

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT - 2017 WORK PLAN

(updated March 1, 2017 by Susan Ratz)

Project / Initiative & Background	Lead/ Responsible	Proposed Timeline	Proposed Budget	Actual Expenditure	Link to Strategic Plan	Status
<p><u>Managing organic waste</u></p> <p>1. Review & prioritize leading edge waste management systems that focus on waste as a resource technology (Biogas, Anaerobic Digester facility, landfill gas recovery i.e. Edmonton Waste Management Centre of Excellence)</p> <p>2. Follow the progress of City regarding development of a Resource Recovery Centre for London (invite staff members speak to ACE)</p> <p>3. Review the new Ontario Acts and legislation and how they will affect the City's direction and invite expert to speak on Provincial new policies.</p> <p>4. Continue research into a Green Bin program for the next budget (3 years) Examine other cities' highly successful Green Bin programs (ie. Toronto, Halton) Invite a representative from successful Green Bin program to speak to ACE.</p>	Waste Sub-Committee	<p>Item 1 – Report submitted Dec 2017</p> <p>Items 2 -4 During 2017/2018</p>	<p>\$150 for speakers in 2017</p> <p><i>(adjusted as necessary versus other proposed items)</i></p>		<p>Building a Sustainable City 1-Robust Infrastructure D-Increase efforts resource recovery/ long-term disposal capacity/ reducing community impacts (p. 11 #1D)</p> <p>Building a Sustainable City 3-Strong and Healthy Environment D-Support resident/community driven initiatives... (p.12 #3D)</p> <p>Growing Our Economy 3-Local, Regional and Global Innovation B-Lead development of new ways to resource/energy recovery... (p. 17B)</p> <p>Leading in Public Service 3-Proactive Financial Management A – Well planned finances/limit burden on current and future rate payers. (p.21 #3A)</p>	

<p><u>ACE Sub-Committee Communication Support</u></p> <p>5.Continue to Encourage and facilitate communication at the sub-committee level.</p> <p>6. Continue to encourage ACE members to participate in London Clean & Green activities.</p> <p>7. From Joint Education & Outreach meetings with other advisory committee representatives in 2016 provide recommendations for Advisory Committee reception, and clarify common issues that were raised in the meetings.</p>	Education & Outreach Sub-Committee	<p>Item 5&6 – Ongoing / As needed</p> <p>Item 7 – March/April 2017</p>	\$0		<p>Leading in Public Service 4-Collaborative, engaged leadership. A-Continue to build strong working relationships between City Council, Civic Administration, the City's agencies, boards and commissions, and community partners. (p.22 #4A)</p>	
<p><u>Natural Environment</u></p> <p>8.Help in establishing Working Groups for Urban Agriculture work</p> <p>9.Continue to be involved with the development of Urban Agriculture Strategy</p> <p>10.Continue conversation with City, EEPAC and Urban League during 2017 regarding development of a City ecosystems services master plan.</p> <p>11. Explore inclusion of concept of ecosystem services for staff planning processes</p> <p>12. Explore creation of environmental master plan as envisaged in London Plan</p> <p>13. Pollinator Sanctuary Status for the City of London – Review and get update from city staff.</p>	Natural Environment Sub-Committee	2017-2018	\$0 year 1		<p>Building a Sustainable City 3-Strong and Healthy Environment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiated working group organization for urban agriculture on Jan. 21, 2017 (Item 1) – FUAL Friends of Urban Agriculture London. Attended discussion with city staff on urban agriculture strategy February 2017.
<p><u>Sustainability Commitment</u></p> <p>14.Develop sustainability statement for City of London</p> <p>15.Develop sustainability map for City</p> <p>16.Put together proposal for the creation of a position of Sustainability Officer for the City of London</p>	Sustainability Sub-Committee	2017	\$0 year 1		<p>Building a Sustainable City 3-Strong and Healthy Environment</p>	

<p><u>Community Education</u></p> <p>17.Host an event open to the public regarding the environment.</p>	tbd	November 2017	\$1000 <i>(adjusted as necessary versus other proposed items)</i>		<p>Strengthening Our Community</p> <p>Building a Sustainable City</p> <p>Growing Our Economy</p> <p>Leading in Public Service</p> <p>(to adjust based on focus of event)</p>	<p>London Public Library is holding ACE a spot for November to hold another conference (ACE needs to decide asap if it wants to organize another conference)</p>
<p><u>Local Improvement Charges (LIC)</u> (priority for Energy sub-cmte)</p> <p>18.Continue to monitor status of using LICs to implement a PACE-style program.</p> <p>19. Continue to monitor pilot projects in other cities.</p> <p>20. Get ongoing updates from CHEERIO progress.</p> <p><u>Renewable Energy</u></p> <p>21.Explore possibilities for hydro-electric along Thames River</p> <p>22. Explore solar energy on municipally-owned buildings</p> <p>23. Ensure that co-generation/local electricity generation initiatives do not negatively impact the City of London carbon-dioxide emissions targets and carbon footprint or compromise local air quality</p> <p><u>Community Energy Action Plan</u></p> <p>24.Review current plan and monitor progress.</p>	Energy Sub-Committee				<p>Building a Sustainable City</p> <p>-Robust Infrastructure... Page 11, item 1B</p> <p>-Strong & healthy environment...Page 12, item 3A thru F, 5B</p>	

<p><u>Low-Impact Development</u> (priority for sub-cmte)</p> <p>25.Community improvement plans.</p> <p>26. Xeriscaping</p> <p>27. Continue to monitor and provide advice on stormwater management (incl. bioswales)</p> <p><u>Alternative Building Materials / Strategies</u></p> <p>28.Implement the Living Building Challenge as a City policy</p> <p>29. Develop a draft green-roof by-law</p> <p>30.Review the possibilities of heated sidewalks in urban areas (incl. My Dundas)</p> <p><u>Nighttime Issues</u></p> <p>31.Establish “night markets” in downtown core and Old East area: residents get more exercise and get more use out of existing infrastructure/ resources</p>	Built Environment Sub-Committee				<p>Building a Sustainable City</p> <p>-Strong & healthy environment...Page 12, item 3D</p> <p>-Beautiful places and spaces... Page 13, item 4ABC</p>	
<p><u>Dark Sky Policy</u></p> <p>32.Review proposed policy developed by Dark Sky Working Group. <i>(Working group includes members of Animal Welfare, Environmental and Ecological Planning and Environment Advisory Committees.)</i></p>	ACE	Draft policy to be ready April/May for review.	\$0		<p>Building a Sustainable City</p> <p>-Strong and healthy environment... Page 12 3D</p> <p>-Beautiful places and spaces 4C</p>	
<p><u>City Budget</u></p> <p>33. Review and provide feedback on budget annually.</p>	ACE	<p>Aug - Contact city staff to confirm consultation timelines.</p> <p>Oct-Dec – Review budget and provide feedback.</p>			Leading in Public Service	Received presentation from A Dunbar (city) re Financial Planning & Gas Tax Funding (Feb 2017)

<p><u>Committee Member Education & Development</u></p> <p>34.Invite speakers to present to ACE on subjects relating to our scope. <i>(Where possible and appropriate presentations will be done virtually to minimize expense.)</i></p> <p>35.Members to attend conferences on subjects relating to scope of ACE. Any agreed upon conferences will have a written summary report on the conference and any impacts for London.</p>	ACE	2017	\$500 <i>(adjusted as necessary versus other proposed items)</i>		ALL	
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