14TH REPORT OF THE
STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on March 9, 2015, commencing at 4:28 PM, recessing at 4:29 PM and reconvening at 4:47 PM, in the Council Chambers, Second Floor, London City Hall.


I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

   That it BE NOTED that the following pecuniary interests were disclosed:

   a) Councillor T. Park disclosed a pecuniary interest clause C-2 of this Report having to do with a matter pertaining to advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose with respect to the decommissioning of City owed lands known as the South Street Campus currently leased and occupied by London Health Sciences Centre; instructions and directions to officers and employees of the Corporation pertaining to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land; advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; reports or advice or recommendations of officers and employees of the Corporation pertaining to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land; commercial and financial information supplied in confidence pertaining to the proposed or pending acquisition or disposition the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of the Corporation, result in similar information no longer being supplied to the Corporation where it is in the public interest that similar information continue to be so supplied, and result in undue loss or gain to any person, group, committee or financial institution or agency; commercial information relating to the proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land that belongs to the Corporation that has monetary value or potential monetary value; information concerning the proposed or pending acquisition or disposition whose disclosure could reasonably be expected to prejudice the economic interests of the Corporation or its competitive position; information concerning the proposed or pending acquisition or disposition whose disclosure could reasonably be expected to be injurious to the financial interests of the Corporation; and instructions to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the Corporation concerning the proposed or pending acquisition or disposition; and for the purpose of a vote for giving directions or instructions to officers, employees or agents of the municipality or persons retained by or under a contract with the municipality, by indicating that she owns a neighbouring property.

   b) Councillor P. Hubert discloses a pecuniary interest in clause 9 of this Report having to do with a request by Councillor M. Salih to invite a representative of the African Canadian Federation of London and Area (ACFLA) to appear as a delegation before the Community and Protective Services Committee by indicating that he is the Executive Director of a social services agency that has a working relationship with the ACFLA.
II. CONSENT ITEMS


That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, on the advice of the Manager of Realty Services, the following actions be taken with respect to the annual monitoring and pricing of City-owned industrial lands:

a) NO ACTION BE TAKEN at this time to adjust the current pricing of City-owned industrial land from the following prices that were established April 1, 2014:

Pricing for serviced industrial land in Innovation Park, Phases 3 and 4: All lot sizes $75,000.00 per acre

Pricing for serviced industrial land in Innovation Park, Phases 1 & 2 and all other City-owned Industrial Parks: Lots up to 3.99 acres $75,000.00 per acre
4.00 acres and up $65,000.00 per acre

b) the 2015 Annual Monitoring and Pricing Report related to the Industrial Land Development Strategy (ILDS) BE RECEIVED for information.

Motion Passed

3. Allocation of 2015 Assessment Growth Funding

That the following actions be taken with respect to the allocation of 2015 Assessment Growth Funding:

a) the staff report dated March 9, 2015 BE RECEIVED for information; and

b) the allocation for Program/Case # 15 – Street Light Maintenance (Contracted Service) BE REDUCED by $52,000 and the allocation for Program/Case #8 – Urban Forestry (Contracted Service) BE INCREASED proportionately by $52,000.

Voting Record:

Motion to Approve part a) Motion Passed

Motion to Approve part b) Motion Passed
YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, M. Salih, J. Helmer, P. Squire, J. Morgan, A. Hopkins, H.L. Usher, T. Park (9)

NAYS: B. Armstrong, M. Cassidy, P. Hubert, V. Ridley, S. Turner, J. Zaifman (6)
III. SCHEDULED ITEMS

4. Performing Arts Centre

That, on the recommendation of the City Manager, the following actions be taken with respect to the “Celebration Centre”, Music London Business Plan:

a) the staff report dated March 9, 2015 entitled “Performing Arts Centre – Review of Celebration Centre Proposal”, which includes the analysis by Novita Interpares Ltd. of the Celebration Centre Music London Business Plan, BE RECEIVED;

b) NO FURTHER ACTION BE TAKEN with respect to the “Celebration Centre”, Music London Business Plan; and,

c) subject to the approval of b), above, the matter of exploring the potential for a future Performing Arts Centre BE REFERRED to the multi-year budget discussion in order to permit the Municipal Council to further review this matter in the context of overall budgetary considerations;

it being noted that the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee heard a verbal delegation from B. Arnott, Novita Interpares Ltd., with respect to this matter.

