 29, 2001

Meeting Date: July 10, 2001

Subject : Report on Homelessness in Sudbury

Department Review:


Health and Social Services
Mark Mieto
General Manager

Recommended for Agenda:


J.L. (Jim) Rule
Chief Administrative Officer

Report Authored by: Penny Earley, Coordinator of Social Initiatives

Recommendation:

Be it resolved that the Canadian Red Cross Housing Registry and Rent Bank Emergency Assistance Program receive up to \$17,479 in additional funding for program enhancement from the new provincial program "Off the Street, Into Shelter Initiative."

Executive Summary

Sudbury has a homelessness problem and this report summarizes the activities that are occurring to address it.

1) A new provincial program is the "**Off the Street, Into Shelter Initiative.**" This fund began January 1, 2001 to help people get off the street and into shelter. The City of Greater Sudbury has been awarded \$17,479 at 100% funding for the 2001 calendar year. We propose to use this money to further assist the Canadian Red Cross to maintain the Housing Registry and Rent Bank Emergency Assistance Program. There has been a great demand for these services. The Housing Registry is an instrumental tool in finding affordable housing in the Greater City of Sudbury. Individuals faced with eviction or utilizing the emergency shelter system must find a solution to their housing needs quickly. The registry offers at a glance the available housing opportunities. In late 1999, the Red Cross introduced the Rent Bank - Emergency Assistance program to complement the Housing Registry. This enhanced their ability to assist clients to remain in their homes or to secure new accommodations. As a homelessness prevention program, they have been able to avert evictions or disconnections of vital services. Clients who benefit from this program have literally utilized all other resources and have accessed the Rent Bank - Emergency Assistance program as a last resort. As community organizations, Ontario Works Caseworkers, politicians, hospitals, service clubs, and utility companies refer in growing numbers their clients to the Red Cross, the demand for assistance with searches for affordable housing and emergency assistance has been increasing.

2) There is \$18,612 unexpended monies in the **Homeless Initiative Fund** budget from the year 2000. It is recommended that the following two items totalling \$13,000 be taken from this amount:

- a) \$8000 cost for the Homelessness Report January 2001 was originally budgeted for under the Supporting Community Partnerships Initiative (SCPI). Unfortunately the contract with the federal government was not signed until mid May and any costs incurred prior to May 28, 2001 could not be taken from this initiative;

b) The Sudbury Action Centre for Youth applied for \$5,000 enhancement for the year 2001. The budget was not changed to reflect this enhancement as there was some discussion around the most appropriate funding category.

3) **The Homelessness Study - Time 2** was undertaken in January 2001. The study was commissioned by the Health and Social Services Department and conducted by the Social Planning Council. Dr. Carol Kauppi and Dr. Jean-Marc Bélanger were the authors of the report. The study confirmed many of the same trends revealed in the first report which was based on the July 2000 data collection. Three hundred and forty-one (341) homeless individuals were identified during a one week period in January 2001, compared with 407 homeless individuals identified in July of 2000.

The smaller size of the overall homeless population study may reflect:

- seasonal fluctuations in homelessness (summer to winter)
- a decline in the number of homeless people in Sudbury, or
- the difficulty of collecting data in the winter months

The Executive Summary for the Time 2 study is attached to this report. A full copy of the study is available in the Health and Social Services Department.

4) A summary of the projects which are being developed and funded under the federal government initiative **Supporting Community Partnerships Initiative (SCPI)** to address the homelessness situation in Sudbury are described in the next section. The SCPI was approved by the former Regional Council on November 21 2000, resolution #2000-124.

Background:

For many years the former Region of Sudbury under the Health and Social Services Department has funded emergency shelter (80/20 funding arrangement with Ministry of Community and Social Services) and other homelessness prevention initiatives like the one mentioned above (funded 100% by the province). Planning and coordination of services have been done in partnership with the Advisory Committee for Emergency Shelter, a group made up of service providers and other interested agencies.

