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Corporate Services Committee

17th Meeting of the Corporate Services Committee

October 12, 2021, 12:00 PM

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7. Adjournment

Report to Corporate Services Committee

To: Chair and Members
Corporate Services Committee
From: Cathy Saunders, City Clerk
Subject: 2021 Council Compensation Review Task Force
Meeting on: October 12, 2021

Recommendation

That, on the recommendation of the City Clerk, the appointment of following individuals to the 2021 Council Compensation Review Task Force BE RATIFIED:

- a) Dan Ross
- b) Joe Lyons
- c) Christene Scrimgeour
- d) Jeff Tudhope,
- e) Don Bryant

Analysis

1.0 Background Information

At the Municipal Council Meeting held on May 25, 2021 resolved as follows:

“That the following actions be taken with respect to the 2021 Council Compensation Review Task Force:

- a) the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to commence the 2021 Council Compensation Review Task Force review based on the Terms of Reference as appended to the staff report as Appendix “A”; and,
- b) the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to invite the members of the 2016 Council Compensation Review Task Force to undertake the 2021 update based on the Terms of Reference noted in a) above.(2.2/8/CSC) (2021-M09)”

Attached as Appendix “A” is the above-noted Terms of Reference for the 2021 Council Compensation Review Task Force. The Terms of Reference provides for the City Clerk to choose the Members of the Task Force and to have those appointments ratified by Municipal Council.

The Civic Administration reached out to Members of the 2016 Council Compensation Review Task Force to request that they undertake the 2021 Review. The only individual available to serve from the 2016 Task Force is Dan Ross. The remaining members did not have time availability to devote to this Review. As a result, the City Clerk reached out to individuals who had similar backgrounds and experience to those individuals who served on the 2016 Task Force.

In accordance with the Terms of Reference, the following names are being brought forward for ratification with respect to appointments to the 2021 Council Compensation Review Task Force:

- Dan Ross
- Joe Lyons
- Christene Scrimgeour
- Jeff Tudhope
- Don Bryant

Biographies of the above-noted individuals are attached to this report as Appendix “B”.

2.0 Financial Impact/Considerations

None.

3.0 Conclusion

As you will see from the appended biographies, the recommended individuals have varying and well-rounded experience and background in academic, human resources, non-profit, public policy, business and public office sectors. These individuals are to be commended for their willingness to serve the London community by participating on the 2021 Council Compensation Review Task Force.

Prepared and Recommended by:

Cathy Saunders, City Clerk

APPENDIX “A”

TERMS OF REFERENCE

2021 COUNCIL COMPENSATION REVIEW TASK FORCE

COMPOSITION:

Voting Members:

Five members to be chosen by the City Clerk of the City of London and subject to ratification by Municipal Council.

TERM OF OFFICE:

The Council Compensation Review Task Force shall commence its work as soon as possible and be disbanded upon submission of its Final Report to the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee by no later than March 31, 2022.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Members of the Task Force will be chosen by the City Clerk and ratified by Municipal Council using all appropriate Council policies and procedures, and be reflective of the relevant principles contained within the Strategic Plan. Within these parameters, the Clerk will have full discretion over the selection process, subject to ratification by Municipal Council, including the determination and assessment of candidate qualifications. Members of the Civic Administration are not eligible to serve as members of the Task Force.

The Chair and Vice-Chair are elected by the Task Force from among its Members, at its first meeting

MEETINGS:

The first meeting shall be called by the City Clerk. Subsequent meetings shall be at the call of the Chair, in consultation with the Task Force Clerk.

DUTIES:

The Council Compensation Review Task Force reports to the Municipal Council, through the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee.

The Task Force shall be responsible for reviewing and providing recommendations with respect to the Councillors' compensation, including:

- a) the review of the most recent median full time employment income data for Londoners;
- b) review, consider and continue work on the recommendations of any previous Council Compensation Review Task Force that the Task Force feels are relevant;
- c) making recommendations regarding implementation of any changes in compensation, which may include phasing in and indexing.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES:

1. No Councillor should seek to serve in public office solely for financial gain. The key motivation should be to serve and improve the well-being of the citizens of London.
2. The system of remuneration must be transparent, open and easily understandable.
3. Remuneration needs to be sensitive to local market conditions, recognizing that the role of Councillor is neither a full-time nor part-time role, but rather a unique role.
4. Fair compensation that is reflective of the legislative responsibilities and day-to-day duties undertaken to fulfil the role of a municipal Councillor.

VACANCIES:

The same procedure is followed as for the initial appointment of members to the Council Compensation Review Task Force.

REMUNERATION:

No remuneration is paid to the Council Compensation Review Task Force members.

APPENDIX “B”

Dan Ross

Dan Ross is a retired London lawyer and local business owner who has served on many community organizations, including the London Health Sciences Foundation and the Richard Ivey School of Business. He continues to be strongly engaged in various local volunteer opportunities. Mr. Ross has also served as a Commissioner on Ontario’s Health Services Restructuring Commission.

In addition to his legal and business expertise, Mr. Ross has diverse skills covering such areas as Planned Giving, Stewardship, Fundraising, Annual Giving, Event Management, Philanthropy, Volunteer Management, Strategic Planning, Non-profits, Leadership, Coaching, Event Planning Community Development, Community Outreach, Grant Writing, Strategic Communications, Media Relations, Leadership Development, Public Relations, Public Speaking, Board Development, Prospect Research, Corporate Communications and Marketing Communications.

Mr. Ross served as the Chair of the 2016 Council Compensation Review Task Force and is currently appointed as a City of London Hearing’s Officer and is a Member of the City’s Municipal Elections Compliance Audit Committee.

Joe Lyons

Joe Lyons is an assistant professor and Director of the Local Government Program in the Department of Political Science at Western University in Ontario, Canada. His research and teaching interests are in the areas of multilevel governance, local government, and public administration and policy.

Christene Scrimgeour

Christene Scrimgeour is managing partner of Scrimgeour & Company CPA, Professional Corporation. The firm was established in 1998 and currently audits thirteen municipalities in Southwestern Ontario, as well as many not-for-profit organizations, registered charities and foundations. In addition, the firm provides extensive tax, accounting and advisory services. Ms. Scrimgeour’s professional activities include teaching A.M.C.T.O. courses and delivering speeches at various municipal functions. She attends Municipal Finance Officers Association’s (MFOA) annual conference and CPA Ontario PSAB courses.

Ms. Scrimgeour is a member of CPA Ontario’s Practice Inspection Committee and past founding member of CPA Ontario’s Small Practice Committee.

Ms. Scrimgeour is appointed as a City of London Hearings Officer and is a Member of the City’s Municipal Elections Compliance Audit Committee.

Jeff Tudhope

Jeff Tudhope is a graduate of the Master of Industrial Relations program at Queen’s University and has over 10 years of experience as a Human Resources and Labour Relations professional, with expertise in the area of compensation.

Don Bryant

Don Bryant is a retired Partner (Retired) of the law firm of McKenzie Lake, Lawyers LLP. Mr. Bryant also serves or has served on a number of community boards and Committees as follows:

- Tourism London,
- the Greater London International Airport Authority
- Past chair of the capital campaign cabinet for St. Joseph’s Hospice of London
- Past President and Board member London Chamber of Commerce

- Chaired the 2010 Task Force on City Council compensation review
- Member of the 2009 Governance Task Force for the City of London
- Past President and Chair of Thames Valley Family Service
- City of London Hearings Officer

Report to Corporate Services Committee

To: Chair and Members
Corporate Services Committee
From: Cathy Saunders, City Clerk
Subject: Various By-law Amendments to Implement Organizational Structure Change
Meeting on: October 12, 2021

Recommendation

That on the recommendation of the City Clerk, the following action be taken with respect to various By-law amendments to implement organizational structure changes:

- a) the proposed attached by-law (Appendix “A”), being “A by-law to amend By-law No. A.-7922-3, entitled “A by-law to approve a Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services Funding Agreement Template; and to authorize the Managing Director, Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services, or in their absence the Manager IV Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services, to approve and execute agreements using the Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services Agreement Template” to reflect the current organizational structure”, BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on October 26, 2021;
- b) the proposed attached by-law (Appendix “B”) being “A by-law to amend By-law No. A.-6945-139, being “A by-law to establish the Child Care and Early Childhood Development Reserve Fund” to reflect the current organizational structure”, BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on October 26, 2021; and,
- c) the proposed attached by-law (Appendix “C”) being “A by-law to amend By-law No. A.-7100-150, as amended, being “A by-law to approve Service Contracts/Agreements, Schedules, and Amendments with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario with respect to Social Services; and to authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute these Contracts/Agreements” to reflect the current organizational structure”, BE INTRODUCED as the Municipal Council meeting to be held on October 26, 2021;
- d) the proposed attached by-law (Appendix “D”) being “A by-law to amend By-law No. A.-7551-146, being “A By-law to approve the Contribution Agreement between The Corporation of the City of London and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, as represented by the Federal Minister of Health through the Public Health Agency of Canada; and to authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the Agreement” to reflect the current organizational structure”, BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on October 26, 2021; and
- e) the proposed attached by-law (Appendix “E”) being “A by-law to amend By-law No. A.-7253-138, being “A by-law to approve and adopt the standard form Children’s Services Wage Enhancement Grant Agreement and to delegate authority to the Managing Director, Neighbourhood Children and Fire Services as Administrator, *Day Nurseries Act* to insert information, amend the Schedules and execute agreements which employ this form” to reflect the current organizational structure, BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on October 26, 2021.

Executive Summary

As a result of the recently approved organizational structure change, the ongoing review of current By-laws to ensure that the By-laws reflect to current organizational structure has resulted in the need for five additional By-laws to be amended to reflect organizational change with respect to Child Care, EarlyON Child and Family Centres matter now falling under Social and Housing Development instead of Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services.

Analysis

1.0 Background Information

Municipal Council approved a new Corporate structure, which came into effect on May 4, 2021. The resulting changes to service areas and job titles were incorporated into a number of By-law amendments brought forward to the August 30, 2021 Corporate Services Committee for consideration that were subsequently enacted by Municipal Council at the meeting held on September 14, 2021. As noted in the August 30, 2021 staff report, it was and is anticipated that as the implementation of the new Corporate structure continues, additional By-law amendments may be required. As part of this ongoing process, the following five By-laws require amendments in order to reflect the organizational structure changes to reflect that the responsibilities for these matters now lies with the Social and Health Development and the Deputy City Manager, Social and Health Development:

- the Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services Funding Agreement By-law A.-7922-3.
- the Child Care and Early Childhood Development Reserve Fund By-law No. A.-6945-139.
- the Service Contracts/Agreements, Schedules, and Amendments with Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario with respect to Social Services By-law No. A.-7100-150, as amended.
- the Contribution Agreement between The Corporation of the City of London and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada as represented by the Federal Minister of Health through the Public Agency of Canada for funding under the communityaction program for children, Families First – CAPC project By-law No. A.-7551-146.
- the Children's Services Wage Enhancement Grant Agreement By-law No. A.-7253-138.

2.0 Financial Impact/Considerations

None.

