



TO:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS INVESTMENT AND ECONOMIC PROSPERITY COMMITTEE MEETING ON JANUARY 23, 2012
FROM:	MIKE TURNER DEPUTY CITY TREASURER
SUBJECT:	ORCHESTRA LONDON

RECOMMENDATION

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Treasurer, the following actions be taken with respect to funding assistance for Orchestra London:

- (a) funding continue to **BE PROVIDED** in 2012 to Orchestra London subject to, approval of the 2012 budget, annual review of Orchestra London’s business plan to ensure it is operating in keeping with its business plan, and subject to a monthly monitoring of cash flow by the Civic Administration; and
- (b) notwithstanding that the 2012 budget will not be approved until February 2012, a pro-rated amount equivalent to the January and February monthly installments of the proposed 2012 funding for Orchestra London **BE APPROVED** for release to Orchestra London, subject to review and authorization by Civic Administration, with release of the balance of the 2012 funding approved as part of the 2012 budget being contingent upon 2012 budget approval.

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER

- Finance and Administration Committee, January 19, 2011, Orchestra London
- Finance and Administration Committee, November 16, 2011, Orchestra London 2010-2011 Financial Results

BACKGROUND

At its meeting on January 24, 2011, Council approved “funding in the amount of \$482,688 continue to BE PROVIDED in 2011 to Orchestra London subject to the annual review of the business plan to ensure they are in keeping with this plan and subject to monthly monitoring of cash flow by the Deputy City Treasurer.”

Orchestra London will not be eligible to apply to the CAIP – Category #1 Program for a number of years and this funding will likely be required for the period of the Loan Guarantee.

Orchestra London is adhering to the report submitted outlining their plan for a sustainable future. As reported in the November 16, 2011 Finance and Administration Committee report, the Orchestra achieved a profit of \$67,784 in the 2010-2011 season, which was the second consecutive year with a surplus. This reduced the fiscal year end accumulated deficit to \$986,838. At the end of the fiscal year, the bank indebtedness was down to \$202,295, an improvement of \$23,194. The Financial Statements were presented at the Orchestra’s Annual General Meeting on November 9, 2011.

Results for the first six months of the Orchestra’s 2011-2012 season has their operating results better than budget by \$13,256 and forecast to the end of the June 30, 2012 fiscal year is \$11, 207 better than budget.

2012 Budget

Funding for Orchestra London in the amount of \$482,688 has been included in the proposed 2012 budget.

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