The release of the first homelessness study in October 2000 coincided with an announcement of the federal Supporting Community Partnership Initiatives (SCPI) program by Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC). SCPI is a funding strategy aimed at building community capacity to prevent and end homelessness. Some \$700,000 will be made available to this community by March 31, 2003 from SCPI. This funding will leverage approximately \$1.1 Million dollars in provincial funding under the 80/20 formula.

The SCPI funding will be allocated to the priority areas identified in the first homelessness study. Many of these priority areas are being addressed in the local plan. In addition, Councillor Kilgour is a member of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' National Housing Policy Options Team (NHPOT) which is working with the federal government around homelessness prevention strategies.

The City of Greater Sudbury is the broker for the federal government dollars. In conjunction with the newly formed Task Force on Emergency Shelter and Homelessness, a community plan which outlines strategies to end homelessness has been developed. This plan sets out ways that homelessness will be addressed locally, based on the findings of the homelessness studies.

The legal agreement with HRDC has been signed by the City, and contracts are being negotiated with nine projects. For the first phase of SCPI funding the following projects totalling \$270,000 will be funded (includes \$19,000 administrative costs), with \$426,000 being allocated in phase 2. The 4 ongoing projects will have an option to renew their contract. In the Fall, a request for proposal process will be done in order to make the community aware of the availability of SCPI dollars for homelessness services for the balance of the phase 2 dollars.

Supporting Community Partnerships Initiatives Project Descriptions (Funding for Homelessness)

Four Ongoing Projects

1. Elizabeth Fry

To provide 5 supportive transitional housing beds and 2 emergency shelter beds, the priority to be given to women in conflict with the law.

Phase 1: \$ 55,000

Phase 2: \$ 37,000

2. Overcomers of Sudbury Support Group

Partnering with John Howard Society to provide outreach services to ex-offenders and their families and families of offenders.

Phase 1: \$ 35,000

Phase 2: \$ 42,250

3. Inner Sight Educational Homes

To provide 14 transitional beds for males aged 16 - 19.

Phase 1: \$ 49,000

Phase 2: \$ 43,000

4. Social Planning Council

To conduct two Homelessness Studies, one in July 2001 and one in Jan 2002, and prepare a report.

Phase 1: \$ 27,000

Phase 2: \$ 27,000

All ongoing projects will have the option to renew contract April 1, 2002 providing all program goals are met.

Four Short Term Development Projects

1. Shkagamak-Kwe Health Centre

Hire co-ordinator to develop proposal identifying emergency shelter and support services for aboriginal women and their children who are victims of domestic abuse.
Project Value: \$8000

2. Teen Moms Supportive Housing

To hire a co-ordinator to explore building options, renovation costs, and funding strategies to provide supportive housing for teen parents and pregnant teens. The current proposal is to be updated and submissions for funding will be sent to the different foundations for sustainability.
Project Value: \$9,000

3. Canadian Mental Health Association

To hire a coordinator to develop a proposal on how to address homelessness and the mentally ill, identifying the need for emergency housing, support services and prevention.
Project Value: \$9,000

4. Centre de Sante Communautaire

To develop and enhance a primary health care services for homeless and hard to serve people in the City of Greater Sudbury by setting up a primary health care clinic. This clinic will primarily service the francophone and native population but will partner with community agencies to meet the needs of all cultural groups.
Project Value: \$9,000

One Time Project

Sudbury Food Bank

One time funding towards renovations of the food warehouse.
Project Value: \$50,000

Sudbury is taking a proactive approach to addressing homelessness in partnership with community agencies, the federal and provincial governments. There exists a strategic plan to prevent and end homelessness, an evaluation component and a commitment from all the partners to work together. Together our community has strengthened its capacity to address this problem.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Overview

This study has confirmed many of the same trends revealed in our first report based on the July, 2000 data collection. The magnitude of the problem was verified, with 341 homeless individuals identified in January compared with 407 individuals identified in July. Furthermore, in January, 2001, 100 of these individuals (29%) were absolutely homeless, using the restrictive definition of homelessness that has been rejected by many as underestimating the problem (Casavant, 1999). The strong presence of women and children among Sudbury's homeless population was confirmed in the current study, as was the over-representation of First Nations people. However, one important difference between the Time 1 and Time 2 studies was that the proportion of Francophones in the homeless population matched their numbers in the total population in the latter, while they were under-represented in the former. The neighbourhood survey also produced similar findings as the earlier study, with 10 homeless individuals identified in July, 2000 and 7 in January (4.2% and 3.6% of households, respectively).

