CITY OF VAUGHAN

REPORT NO. 3 OF THE

AUDIT AND OPERATIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

For consideration by the Council of the City of Vaughan on November 24, 2009

The Audit and Operational Review Committee met at 1:05 p.m., on November 16, 2009.

Present: Regional Councillor Gino Rosati, Chair

Regional Councillor Mario F. Ferri

Councillor Bernie Di Vona Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco

Also Present: Councillor Peter Meffe (2:05 p.m.)

The following items were dealt with:

1 INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT OF CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS

The Audit and Operational Review Committee recommends:

- 1) That the corrective action recommendations contained in the following report of the City Auditor, dated November 16, 2009, be implemented; and
- 2) That the City Manager, in consultation with appropriate staff, review the functions and reporting structure of the Corporate Communications Department and report back to the Audit and Operational Review Committee.

Recommendation

The City Auditor recommends to the Audit and Operational Review Committee:

That the Internal Audit Report of Corporate Communications be received.

2 INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT OF THE PROPERTY TAX DEPARTMENT

The Audit and Operational Review Committee recommends:

- 1) That the corrective action recommendations contained in the following report of the City Auditor, dated November 16, 2009 be implemented, except where there is a disagreement; and
- 2) That in the case of such disagreement, the Director and the City Auditor be directed to resolve the disagreement in a mutually satisfactory manner and if not resolved, the matter be brought back to the Audit and Operational Review Committee.

REPORT NO. 3 OF THE AUDIT AND OPERATIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION BY COUNCIL, NOVEMBER 24, 2009

Recommendation

The City Auditor recommends:

That the Internal Audit Report of the Property Tax department be received.

3 REPORT BY THE CITY AUDITOR WITH RESPECT TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT REGARDING THE MAYOR'S CITY-RELATED EXPENSES FOR 2007

The Audit and Operational Review Committee recommends:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Auditor, dated November 16, 2009, be approved;
- 2) That the Chair of the Audit and Operational Review Committee and appropriate staff be requested to review and resolve the outstanding issues with the Mayor; and
- 3) That the deputation of Ms. Carrie Liddy, 36 Humberview Drive, Woodbridge, L4H 1B1, and written submission dated November 16, 2009, be received and referred to staff for a report on the issue raised by the deputant on the exercising of public rights.

Recommendation

The City Auditor recommends:

That Attachment 1 of this report, being the City Auditor's response for Clauses 3 and 4 of Item 1, Report No. 1 Audit and Operational Review Committee, adopted at the Council Meeting of June 15, 2009, be approved.

4 PRELIMINARY DRAFT COUNCIL MEMBER EXPENSE POLICY

The Audit and Operational Review Committee recommends:

- 1) That the preliminary draft Council Member Expense Policy be received and referred to the next available Committee of the Whole (Working Session) meeting;
- 2) That staff provide a report on the process, including timeframes and the proposed establishment of a task force;
- 3) That the preliminary draft Council Member Expense Policy be posted on the City's website as soon as possible and that the public be encouraged to provide comments;
- 4) That the following report of Regional Councillor Rosati, dated November 16, 2009, be received;
- 5) That the deputation of Ms. Carrie Liddy, 36 Humberview Drive, Woodbridge, L4H 1B1, and written submission dated November 16, 2009, be received.

Recommendation

Regional Councillor Gino Rosati recommends:

That the preliminary draft Council Member Expense Policy be received for discussion. That staff finalize the Council Member Expense Policy prior to year-end.

REPORT NO. 3 OF THE AUDIT AND OPERATIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION BY COUNCIL, NOVEMBER 24, 2009

5 NEW BUSINESS – INCLUSION OF OVERALL ASSESSMENT RATING IN <u>FUTURE AUDIT REPORTS</u>

The Audit and Operational Review Committee recommends that future audit reports also include an overall assessment rating of the findings and that the City Auditor and senior management be requested to develop the reporting format.

The foregoing matter was brought to the attention of the committee by Regional Councillor Rosati.
The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Regional Councillor Gino Rosati, Chair