

# **Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee**

## **Report**

16th Meeting of the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee  
July 29, 2019

PRESENT: Mayor E. Holder (Chair), Councillors M. van Holst, S. Lewis, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Peloza, S. Hillier  
ABSENT: M. Salih, P. Van Meerbergen, A. Kayabaga  
ALSO PRESENT: M. Hayward, A. L. Barbon, B. Card, B. Coxhead, S. Datars Bere, M. Johnson, S. King, G. Kotsifas, L. Livingstone, P. McKague, K. Murray, B. O'Hagan, M. Ribera, C. Saunders, K. Scherr, M. Schulthess, S. Stafford and B. Westlake-Power

The meeting is called to order at 4:02 PM.

### **1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest**

That it BE NOTED that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

### **2. Consent**

None.

### **3. Scheduled Items**

None.

### **4. Items for Direction**

#### **4.1 Review of City Services for Potential Reductions and Eliminations**

That the following actions be taken with respect to the review of City of London services for potential reductions and eliminations:

- a) the staff report dated July 29, 2019 detailing the cost savings and avoidance initiatives ongoing and recently undertaken by the City of London BE RECEIVED for information; and
- b) the following specific areas BE CONSIDERED for further review for potential service reductions and eliminations:
  - i) the Downtown and Industrial CIPs, with consideration for a reduced level of subsidy;
  - ii) Information Technology, with a report back with a summary of past initiatives and potential future review tools;
  - iii) opportunities for a phased-in Tourism London funding reduction from the municipal levy, in light of new funding transferred to Tourism London from the Municipal Accommodation Tax; and
  - iv) a review of reserve funds with uncommitted balances, (excluding capital asset renewal/replacement funds, and capital asset growth funds) for an analysis of funding contributions to those funds where the annual contributions from the tax levy may be scaled back;

it being noted that the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee received a communication dated July 25, 2019 and a verbal delegation from C. Butler, and a communication dated July 25, 2019 from W. H. Brock with respect to this matter.

Voting Record:

Moved by: M. van Holst

Seconded by: P. Squire

That the delegation request from C. Butler BE APPROVED to be heard at this time.

Yeas: (9): M. van Holst, S. Lewis, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, and S. Hillier

Nays: (3): Mayor E. Holder, S. Turner, and E. Peloza

Absent: (3): M. Salih, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (9 to 3)**

Moved by: P. Squire

Seconded by: S. Lewis

That the following BE ADDED to the service review list for consideration:

Information Technology, with a report back summary and potential future review tools

Yeas: (8): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, and S. Hillier

Nays: (4): J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, S. Turner, and E. Peloza

Absent: (3): M. Salih, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (8 to 4)**

Moved by: M. van Holst

Seconded by: S. Lehman

That the following BE ADDED to the service review list for consideration:

Rescinding the Tree Protection By-law, with report back on possible cost savings that may result from the repeal of the By-law.

Yeas: (4): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, P. Squire, and S. Lehman

Nays: (8): S. Lewis, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, J. Morgan, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Peloza, and S. Hillier

Absent: (3): M. Salih, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Failed (4 to 8)**

Moved by: S. Turner

Seconded by: P. Squire

That the following BE ADDED to the service review list for consideration:

Opportunities for a phased-in Tourism London funding reduction from the municipal levy, in light of new funding transferred to Tourism London from the Municipal Accommodation Tax.

Yeas: (8): M. van Holst, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Peloza, and S. Hillier

Nays: (4): Mayor E. Holder, S. Lewis, J. Helmer, and S. Lehman

Absent: (3): M. Salih, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (8 to 4)**

Moved by: J. Morgan  
Seconded by: J. Helmer

That the following BE ADDED to the service review list for consideration:

A review of reserve funds with uncommitted balances, (excluding capital asset renewal/replacement funds, and capital asset growth funds) for an analysis of funding contributions to those funds where the annual contributions from the tax levy may be scaled back.

Yeas: (12): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Pelozo, and S. Hillier

Absent: (3): M. Salih, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (12 to 0)**

Moved by: M. Cassidy  
Seconded by: Mayor E. Holder

Motion that Part a) of the clause BE APPROVED.

Yeas: (12): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Pelozo, and S. Hillier

Absent: (3): M. Salih, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (12 to 0)**

Moved by: S. Lewis  
Seconded by: M. Cassidy

Motion that Part b) i) of the clause BE APPROVED.

Yeas: (12): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Pelozo, and S. Hillier

Absent: (3): M. Salih, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (12 to 0)**

Moved by: P. Squire  
Seconded by: S. Lehman

Motion that Part b) ii) of the clause BE APPROVED.

