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TO:	MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MAY 6, 2014
FROM:	GRANT HOPCROFT, DIRECTOR OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND COMMUNITY LIAISON
SUBJECT:	2014 ONTARIO PROVINCIAL GENERAL ELECTION CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

RECOMMENDATION

That, on the recommendation of the Director of Intergovernmental and Community Liaison, and pursuant to the request of the Corporate Services Committee, the following questions BE ADDED to those contained within the staff report on the provincial election questionnaire of April 29, 2014:

- a) How will you and your Party ensure that energy prices in Ontario are competitive with the North American market?
- b) How will you and your Party improve mental health and addictions services so that people can be supported effectively and not discharged to homeless shelters without any support? What will you and your Party do to ensure a "housing first" approach is taken for Ontario's most vulnerable mental health and addictions population?

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER
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Board of Control: August 8, 2007; September 26, 2007
 Finance and Administration: July 20, 2011; September 28, 2011
 Corporate Services Committee: July 23, 2013; April 29, 2014

BACKGROUND

At its meeting on April 29, 2014, the Corporate Services Committee requested that the following actions be taken with respect to the 2014 Ontario provincial general election Candidate Questionnaire, if a provincial general election is held this year:

- a) the Director of Intergovernmental and Community Liaison BE REQUESTED to provide two additional questions to those contained in the staff report dated April 29, 2014, for consideration at the Municipal Council meeting on May 6, 2014, regarding the "green economy" and community mental health and wellness;
- b) the Mayor BE REQUESTED to forward a letter to the candidates in each of the four London ridings in the 2014 Ontario provincial general election, seeking a written response to the Candidate Questionnaire; and
- c) the responses received from the candidates in the provincial election BE PLACED on the City's website, for information, as soon as they are received.

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