Introduction and Background

At the local level, the Social Planning Council of Sudbury (SPC) has been working with the Advisory Committee on Emergency Shelter (ACES), the City of Greater Sudbury, and other community partners to gather information on the extent of the problem, coordinate local services, and address the issue. In July, 2000, the SPC conducted the first comprehensive study of homelessness in Sudbury. A mixed-methods study was designed to enable the collection of quantitative and qualitative data on the problem. After the release of the findings of the July, 2000 study, the City of Greater Sudbury made a joint commitment with the Social Planning Council to undertake a three-year program of research on homelessness in order to track changes in homelessness over time and to study various dimensions of the problem locally.

This report describes the following:

- the numbers of people who are absolutely homeless and those at high risk of homelessness;
- breakdowns on background characteristics including children, youth, women, men, cultural groups (i.e. those of Anglo/European origins, First Nations people, and francophones);
- agencies used by homeless individuals and families and reasons for homelessness;
- the extent of hidden homelessness;
- local residents' opinions regarding homelessness; and
- observations of sites in the city centre occupied by homeless people during the winter.

Defining Homelessness

Like the Time 1 study on homelessness in Sudbury, the current project adopted an inclusive definition of homelessness by taking into account people who were vulnerable to becoming homeless in addition to those who were absolutely homeless at the time of the study (i.e. the approach taken by the Mayor's Homelessness Action Task Force, Toronto). The definition used in the Toronto study was based on work by Daly (1996) and views homeless people as those who are absolutely, periodically, or temporarily without shelter, as well as those who are at substantial risk of being in the street in the immediate future. However, the Time 2 study also identified and enumerated those who were absolutely without housing.

Research Methodology

To enable comparisons with the Time 1 study conducted in July, 2000, the same mixed-methods design was used. Quantitative and qualitative data were collected in three phases that were ongoing simultaneously during the week of January 22nd to 28th, 2001 (a survey of service providers was not repeated in Time 2). The three phases included:

- A count of the homeless population using emergency shelters, social service agencies, and other services supporting this population in Sudbury, including the identification of individuals who were absolutely homeless;
- A face-to-face survey of households in a random sample of neighbourhoods in the city of Sudbury; and
- Qualitative field research in settings occupied by homeless people in the downtown core.

Key Findings

Phase I: Count of Homeless People

An unduplicated count was obtained by examining the first, middle, and last initials of each individual, as well as their date of birth and gender; individuals with identical information were treated as the same person and the duplicated information was eliminated from the final database. The background information enabled us to identify 341 different homeless individuals who used the services of one or more of the agencies during the week of January 22nd to 28th or were staying temporarily less than five nights per week in the homes of participants of the neighbourhood survey. The overall number of homeless people was slightly lower than in July, 2000 when 407 individuals were identified. The characteristics of the homeless population were as follows:

- 100 people in Sudbury were absolutely homeless in late January, 2001. Half of these individuals were female (50%), 19% were Aboriginals, 20% were Francophones, and just over half were of Anglo/European origins (54%). Over a third were children (9%) or adolescents (27%) and the remainder were adults between the ages of 20 to 59 years of age. The children were with their mothers at the YWCA Genevra House.
- The 341 people identified in the homeless count included 43 infants and children under age 13, 61 adolescents aged 13 to 19, and four seniors over the age of 65. These findings were similar to those noted in Time 1.
- Women represented a slightly larger proportion of the people who were homeless in January (40.6%) compared with July (36.9%).
- As was also found in July, 2000, the majority of homeless people had European backgrounds (72.5% in 2000 and 75.6 in 2001).
- While Francophones were under-represented in the July 2000 count, they accounted for 24.2% of the homeless people in January 2000.
- Similar to the finding in July 2000, Native people were greatly over-represented among the homeless population, with 25.8% being Aboriginal in July and 21.5% in January.
- The majority of both men and women who were homeless were single/unattached (85% of the men and 77% of the women).
- In January, a slightly larger proportion of the homeless adults with children were women, single or divorced individuals, and people who were not receiving any social assistance or government benefits, compared with July.

