

Governance Working Group Report

7th Meeting of the Governance Working Group
November 6, 2023

PRESENT: Councillors S. Lewis (Chair), H. McAlister, P. Cuddy, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, C. Rahman, A. Hopkins, S. Franke, D. Ferreira, S. Hillier

ABSENT: S. Stevenson

ALSO PRESENT: S. Corman, K. Huckabone

Remote Attendance: A. Barbon, A. Bush, I. Collins, M. McErlain, J. Raycroft, M. Schulthess, E. Skalski

The meeting is called to order at 1:02 PM; it being noted that Councillors S. Hillier, C. Rahman and S. Trosow were in remote attendance.

1. Call to Order

1.1 Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

That is BE NOTED that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

2. Consent Items

None.

3. Items for Discussion

3.1 Council Policy Amendments - Council Members' Expense Account Policy

Moved by: P. Cuddy

Seconded by: H. McAlister

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Finance Supports, the attached by-law BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on November 28, 2023 to amend By-law No. CPOL.-228-480, as amended, being "Council Members' Expense Account" to update various provisions of the policy.

Motion Passed

3.2 Strong Mayor Legislation

Moved by: D. Ferreira

Seconded by: S. Franke

That, on the recommendation of the City Clerk, the report dated November 6, 2023, related to Strong Mayor legislation, BE RECEIVED for information.

Motion Passed

4. Deferred Matters/Additional Business

4.1 2023 GWG Deferred List

Moved by: P. Cuddy

Seconded by: S. Franke

That the following actions be taken:

- a) the Deferred Matters List dated November 4, 2023, BE RECEIVED;
- b) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to bring forward the necessary revisions to Council Procedure By-law A-50 sections 9.8, 11.7, 11.10, 11.11, 15.10, 31.8, 33.5, 33.8, 33.9 and 38.9, to reflect no meeting of Council or Standing Committee shall extend beyond 6:00 PM, unless otherwise decided by a 2/3rds vote of eligible members; and
- c) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to schedule a time at a future meeting for general discussion regarding efficient meeting management.

Motion Passed

5. Adjournment

Moved by: D. Ferreira

Seconded by: P. Cuddy

That the meeting BE ADJOURNED.

Motion Passed

The meeting adjourned at 2:06 PM.

APPENDIX “A”

Bill No. [to be completed by Clerks]
2023

By-law No. CPOL.-[to be completed by Clerks]

A by-law to amend By-law No. CPOL.-228-480, as amended, being “Council Members’ Expense Account” to update various provisions of the policy.

WHEREAS section 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 section 9 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, C.25, as amended, provides a municipality with the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London wishes to amend By-law No. CPOL.-228-480, as amended, being “Council Members’ Expense Account”, to update various Policy provisions;

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

1. Section 4.2, is amended in subsection c) “The allocated sum may be used by Members of Council for any of the following purposes:” by replacing item ix) A) with the following new item ix) A):

“A) a monthly transportation allowance in the amount of up to \$177.00 maximum; OR”

2. Section 4.2, is further amended by replacing subsection h) with the following new subsection h):

“ h) all eligible claim receipts shall be submitted for processing within 60 (sixty) days from the date the expense occurred, in order to be considered for reimbursement”

3. This by-law shall come into force and effect on November 28, 2023.

PASSED in Open Council on [to be completed by Clerks].

Josh Morgan
Mayor

Michael Schulthess
City Clerk

First Reading – [to be completed by Clerks]
Second Reading – [to be completed by Clerks]
Third Reading – [to be completed by Clerks]