



**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA**  
**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**AGENDA 6-2005**

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**Monday, March 7, 2005**  
**3:00 p.m., Committee Room 4**  
**Regional Headquarters**  
**2201 St. David's Road**  
**Thorold, Ontario**

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**1. PRESENTATIONS**

Dominic Ventresca, Acting Commissioner, Community Services  
Catherine Mindorff, Co-Chair  
Susan Speck, Co-Chair  
Re: Community Services Quality Council

Catherine Mindorff, Peace Bridge Newcomers Group  
Re: Newcomer Employment Strategy – Niagara Project Advisory Group  
(Refer to COM 29-2005.)

**2. COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

COM 29-2005      Employment and Newcomers in Niagara: Social Assistance  
Caseload Information and Cost Analysis

Oral Report:      Dominic Ventresca, Acting Commissioner, Community Services  
Region's role in implementing the Provincial Best Start Initiative

**3. JOINT REPORTS**

COM 30-2005  
/CSD 36-2005      Request for Capital Budget Allocation and financing  
Approval for the 2005 Community Services Capital Program

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

CSC 4-2005      Memo from Dominic Ventresca regarding "The Strong  
Communities Rent Supplement Program"  
(staff direction regarding COM 16-2005, February 7, 2005)

**5. MINUTES**

2-2005      Minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee Ontarians  
with Disabilities Act meeting of February 16, 2005

**6. NEXT MEETING**

Monday, April 4, 2005 at 3:00 p.m., C.R. 4, Regional Headquarters

Pam Gilroy  
Regional Clerk/Associate Director of Corporate Strategy