8TH REPORT OF THE

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Meeting held on May 29, 2012, commencing at 7:02 PM, in Committee Room #5, Second Floor, London City Hall.

PRESENT: Councillor M. Brown (Chair), Mayor J. Fontana and Councillors B. Armstrong, D.G. Henderson and H.L. Usher and B. Westlake-Power (Secretary).

ABSENT: Councillor N. Branscombe.

ALSO PRESENT: Councillors J.P. Bryant and S.E. White, B. Coxhead, I. Collins, K. Kearns, T. Kyle, L. Livingstone and C. Smith.

I. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

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

II. CONSENT ITEMS

2. 4th Report of the London Housing Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the 4th Report of the London Housing Advisory Committee, from its meeting held on May 9, 2012, **BE RECEIVED**.

III. SCHEDULED ITEMS

3. Connecting Westminster with Multiuse Pathways

Recommendation: That the Civic Administration **BE DIRECTED** to work with the Westminster Working Group to develop a proposal, and business case, for a multi-use pathway from the Westminster neighbourhood to Commissioners Road, and report back to the Community Services Committee (CSC) within six months; it being noted that a petition with approximately 200 signatures supporting this endeavour was submitted to the CSC (*petition is available for viewing in the City Clerks' office*); it being further noted that the CSC received a presentation from S. Sinclair, Westminster Working Group Member, with respect to this matter.

IV. ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

4. Amplified Sound and Hours of Operation of Special Events.

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Director of Parks & Recreation, with the concurrence of the Executive Director of Community Services, the following options with respect to proposed amendments to Section 13.0 - Noise Policy of the Special Events Policies and Procedures Manual, **BE FORWARDED** to a public participation meeting on June 19, 2012 before the Community Services Committee:

Allowable Sound/Decibel Levels at Special Events

- Option A No change, maintain the current policy whereby all amplified concerts shall not exceed a sound pressure of 90 decibels beyond 30m (100 feet) from the front edge of the stage with no allowance for peaks/crescendos.
- Option B Increase decibel levels to not exceed a sound pressure of 100 decibels beyond 30m (100 feet) from the front edge of the stage and 5 peaks/ crescendos (a gradual increase, especially in the volume or intensity of sound in a passage).
- Option C Increase decibel levels to a sound pressure level somewhere

between the range of 85 and 100 decibels beyond 30m (100 feet) from the front edge of the stage and 5 peaks/crescendos (a gradual increase, especially in the volume or intensity of sound in a passage).

Hours of Operation at Special Events

- Option A No change, maintain the current policy whereby the amplification of sound for Special Events will be limited to the hours of 9:00 AM to 11:00 PM.
- Option B Allow amplified sound at Special Events between the hours of 9:00 AM and midnight.
- Option C Allow amplified sound at Special Events between the hours of 9:00 AM and 1 AM.

V. DEFERRED MATTERS/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

VI. ADJOURNMENT

That the meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM.