

December 15, 1999

N. G. Bellchamber Commissioner of Finance and Administration & City Treasurer

I hereby certify that the Municipal Council, at its session held on December 14, 1999 resolved:

- 35. That the 2000 Operating Budget for Corporate Revenues and Expenses as submitted in the net amount of \$19,747,493 BE ADJUSTED as follows:
- a) +\$275,000 to reflect an increase in the capital levy to fund the additional roadworks associated with the new Fire Station #12;
- b) +\$20,000 to assist community groups in participating in all aspects of the community planning process, on the understanding that such funds will only be released when the Commissioner of Planning and Development reports back to the Planning Committee on the criteria that will be used to allow community groups to access such funds and on who will administer such funding;
- c) +\$200,000 to fund the first year operating costs for surveillance cameras in the downtown, on the understanding that this initiative is being supported in principle but that the funding will not be released until such time as the Municipal Council, through the Community and Protective Services Committee, approves a report in early 2000 on the details of this program;
- d) (\$300,000) by reducing the contribution to the Library Reserve Fund;
- e) +\$1,061,977 by transferring a portion of the savings from the closing of the Energy from Waste Facility to the Sanitary Landfill Site Reserve Fund;
- f) +\$58,000 to reflect a contribution to the Property Tax Exemption Reserve to fund property tax relief for Royal Canadian Legions as set out in Appendix "B" attached hereto;
- g) (\$1,031,760) to reflect a 1999 surplus;

and BE APPROVED in the gross amount of \$45,825,018 and in the net amount of \$20,030,710. (35/33/BC) (AS AMENDED)

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Community & Protective Services Committee

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## **APPENDIX "B"**

## **Property Tax Relief for Legions**

THAT WHEREAS the Royal Canadian Legion provides, through its branches in the City of London, significant services to those who have served in the Armed Forces of Her Majesty, or Her Majesty's Allies; and to the local community;

AND WHEREAS a local municipality has several methods available to it for providing municipal property tax relief or its equivalent to Royal Canadian Legion Branches;

AND WHEREAS the Civic Administration has previously advised, and continues to advise that an annual grant upon application to the City Treasurer by each local Legion Branch would be the most appropriate method through which to assist Legion Branches with property tax relief;

AND WHEREAS the Municipality encourages the local Legion Branches to examine and pursue cost saving strategies that reduce their combined property taxes over time;

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

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- that a policy be established to include an annual allocation, for a period not to exceed ten years, in the City's Operating Budget to fund an annual "Royal Canadian Legion Branch Property Tax Relief Program", on the understanding that this policy is subject to annual review during budget deliberations and that should the Municipal Council decide in any one year to not include property tax exempt funding in the annual Operating Budget for this program, then this program is deemed to be collapsed for the following year.
- 2. that each local Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion seeking property tax relief be required to make application annually to the City Freasurer by no later than November 30th in the year preceding the tax year in question, and in the case of the year 2000, by no later than January 31, 2000, for a property tax relief grant under this Program;
- 3. that the 2000 Operating Budget be adjusted to include an amount of \$58,000.00 to fund this Program starting next year; and
- 4. that any by-law required in order to establish this Program be prepared by the Civic Administration and be presented to the Municipal Council for enactment.