

MEMO

To: Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee

From: Michael Schulthess, City Clerk

City Clerk's Office

Date: September 19, 2023

Re: Special Strategic Priorities and Policy

Committee Meeting

(Education and Training Session)

September 28, 2023

Background

On May 16, 2023 Municipal Council appointed Principles Integrity as our new Integrity Commissioner ["IC"]. As part of the agreement with Principles Integrity, training is provided which covers the role of the IC, obligations and responsibilities of Members of Council under the City's Code of Conduct for Members of Council, and duties under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*. Principles Integrity has conducted similar sessions for many of the other municipalities they serve.

In accordance with s.239(3.1) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, a meeting may be closed to the public when it is being conducted for the purpose of education and training of the Members. The IC education and training session noted above falls squarely within this provision, and accordingly, it is recommended that a resolution be passed in public pursuant to s.239(4), and to change the meeting venue as required by s.2.6 of the Council Procedure By-law.

An agenda containing further details will be provided to Members of Council prior to the education and training session.

Recommendation

That, the following actions be taken with respect to an education and training session with the Integrity Commissioner for the City of London:

- a) that pursuant to section 2.6 of the Council Procedure By-law, a change in meeting location from Council Chambers to the Civic Gardens Complex on September 28, 2023 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM BE APPROVED; and
- b) that the Municipal Council convene In Closed Session pursuant to s.239(3.1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* for the specific purpose of Council Member training and education by the Integrity Commissioner for the Corporation of the City of London, on September 28, 2023, at the location and time noted in clause a).