

1ST REPORT OF THE

INVESTMENT AND ECONOMIC PROSPERITY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on December 2, 2013, commencing at 4:05 PM, in the Council Chambers, Second Floor, London City Hall.

PRESENT: Councillor J.B. Swan (Chair), Mayor J. Fontana, Councillors M. Brown, D. Henderson, P. Hubert, and P. Van Meerbergen and B. Mercier (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor J.P. Bryant and H.L. Usher and R. Armistead, J. Barber, M. Daley, C. Dziedzic H. Filger, M. Hayward, M. Henderson, G. Hopcroft, S. Jones, M. Ribera and B. Westlake-Power,

I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

Recommendation: That it BE NOTED that Councillor J. Swan disclosed a pecuniary interest in clause 5 of this Report, having to do with a mixed-use development for a Performing Arts Centre, by indicating that his employer, Orchestra London, is a proponent.

2. Election of Vice Chair

Recommendation: That Councillor M. Brown BE ELECTED as Vice Chair for the term ending November 30, 2014.

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, D.G. Henderson, M. Brown, P. Van Meerbergen, P. Hubert (6)

II. CONSENT ITEMS

3. Donation of the "Sentinel" Public Art from the Blackburn Foundation

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Director of Corporate Investments and Partnerships, the following actions be taken with respect to the acquisition of the "Sentinel" public art:

- a) the proposed by-law, as appended to the staff report dated December 2, 2013, BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on December 17, 2013 to:
 - i) approve the Donation Agreement between The Corporation of the City of London and the Walter J. Blackburn Foundation to transfer the ownership of the "Sentinel" public art to the City of London;
 - ii) authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign the above-noted transfer and issue a tax receipt to the Blackburn Foundation for their donation; and,
- b) the "Sentinel" public art BE LOCATED on City of London property in Mitch Baran Park in close proximity to the Walter J. Blackburn Memorial Fountain at the Forks of the Thames.

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, M. Brown, P. Van Meerbergen, P. Hubert (5)

NAYS: D.G. Henderson (1)

4. City of London Community Arts Investment Program Category #1 Policy Amendment

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Director, Corporate Investments and Partnerships, the proposed by-law, appended to the staff report dated December 2, 2013, to amend Council Policy 8(11), entitled "Grants and Capital Grants Policy", as it relates to the Community Arts Investment Program, BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on December 17, 2013.

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, D.G. Henderson, M. Brown, P. Van Meerbergen, P. Hubert (6)

5. Mixed-Use Development Including a Performing Arts Centre - Update

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Director, Corporate Investments and Partnerships, the following actions be taken with respect to the proposals submitted by Music London and the Grand Theatre for a Mixed-Use Development including a Performance Centre:

- a) the joint letter provided by Music London and the Grand Theatre BE RECEIVED for information;
- b) based on the request outlined in the above-noted letter, as well as the consistent theme throughout the public consultation process, the creation of a proposed "Joint Task Force" for the purpose of advancing the "Mixed-Use Development Including a Performing Arts Centre" proposal, between Music London and the Grand Theatre BE ENDORSED; and,
- c) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to review the revised business plan submitted by the Joint Task Force, and continue to engage Novita Interpares for a third party review; it being noted that, previously identified milestones may need to be amended at the request of the Joint Task Force.

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, D.G. Henderson, M. Brown, P. Van Meerbergen, P. Hubert (5)

RECUSED: J.B. Swan (1)

III. SCHEDULED ITEMS

6. Western University - IBM Industry Problem Solving Workshop

Recommendation: That the report dated December 2, 2013, from the Director of Corporate Investments and Partnerships, with respect to the Western University's IBM Industry problem solving workshop, BE RECEIVED for information; it being noted that the Investment and Economic Prosperity Committee heard a presentation from A. Kope, M.Sc Candidate Computer Science, with respect to this matter.

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, D.G. Henderson, M. Brown, P. Van Meerbergen, P. Hubert (6)

IV. ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

7. Sunfest Funding Request

Recommendation: That the following actions be taken with respect to the communication dated November 8, 2013, from A. Caxaj, Executive, Artistic Director and D. Mumford, Board Member, Sunfest, relating to a one-time funding request of \$50,000 to assist in celebrating the festival's 20th Anniversary:

- a) the above-noted funding request BE REFERRED to the 2014 Budget process;
- b) any funding granted through the Budget process BE DIRECTED to CAIP through the Culture Office, noting that Sunfest currently receives operational funding from CAIP Category 2;
- c) Sunfest BE REQUESTED to use local talent, in addition to international talent for London Day to build live music capacity in London; and,
- d) Sunfest BE REQUESTED to work with the Culture Office and London Arts Council for 2014 Sunfest, to build sustainability for future years;

it being noted that the Investment and Economic Prosperity Committee reviewed and received a communication from A. Halwa, Executive Director, London Arts Council, with respect to this matter.

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, J.B. Swan, D.G. Henderson, M. Brown, P. Van Meerbergen (5)

8. Ontario Music Fund Program

Recommendation: That the communication from A. Halwa, Executive Director, London Arts Council, with respect to a funding request of \$50,000 per year for a two year London Music Strategy Business Plan BE REFERRED to the Civic Administration to work through the due diligence project checklist process with the London Arts Council, with a report back to IEPC, as soon as possible, at a special meeting if required.

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.B. Swan, D.G. Henderson, M. Brown, P. Van Meerbergen (4)

V. DEFERRED MATTERS/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:44 PM