3RD REPORT OF THE

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting to be held on March 24, 2016, commencing at 3:03 PM, in Committee Room #4, Second Floor, London City Hall.

PRESENT: M. Dawthorne (Chair), J. Bell, M. Cairns, F. de Lasa, C. Dodman, L. Firby, J. Higgins, J. Quigg, J. Sanders and D. Tam and B. Mercier (Secretary).

ABSENT: J. Bennett, J. Ehiwario, A. Forrest and L. Lalonde.

ALSO PRESENT: K. Husain and J. Michaud.

I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

That it **BE NOTED** that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

II. SCHEDULED ITEMS

2. Human Resources Staff

That it **BE NOTED** that the delegation from C. Da Silva, Specialist, Municipal Policy and G. Bridge, Manager, Human Resources, was unavailable at this meeting.

III. SUB-COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS

3. Built Environment and Facilities

That the following actions be taken with respect to the Built Environment and Facilities Sub-Committee (BEFSC) Report:

- a) the following actions be taken with respect to the new Southwest Community Centre (SCC):
 - i) the London Transit Commission (LTC) **BE ENCOURAGED** to consider providing transit access to the above-noted Centre at its Southdale Road entrance, prior to its opening;
 - ii) the Civic Administration **BE REQUESTED** to consider traffic lights and/or a pedestrian crosswalk on Southdale Road in proximity to the building, prior to its opening; and,
 - iii) the Civic Administration **BE REQUESTED** to review the Facility Accessibility Design Standard (FADS), section 4.2.7 with respect to the provision of a variable-height change table within any

barrier-free washroom or change room provided; it being noted that presently FADS 4.2.7 simply requires that an accessible individual washroom "shall incorporate a change table" at a height no greater than 865mm (34 inch);

- b) the <u>attached</u> document entitled "Resource Summary for Accessibility Standards" **BE ADDED** on the Accessibility Advisory Committee page on the City website, for information;
- the Civic Administration **BE REQUESTED** to provide the BEFSC with statistical data regarding the recorded trip usage of accessible cabs (relative to Schedule A, clauses 2.2 c and 2.2 d of the L-129-51, Licensing Bylaw) for review, as this information may provide the BEFSC with better feedback on how well the existing program and ratio are working; and,
- d) it **BE NOTED** that the BEFSC minutes from its meeting held on February 4, 2016, were received.

4. Mental Health

That the following actions be taken with respect to the Mental Health Working Group (MHWG) Reports:

- M. Dawthorne **BE APPOINTED** as the Lead for the MHWG;
- b) the Civic Administration **BE REQUESTED** to provide an update to the MHWG on the status of any existing mental health initiatives, programs, or undertakings, including workplace accommodations;
- the following Working Mission Statement for the MHWG **BE ENDORSED**:

"To identify and advise on the removal of barriers for people with mental health challenges or mental illness in accessing municipal services, facilities or employment; with a goal towards stigma reduction; increased access to services, and more effective service delivery"; and,

d) it **BE NOTED** that the Mental Health Working Group minutes from its meetings held on February 4 and March 14, 2016, respectively, were received;

it being noted that this item is identified on the approved Accessibility Advisory Committee 2016 Work Plan.

5. Policy

That the following actions be taken with respect to the Policy Sub-Committee Report:

- a) the <u>attached</u> recommendations from the Accessibility Advisory Committee, **BE FORWARDED** the Mayor's Poverty Panel for consideration; and,
- b) it **BE NOTED** that the Policy Sub-Committee minutes from its meeting held on March 14, 2016, were received.

IV. CONSENT ITEMS

6. 1st and 2nd Reports of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

That it **BE NOTED** that the 1st and 2nd Reports of the Accessibility Advisory Committee from its meetings held on January 28 and February 25, 2016, respectively, were received.

7. Municipal Council Resolution - 1st Report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

That it **BE NOTED** that the Municipal Council resolution adopted at its session held on March 1, 2016, with respect to the 1st Report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee from its meeting held on January 28, 2016, was received.

8. Optimal Performance Consultants Inc. - Facility Accessibility Design Standards (FADS)

That it **BE NOTED** that a communication dated February 1, 2016, from T. Wellhauser, Division Manager, Facilities, with respect to the adoption of the Facility Accessibility Design Standards (FADS) by Optimal Performance Consultants Inc., was received.

9. Letter of Resignation

That it **BE NOTED** that a communication dated February 17, 2016, from D. Tam, with respect to her resignation from the Accessibility Advisory Committee, was received.

V. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

10. Springbank Park Playground Design

That it **BE NOTED** that the Accessibility Advisory Committee received the <u>attached</u> presentation from J. Michaud, Parks Project Coordinator, with respect to the Springbank Park Playground design sponsored by Jenny Jones.

11. ACCAC Representative for Transportation Advisory Committee

That the following actions be taken with respect to the Transportation Advisory Committee:

- a) it **BE NOTED** that L. Firby will continue to represent the Accessibility Advisory Committee (ACCAC) on the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC); and,
- b) the matter of the ACCAC representation on the TAC **BE REFERRED** to the Built Environment and Facilities Sub-Committee to review its relevance, with a report back at a future meeting of the ACCAC.

VI. DEFERRED MATTERS/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM.

NEXT MEETING DATE: April 28, 2016