Minute Item No. 5.1

COM 5-2020

Local Considerations to Inform the Development of the Next Ontario Poverty Reduction Strategy

That Report COM 5-2020, dated March 10, 2020, respecting Local Considerations to Inform the Development of the Next Ontario Poverty Reduction Strategy, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That Report COM 5-2020, **BE APPROVED** as a written submission to the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services, further to their request for local recommendations to inform the next Provincial Poverty Reduction Strategy.

Minute Item No. 5.2 COM 4-2020 Emergency Shelter Negotiated Request for Proposal (NRFP) Award Results

That Report COM 4-2020, dated March 10, 2020, respecting Emergency Shelter Negotiated Request for Proposal (NRFP) Award Results, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the homelessness contracts for emergency shelter services **BE AWARDED** in the amount of \$11,705,184 for the period April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2023 to the following nine (9) service providers:

1. Boys and Girls Club of Niagara	\$ 403,200
2. Casa El Norte Refugee Assistance Program	\$ 403,200
3. The Hope Centre	\$ 1,116,000
4. Matthew House Refugee Ministry of Fort Erie	\$ 403,200
5. The RAFT (Niagara Resource Service for Youth)	\$ 583,434
6. The Salvation Army Booth Centre	\$ 1,050,000
7. Southridge Community Church	\$ 2,577,000
8. Start Me Up Niagara	\$ 966,750
 The Young Women's Christian Association of Niagara Region (YWCA Niagara Region) 	\$ 4,202,400
TOTAL	\$ 11,705,184

2. That an additional contingency of \$250,000 **BE APPROVED** should system adjustments be necessary during the term of the contracts to increase the number or adjust the type of beds offered; and

 That staff BE AUTHORIZED to execute any required amendments and documentation related to the agreements for service providers of emergency shelter to implement funding adjustments.

Minute Item No. 5.3 COM 6-2020 Homelessness Services Housing First and Home for Good Contract Extensions

That Report COM 6-2020, dated March 10, 2020, respecting Homelessness Services Housing First and Home for Good Contract Extensions, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

- 1. That the existing Housing First contracts **BE EXTENDED** as per Appendix 1 of Report COM 6-2020, with the value of \$76,154;
- 2. That the existing Home for Good contracts **BE EXTENDED** as per Appendix 1 of Report COM 6-2020, with the value of \$31,579;
- 3. That an additional contingency of \$25,000 **BE APPROVED** should additional extensions be necessary; and
- 4. That staff **BE AUTHORIZED** to execute any required amendments and documentation related to the agreements for service providers of Housing First and Home for Good to implement contract extensions.

Minute Item No. 5.4 COM-C 10-2020 Niagara Regional Housing Letter - Request for Support - Landlord and Tenant Board

That Correspondence Item COM-C 10-2020, being a letter from Councillor Sendzik, Chair, Niagara Regional Housing Board of Directors, dated February 14, 2020, respecting a letter sent from Niagara Regional Housing to the Ontario Ombudsman requesting a review of the ongoing delays in matters before Landlord and Tenant Board, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the Regional Chair **BE DIRECTED** to send a letter to the Ontario Ombudsman supporting the request from Niagara Regional Housing for a review of the ongoing delays in matters before the Landlord and Tenant Board.

Minute Item No. 6 Consent Items for Information

That the following items **BE RECEIVED** for information:

COM 3-2020 Seniors Services Quality Improvement Report – October to December 2019

COM-C 4-2020 Provincial Employment Transformation

COM-C 5-2020 Niagara Regional Housing Quarterly Report October 1 to December 31, 2019

COM-C 6-2020 Niagara Regional Housing Regulation Changes – Communications Plan and Flyer for Initial Communications

COM-C 7-2020 2019-RFP-300 – Assertive Street Outreach Request for Proposal Award Results

COM-C 8-2020 2019-RFP-310 – Housing First Request for Proposal Award Results

COM-C 9-2020 2019-RFP-311 – Housing for Good Proposal Award Results

Minute Item No. 9.1 Confidential Verbal Update A Matter of Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations – Provincial Employment Transformation

That the confidential verbal update from A. Jugley, Commissioner, Community Services, respecting A Matter of Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations – Provincial Employment Transformation, **BE RECEIVED** for information.