Recommendation

That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director of Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services:

1. The attached proposed By-law (Appendix A) BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on March 1, 2016 to approve a Funding and Project Agreement attached (Appendix B) between the City and the Thames Valley District School Board for the construction of a neighbourhood Family Centre at a new public elementary school to be constructed in Northwest London; and to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the agreement.

2. The Source of Financing for this project at an estimated cost of $920,000 plus 10% contingency BE APPROVED as set out in the attached Appendix C;

It being noted that:

- The establishment of neighbourhood Family Centres is directly linked to the Strengthening Our Community strategy included in the City’s Strategic Plan to support the health and well-being of all children, youth and families in London. Establishment of neighbourhood Family Centres is a key component of the Family-Centred Service System strategy identified in the Child and Youth Agenda;

- This is the second of three reports expected to be brought forward in 2016 relating to the establishment of neighbourhood Family Centres, the other two reports being for a neighbourhood Family Centre at a new public elementary school in Northeast London and one at St. Francis Catholic Elementary School in the Westminster planning district; and

- The estimated cost of this project is being funded from 100% Provincial funding available in the Child Care and Early Childhood Development Reserve Fund.

Previous Reports Pertinent to This Matter

- Neighbourhood Family Centre: Thames Valley District School Board: Lord Nelson Public School Update – November 17, 2014
- Neighbourhood Family Centre: Thames Valley District School Board: Lord Nelson Public School – March 24, 2014
- Child Care Funding Formula Update – April 8, 2013 (Established Child Care and Early Years Childhood Development Reserve Fund)
- Child and Youth Agenda II - “The Best for Our Children, Youth and Families II – The Next Three Years of London’s Child and Youth Agenda to 2015” – November 2012