THE BOARD OF HEALTH PRESENTS REPORT 10-002 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. **Communicable Disease and Health Hazard Investigations Quarterly Report (Q3) (July 1, 2009 – September 30, 2009) - BOH09012(b) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)**

That Report BOH09012(b) respecting Communicable Disease and Health Hazard Investigations Quarterly Report (Q3) (July 1, 2009 – September 30, Council – February 24, 2010
2009) be received.

2. **Continued Funding for Health Initiatives for Youth - BOH10003 (City Wide) (Item 5.3)**

(a) That the contract with Health Initiatives for Youth Hamilton (HIFY) to provide provincially mandated sexual health clinic services to residents of downtown central Hamilton be renewed for the term of April 1, 2010 to December 31, 2012 with an option to extend the contract until December 31, 2012 at an annual cost of $165,216 to be funded within the existing Public Health Services operating budget;

(b) That the Medical Officer of Health be authorized to execute an agreement between the City and HIFY, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to implement the above recommendation.

3. **Nurse-Family Partnership BOH07035(b) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

WHEREAS the Nurse-Family Partnership is an effective, evidence-based approach to improving the health and life-course of low-income, first-time mothers and their children;

AND WHEREAS The Nurse-Family Partnership represents one of the most promising strategies to assist low-income mothers and their children to stay on the path to a healthy and productive life;

AND WHEREAS the City of Hamilton has the distinction of being the first Canadian site to pilot the Nurse-Family Partnership;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

(a) That the Nurse-Family Partnership be endorsed as an intervention that will make an important difference in the lives of the children of young, low-income, first mothers in Hamilton;

(b) That the Mayor on behalf of the Board of Health write a letter to the Minister of Health and Long Term Care, the Minister of Health Promotion, and the Chief Medical Officer of Health for the Province of Ontario, requesting that they endorse the Nurse-Family Partnership and assist the research team in Hamilton secure funding for a randomized control trial of this intervention;

(c) That the Mayor on behalf of the Board of Health write a letter to the Ministry of Children and Youth Services to request that they contribute to
funding a randomized controlled trial of the Nurse-Family Partnership in Ontario.

4. Collaborative Pedestrian and Walkability Initiatives BOH09029a (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

(a) That the recommendations in the *Canada Walks Master Class Case Study Hamilton 2009* report attached to Report BOH09029(a) as Appendix A be considered in the context of current strategic and master plans, where applicable and achievable, when dealing with matters related to the planning, design and implementation of pedestrian facilities and walkability issues;

(b) That staff be directed to thoroughly and technically evaluate the recommendations from the *Canada Walks Master Class Case Study Hamilton 2009* report attached to Report BOH09029(a) as Appendix A in the preparation of the proposed Public Works Department Pedestrian/Walkability Master Plan in 2010;

(c) That staff be directed to promote walkability opportunities as part of the implementation of the 2015 Pan Am Games and the 2010 Corporate Priority Plan;

(d) That staff be directed to examine appropriate staffing and resources for implementation of the recommendations from the *Canada Walks Master Class Case Study Hamilton 2009* report and report back in late 2010 on progress to date, as part of Council deliberations on the 2011 and 2012 budgets.

5. Public Health Services Strategic Business Plan Update – BOH07023(b) - (City Wide)

That Report BOH07023(b) respecting Public Health Services Strategic Business Plan Update be received.

6. Public Health Accreditation 2010 Application - BOH08027(b) - (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.1)

(a) That members of the Board of Health participate in the accreditation process and that the Chair and Councillor Brian McHattie be appointed to meet with the Ontario Council on Community Health Accreditation representatives during the on-site visit in mid June 2010;

(b) That staff report back to the Board of Health in Fall 2010 with the results of
the Accreditation Survey conducted by OCCHA in June 2010.

7. **Correspondence (Item 11.1)**

That the dispositions for the following Items of communication be approved:

(a) Correspondence from G.P. Alex Thomson and David Doel, Lynwood Hall Child and Family Centre respecting Children’s Mental Health Services. *(Referred from Council January 27, 2010)*

Recommendation: That Council advise the Premier of Ontario that it supports the concerns expressed by the Lynwood Hall Child and Family Centre respecting the need for more funding.

(b) Correspondence from Cindy I’Anson, Executive Director, Woodview Children’s Mental Health and Autism Services respecting underfunding of Children’s Mental Health programmes. *(Referred from Council January 27, 2010)*

Recommendation: That Council advise the Premier of Ontario that it supports the concerns expressed by the Woodview Children’s Mental Health and Autism Services respecting the need for more funding.

(c) Correspondence from Jean Lam, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Health Promotion, dated February 8, 2010 respecting $58,380.00 Provincial funding to bridge local youth engagement programming in 2010. *(Added Item)*

Recommendation Be received.

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**FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:**

(a) **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Eisenberger advised that the Upwind Downwind 2010 Conference is currently taking place at the Hamilton Convention Centre.

