1ST REPORT OF THE

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

Meeting held on December 5, 2011, commencing at 4:08 PM, in the Council Chambers, Second Floor, London City Hall.

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

ABSENT: Councillors D. Brown and S. Orser.

ALSO PRESENT: J. A. Fielding, R. L. Fair, M. Hayward, P. McNally, J. P. Barber, J. Braam, R. Brown, J. Clark, I. Collins, A. Dunbar, J. M. Fleming, E. Gamble, K. Graham, G. T. Hopcroft, T. A. Johnson, V. McAlea Major, L. Palarchio, C. Saunders, R. Sharpe and J. Verhaege.

I. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None are disclosed.

II. SCHEDULED ITEMS

1. 2012-2016 Operating Budget Targets

Recommendation:

- (a) That all Boards and Commissions **BE ADVISED** that it is the Municipal Council's expectation that their budget submissions adhere to a 1.4% target.
- (b) That the following actions be taken with respect to the 2012 Budget target:
 - (i) the ceiling for the 2012 Budget target **BE SET** at 1.4%;
 - the Boards and Commissions **BE REQUESTED** to advise of the resulting service impacts of achieving the ceiling target noted in (i), above;
 - (iii) the Civic Administration **BE REQUESTED** to submit its "A" list of further potential budget reductions beyond the 1.4% target, together with a description of associated service impacts, to the Services Review Committee for consideration:
 - (iv) the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to also explore further potential budget reductions beyond those contained in the "A" list, and their associated service impacts;

it being noted that the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee heard a verbal delegation from the City Manager, received a Municipal Council resolution dated May 31, 2011 and a staff report from the City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, resubmitted from May 10, 2011, with respect to this matter.

Recorded Vote:

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

NAYS: (0)

2. DINNER BREAK

3. Tabling of the 2012 Draft Budget

Recommendation: That the 2012 Draft Budget **BE RECEIVED** and **BE REFERRED** to the 2012 Budget review process; it being noted that the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee heard the <u>attached</u> presentation from the City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer and the Director, Financial Planning and Policy, with respect to this matter.

4. City of London Strategic Plan

Recommendation: That the verbal delegation from the Director of Corporate Communications with respect to the "City of London Strategic Plan" and the "Update from the City" documents **BE RECEIVED**.

III. CONSENT ITEMS

None.

IV. ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

None.

V. DEFERRED MATTERS/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None.

VI. CONFIDENTIAL

None.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.