

**THE TWENTY-THIRD MEETING OF THE PRIORITIES COMMITTEE
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY**

**Council Chamber
Tom Davies Square**

**Wednesday, January 23, 2008
Commencement: 7:00 p.m.**

Chair

ANGIE HACHÉ, CITY CLERK, IN THE CHAIR

Present

Councillors Barbeau; Berthiaume; Dutrisac; Dupuis; Rivest; Callaghan; Craig; Caldarelli; Gasparini, Landry-Altman; Mayor Rodriguez

City Officials

C. Matheson, Acting Chief Administrative Officer; CJ Caporale, Acting General Manager of Growth & Development; G. Clausen, General Manager of Infrastructure Services; B. Battison, Acting Fire Chief; J. Nicholls, Acting Chief of Emergency Services; D. Dumontelle, Acting Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer; I. Wood, Special Advisor to the Mayor; L. Valle, Director of Social Services; V. Martin, Manager of Employment Support Services; A. Haché, City Clerk; P. Pelletier, Mail Clerk; F. Bortolussi, Council Secretary

News Media

Sudbury Star; CIGM; Persona 10 News; Le Voyageur; Northern Life

Declarations of
Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

**PART II
7:00 P.M.**

Appointment
of Chair &
Vice-Chair

Report dated 2008-01-14 was received from the Executive Director, Administrative Services regarding Appointment of Priorities Committee Chair and Vice-Chair for the term ending December 31, 2008.

Nominations were held for the position of **Committee Chair**.

NOMINATOR

NOMINEE

Mayor Rodriguez

Councillor Gasparini

There being no further nominations, nominations were closed.

RECOMMENDATION 2008-01: Moved by Barbeau:

THAT Councillor Gasparini be appointed as Chair of the Priorities Committee for the term ending December 31, 2008 or until her successor is appointed, whichever occurs later.

CARRIED

Appointment
of Chair &
Vice-Chair

Nominations were held for the position of **Committee Vice-Chair**.

NOMINATOR

NOMINEE

Councillor Dupuis

Councillor Barbeau

There being no further nominations, nominations were closed.

RECOMMENDATION 2008-02: Moved by Berthiaume:

THAT Councillor Barbeau be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Priorities Committee for the term ending December 31, 2008 or until his successor is appointed, whichever occurs later.

CARRIED

CITIZEN DELEGATIONS

Item 3
Final Report from the
Community Solutions
Team on
Homelessness
Initiatives

Report dated 2007-12-20 was received from the General Manager of Community Development regarding Final Report from the Community Solutions Team on Homelessness Initiatives.

Margaret Borley, Member, Community Solutions Team on Homelessness Initiatives, stated this is the third report to City of Greater Sudbury and an up-date on what has been accomplished to date. She stated the number of people who were homeless or at risk of being homeless grew larger every year. She indicated the Team has been working for the last eighteen months to produce the final report on the implementation of the 'Housing First' strategy. The basis of the 'Housing First' model is to provide housing first and then to provide help need for income, food, health care, employment, etc. The Homeless Network was developed to ensure the delivery of the service.

Vicki Smith, Co-Chair, Community Solutions Team on Homelessness Initiatives, explained the recommendations of the Community Solutions Team to alleviate and eradicate homelessness:

1. The Mayor convene an alliance of decision makers to champion the work of alleviating homelessness with a vision to eradicating it;
2. Council direct staff to action the community development steps outlined in the 'Housing First Strategy Building on the Foundation Towards System Integration' document;
3. An annual report card be developed to measure how well the implementation of system integration be developed and share;
4. Any agency receiving funding from City of Greater Sudbury for the delivery of the service be required to utilized the Homeless Individual and Families Information System (HIFIS) as their data collection system.

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The following recommendation was presented:

Caldarelli: WHEREAS the Community Solutions Team on Homelessness Initiatives has developed an action plan to guide the Community Development Department in strengthening the Housing First Strategy;

AND WHEREAS the work of the Community Solutions Team on Homelessness Initiatives has been finalized;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Community Solutions Team final report '*Housing First Strategy, Building on the Foundation Towards System Integration*' be received and that the Community Solutions Team on Homelessness Initiatives be dissolve.

Friendly Amendment

With the concurrence of the mover, the Chair requested that the foregoing motion be amended by changing the last paragraph to read:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Community Solutions Team final report '*Housing First Strategy, Building on the Foundation Towards System Integration*' be received **and acted upon** and that the Community Solutions Team on Homelessness Initiatives be dissolve.

RECOMMENDATION 2008-03: Moved by Caldarelli:

WHEREAS the Community Solutions Team on Homelessness Initiatives has developed an action plan to guide the Community Development Department in strengthening the Housing First Strategy;

AND WHEREAS the work of the Community Solutions Team on Homelessness Initiatives has been finalized;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Community Solutions Team final report '*Housing First Strategy, Building on the Foundation Towards System Integration*' be received and acted upon and that the Community Solutions Team on Homelessness Initiatives be dissolve.

CARRIED

Item 4
Homelessness
Partnering Strategy

Report dated 2007-12-20 was received from the General Manager of Community Development regarding Homelessness Partnering Strategy.

Nancy Dube, Chair, Community Advisory Committee for the Homelessness Partnering Initiatives, advised that the Advisory Committee is made up of volunteers and is responsible for resources

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Partnering Strategy
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from the federal government for homelessness. She stated the Advisory Committee hosted a community consultation to up-date the community plan. From the information provided, three major priorities were identified for future federal funding: transitional housing, evaluation and support for the Community in change management to Housing First Strategy. She stated that in order to implement the plan, the Advisory Committee has two recommendations: the City of Greater Sudbury continue its role as Community Entity from January 1 to March 31, 2009 and that the terms of reference be modified to reflect the Homelessness Partnering Strategies.

Councillor Landry-Altmann requested that a francophone be added to the membership of the Community Advisory Committee for the Homelessness Partnering Initiatives.

RECOMMENDATION 2008-04: Moved by Caldarelli:

WHEREAS since 2000 the City of Greater Sudbury has been identified as a community to receive funding from the Federal Government to address homelessness;

AND WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury has, since 2000, agreed to be the Community Entity responsible for the administration and monitoring of the allocation of Federal funding for homelessness initiatives in accordance with the approved Community Plan;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council endorses the continued role of Community Entity from January 1, 2008 until March 31, 2009, by the Community Development Department; and that the new Terms of Reference, as outlined in the report dated January 9, 2008 from the General Manager of Community Development, modified to reflect the Homelessness Partnering Strategy be accepted.

CARRIED

Adjournment

RECOMMENDATION 2007-05: Moved by Councillor Landry-Altmann:

THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 7:55 p.m.

CARRIED

Councillor J. Gasparini, Chair

Angie Haché, City Clerk