

8TH REPORT OF THE
CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE

Meeting held on March 19, 2013, commencing at 1:06 PM, in Committee Room #5, Second Floor, London City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor J.F. Fontana (Chair), Councillors N. Branscombe, J.P. Bryant, B. Polhill and J.B. Swan and L. Rowe (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor D.G. Henderson, A. Zuidema, F. Angeletti, B. Baar, J.P. Barber, G. Belch, J. Braam, B. Coxhead, A. Hagan, G.T. Hopcroft, J. Lajoie, J. Logan, V. McAlea Major, D. Munteer, J. Page, C. Resendes, C. Saunders, M. Turner and B. Warner.

I. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

1. That it **BE NOTED** that Councillor J.P. Bryant disclosed a pecuniary interest in clause 7 of this Report having to do with corporate training initiatives by indicating that her spouse is on the faculty of the Ivey School of Business.

II. CONSENT ITEMS

2. Year 2013 Tax Policy

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, the following actions be taken with respect to property taxation for 2013:

- a) a by-law be enacted in accordance with Sub-sections 308(4) and 308.1(4) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* to set tax ratios in the multi-residential, pipeline and farm property classes as indicated on Schedule F and such attached proposed by-law (Appendix A) **BE INTRODUCED** at the Council meeting of March 26, 2013;
- b) a by-law be enacted in accordance with Sub-section 308(4) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* to set tax ratios in the commercial and industrial property class as indicated in Schedule F of this report; so that tax ratios for these classes are maintained at Provincial thresholds/averages and such attached proposed by-law (Appendix A) **BE INTRODUCED** at the Council meeting of March 26, 2013;
- c) a by-law be enacted to fully utilize options available in 2013 to exclude properties in capped property classes which have reached current value assessment tax levels or higher in 2012 from being capped again in 2013 and future years and such attached proposed by-law (Appendix B) **BE INTRODUCED** at the Council meeting of March 26, 2013;
- d) a by-law be enacted in accordance with Section 330 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* to claw back a portion of tax decreases in each of the commercial, industrial, and multi-residential classes sufficient to fully finance the capping of increases as required under Section 329 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and such attached proposed by-law (Appendix C) **BE INTRODUCED** at the Council meeting on March 26, 2013;
- e) a by-law be enacted in accordance with Section 329.1 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* for 2012 to adopt the same capping formulae for the commercial, industrial and multi-residential property classes as was applicable in 2012 and such attached proposed by-law (Appendix D) **BE INTRODUCED** at the Council meeting on March 26, 2013;
- f) a phase-in program for tax changes resulting from the reassessment of properties in the residential, farmland, and managed forests property classes in accordance with Section 318 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* not be adopted;

- g) the matter of tax policy **BE REFERRED** to a future meeting of the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee, as part of a larger discussion with respect to the City of London's economic strategy and its competitive position, so that tax policy and other matters can be considered in a holistic manner; and
- h) an information session **BE HELD** at the June 10, 2013 meeting of the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee for the purpose of informing Council Members about tax policy, in order to assist in future decisions pertaining to tax policy.

3. Year 2013 Education Tax Rates

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, the attached proposed by-law to levy education tax rates for 2013 (Appendix A) **BE INTRODUCED** at the Council meeting of March 26, 2013.

4. Procurement of Goods and Services Policy Revision

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, the attached proposed by-law, being a by-Law to amend By-law No. A.-6151-17, **BE INTRODUCED** at the Municipal Council meeting on March 26, 2013, to revise Schedule "C" to By-Law No. A.-6151-17, being the Procurement of Goods and Services Policy, to:

- a) delete of the wording "(only when the Mayor declares an emergency under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*)" from section 14.2;
- b) add a definition for EMERGENCY;
- c) add an exemption in Schedule B item 11.

5. Statement of Remuneration and Expenses - Elected and Appointed Officials

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, the following actions be taken with respect to the Statement of Remuneration and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials:

- a) in accordance with Section 284 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, the Statement of Remuneration and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials for 2012 **BE RECEIVED** for information;
- b) London Hydro Inc. **BE REQUESTED** to provide additional information pertaining to the training expenditures for its Board Members;
- c) a review **BE UNDERTAKEN** as to whether or not it is necessary to place a limit on any other specific categories of expenditures for elected officials, beyond the limit which has already been placed on gifts and souvenirs for protocol and City of London promotional purposes; and
- d) in accordance with the City Council Travel and Expenses Policy, the Statement of Travel Expenses for Senior Administration Staff for 2012 **BE RECEIVED** for information.

