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Item No. 4 Closed Captioning of Council Meetings - Contract Renewal
File CR-3

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On March 9, 2005, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Access Advisory Committee and submits the following to Council:

1. That a two-year sole-source contract be awarded to The Captioning Group for the provision of real time captioning services for City Council Meetings, with funding allocated from the existing Sign Language Interpreter Account.

2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On March 9, 2005, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Access Advisory Committee and submitted the matter to Council.

ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On February 15, 2005 the Access Advisory Committee recommended that the Executive Policy Committee give favourable consideration to renewing, for a two-year term, the contract with The Captioning Group for the provision of real time captioning services for City Council Meetings, with funding allocated from the existing Sign Language Interpreter Account.

COUNCIL:

On January 28, 2004, Council adopted Item 1 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated January 21, 2004, and awarded a contract to The Captioning Group for the provision of real time captioning services for City Council Meetings in 2004.

The Access Advisory Committee has been asked to consider recommending to the Executive Policy Committee that the contract with The Captioning Group for the provision of real time captioning services for City Council Meetings be renewed for a two-year term, with funding allocated from the Sign Language Interpreter Account.