

May 7, 2015

Chair and Members
Corporate Services Committee

Re: Request for Approval of an Expense on an Exception Basis

Reference is made to the <u>attached</u> letter, dated May 5, 2015 from the Old South Community Organization requesting financial sponsorship for the June 6, 2015 "Gathering on the Green" event.

In previous years, the Ward Councillor provided financial assistance through the use of the Councillor's Expense Account as community event sponsorship was permitted, however Council Policy 28(2) Council Members' Expense Account was amended in October 2014 to remove this type of financial sponsorship.

Given the importance of this event to not only the Old South community, but to all of London and the fact that a portion of the proceeds from this event will be allocated to the "Normal School project", which is a City initiative, in accordance with section (d) of Council Policy 28(2), I am seeking approval of an expense, on an exception basis, in the amount of \$625.00 to provide assistance with respect to the cost of the showmobile.

Your consideration of this request is appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

1) backer on behalf of Councillor Stephen Turner

Stephen Turner Councillor Ward 11



Tuesday, May-05-15

To: Councilor Stephen Turner

From: OSCO Gathering on the Green Organizing Committee

Re. Use of City of London Showmobile at Gathering on the Green, June 6 2015

Councilor Steve:

OSCO would very much appreciate it if you could help support this year's Gathering on the Green by helping us pay the rental fee for the city showmobile, one of our largest expenses.

As you well know, money raised by the Gathering is used to help fund different projects, programs and events in the community. Over the years, over \$60,000 has been invested in things like school yard naturalization, community breakfast programs, park benches, tree planting, etc.

For this year, OSCO has committed to raising \$50,000 to help get the former Normal School back up and running and some of this year's proceeds will be directed to that effort.

Any assistance you could lend towards reducing our expenses would be greatly appreciated, and help us in turn extend our support to those causes described above.

Sincerely, George Sinclair

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