

11TH REPORT OF THE
STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on February 19, 2015, commencing at 4:04 PM, in the Council Chambers, Second Floor, London City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor M. Brown and Councillors M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park and J. Zaifman and L. Rowe (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: A. Zuidema, J. Braam, B. Coxhead, S. Datars Bere, A. Dunbar, J.M. Fleming, M. Hayward, O. Katolyk, G. Kotsifas, L. Livingstone, V. McAlea Major, J.P. McGonigle, D. O'Brien, L. Palarchio, M. Ribera, C. Saunders, J. Senese, C. Smith, B. Westlake-Power.

I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

Recommendation: That it BE NOTED that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

II. CONSENT ITEMS

None.

III. SCHEDULED ITEMS

2. 2015 Budget - Public Participation Meeting

Recommendation: That the oral and written submissions on the 2015 Budget BE RECEIVED for information; it being noted that the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee received a communication dated February 17, 2015 from G. Thompson, President, Urban League of London, providing comments on the 2015 Budget and on the draft Strategic Plan;

it being pointed out that at the public participation meeting associated with this matter, the individuals indicated on the attached public participation meeting record made oral submissions in connection therewith.

Voting Record:

Motion to open the public participation meeting.

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (14)

Motion to close the public participation meeting.

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

Motion to receive the oral and written submissions.

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

IV. ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

Motion to go in camera with respect to discussion of personal matters about identifiable individuals, with respect to citizen appointments to Advisory Committees.

Motion Failed

YEAS: V. Ridley, T. Park (2)

NAYS: M. Brown, B. Armstrong, M. van Holst, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, J. Zaifman (13)

3. Consideration of Appointment to the Committee of Revision/Court of Revision (Requires 3 Members)

Recommendation: That the following BE APPOINTED to the Committee of Revision/Court of Revision for the term December 1, 2014 to November 30, 2018:

C. Edgar
W.R. Monteith
W.C. Pol

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

4. Consideration of Appointment to the Plumbers' and Drain Layers' Examining Board (Requires 3 Members)

Recommendation: That the following BE APPOINTED to the Plumbers' and Drain Layers' Examining Board for the term December 1, 2014 to November 30, 2018:

S. Atchison
D. Brouwer
M. Salliss

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

5. 2nd Report of the Striking Committee

Recommendation: That the following actions be taken with respect to the 2nd Report of the Striking Committee, from its meetings held on January 8, 2015, January 20, 2015 and February 3, 2015, respectively:

- a) the following individuals BE APPOINTED to the Accessibility Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Sherry Abray (Person with a Disability)
Jill Bell (Parent of a Child with a Disability)
Rob Campbell (Person with a Disability)
Julia Cunningham (Member-at-Large)
Michael Dawthorne (Member-at-Large)
Florencia de Lasa (Person with a Disability)
Carrie Dodman (Person with a Disability)
Ashton Forrest (Person with a Disability)
Michael Hale (Person with a Disability)
Maria Mavrikkou (Member-at-Large)
Jim Sanders (Member-at-Large)
Dora Tam (Member-at-Large)
Daryl Thomas (Person with a Disability)

- b) the following individuals BE APPOINTED to the Advisory Committee on the Environment for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Jamie Baxter (Member-at-Large)
 Ken Birchall (Member-at-Large)
 Mike Bloxam (Industrial Sector)
 Christine Borselli-Morgan (Member-at-Large)
 Sarah Brooks (Member-at-Large)
 Susan Hall (Member-at-Large)
 Mary Ann Hodge (Member-at-Large)
 Janice Howell (Environmental Sector)
 Lois Langdon (Private Sector)
 Susan Ratz (Member-at-Large)
 Gabor Sass (Member-at-Large)
 Becki Schulz (Member-at-Large)

- c) the following individuals BE APPOINTED to the Agricultural Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Kris Dinel
 Skylar Franke
 Aaron W.C. Lawrence
 Michael McAlpine (alternate Member-at-Large)
 Lawlor McKenna

- d) the following individuals BE APPOINTED to the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Kathryn Ashe (Member-at-Large)
 Wendy Brown (Wildlife Rehabilitator)
 Jennifer Fawcett-Cornish (Member-at-Large)
 Vicky Lightfoot (Animal Rescue Group)
 Kaylie McIntosh (Member-at-Large)
 Peter Newbould (Pet Shop Owner)
 Colleen Perquin (Member-at-Large)
 Marcy Puzanov (Member-at-Large)
 Douglas M. Simpson (Member-at-Large)
 Michelle Toplack (Member-at-Large)
 Peggianne Wright (Member-at-Large)

