

Bill No. 157
2026

By-law No. A.-

A by-law to appoint Craig Cooper, Director, Life Stabilization, as Administrator pursuant to the *Ontario Works Act, 1997*.

WHEREAS section 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, provides that a municipal power shall be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to section 38(1) of the *Ontario Works Act, 1997*, S.O. 1997, c. 25, Sched. A (the "Ontario Works Act"), and Ontario Regulation 136/98, The Corporation of the City of London has been designated as the delivery agent for the geographic area of "City of London and County of Middlesex";

AND WHEREAS section 43 of the Ontario Works Act provides that each delivery agent, with the approval of the Director, shall appoint an administrator to oversee the administration of the Ontario Works Act, 1997 and the provision of assistance in the delivery agent's geographic area;

1. AND WHEREAS section 44 of the Ontario Works Act provides that each administrator shall carry out the following duties:
2. Receive applications for basic financial assistance from persons residing in his or her geographic area.
3. Determine the eligibility of each applicant for basic financial assistance.
4. If an applicant is found eligible for basic financial assistance, determine the amount of the assistance and direct its provision.
5. Determine eligibility for employment assistance and direct its provision.
6. Carry out the prescribed duties.

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. Subject to the approval of the Director of Ontario Works appointed by the Minister of Community and Social Services ("Director"), Craig Cooper, Director, Life Stabilization is appointed Ontario Works Administrator pursuant to section 43 of the Ontario Works Act.
2. The City Clerk is directed to seek the approval of the "Director" for the appointment set out in section 1 above.
3. By-law No. A.-8494-113, entitled, "A by-law to appoint Tim Smuck, Director, Life Stabilization, as Administrator pursuant to the Ontario Works Act, 1997.", passed on June 04, 2024, is hereby repealed.
4. This by-law comes into force and effect on the day it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council on April 28, 2026 subject to the provisions of PART VI.1 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

Josh Morgan
Mayor

Michael Schulthess
City Clerk

First Reading – April 28, 2026
Second Reading – April 28, 2026
Third Reading – April 28, 2026