

15TH REPORT OF THE
STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on November 18, 2013, commencing at 4:06 PM, in the Council Chambers, Second Floor, London City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor J.F. Fontana (Chair), Councillors B. Polhill, B. Armstrong, J.B. Swan, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, N. Branscombe, M. Brown, P. Hubert, D.G. Henderson, P. Van Meerbergen, D.T. Brown, H.L. Usher, J.P. Bryant and S. White and L. Rowe (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: A. Zuidema, I. Collins, M. Feldberg, J.M. Fleming, G. Gauld, M. Hayward, M. Henderson, G.T. Hopcroft, K. Lakhota, P. Lupton, T. MacBeth, D. Munteer, L. Palarchio, M. Ribera, C. Saunders, R. Sutton, B. Warner, R. Welker, B. Westlake-Power and P. Yeoman.

I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

That it BE NOTED that Councillor J.P. Bryant disclosed a pecuniary interest in clause 5 of this Report having to do with an appointment to the University of Western Ontario's Board of Governors by indicating that her spouse is on the faculty of the University of Western Ontario.

II. CONSENT ITEMS

None.

III. SCHEDULED ITEMS

2. 2014 Water and Wastewater and Treatment Budgets and Forecasts

a) That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Environmental and Engineering Services and City Engineer, the following actions be taken with respect to the 2014 Operating Budget, 2014 Capital Budget and associated forecasts for Wastewater and Treatment Services:

- i) the 2014 Operating Budget for Wastewater and Treatment Services BE APPROVED as submitted;
- ii) the 2015-2018 Operating Forecast for Wastewater and Treatment Services BE RECEIVED for information;
- iii) the 2014 Capital Budget for Wastewater and Treatment Services BE APPROVED as submitted;
- iv) the 2015-2023 Capital Forecast for Wastewater and Treatment Services BE RECEIVED for information;
- v) all rates and charges related to the provision of Wastewater and Treatment Services BE INCREASED by 7%, effective January 1, 2014; and
- vi) the proposed by-law to amend the Wastewater and Treatment Services By-law BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on December 3, 2013 to effect the rates and charges noted in a)v), above; and

b) That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Environmental and Engineering Services and City Engineer, the following actions be taken with respect to the 2014 Operating Budget, 2014 Capital Budget and associated forecasts for Water Services:

- i) the 2014 Operating Budget for Water Services BE APPROVED as submitted;
 - ii) the 2015-2018 Operating Forecast for Water Services BE RECEIVED for information;
 - iii) the 2014 Capital Budget for Water Services BE APPROVED as submitted;
 - iv) the 2015-2023 Capital Forecast for Water Services BE RECEIVED for information;
 - v) all rates and charges related to the provision of Water Services BE INCREASED by 8%, effective January 1, 2014; and
 - vi) the proposed by-law to amend the Water Rates and Charges By-law BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on December 3, 2013 to effect the rates and charges noted in b)v), above and,
- c) the submission dated November 5, 2013, from A. Hull, BE REFERRED to the Civic Administration for review and response to Mr. Hull;

it being noted that the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee heard the attached presentation from the Director of Water and Wastewater and the Director of Financial Planning and Policy with respect to this matter;

it being pointed out that the following individuals made oral submissions at the public participation meeting associated with this matter:

- D. Ailles, representing York Developments – indicating York Development’s desire to accelerate their project on Colonel Talbot Road, or at least a portion of that project; stating that they are pleased that staff have been able to advance development to 2015, but would prefer that it would be earlier, if possible.
- D. McBurney, #4 – 466 South Street – indicating that this is perhaps the clearest budget he has seen and commending staff for their efforts; noting that undertaking the necessary fixes to the infrastructure will save future Councils from being in the same predicament as this Council was in terms of catching up on infrastructure improvements; and noting that the effort to make the budget balanced and fair was incredible.