3.0 Conclusion

As the implementation of the new Corporate structure continues, the Civic Administration will continue to review current By-laws to ensure that all By-laws have been updated appropriately to reflect new Corporate structure.

Prepared and Recommended by:

Cathy Saunders, City Clerk

APPENDIX "A"

Bill No.
2021

By-law No. A.-

A by-law to amend By-law No. A.-7922-3, being "A by-law to approve a Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services Funding Agreement Template; and to authorize the Managing Director, Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services, or in their absence the Manager IV Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services, to approve and execute agreements using the Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services Agreement Template" to reflect the current organizational structure.

WHEREAS subsection 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, provides that a municipal power shall be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS the City and the Province of Ontario have entered into an Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement for the purposes of funding Ontario Child Care and EarlyON Child and Family Centres;

AND WHEREAS sections 9 and 10 and 23.1 through 23.5 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* authorize a municipality to delegate its powers and duties under this or any other Act to a person or body;

AND WHEREAS under section 2 of Ontario Regulation 138/15 under the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014* ("CCEYA") The Corporation of the City of London is designated as the Service System Manager for the geographic service area of "City of London and County of Middlesex";

AND WHEREAS under section 56 of the *CCEYA*, a service system manager shall: (a) develop and administer local policies respecting the operation of child care and early years programs and services; (c) coordinate the planning and operating of child care and early years programs and services with the planning and provision of other human services delivered by the service system manager; (d) assess the economic viability of the child care and early years programs and services in the service area and, if necessary, make or facilitate changes to help make such programs and services economically viable; (e) perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the regulations;

AND WHEREAS under section 57 of the *CCEYA*, a service system manager may: (a) establish, administer, operate and fund child care and early years programs and services; (c) fund and provide financial assistance for other programs and services prescribed by the regulations that provide or support temporary care for or supervision of children; (d) provide assistance to persons who operate child care and early years programs and services to improve their capabilities in relation to matters such as governance, financial management and the planning and delivery of programs and services; (e) evaluate and assess the impact of public funding; and (f) exercise such other powers as may be prescribed by the regulations;

AND WHEREAS subsection 57(2) of the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014* provides that the City may use its powers under section 9 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* for the purposes of the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014*;

AND WHEREAS subsection 57(4) of the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014* provides that s. 19 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* does not limit a service system manager that is a municipality from exercising its powers under the Act or s. 9 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* throughout its service area;

AND WHEREAS subsection 57(6) of the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014* provides that section 106 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* does not apply with respect to assistance for child care and early years programs and services;

AND WHEREAS section 23.1 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* enables a municipality to delegate certain powers and duties any Act, to a person or body, subject to restrictions set out in the *Municipal Act, 2001*;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council has deemed the delegations herein to be of a minor nature, having regard to the number of people, the size of the geographic area, and the time period affected by the delegation;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council enacted By-law A.-7922-3 on December 10, 2019 to approve a Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services Funding Agreement Template; and to authorize the Managing Director, Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services, or in their absence the Manager IV Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services, to approve and execute agreements using the Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services Agreement Template”;

AND WHEREAS the Council deems it appropriate to amend By-law A.-7922-3 to change the Civic Administration titles to reflect the current organizational structure;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. The Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services Funding Agreement Template By-law No. A.-7922-3, is hereby amended as follows:

- i) by deleting all references to the title “Managing Director, Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services” and by replacing it with the title “Deputy City Manager, Social and Health Development”; and,
- ii) by deleting all references to the following words “or in their absence the Manager IV, Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services” and by replacing them with the following words “or written designate”.

2. This by-law comes into effect on the day it is passed.

Passed in Open Council on October 26, 2021.

Ed Holder
Mayor

Catharine Saunders
City Clerk

First Reading – October 26, 2021
Second Reading – October 26, 2021
Third Reading – October 26, 2021

APPENDIX "B"

Bill No.
2021

By-law No. A.-

A by-law to amend By-law No. A.-6945-139, being "A by-law to establish the Child Care and Early Childhood Development Reserve Fund" to reflect the current organizational structure.

WHEREAS subsection 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, provides that a municipal power shall be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS subsection 10(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* as amended provides that a municipality may provide any service or thing that the municipality considers necessary or desirable for the public;

AND WHEREAS subsection 10(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* as amended provides that a municipality may pass by-laws respecting the financial management of the municipality (paragraph 3) and services or things that the municipality is authorized to provide under subsection 10(1) (paragraph 7);

AND WHEREAS the City of London is designated as the delivery agent for the geographic areas of the City of London and the County of Middlesex under the *Day Nurseries Act*, R.S.O 1990, Chapter D.2;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to establish a child care and early childhood development reserve fund to provide a funding mechanism to meet the future operating and capital funding needs of the City of London's and the County of Middlesex's child care and early learning sectors;

AND WHEREAS the Council considers the establishment of such Child Care and Early Childhood Development Reserve Fund necessary and desirable for the public;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council enacted By-law A.-6945-139 on April 16, 2013 to establish the Child Care and Early Childhood Development Reserve Fund;

AND WHEREAS the Council deems it appropriate to amend By-law A.-6945-139 to change the Civic Administration titles to reflect the current organizational structure ;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. The Child Care and Early Childhood Development Reserve Fund By-law No. A.-6945-139, is hereby amended by deleting the title and words "Managing Director of Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services or designate" and by replacing them with the following title and words "Deputy City Manager, Social and Health Development or their written designate".

2. This by-law comes into effect on the day it is passed.

Passed in Open Council on October 26, 2021.

Ed Holder
Mayor

Catharine Saunders
City Clerk

First Reading – October 26, 2021
Second Reading – October 26, 2021
Third Reading – October 26, 2021

APPENDIX "C"

Bill No.
2021

By-law No. A.-

A by-law to amend By-law No. A.-7100-150, as amended, being "A by-law to approve Service Contracts/Agreements, Schedules, and Amendments with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario with respect to Social Services; and to authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute these Contracts/Agreements" to reflect the current organizational structure.

WHEREAS subsection 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, provides that a municipal power shall be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council enacted By-law A.-7100-150 on April 15, 2014 to establish approve Service Contracts/Agreements, Schedules, and Amendments with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario with respect to Social Services;

AND WHEREAS the Council deems it appropriate to amend By-law A.-7100-150, as amended, to change the Civic Administration titles to reflect the current organizational structure;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. The Service Contracts/Agreements, Schedules, and Amendments with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario with respect to Social Services By-law No. A.-7100-150, as amended, is hereby further amended by deleting the title "Managing Director of Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services" and by replacing it with the title "Deputy City Manager, Social and Health Development".
2. This by-law comes into effect on the day it is passed.

Passed in Open Council on October 26, 2021.

Ed Holder
Mayor

Catharine Saunders
City Clerk

First Reading – October 26, 2021
Second Reading – October 26, 2021
Third Reading – October 26, 2021

APPENDIX "D"

Bill No.
2021

By-law No. A.-

A by-law to amend By-law No. A.-7551-146, being "A By-law to approve the Contribution Agreement between The Corporation of the City of London and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, as represented by the Federal Minister of Health through the Public Health Agency of Canada; and to authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the Agreement" to reflect the current organizational structure.

WHEREAS subsection 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, provides that a municipal power shall be exercised by by-law;

WHEREAS section 2 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c.25 provides that The Corporation of the City of London (the "City") has responsibility for fostering the current and future economic and social well-being of London, and for providing the services and other things that it considers are necessary or desirable for London;

AND WHEREAS section 57 of the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014* states that the City may fund and provide financial assistance for other programs or services prescribed by the regulations that provide or support temporary care for or supervision of children; or that provide assistance to persons who operate child care and early years programs and services to improve their capabilities in relation to matters such as governance, financial management and the planning and delivery of programs and services;

AND WHEREAS subsection 57(2) of the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014* states that the City may use its powers under section 9 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* for the purposes of the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014*;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council enacted By-law A.-7551-146 on May 2, 2017 to approve the Contribution Agreement between The Corporation of the City of London and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, as represented by the Federal Minister of Health through the Public Health Agency of Canada for funding under the community action program for children, Families First – CAPC project;

AND WHEREAS the Council deems it appropriate to amend By-law A.-7551-146 to change the Civic Administration titles to reflect the current organizational structure;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. The Contribution Agreement between The Corporation of the City of London and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada as represented by the Federal Minister of Health through the Public Agency of Canada for funding under the community action program for children, Families First – CAPC project By-law No. A.-7551-146, is hereby amended by deleting the title "Managing Director of Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services" and by replacing it with the title "Deputy City Manager, Social and Health Development".

2. This by-law comes into effect on the day it is passed.

Passed in Open Council on October 26, 2021.

Ed Holder
Mayor

Catharine Saunders
City Clerk

First Reading – October 26, 2021
Second Reading – October 26, 2021
Third Reading – October 26, 2021

APPENDIX "E"

Bill No.
2021

By-law No. A.-

A by-law to amend By-law No. A.-7253-138, being "A by-law to approve and adopt the standard form Children's Services Wage Enhancement Grant Agreement and to delegate authority to the Managing Director, Neighbourhood Children and Fire Services as Administrator, *Day Nurseries Act* to insert information, amend the Schedules and execute agreements which employ this form" to reflect the current organizational structure.

WHEREAS subsection 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, provides that a municipal power shall be exercised by by-law;

WHEREAS pursuant to section 2.2 of the *Day Nurseries Act*, and Ontario Regulation 137/99, the City has been designated as the delivery agent for the geographic area of "City of London and County of Middlesex";

AND WHEREAS the City and Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario, as represented by the Minister of Education ("Ontario") have entered into an agreement ("Provincial Agreement") in which the City agrees to provide services with respect to the *Day Nurseries Act*, which are funded under the *Day Nurseries Act* and/or the *Ministry of Community and Social Services Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.20;

AND WHEREAS subsection 66.1(2) of R.R.O. 1990, Regulation 262 ("Regulation 262") prescribes the services respecting the provision of which the Minister may enter into agreements with delivery agents for the purposes of section 7.2(1) of the *Day Nurseries Act*;

AND WHEREAS subsection 3(2) of the *Day Nurseries Act* provides that the council of a municipality may pass by-laws granting aid to day nurseries, and in subsection 3(3) that a delivery agent may enter into an agreement with the operator of a day nursery for the furnishing of day nursery services for such children as is agreed upon, and the administrator may make expenditures as are necessary for the purpose;

AND WHEREAS subsection 4(1) of the *Day Nurseries Act* provides that the council of a municipality may pass by-laws granting aid to any person providing private-home day care, and in subsection 4(2) that a delivery agent may enter into an agreement with any person for the furnishing of private-home day care, and the administrator may make expenditures as are necessary for that purpose;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council enacted By-law A.-7253-138 on April 28, 2015 to approve and adopt the standard form Children's Services Wage Enhancement Grant Agreement and to delegate authority to the Managing Director, Neighbourhood Children and Fire Services as Administrator, *Day Nurseries Act* to insert information, amend the Schedules and execute agreements which employ this form;

AND WHEREAS the Council deems it appropriate to amend By-law A.-7253-138, to change the Civic Administration titles to reflect the current organizational structure;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. The Children’s Services Wage Enhancement Grant Agreement By-law No. A.-7253-138, is hereby amended by deleting the title and words “Managing Director, Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Service as Administrator, *Day Nurseries Act* or her/his respective written designate” and by replacing them with the following title and words “Deputy City Manager, Social and Health Development or their written designate”.
2. This by-law comes into effect on the day it is passed.

