

# Agenda Including Addeds

## Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee

The 4th Meeting of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee

November 3, 2022, 3:00 PM

Advisory Committee Virtual Meeting - Please check the City website for current details

The City of London is situated on the traditional lands of the Anishinaabek (AUh-nish-in-ah-bek), Haudenosaunee (Ho-den-no-show-nee), Lūnaapéewak (Len-ah-pay-wuk) and Attawandaron (Add-a-won-da-run).

We honour and respect the history, languages and culture of the diverse Indigenous people who call this territory home. The City of London is currently home to many First Nations, Metis and Inuit people today.

As representatives of the people of the City of London, we are grateful to have the opportunity to work and live in this territory.

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# **Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee**

## **Report**

The 3rd Meeting of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee  
September 1, 2022

Attendance                   PRESENT: W. Brown, M. Blosch, K. Coulter, H. Duhamel, A. Hames and M. Toplack; H. Lysynski (Acting Committee Clerk)

ABSENT: G. Leckie

ALSO PRESENT: S. Corman, W. Jeffery, M. McBride and O. Katolyk

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 PM; it being noted that the following members were in remote attendance: M. Blosch, K. Coulter, H. Duhamel, A. Hames, G. Leckie, E. Prendergast, and M. Toplack.

### **1. Call to Order**

#### 1.1 Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

That A. Hames discloses a pecuniary interest in clause 4.2 of the 3rd Report of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee, having to do with the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee Work Plan, by indicating that she may have a conflict of interest in relation to budget discussions.

### **2. Consent**

#### 2.1 2nd Report of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee

That it BE NOTED that the 2nd Report of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee, from its meeting held on August 4, 2022, was received.

### **3. Sub-Committees and Working Groups**

#### 3.1 Sub-Committee Report

That it BE NOTED that the Sub-Committee report was postponed for consideration under Items for Discussion.

### **4. Items for Discussion**

#### 4.1 Future Meeting Day and Time

That it BE NOTED that the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee established a general meeting day and time of the first Thursday of each month at 3:00 PM.

#### 4.2 Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee Work Plan

That it BE NOTED that the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee established a 2022 Work Plan.

4.3 Injured Wildlife Response

That the matter of Injured Wildlife Response and Supporting Our Community to co-exist with wildlife and responding to their concerns as it relates to wildlife BE ADDED to the 2022 Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee Work Plan.

4.4 Fireworks and Impacts to Companion Animals and Wildlife

That the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to explore alternatives to fireworks without sound.

4.5 Pollinator and Wildlife Friendly Gardens

That it BE NOTED that the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee held a general discussion with respect to Pollinator and Wildlife Friendly Gardens; it being noted that the decision was made to not include this matter on the 2022 Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee Work Plan.

4.6 Bird Friendly Guidelines

That it BE NOTED that the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee heard a verbal update from W. Brown with respect to Bird Friendly Guidelines; it being noted that the decision was made to not include this matter on the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee Work Plan.

4.7 Clear Your Gear and Coyote Signage Update

That it BE NOTED that the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee received a verbal update from O. Katolyk, Manager, Municipal Compliance, with respect to Clear Your Gear and Coyote Signage; it being noted that the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee will be receiving a response from S. Stafford, with respect to these matters.

4.8 (ADDED) Companion Animals (Pets) on Buses

That the matter of Companion Animals (Pets) on Buses BE ADDED to the 2022 Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee Work Plan.

4.9 (ADDED) Budget

That consideration of the 2022 Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee Budget BE DEFERRED to the next Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee meeting.

**5. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 4:33 PM.



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October 18, 2022

C. Smith  
Deputy City Manager, Neighbourhood and Community-Wide Services

I hereby certify that the Municipal Council, at its meeting held on October 17, 2022 resolved:

That the following actions be taken with respect to the 3rd Report of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee, from its meeting held on September 1, 2022:

- a) the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to explore alternatives to fireworks with sound; and,
- b) clauses 1.1, 2.1, 3.1, 4.1 to 4.3 and 4.5 to 4.9 BE RECEIVED. (2.2/11/CPSC)

M. Schulthess  
City Clerk  
/nk

cc: Chair and Members, Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee  
P. de Freitas, Executive Assistant to the Deputy City Manager, Neighbourhood  
and Community-Wide Services

Hi Heather,

I am formally resigning from the animal welfare committee and subcommittee.

Unfortunately the meetings conflict with my work schedule.

I would like to thank you and the committee for this wonderful opportunity to participate in this amazing cause.

Please pass along this message to my fellow committee members with the best wishes for success in the committees future endeavours.

Regards,

Eric Prendergast

Sent from my iPhone

Report to London Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee Meeting on November 3, 2022

From Sub-Committee

Recommendation on Spending the Committee's Annual Budget

Recommendation: Use the entire amount of \$1500 to acquire bird-friendly window collision tape and distribute it to residents to increase awareness about how to prevent birds from colliding with windows and to promote London's certification by Nature Canada as a "Bird Friendly City".

Nature Canada certified London as a "Bird Friendly City" in 2021. The Animal Welfare Advisory Committee participated in the certification process. Certification means that London met or exceeded a minimum standard with regard to:

1. reducing threats to birds in our municipality,
2. protecting and restoring natural habitat and increasing climate resiliency, and
3. actively engaging the community in these actions through education and outreach.

The Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee would like to continue our efforts to make London a bird friendly city. We believe that we can make an impact on threat reduction, education and outreach. Specifically, we want to inform property owners and tenants that they can prevent bird-window collisions by using bird-friendly window collision tape. The use of decals is not recommended because it is not effective.

To promote the use of window collision tape we propose using our Advisory Committee budget to purchase boxes of tape and distribute them to residents.

"FeatherFriendly" brand Window Collision Tape is available locally. The tape is designed to alert birds to a window without obstructing the view from inside the home and without damaging the window. It is a pattern with ¼ inch square markers pre-spaced in a 2 inch by 2 inch grid. The lifespan of the tape is more than ten years under a variety of weather conditions. Each box contains a roll of 100 feet of tape, which is enough to cover 30 inches by 80 inches of window glass. The retail price of one box is \$19.50 at Featherfields, \$24.90 at Lee Valley Hardware, and \$24.99 at Wild Birds Unlimited, although we might be able to get a better price on a large quantity.

The City maintains a dedicated webpage on "Bird-friendly skies" and has printed a pamphlet. Promoting the use of window collision tape would complement these efforts. It would also increase awareness of the City's designation as a Bird-Friendly City.

Distribution of the window collision tape would be done in partnership with London's Bird Team. As an example, boxes of the tape could be provided as door prizes at sponsored events where the City's bird-friendly designation would be noted, the problem of birds colliding with windows discussed, and the use of the tape demonstrated.