Report To: CITY COUNCIL

Report Date: June 26, 2001

Meeting Date: July 10, 2001

Subject: Report on the Activities of the Mayor and Council's Roundtable on Physician and Allied Health Care Recruitment and Retention

Department Review:


Mark Mieto, General Manager
of Health and Social Services

Recommended for Agenda:


J.L. (Jim) Rule
Chief Administrative Officer

Report Authored by:

Frances Caldarelli,
Co-ordinator of Health Initiatives

Recommendation:

THAT the recommendations of the Policy and Finance Work Group of the Mayor and Council's Roundtable be forwarded to the Province, the Ontario Medical Association (OMA), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), as the matter of Physician and Allied Health Provider recruitment and retention is of the utmost importance to our community;

AND FURTHER THAT the recommendation of the Recruitment and Retention Work Group of the Mayor and Council's Roundtable, with regard to physician re-location assistance, be approved.

Executive Summary:

The Mayor and Council's Roundtable on Physician and Allied Health Provider Recruitment and Retention first met on January 23, 2000. It was the aim of the Roundtable to use community expertise to enhance the complement of medical personnel in our community. Three Work Groups were formed - Recruitment and Retention, Marketing and Communications, and Policy and Finance. On June 25th, 2001, those work groups reported back to the full Roundtable with progress reports and recommendations from their committees.

Background:

Alarmed by the growing shortage of physicians and health care workers in Greater Sudbury, Mayor Jim Gordon launched the Mayor and Council's Roundtable on Physician and Allied Health Care Recruitment and Retention on January 23, 2001. The purpose of the Roundtable was to provide an opportunity for individuals from the municipal, business, health and community sectors, to share their knowledge and expertise and work towards developing Sudbury as a city of choice where health professionals are able to balance their personal life and career.

The Roundtable has now met three times and there have been numerous meetings of the sub-committees; a Recruitment and Retention Work Group, a Policy and Finance Work Group and a Marketing and Communications Work Group.

At the June 25th, 2001 meeting of the Roundtable, the three sub-committees submitted progress reports with recommendations as follows:

RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

In keeping with the mandate of the Recruitment and Retention Working Group, members have met four times since the last meeting of the Roundtable. Discussions have been wide ranging, but because of the competitive Physician Recruitment environment across this province, and because this city needs to recruit a significant number of physicians, discussions have focussed on re-location assistance for new physicians.

Recommendation:

1. That \$26,000 be provided from the City's 2001 physician recruitment budget toward a fund to assist new physicians' relocation costs. The City share of physician re-location assistance would not exceed \$2,000 per family, and in each case, an attempt would be made to obtain additional funding from other community partners, including the private sector. The policy would specify that physicians who receive financial assistance will be expected to sign a return-of-service agreement. If they choose to leave the community before the agreed upon term is up, they would be required to repay the relocation assistance on a pro-rated basis.

POLICY AND FINANCE

A Policy and Finance Working Group was struck to develop policies to enhance recruitment and retention of physicians, to express the City of Greater Sudbury's position with respect to present government initiatives and to identify the financial implications of physician recruitment and retention initiatives.

Recommendations

The Policy and Finance Working Group recommends that the Mayor and Council's Roundtable approve a writing campaign led by Mayor Gordon on behalf of the members of the Roundtable. This correspondence would outline reforms that would enhance our region's health care recruitment and retention activities. Recommendations would be directed to Tony Clement, Minister of Health and Long Term Care; Dan Newman, Minister of Northern Development and Mines; Helen Johns, Associate Deputy Minister of Health; the Northern Region office of the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care; the Ontario Medical Association (OMA) and to other key stakeholders such as the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM).

