

ADOPTED by Council at its meeting held January 23, 2012 [M56-2012]

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Windsor, Ontario, January 23, 2012

**REPORT NO. 52 of the  
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT,  
HEALTH & CULTURE STANDING COMMITTEE**  
of its meeting held December 14, 2011

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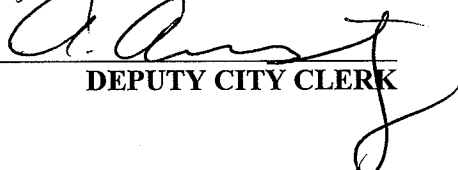
**Present:**  
**Councillor Al Maghnieh, Chair**  
**Councillor Alan Halberstadt**  
**Councillor Percy Hatfield**  
**Councillor Ron Jones**  
**Councillor Ed Sleiman**

That the following recommendation of the Social Development, Health and Culture Standing Committee **BE APPROVED** as follows:

Moved by Councillor Hatfield, seconded by Councillor Jones,  
**THAT** the minutes of the Housing Advisory Committee meeting held September 29, 2011 **BE RECEIVED** for information.  
Carried.

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Clerk's Note: The minutes of the Housing Advisory Committee of its meeting held September 29, 2011 are attached as background information.

  
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CHAIRPERSON  
  
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NOTIFICATION:		
Name	Address	Email
Housing Advisory Committee members		

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Windsor, Ontario September 29, 2011

A meeting of the **Housing Advisory Committee** is held this day commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. in Room 303, 400 City Hall Square East, there being present the following members:

Marina Clemens, Chair  
Councillor Ed Sleiman  
Hassan Awed, Community Groups  
Frank Duralia, Seniors Advisory Committee  
Dave Foley, Housing Developer  
Steve Govette, Community Groups, Canadian Mental Health Association  
Kerry Ippolito, Lodging/Rest Homes  
Elayne Isaacs, Community Groups, Can Am Urban Native Non-Profit Homes  
Emily McIntyre, Can Am Urban Native Non-Profit Homes  
Heather McNamara, Community Groups  
Paul Renaud, Windsor-Essex County Real Estate Board  
Chris Vickers, Housing Providers  
Linda Wilson, Emergency Housing

**Regrets received from:**

Jim Steele  
Lorena Shepley  
Gary McNamara

**Also present are the following resource personnel:**

Chris Aspila, Policy Planning, City of Windsor  
Judy Binder, CMHC  
Debbie Cercone, Executive Director of Housing, City of Windsor  
Bill King, Manager of Planning Services, County of Essex  
Rob Oleynik, Program Coordinator, Housing & Childrens' Services  
Lucy Sobczyk, Manager - Residential Support Services  
Karen Kadour (A) Committee Coordinator

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Committee Coordinator calls the meeting to order at 9:02 o'clock a.m. and the Committee considers the Agenda being Schedule "A" **attached** hereto, matters which are dealt with as follows:

2. PRESENTATIONS

2.1 Workplace Violence and Harassment – Respectful Workplace Presentation

Kim Brown, Safety Advisory, Human Resources is present to provide a PowerPoint presentation relating to “Workplace Violence and Harassment – Respectful Workplace”. The Corporation of the City of Windsor Workplace Harassment Policy” is attached as Appendix “A”.

2.2 ABC Governance Structure

Anna Ciacelli, Council Secretariat is present to provide a PowerPoint presentation relating to the Agencies, Boards and Commissions (ABC) Governance Structure. The PowerPoint presentation is attached as Appendix “B”.

3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT

None.

4. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON

The Committee Coordinator calls for nominations from the floor for the position of Chairperson.

Moved by Councillor Sleiman, seconded by C. Vickers,  
That Marina Clemens **BE ELECTED** Chairperson of the Housing Advisory  
Committee for the period ending November 30, 2014.

Carried.

Moved by C. Vickers, seconded by Councillor Sleiman,  
That the election for the position of Vice Chairperson of the Housing Advisory  
Committee **BE DEFERRED** to the November 23, 2011 meeting.

Carried.

M. Clemens assumes the Chair.

5. MINUTES

Moved by F. Duralia, seconded by S. Govette,

That adoption of the minutes of the meeting of the Housing Advisory Committee held January 20, 2011 **BE DEFERRED** to the November 23, 2011 meeting in order to allow the members sufficient time to review the minutes.

Carried.

The minutes of the Housing Advisory Committee meeting held January 20, 2011 are attached as Appendix "C".

## 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

### 6.1 HAC Membership List

The May 2011-November 2014 HAC Membership List is received for information.

### 6.2 HAC Mandate & Terms of Reference

Minor "housekeeping" amendments are put forth relating to the HAC Mandate and Terms of Reference and the revised document is attached as Appendix "D".

F. Duralia requests that Administration provide a "snapshot" of the following for the next meeting:

- Number of non-profit units
- Number of supportive housing units
- Number of rent supplement units
- Number of providers

### 6.3 Date & Time for Next HAC Meeting

It is generally agreed that the next HAC meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 23, 2011 at 9:00 o'clock a.m. in Room 302, 400 City Hall Square East.

### 6.4 Windsor Essex County Housing Analysis & Strategies Report

The "Windsor-Essex HARS Special Initiative Study – Final Report and Recommendations June, 2010" is distributed and attached as Appendix "E".

