The Accountability and Transparency Sub-Committee presents Report 08-004 and respectfully recommends:

1. Recruitment Process for Integrity Commissioner (HUR08011) - (City Wide) (Item 5.1)

   (a) That a ‘request for interest’ (RFI) in the position of Integrity Commissioner be sent to a list of retired judges;
(b) That the Accountability and Transparency Sub-Committee conduct the initial evaluation of the qualified candidates; and

(c) That the Accountability and Transparency Sub-Committee conduct interviews and recommend the preferred candidate for the position of Integrity Commissioner along with the terms and conditions of the appointment to City Council for approval.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) **APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM CHAIR**

Committee agreed that Councillor Whitehead should act as Interim Chair for the meeting.

(b) **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

Joanna Chapman proposed that the selection of a Chair should be added to the Agenda, under Item 5.1

Committee approved the Agenda, as amended.

(c) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)**

There were none declared.

(d) **Minutes of June 3, 2008**

The Minutes were approved, as presented (Chapman/Broom)

(e) **Resignation of Members and Selection of Chair**

Joe Rinaldo advised that the resignations from the Committee of Mayor Eisenberger and Councillor Clark had been received and that, at their next meeting, Council would be considering replacement members.

Committee then discussed the appointment of a new Chair.

Joanna Chapman moved that Denise O’Connor be appointed as Chair.
Committee discussed the matter and considered that it would be appropriate to wait until the next meeting, when a decision has been made about the replacement members, to appoint the new Chair.

Joanna Chapman withdrew her Motion.

Committee then discussed whether the resignations were temporary or permanent and how this matter would be addressed by Council. It was agreed that the selection of the Chair would be included on the next Committee Agenda, and that the next Chair would be one of the citizen members.

Councillors Duvall and Whitehead questioned why staff would be shortlisting the candidates. Councillor Whitehead noted that the Selection Committee has always reviewed all candidates for the various boards, agencies and committees to whom Council appoints members. He suggested that this Committee should do both the shortlisting and interviewing.

(Chapman/O’Connor)

That the staff report respecting the Recruitment Process for the Integrity Commissioner be approved, subject to recommendation (b), being revised to read as follows:

(b) that the Accountability and Transparency Sub-Committee conduct the initial evaluation of the qualified candidates.

CARRIED

Councillor Duvall then requested clarification respecting the payment of a fee for a complaint made by Councillors.

Staff confirmed that a complaint made to the Integrity Commissioner by an individual Councillor would require the fee but a complaint referred to the Commissioner by Council, as a whole, would not require a fee.

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Joe Rinaldo gave an overview of the staff report, with the assistance of Helen Hale-Tomasik and Diana Belaisis. Mr. Rinaldo explained that Council had determined that the Integrity Commissioner would be a retired judge. Committee discussed the details and had additional information supplied by staff.
Lisa Pasternak advised that there are retired judges who are still active in Alternative Dispute Resolution, and that these people would be contacted. In addition, a further list of names is being sought by staff.

(g) Date for Next Meeting (Item 6.1)

Committee agreed that the main topic for the next meeting would be the draft Code of Conduct. The Clerk was requested to arrange the next meeting to take place on Thursday, September 11, 2008, at 3:00 pm.

(h) Adjournment

There being no further business, on a Motion (O’Connor/Broom), the Committee adjourned at 4:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
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Interim Chair

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