Correspondence would include, but not be limited to the following points:

1. That the City of Greater Sudbury requests that the MoHLTC further extend the Underserved Area Designations for the former area municipalities of Nickel Centre, Rayside Balfour and Valley East. These designations were extended by former Health Minister Elizabeth Witmer but are presently scheduled to expire December 31st, 2001.
2. That the Underserved Area Program (UAP), be reviewed to include increased incentives;
3. That the Underserved Area Program include other health care professionals such as radiation therapists, nurses, and pharmacists;
4. That physicians who work in underserved areas receive a fee for service premium, and that this premium reflect northern and rural realities;
5. That the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care re-examine the City of Greater Sudbury's current designation levels for family practitioners and specialists;
6. That Alternative Payment Plans (APPs) be enhanced to reflect the unique demands of northern and rural practice;
7. That a review be conducted by the MoHLTC to enable nurse practitioners to practice within their expanded scope of practice and that necessary funding to allow this be made available;

8. This community supports the work of the Primary Care Reform Agency headed by Dr. Ruth Wilson. The Policy and Finance Working Group recommends that funding be available for group practice models, including reimbursement or assistance for infrastructure and overhead costs, start-up costs, technology/virtual network expenses, as well as funding for allied health professionals, and compensation for physicians already in practice;
9. To reduce professional isolation, the Working Group recommends that physicians and other allied health professionals have access to retraining and continuing education opportunities and that appropriate funding and staff support be assured;
10. This committee recognises that the MoHLTC's Summer Studentship Program, administered by NOMECC since 1999, has been a tremendous success. It is recommended that increased funding for summer positions for medical, nursing and allied health care students be made available to better meet requests from both students and employers;
11. That funding be made available for a Youth Awareness Program directed at high school and undergraduate students to encourage them to pursue careers in regulated health disciplines including medicine and nursing.

MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS

The Marketing and Communications Working Group was formed to develop marketing approaches to better promote the City of Greater Sudbury to health care professionals, and to market health care opportunities to various prospective groups (physicians, nurses, and allied health care providers).

Activities:

1. The members of the Mayor and Council's Roundtable on Physician and allied Health Care Recruitment and Retention and other community stakeholders are collaborating with the City of Greater Sudbury's staff in developing an "introduction to our community" on the City's new website
2. The members of the Mayor and Council's Roundtable on Physician and allied Health Care Recruitment and Retention are working with City staff to develop a promotional brochure, and an updated "Northern Ontario - Open for Business" video which will feature our City's amenities, and lifestyle, and be of value for use at recruitment fairs, orientation sessions, direct mailings etc.
3. A calendar of recruitment events has been developed to co-ordinate community recruitment efforts. The Calendar will identify targeted recruitment fairs, local secondary and post-secondary school career days, and a list of physician visits involving community leaders.
4. Committee members will seek out opportunities to promote careers in health care to local Students.

Report To: **CITY COUNCIL**

Report Date: June 29, 2001

Meeting Date: July 10, 2001

Subject: Appointments to Mayor and Council's Children First Roundtable

Department Review:


Mark Mieto, General Manager
Health and Social Services

Recommended for Agenda:


Jim Rule,
Chief Administrative Officer

Report Authored by: Penny Earley - Coordinator of Social Initiatives

Recommendation:

Whereas on March 29, 2001 a motion was passed to establish a Mayor and Council's Children First Roundtable consisting of 12 members; and

Whereas on June 6, 2001 a public notice was sent out inviting citizens and community experts to apply for appointment to the Roundtable;

Therefore be it resolved that the following persons be appointed to be members of the Children First Roundtable:

Citizen Representatives:

- 1) Tiffany York, Wahnapiatae
- 2) Lois Lambert, Hanmer
- 3) Harsh Nath, Sudbury
- 4) Mary Louise Ernst, Hanmer

Community Expert Positions

- 1) Jean Hansen,
Superintendent, Rainbow District School Board
- 2) Lois Mahon,
Executive Director, Child Care Resources and Member of the Children's Services Cooperative
- 3) Linda Roseneck,
Executive Director, United Way/ Centraide
- 4) Anne Apolloni,
Executive Director, Sudbury - Manitoulin Children's Foundation
- 5) Carmen Robillard,
Executive Director, Our Children Our Future/Nos enfants notre avenir
- 6) Sally Spence,
Clinical Manager, Children's Treatment Centre
- 7) Sandra Laclé,
Director Health Promotion Division, Sudbury and District Health Unit

