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Dear Colleagues,

Current advisory committee members were appointed May 2022 for the term ending in February 2024. All advisory committee compositions are up to 15 members with most currently at capacity except the Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee which sits at 9 members (the Clerk's Office is conduction ongoing recruitment for this committee, as per the direction from the July 25, 2023 Council meeting).

Given the 4 year budget will demanding the attention of council and community in January and February, we feel that it would be better to extend the current term for one additional year to allow full attention to repopulating the committees. This will also provide the Governance Working Group an opportunity to do a timely review of the structure of our advisory committees. The date of April 1st in the motion will allow advertising to be done after the holiday season next year.

Therefore, we are seeking your support for the following motion:

That, notwithstanding that the General Policy for Advisory Committees is currently under review (including collecting feedback from Community Advisory Committee members related to recruitment and term) the following actions be taken with respect to the City of London's Community Advisory Committees:

- a. the current membership BE EXTENDED to April 1, 2025 for the following Community Advisory Committees:
 - i. Accessibility Community Advisory Committee;
 - ii. Animal Welfare Community Advisory Committee;
 - iii. Community Advisory Committee on Planning;
 - iv. Diversity, Inclusion and Anti-Oppression Community Advisory Committee;
 - v. Ecological Community Advisory Committee;
 - vi. Environmental Stewardship and Action Community Advisory Committee; and
 - vii. Integrated Transportation Community Advisory Committee.
- b. the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to postpone advertisements for Community Advisory Committee vacancies for citizen-at-large and sectoral Community Advisory Committee members until January, 2025 for the term beginning April 1, 2025, in accordance with the General Policy for Advisory Committees;
- auxiliary recruitments BE CONTINUED on an as-needed basis in response to any Community Advisory Committee resignations in accordance with the General Policy for Advisory Committees; and
- d. the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to notify the aforementioned Community Advisory Committees of Council's decision.
- e. Advisory Committee structure be referred to Governance Working Group to review redundancies and to review opportunities to replace standing advisory committees with project based groups.

Thank you for your consideration.

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