9TH REPORT OF THE

GOVERNANCE WORKING GROUP

Meeting held on January 11, 2016, commencing at 2:03 PM, in Committee Room #4, Second Floor, London City Hall.

PRESENT: Councillor V. Ridley (Chair); Mayor M. Brown and Councillors M. van Holst, B. Armstrong, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, J. Morgan and H.L. Usher; and C. Saunders (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor T. Park and A. Zuidema and J. Smout.

I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

That it BE NOTED that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

II. CONSENT ITEMS

2. 8th Report of the Governance Working Group

That the 8th Report of the Governance Working Group, from its meeting held on November 25, 2015, BE RECEIVED for information.

III. SCHEDULED ITEMS

None.

IV. ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

3. Standing Committee Structure - Submission from V. Ridley

That the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to review the current Standing Committee mandates and report back to the Governance Working Group (GWG) with recommendations on how efficiencies might be obtained with respect to Agenda management.

V. DEFERRED MATTERS/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

4. Draft Council Procedure By-law

That the following actions be taken with respect to the draft Council Procedure By-law:

- a) a definition of the term "Point of Privilege" BE ADDED to section 1.0 Definitions;
- b) a definition of the term "generally accepted parliamentary procedure" BE ADDED to section 1.0 Definitions; and
- c) the draft Council Procedure By-law, with the above-noted revisions, BE REFERRED to the February 29, 2016 meeting of the Governance Working Group (GWG) for further review;

it being noted that the GWG reviewed sections 1 to 5, inclusive, of the draft Council Procedure By-law.

5. Informal, semi-annual discussions for Members of Council to Suggest Improvements to Processes and Procedures

That discussion regarding the establishment of informal, semi-annual meetings for Members of Council to suggest improvements or processes and procedures BE DEFERRED to the February 29, 2016 meeting of the Governance Working Group.

VI. CONFIDENTIAL

None.

VII. NEXT MEETING DATE

6. Proposed Meeting Schedule

That the following meeting schedule of the Governance Working Group BE APPROVED:

Monday, February 29, 2016, 1:00 PM Monday, March 21, 2016, 1:00 PM Monday, April 18, 2016, 1:00 PM Monday, May 16, 2016, 1:00 PM Thursday, June 9, 2016, 1:00 PM.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:34 PM.