9TH REPORT OF THE
ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECOLOGICAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on September 26, 2013, commencing at 5:16 P.M.

PRESENT: D. Sheppard (Chair), F. Cirino, K. Delaney, M. Hirst, B. Maddeford, L. Nattagh, S. Sanford, G. Sass and N. Zitani and H. Lysynski (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: B. Bergsma, A. Macpherson, L. McDougall and H. McNeely.


I YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:

EEPAC Representative on TFAC

1. (20) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) Terms of Reference BE AMENDED to delete the reference to the EEPAC representative on the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee; it being noted that current EEPAC members are unable to participate due to existing commitments.

II YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Old Victoria Hospital Lands Secondary Plan

2. (7) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) heard a verbal presentation from H. McNeely, Senior Planner and reviewed and received a Notice, dated September 10, 2013, from B. Turcotte, Senior Planner, with respect to the Old Victoria Hospital Lands Secondary Plan.

University of Western Ontario – 1836 Richmond Street

3. (12,22) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) heard verbal presentations from H. McNeely, Senior Planner and B. Bergsma, Ecologist Planner and reviewed and received a Notice, dated September 16, 2013, from B. Debbert, Senior Planner, with respect to the application by the University of Western Ontario relating to the property located at 1836 Richmond Street. The EEPAC advised the Planner that the maximum ecological buffer should be an Open Space 5 zone with a holding provision instead of a residential zone with a holding provision. The EEPAC established a Working Group consisting of K. Delaney (lead), B. Maddeford and N. Zitani to review and report back on the Environmental Impact Study for this application.

SoHo Redevelopment EIS

4. (14) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) heard a verbal presentation from L. McDougall, Ecologist Planner, reviewed and received the comments, prepared by the EEPAC Working Group, dated August, 2013 and a communication dated September 3, 2013, from K. Walton, Terrestrial/Wetland Biologist, Natural Resource Solutions Inc., with respect to the SoHo Redevelopment Environmental Impact Study. The EEPAC thanked Natural Resource Solutions Inc. for their comments.

Pottersburg Creek Slope Stability, south of Hamilton Road EA

5. (15) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) asked that the comments, prepared by the EEPAC Working Group, dated August 9, 2013, with respect to the Pottersburg Creek Slope Stability, south of Hamilton Road Environmental Assessment be forwarded to Staff for their review and consideration.

Trails Advisory Group Meetings

6. (16) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) received the Trails Advisory Group summary and update from the November 28, 2012 and April 25, 2013 TAG meetings. The EEPAC formed a Working Group, at the request of the Trails Advisory Group, consisting of D. Sheppard (lead) and S. Sanford. The EEPAC further requested that the Working Group receive copies of the topography map, the trail locations and the vegetation map.

Environmental Review Land Study Results and Next Steps

7. (17) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) heard a verbal presentation from B. Bergsma, Ecologist, with respect to the Environmental Review Land Study Results and proposed next steps.
8. (21) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) held a general discussion with respect to social media. The EEPAC advised the Clerk that the EEPAC is supportive of social media as the meetings are open to the public and social media gets more people involved; noting that the Municipal Council currently uses social media during their meetings.

9. (23) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice, dated September 23, 2013, from L. Mottram, Senior Planner, with respect to the application of Thames Village Joint Venture relating to the properties located at 1990 Commissioners Road East and 1697 Hamilton Road. The EEPAC advised the Planner that an Environmental Impact Study needs to be prepared to determine the limits of the Open Space zone.

10. That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) received and noted the following:

a) (1) the 8th Report of the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee from its meeting held on July 18, 2013;

b) (2) the 8th Report of the Advisory Committee on the Environment from its meeting held on September 4, 2013;

c) (3) a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on August 27, 2013, with respect to the application of PenEquity Realty Corporation, relating to the properties located at 3130 and 3260 Dingman Drive and the rear portions of 4397 and 4407 Wellington Road South;

d) (4) a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on August 27, 2013 with respect to the 8th Report of the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee;

e) (5) an information report, dated August 26, 2013, from the Managing Director, Planning and City Planner with respect to the ReThink London Discussion Papers;

f) (6) a Notice, dated July 25, 2013, from B. Turcotte, Senior Planner, with respect to an application by the University of Western Ontario, relating to the properties located at 401-463 Platt’s Lane Estates East;

g) (8) a Notice, dated July 24, 2012, from S. Meksula, Planner II, with respect to an application by Jipeng Zou, relating to the property located at 810 Southdale Road East;

h) (9) a Notice, dated September 18, 2013, from S. Meksula, Planner II, with respect to an application by Sifton Properties Limited, relating to the property located at 1270 Sunningdale Road East;

i) (10) a Notice, dated September 10, 2013, from N. McKee, Senior Planner, with respect to an application by Sifton Properties Limited, relating to the properties located at 1100 and 1140 North Wenige Drive;

j) (11) a Notice, dated September 13, 2013, from N. Pasato, Senior Planner, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to the property located at 613 Sovereign Road;

k) (13) a Notice, dated July 24, 2013, from M. Davis, Planner I, with respect to an application by the City of London, relating to Emergency Medical Service Facilities;
the resignation of Dr. G. Vilk from the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee; and,

the resignation of C. Peterson from the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee.

That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee will hold its next meeting on October 17, 2013.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.