Voting Record:

Motion to Approve the recommendations pertaining to the 2014 Water and Wastewater and Treatment Budgets and Forecasts:

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, D.G. Henderson, J.P. Bryant, B. Polhill, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, D. Brown, H.L. Usher, S.E. White, B. Armstrong (14)

Motion to Approve the referral of A. Hull submission to the Civic Administration:

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, D.G. Henderson, J.P. Bryant, B. Polhill, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, D. Brown, H.L. Usher, S.E. White, B. Armstrong (13)

NAYS: S. Orser (1)

Motion to Approve that the public participation meeting be opened at 5:35 PM:

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, D.G. Henderson, D. Brown, J.P. Bryant, B. Polhill, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, H.L. Usher, S.E. White, B. Armstrong (12)

Motion to Approve that the public participation meeting be closed at 5:41 PM:

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, D.G. Henderson, J.P. Bryant, B. Polhill, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, D. Brown, H.L. Usher, S.E. White, B. Armstrong (14)

3. Managing Director, Planning and City Planner - Industrial Land Development Strategy 2013 - 2023

That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Planning and City Planner, with the concurrence of the Managing Director, Environmental and Engineering Services and City Engineer:

- a) the draft 2014 Industrial Land Development Strategy, appended to the staff report dated November 18, 2013, which is to serve as the basis to plan, acquire, service, and market industrial land for the City of London over the next 10 years, BE RECEIVED; it being noted that the final 2014 Industrial Land Strategy will be brought forward to the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee by March 1, 2014;
- b) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to bring forward an acquisition and servicing plan to implement the 2014 Industrial Land Strategy, as well as the associated financial and organizational plan, for consideration by the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee on or before March 1, 2014; and
- c) the London Economic Development Corporation BE DIRECTED to create an aggressive marketing plan that implements the Industrial Land Development Strategy, focusing on London's target industrial sectors and taking advantage of past investments and existing supporting resources; it being noted that the General Manager of the London Economic Development Corporation has played a large role on the team that formulated this Draft Industrial Land Development Strategy;

it being also noted that the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee heard the attached presentation from the Managing Director, Planning and City Planner, with respect to this matter.

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, D.G. Henderson, J.P. Bryant, B. Polhill, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, P. Van Meerbergen, D. Brown, H.L. Usher, S.E. White, B. Armstrong (15)

IV. ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

4. Appointment to the Covent Garden Market Board of Directors

Recommendation: That Brenda Telfer BE APPOINTED to the Covent Garden Market Board of Directors for the term ending November 30, 2014.

Voting Record:

Motion to Approve the appointment of Brenda Telfer:

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, J.P. Bryant, B. Polhill, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, D. Brown, H.L. Usher, S.E. White (11)

NAYS: D.G. Henderson, S. Orser, P. Van Meerbergen, B. Armstrong (4)

Motion to Approve the appointment of Roger Caranci:

Motion Failed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.P. Bryant, B. Polhill, P. Van Meerbergen, S.E. White (5)

NAYS: J.B. Swan, S. Orser, N. Branscombe, D.G. Henderson, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, D. Brown, H.L. Usher, B. Armstrong (10)

Motion to Approve the appointment of Frank Miller:

Motion Failed

YEAS: J.B. Swan, B. Polhill, D. Brown, B. Armstrong (4)

NAYS: J.F. Fontana, N. Branscombe, D.G. Henderson, J.P. Bryant, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, P. Van Meerbergen, H.L. Usher, S.E. White (11)

5. Appointment to the University of Western Ontario Board of Governors

That Michael Lerner BE APPOINTED to the University of Western Ontario Board of Governors for the term December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2017.

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, D.G. Henderson, B. Polhill, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, P. Van Meerbergen, D. Brown, S.E. White (8)

NAYS: J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, M. Brown, P. Hubert, H.L. Usher, B. Armstrong (6)

RECUSED: J.P. Bryant (1)

6. Standing Committee Appointments

a) Civic Works Committee

Recommendation: That the membership of the Civic Works Committee for the term December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2014 BE ESTABLISHED as follows:

Councillor H.L. Usher (Chair)
Mayor J. Fontana (ex-officio)
Councillor J.L. Baechler
Councillor N. Branscombe
Councillor S. Orser
Councillor P. Van Meerbergen

Voting Record:

