

2ND REPORT OF THE
AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on November 21, 2012, commencing at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: H. Fletcher (Chair), J. Asmussen, D. Duffin, L. McKenna, S. Twynstra and J. Martin (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: L. Mottram.

REGRETS: B. Bloomfield and O. Hobson.

I YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS

Terms of Reference

1. (6) That the Civic Administration **BE REQUESTED** to undertake the following actions, with respect to the Agricultural Advisory Committee Terms of Reference:

- a) no further action with respect to the inclusion of a National Farmers Union representative and alternate as voting members, noting that organizations should submit a formal request for consideration for committee membership, where appropriate;
- b) no further action be taken with respect to modifying the language of the AAC mandate from “secure, economically viable agricultural industry” to “secure & sustainable agricultural community”; and,
- c) a revision to the Terms of Reference to encompass Urban Agriculture;

it being noted that the AAC held general discussion with respect to this matter.

II YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

8477 Longwoods Road

2. (3) That the Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC) received a notice dated October 19, 2012, from M. Corby, Planner, with respect to an application submitted by Monopoli Adriano, Monopoli Francesca, relating to the property located at 8477 Longwoods Road. The AAC noted/asked that the following comments be forwarded to staff, for consideration with respect to this matter:

- (a) the creation of additional traffic concerns;
- (b) the potential for conflict for existing viable livestock operations with the addition of large rural residential developments;
- (c) the future use for remnant parcels of land; and,
- (d) the creation of urban sprall;

Southwest Area Plan

3. (4) That the Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC) received a notice dated September 24, 2012, from H. McNeely, Senior Planner, with respect to an application submitted by the City of London, relating to the Southwest Area Plan. The AAC noted/asked that the following comments be forwarded to staff, for consideration with respect to this matter:

- (a) the need to plan for the transporting of large farm implements within the urban growth area;
- (b) the importance of preserving viable agricultural land within the urban growth area; and,
- (c) the importance of preserving the natural wetlands within the urban growth area.

4. That the Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC) received and noted the following:
- 1st Report of the AAC (a) (1) the 1st Report of the Agricultural Advisory Committee from its meeting held on September 19, 2012;
- 2371 Highbury Avenue North (b) (2) a Notice dated October 19, 2012, from M. Corby, Planner, with respect to an application submitted by the Y Group Investments & Management Inc., relating to the property located at 2371 Highbury Ave. North; and,
- Notice of Commencement and Public Information Centre (c) (5) a Notice from R. Todd, Environmental Services Engineer and T. Mahood, Project Manager, CH2M HILL, with respect to a notice of commencement and public information centre relating to raw wastewater discharges to the Thames River.
- Deferred Matters 5. That the Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC) deferred consideration of the following items to a future AAC meeting:
- (a) (7) discussion with respect to Urban Agriculture; and,
- (b) (8) discussion with respect to hydroponic urban greenhouses.
- Next Meeting 6. That the Agricultural Advisory Committee will hold its next meeting on February 20, 2013.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.