



## **COMMUNITY SERVICES/ DUFFERIN OAKS COMMITTEE ADDENDUM**

**Thursday, March 28, 2013 - 4 p.m.  
Mel Lloyd Centre, 167 Centre Street, Entrance "C"  
Emergency Operations Centre, Shelburne**

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### **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

#### **10. COMMUNITY SERVICES/DUFFERIN OAKS – March 28, 2013 - ITEM #10 Former Shelburne Hospital Conversion Project**

A report from the Director dated March 28, 2013 to provide the Committee with survey results from tenants currently residing in the McKelvie Burnside Village and how their comments/recommendations will assist with unit design during the Shelburne Hospital Conversion Project.

***Recommendation:***

***THAT the report from the Director dated March 28, 2103 with respect to the McKelvie Burnside Village Survey and Shelburne Hospital Conversion Considerations be received.***



## REPORT TO COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

**To:** Chair Crewson and Members of Community Services Committee  
**From:** Keith Palmer, Director of Community Services  
**Date:** March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013  
**Subject:** **McKelvie Burnside Village Survey and Shelburne Hospital Conversion Considerations**

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### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to provide council with survey results from tenants currently residing in the McKelvie Burnside Village and how their comments/recommendations will assist with unit design during the Shelburne Hospital Conversion Project.

### **Background & Discussion**

In September 2012, residents of the McKelvie Burnside Village were surveyed and asked to comment on their current units and what would be ideal design features when considering future social housing development projects for seniors and those with disabilities.

Surveys were provided to 22 residents in the McKelvie Burnside Village. Of the 22 surveys provided, a response rate of 50% was realized totaling 11 surveys being returned.

Survey results were shared with the Director of Community Services who during the planning stages of the hospital conversion would have those comments considered by the Architect. The comments below capture a summary of the responses provided by residents for consideration:

- L shaped kitchens are hard to get around with wheelchair
- install showers as they are easier for seniors to use
- install light above the sink
- install different tile in bathroom, existing tile (small squares) is too hard to clean
- install more storage in bathroom (sink vanity)
- install oven with glass door and light in oven
- don't install carpets, tiles or vinyl are easier to clean
- reinforce ceilings for lifts
- install plug near phone jack in bathroom
- widen doors and hallways for wheelchairs

- install lighter doors on closets, current doors are too heavy to slide
- install grab bars near toilets and showers
- proper drainage needed in bathroom to avoid water pooling on floor
- install protectors on all corners to avoid damage caused by wheelchairs

In consultation with the Architect all comments have been considered. The following list will demonstrate the steps that will be taken in the hospital conversion to address the comments/recommendations provided in the September 2012 resident survey.

- Barrier free kitchens are “galley” type. All others are L shaped but larger than the current items found in McKelvie Burnside
- Ovens are chosen by County Staff and consideration will be given to ovens with glass and lights
- Bathrooms in the hospital conversions are all showers with small benches and removable “wand” shower head combos
- All bathroom floors are specified as Armstrong commercial sheet flooring and should address issues related to maintenance
- Sinks in bathrooms will be installed in small vanities allowing for storage
- Units will carry lights over sinks in washrooms and kitchens
- Barrier free units are shown to have floor drains to address pooling
- The addition of plugs near phone jacks in bathroom can be provide
- Currently barrier free units have been designed with grab bars. Grab bars can be considered for other units as well.
- There are no carpets being proposed in the units. Low maintenance environmentally friendly sheets or tile floors are being considered
- Floors/ceilings currently exist in the building. Some areas will permit lifts but not all
- All door openings to suites, washroom and master bedroom satisfy barrier free requirements and are 30” (900mm) wide
- All closet doors are swing type. There will be no slider doors installed. This will address challenges with heavy doors.
- Corner protectors can be installed in all units; initially consideration will be given to barrier free units.

**Local Municipal Impact**

None

**Financial, Staffing, Legal, or IT Considerations**

None

**Recommendation**

**THAT** the report of the Director, Community Services dated March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 - McKelvie Burnside Village Survey and Shelburne Hospital Conversion Considerations be received for information purposes.

Respectfully submitted by,

Keith Palmer  
Director, Community Services.