



Community Safety Advisory Sub-Committee

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The Community Safety Advisory Sub-Committee (“CSAC”) of the Toronto Community Housing Corporation (“TCHC”) held a virtual Public meeting on November 15, 2021, via WebEx, commencing at 9:53 a.m.

CSAC Directors Present: Councillor Paula Fletcher, Chair
Marcel Charlebois
Debbie Douglas (9:53 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.)
Ubah Farah
Councillor Frances Nunziata

CSAC Directors Absent: n/a

Management Present: Jag Sharma, President and Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”)
Sheila Penny, Chief Operating Officer (“COO”)
Darragh Meagher, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary
Paula Knight, Vice President, Strategic Planning & Communications
Nadia Gouveia, Director, Programs and Partnerships
Evelyn Amponsah, Director, Centre for Advancing the Interests of Black People
Allan Britton, Senior Manager, Community Safety Unit
John Angkaw, Senior Director, Business Operations
Mona Bottoni, Manager, Community Safety Programs
Julio Rigores, Manager, Engagement Refresh
Christine Yan, Acting Assistant Corporate Secretary

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Guests Present: Mohamed Shuriye, Manager, Policing Reform,
City of Toronto
Scott McKean, Manager, Community
Development, City of Toronto

A quorum being present, Councillor Fletcher, serving as Chair, called the meeting to order, and Ms. Yan served as recording secretary.

ITEM 1 CHAIR'S REMARKS

The Chair welcomed everyone to the Community Safety Advisory Sub-Committee ("CSAC") meeting, which was set up as an advisory sub-committee for the Tenant Services Committee ("TSC") that reports up to the Board of Directors, to explore ways to reduce violence in TCHC communities. The Chair noted that the goal for the CSAC is to ensure that all tenants in TCHC be able to enjoy the highest quality of life possible.

DEPUTATIONS

The Chair polled for any deputations to be heard at the meeting. No written deputations were received. The following verbal deputation request was made but was not heard at the meeting due to technical issues:

- Item 5 – Overview: Community Safety Unit (*Miguel Avila-Velarde*)

ITEM 2A APPROVAL OF PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

Motion carried **ON MOTION DULY MADE** by Councillor Nunziata, seconded by Ms. Douglas and carried, the CSAC approved the Public meeting agenda for the November 15, 2021 meeting.

ITEM 2B CHAIR'S POLL RE: CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Chair requested members of the CSAC to indicate any agenda item in

which they had a conflict of interest, together with the nature of the interest.
No conflicts were declared.

ITEM 2C CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC CSAC
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Motion carried **ON MOTION DULY MADE** by Ms. Douglas, seconded by Mr. Charlebois and carried, the CSAC confirmed the above-captioned minutes without amendments.

ITEM 3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
AND ACTION ITEMS UPDATE

Highlights of the discussion include:

- It was confirmed that through the CSAC Charter, the CSAC has the discretion to call for special meetings beyond the regularly scheduled meetings.
- Mr. Britton presented the Community Safety Unit (CSU) Organizational Chart and provided a detailed walk through of the 16 management positions that are held by former police officers.
- Mr. Britton noted that several staff movements took place since the Organizational Chart had been prepared, and will report back with an updated Organizational Chart with proper color codes for positions with a policing background.
- Members agreed that a combination of policing and non-policing backgrounds and a diverse skillset in the top management of the CSU are crucial in making strategic decisions.
- The CSAC engaged in a discussion around CSU's role in TCHC communities. It was discussed that while feedback from tenants indicates the request for more CSU presence and enforcement in communities for community safety, CSU should also focus on community development.
- Action item: management to provide an updated CSU Organizational Chart which reflects all the recent staff movements (including acting positions), with color codes for positions with a policing background

and/or a criminal justice system background, and the date of hire for each of those positions.

Motion carried **ON MOTION DULY MADE** by Ms. Farah, seconded by Ms. Douglas and carried, the CSAC received the matters reported as Business Arising from the Public Meeting Minutes and Action Items Update for information.

ITEM 4 VIOLENCE REDUCTION PROGRAM UPDATE CSAC:2021-6
– Q2 & Q3, 2021

The above-captioned report (CSAC:2021-6) was circulated to CSAC members prior to the meeting.

Ms. Penny provided an overview of the report and was available to answer questions of the CSAC. Highlights of the discussion include:

- It was requested that information be presented between the seniors portfolio and the family portfolio, and with the work undertaken in revitalization communities highlighted in future reports.

Motion carried **ON MOTION DULY MADE** by Ms. Farah, seconded by Mr. Charlebois and carried, the CSAC received Report CSAC:2021-6, being the Violence Reduction Program Update – Q2 & Q3, 2021 report, for its information, forwarded it to the Tenant Services Committee (“TSC”) for information and directed management to:

1. Provide further information to the Committee in relation to:
 - a. tenancy management activities, with details of Notices pursuant to the RTA, undertaken;
 - b. CSU calls; and
 - c. TPS calls;in those Communities, differentiating between communities in the Seniors and Family portfolios;

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2. Identify requests for service by community for future meetings regarding this issue; and
3. Provide information regarding the work undertaken in support of the Violence Reduction Program in communities that are undergoing revitalization and to indicate the number of full time jobs associated with those initiatives.

ITEM 5 OVERVIEW: COMMUNITY SAFETY UNIT CSAC:2021-7

The above-captioned report (CSAC:2021-7) was circulated to CSAC members prior to the meeting.

This matter was forwarded to the Tenant Services Committee.

Motion carried **ON MOTION DULY MADE** by Councillor Nunziata, seconded by Ms. Farah and carried, the CSAC forwarded Report CSAC:2021-7, being the Community Safety Unit Overview, to the Tenant Services Committee (“TSC”) for information.

TERMINATION

A Motion to adjourn the meeting was moved by Ms. Farah and seconded by Mr. Charlebois.

The CSAC resolved to terminate the Public meeting at 10:58 a.m.

Secretary

Chair, Community Safety Advisory
Sub-Committee