Be it further resolved that a business representative who is a champion for children's issues be recruited to fill the 8th position; and

Be it further resolved that Janet Gasparini, Executive Director, Social Planning Council be appointed as the Co-Chair; and that Sherry Fournier, Early Years Manager be appointed as an ex-officio member; and

Be it further resolved that the term of office shall be for a term, not to exceed three years; and that vacancies occurring during this period be filled by candidates whose applications have been received in the application process.

Background:

The Mayor and Council's "Children First" Roundtable will advise the Mayor and members of Council on children's issues and will take a leadership role in promoting efforts in the community which put children first. It will also provide information and recommendations on the development of policies and programs to address the needs of children of all ages in the Greater City of Sudbury. Activities include recognizing citizens, organizations and businesses that contribute to the quality of life for children. Public awareness activities which focus on the importance of early years experiences for children are also proposed. The Mayor or his designate will act as Chair, along with a community Co-Chair.

On June 6, 2001 a public announcement was sent out inviting citizens, community experts and businesses to submit their names for membership in the Children First Roundtable. In total 8 Citizens and 20 Community Experts submitted their names for consideration and expressed a lot

of interest in being involved. The individuals recommended for membership were chosen due to their interest and concern for children, and in addition, for the expert positions, their ability to represent or link to the broader service sectors. A cross section of individuals will ensure that many sectors are represented. Those applicants not selected at this time will be asked to be part of working groups that will be established in the future to organize special events or to undertake activities for the Roundtable.

The following individuals were selected as the best candidates. Included are their comments about the Children First Roundtable and their wish to be involved:

Citizen Representatives:

1) Tiffany York, Wahnapiatae

"Being a single parent with two young children using the day care facilities in the City of Sudbury gives me experience with the issues facing the roundtable."

2) Lois Lambert, Hanmer

"I believe our children are our future."

3) Harsh Nath, Sudbury

"The education of children is one of the most rewarding community services and I would be honoured to be given this opportunity (*to be part of the Roundtable*)."

4) Mary Louise Ernst, Hanmer

"This pro-active approach (*in establishing the Roundtable*) opens the door to hearing those small voices within our City who mean a great deal to us."

Community Expert Positions:

1) Jean Hansen,

Superintendent of Schools Responsible for Special Education, Rainbow District School Board
"I shall look forward to your response to this request to participate in this exciting initiative which will foster the collective capacity to support all children in our community."

2) Lois Mahon,

Executive Director, Child Care Resources and Member of the Children's Services Cooperative
"I have come to recognize that there are many talented people in our community dedicated to making life better for children and families. I have seen the success that is achieved by pooling such talent and commitment together in achieving a common goal."

3) Linda Roseneck,

Executive Director, United Way/ Centraide

"We feel that the development of children in the formative years will lead to a healthier

community.”

4) Anne Apolloni,

Executive Director, Sudbury - Manitoulin Children's Foundation

“My goal is to work in an organization that offers a challenge, where the results are measurable, and where it is possible to affect positive change in our community by utilizing my skills to the utmost potential.”

5) Carmen Robillard,

Executive Director, Our Children Our Future/Nos enfants notre avenir

“I would like to commend the team at the City of Greater Sudbury for once again promoting and encouraging initiatives which put children first. I have worked diligently to recognize individuals, businesses and groups... to foster and promote Sudbury's capacity to support children, parents and health child development.”

6) Sally Spence,

Clinical Manager, Children's Treatment Centre

“My specific area of expertise is in the field of children with motor and communication challenges. I applaud the City for its commitment to and emphasis on the needs of children in our area.”

7) Sandra Laclé,

Director Health Promotion Division, Sudbury and District Health Unit

“I am a strong believer in research based practice, awareness raising, recognition and the involvement of all community sectors if we are to become more child friendly. It would be my pleasure to work with the members of the Roundtable to support the Mayor and Council, and to move these initiatives forward.”