Passed in Open Council on October 26, 2021.

Ed Holder
Mayor

Catharine Saunders
City Clerk

First Reading – October 26, 2021
Second Reading – October 26, 2021
Third Reading – October 26, 2021

September 20, 2021

Chair and Members
Corporate Services Committee

RE: Report on 2021 Association of Municipalities of Ontario Annual Conference

UPDATE:

The 2021 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Annual Conference took place virtually from August 15-18th, with London serving as the “host” city. This note provides a review of London’s participation in the conference, including the City’s ministerial delegations.

Showcasing London at the 2021 AMO Conference

London’s presence at the conference was evident throughout the program, starting with the conference platform itself. Conference activities were accessed through a virtual lobby that featured interactive 360-degree views of RBC Place London, while the virtual exhibit hall was laid out over the same 360-degree-style images of Covent Garden Market.

London video presentations kicked off the opening of the conference, including welcome messages from the Mayor and the Chiefs of Chiefs of Chippewas of the Thames First Nation, Munsee-Delaware Nation, and Oneida Nation of the Thames; a performance of O Canada by London-based vocal quartet The McAuley Boys; and an opening prayer provided by Ron Hill (N’Amerind Friendship Centre).

Conference attendees were able to access London “study tour” videos through an interactive virtual map of London. These videos provided a behind-the-scenes look at City initiatives and tourism attractions, including Bostwick Community Centre, Greenway Wastewater Treatment Centre, and 100 Kellogg Lane. In total, the study tour videos were viewed over 750 times.

A major highlight of the virtual conference was the London Music Office’s “Catch-up Concert”, which invited conference participants to listen to London musical talent following the end of the first day of the program. The stream peaked at over 500 simultaneous viewers, meaning it’s likely more than one third of all conference registrants listened in during the hour. AMO received a lot of positive feedback on the concert, and post-conference survey participants scored it 4.88/5 on average.

London also contributed to conference learning opportunities, including through a session on “Innovative Housing Solutions”. London’s Director of Housing Stability Services, Craig Cooper walked participants through London’s work on ending veterans’ homelessness and using artificial intelligence to identify at-risk residents.

Rounding out London's presence were all the background elements, including social media promotion, a dedicated Tourism London webpage, a City of London exhibition booth, and frequent mentions throughout the conference program.

Overall, there was a lot of positive feedback on London's presence at the conference. While it would have been everyone's preference to host the conference in-person, we were able to make the most of every opportunity to promote our city.

Ministerial Delegations

The AMO annual conference is an important annual event for municipal intergovernmental advocacy due in large part to the opportunity for delegation meetings with a variety of provincial ministers.

London was very well represented in our delegation meetings, and sincere thanks to all the Council colleagues who made exceptional use of the time we had with the Ministers of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Economic Development, Health, Mental Health, Education, and the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of the Environment.

As the conference host, our delegations this year had to balance welcoming the ministers, highlighting the unique solutions and expertise that London offers, as well as underscoring community needs and opportunities for future collaboration between our governments. The London delegation more than rose to the challenge, and all our meetings were exceptional. We've already started to see the benefits of our conversations at AMO, including having the Minister of Education in London for the opening of the Nshwaasnangong Indigenous Child Care and Family Centre last week.

CONCLUSION:

I want to thank all the members of Council, City staff, and community members who worked hard to make London's presence as host city so memorable. I have no doubt that we made a positive impression on conference participants this year, and that London will more than live up to the expectations we set when we host the conference again in 2023.

I appreciate your support as I continue to serve as Chair of the Large Urban Caucus, representing London at the AMO Board, Executive Committee, and at meetings of the Provincial Memorandum of Understanding Table, and I look forward to providing additional updates on AMOs advocacy on behalf of Ontario municipalities.

Respectfully submitted by:

Anna Hopkins
Councillor, Ward 9

Report to Corporate Services Committee

To: Chair and Members
Corporate Services Committee
From: Cathy Saunders, City Clerk
Subject: Filling of Vacancies on Municipal Council
Date: October 12, 2021

Recommendation

That on the recommendation of the City Clerk, the vacancy of the Office of Councillor Ward 13 BE FILLED by means of the appointment of an individual in accordance with section 263(1)(a) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* by the process provided for in the attached Appendix "A".

Analysis

1.0 Background Information

1.1 Previous Reports Related to this Matter
None.

1.2 Legislative Context

As a result of Arielle Kayabaga's recent election as a Federal Member of Parliament, in accordance with section 258(1)3 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* ("MA"), Arielle Kayabaga is no longer eligible to hold office as a Member of Council:

Ineligible

258 (1) The following are not eligible to be elected as a member of a council or to hold office as a member of a council:

3. A member of the Assembly as provided in the *Legislative Assembly Act* or of the Senate or House of Commons of Canada.

As Arielle Kayabaga is now ineligible to hold office, the office Councillor, Ward 13 is deemed to be vacant as provided for in the MA:

Vacant seat

259 (1) The office of a member of council of a municipality becomes vacant if the member,

- (a) becomes disqualified from holding the office of a member of council under section 256, 257 or 258;

Declaration

262 (1) If the office of a member of a council becomes vacant under section 259, the council shall at its next meeting declare the office to be vacant, except if a vacancy occurs as a result of the death of a member, the declaration may be made at either of its next two meetings.

In accordance with section 262(1) of the MA, the Municipal Council declared the office Councillor, Ward 13 vacant at the Municipal Council meeting held on October 5, 2021.

The MA sets out the following with respect to the filling of a vacancy of the office of a Member of Council:

Filling vacancies

263 (1) If a vacancy occurs in the office of a member of council, the municipality shall, subject to this section,

- (a) fill the vacancy by appointing a person who has consented to accept the office if appointed; or
- (b) require a by-election to be held to fill the vacancy in accordance with the Municipal Elections Act, 1996.

Rules applying to filling vacancies

(5) The following rules apply to filling vacancies:

1. Within 60 days after the day a declaration of vacancy is made with respect to the vacancy under section 262, the municipality shall,
 - i. appoint a person to fill the vacancy under subsection (1) or (4), or
 - ii. pass a by-law requiring a by-election be held to fill the vacancy under subsection (1).

Term

264 A person appointed or elected to fill a vacancy under section 263 shall hold office for the remainder of the term of the person he or she replaced.

2.0 Discussion

2.1 Filling the Vacancy

As noted above, provincial legislation provides two options for Municipal Council to consider when filling a council vacancy: appointing an individual that has consented to the appointment and is qualified to hold office; or the holding of a by-election. The City of London does not have a procedure regarding the filling of vacancies on Municipal Council and instead relies on the provisions set out in the *Municipal Act, 2001*. It is within the purview of Municipal Council to determine the process that best fits the circumstances surrounding the vacancy (e.g. position, timing, etc.).

Given that the general Municipal Election is to be held on October 24, 2022 and nominations for that election open on May 1, 2022, Municipal Council may wish to consider implementing an appointment process rather than holding a by-election to fill the Office of Ward 13 vacancy. It is noted that the timelines for a by-election as set out in this report and as determined by the MEA, would result in the vacancy not being filled until early February 2022, three months before nominations open for the regular election. It is also noted that should a by-election be held, resources in the City Clerk's Office that will be focusing on preparing for the regular election, will also need to focus on preparing for a by-election. This will be challenging from a resources and timing perspective.

The City of London did undertake an appointment process in 2014, as a result of the vacancy of the office of Councillor, Ward 5, however in that circumstance, there was no other option available given that the vacancy occurred after March 31st in the year of a regular election. Section 65 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* (MEA) provides for the following:

No by-election after March 31 in year of regular election

65(2) Despite any Act, no by-election shall be held to fill an office that becomes vacant after March 31 in the year of a regular election and no by-election shall be held with respect to a question or by-law after March 31 in the year of a regular election unless it is held in conjunction with a by-election for an office.

Appointment Process

As noted above, the City Clerk recommends that the Municipal Council proceed with an appointment process to fill the vacancy in accordance with a procedure be established by Municipal Council which is discussed later in this report.

In accordance with Section 263(5)(1)(i) of the MA, if a vacancy is to be filled by appointment, it shall be filled within 60 days of declaring the vacancy. If Municipal Council wishes to fill the vacancy in Ward 13 via an appointment process, the appointment would need to be made on or before December 3, 2021.

The City Clerk’s Office previously canvassed a number of municipalities’ processes and has found the following options have been used to fill vacancies on council, other than the Head of Council:

1. Invite applications from any interested qualified elector to be considered for the vacancy and provide applicants with an opportunity to address Municipal Council and respond to questions before a vote is taken.
2. Appoint an eligible candidate from the most recent municipal election who ran for the same office or another office.
3. Appoint any other qualified individual who consents to the appointment.

A draft appointment process has been attached as Appendix “A” to this report for Municipal Council’s consideration.

The following table sets out the vacancy appointment timelines based on the Council Meeting schedule should Municipal Council wish to undertake an appointment process.

FILLING OF VACANCY TIMELINES – APPOINTMENT PROCESS

October 5, 2021	Council declares the office of Ward 13 Councillor vacant
No later than December 3, 2021	Council appoints a person to fill the vacancy (latest Council Meeting to meet the deadline November 16, 2021)

By-election

Although the City Clerk is not recommending that a by-election be held, should the Municipal Council determine otherwise, by-elections are to be conducted by the Clerk in accordance with section 65 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* (MEA). The following section summarizes the requirements under the MEA and MA when holding a by-election to fill a vacancy:

FILLING OF VACANCY TIMELINES – BY-ELECTION PROCESS

October 5, 2021	Council declares the office of Ward 13 Councillor vacant
No later than December 3, 2021 (latest scheduled Council Meeting to meet deadline is November 16, 2021)	Council passes a by-law requiring that a by-election be held to fill the vacancy
No later than February 1, 2022 (2 PM) (based on the by-law passing on December 3, 2021).	Clerk to fix date of Nomination Day not less than 30 days and not more than 60 days after the council of the clerk’s municipality passes a by-law indicating a by-election is required
March 18, 2022 (based on a Nomination Day of February 1, 2022)	Voting day shall be 45 days after nomination day. No election shall be held after March 31 in the year of a regular election.

To assist the Municipal Council, should it be determined that a by-election is to be held, the Civic Administration has prepared following draft motion and the attached proposed by-laws and timelines for Municipal Council’s consideration:

“That the following proposed by-laws BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on October 26, 2021 with respect to the filling of the vacancy of the Office or Ward 13, Council

- a) the attached proposed by-law (Appendix “B”) being “A by-law to provide for a by-election for the office of Councillor, Ward 13” to be held in accordance with the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*;
- b) the attached proposed by-law (Appendix “C”) being “A by-law to establish the dates for advance voting and the hours during which voting places shall be open on those dates for the by-election being held to fill the vacancy of the office of Councillor, Ward 13”;
- c) the attached proposed by-law (Appendix “D”) being “A by-law to authorize the use optical scanning vote tabulators and proxy voting for the by-election being held to fill the vacancy of the office of Councillor, Ward 13”;

it being noted that in accordance with Bill 218, Supporting Ontario's Recovery and Municipal Elections Act, 2020 and in accordance with the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, the by-election to fill the vacancy of the office Councillor, Ward 13 shall be a First Past the Post election; and,

- d) the by-election BE HELD pursuant to section 263(1)(b) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* in accordance with the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* on the timelines set out in the attached Appendix “E”.

