TO:       CHAIR AND MEMBERS
          COMMUNITY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE
FROM:     ROSS L. FAIR
          GENERAL MANAGER OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
SUBJECT:  MEETING ON AUGUST 22, 2005
          UPDATE ON HUMAN RESOURCES AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT CANADA
          (HRSDC) FUNDING FOR THE CLEAR PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATION
That, on the recommendation of the General Manager of Community Services, this report BE
RECEIVED for information purposes.

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER
- Local Impact of Changes to Human Resources and Skills Development Canada’s program and
  administrative guidelines (February 15, 2005)
- Update on Local Community Impacts of HRSDC Funding Changes (May 9, 2005)
- Impact of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada Funding Changes on CLEAR Program
  (July 18, 2005)

BACKGROUND
On July 18, 2005 we reported to the Community and Protective Services Committee that the third
extension of the annual CLEAR contract would end July 31, 2005 and that the review of the 1 year
contract had not yet been completed. We can now report that a 1 year contract to cover August 1, 2005
to July 31, 2006 was received on July 25, 2005 and has been duly executed by the City and Human
Resources and Skills Development Canada.

The CLEAR project now moves into its 12th year of this federal municipal partnership. Services will be
provided to 870 new participants over the next contract year with a target of 422 participants gaining
employment.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
The HRSDC contract has a value of $181,918. This funds 2 full time staff positions, related supports and
costs.

CONCLUSION
In the immediate future, CLEAR will continue to operate. The future approach of HRSDC service
delivery funding is not known at this time. We will continue to monitor HRSDC directions and impacts
and we will keep the Committee informed as this situation develops.
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