- e) the following individuals BE APPOINTED to the Child Care Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Tamara Blaney (Child Care Provider)
 Shari Carter (Child Care Provider)
 Neil Elhayek (Child Care Provider)
 Diane Gordon (Child Care Provider)
 Barbara Jackson (Child Care Provider)
 Julie Keens (Child Care Provider)
 Stephanie McKee (Child Care Provider)
 Jo-elle Rinker (Informed Community Member)
 Amanda Ryan (Child Care Provider)
 Carol Wagg (Child Care Provider)
 Kathy Watad (Education)

- f) the following individuals BE APPOINTED to the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Izabela Bielaska-Hornblower (Member-at-Large)
 Dan Judson (Member-at-Large)
 Bruce Rankin (Member-at-Large)

- g) the following individuals BE APPOINTED to the Cycling Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

David Mitchell (Member-at-Large)

William Pol (Cycling Club)
Charlene Quirk (Member-at-Large)

- h) the following individuals BE APPOINTED to the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Erick Arellano
Fernando Cirino
Lauren Des Marteaux
Carol Dyck
Jethro Odanga Edubagwa
Peter L. Ferguson
Brian Gibson
David Hiscott
Caitlin Kushnir
Sandy Levin
Alfredo Martinez-Iglesias
Katrina A. Moser
Meaghan Elise Murphy
Silke Nebel
Sarah Peirce
Natalie St. Amour
Joseph Stinziano
Randy Trudeau

- i) the following individuals BE APPOINTED to the London Advisory Committee on Heritage for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Sarah Gibson
Thomas Thayer
Kerby Waud

- j) the following individuals BE APPOINTED to the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Chad Callander
Florence Cassar
Janan Dean
Mohamed Hammoud
Zeba Hashmi
Lina Hernadez
Shawna Lewkowitz
Suzanne Morrison
Leroy R. Osbourne
Anne-Marie Sanchez
Ian Silver (French Speaking)

- k) the following individuals BE APPOINTED to the London Housing Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Julia Coley (Non-Profit Sector)
Heidi Drennan (Member-at-Large)
John Peaire (Alternate Member-at-Large)
Angela Galloway (Member-at-Large)
Moon Inthavong (Member-at-Large)
Kathy Kaill (Alternate Member-at-Large)
Siu Ming Kwok (Member-at-Large)
Jacob (Jack) Malkin (Member-at-Large)
Jessica Muller (Member-at-Large)
Doug Nemeth (Member-at-Large)
Betsy Odegaard (Emergency Housing Sector)
Deb Peckham (Tenants Sector)
Joshua Randall (Private Housing Sector)
Nadine Reeves (Member-at-Large)
David Yuhasz (Member-at-Large)

- l) Jean-Marc Metrailler, residing in Ward 13, BE APPOINTED to the Town and Gown Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019.
- m) the following individuals BE APPOINTED to the Transportation Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:
 - Amir Farahi
 - Steven Greenley
 - Jon Kostyniuk
- n) the following individuals BE APPOINTED to the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:
 - Aleix Adgira (Member-at-Large)
 - Amber Cantell (Forestry Expertise)
 - Patricia Ciufu (Member-at-Large)
 - Roberto Mannella (Member-at-Large)
 - Gord Mitchell (Member-at-Large)
 - Casey Wolfe (Member-at-Large)
- o) the following proposed changes to the appointment process for Boards and Commissions and Advisory Committees BE FORWARDED to the Governance Working Group for consideration and recommendation:
 - i) revisions to the application form to require the following additional information:
 - A) disclosure of current appointments to a Board, Commission or Advisory Committee and the length of appointment;
 - B) additional and more detailed information with respect to background in support of the request for appointment;
 - C) voluntary disclosure with respect to diversity; and,
 - D) submission of references in support of the request for appointment;
 - ii) requesting Boards and Commissions to provide descriptions of the roles of the Boards and Commissions so that potential applicants have a fuller understanding of the purpose and work of the Boards and Commissions;
 - iii) the holding of an Open House prior to the deadline for submission of applications, where and Board, Commission and Advisory Committee Chairs/Members would be in attendance to provide information to potential applicants with respect to the work and time commitments of the Boards, Commissions and Advisory Committees and where the Striking Committee could clarify what information they require to make informed recommendations;
 - iv) requiring applications for Boards and Commissions to be submitted by September 15th of a Municipal Election year in order to provide the Striking Committee with sufficient time to thoroughly review the applications, and if deemed necessary, to interview the applicants prior to submitting recommendations to the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee for consideration;
 - v) requiring applications for Advisory Committee appointments to be submitted by November 15th of a Municipal Election year in order to provide the Striking Committee with sufficient time to thoroughly review the applications, and if deemed necessary, to interview the applicants prior to submitting recommendations to the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee for consideration;
 - vi) staggering the appointment terms for Advisory Committee members to ensure knowledge and experience continuity;
 - vii) amending the Terms of Reference for the Striking Committee to provide for two additional Members-at-Large; and,

