THE BOARD OF HEALTH PRESENTS REPORT 07-006 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Public Health Research and Education (PHRED) Program- PH06002(c) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)
   That Report PH06002(c) respecting Public Health Research and Education (PHRED) Program be received.

2. Mandatory Food Handler Certification By-law BOH07041 (City Wide) (Item 7.1)
   (a) That the by-law Respecting Mandatory Food Handler Certification attached as Appendix “A” to this report be enacted by City Council.
(b) That the Medical Officer of Health be authorized to apply to the Senior Regional Judge for approval of set fines for offences under the above-noted by-law when it has been enacted.

3. **Support for the Trans Fat Task Force Recommendations BOH07038 (City Wide) (Item 7.2)**

That the Board of Health write to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care to urge the effective elimination or reduction of trans fat in all processed foods by fully implementing, in 2009, the Federal Trans Fat Task Force’s regulatory approach and providing incentives to support smaller Canadian businesses in eliminating industrial-produced trans fat in foods.

4. **Public Health Services Safe Water Program BOH07040 (City Wide) (Item 7.4)**

That Report BOH07040 respecting Public Health Services Safe Water Program be received.

5. **Cooling Tower Inventory BOH07021(a) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

That Report BOH07021(a) respecting Cooling Tower Inventory be received and the related item referred from the Board of Health on April 23, 2007 be identified as completed and removed from the Outstanding Business List.

6. **North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit Resolutions Regarding the Healthy Babies Healthy Children Program (BOH07039) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

(a) That the Board of Health forward a letter to the Minister of Children and Youth Services requesting that allocated administrative costs be funded in the Healthy Babies, Healthy Children Program budget.

(b) That the Board of Health advocate for a systematic approach to funding of the Healthy Babies, Healthy Children Program through relevant provincial planning bodies (e.g. Association of Local Public Health Agencies and the Ontario Public Health Association.

(c) That the item “North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit
Resolutions regarding the Healthy Babies Healthy Children Program” referred from the April 23, 2007 Board of Health be removed from the Outstanding Business list.

7. Communications (Item 11.1)

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

(a) Memo from the City of Toronto Secretary of the Board of Health respecting The Regulation of Trans Fat in the Canadian Food Supply.
Recommendation: Be received.

(b) Copy of letter from Beth Pater, Chair, Kingston, Frontenac and Lennox & Addington Public Health to the Minister of Health respecting “Transforming the Food Supply: Report of the Trans Fat Task Force
Recommendation: Be received.

(c) Copy of letter from Beth Pater, Chair, Kingston, Frontenac and Lennox & Addington Public Health to the Minister of Children and Youth Services respecting funding shortfalls faced by the KFL&A Healthy Baby, Healthy Children Program
Recommendation: Be received.

(d) Copy of letter from Brian King, Chair, Chatham-Kent Board of Health to the Minister of Education respecting consent process for oral health screening by the Public Health Unit to Elementary School Students of St. Clair Catholic District School Board
Recommendation: Be received.

(e) Memo from Doctor Garry Aslanyan, President, Ontario Public Health Association respecting Diversity Competent Public Health Professionals Resolution.
Recommendation: Be received.

(f) Copy of letter from Beth Pater, Chair, Kingston, Frontenac and
Lennox & Addington Public Health to the Premier of Ontario respecting strengthening the Highway Traffic Act by prohibiting mobile phone use while driving.

Recommendation: Be received.

(g) Copy of letter from Lucy Brown, Chief Executive Officer, Chatham-Kent Public Health to Advertising Standards Canada respecting a Dairy Queen television advertisement.

Recommendation: Be endorsed.

(h) Copy of letter from Pat M. Madill, Regional Clerk, Durham Region to the Commission of the Ontario Hockey League with respect to banning fighting the amateur hockey leagues.

Recommendation: Be received.

(i) Letter from Linda Stewart, Executive Director of the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa) requesting nominations for Council representatives to be appointed to the alPHa Board of Directors. (Added Item)

Recommendation: Be received with the understanding that Board members may submit nominations through the Clerk’s Office prior to the August 8, 2007 Council meeting in order to meet the deadline.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

The Clerk advised of the following changes to the agenda:

(i) There will be no staff presentations with respect to Item 7.2
(ii) Item 7.3 is deferred until the September Board of Health meeting.
(ii) Added communication Item 11.1(i), a letter from Linda Stewart, Executive Director of the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa) requesting nominations for Council representatives to be appointed to the alPHa Board of Directors.

Recommendation: For the consideration of the Board.
The agenda was approved as amended.

(b) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Ferguson declared an interest with respect to Item 7.1 as his sister is a restaurant owner.

(c) **Minutes of the June 25, 2007 Board of Health Meeting (Item 3.1)**

The Minutes were approved as presented.

(d) **STAFF PRESENTATIONS**

(i) **Mandatory Food Handler Certification By-law BOH07041 (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

Bob Hart, Food Safety Manager, made a PowerPoint presentation and hard copies were distributed. His presentation provided an overview of the proposed mandatory food handler certification by-law.

Staff responded to questions posed by the Board and the Board approved the staff report.

Staff were directed to assess the risk of cross contamination of foods in grocery stores and report back at a future meeting of the Board of Health.

Bob Hart also provided an overview of the recent amendments to the Ontario Food Premises Regulations with respect to Street Food Vending Carts. The amendments come into effect on August 1, 2007. His comments highlighted but were not limited to the following:

- Provincial legislation will allow for more variety of food to be sold from street food vending carts.
- The requisite safeguards were outlined.
- The concerns - Local MOH may permit further varieties if deemed safe – regulations are unclear – potential for inconsistencies
- The next steps: inform licensing staff, supervisors of carts operations would require certification

Glen Peace was requested to report back on whether there’s any
interest in enacting a Hamilton Act.

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

(ii) **Support for the Trans Fat Task Force Recommendations BOH07038 (City Wide) (Item 7.2)**

There was no staff presentation. The Board approved the report.

Staff were directed to report back on a proposed trans fat elimination or reduction policy for vendors operating in City facilities and in any other areas that municipalities may have control.

(iii) **Dental Program Overview BOH07037 (City Wide) (Item 7.3)**

This item was deferred until the September Board of Health meeting.

(iv) **Public Health Services Safe Water Program BOH07040 (City Wide) (Item 7.4)**

Rob Hall, Director of the Health Protection Branch, made a PowerPoint presentation and hard copies were distributed.

Rob Hall’s comments highlighted but were not limited to the following:

- Safe Water Program – mandated by MOHLTC
- Goals and objectives of Safe Water Program
- In Hamilton there are 462 regulated drinking water systems
- Private well water systems
- Safe water hotline
- Public Beaches – disease control
- Public pool inspections to eliminate drowning -117 public pools, 34 spas, 9 wading pools in the City of Hamilton
- Additional drinking water mandates
- Resources/Budget for Safe Water Program
- Comparison to peer communities
- Emerging Issues and Opportunities – transfer of regulatory oversight from the MOE to the Local Health Units

Staff responded to questions.

Councillor Bratina requested that staff provide him with the results of tests
conducted to determine the level of lead in drinking water in the City's older homes.

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

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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