Mayor Eisenberger introduced and provided certificates to the Deputy Mayors for the Month of February 2010 - Natalie Wegiel and Faith Roy
(b) **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)**

The Clerk advised of the following changes:

(i) Added Motion from Councillor McHattie respecting Item 7.1 (Copies were distributed).

(ii) Added Correspondence Item 11.1(c) from Jean Lam, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Health Promotion, dated February 8, 2010 respecting $58,380.00 in Provincial funding to bridge local youth engagement programming in 2010. (Copies were distributed.)

Recommendation  Be received.

The agenda was approved as amended.

(c) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)**

There were no declarations of interest.

(d) **MINUTES (Item 3)**

The Minutes of the January 25, 2010 meeting were approved as presented.

(e) **SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES**

The Community Food Security Stakeholder Advisory Committee Minutes of January 6, 2010 were received. (Item 5.1)

(f) **PRESENTATIONS**

(i) **Nurse-Family Partnership BOH07035(b) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

Doctor Elizabeth Richardson introduced Doctor Harriet MacMillan, who is a psychiatrist and pediatrician and Debbie Sheehan, Director of Family Health.

Doctor Harriet MacMillan presented the following topics with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation:

- The three Nurse-Family Partnership Program Goals: - improve pregnancy outcomes, improve child health and development and improve parents’ economic self-sufficiency;
- Families Served;
- Elements of the Program;
• Trials of the Program;
• Consistent Results across Trials;
• Nurse-Family Partnership Feasibility/Acceptability Study in Hamilton;
• Final Recruitment;

Debbie Sheehan, presented the following topics with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation:

• Nurse-Family Partnership Acceptability
  • to the mothers;
  • to the family members;
  • to the community professionals;
  • to the Public Health Nurses;
• Conclusion;
• Next Steps;
• Funding for the Nurse Family Program Feasibility Study.

Hard copies of the presentation were distributed and Doctor MacMillan and Debbie Sheehan responded to questions.

On a motion (Clark/Pearson) the staff presentation was received.

A motion presented by Councillor McHattie respecting this Item was approved as outlined in Item 3 of this Report.

(ii) **Collaborative Pedestrian and Walkability Initiatives BOH09029a (City Wide) (Item 7.2)**

Sharon MacKinnon a Public Health Nurse with the City’s Public Health Services thanked Darryl Bender, David Cuming, Heather Donison Suzanne Brown, and Linda Godin, who assisted with this initiative.

Sharon MacKinnon and Alan Kirkpatrick from the Public Works Department made a PowerPoint presentation and hand-outs were distributed. Their presentation included the following topics:

• Collaborative Pedestrian and Walkability Initiatives;
• Walking as an exercise;
• The Benefits of a walkable community;
• Walkability Initiatives;
• Accomplishments to date;
• Strategic Documents supporting walkability;
• Canadian walking master class project;
• Canadian walking master class objectives;
• International Charter of Walking;
• The Charter’s Strategic Principles;
• What we did (as a City);
• Final Report from CWMC Project;
• CWMC Recommendations and the 2010 Corporate Priority Plan;
  • Community prosperity;
  • Sustainable services;
• BOH09029(a) Recommendations;
• Opportunities;
• Next steps.

Staff responded to questions. The Board thanked staff for their efforts and noted that other areas of the City also need to be made “walkable”.

On a motion (Clark/Pearson) the Board received the staff presentation.

On a motion (Powers/McHattie) the Board approved the staff recommendations.

(iii) Public Health Services Strategic Business Plan Update – BOH07023(b) - (City Wide) (Item 7.3)

Doctor Elizabeth Richardson made a PowerPoint presentation which covered the following topics and hand-outs were distributed:

• Objectives;
• Overall Corporate Planning Process;
• Link to Corporate Strategic Plan;
• Six goals;
  • Goal A – Implement public health initiatives to improve local air quality
  • Goal B – support community preparedness for a response to public health emergencies
  • Goal C – maximize impact on community health in four key areas of chronic disease prevention: tobacco control, nutrition, physical activity and mental health;
  • Goal D – gather, analyze and disseminate information on health and its determinants
  • Goal E – be recognized as public health experts in the community
  • Goal F – recruit, develop and retain a competent, flexible workforce.
• Annual Highlights;
• Public Health Services Strategic Business Plan Progress;
• Goal A Progress as of January 2010/Goal A Highlight
• Goal B Progress as of January 2010/Goal B Highlight
Doctor Richardson responded to questions.

Additional information was requested with respect to the City’s air quality and staff indicated that a more comprehensive report respecting this issue will be presented at a future meeting.

On a motion (Morelli/Pearson) the Board received the staff presentation and the report.

(g) Public Health Accreditation 2010 Application - BOH08027(b) - (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.1)

On a motion (Powers/Pearson) Councillor McHattie was appointed to meet with the representatives of the Ontario Council on Community Health Accreditation and subsection (a) of the staff recommendation was amended accordingly.

Doctor Elizabeth explained some of the upcoming changes to the accreditation process.

(h) Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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February 22, 2010