viii) investigating methods to more widely circulate the request for the submission of applications for appointment to the Boards and Commissions and Advisory Committees, which may include the use of social media.

p) clause 1 BE RECEIVED.

Voting Record:

Motion to approve parts a) to n), and part p), excluding part g) and part k).

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (14)

Motion to approve a portion of part g) to appoint William Pol to the Cycling Advisory Committee, in the capacity of an individual who sits on a Cycling Club.

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (14)

Motion to approve the balance of part g) to appoint David Mitchell and Charlene Quirk to the Cycling Advisory Committee as Members-at-Large.

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (14)

Motion to approve a portion of part k) to appoint John Peaire and Kathy Kail as Alternate Members-at-Large to the London Housing Advisory Committee.

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (13)

NAYS: A. Hopkins (1)

Motion to approve the balance of appointments contained in part k).

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (14)

Motion to approve part o).

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (14)

6. Confirmation of Appointment to the Accessibility Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following BE CONFIRMED as Non-Voting Members on the Accessibility Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Joyce Bennett - Board of Education
Valerie Waines - Seniors' Community of London

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

7. Confirmation of Appointment to the Advisory Committee on the Environment

Recommendation: That the following BE CONFIRMED as Members on the Advisory Committee on the Environment for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Voting:

Christina Baranik - Thames Region Ecological Association

Non-Voting:

Pat Almost - Ministry of the Environment
Iqbal Kalsi - Middlesex-London Health Unit
Linda De Vos - Thames Valley District School Board

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

8. Confirmation of Appointment to the Agricultural Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following BE CONFIRMED as Voting Members on the Agricultural Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Hugh Fletcher - Middlesex Federation of Agriculture
Crispin Colvin - Middlesex Federation of Agriculture - Alternate
Steve Twynstra - Middlesex Soil and Crop Improvement Association
Patrick Conlin - Middlesex Soil and Crop Improvement Association - Alternate

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

9. Confirmation of Appointment to the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following BE CONFIRMED as Members on the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Voting:

Jeve Sukhdeo - London Dog Owners' Association
Margaret Gelinias - Friends of Captive Animals

Non-Voting:

Fatih Sekercioglu - Middlesex-London Health Unit

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

10. Confirmation of Appointment to the Child Care Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following BE CONFIRMED as Non-Voting Members on the Child Care Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Ellen De Freitas - Middlesex-London Public Health Unit
Holly Gerrits - Local School Boards
Jeff Havemen - Support Services for Children with Special Needs

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

11. Confirmation of Appointment to the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following BE CONFIRMED as Members on the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Voting:

Sheena Davis - Thames Valley District School Board
Joyce Bennett - Thames Valley Council of Home & School Associations
Paul Arcese - Neighbourhood Watch London - Board of Directors
Betty Spearman - Block Parent Central Committee
Laila Norman - London and Area Council of Women
Marnie Sherritt - Council for London Seniors
Meagan Melling - Child Safety Middlesex London

Non-Voting:

Dianne Lebold - Fire Prevention
Simon Pont - Neighbourhood Watch Office
Maureen O'Halloran - Block Parent Office
Mary Lou Albanese - Middlesex-London Health Unit
Nancy Collister - London Public Library
Emily van Kesteren - London and Area Active & Safe Routes to School

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

12. Confirmation of Appointment to the Cycling Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following BE CONFIRMED as Members on the Cycling Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Voting:

Dianne Szoller - London and Middlesex Road Safety Committee
Jason Jordan - Thames Region Ecological Association
Maureen Zunti - London Development Institute

Non-Voting:

Paul Dubniak - London Transit Commission
Gary Strang - London Police Service

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

13. Confirmation of Appointment to the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That Christine Creighton, representing the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority BE CONFIRMED as a Non-Voting Member on the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019.

