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City Clerk

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I hereby certify that the Municipal Council, at its meeting held on April 23, 2019 resolved:

That, the following actions be taken with respect to the 4th Report of the Advisory Committee on the Environment from its meeting held on April 3, 2019:

a) the following actions be taken with clause 2.1, relating to Chippewas of the Thames First Nations:

- i) clause 2.1 BE REFERRED to the City Clerk for consideration with the Advisory Committee review; and,
- ii) Government Relations staff BE ASKED to contact the neighbouring First Nations communities to discuss this matter; it being noted that clause 2.1 of the 4th Report of the Advisory Committee on the Environment reads as follows:

"Municipal Council BE REQUESTED to consider creating voting member positions on the Advisory Committee on the Environment and the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee for each of the Indigenous communities that surround the City of London; it being noted that a verbal presentation from K. Riley, Chippewas of the Thames First Nation, with respect to the Chippewas of the Thames First Nation, was received;"

b) the following actions be taken with respect to Climate Change:

- i) the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to report back on tangible actions that the municipality can undertake with respect to Climate Change at a future meeting of the appropriate Standing Committee;
- ii) the following Declaration of a Climate Emergency BE APPROVED:

"Whereas climate change is currently contributing to billions of dollars in property and infrastructure damage worldwide, stressing local and international economies;

Whereas climate change is currently jeopardizing the health and survival of many species and other natural environments worldwide, stressing local and international eco systems;

Whereas climate change is currently harming human populations through rising sea levels and other extraordinary phenomena like intense wildfires worldwide, stressing local and international communities;

Whereas recent international research has indicated a need for massive reduction in carbon emissions in the next 11 years to avoid further and devastating economic, ecological, and societal loss;

Whereas the climate in Canada is warming at twice the rate of the rest of the world, as per Canada's Changing Climate report;

Whereas current initiatives such as the green of the city's fleet and energy reduction initiatives are not sufficient to meet the targets as defined by the IPCC scientists,

Whereas an emergency can be defined as "an often dangerous situation requiring immediate action";

Whereas municipalities such as Kingston, Vancouver and Hamilton have already declared climate emergencies;

Therefore, a climate emergency BE DECLARED by the City of London for the purposes of naming, framing, and deepening our commitment to protecting our economy, our eco systems, and our community from climate change.";

it being noted that the above-noted Declaration is not intended to invoke the City of London's Emergency Response Plan or to interfere with the responsibilities and power delegated to the Mayor to declare or to terminate a local emergency under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, 1990*;

it being further noted that a climate emergency is distinct from the kinds of emergencies contemplated under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, 1990*, as it is a global emergency with impacts extending beyond London and Ontario; and,

c) clauses 1.1, 2.2, 3.1 to 3.6, inclusive, 5.2 to 5.4, inclusive, BE RECEIVED for information (3.4/7/PEC) (AS AMENDED)



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cc. P. McClennan, Executive Administration Assistant- Managing Director and City Engineer
Chair and Members, Advisory Committee on the Environment