Should the Municipal Council pass a by-law to hold a by-election in Ward 13, the City Clerk recommends the following timelines:

FILLING OF VACANCY TIMELINES – 2022 WARD 13 BY-ELECTION

By-law passed to hold a by-election	October 26, 2021
Nomination Period ends (Nomination Day)	December 17, 2021
Advance Voting Day	January 16, 2022
Voting Day	January 31, 2022

By-election Covid-19 Impacts

In response to COVID-19, the City Clerk’s Office has reached out to the Middlesex London Health Unit (MLHU) for guidance regarding hosting a potential by-election within the timelines outlined above. In summary, the MLHU has provided the following guidance:

Encourage physical distancing to be enforced at all polling stations:

- o 2 m distance in line
- o 2 m distance between voting booths
- o Maximize physical distancing between staff
- o Masking required for all staff and voters
- o If polling station is at a school, make sure there is a completely separate entrance and no mixing of students and voters.
- o Ensure line management will be key, particularly given that it will be the winter. The line-up must be controlled and spaced, and no crowding can occur.
- o Hand sanitizer should be abundant.
- o Staff should all be vaccinated.

Should a by-election be held, the City Clerk is recommending that the Ward 13 By-election be conducted with in-person voting with the option to vote by mail. Voters would also have the option to use proxy voting or curbside voting at the polling station. The Elections Office will focus on increased communication to the public about voting

options to ensure a safe and inclusive election process. The Elections Office will work to implement the measures recommended by the MLHU.

3.0 Financial Impact/Considerations

A by-election to fill the vacancy in Ward 13 is estimated to cost between \$165,000 to \$180,000. Costs associated with holding a by-election include but are not limited to election technology, election workers, voting locations, voting supplies (including PPE), voter education and election accessibility. Costs for the by-election would be funded from the Municipal Election Reserve Fund.

If Municipal Council wishes to fill the vacancy by appointment, financial implications are anticipated to be minimal. Costs associated with the attached appointment process in Appendix "A" are estimated to be between \$3,000 - \$3,500. Costs associated with the appointment process would be funded from the Municipal Election Reserve Fund.

Financial Planning and Business Supports has confirmed that the Municipal Election Reserve Fund has sufficient available funding to finance the costs of either a by-election or position appointment.

Conclusion

Given the timing of the regular Municipal Election to be held on October 24, 2022 and the process, resources and costs to carry out a by-election, the City Clerk recommends that the Municipal Council undertake the appointment process to fill the Office of Ward 13 vacancy, rather than requiring that a by-election be held.

Prepared by:	Jeannie Raycroft, Manager, Licensing and Elections
Submitted by:	Sarah Corman, Manager II, Licensing and Elections
Recommended by:	Cathy Saunders, City Clerk

Appendix “A”

Procedure to Appoint a Member of Council to Fill the Vacancy in the office of Councillor, Ward 13 2021

1.0 Definitions

“Absolute Majority” – means fifty percent plus one (50% +1) of the available votes.

“Appointment” shall mean an appointment by Council to fill a vacancy in a Ward seat, in accordance with the *Municipal Act, 2001, c.25*.

“Chair” shall mean the member of Council presiding at the Council meeting at which an appointment to fill the vacancy in a Ward seat is being considered.

“Council” shall mean the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London.

“Council Appointment Meeting” means the regular or special council meeting where Council may appoint a member to fill a vacancy in a Ward seat.

“Member” shall mean a member of the Council.

“Motion” shall mean a proposal by a member for the consideration of Council that is moved by a member and seconded by another member.

“Slate of Nominees” shall mean a list of all individuals who have been nominated, and have consented to that nomination, for appointment to fill a vacancy in a Ward seat.

2.0 General

To be eligible for nomination for appointment to a vacant Ward seat, that individual must be eligible to hold office in accordance with the *Municipal Act, 2001, c.25* and the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* and must not otherwise be disqualified from holding the office.

3.0 Process

The City Clerk shall post a Council Vacancy on the Municipal website and in the local newspaper for up to two (2) consecutive weeks.

Any individuals wishing to be considered for appointment to fill the Council vacancy shall complete an appointment application form approved by the Clerk and will submit the form to the Clerk, in person, by the date and time established.

Any individual wishing to be considered for appointment to fill the Council vacancy will be required to provide identification and qualifying address to the satisfaction of the City Clerk.

The City Clerk shall receive applications from individuals interested in appointment to the vacant Ward 13 seat by _____ on _____. Applicants will be required to provide a signed Declaration of Eligibility, as well as a signed Consent to Nomination. The City Clerk shall certify the eligibility of any applicants to fill the vacancy on the Municipal Council.

The City Clerk shall compile the applications for filling the Ward 13 vacancy and present the list of applicants to the Municipal Council, for its consideration at its meeting to be held at _____, on_____.

If the Official List of Candidate(s) includes only one (1) candidate, the City Clerk will declare the candidate elected by a by-law which will be prepared and submitted to Council for enactment.

If the official list of Candidate(s) includes more than one (1) candidate, voting will be conducted as follows:

All applicants who have consented to their nomination, confirmed their eligibility and whose eligibility has been certified by the City Clerk shall be included on the slate of nominees in alphabetical order, for consideration for appointment.

The Chair will then call for a motion to confirm the slate of nominees, which shall require a majority vote of Council.

The City Clerk shall prepare a ballot listing the Council approved slate of nominees and provide a copy of the ballot to each Member of Council.

Each Council Member may vote for one (1) candidate to be recommended for appointment. All votes will be tabulated electronically by the City Clerk.

The candidate that receives an Absolute Majority of the available votes shall be recommended for appointment.

If after the first round of counting, one candidate does not receive an Absolute Majority of available votes, the candidate(s) who received the least amount of votes and those with zero votes are removed from the slate and the vote is held again until one candidate to be recommended for appointment receives an Absolute Majority of the available votes.

Resolution of tie – recommended candidate

In the event of a tie between two or more candidates who receive the same number of votes, the following procedure shall be followed with any modifications Municipal Council deems necessary:

A run-off vote between the tied candidates shall be conducted and tabulated electronically. The candidate(s) that receive(s) the most votes in the run-off shall be recommended for appointment.

In the event of a tie between the same two or more candidates in a run-off vote, the tie will be resolved by lot as follows and the candidate chosen by lot shall be declared eligible for recommendation:

a) The Clerk shall, in full view of the Committee, write the name of each tied candidate on a similar size paper, fold the papers with each candidate's name in two (2) equal parts and deposit these papers, in full view of all persons present, in an open-end box.

b) The Clerk shall ensure that the contents have been displaced sufficiently, and proceed to draw name(s) for the purpose of determining the candidate(s) who shall be recommended for appointment.

If it becomes apparent by reason of an equality of votes that no candidate can obtain sufficient votes to be recommended for appointment by, Municipal Council may repeat the selection process detailed in this policy with any necessary modifications in order to make a recommendation for appointment.

If it becomes impractical to tabulate the votes electronically, the selection process may be conducted and recorded manually in accordance with this Policy. The manual process shall follow the procedures outlined in this Policy, to the extent possible.

The candidate that achieves the threshold or is the last remaining nominee on the ballot shall be appointed by a majority vote of Council.

APPENDIX “B”

Bill No.
2021

By-law No. E.-_____

A by-law to provide for a by-election for
the office of Councillor, Ward 13

WHEREAS there is a vacancy in the office of Councillor, Ward 13;

AND WHEREAS section 263(5)1.ii. of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended (“*Municipal Act, 2001*”) requires the municipality to pass a by-law requiring a by-election be held to fill the vacancy under section 263(1) within 60 days after the day a declaration of vacancy of an office of a member of council is made with respect to the vacancy under section 259 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*,

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London hereby enacts as follows:

1. That a by-election shall be held to fill the vacancy in the office of Councillor, Ward 13 .
2. This by-law comes into force and effect on the day it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council on October 26, 2021.

Ed Holder
Mayor

Catharine Saunders
City Clerk

First Reading –
Second Reading –
Third Reading –

APPENDIX “C”

Bill No.
2021

By-law No. E.- _____

A by-law to establish the dates for advance voting and the hours during which voting places shall be open on those dates for the by-election being held to fill the vacancy of the office of Councillor, Ward 13.

WHEREAS section 65(3) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, S.O. 1996, c. 32, Sched, as amended (“*Municipal Elections Act, 1996*”), provides that the clerk shall conduct a by-election as far as possible in the same way as a regular election;

AND WHEREAS section 43(1) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* provides that before voting day, each local municipality shall hold an advance vote on one or more dates;

AND WHEREAS subsection 43(2) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, provides that subject to subsection 43(3), the clerk shall establish, the date or dates on which the advance vote is held; the number and location of voting places for the advance vote; and the hours during which the voting places shall be open for the advance vote, which may be different voting places;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. The advance voting date and time for the by-election being held to fill the vacancy of the office of Councillor, Ward 13 shall be held on Saturday, January 16, 2022 from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM.
2. This by-law comes into force and effect on the day it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council on October 26, 2021.

Ed Holder
Mayor

Catharine Saunders
City Clerk

First Reading –
Second Reading –
Third Reading –

APPENDIX “D”

Bill No.
2021

By-law No.

