
***FIFTEENTH MEETING OF THE PRIORITIES COMMITTEE
TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2004 AT 7:00 P.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOM DAVIES SQUARE***

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COUNCILLOR KETT, IN THE CHAIR

1. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

***ANY ITEMS NOT DEALT WITH BY THE ADJOURNMENT HOUR OF
10:00 P.M. WILL BE CARRIED OVER TO THE OCTOBER 27, 2004
MEETING OF THE PRIORITIES COMMITTEE.***

2. Report dated 2004-10-05 from the General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services regarding Civic Awards for Volunteerism. 1 - 5
(AWARD PRESENTATION)

Mayor Dave Courtemanche and Councillor Ron Dupuis will present the Civic Award for Volunteerism to the following 2004 recipients:

Stan Finnon
Laurel Ashick-Stinson
Jillian Ashick-Stinson
Madeleine Génier
Chris Sheridan
Lucienne Prévost

3. Report dated 2004-09-16, with attachments, from the General Manager of Health & Social Services regarding Mental Health Advocates. 6 - 10
(ELECTRONIC PRESENTATION)

- ▶ Ms. Ursula Sauve, Chair, Mental Health Advocates
- ▶ Dr. Rayudu Koka, Chief of Staff, Northeast Mental Health Centre

(Mental Health Advocates is a group of stakeholders, providers, consumers, politicians and physicians concerned with the current governance model of the Northeast Mental Health Centre and the delivery of mental health and addiction services to the Sudbury/Manitoulin /East Algoma District. The Mental Health Advocates would like to brief City Council on the issues and present a proposed model of governance that the group has sent Minister George Smitherman, Minister of Health and Long Term Care for consideration.)

RECOMMENDATION:

WHEREAS the Mental Health Advocates have addressed the need to review the current governance model of the Northeast Mental Health Centre(NEMHC);

AND WHEREAS the current governance of the NEMHC does not adequately represent the needs of mental health clients in their individual program areas of the Sudbury/Manitoulin/East Algoma District;

AND WHEREAS there is a need for a new model of governance that would ensure a seamless and integrated standing mental health care delivery model;

AND WHEREAS a resolution was passed by the City of Greater Sudbury on March 25, 2004 calling upon the Minister of Health and Long Term Care to immediately set in motion a review of NEMHC, the purpose to cease the amalgamation of NEMHC and North Bay Psychiatric Hospital and return governance control of the mental health services back to the local areas;

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3. Report dated 2004-09-16, with attachments, from the General Manager of Health & Social Services regarding Mental Health Advocates (continued).

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RECOMMENDATION (continued):

AND WHEREAS the former Network North governed and managed all mental health and addiction programs which included the children's psychiatric program and all acute and complex care beds for the Sudbury/Manitoulin/East Algoma Districts;

AND WHEREAS George Lund, lead member of the Health Services Restructuring Commission, and Peter Birney, Chair of the Northeast Mental Health Implementation Task Force, are recommending that mental health and addiction programs and services as well as the thirty-one (31) complex care beds should be governed and managed at a local level;

AND WHEREAS votes of non confidence pertaining to the governance and management of the current NEMHC have been submitted by The Standing Committee of the NEMHC, Ontario Nursing Association (ONA), Ontario Public Services Employees Union (OPSEU) and the Chiefs of Manitoulin.

THEREFORE LET IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Greater Sudbury urge the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care to immediately revise the "Regional" model of governance to a local model of governance, as was submitted to the Honourable George Smitherman, that will ensure a strong continuum of mental health and addiction services at the local level;

AND FURTHER THAT the regional children's mental health beds (12) and acute care beds remain in the Sudbury/Manitoulin/East Algoma District under a local governance and administration, and that the thirty-one (31) complex psychiatric care beds be divested to the local district, the precedence for which was set out by communities such as London who divested beds to the Windsor/Kitchener-Waterloo area as well as Hamilton to St. Catherine's, all under a local governance structure.

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4. Report dated 2004-10-06, with attachments, from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding Update on the Solutions Team - Disposal of Excess Properties. **11 - 27**
(ELECTRONIC PRESENTATION) (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

- ▶ Mr. Jeff Giffen, Chair, Solutions Team (Disposal of Excess Properties)
- ▶ Danielle Braney, Property Negotiator/Appraiser (Staff Resource)

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the October, 2004 Report of the Solutions Team on the Disposal of Excess Properties be received with the thanks and appreciation of Council;

AND THAT staff be directed to provide the budget impact of implementing preferred Option #1 (contract position for a period of one (1) year) for Council's consideration, as part of the 2005-2006 Budget Review.

5. Report dated 2004-10-06, with attachments, from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding Update on the Solutions Teams - Light Vehicle Fleet Rationalization. **28 - 74**
(ELECTRONIC PRESENTATION) (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

- ▶ Mr. John Bonin, Chair, Solutions Team (Light Vehicle Fleet Rationalization)
- ▶ Kamran Khan, Business Analyst (Staff Resource)

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the October, 2004 Report of the Solutions Team on the Light Vehicle Fleet Management Strategy be received with the thanks and appreciation of Council:

AND THAT staff be directed to develop options for Council's consideration, as part of the 2005-2006 Budget Review to implement the recommendations of the Solutions Team.

6. Report dated 2004-10-06 from the General Manager of Health & Social Services regarding Hospital Patient Transfers to Long-Term Care Facilities in the Sudbury/Manitoulin District.

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(The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care announced on October 5th, 2004 that Greater Sudbury has been declared "Crisis 1A". This means that hospitals have priority over community admissions, through the Community Care Access Centre (CCAC), to admit patients to long-term care facilities.)

RECOMMENDATION:

WHEREAS effective October 5, 2004, "Crisis 1A" was declared in Greater Sudbury, the third time since April 2004;

AND WHEREAS hospital patients waiting for a long-term care bed will, for the first time, be transferred outside the City to the Sudbury Manitoulin District;

AND WHEREAS patients transferred to the District will remain status quo on the Community Care Access Centre (CCAC) waiting list, as they were prior to leaving Greater Sudbury.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT Council lobby the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care to change the regulations in order to enable patients transferred to the Sudbury/Manitoulin District to be given priority on the CCAC waiting list to ensure patients return to Greater Sudbury at the earliest time possible.

7. Report dated 2004-10-07, with attachments, from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding Corporate Priorities (emanating from the Council Priority Session on September 24th and 25th, 2004).

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RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Corporate Priorities, Organizational Improvements and Operational Strategies as outlined in the attached Short Term Action Chart be adopted;

AND FURTHER THAT the Chief Administrative Officer and General Managers be directed to develop 2005 Business Plans and prepare a budget with specific recommendations to carry out Council Priorities, Organizational Improvements and Operational Strategies;

AND FURTHER THAT the Corporate Priorities, Organizational Improvements and Business Plans to be reviewed quarterly by Council.

CORRESPONDENCE - INFORMATION ONLY

{NONE}

ADJOURNMENT (10:00 P.M.) (RESOLUTION PREPARED)

{MAJORITY REQUIRED TO PROCEED PAST 10:00 P.M.}

2004-10-08

**COUNCILLOR KETT
CHAIR**

**CORRIE-JO CAPORALE
COUNCIL SECRETARY**