

20th REPORT OF THE

COMMUNITY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

Meeting held on Monday, October 11, 1988.

PRESENT: Alderman J. E. McEwen (Chairman), Controllers J. O. Burghardt, O. Zamprogna, Aldermen G. T. Hopcroft, G. E. Jorgenson, B. R. MacDonald and J. A. Malpass (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: Alderman P. W. O'Brien (part-time), M. C. Engels, H. G. Howlett, K. W. Sadler, H. A. Pulver, K. Scanlon, W. J. Day and R. C. McNorgan.

I YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:

MATTERS REFERRED TO BOARD OF CONTROL

1. (3) That, on the recommendation of the Director of Social Administration, the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute an agreement with the Salvation Army Youth Hostel for the purchase of hostel services; it being pointed out that sufficient funds are available in the 1988 Current Budget for this program. (10.1.1)

2. (5) That, on the recommendation of the Director of Social Administration, the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute an agreement with the Province of Ontario for the cost-sharing of the Job Developer Program and the Municipal Employment Program; it being pointed out that sufficient funds for the municipal share of these programs are available in the 1988 Current Budget. (10.21.1)

3. (2) That an urgent request be made to the Province of Ontario to respond to the recommendations in the Interministerial Report on Visiting Homemaker Services and that the Province be requested to give serious consideration to the recommendations contained therein; and further, that the Civic Administration be requested to review the City's homemaker rates and the options available for providing additional funding for this program and to report back thereon to the Community and Protective Services Committee at its next meeting; it being pointed out that the Municipality is alarmed about the turnover statistics outlined in Appendix "A" attached hereto that have been compiled and submitted by the Canadian Red Cross Society. (33.12.1)

4. (4) That, on the recommendation of the Director of Social Administration, the \$3,500 grant to St. Paul's Cathedral which was approved by Council on April 6, 1988 be allocated as the municipal contribution under the Emergency Shelter and Assistance Program of the Ministry of Community and Social Services; it being pointed out that St. Paul's Cathedral would then receive a gross amount of \$17,500 with the City's share being the \$3,500 previously approved by Council. (10.21.1)

5. (10) That, on the recommendation of the City Clerk, with the concurrence of the Director of Planning and Development, and in response to an application from Memorial Gardens Canada Limited, the Corporation of the City of London hereby give its approval pursuant to Sections 5 and 6 of the Cemeteries Act, R.S.O. 1980, c. 59, as amended, for the establishment of four columbaria on the Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens property, 2001 Dundas Street East; and that the applicant be advised that a building permit will be required for these structures inasmuch as they total 48 square metres in floor area; it being pointed out that no objections have been received to the proposal to establish the four columbaria, notice of which was given in accordance with the guidelines established by the Cemeteries Branch of the Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations. (8.1.1)

6. (12) (a) That a Race Relations Committee be established effective December 1, 1988 as an advisory committee reporting to the City Council, through the Community and Protective Services Committee, with secretarial services being provided by the City Clerk;

(b) That the total membership of the Race Relations Committee be set at nine, and that it be comprised as follows:

- the Mayor
- one Member of the City Council
- seven Members-at-large

and that the term of office for the Members be three years, commencing with the term of the Council with re-appointments in accordance with City policy;

(c) That the following be requested to provide resource staff to the Race Relations Committee on an as required basis:

- the Chief of Police
- the Board of Education
- the London and Middlesex Roman Catholic Separate School Board
- the Public Utilities Commission
- the University of Western Ontario
- Fanshawe College of Applied Arts and Technology;

(d) That the Board of Control be requested to accept applications, in the attached form, from persons seeking appointment to the Race Relations Committee, to conduct interviews and to recommend the membership to the City Council in accordance with Council's Committee Appointment Policy;

(e) The attached terms of reference for the Race Relations Committee be adopted. (31.13.2)

CITY CLERK'S NOTE: The application form outlined in part (d) above has been reviewed by the Ontario Human Rights Commission.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED - SEE MINUTE #665

7. That the following matters be noted and filed, namely:

(a) Communication from Honourable Tom Hockin, Minister of State for Finance, dated October 3, 1988, regarding general welfare assistance for refugee claimants (7)(10.21.1);

(b) Communications from Staff Sergeant H. L. Pym and Fire Chief R. A. Barr, dated September 27, 1988 and September 22, 1988 respectively, regarding the implications of trains stopped at level crossings (9)(74.1.1); and

(c) Communication from Mr. Bob Rae, Leader of the Official Opposition, Ontario New Democrats, dated September 29, 1988, regarding Bill 119, An Act to Amend the Ontario Lottery Corporation Act (11)(20.4.4).

II YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. That the Committee received and noted the 7th Report of the Community Housing Advisory Committee. (see attached)

2. (6) That the Committee received a report from the Director of Social Administration regarding the historic trend in the employable/unemployable general welfare assistance client ratio. The Committee requested the Director of Social Administration to report back to it on possible alternative methods of expediting the process of transferring unemployable clients from general welfare assistance to family benefits as well as on methods of getting employable clients employed. (10.21.1)

TERMS OF REFERENCE

RACE RELATIONS COMMITTEE

CITY OF LONDON

1. Advise and consult with City Council on matters involving racial, religious or ethnic discrimination within the City of London.
2. To work actively with the City of London Police Department, the London Board of Education and the community to foster a spirit of mutuality, trust and respect among the City's visible minorities and other community groups.
3. Encourage minority and other local groups, both public and private, to engage in programs for the improvement of community relations and the fulfillment of human rights.
4. Initiate and co-ordinate discussions between individuals or groups to lessen tensions and promote understanding in the community.
5. Receive, review, and refer as required, complaints of acts of prejudice, racism and practices of discrimination.
6. Recommend city wide programs to provide equal treatment and employment opportunity, including recruitment, hiring, training and promotion, for visible and other minorities.
7. Recommend that other governmental agencies and universities be requested to research the status and treatment of minority and other community groups in London. Information obtained would help not only to evaluate the effectiveness of programs already established to eliminate discrimination in the community, but also to devise meaningful new programs of equal treatment and employment opportunity.
8. Report its findings and recommendations to the Council from time to time or at such times as the Council may deem desirable.