A by-law to authorize the use of poll optical scanning vote tabulators, voting by mail, advance voting and proxy voting for the by-election being held to fill the vacancy of the office of Councillor, Ward 13;

WHEREAS subsection 42(1)(a) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, S.O. 1996, c. 32, Sched, as amended (“*Municipal Elections Act, 1996*”), provides that the council of a local municipality may pass a by-law authorizing the use of voting and vote-counting equipment such as voting machines, voting recorders or optical scanning vote tabulators;

AND WHEREAS subsection 42(1)(b) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, provides that the council of a local municipality may pass a by-law authorizing electors to use an alternative voting method, such as voting by mail, that does not require electors to attend at a voting place in order to vote;

AND WHEREAS subsection 42(5) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, provides that when a by-law authorizing the use of an alternative voting method is in effect, sections 43 (advance vote) and 44 (voting proxies) apply only if the by-law so specifies;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. The use of poll optical scanning vote tabulators for the purpose of counting votes at Municipal Elections is hereby authorized.
2. Sections 43 (Advance Votes) and 44 (Voting Proxy) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, apply to the by-election being held to fill the vacancy of the office of Councillor, Ward 13.
3. The use of voting by mail be provided upon request to qualified voters as an alternative voting method that does not require electors to attend at a voting place in order to vote at Municipal Elections is hereby authorized.
5. This by-law comes into force and effect on the day it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council on October 26, 2021

Ed Holder
Mayor

Catharine Saunders
City Clerk

First Reading –
Second Reading –
Third Reading –

APPENDIX “E”

PROPOSED TIMELINES FOR HOLDING A BY-ELECTION

FILLING OF VACANCY TIMELINES – 2022 WARD 13 BY-ELECTION

Declaration of Vacancy	October 5, 2021
By-law passed to hold a by-election	October 26, 2021
Nomination Period ends (Nomination Day)	December 17, 2021
Advance Voting Day	January 16, 2022
Voting Day	January 31, 2022

From: Patricia Cullimore
Sent: Wednesday, September 22, 2021 1:28 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] John Fyfe-Millar for Interim Ward 13 Councillor

> Dear Members of the Corporate Services Committee,

> I reside in Ward 13. As you know, Arielle Kayabaga has chosen to pursue a career in federal politics leaving our ward without council representation. On last night's London newscast Mayor Ed Holder discussed some options for replacing her. Regarding holding a by-election, I would agree with the Mayor that after this past Monday's vote we are indeed fatigued from an election in general but particularly, one conducted with COVID-19 protocols. Another option Mayor Holder discussed would be for Council to appoint an interim councillor. I would support this option and would advocate John Fyfe-Millar as interim Councillor for Ward 13. I think he would be a good candidate for Council's consideration because:

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> John has experience working at City Hall. I first encountered John as a Chairman for a Committee of Adjustment. My experience was that his adjudication was sensitive and fair to both parties;

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> He resides in our ward and understands the issues as he frequently walks through my neighbourhood en route to City Hall from his home in Black Friars and, has met with members of the North Talbot Community to discuss our concerns regarding noise, garbage, public safety and heritage. As such, he would be an articulate voice for the Downtown Neighbourhood.

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> And, as President of IBFGroup he understands the needs of local businesses.

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> Thank you for considering this appeal.

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> Sincerely and respectfully,

> Patricia Cullimore

From: Heather and Tom Chapman
Sent: Thursday, September 23, 2021 4:45 PM
To: City of London, Mayor <mayor@london.ca>
Cc: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please consider John Fyfe-Millar for Interim Ward 13 Councillor

Dear Mayor Holder,

As a home owning resident of Ward 13 I am writing in support of appointing an interim Ward 13 Councillor in the wake of Kayabaga's departure. I agree with you that there is no need to spend money on a by-election. This is especially prudent when we have a well respected, realistic and capable person in John Fyfe-Millar who is already working with City Hall on various committees, is on Downtown Business Association Board, engaged with the community and who is willing to step in.

If we are going to see the efforts of City Council's Downtown Core Revitalization Plan and other vital projects come to fruition we need to keep moving forward. By having the Ward 13 Councillor seat filled for the duration of the municipal term by John Fyfe-Millar, a seasoned Ward 13 business owner and long time resident, we can achieve this fully, with more fluidity in a shorter time frame than if we leave the seat empty.

The consensus of discussions between businesses and residents in the neighbourhood is that we do need to keep going forward and John Fyfe-Millar is the name that keeps coming up as the person who is most knowledgeable, sensible and fair to all parties to represent Ward 13.

Thank you for your consideration and for all that you do to keep our city safe and progressive.

Sincerely,

Heather D. Chapman
London, On



609 Wellington St.
London, ON
N6A3R6
Canada

To whom it may concern,

We are proud London Downtown business owners and we are concerned that Ward 13 does not currently have any representation on London City Council. As you are aware, there are many issues in our downtown core that require ongoing and immediate attention. John Fyfe-Millar, who finished a strong second in the ranked ballots of our last municipal election, clearly has a strong support from the Ward 13 community. Rather than a by-election, we implore City Council to use the results of the 2018 ranked ballots to fill the vacancy, especially since it is so close to the next municipal election.

We appreciate you allowing us to voice our opinion and we thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Asha Parekh'.

Asha Parekh

Co-Founder and CEO

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Adam Power'.

Adam Power

Co-Founder and CMO

From: **brian lowe**
Date: Mon., Oct. 4, 2021, 5:16 p.m.
Subject: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy
To: <csc@london.ca>

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, and resident of Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

Thank you,

Brian Lowe

Pall Mall

From: Steve Holland
Sent: Monday, October 4, 2021 5:26 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vacant Ward 13 Councillor

To whom it may concern:

I am an employee in Ward 13 and spend much of my time in this Ward and as such feel that I benefit from this greatly as do the constituents of this Ward.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is most qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election. John is the best choice in this matter and I seek your support in making the best decision for London and Ward 13.

Please move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

Thanks for your time and consideration.

Steven Holland

From: Jagoda Hall
Sent: Monday, October 4, 2021 6:02 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, and resident of Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

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Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Grant Edwards
Sent: Monday, October 4, 2021 10:27 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] London Ward 13-Councillor Vacancy

As a resident of Ward 13 London Ontario, I strongly feel the Corporate Services Committee needs to immediately appoint a person from within Ward 13 to fill the vacancy left by former councillor Arielle Kayabaga.

Ward 13 has a majority of downtown businesses plus a diverse representation of residences and cultures. The voice from this Ward needs to be heard and representation needs to be strong and active.

The alternative to hold a by-election makes absolutely no sense, more importantly spending \$160-\$185K is not serving the best interest of the taxpayers of the City of London.

In the 2018 municipal election John Fyfe-Millar was narrowly defeated by 618 votes and he easily outnumbered the 3rd candidate by a huge margin. To appoint someone that is unknown or from outside the Ward is totally wrong and inconsiderate to the residence & business owners of Ward 13.

John Fyfe-Millar is very knowledgeable with the residential & business community. He has experience working within the City Hall environment.

Ward 13 requires a councillor that is dedicated, knowledgeable, and has a passion for the Ward 13 community.

I move to nominate **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacant council seat immediately.

Highest Regards,

Grant Edwards

Picton Street

London , ON

From: joseph fontana
Sent: Tuesday, October 5, 2021 9:44 AM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fw: Ward 13 - revised letter

To members of the committee

As resident of ward 13 it is imperative that we fill this seat vacated as soon as possible .

Ward 13 faces many challenges and having a councillor that is ready to go on day 1 is imperative .

I support the nomination of John fife- Millar, He is qualified , experienced, knowledgeable on the needs of ward 13 and a proven track record of service in our community and ward .

Ward 13 cannot be left unfilled until the next election as important issues need to be resolved .

I urge you to do the right thing . Fill the seat and appoint John Fyfe-Millar as soon as possible .

Respectfully

Joe Fontana

P.s. I consent to this letter being part of public agenda



Re: John Fyfe-Millar Personal Endorsement

As a 30+ year owner of a very active London business, I find myself in attendance at many charitable fund raisers, association meetings and social events. As involved as I try to be, I do not come close to John Fyfe-Millar's involvement with London's social and business structure. I became familiar with John many years ago when he was appointed Treasurer of the Downtown London Association. Since then, I know that he is a key fixture at events and is associated with several local organizations. His passion and involvement for Downtown London is, in my observation, unparalleled. John immerses himself in all things Downtown and I feel he is a perfect candidate as London's representative for our core area.

Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions.

Glenn Avola
President
Signature Graphics (London) Inc.

From: Cheryl Miller
Sent: Tuesday, October 5, 2021 10:42 AM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 replacement

To Whom it may concern:

I would like to send this letter in support of John Fyfe Millar as the councillor in Ward 13.

I have served on a number of volunteer committees and organizations with John over the past 12 years. Today I thoroughly enjoy work with John on the Committee of Adjustment. Because of his leadership and abilities he has chaired this commitment for the past 3 years.

He is always fully prepared and handles all situations from one presenter to many on controversial applications with fairness and finesse.

John has run for Ward 13 he has invested his time and treasure to represent his home ward and he has and continues working for there betterment.

In the last election he was second on the ranked ballot and my hope is he will be the new Councillor for Ward 13.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and I would like this letter attached to the public agenda..

Yours truly

Cheryl Miller

Sent from my iPad

From: Jeff Pease
Sent: Tuesday, October 5, 2021 9:28 AM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Councillor vacancy

To whom it may concern;

As the owner of a business and two residential properties in Ward 13, I would urge you to consider appointing John Fyfe-Millar to the vacant position in our ward. I know he is well qualified and his civic engagement throughout the past several years has proven that he is capable of the responsibility necessary. Our ward has an incredible number of challenges, particularly in the core.

Having received very close to the same amount of votes and finishing a close second in the past election shows the voters ranked him next. Please nominate John to this position. Our ward needs strong leadership.

Regards,
Jeff Pease

From: John Winston
Sent: Tuesday, October 5, 2021 1:27 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] John Fyfe-Miller Appointment

As a resident of London, I firmly believe that Mr. John Fyfe-Miller is the logical and legitimate replacement for the outgoing councillor. I determined this opinion on the fact that not only did he marginally place second in the last municipal election, but his deep and intimate understanding of Ward 13 issues, and the downtown in particular, uniquely qualify him as the best candidate to represent the interests of the Ward and the community as a whole.

I know Mr. Fyfe-Miller to be a fair and reasonable person and whose decision making will be based on authoritative information, void of political preference or favour.

I entreat the Committee to support Mr. Fyfe-Miller's appointment to the remaining term of Council and I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

John Winston

Sent from my iPhone

From: denise.brown
Sent: Tuesday, October 5, 2021 1:32 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 - Councilor Vacancy

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy for Ward 13 on the grounds that:

1. He is qualified and capable
2. Is a strong supporter of Ward 13.
- 3 Understands the issues within the ward.
4. His work in the City of London environment.
5. Was a candidate for Ward 13 in last election

Please consider nominating John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

Regards,

Denise Brown

From: Kosmos Eatery
Sent: Tuesday, October 5, 2021 3:47 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 Councillor

Hello

I am sending this email to show my support for **John Fyfe-Millar**

We support him for ward 13 councillor.

-Kosmos Eatery and Catering

Christopher Dejaegher

Jordan Smeltzer

Owner/Operator

From: Chris Lyons
Sent: Wednesday, October 6, 2021 7:40 AM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL]

To whom it may concern:

As a long time business owner in Ward 13, and with family residing in Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever, not too mention the cost associated with a by-election.
- I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.
Regards, Chris Lyons, Owner, Chris' Country Cuts, Covent Garden Market.

From: Peter Van Geffen
Sent: Wednesday, October 6, 2021 12:09 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 Vacancy

Re: London Ward 13 – Councilor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, and resident of Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

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Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

[“I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda”](#)

Regards,

Peter Van Geffen

Albert St
London, On

From: fabienne
Sent: Wednesday, October 6, 2021 12:56 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home and property owner in Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward.
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

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Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Fabienne Haller



Thursday, October 7th, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter as support for the nomination of John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant council seat for Ward 13.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

I have known John for approximately 10 years. I feel that he is a capable and honest person with the knowledge and experience to fill the position left by this vacancy. John is a keen observer of the transitions downtown businesses have faced, due to construction and Covid restrictions recently. I feel that his love of the core area makes him an exception candidate.

