4TH REPORT OF THE

ANIMAL WELFARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on March 6, 2014, commencing at 5:02 p.m.

PRESENT: V. Van Linden (Chair), J. Fawcett-Cornish, E. Gerrow, J. Lalonde A. Papmehl, M.

Puzanov, S. C. Rans, G. Sturm and M. Warder and H. Lysynski (Acting Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: C. Saunders.

REGRETS: C. Dutton.

I YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:

Pet Limits

- 1. (3,10) That the following actions be taken with respect to proposed changes to pet limits in the City of London:
- a) the Chair and Vice-Chair BE PERMITTED to request delegation status, on behalf of the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee at the Community and Protective Services Committee Public Participation Meeting being held with respect to this matter; and,
- b) the following amendments BE INCLUDED in the proposed pet limits:
 - i) rescue groups be allowed to have an unlimited number of animals;
 - ii) a two tier licensing system be established to distinguish between rescue groups and citizens:
 - rescue groups be provided with their own tags; it being noted that the tag will stay with the rescue group, not the animal; it being further noted that if foster animals are lost, the animals can be identified through the rescue group tag; it being also noted that if further clarification is required, the rescue group may be contacted to confirm that the animal is indeed a foster animal;
 - iv) rescue groups be provided with a license;
 - v) a new rescue group be required to receive a letter of reference from a veterinarian and have one foster home in addition to the Director's home:
 - vi) a limit of a maximum of four dogs per dwelling unit and a maximum of eight cats per dwelling unit be established; it being noted that no dwelling shall be allowed to have more than eight pets in total, with a limit of four dogs and eight cats; and,
 - vii) the added communication from V. Van Linden relating to additional regulations to consider as part of pet limits be referred to a future meeting of the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee;

it being noted that the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee reviewed and received a communication, dated February 25, 2014, from V. Van Linden, with respect to this matter.

II YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Advisory Committee Procedural Matters

2. That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee heard a verbal presentation from C. Saunders, City Clerk, with respect to Advisory Committee procedural matters.

3rd Report of the AWAC

3. (1) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) noted and filed the 3rd Report of the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee from its meeting held on February 6, 2014.

Red-Eared Sliders

4. (2,9) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) received a communication, dated November 25, 2013, from A. Papmehl, a communication and the <u>attached</u> presentation from S. Gillingwater, Species at Risk Biologist, Upper Thames River Conservation Authority, with respect to the Red-eared Sliders. The AWAC postponed consideration of this matter to a future meeting for consideration with a discussion on retail sales.

Super Adoption Day

5. (4) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) reviewed and received communications, dated February 25, 2014, from V. Van Linden and S. Rans with respect to Super Adoption Day, being held on April 5, 2014 and held a general discussion related to this matter. V. Van Linden and J. Fawcett-Cornish noted availability to assist with this event and will co-ordinate with the Civic Administration to do so.

Deferred Matters

- 6. That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) postponed discussion related to the following:
- a) (5) the Animal Adoption Centre to its April meeting; it being noted that the AWAC reviewed and received communications from V. Van Linden and S. Rans, with respect to this matter;
- b) (6) the City Veterinarian position to its May meeting; it being noted that the AWAC reviewed and received a communication from S. Rans, with respect to this matter;
- c) (7) the Animal Services recommendations for Companion Animals to a future meeting; and,
- d) (8) the Retail Animal Sales review to a future meeting.

Next Meeting

7. That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) will hold its next meeting on April 3, 2014.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.