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

14. Confirmation of Appointment to the London Advisory Committee on Heritage

Recommendation: That the following BE CONFIRMED as Voting Members on the London Advisory Committee on Heritage for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Shawn Adamsson - Emerging Leaders Initiative
Hazel Elmslie - Local History (London & Middlesex Historical Society)
Tara Jenkins - Archaeology/Anthropology (Ontario Archaeological Society, London Chapter)
Jim Cushing - Natural Heritage (McIlwraith Field Naturalists)
Dan Brock - Movable Heritage - archives (Archives Association of Ontario)
John Manness - Movable Heritage - Museums & Galleries (Museum London or The Royal Canadian Regiment Museum)
Wes Kinghorn - Neighbourhoods (Urban League of London)
Derek Dudek - Development Community (London Home Builders Association)
Heather Garrett - Urban Design Community (London Urban Design Association)

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

15. Confirmation of the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That Jessica Hill, representing Educational Institutions/Organizations/Services BE CONFIRMED as a Non-Voting Member on the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee for the term of March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019.

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

16. Confirmation of Appointment to the London Housing Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following BE CONFIRMED as Non-Voting Members on the London Housing Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Judith Binder - Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp. (London Office)
Steve Matthew - London & Middlesex Housing Corp.
Melissa Hardy-Trevenna - London & St. Thomas Real Estate Board

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

17. Confirmation of Appointment to the Town and Gown Committee

Recommendation: That the following BE CONFIRMED as Members on the Town and Gown Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Voting:

Susan Grindrod - Administrative Representative from Western University
Jen Carter - Student Council Representative from Western University
Tony Frost - Administrative Representative from Fanshawe College
Matt Stewart - Student Council Representative from Fanshawe College
Alison Shott - Western University Society of Graduate Students
Taryn Scripnick - Representative of Brescia, Huron and King's University College

Non-Voting:

Emma Sims - London Property Management Association
Sergeant David Ellyatt - London Police Services
Wendy Cowdrey - London Fire Services
Glenn Matthews - Housing Mediation Office

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

18. Confirmation of Appointment to the Transportation Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following BE CONFIRMED as Members on the Transportation Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Voting:

Alyssa Penney - London Middlesex Road Safety Committee
Julian Peccia - Canadian Automobile Association
Amanda Stratton - Urban League of London
Jim Kennedy - London Development Institute
Tanis Siddique - Council for London Seniors

Non-Voting:

Katie Burns - London Transit Commission
Staff Sergeant Arlene Wilson - London Police Service
Iqbal Kalsi - Middlesex-London Health Unit
Jen Carter - Post-Secondary Student

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

19. Confirmation of Appointment to the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following BE CONFIRMED as Members on the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee for the term March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2019:

Voting:

Iqbal Kalsi - Middlesex-London Health Unit
 Craig Linton - London Development Institute/London Home Builders Association

Non-Voting:

Brandon Williamson - Upper Thames Valley Conservation Authority

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (15)

V. DEFERRED MATTERS/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

20. ADDED - 2015 Budget - Public Input

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Director, Financial Planning and Policy, the staff report dated February 19, 2015 regarding 2015 Budget public input BE RECEIVED for information.

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, V. Ridley, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (14)

21. ADDED - 2015 Budget – Additional Contribution – Middlesex-London Health Unit

Recommendation: That a pro-rated sum of \$50,000 BE MADE available, in 2015, to the Middlesex-London Health Unit, on the conditions that:

- a) their Board approves and establishes an expansion to its dentistry program by hiring an additional dentist(s); and
- b) they agree to report back on the success of the program in January of 2016.

Motion Failed

YEAS: M. van Holst, J. Helmer (2)

NAYS: M. Brown, M. Salih, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (11)

VI. CONFIDENTIAL

(See Confidential Appendix to the 11th Report of the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee enclosed for Members only.)

The Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee convened in camera from 5:55 PM to 6:20 PM, with respect to Item No. C-2, and from 8:45 PM to 9:29 PM, with respect to Item No. C-1, after having passed a motion to do so, with respect to the following matters:

- C-1 ADDED - A matter pertaining to labour relations and employee negotiations, including communications necessary for that purpose.
- C-2 ADDED - A matter pertaining to advice subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, regarding citizen appointments to Advisory Committees.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 PM.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING COMMENTS

2. 2015 Budget – Public Participation

- Dr. Mohammed Baobaid, Muslim Resource Centre for Social Support and Integration – reiterating the need for operational funding from the City; indicating the Centre started out in 2009 and works with all area anti-violence agencies in order to keep all families and the community safe; indicating that they are working on a culturally-integrated family service response and also use current intervention systems within the cultural context; noting they work with faith leaders and community support services to try to deal with issues in the early stages before matters escalate and tragedies occur; advising that Centres such as this have worked successfully in other cities; and noting that the number of children having to go into alternative care has been virtually eliminated over the last two or three years, resulting in significant social cost savings; and concluding that the Centre would like to work with the City of London on this initiative.
- Dr. Timothy Pearson, London Cycle Link – reiterating the submission appended as 2b) of the Added Agenda regarding the need for increased, cycling-focused investment.
- Doug Hogg, Citizen – enquiring if pending changes to the City of London’s Tree By-law will affect the cost of tree removals on public and private property, to which he was advised by the Managing Director, Planning and City Planner that staff will address that question in their upcoming report on this matter; also enquiring about the status of litigation regarding the Springbank Dam, to which he was advised by the Managing Director, Environmental and Engineering Services & City Engineer that the City of London is hoping to be given a Court date sometime around January 2016.
- Vicki Van Linden, Chair, Animal Welfare Advisory Committee – thanking the City of London for the progressive steps it has recently taken in the area of animal welfare and reiterating the submission appended as part 2d) of the Agenda in which additional yearly funding in the amount of \$150,000 is being sought to expand current spay/neuter efforts.
- Jess Muller and Nicole Worozbyt, London Youth Advisory Council reiterating the submission appended as 2e) of the Added Agenda regarding enhanced engagement with education systems, financial investment in rapid transit (SHIFT), and increased opportunities for citizens to directly participate in municipal decision-making.
- Mike and Ildiko Inglis, Gymworld – noting that Gymworld has provided gymnastics instruction to over 800 children for the past 13 years and they are at capacity; advising of their extensive competitive and coaching backgrounds in gymnastics; emphasizing the need for additional space and more appropriate equipment to meet the demands of the athletes they serve; indicating they hoped to build a facility that could also host not-for-profit community sports organizations that might not otherwise be able to acquire a facility of the scope they are proposing for their Multi-Sport Training Centre; noting that that their proposed Centre would house all levels of gymnastics, dryland training facilities for the Forest City Diving Club and the London Aquatic Club, an indoor track for use by the London Legion Track & Field Alliance, as well as others; indicating that by combining various sports activities under their roof, the demand on City resources to provide municipally-funded and operated facilities for those organizations would be removed; seeking financial assistance from the City as their vision for the Training Centre is supported by a business model, but the \$400,000+ in development charges would be more than 50% of their annual gross revenues and make it impossible to build a Training Centre of their preferred scope; stating that the facility would increase the City’s assessment base and would be a valuable asset to those who make use of the facility; noting that their Centre would accomplish key initiatives within the City of London’s Strategic Plan, including strengthening the

community by developing amazing recreational experiences and creating a healthy city; emphasizing that if they cannot find relief from the applicable development charges, they will have to scale back the project and forego some of the value-added spaces that are being proposed; and seeking financial assistance in 2015 in an amount that would offset the development charges that would be payable for their preferred facility as there is an urgency to start the project this year because of their current lease, reaching capacity in their programs, and the impending 2016 Olympics.

- Lorne Keith, Citizen – stressing the importance of maintaining safe levels of phosphorous and fluoride in the City's drinking water; and suggesting that the City try removing fluoride for a period of one year to see how it would improve people's health and also save the City money.
- Marg Chester, Citizen – enquiring if the City was considering funding the Muslim Centre being built on Southdale Road, to which she was advised that this was not a request that was before the Municipal Council for consideration.