Support for John in the 2018 election was strong; the difference being marginal between he and the vacating counsellor. I believe that wasting taxpayer money with a by-election is a mistake, especially considering John's proven track record of working in the City Hall environment and his on-the-ground perspective of downtown living.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Joe Duby
Owner gNosh Restaurant

From: Nick Niro
Sent: Wednesday, October 6, 2021 2:47 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Ward 13 Vacancy

Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, and resident of London, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continues to be represented at Council for the remainder of the current term following the recent vacancy.

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Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible. **I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.**

Yours truly,

Nick Niro
Capulet Walk
London, ON

From: Colin Hopper
Sent: Wednesday, October 6, 2021 3:02 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Ward 13 Vacancy

Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

While I've copied the following message below, I know John both through business and personally and am certain he will be an amazing replacement for Arielle. Thanks Hop

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, and resident of London, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continues to be represented at Council for the remainder of the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

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- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
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Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible. **I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.**

Colin Hopper

President

London's Source for Sports | 406 Wharncliffe Rd. S, London ON N6J 2M4

October 6, 2021

Re: **London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy**

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda

To whom it may concern:

As a Community Leader, Advocate and a business owner of Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward.
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

Regards,

Pst.Sandie Thomas

Pastor S. Thomas
Founder & CEO
W.E.A.N Community Centre (**Where We Are Now**)
717 Richmond St. London Ontario N6A 3H1

From: Barb McArthur
Sent: Wednesday, October 6, 2021 5:18 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 Vacancy

Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, and resident of Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder of the current term following the recent vacancy.

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- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
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Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible. I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Thank you.
Barbara McArthur
Pall Mall Street
London, ON

From: Tyrrel de Langley
Sent: Wednesday, October 6, 2021 5:24 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 Councillor Vacancy

Re: Councillor Vacancy - London Ward 13
Consent Granted to Place on Public Agenda

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner and resident of Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy. The Ward is our City's heart and has a myriad of critical issues that require the ongoing attention of a capable and fully committed representative.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, he was a very close second confirming his acceptance by the Ward's residents, thus entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party is illogical
- In speaking with him he is very interested and committed to taking on the role
- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He has long been and remains an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward.
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

I move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Dr. Tyrrel de Langley
DVM, MRCVS, CIM, PMgr, CMgr
Talbot Street
London, ON

From: Smith Mike
Sent: Wednesday, October 6, 2021 5:24 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: For Your Consideration

> To:

> The Corporate Services Committee,

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> As a person who believes very strongly in a vital and vibrant downtown London and core area, I'd like to let the Corporate Services Committee know my complete support for the nomination of John Fyfe-Millar to fill the now vacant seat for Ward 13. As an owner operator of several downtown businesses I have observed the dedication John has for this ward. John cares deeply for the well being of Ward 13's residences and small businesses. John is a great listener and takes so much of his own free time to understand the needs of all. We have observed John's calm and measured approach to issues from people of all viewpoints. John came a very close second in the last election to Arielle and I think his choice to fill the vacancy is the most logical choice to make. Thank you for taking this into your consideration.

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> Sincerely,

> Mike Smith

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> Toboggan Brewing,

> Fellini Koolini's

> The Runt Club

> Joe Kool's

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Megan Walker
Ward 13 Resident

October 8, 2021

Chair and Members
Corporate Services Committee
Via email csc@london.ca

Re: Recommendation to Appoint John Fyfe-Millar to Fill Ward 13 Vacancy

I am a constituent of Ward 13 residing in the downtown. I have been a long-term supporter of the downtown advocating historically for Budweiser Gardens and the Covent Garden Market redevelopment.

The continued investment in revitalizing the downtown is critical to the success of London and speaks to the importance of filling the current vacancy in Ward 13 immediately.

John Fyfe-Millar is an ardent supporter of the downtown. He is a long-term member of the Downtown Business Association and has consistently demonstrated his dedication to the downtown through his actions.

Fyfe-Millar is well known in the ward having been a candidate for election in the last two elections. In 2018, he placed a close second in the ranked ballot election and although defeated, never stopped working for the ward. He continued to make a significant contribution to the entire ward and in particular the downtown. He is up to date on the important issues of Ward 13 constituents.

In 2018, London City Council supported constituents in ranking their preferred choice to represent them on Council. Appointing an outside third party, rather than a candidate who placed a strong second, appears to be inconsistent with Council's previous decision to support the choices of Londoners.

Ward 5 needs a representative who understands the issues and can hit the road running. That representative is John Fyfe-Millar.

Sincerely,

Megan Walker

Megan Walker

From: Kevin Bice
Sent: Wednesday, October 6, 2021 10:58 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As home owners, and residents of Ward 13, we feel that it is imperative for the Corporate Services Committee to act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy. We are at a critical time in London. Like the rest of the country we need strong leadership at this point in the pandemic. Our neighbourhood of Blackfriars / Petersville is close to downtown and close to the unique problems in our downtown. The challenges to businesses from the chaos of major infrastructure projects as well as from the increase of problems caused in part by vacant shops and offices in the core mean that we must have strong, informed representation on City Council now. It is less than a year from our municipal elections but, at this very critical time, it would be a major mistake to leave the ward unrepresented or, perhaps even worse, to assign someone to simply fill the post without knowledge and experience in this part of London.

We support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy. In the last election, he was supported by a considerable number of electors in the ward. We feel that he should be appointed on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

We consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Regards,

Kevin and Daphne Bice

Leslie Street, London,

From: David Lewis
Sent: Wednesday, October 6, 2021 5:45 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 vacant council position

Dear Clerk and Committee Members,

We are writing in regard to item 4.1 on the Corporate Services Agenda regarding filling the vacant council position in Ward 13 and ask you to please include this on the agenda.

We are residents of Ward 13 and have been for over a decade, we love the downtown, but it is an area with a lot of issues that need to have an active person at council working on.

We vote in municipal elections because we believe in the democratic process, and we were super happy that in the last election London gave us the opportunity to actually rank our top 3 choices. Both of us ranked John Fyfe-Millar on our ballots, and with the departure of Ms. Kayabaga, we are calling on you to respect the democratic voice of Ward 13 residents and appoint Mr. Fyfe-Millar as our new councillor.

Council talks a lot about downtown, but if you genuinely mean it, you can't fill the role with a "caretaker" as some have suggested. In fact for the last 3 terms of council, the councillor for Ward 13 has tried to leave early to seek higher office. Another person filling a seat waiting just putting in time is the last thing we need. We need someone who actually lives in the Ward and understands the challenges of downtown London. With his experience on the Downtown London association, and on a committee at city hall, we feel Mr. Fyfe-Millar is the best choice to get to work now.

Finally, you should not try to dictate whether or not he is able to run again, something we've seen some of you suggest online. Whether he gets elected or not in next year's election is for the voters to decide, not you!

Sincerely,

Dave Lewis & Autumn Dodge

From: Dave Gilmore
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:03 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] London Ward 13- Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner for 32 years in Oxford Park, and now renter of a penthouse apartment in downtown London, I have been a resident of Ward 13 for 36 years. It is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

I would like to consent to this letter being part of the public agenda and am available by cell phone should any member of the committee wish further input.

Regards,

Dave Gilmore

From: Peter Sandor
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:04 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Cc: 'Peter Sandor' <pjsandor@rogers.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] City Of London Corporate Services - Regarding Ward 13 Councillor Vacancy

**Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy
Recommendation to Appoint John Fyfe-Millar as Ward 13 Councillor**

To whom it may concern:

As President of the Downtown London Community Association and a former resident of Downtown London for over 15 years, I believe I am qualified to provide an opinion as to what may be in the best interest for the Downtown London Community. First, it is imperative that City Council act immediately and appoint a qualified candidate to fill the Ward 13 Council Seat. The Ward 13 Council seat cannot be left vacant until the next election. Further to this, I believe now is not the time to appoint an outsider to the community or an inexperienced individual to take on the challenge of representing Ward 13. Downtown London requires a strong, experienced, knowledgeable representative and there is no better candidate than John Fyfe-Millar.

Downtown London is the most diverse, unique and visible community in the city and it must have competent and informed representation on City Council. This person must understand the community, be able to navigate the different priorities of businesses, residents and those working in the core, as well as being well versed in the geographic, economic and social issues within the community. Fortunately, you have the ideal candidate available and willing to take on this challenge.

I support the appointment of John Fyfe-Millar to Ward 13 Councillor for the following reasons:

- In the last Ward 13 election, John Fyfe-Millar was defeated by a very narrow margin. With the vote count well documented, the fact remains that John already has a vote of confidence from many Ward 13 residents.
- Unlike the 2 or 3 previous Ward 13 Councilors, this position would not be a stepping-stone to other opportunities. John's only interest is the well-being, support and development of London's Downtown Community. John is 100% invested in working for the betterment of Downtown London both now and in the future.
- John has been a business owner in the Downtown Community for over 30 years. He has volunteered his time with many residential and business associations and this has provided him a perspective few others would possess. As such, John is uniquely positioned to understand the needs, concerns and goals of the businesses, residents and those working in the Downtown Community. More than ever before, a good working relationship between all parties will be critical for a successful transition from COVID lockdowns and strict protocols to a more open and functional Downtown community.
- An avid walking enthusiast, John has literally walked every corner of Downtown London. He knows the area well. With John you would be appointing an individual with an intimate knowledge of the geography of Ward 13. This is important in understanding the real needs of those living and working in the downtown area and where change and/or support may be needed.
- John is aware of all the annual Downtown events and is often posting on his private social media feeds to promote them along with any other sporting, entertainment and social events, art festivals or pop-up events. He also often works to promote individuals or businesses with something unique or important to contribute to the Downtown community.
- John is more than capable of handling the requirements of this role. I have had the honor of serving alongside John on the boards of various associations and have found him to be highly competent, energetic, creative, organized, engaged, open-minded, considerate and respectful. He understands the ideals of governance, the responsibility of representation and the implications of decision making on the behalf of others. A visionary with strong leadership capabilities, he would make a strong addition to London City Council as Councilor for Ward 13.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election. City Council also needs to be fiscally responsible and realize that spending money on an unnecessary election is not in the best interests of Londoners. You have the power to appoint a candidate to fill the role of Ward 13 Councillor for the City of London. There is no better person to fill this role than John Fyfe-Millar.

There is no need to delay John Fyfe-Millar's appointment to the Ward 13 City Council seat. Please act today and move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill this vacant seat as soon as possible.

I consent to this letter of recommendation being made part of public record.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter Sandor". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Peter" and last name "Sandor" clearly distinguishable.

Peter Sandor
President
London Downtown Community Association

From: Christine Wilton
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:08 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

Good afternoon,

As a homeowner and resident of Ward 13, I support the nomination of John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacancy of Ward 13 City Councillor.

I have had the pleasure of working with John on several committees and wanted to share the key reasons I think he is the best candidate to fill the position:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his knowledge of the ward and the needs of both the residential and business communities within Ward 13
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment.
- He is a dedicated advocate for Ward 13 and London.
- He is a calm communicator, especially during times of difference, and can build consensus and move people forward
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between John Fyfe-Millar and the elected Arielle Kayabaga was marginal (139 votes after 8 rounds).

Given the points above, I don't believe there is a need for a by-election or a nomination of a third party. Please nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible. Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Kind regards,
Christine Wilton

From: Norman Sproule
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:08 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vacant Council Seat - Ward 13, London

Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, and resident of Ward 13 in London, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that the Ward continues to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.