In terms of the HARS 2010 Report – Terms of Reference and expected outcomes, the five initiatives established by HAC were as follows:

- Rationalization of the social housing stock;
- Identify/make recommendations to address accessibility challenges;
- Review and make recommendations with respect to the consideration of housing programs, policies/action plans;

- Provide an analysis of the interaction and dynamics between the three above-noted goals;
- Identify and make recommendations to address future housing needs to the community within the context of the above-noted parameters.

The HARS 2010 Report consists of four sections as follows:

- Background Report #1 – Needs Analysis
- Background Report #2 – Rationalizing the Stock
- Background Report #3 – Social Housing Policies and Programs
- Report #4 – Final Report and Recommendations – 40 Recommendations

R. Oleynik advises that at the final public consultation session, participants identified the following as the Four Most Important Recommendations – HARS 2010 Special Initiative are:

*Recommendation 6.7 (page 43) – Expand the supply of rent supplement units*

*Recommendation 6.2 (page 43) – Create more one bedroom units for singles and more four bedroom units for large families*

*Recommendation 4.1 (page 42) – Pursue funding to expand the availability of emergency housing, in particular transitional housing for youth and families*

*Recommendation 9.1 (page 44) – Advocate for block funding*

R. Oleynik indicates that HAC concluded that the final recommendations can be categorized by one or more of the following nine items:

1. Expand rent supplement programs
2. Equalize multi-res tax rates as a component of affordability in the rental stock
3. Target new development projects under affordable housing program to meeting specified needs, especially for one bedroom single units and units for large families to address identified needs in the Service Area such as for the Aboriginal community and Newcomers
4. Need transitional housing for youth
5. Need emergency housing for families in crisis
6. Pursue accessibility and barrier free initiatives
7. Expand supportive housing for seniors, persons/families, Aboriginal people and persons with disabilities
8. Pursue energy efficient initiatives
9. Windsor Essex Community Housing Corporation stock – improve accessibility/create 1 bedroom and 4+ bedroom units/sell scattered units/improve energy efficient/conduct operational review.

## **6.5 Ontario Long Term Affordable Housing Strategy & New Legislation**

R. Oleynik explains that the Ministry of Ministry Affairs when developing the housing strategy identified six key Pillars and five key elements:

### **Six Key Pillars of the Strategy**

1. People centered
2. Supportive
3. Locally Driven
4. Partnership Based
5. Inclusive
6. Fiscally Responsible

### **Five Key Elements of the Strategy**

1. Provide for clear roles and outcome-based accountability relationship
2. Consolidate and harmonize housing and homelessness programs
3. Engage Federal government in a Housing Framework with long-term Federal funding commitment
4. Promote energy efficiency in the sector
5. Enact enabling legislation
  - a. proposed *Housing Services Act, 2010* to replace the *Social Housing Reform Act*
  - b. *Planning Act* changes
  - c. *Residential Tenancies Act* changes

R. Oleynik states that the proposed Housing Services Act will replace the Social Housing Reform Act if passed and contains the following provisions:

- o Purpose
- o Ministerial Consent
- o Provincial Interest
- o Local Community Housing and Homelessness Plan
- o Rent Geared to Income Calculation
- o Waiting List
- o Asset Creation for Tenants
- o Social Housing Review Process (Appeals)
- o Projects in Difficulty
- o Information Reporting, Compliance

R. Oleynik distributes a document entitled "Investment in Affordable Housing – IAH Program Component Summary Windsor Essex", attached as Appendix "F". Also distributed is the "IAH Service Manager Flexibility/Feedback Windsor Essex" document attached as Appendix "G".

7. NEW BUSINESS

D. Cercone states that a "Consultation on the Investment in Affordable Housing Program for Windsor Essex" will be held on October 20, 2011 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Fogolar Furlan Club, 1800 North Service Road, Windsor.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 23, 2011 at 9:00 o'clock a.m. in Room 302, 400 City Hall Square East.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 11:03 o'clock a.m.

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CHAIR

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COMMITTEE COORDINATOR (A)



**AGENDA**  
And Schedule "A"  
to the minutes of the meeting of the  
**HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
held Thursday, September 29, 2011  
at 9:00 o'clock a.m.  
Room 303, 400 City Hall Square East

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **PRESENTATIONS**

2.1 **Workplace Violence and Harassment Presentation**

re: **Respectful Workplace** - PowerPoint Presentation by Health and Safety Advisor from Human Resources (as per Ministry of Labour requirement June 15, 2010).

2.2 **ABC Governance Structure – Implementation by Council Services** –  
PowerPoint Presentation by the Committee Coordinator and Council Secretariat

3. **DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT**

4. **ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON**

5. **MINUTES**

Adoption of the minutes of the Committee meeting held on January 20, 2011 and March 2, 2011 – **(previously distributed)**.

6. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

6.1 **Membership List – Housing Advisory Committee May 2011 to end of term of present Council.**

6.2 **Housing Advisory Committee Mandate and Terms of Reference – attached.**

6.3 **Schedule Dates and Times of remaining 2011 Quarterly meetings – 2011 calendar - attached.**



6.4 Report from the Coordinator/Administration & Development, of the Housing and Children's Services report entitled, "Windsor Essex Housing Analysis and Strategies Special Initiative Study 2010" (also known as the HARS Report), report dated March 28, 2011 – attached.

6.5 Report from the Coordinator/Administration & Development, of the Housing and Children's Services report entitled, "Ontario Long Term Affordable Housing Strategy and New Legislation entitled the Housing Services Act 2010, report dated March 24, 2011 – attached.

7. NEW BUSINESS

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To be determined.

9. ADJOURNMENT