



ADDITIONAL AGENDA

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MISSISSAUGA
(www.mississauga.ca)
MONDAY, MAY 14, 2012 – 1:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

DECLARATIONS OF (DIRECT OR INDIRECT) PECUNIARY INTEREST

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

DEPUTATIONS

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

(Persons who wish to address the Governance Committee about a matter on the Agenda.)

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

5. **Email dated May 10, 2012 from E. Price, Resident**

Email dated May 10, 2012 from E. Price, Resident, with respect to concerns regarding the Integrity Commissioner and the Council Code of Conduct.

Laura Wilson

From: Catherine Monast
Sent: May 10, 2012 4:00 PM
To: Laura Wilson
Subject: FW: Integrity Commissioner RFP

Hi Laura,
Forwarded for a future agenda.
Thank you,
Catherine

Governance Committee

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From: Ernest Price
Sent: 2012/05/10 3:50 PM
To: Catherine Monast
Subject: RE: Integrity Commissioner RFP

Catherine Monast,

RE: RFP Integrity Commissioner

Yes, my consent is given and I very much appreciate your suggestion/efforts and look forward to a response from the Office of the City Clerk if that is what is required to access this document; however, one is somewhat perplexed at the process. Also, you may include me on an agenda in the following weeks.
The subject of Public Sector Corporate Governance in the Provincial/Regional/Municipal sector is of great interest to me with respect to Provincial/Municipal Statutes and Revision Act and specifically the Municipal Act 2001, and granted municipal powers.

Not to mention the Lobbying Act, which is noted interestingly by its absence from the Council Code of Conduct. Municipalities in Ontario have been given increased powers but, it seems some City Councils want to play the selective option scenario as opposed to accepting responsibility for their elected office.

Sincerely,
E. Price

From: Catherine Monast [mailto:Catherine.Monast@mississauga.ca]
Sent: May-10-12 1:26 PM
To: Ernest Price
Subject: RE: Integrity Commissioner RFP

Dear Mr. Price,

With your consent, may I forward your email request to the Office of the City Clerk for response and inclusion on an agenda in the weeks to come.

I await your reply.

Thank you,

Catherine Monast

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From: Ernest Price
Sent: 2012/05/09 3:59 PM
To: Catherine Monast
Subject: RE: Integrity Commissioner RFP

Catharine Monast,

RE: RFP Integrity Commissioner

Receipt of the "General RFP" is acknowledged and appreciated; however, not precisely what I was looking for.

Perhaps my request was not specific; I am more interested in the process, qualifications, and criteria to be applied in putting into place an Integrity Commissioner for the City of Mississauga and the independence of oversight with respect to scope of investigation and how broad the mandate is as to who/what can/will be investigated-and under what conditions and or terms.

The Mississauga City Council Code of Conduct in existence for months not years clearly demonstrates serious flaws in several areas of transparency and accountability in dealing with gifts, expenses, and what is reporting; one can hardly but find it a joke when a council member charges the taxpayer for his morning newspaper under the guise of it being a requirement to help him do his job. The use of "Blackberry Data Phones" during Council Meetings as being a requirement to do ones job is even more ludicrous- one could ask how they did their job when Blackberry Phones were not in existence! Such council member arguments are little more than escape vacuums for an insecure individual. The politics of council members and their political/social/working environment is even less clear and needs to be further clarified. No gifts of any value should be accepted and or if council members feel doing their job without them is strained; that raises an interesting question.

Council members were elected to represent the taxpayer's best interest in its use of taxpayer dollars and to act in respect of the public's best interest at all times; that does not mean seeking loopholes to avoid/evade transparency and accountability through forced in-camera sessions on subject matters the council does not want to inform the public on and or be held accountable for.

This council to be somewhat candid is dragging its feet and screaming with protests to move this process forward in a timely manner and to provide the fully public open forum it deserves in respect of the events that have evolved in the past two to three years at City Council.

Mandate, Scope and independence of oversight is crucial to this position; any devolution of process that serves to detract from the Integrity Commissioner's ability to investigate and report the findings in a public way is indeed a total waste of taxpayer dollars- not value for money spent, and does not serve the public interest.

It is hoped these observations/comments will serve to offer you some perspective and context to the interest of my request.

One will await your response prior to moving the file further up the structure/process.

Your cooperation and assistance is appreciated.

Sincerely,
E. Price

From: Catherine Monast [<mailto:Catherine.Monast@mississauga.ca>]
Sent: May-07-12 3:15 PM
To: Ernest Price
Subject: RE: Integrity Commissioner RFP

Dear Mr. Price

The RFP posting can be accessed through the City's website, under Business/tenders and bids.

http://www.biddingo.com/*.main?toPage=mississauga/StSupplierTenderDetail.jsp&bidOrgId=11003030&tndrId=1001611

Also I have attached a PDF of the RFP to this email.

Thank you,
Catherine

From: Ernest Price
Sent: 2012/05/07 11:57 AM
To: Catherine Monast
Subject: Integrity Commissioner RFP

Catharine Monast, Team Leader Media/External Communications,

The purpose for my contact is to seek access to a copy of the RFP issued by the city of Mississauga on Friday, April 13, 2012 for an Integrity Commissioner on a part-time as required five year period.

A search of the City of Mississauga website has failed to locate a copy and since this is a public service position to be paid for by tax dollars it begs the question why this document is not readily available for scrutiny.

It would be appreciated if you could point me in the right direction and or, provide a copy of said document.

In advance thank you for your any co-operation and or assistance provided.

Sincerely,

E. Price,