

Agenda Including Addeds

Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee

The 2nd Meeting of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee

January 5, 2023, 3:00 PM

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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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1. Call to Order

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5. Items for Discussion

5.1 Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committees Recommendation Regarding Private Zoos and Mobile Live Animal Programs

5.2 Window Collision Tape Update

5.3 2023 Planning for Budget Expenditures

5.4 Rethink Zoning

6. Adjournment

Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee

Report

The 1st Meeting of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee
December 1, 2022

Attendance PRESENT: W. Brown (Chair), M. Blosch, K. Coulter, G. Leckie,
and M. Toplack; and K. Mason, H. Lysynski (Committee Clerks)

ABSENT: H. Duhamel and A. Hames

ALSO PRESENT: W. Jeffery, M. McBride and B. Westlake-
Power

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 PM.

1. Call to Order

1.1 Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

That it BE NOTED that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

2. Scheduled Items

None.

3. Consent

3.1 4th Report of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee

That it BE NOTED that the 4th Report of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee, from its meeting held on November 3, 2022, was received.

3.2 Responding to Community Outreach Needs to Canids and Other Wildlife

That it BE NOTED that the verbal update from W. Brown, with respect to Community Outreach needs for Canids and other Wildlife, was received.

3.3 Clear Your Gear Public Awareness

That it BE NOTED that the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee held a general discussion with respect to Clear Your Gear Public Awareness.

3.4 Canid Signage Installation Update

That it BE NOTED that the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee held a general discussion with respect to Canid Signage Installation Update.

4. Sub-Committees and Working Groups

4.1 (ADDED) Sub-Committees and Working Groups

That it BE NOTED that the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee held a general discussion with respect to the Sub-Committee update.

5. Items for Discussion

5.1 (ADDED) Animal Control By-law

That it BE NOTED that the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee (AWCAC) held a general discussion with respect to the recommendation passed at the November 29, 2022 Community and Protective Services Committee meeting related to a proposed amendment to the Animal Control By-law; it being noted that the AWCAC will draft a letter to submit to Municipal Council with respect to this mater, including but not limited to previous information provided by the AWCAC.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:04 PM.

To: Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee Meeting January 5, 2023

From: Subcommittee

Recommendation

The Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee recommends that the City of London grant the London and Middlesex Humane Society's request for \$3 million to help fund the construction of an animal "campus" at 1414 Dundas Street.

Reasons for recommendation

The London and Middlesex Humane Society has provided an important service to the City of London for over 120 years without funding from the City. The Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee recognizes that now is the time for the City to give back. A new, modern facility will be more than something nicer and more functional for the animals. It will reflect London's growth as a compassionate and thriving city.

Part of the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee's mandate is to promote public education and awareness programs. We support the Humane Society's plans to provide space for educating the public about animal care and accommodate visits from school groups and summer camps to learn about caring for animals.

From our animal welfare perspective, the Humane Society's shelter and adoption centre on Clarke Road is woefully outdated and inadequate. London's population has grown over the years, and the number of animals entering the Humane Society's door has increased proportionally. The site is too small for the number of animals cared for, the cat and dog areas are too close together, and the building itself is in constant need of basic repairs.

The new facility will be able to shelter twice the number of animals currently being housed. Most significantly, the new facility will also have a vet clinic. This means that instead of waiting for an appointment and then being driven to an outside clinic, animals will receive medical care immediately, and be ready for adoption sooner. The Humane Society plans to have the clinic offer low-cost veterinary care to the public, which will complement the city's low-income spay/neuter program.