SUBJECT: Re-establishment of Sub-Committees Reporting to the Board of Health (CL06011(f)) (City Wide)

RECOMMENDATION:

(a) That the Pesticide Sub-Committee be re-established to report to the Board of Health in the next term of Council;

(b) That the required Council appointments for the Pesticide Sub-Committee (4 members of Council) be determined at the nominating committee meeting of the new term of Council.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

With each new term of City Council, a review of the current status of Sub-Committees of Council reporting to their respective Standing Committees is required.

The Pesticide Sub-Committee formerly reported to the Social and Public Health Services Committee. However, with the creation of a separate Board of Health, this sub-committee would more appropriately report to the Board of Health as their mandate is to assist with the development of a policy to reduce non-essential chemical pesticide use.
BACKGROUND:

City Council, at its meeting held on February 22, 2006, approved Item 7 of Corporate Administration Committee Report 06-003 which sets out the governance structure of standing committees for the 2006-2010 term of Council.

In the new structure, the Board of Health will continue to meet on a monthly basis, and any Sub-Committees which originally reported to the Social Services and Public Health Committee due to the nature of the sub-committee will now report to the Board of Health.

ANALYSIS/RATIONALE:

Conducting this review of the sub-committees with the outgoing council provides the opportunity to commence the selection process to solicit citizen participation for the various sub-committees in the New Year with the incoming Council.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION:

The recommendation can be deferred to the incoming council. However, this will delay the selection process of citizen members appointed to committees.

FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

None

POLICIES AFFECTING PROPOSAL:

None

RELEVANT CONSULTATION:

None

CITY STRATEGIC COMMITMENT:

By evaluating the “Triple Bottom Line”, (community, environment, economic implications) we can make choices that create value across all three bottom lines, moving us closer to our vision for a sustainable community, and Provincial interests.

Evaluate the implications of your recommendations by indicating and completing the sections below. Consider both short-term and long-term implications.
Community Well-Being is enhanced. ☑ Yes ☐ No

Appointment of citizens to sub-committees enhances community participation and provides valuable input into the decision making processes of Council.

Environmental Well-Being is enhanced. ☐ Yes ☑ No

Economic Well-Being is enhanced. ☐ Yes ☑ No

Does the option you are recommending create value across all three bottom lines?
☐ Yes ☑ No

Do the options you are recommending make Hamilton a City of choice for high performance public servants?
☐ Yes ☑ No