The first meeting of the newly established Mayor and Council's Roundtable will be early in the Fall of 2001.

Report To: **CITY COUNCIL**

Report Date: July 3, 2001

Meeting Date: July 10, 2001

Subject: Consulting Engineering Services - Sudbury Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades

Department Review:



D. Bélisle
General Manager of Public Works

Recommended for Agenda:



J.L. (Jim) Rule
Chief Administrative Officer

Report Authored by: J. P. Graham, P. Eng., Plants Engineer

Recommendation:

That the firm of Dennis Consultants be retained to prepare contract documents and supervise construction of a new generator building and two new raw sewage pumps at the Sudbury Wastewater Treatment Plant as included in the 2001 Capital Works Program.

Executive Summary:

Dennis Consultants have carried out all of the upgrades at the Sudbury Wastewater Treatment Plant over the last several years. Their knowledge of the Plant, including their familiarity with the existing sewage pumps and generator facilities, places them in the best position to complete this work in a cost effective manner.

Background:

The 2001 Capital Works Program includes \$1,250,000 for two new raw sewage pumps and a new generator building at the Sudbury Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Dennis Consultants have been involved in providing engineering services for upgrades at this Plant for the last several years. In 1997, they designed and supervised the installation of two large raw sewage pumps at the Sudbury Plant. Their knowledge gained during this original installation will facilitate the preparation of contract documents for this current job.

In 1999, Dennis Consultants also assisted the Region in the purchase of a stand-by generator for the Sudbury Plant and have prepared a conceptual design for the installation of this generator in the new building proposed in this year's Capital Works Program.

Because of their intimate knowledge with these systems, we recommend that Dennis Consultants be retained to provide these engineering services estimated to be valued at approximately \$200,000.

Report To: CITY COUNCIL

Report Date: July 4, 2001

Meeting Date: July 10, 2001

Subject: Update on Extended Calling Area

Department Review:



Doug Wuksinic
General Manager of Corporate Services

Recommended for Agenda:



J.L. (Jim) Rule
Chief Administrative Officer

Report Authored by:

Ronald Swiddle, City Solicitor

Executive Summary and Background:

At its meeting of March 13, 2001, Council passed the following resolution 2001-139:

- "1. Staff be directed to work with Bell Canada to develop a plan for toll-free telephone calling within the City of Greater Sudbury; and that
2. Staff report back to Council with the plan before proceeding to the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission (C.R.T.C.) with an application for the new toll-free calling plan for the City of Greater Sudbury.

3. And further that Third Party Long Distance Carriers operating in the City of Greater Sudbury be asked for their input prior to a report coming back to Council."

After Council's resolution, the C.R.T.C. began hearings to develop a process for determining how extended area service will be provided in communities across the country. The deadline to register as a participant in these hearings was May 26, 2001. In order to keep all options open, the City of Greater Sudbury registered as an interested party with the C.R.T.C. and filed an Issues List. This entitles us to receive all information from other participants. There is no requirement for us to take any further action until November 17, 2001.

This step will give us time to determine whether to proceed, and how to proceed, the costs involved in proceeding, what impact toll-free calling would have on local phone bills throughout the new City of Greater Sudbury, and obtain input from third-party long distance carriers and other information.

Based on this information, a plan will be prepared and brought back to Council in September.

Report To: CITY COUNCIL

Report Date: July 6th, 2001

Meeting Date: July 10th, 2001

Subject: Lightning Protection - West Tower (Police)

Department Review:



D. Wuksinic
General Manager of Corporate Services

Recommended for Agenda:



J.L. (Jim) Rule
Chief Administrative Officer

Report Authored by: C. Mahaffy, Manager of Financial Planning and Policy

Recommendation:

THAT \$44,000 be allocated from the Capital Financing Reserve Fund - General to allow the Lightning Protection Project for the West Tower (Police) to proceed.

Executive Summary:

In order to prevent the Police Communications System from suffering any damage from future lightning strikes, it is recommended that a further \$44,000 be allocated to this project from the Capital Financing Reserve Fund - General.

