

Agenda

Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee

9th Meeting of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee

September 5, 2024, 3:00 PM

Committee Room #3

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Report

The 8th Meeting of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee
August 1, 2024

Attendance PRESENT: W. Brown (Chair), M. Blosch, K. Coulter, A. Hames, A. Hayes, N. Karsch, M. Rist, M. Toplack and J. Bunn (Acting Committee Clerk)

ABSENT: L. Armstrong and M. Love

ALSO PRESENT: M. McBride

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 PM; it being noted that W. Brown, K. Coulter, A. Hames, A. Hayes, N. Karsch and M. Toplack were in remote attendance.

1. Call to Order

1.1 Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

That it BE NOTED that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

2. Scheduled Items

None.

3. Consent

3.1 7th Report of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee

That it BE NOTED that the 7th Report of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee, from the meeting held on July 4, 2024, was received.

4. Sub-Committees and Working Groups

4.1 Sub-Committee Update – Dog Friendly London

That it BE NOTED that a verbal update from M. Rist, with respect to the Dog Friendly London Sub-Committee, was received.

5. Items for Discussion

5.1 Procedure Reminder – Speak Through the Chair

That it BE NOTED that a verbal reminder with respect to speaking through the chair at meetings was received.

5.2 Further Edits to the Canada Geese Recommendations

That the attached Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee Recommendations Related to Canada Geese document and Habitat Modification and Canada Geese Source Book BE FORWARDED to the Civic Administration for their consideration.

5.3 AWCAC Banner

That, subject to the approval of the Strategic Communications Division, the printing of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee Banner BE APPROVED.

5.4 Pawloosa – Preparations to Attend and Materials for Event

That it BE NOTED that the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee held a general discussion with respect to preparations to attend Pawloosa.

5.5 Rotenticide Awareness Education Sub-Committee Formation

That the matter of Rodenticide Awareness Education Sub-Committee Formation BE DEFERRED to the September meeting of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:07 PM.



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July 24, 2024

V. Morgado
Senior Manager, Fleet and Facilities

I hereby certify that the Municipal Council, at its meeting held on July 23, 2024, resolved:

That the following actions be taken with respect to the 6th and 7th Reports of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee (AWCAC):

a) the following actions be taken with respect to the 6th Report of the AWCAC, from the meeting held on June 6, 2024:

i) the following actions be taken with respect to Rodenticide use in City facilities:

A) the Senior Manager of Facilities BE INVITED to attend a future Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee meeting prior to the City renewing its contract for pest control service in 2025 to review the scope of the contract and discuss alternative strategies to use of poison at municipal facilities; and,

B) a Working Group BE ESTABLISHED to prepare recommendations for print and online communications to support public education about best practices to prevent rodent infestations and apply rodent exclusion methods at residential buildings;

it being noted that the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee received a communication from the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee and the Environmental Stewardship and Action Community Advisory Committee and held a general discussion with respect to these matters;

ii) clauses 1.1, 3.1, 5.1, 5.2 and 5.4 to 5.6 BE RECEIVED;

b) the 7th Report of the AWCAC from the meeting held on July 4, 2024 BE RECEIVED. (2.2/9/CPSC)

M. Schulthess
City Clerk
/ec

cc: Chair and Members, Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee

Motion:

That the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee RECOMMEND that

- a) the City create a new page on the website with information for the public about common pests in buildings including rodents and about preventative control methods;
- b) the City print information stickers for pest-prone areas of buildings such as cafeterias and waste storage facilities to raise awareness of preventative control methods;
- c) That the civic administration be requested to attach this report from the working group to the Community and Protective Services Committee agenda.

Recommended design for information stickers:

- Based on the existing “toilets are not garbage cans sticker” design already printed by the city
- AWCAC can provide the raw design file to staff or make requested adjustments



Relevant existing pages on the City of London website do not mention building pests

<https://london.ca/living-london/community-services/animal-pet-services/wildlife-city>

<https://london.ca/living-london/water-environment/trees/pest-diseases>

AWCAC recommends that civic administration refer to the following pages from other jurisdictions for suggestions of copy for the City of London website

<https://www.toronto.ca/city-government/public-notices-bylaws/bylaw-enforcement/property-standards-keep/rodent-control/>

<https://www.regionofwaterloo.ca/en/living-here/pests.aspx#Rodents>

<https://www.hamilton.ca/home-neighbourhood/house-home/pest-control>

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/pesticides-pest-management/legislation-consultation/rodenticide-ban>

<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/pest-control-tips/rats-mice.html>

(referenced by the Middlesex London Health Unit [here](#))

From: Scherr, Kelly <kscherr@london.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2024 2:12 PM
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Mach-Fell, Carmen <cmachfel@london.ca>
Subject: Follow Up on CPSC/AWCAC Regarding Canada Geese

Hi Jerri,

At its meeting on August 12, 2024, the 8th Report of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee (AWCAC) from August 1, 2024 was considered. This report included recommendations that the following actions be taken:

- The AWCAC recommendations related to Canada geese and the "Habitat Modification and Canada Geese" source book be provided to Civic Administration for their consideration
- Civic Administration be directed to provide the available information to the City Clerk's Office for distribution with respect to complaints regarding Canadian Geese, including the location of complaints and the frequency of geese and human conflict.

The AWCAC recommendations related to Canada geese and the "Habitat Modification and Canada Geese" source book have both been shared with the appropriate directors in Environment & Infrastructure, Neighbourhood & Community Wide Services, Finance Support (Fleet & Facilities) and Planning & Economic Development for consideration by their teams.

Further to the request for all available information related to the location and frequency of complaints about geese and human conflict, Service London has provided a summary of all service requests containing the words "goose" or "geese" from January 2021 to August 24, 2024 as follows:

Year	Location	Description
2021	Victoria Park	Geese and geese feces on pathways, requesting for sidewalk cleaners throughout the park
2022	Victoria Park	Geese feces at park, daily maintenance concern
	Victoria Park	Suggested powerwashing side of walls at park to remove geese feces and also suggested to bring dogs to park to chase geese away similar to at golf courses
	Springbank Park	Concerns regarding the number of geese in the area and what can be done
	Hyde Park Road	Lots of geese crossing Hyde Park Rd, requesting for 'Geese Crossing Caution' signs on each side of the road across from Hyde Park Village Green
2023	Riverbend Park	Too many geese at Riverbend Park, splash pad and basketball court had geese feces that required clean-up
	Riverbend Park	Geese feces on walkway from entrance at Kains Rd and Riverbend Rd. Geese feces on playground area walkway, splash pad and basketball courts

2024	Private Property Address	Geese feeding station at a specific property - excessive feeding area complaint
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Please feel free to share this information with CPSC, AWCAC or any other interested parties.

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