1. He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
2. He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward.
3. He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment.
4. In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
5. Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party makes no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Thank you.

Norman N. Sproule

Resident Ward 13, London ON

From: Lorri Lowe
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:08 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] For Your Consideration

Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, and resident of Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

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Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda

Thank you

Lorri Lowe

From: WAYNE FLINTOFF
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:13 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: London Ward 13-Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

As a home owner, and resident of Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Wayne Flintoff

Albert St.
London, ON N6A 1M1

From: Beth Whitlock
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:16 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] London Ward 13 - Councillor Vacancy

Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner in London and friend to many others who live or have businesses in Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder of the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown. John has continued to support and advocate for Ward 13 since the election in 2018.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Beth Whitlock
Foxbar Rd. London On
N6C 2A6

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

From: Sheri Laidlaw <s.laidlaw@towheels.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:16 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a business and property owner in Ward 13, it is important that the Corporate Services Committee acts to ensure Ward 13 has representation at Council until the next election.

I support John Fyfe-Millar to fill that vacancy give that:

- He was the next choice in the 2018 Election given the support he received in the ranked ballot election.
- He is a passionate supporter of Ward 13, downtown and its great neighbourhoods.
- He has working knowledge of the Ward and the challenges it faces.
- He has worked within the structure at City Hall and is able to quickly step in and start working for the needs of the Ward.
- An expensive by-election or nomination of an outside party does not serve the will of the electorate given the ranked ballot result from 2018

I move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible. Ward 13 deserves strong representation until the next election.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Sincerely

Sheri Laidlaw

To Wheels Bicycles

From: Michael Fitzgerald
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:17 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] London Ward 13 Councillor vacancy.

To whom it may concern,

I consent to this letter being part of the Public Agenda.

As a home owner residing in Ward 13, I wish this Ward 13 vacancy in City Council to be filled as soon as possible.

My preferred nominee is John Fyfe-Millar. He has a solid grasp of the issues for this Ward. His home and business are in the Ward and this brings familiarity with the concerns of both as well as a knowledge of City Hall and how it works. In the last election, using the ranked ballot system, he came in a very close second. This demonstrates the support he has among the constituents.

Please move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to represent Ward 13.

Sincerely,

Mike Fitzgerald

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sheila Sproule
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:22 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 - Councillor Vacancy

Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, and resident of Ward 13 in London, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that the Ward continues to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.

1. He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
2. He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
3. He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment.
4. In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
5. Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party makes no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Thank you.

Sheila Sproule

Ward 13 Resident

From: Melanie Schmidt
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:26 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, and resident of Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda

Regards,

Melanie Schmidt
Soho resident

Sent from my iPhone

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October 5, 2021

FILE NUMBER 000555/MML

Corporate Services Committee
The Corporation of the City of London
300 Dufferin Avenue, P.O. Box 5035
London ON N6A 4L9

Dear Your Worship Mayor Holder and Members of the Corporate Services Committee:

Re: John Fyfe-Millar

I am writing to you at this time to urge you to appoint John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacancy created by the election of the former councillor representing Ward 13. It is important for Ward 13 to continue to have strong representation at the council horseshoe.

Mr. Fyfe-Millar has a proven record of service and commitment to the city particularly to Ward 13 in which he both resides and works. As a proponent of the downtown, he has an intimate knowledge of the challenges facing the city as a member of the Board of Directors of the DBIA.

Given his performance in the most recent municipal election, he has the support of an overwhelming number of constituents and was only marginally defeated by the vacating member.

Given his qualifications, I urge the committee to appoint Mr. Fyfe-Millar for the balance of the current term rather than incur the cost of a by-election, which will also take some time to organize. He is the logical choice to succeed Ms. Kayabaga and deserves the opportunity to serve the ward and the city.

Yours very truly,



Michael M. Lerner

MML/jl

cc: John Fyfe-Millar

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

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October 6, 2021

Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As concerned and committed Londoners, we feel it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continues to be represented at Council for the remainder of the current term following the recent vacancy. This particular ward is so critical to the overall social fabric and economic success of the city, that leaving it unrepresented, is not in the best interest of any of us.

We have both known and worked alongside John for over 15 years, on various projects, both business related and charitable. These projects have supported both Ward 13 and London as a whole.

John is a rare individual who leads with integrity and passion, supported by collaborative work and followed by decisive action. He leads with his support of London and Ward 13, as guideposts.

We support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward.
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Please -Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

We consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Susan Diane Brooks and William (Bill) J. Smith.

From: paul fedkowicz
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:40 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] John Fyfe-Millar(WARD13)

I absolutely nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant council seat in Ward 13. The Corporate Services Committee needs to recognize the value of Mr. John Fyfe-Millar. His passion and pragmatic way of thinking, would be an essential asset to resurrect and guide Ward 13's future. His commitment to London and its growth and reputation are unquestioned. London needs responsible people like John, to help take us down a solid path of recovery and economic health in Ward 13.
Sincerely, Paul Fedkowicz
(I consent to this letter to be part of the agenda)

Sent from my iPhone

From: Tammy Butt
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:48 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, I see the importance of the Corporate Services Committee's action to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder of the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues;
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward;
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment;
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal;
- Given the point above, entering a by-election seems unnecessary.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Tammy Butt
Resident in London

Sent from my iPhone

From: Catherine Rice

Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:50 PM

To: Catherine Rice; csc <csc@london.ca>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda- ward 13 -Pls select John-Fyfe-Millar to fill ward 13 seat.

I consent to this letter to be part of the agenda.

To whom it may concern:

It is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy. I nominate John Fyfe-Millar. I met John at the London Chamber of Commerce years ago. Over the years, he has always stood out as someone who is passionate about our city and will do anything to make it a better place to live and work. He will do the hard work to make it happen. He is constantly supporting people and businesses in the community by personally attending events and using social media etc. to inform others what is going on. I have a better understanding of what is going on in London because of him! I know the city of London and specifically Ward 13 will gain a huge supporter if we select John. He will be a great asset working along with the other councillors. In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal. Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

I move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible. We will all win!

Thank-you!

I consent to this letter to be part of the agenda.

From: Carol Hunter
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 12:52 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 Councillor Vacancy

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a long-time, tax-paying home owner and resident of Ward 13, living in the North Talbot neighbourhood. I am concerned that we now have no representation on Council and hope that a suitable and effective replacement Councillor will be selected as soon as possible.

I am impressed with John Fyfe-Millar's credentials and his knowledge of the issues in Ward 13 (noise, garbage, traffic flow, personal safety, lack of affordable housing, challenges facing downtown businesses, etc.) both as a long-time resident of the Blackfriars area and a business owner, who also has experience working within City Hall.

In the 2018 ranked ballot municipal election, John Fyfe-Millar placed second, being narrowly defeated by the vacating Councillor. This demonstrates the constituency support that he has.

On a personal note, I also like the fact that John is known to many Ward 13 residents and can often be seen walking in Ward 13 (as many of us do). He is more than approachable, affable, and definitely a "Londoner to the Core" – supporting Ward 13 and the downtown as we move forward!

I have lived in my area for over 40 years and also consider myself a supporter of downtown and the core. I can't think of anyone better to represent Ward 13 now, to the next election, and hopefully after the next election if he chooses to run again. He would be a tremendous asset to Ward 13 and we would feel we have a competent, knowledgeable, helpful, and approachable Councillor representing us.

Holding a by-election at this point would be pointless and expensive. John Fyfe-Millar is the logical choice to fill the vacancy.

We need a strong, capable, knowledgeable and approachable Councillor representing us in Ward 13, and John Fyfe-Millar would be ideal. Please move to nominate Mr. Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacancy as soon as possible.

Thank you for considering my recommendation.
I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda

Carol Hunter
Talbot Street
London, ON N6A 5L9

From: Spulnick, Autumn **On Behalf Of** Macoun, Jeff
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 1:00 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, and resident of Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible. I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Regards,
Jeff F. Macoun
President and Chief Operating Officer, Canada
Canada Life

From: Daniela Schmidt
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 1:00 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a member of London's Committee of Adjustment and as a London homeowner and as a resident who is concerned about this important ward in our city, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continues to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.

He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.

He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .

He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment.

In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.

Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

I encourage you to move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Regards,

Daniela Schmidt
Larkspur Crescent
London ON N6H 3R2

October 7, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

As a homeowner, resident, business person and TVDSB Trustee living in Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure Ward 13 continues to be represented at council for the remainder of its current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the following grounds:

1. He is extremely knowledgeable of the ward and its issues. John has lived in the ward and been intimately involved with its issues for many years.
2. He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
3. He is uniquely familiar with the issues needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward.
4. He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment.
5. In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal. **And speaking as an elected TVDSB Trustee, we recently had a vacant Trustee seat to fill for the remainder of the term. We filled the vacancy with the runner up in the 2018 ranked ballot system.**
6. Given the last point, entering a by election with 11 months remaining or nominating an outside third party makes no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

I urge you to nominate **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacant Ward 13 seat as quickly as possible.

Best personal regards,

Peter Cuddy

Hyman Street, London

TVDSB Trustee

President, Cuddy Properties Inc.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda, and my name being used in support of John Fyfe-Millar.

From: pattycrawford

Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 1:11 PM

To: csc <csc@london.ca>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: London Ward 13 - Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a resident of Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

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- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Regards,

Patty Crawford

From: waynedunn
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 1:42 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 Councillor Vacancy

To Whom it may concern:

As a home, business owner and resident of London, I believe that the Corporate Services Committee should act to ensure that Ward 13 continues to be represented at Council for the remainder of the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacancy for several reasons:

...He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his knowledge of the ward and issues in the downtown area

...He is and always has been a huge proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown

...He understands the issues and needs of both residential and business concerns

...He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment

...He has the support of many within Ward 13 given the 2018 ranked ballot results

...He is a good listener and team player given the various committees he has been on in both the private and public sector

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible. I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Sincerely,

Wayne Dunn

From: Christine Kelsey
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 1:46 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Cc: john broeze
Subject: [EXTERNAL] London Ward 13: Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As home owners and residents of Ward 13, we think that it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continues to be represented at Council for the remainder of the current term following the recent vacancy.

We support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward.
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, Mr. Fyfe-Millar was the second choice for Ward 13 voters and the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was small.

Candidate	Maximum round	Maximum votes	Share in maximum round	Maximum votes	
				First round votes	Transfer votes
Arielle Kayabaga	8	2,804	100.0%		
John Fyfe-Millar	7	2,186	48.5%		
Jonathan Hughes	6	1,100	21.6%		
Kevin Wilbee	5	831	15.3%		
Ben Benedict	4	391	7.5%		
Gil Warren	3	358	6.3%		
David Lundquist	2	240	4.2%		
Rod Morley	1	57	1.0%		
Eligible votes		5,714	49.1%		
Exhausted votes		2,910	50.9%		

Given the points above, entering a by-election would not seem necessary or productive.

