

TO:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING ON APRIL 17, 2018
FROM:	CATHY SAUNDERS CITY CLERK
SUBJECT	AMENDMENT TO MAYOR'S NEW YEARS HONOUR LIST POLICY

RECOMMENDATION

That, on the recommendation of the City Clerk, the attached proposed by-law (Appendix "A") BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on April 24, 2018 for the purpose of amending By-law No. CPOL.-18-214 being "A by-law to revoke and repeal Council policy related to Mayor's New Year's Honour List and replace it with a new Council policy entitled Mayor's New Year's Honour List Policy", by replacing the Mayor's New Year's Honour List Policy with a new Mayor's New Year's Honour List Policy to change the name of the nomination category "Persons with Disabilities" to the name "Accessibility"; and to change the current description of the award from "(i.e. contributions to the promotion and facilitation of a barrier-free community for citizens of all abilities, including those with disabilities)" to "(awarded to those who, through action and/or example, foster an environment of inclusion that embraces citizens of all abilities)".

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER
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Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee – June 12, 2017

BACKGROUND

On November 24, 2015, Municipal Council resolved:

- "b) Appendix 1(4A) of the Council Policy Manual related to the Mayor's New Year's Honours List BE AMENDED to change the name of the nomination category number 6 from "Persons with Disabilities, to "Accessibility Champion"; and"

On November 22, 2016, Municipal Council resolved:

- "ii) the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to consider amending the Mayor's New Year's Honour List "Persons with Disabilities" category to be the "Accessibility" category, with the description being changed to "awarded to those who, through action and/or example foster an environment of inclusion that embraces citizens of all abilities"; and,

The proposed attached by-law (Appendix "A") has been prepared based on the most recent request.

RECOMMENDED BY:
CATHY SAUNDERS CITY CLERK

APPENDIX "A"

Bill No.
2018

By-law No. CPOL.-

A by-law to amend By-law No. CPOL.-18-214 being "A by-law to revoke and repeal Council policy related to Mayor's New Year's Honour List and replace it with a new Council policy entitled "Mayor's New Year's Honour List Policy" to replace the name of the nomination category "Persons with Disabilities" with the name "Accessibility"; and to replace the current description of the award from "(i.e. contributions to the promotion and facilitation of a barrier-free community for citizens of all abilities, including those with disabilities" to "(awarded to those who, through action and/or example, foster an environment of inclusion that embraces citizens of all abilities)".

WHEREAS section 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, C.25, as amended, provides that a municipal power shall be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS section 9 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, C.25, as amended, provides a municipality with the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of London wishes to replace the Council policy related to the Mayor's New Year's Honour List Policy with a new Council policy entitled Mayor's New Year's Honour List Policy;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. Appendix 'C(4)' to By-law No. CPOL.-18-214, being the policy for "Mayor's New Year's Honour List Policy" is hereby repealed and replaced with the policy entitled "Mayor's New Year's Honour List Policy", attached hereto as Appendix 'C(4)'
2. This by-law shall come into force and effect on the date it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council on April 24, 2018.

Matt Brown
Mayor

Catharine Saunders
City Clerk

Appendix "C(4)"

Mayor's New Year's Honour List Policy

1. A Mayor's New Year's Honour List shall be compiled each year to recognize persons who have contributed in an outstanding manner to the community of London in one of the following categories, namely:
 - a) Arts (i.e. contributions to fostering and/or the production of human creativity);
 - b) Heritage (i.e. contributions to the awareness, preservation and protection of heritage resources);
 - c) Environment (i.e. contributions to the awareness, preservation and protection of the environment);
 - d) Housing (i.e. contributions to the provision of safe and accessible housing for all members of the community);
 - e) Safety & Crime Prevention (i.e. contributions to a safe and secure community);
 - f) Accessibility (awarded to those who, through action and/or example foster an environment of inclusion that embraces citizens of all abilities);
 - g) Humanitarianism (i.e. contributions to human welfare through philanthropic and other efforts);
 - h) Sports (i.e. contributions to the awareness of and participation in sports activity and/or demonstrated excellence within a particular sports activity); and
 - i) Diversity and Race Relations (i.e. contributions to the elimination of hate and discrimination).
2. Recipients shall be named by City Council, on the recommendation of the following advisory committees or organizations, through the appropriate Standing Committee, based upon the reporting relationship of the respective advisory committee or organization, with respect to the individual categories as outlined above:
 - a) London Arts Council
 - b) London Advisory Committee on Heritage
 - c) Advisory Committee on the Environment
 - d) London Housing Advisory Committee
 - e) Community Safety & Crime Prevention Advisory Committee
 - f) Accessibility Advisory Committee
 - g) Diversity Inclusion and Anti-Oppression Advisory Committee
 - h) London Sports Council; and
 - i) Diversity Inclusion and Anti-Oppression Advisory Committee
1. The Mayor's New Year's Honour List shall be subject to the following conditions:
 - a) a maximum of nine persons shall be named in any one year, with no more than one being from each of the nine categories referred to above subject to:
 - i) a person may not necessarily be named in each category each year;
 - ii) Municipal Council may, at its sole discretion and on an exception basis, choose to recognize two individuals in any one category in a given year should the Municipal Council determine that two individuals have inseparably partnered in contributing to their respective category, thereby increasing the aggregate amount of nominees beyond the usual maximum of nine persons to be named in any one year;
 - b) the recipients shall be chosen for long standing contributions in their respective categories;

- c) the name of any one individual shall be included on the Honour List only once in their lifetime;
 - d) any person currently serving as a member of any one of the advisory committees or organizations referred to in part 2 shall not be eligible for naming to the list during their term of office;
 - e) nominees being recommended by the advisory committees or organizations referred to in part 2 shall have at least seventy-five percent of the total eligible votes on the respective advisory committee or organization; and
2. The recipients shall be honoured at the first meeting of the City Council in January, with dinner and an appropriately worded certificate.
 3. A plaque shall be displayed in a prominent public area of City Hall honouring those persons named each year to the Mayor's New Year's Honour List and shall be updated annually by the City Clerk.