

"Deeds Not Words"

Bradley S. Duncan, M.O.M. Chief of Police

October 18, 2011

Ms. Cathy Saunders City Clerk The Corporation of the City of London 300 Dufferin Avenue London, ON N6B 1Z2

Dear Ms. Saunders:

Re: September 19, 2011 Municipal Council Resolution pertaining to 632 and 634 Dundas Street

The London Police Service (LPS) is in receipt of your September 20, 2011 communication related to the above matter. Please note the following comments as they relate to the four points contained within your letter:

- a) It is the understanding of the London Police Service that the alleyway situated between 632 and 634 Dundas Street is private property. Subject to this understanding and, recognizing there may be entrance and exit requirements associated with existing fire escapes, the London Police Service has no objection should the property owners choose to secure this alleyway from public access;
- The installation of needle collection boxes in the alleyway or other areas, is not within the mandate of the London Police Service;
- c) The installation of surveillance cameras along Dundas Street between Adelaide Street and Rectory Street. Although quantitative information related to the deterrence value of such cameras is unknown, our experience with the cameras in the downtown core area has demonstrated value associated to investigations. There have been numerous occasions where camera footage has assisted towards the successful completion of investigations. In addition, positive outcomes have occurred from the monitoring of the cameras. Specifically, where the monitoring person has notified the LPS of incidents occurring or, where the monitoring individual has zoomed or focused on individuals during an incident, greatly assisting in later suspect identification.









d) This item does not pertain to the LPS.

I trust this information will satisfy your inquiry regarding this matter. Should you require further information, please contact me at 519-661-5664.

Yours truly,

**Brent Shea** Deputy Chief Operations



September 20, 2011

P. McNally
Executive Director, Planning, Environmental and Engineering Services

R. L. Fair Executive Director, Community Services

I hereby certify that the Municipal Council, at its session held on September 19, 2011 resolved:

- 12. That the following actions be taken September 7, 2011, from Councillor S. Orser, with respect to the <u>attached</u> communication, dated 634 Dundas Street be closed:
- the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to send a letter to the property owners at 632 and 634 Dundas Street, the London Fire Department and London Police Services Board, asking for their agreement to permanently close the alleyway between the above-noted properties, or secure it from public access;
- the installation of needle collection boxes and an increase in clean-up efforts in the above-noted alleyway, while it remains accessible, **BE IMPLEMENTED**;
- the Civic Administration **BE REQUESTED** to report back at the next meeting of the Community and Neighbourhoods Committee with respect to the costs and the feasibility associated with installing surveillance cameras from Adelaide Street, down Dundas Street to Rectory Street, to help improve community safety; and,
- the <u>attached</u> communications, dated September 12, 2011 and September 13, 2011, from the Deputy Fire Chief, London Fire Department and S. Merritt, Manager, Old East Village BIA, respectively, with respect to the above-noted alleyway BE REFERRED to the Civic administration, for their information. (12/15/CNC)

C. Saunders City Clerk /lk

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CC:

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