The only alternative to choosing Mr. Fyfe-Millar that makes some sense to us would be to appoint someone who was not a candidate in 2018, and who is knowledgeable of and sympathetic to Ward 13 issues and concerns, with the guarantee that they would not be eligible to run in the 2022 civic election in Ward 13.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Please move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

We consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Thank you,
Christine Kelsey and John Broeze
Saint Patrick Street
London

From: Janie Rother
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 1:49 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fw: For Your Consideration

Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a resident of Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder of the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party makes no sense whatsoever.

I strongly feel that ward 13 should not be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

I move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Janie Rother

Picton Street,

London, ON. N6B 3R5

From: Ben Lansink
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 1:51 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Cc: Donna Lansink
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Councillor Vacancy London Ward 13

Hello Folks,

Since 1985 I have lived with my family in Ward 13 on Colborne Street in the Woodfield Community.

I have known John Fyfe-Millar for a number of years.

John knows the Ward and respects its significant heritage features.

In addition, John knows and understands the operation and function of City Hall.

John ran a very close race in the last election and came in 2nd.

John Fyfe-Millar is an ideal person to fill the now vacant Ward 13 council seat.

Therefore please consider this as my nomination for John Fife-Millar to be our Ward 13 councilor until the next municipal election.

As may be required, I consent to this letter / email being part of the public record.

Thank you.

Ben Lansink, AACI, P.App, MRICS

Lansink Appraisals & Consulting, a division of Wellington Realty Group Inc.

From: Chris Seguin
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 1:53 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 City Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, and resident of Ward 13, I think that it is important that our riding continue to have representation on our City Council. More importantly we need to have the right person representing our ward and I therefore, would like to nomination John Fyfe-Millar to represent us. I have worked with John on the boards of other organizations and I know the type of representation John would bring on behalf of Ward 13 and for the City as a whole. I also believe that it would be fiscally responsible to appoint someone like John rather than having a costly by-elect.

I support the nomination of John Fiyfe-Millar to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.

Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Finally, I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Regards,

Chris Seguin

From: Imeson, Dini (SOLGEN)
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 2:17 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] ward 13 councillor vacancy

To whom it may concern,

My husband and I are residents of ward 13 and are concerned we may not have adequate representation now that our elected representative has vacated her seat. We are sending this email in support of John Fyfe-Millar as he would be an excellent addition to city council. He is familiar with the issues and needs of our ward and has a history of working with City Hall on various committee and boards.

Please do not put us through another election and wasted tax dollars when we already have a suitable substitution until the next scheduled election occurs.

Thank you,

Dini Imeson and Tom Bitz

Napier St

October 7, 2021

Dear Chair Cassidy, Committee Members, and Members of Municipal Council

As a resident of Ward 13, I urge that the Corporate Services Committee recommend to Council to appoint John **Fyfe-Millar** to fill the current vacancy for Ward 13 Councillor. My reasons include:

- Ward 13 needs to be represented at Council and Committee's for the remainder of the current term vacancy. We need a voice and vote to support both local and City issues.
- It is only months before the City elects its Mayor and Councillors for a new term (2022-).
- Council has the authority to appoint a candidate for the remainder of the term
- The cost of going to the polls is very high (upwards of \$165,000) for such a short period of time and during a waning yet active pandemic.

I support **John Fyfe-Millar for Councillor for Ward 13**. John is qualified and capable of immediately assuming this responsibility. My reasons for this support include:

- John is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of residential, business and community services within the Ward and City.
- John lives and works in the Ward and is an active volunteer in many local and city-wide activities, and not for profit organizations.
- John has assisted me on several occasions to find solutions to my personal and business interests. This helps to demonstrate his working knowledge of public and other services.
- John has a proven track record of working with elected and staff representatives of the City.
- In the election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating Councillor was very small.
- John is a good, honest person who believes in his community and the City of London.

A by-election or nominating an outside third party is not necessary given the appropriate and immediate solution in the appointment of **John Fyfe-Millar**.

Ward 13 and our City needs immediate strong and capable representation and I support **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Thank you



Alexander Richardson
84 Albion St.
London, Ontario
N6H1Z3

From: Brett Lucier
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 2:39 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a business owner in Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party makes no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Regards,
Brett Lucier

Brett Lucier, President

From: Lisa Taylor
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 3:04 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] John Fyfe-Millar

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express that John would be and should be the best person for the job in Ward 13.

I am an owner and resident of Woodfield/Downtown and also a born and raised proud Londoner.

I take a lot of pride in keeping up my property as well as improving our downtown core and neighborhoods.

John was a very close second to Arielle Kayabaga. Naturally now that she has resigned it only makes sense the person replacing her would be the one who came in second, voted in by the people in this community.

Furthermore I believe the estimated cost to hold a bi-election was in upwards of approximately \$180,000 which would be an absolute waste of taxpayers' money that could be used elsewhere.

I am also tired of people being appointed into positions due to gender, race and colour.

From what I understand John and his family are proud and very involved Londoner's living in the area. He takes a lot of time volunteering on many committee's and very active and well informed on what is going on in our area.

I believe he is sincere and hard working and definitely should evolve into this position until the next election.

Many thanks,

Lisa Taylor

From: Gary Danner
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 3:05 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

It is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Gary Danner

From: Noll Stevens

Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 3:12 PM

To: csc <csc@london.ca>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, and resident of Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

Regards,

Noll Stevens

Felicity Stevens

I consent to this letter being made part of the public agenda.

From: Jerry Pribil
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 3:14 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Councillor Vacancy for Ward 13

Dear Corporate Services Committee Members:

As a home owner, business owner, and resident of Ward 13, I see the tremendous need and especially during these challenging times, to be represented at Council for the remainder of the current term.

I support the nomination of Mr. John Fyfe-Millar (John) to fill this vacancy based on his activities and involvement in numerous initiatives of various organizations within Ward 13. He has a strong knowledge of this Ward and its issues which will make a smooth transition for all interested parties and will also address the needs of both, the residential and also the business community precisely.

John is an avid advocate of Ward 13 including its downtown and he has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment. In the last ranked ballot municipal election, the difference in constituency support between John and the vacating councillor was marginal.

I believe that we have a very strong candidate with no need of delaying or incurring additional costs by entering into by-election or nominating an outside third party and we cannot be left without a strong and competent representation until the next election.

I truly hope that all of you will see it the same way and will move the nomination of Mr. John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

Thank you in advance and I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Cordially,

Jerry

Jerry Pribil
Marienbad Restaurant & Chaucer's Pub

From: Jill Wilcox - Jill's Table
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 3:17 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13

To: City of London Corporate Services Committee:

Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

I'm writing to you today as a business owner on King Street. We are facing historic challenges in our core, so it's crucial that your committee acts to ensure Ward 13 continues to be represented at city council for the remainder of the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill that vacancy.

John is keenly aware of the issues and needs of both business and residents in the core. He is very qualified to step into this position.

He is one of the most ardent supporters of the core and has had a great deal of experience working with City Hall. He also has been an active member of LDBA.

In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between John and the vacating councillor was marginal.

It makes sense to expedite putting John Fyfe-Millar in this Ward 13 role.

I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

From: Jeremy McCall
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 3:17 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 Vacancy

Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a City of London resident, I feel that it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act quickly to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy, with as minimal of a disruption as possible. The seat has already been vacant for over a month, and our downtown is in a crossroads where given all of the challenges of the pandemic, petty crime, and of road construction, it needs a strong voice and solid, experienced, engaged leadership at council to continue to thrive and move in a better direction for all residents and businesses alike.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is a loyal and long standing proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- Much like Councillor Lehman, he too is a downtown business owner who has an insider's perspective on what is needed for success
- He has a proven track record of working within City Hall
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in voter support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the councillor giving up their seat was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party is hard to justify, given the expense of a by-election and that thousands of Ward 13 residents already voted for Mr. Fyfe-Millar when given the opportunity to do so.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election. Ward 13 deserves to be represented by someone who is local, accessible, engaged, and aware as to what is happening in the ward and what are the realistic avenues for change for the better.

I humbly request that the Corporate Services Committee move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible. Putting someone who lives in the ward, operates their business in the ward, volunteers in the ward, and received excellent support as a candidate from residents of the ward as recently as three years ago makes total sense.

Regards,'

Jeremy McCall

I consent for this letter to be added to the public agenda

From: Brian Gibson
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 3:23 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a City of London resident, I feel it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward .
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Please move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

I also consent to this letter being added to the public agenda.

Regards,

Brian C. Gibson

From: Cindi Talbot
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 3:51 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] London Ward 13 Councillor Vacancy

Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As a home owner, and resident of Ward 13, it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continue to be represented at Council for the remainder to the current term following the recent vacancy.

I support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

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- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment,.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

Regards,

Cindi Talbot
Central Ave

P.S. - I consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

From: Kathy Smith
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 9:42 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support for John Fyfe-Millar Ward 13

I consent to have this email placed on the public agenda where it will become part of the public record and will be made available electronically through the City of London's internet website.

To Whom It May Concern

I'm a long time resident in downtown London and I'm very active in the community. For many years, I've noted how John Fyfe-Millar is supportive of both resident and business efforts and in particular, my own community projects at Museum London and the London Public Library.

When John lost the last Ward 13 election (by a very slim margin) he remained active and committed to downtown community-building efforts. He didn't back off. He dug deeper. Many people get active around election time but they become less visible and responsive when the campaigns are over. Not John. He is out here.

All. The. Time.

We need engaged, competent, knowledgeable and experienced representation as soon as possible. John has all of those attributes. We have started a grassroots Neighbours Network for the downtown community and John has been very supportive and helpful. We need to continue the momentum.

Please vote to nominate John to the vacant seat.

Yours sincerely
Kathy Smith
Ward 13 Downtown Resident

From: Mar Per
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 11:59 PM
To: csc <csc@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ward 13 councillor

Hello,

My name is Marcello Perzia, owner of Marcello's Barber Shop, located at 208 Central Avenue. As a downtown business owner for 8 years, and resident I have seen the many changes over the years. The ups and the downs. As a member of the London Downtown Business Association and past board member (albeit brief stint before the overhaul) I had the pleasure of meeting John Fyfe-Millar. I believe the downtown ward is in need of immediate and industrious representation, and that John Fyfe-Millar will successfully represent the downtown ward. He has been a proven and loyal advocate for the betterment of the downtown area over the years and has constantly shown his selfless dedication and care for the downtown area through his many years of services.

The downtown area has seemed to have been stagnant with much division over the years and he has always been reliable at bridging the divide between people of different areas of the core, or people with different visions for the downtown. It is important we have someone represent us who cares for the whole of downtown, and not just a representative who pays us lip-service which to myself and other locals business owners and residents feel has been the case in these past few years. If one area of downtown is neglected, all is neglected.

John Fyfe-Millar is a longtime resident and understands the needs of the core well. There are many issues that require immediate attention in the downtown area which should not be neglected and I believe he is someone we can rely on to help us in these times.

He was ranked second on the last municipal elections ballot and I believe this should be taken into consideration. The money saved on a by-election in the ward could support other services or improvements in the downtown area, as money is difficult to come by these days.

I would like to add my name to the growing list of people who would like to see downtown shine it's brightest and offer their support for John Fyfe-Millar becoming our new ward 13 councillor.

Thank you for your time reading this,

Sincerely,

Marcello Perzia