

EXTRACT OF DRAFT MINUTES 5  
COMMUNITY AND PROTECTIVE  
SERVICES COMMITTEE  
29 AUGUST 2019

EXTRAIT DE L'ÉBAUCHE DU  
PROCÈS-VERBAL 5  
COMITÉ DES SERVICES  
COMMUNAUTAIRES ET DE  
PROTECTION  
LE 29 AOÛT 2019

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7. CANADA-ONTARIO COMMUNITY HOUSING INITIATIVE (2019-2022) AND PROPOSED AMENDMENTS BY THE PROVINCE TO THE *HOUSING SERVICES ACT, 2011*

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### Report Recommendations

That Community and Protective Services Committee recommend Council approve:

1. That the Director, Housing Services be delegated the authority to approve, and submit to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, on a quarterly basis, the City's Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative Investment Plan (COCHI) based on the details of the program and the spending plan outlined in this report .
2. That the Director, Housing Services, be delegated authority to reallocate funding from one Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative stream and component to another within the same program year if the original planned commitment for funding as outlined within the approved Plan cannot be met, and to obtain Ministry approval for such reallocation where required, in keeping with the process outlined within the report.
3. That in the event additional funding becomes available under the Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative due to any reallocation by the Ministry, the Director, Housing Services, be

**delegated authority to amend the Investment Plan and allocate the additional funding in keeping with the process outlined in this report.**

- 4. The Director, Housing Services, be delegated authority to approve and submit the City's Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative Sustainability Plan to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, listing each funded capital repair component project and demonstrating the long-term sustainability of the housing provider receiving the funding;**
- 5. That the Director, Housing Services be delegated the authority to allocate all Canada Ontario Community Housing Investment funding provided such allocations are in accordance with the provincial guidelines, the Investment Plan and the priorities set out in this report.**

**That Community and Protective Services Committee recommend Council receive for information purposes:**

- 6. The proposed changes by the Government of Ontario to the provincial *Housing Services Act, 2011*.**

Shelley VanBuskirk, Director, Housing and Lisa Goodfellow, Program Manager, Social Housing responded to questions from Committee Members.

Councillor Fleury inquired if it would be possible to do a flow chart of specific housing funding over the last 5 years from the Federal, Provincial and City of Ottawa. Shelley VanBuskirk stated that this could be done and would follow up. This was not a formal direction, but a commitment from staff nonetheless.

It was noted that the department was under spending on rent supplements, but the buffer was needed for rent increases etc....

There are various streams of funding, some for repairs which are badly needed. To each of these streams there are terms and conditions associated with them that must be followed so never easy to transfer funds to another project.

The report recommendations were put to Committee and CARRIED and RECEIVED as presented.