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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Submission to 6th Meeting of the SPPC Meeting April 21, 2026

Re: Item 4.6 – Councillor D. Ferreira – Advocacy Request – For-Profit Addiction Treatment in Ontario

Please submit the following to the SPPC meeting record and agenda:

To all members of SPPC,

I wish to give my full support for the changes proposed by David Ferreira to amend the current delivery model of certain addiction treatment and prescribing practices operating in Ontario, and the impacts being felt here in London.

As a long time resident and home owner in the London downtown I see every day clear evidence that the current model is not working in either the short or long term, for anyone.

If we want this City and its citizens to move forward to our full potential, we need to be playing the long term game. BC and Tuscan Arizona used the Portugal model, took care of their addicts and got their core area business and residential prosperity back. Using many of the same elements proposed in this agenda item.

Also essential: Support the advocacy letter to Queen's Park because:

>Province needs to step up. Enough of off-loading Drug Addiction to our municipality!

>A couple of private for-profit companies are not going to net London long term results.

Medpoint and their business partners' on-line perspectives talk about long term treatment outcome in philosophical terms but their business model with our city is a hamster wheel. Because it is based on short term repeat customers and is not providing an end game solution that will advance all of London's population.

I am counting on all Councillors and Mayor Morgan to vote for the long term end game solution to a London win.

You may share this email.

Thank you

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