Motion to Approve the composition of the Civic Works Committee:

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, D.G. Henderson, J.P. Bryant, B. Polhill, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, P. Van Meerbergen, D. Brown, H.L. Usher, S.E. White, B. Armstrong (15)

Motion to Approve Councillor H.L. Usher as Chair:

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, D.G. Henderson, J.P. Bryant, B. Polhill, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, P. Van Meerbergen, D. Brown, H.L. Usher, S.E. White, B. Armstrong (15)

b) Community and Protective Services Committee

That the membership of the Community and Protective Services Committee for the term December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2014 BE ESTABLISHED as follows:

Councillor M. Brown (Chair)
Mayor J. Fontana (ex-officio)
Councillor B. Armstrong
Councillor B. Branscombe
Councillor D. Brown
Councillor J. Bryant

Voting Record:

Motion to Approve the composition of the Community and Protective Services Committee

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, D.G. Henderson, J.P. Bryant, B. Polhill, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, P. Van Meerbergen, D. Brown, S.E. White, B. Armstrong (14)

NAYS: H.L. Usher (1)

Motion to substitute Councillor M. Brown for Councillor H.L. Usher:

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, D.G. Henderson, J.P. Bryant, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, P. Van Meerbergen, D. Brown, S.E. White, B. Armstrong (12)

NAYS: J.F. Fontana, B. Polhill, H.L. Usher (3)

Motion to Approve Councillor M. Brown as Chair:

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, J.P. Bryant, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, P. Van Meerbergen, D. Brown, H.L. Usher, S.E. White, B. Armstrong (12)

NAYS: J.F. Fontana, D.G. Henderson, B. Polhill (3)

c) Corporate Services Committee

That the membership of the Corporate Services Committee for the term December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2014 BE ESTABLISHED as follows:

Mayor J. Fontana (Chair)
Councillor J.P. Bryant
Councillor B. Polhill
Councillor J.B. Swan
Councillor H.L. Usher

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, D.G. Henderson, J.P. Bryant, B. Polhill, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, P. Van Meerbergen, D. Brown, H.L. Usher, S.E. White, B. Armstrong (15)

d) Investment and Economic Prosperity Committee

That the membership of the Investment and Economic Prosperity Committee for the term December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2014 BE ESTABLISHED as follows:

Councillor J.B. Swan (Chair)
Mayor J. Fontana (ex-officio)
Councillor M. Brown
Councillor D.G. Henderson
Councillor P. Hubert
Councillor P. Van Meerbergen

Voting Record:

Motion to Approve the composition of the Investment and Economic Prosperity Committee:

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, D.G. Henderson, J.P. Bryant, B. Polhill, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, P. Van Meerbergen, D. Brown, H.L. Usher, S.E. White, B. Armstrong (15)

Motion to Approve Councillor J.B. Swan as Chair.

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, D.G. Henderson, B. Polhill, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, P. Van Meerbergen, D. Brown, S.E. White, B. Armstrong (13)

NAYS: J.P. Bryant, H.L. Usher (2)

e) Planning and Environment Committee

That the membership of the Planning and Environment Committee for the term December 1, 2013 to November 30, 2014 BE ESTABLISHED as follows:

- Councillor J.L. Baechler (Chair)
- Mayor J. Fontana (ex-officio)
- Councillor D.G. Henderson
- Councillor P. Hubert
- Councillor B. Polhill
- Councillor S.E. White

Voting Record:

Motion to Approve the composition of the Planning and Environment Committee:

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, N. Branscombe, D.G. Henderson, J.P. Bryant, B. Polhill, S. Orser, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, P. Van Meerbergen, D. Brown, H.L. Usher, S.E. White, B. Armstrong (15)

Motion to Approve Councillor J.L. Baechler as Chair:

Motion Passed

YEAS: N. Branscombe, J.P. Bryant, J.L. Baechler, M. Brown, P. Hubert, D. Brown, H.L. Usher, B. Armstrong (8)

NAYS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, D.G. Henderson, B. Polhill, S. Orser, P. Van Meerbergen, S.E. White (7)

V. DEFERRED MATTERS/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.