Motion Passed


5. The London Plan - Overview and Status Update

That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Planning & City Planner, the staff report dated March 9, 2015 with respect to an overview and update on the draft of The London Plan BE RECEIVED for information; it being noted that the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee heard a revised verbal presentation from the Managing Director, Planning & City Planner.

Motion Passed


6. Industrial Land Development Strategy Update

That, on the recommendation of the City Manager, with the concurrence of the Managing Director of Planning and City Planner, the Managing Director Environmental and Engineering Services and City Engineer, and the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, the following actions be taken with respect to the Industrial Land Development Strategy:

a) the staff report dated March 9, 2015 BE RECEIVED for information; and,

b) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to pursue potential funding opportunities for Federal and Provincial funding, review upcoming Federal and Provincial Budgets and analyze impacts of these on the Industrial Land Development Strategy, and report back with recommendations;

it being noted that the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee heard the attached presentation from the Director of Water and Wastewater, with respect to this matter.

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, H.L. Usher, T. Park, J. Zaifman (14)
IV. ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

7. Consideration of Appointment to the Middlesex-London Health Unit Board of Health (Requires 1 Member)

That Trevor Hunter BE APPOINTED to the Middlesex-London Health Unit Board for the term ending November 30, 2018.

Motion Passed


That the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to report back to the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee on the feasibility of establishing Culture Districts, that may include music and entertainment, within the City of London, as well as what supporting actions would need to be taken to enable the success of a Culture District (e.g. possible amendments to the Sign and Canopy By-law, Noise By-law, Zoning By-law, Business Licensing By-law, etc.).

Motion Passed

YEAS: M. Brown, M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, J. Morgan, P. Hubert, V. Ridley, S. Turner, J. Zailman (11)

NAYS: P. Squire, A. Hopkins, H.L. Usher, T. Park (4)

V. DEFERRED MATTERS/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

9. Delegation by the African Canadian Federation of London and Area

That a representative of the African Canadian Federation of London and Area (ACFLA) BE INVITED to appear as a delegation at a future meeting of the Community and Protective Services Committee to present the findings regarding their report on the level of unemployment of local African immigrants.

Motion Passed

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

RECUSED: P. Hubert (1)

VI. CONFIDENTIAL

(See Confidential Appendix to the 14th Report of the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee enclosed for Members only.)

The Corporate Services Committee convened in camera from 9:39 PM to 10:55 PM and 10:57 PM to 11:40 PM after having passed a motion to do so, with respect to the following matters:

C-1. A matter pertaining to instructions and directions to officers and employees of the Corporation pertaining to a proposed acquisition of land; advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; reports or advice or recommendations of officers and employees of the Corporation pertaining to a proposed acquisition of land; commercial and financial information supplied in confidence pertaining to the proposed acquisition the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of the Corporation, result in similar information no longer being supplied to the Corporation where it is in the public interest that similar information continue to be so supplied, and
result in undue loss or gain to any person, group, committee or financial institution or agency; commercial, information relating to the proposed acquisition that belongs to the Corporation that has monetary value or potential monetary value; information concerning the proposed acquisition whose disclosure could reasonably be expected to prejudice the economic interests of the Corporation or its competitive position; information concerning the proposed acquisition whose disclosure could reasonably be expected to be injurious to the financial interests of the Corporation; and instructions to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the Corporation concerning the proposed acquisition.

C-2. ADDED - A matter pertaining to advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose with respect to the decommissioning of City owed lands known as the South Street Campus currently leased and occupied by London Health Sciences Centre; instructions and directions to officers and employees of the Corporation pertaining to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land; advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; reports or advice or recommendations of officers and employees of the Corporation pertaining to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land; commercial and financial information supplied in confidence pertaining to the proposed or pending acquisition or disposition the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of the Corporation, result in similar information no longer being supplied to the Corporation where it is in the public interest that similar information continue to be so supplied, and result in undue loss or gain to any person, group, committee or financial institution or agency; commercial information relating to the proposed or pending acquisition or disposition that belongs to the Corporation that has monetary value or potential monetary value; information concerning the proposed or pending acquisition or disposition whose disclosure could reasonably be expected to prejudice the economic interests of the Corporation or its competitive position; information concerning the proposed or pending acquisition or disposition whose disclosure could reasonably be expected to be injurious to the financial interests of the Corporation; and instructions to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the Corporation concerning the proposed or pending acquisition or disposition; and for the purpose of a vote for giving directions or instructions to officers, employees or agents of the municipality or persons retained by or under a contract with the municipality.

C-3. ADDED - A matter pertaining to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 PM.