Yeas: (7): M. van Holst, S. Lewis, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, and S. Hillier

Nays: (5): Mayor E. Holder, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, S. Turner, and E. Pelozo

Absent: (3): M. Salih, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (7 to 5)**

Moved by: S. Turner  
Seconded by: A. Hopkins

Motion that Part b) iii) of the clause BE APPROVED.

Yeas: (8): M. van Holst, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Pelosa, and S. Hillier

Nays: (4): Mayor E. Holder, S. Lewis, J. Helmer, and S. Lehman

Absent: (3): M. Salih, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (8 to 4)**

Moved by: E. Pelosa  
Seconded by: S. Hillier

Motion that Part b) iv) of the clause BE APPROVED.

Yeas: (12): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Pelosa, and S. Hillier

Absent: (3): M. Salih, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (12 to 0)**

Moved by: E. Pelosa  
Seconded by: S. Turner

Motion that the balance of the clause BE APPROVED.

Yeas: (12): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Pelosa, and S. Hillier

Absent: (3): M. Salih, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (12 to 0)**

4.2 Resignation from Councillor S. Hillier from the London Convention Centre Board of Directors

Moved by: S. Hillier  
Seconded by: S. Turner

That the following actions be taken with respect to the London Convention Centre Board:

a) the resignation of Councillor S. Hiller, dated July 22, 2019, BE ACCEPTED; and

b) Councillor S. Lehman BE APPOINTED to the above-noted Board for the term ending November 15, 2022, in accordance with the attached ballot summary.

Yeas: (12): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Pelosa, and S. Hillier

Absent: (3): M. Salih, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (12 to 0)**

Voting Record:

Moved by: S. Turner  
Seconded by: S. Lewis

That Stephen Turner and Steve Lehman, BE CONSIDERED for appointment to the London Convention Centre Board.

Yeas: (11): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, J. Helmer, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Peloza, and S. Hillier

Absent: (4): M. Salih, M. Cassidy, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (11 to 0)**

4.3 Confirmation of Appointments to the Old East Village Business Improvement Area

Moved by: J. Helmer

Seconded by: E. Peloza

That the following individuals BE APPOINTED to the Old East Village Business Improvement Area Board of Management for the term ending November 15, 2022:

Maria Drangova, Board Chair  
Ken Keane, Board Treasurer  
Henry Eastabrook, BIA Director  
Rob Campbell, BIA Director  
Heather Blackwell, BIA Director  
Grant Maltman, BIA Director  
Ellie Cook, BIA Director  
Liliana Sanchez, BIA Director  
John Parlow, BIA Director  
Jamie Sinden, BIA Director

it being noted that the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee received a revised communication dated June 18, 2019 from J. Pastorius, General Manager, Old East Village Business Improvement Area, with respect to the above appointments.

Yeas: (11): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, J. Helmer, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Peloza, and S. Hillier

Absent: (4): M. Salih, M. Cassidy, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (11 to 0)**

**5. Deferred Matters/Additional Business**

5.1 Middlesex-London Food Policy Council (Requires 1 Council Member)

Moved by: S. Lewis

Seconded by: S. Hillier

That the matter of an appointment to the Middlesex London Food Policy Council BE REFERRED to a future meeting of the SPPC.

Yeas: (11): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, J. Helmer, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Peloza, and S. Hillier

Absent: (4): M. Salih, M. Cassidy, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (11 to 0)**

**6. Confidential (Enclosed for Members only.)**

6.1 Confidential Trade Secret or Scientific, Technical, Commercial or Financial Information Belonging to the City / Labour Relations / Personal Matters/Identifiable Individual / Solicitor-Client Privileged Advice

Moved by: S. Hillier  
Seconded by: E. Pelosa

That the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee convene in Closed Session for the purpose of considering a matter pertaining to a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization; a matter pertaining to an identifiable individual; employment-related matters; advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; advice or recommendations of officers and employees of the Corporation, including communications necessary for that purpose and for the purpose of providing instructions and directions to officers and employees of the Corporation.

Yeas: (12): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Pelosa, and S. Hillier

Absent: (3): M. Salih, P. Van Meerbergen, and A. Kayabaga

**Motion Passed (12 to 0)**

The Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee convened In Closed Session from 7:44 PM to 10:44 PM.

**7. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 PM.

London Convention Centre Board

	VANHOLST	LEWIS	HELMER	SQUIRE	MORGAN	LEHMAN	HOPKINS	TURNER	PELOZA	HILLIER	HOLDER
LEHMAN	1	1		1	1	1				1	1
TURNER			1				1	1	1		

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Elected: LEHMAN