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Background:

In the summer of 1999, the Police Communications system suffered severe damage when an antenna located on the roof of the West Tower was struck by lightning. Close to \$100,000 damage was incurred, all of which was covered by insurance with the exception of the deductible amount.

In order to ensure that the Police Communications System would not be susceptible to this type of damage in the future, an audit was undertaken by consultants. In the meantime, temporary measures were put in place. The conclusion of the consultants was that the West Tower was not equipped with a Structural Lightning Protection System, and the estimate to provide this system was \$100,000 to \$150,000.

In 2000, Regional Council allocated \$126,000 of the 1999 Local Services Realignment surplus to this project. Since then, Supplies and Services have requested quotations, and the Sudbury Police Services are recommending award of the contract to SAE Inc. The consultant is satisfied that the system to be put in place by SAE will provide the necessary protection against any future lightning strikes.

The total estimated cost of this project is now \$170,000 including the SAE proposal of \$129,000 plus other necessary changes to be undertaken by Falcon Communications and the consultant fees.

The recommendation is to provide the additional funding required, in the amount of \$44,000 from the Capital Financing Reserve Fund - General which has an uncommitted balance of approximately \$425,000.

Report To: CITY COUNCIL

Report Date: July 5 , 2001

Meeting Date: July 10, 2001

Subject: Agreement For Use of Building at 1960C Paris Street, Sudbury

Department Review:


Caroline Hallsworth
General Manager
Citizen and Leisure Services

Recommended for Agenda:


J.L. (Jim) Rule
Chief Administrative Officer

Report Authored by: Chris Gore

Recommendation:

That an Agreement between the City of Greater Sudbury and the Sudbury Housing Authority to provide summer recreational programming at 1960C Paris Street, Sudbury be entered into.

Background:

The City has a number of joint use agreements which allow us to use non-municipal space to provide municipal programming to the community. Staff are anxious to implement a playground program at 1960C Paris Street in the Multi-purpose Centre which is part of the Sudbury Housing Authority complex. The program will provide summer activities for our children and will be jointly funded by CGS and Housing Authority.

An appropriately worded by-law is on the agenda for Council's consideration.

City Agenda Report

Report To: CITY COUNCIL

Report Date: July 4, 2001

Meeting Date: July 10, 2001

Subject: Water Treatment Upgrades
Current Budget

Department Review:



D. Bélisle
General Manager of Public Works

Recommended for Agenda:



J.L. (Jim) Rule
Chief Administrative Officer

Report Authored by: J.P. Graham, P. Eng., Plants Engineer

REPORT FOR INFORMATION

Background:

The 2001 Current Budget includes \$95,320.00 for special projects to enhance water treatment and pumping. The projects on the attached list will be carried out with this funding.

**Water Treatment Plant Upgrades - Current Budget
Project List**

| | |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Replace Wanapitei Surge Tank Valve | \$25,000 |
| Replace Wanapitei Raw Water Meter | 25,000 |
| Asbestos Identification & Control - Various Locations | 25,000 |
| Miscellaneous | <u>20,320</u> |
| Total | \$95,320 |

City Agenda Report

Report To: CITY COUNCIL

Report Date: July 4, 2001

Meeting Date: July 10, 2001

Subject: Sewage Treatment Upgrades
Current Budget

Department Review:



D. Bélisle
General Manager of Public Works

Recommended for Agenda:



J.L. (Jim) Rule
Chief Administrative Officer

Report Authored by: J.P. Graham, P.Eng., Plants Engineer

REPORT FOR INFORMATION

Background:

The 2001 Current Budget includes \$68,280.00 for special projects to enhance sewage treatment and pumping. The projects on the attached list will be carried out with this funding.

**Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrades - Current Budget
Project List**

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Destratification Fans @ Sudbury STP | \$15,000 |
| Install Pump Relays | 6,000 |
| Site Restoration, Jean D'Arc L.S. | 5,000 |
| Grates and Walkway - Chelmsford STP | 12,000 |
| Flow Metering - Valley East STP | 20,000 |
| Miscellaneous | <u>10,280</u> |
| Total | \$68,280 |