6. *Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act* - Report for Calendar Year 2012

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, the report dated March 19, 2013 regarding 2012 salaries, as required by the *Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act*, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

7. Corporate Human Rights Program, Code of Conduct Program and Corporate Training Initiatives as of December 31, 2012

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Corporate Services and Chief Human Resources Officer the staff report dated March 19, 2013 regarding the Corporate Human Rights Program, Code of Conduct Program and Corporate Training Initiatives as at December 31, 2012 **BE RECEIVED** for information.

8. Employee Absenteeism Update

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Corporate Services and Chief Human Resources Officer, the report dated March 19, 2013 regarding employee absenteeism **BE RECEIVED** for information.

9. *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* Update

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Parks and Recreation, the following actions be taken:

- a) the attached proposed City of London Integrated Accessibility Standards Policy required for the implementation of the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005* (AODA) **BE ADOPTED**; and
- b) the attached City of London Multi-Year Accessibility Plan 2013-2017 required under the AODA Integrated Accessibility Standards **BE APPROVED**.

10. Visiting Delegation from London's Sister City, Nanjing China - March 2013

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Director of Intergovernmental and Community Liaison, the report dated March 19, 2013 on the visiting delegation from London's Sister City, Nanjing, China, March 2013, **BE RECEIVED**.

11. Canada Caribbean Local Economic Development Program

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Director of Intergovernmental and Community Liaison, the report dated March 19, 2013 on the Canada Caribbean Local Economic Development Program **BE RECEIVED**.

12. Canada Ukraine Local Economic Development Program

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Director of Intergovernmental and Community Liaison, the report dated March 19, 2013 on the Canada Ukraine Local Economic Development Program **BE RECEIVED**.

13. Expropriation of Lands - Hyde Park Road Widening - Phase 1 - TS1477-1

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Manager, Realty Services and the Director, Roads and Transportation, with the concurrence of the Managing Director, Environmental and Engineering Services and City Engineer, approval **BE GIVEN** to the expropriation of lands as may be required for a project known as Hyde Park Road Widening and Improvements - Phase I - between Oxford Street and South Carriage Road, and that the following actions be taken in connection therewith:

- a) application be made by The Corporation of the City of London as Expropriating Authority to the Council of The Corporation of the City of London as approving authority for the approval to expropriate the lands required for Hyde Park Road Widening and Improvements - Phase I - between Oxford Street and South Carriage Road;
- b) The Corporation of the City of London serve and publish notice of the above application in accordance with the terms of the *Expropriations Act*;
- c) The Corporation of the City of London forward to the Chief Inquiry Officer

any requests for a hearing that may be received and report such to the Council of The Corporation of the City of London for its information; and

- d) a by-law be introduced at the appropriate time to authorize the foregoing and direct the Civic Administration to carry out all necessary administrative actions.

14. Declare Surplus and Transfer City Owned Lands - 83 Elliott Street

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Manager, Realty Services Operations, with the concurrence of the Manager of Realty Services, with respect to a portion of the City-owned property located at 83 Elliott Street, legally described as Part of Lot 3, Registered Plan 251, measuring approximately 12' x 110', containing an area of approximately 1,320 square feet, shown as Parcel 2 on Schedule "A" attached, the following actions be taken:

- a) a portion of the subject property **BE DECLARED** surplus;
- b) the offer submitted by Brian Broere, the owner of the adjacent property at 81 Elliott Street, to purchase the subject surplus property from the City, for a consideration of \$2.00 **BE ACCEPTED**; and
- c) the attached proposed by-law (Appendix "A") **BE INTRODUCED** at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on March 26, 2013 to approve the sale and disposition, and to authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the Agreements of Purchase and Sale.

15. Response to Emergency Medical Services and Middlesex-London Board of Health

Recommendation: That the communication dated March 5, 2013 from D. Matthews, Minister, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care regarding the response to Emergency Medical Services and Middlesex-London Board of Health **BE RECEIVED**.

III. SCHEDULED ITEMS

16. Apportionment of Taxes

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Treasurer, the taxes on the blocks of land described in the attached Schedules **BE APPORTIONED** as indicated on the Schedules pursuant to Section 356 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*; it being noted that there were no members of the public in attendance at the public hearing associated with this matter, to speak before the Corporate Services Committee.

IV. ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

17. Request for Designation of the Forest City Beer Fest as a Municipally Significant Event

Recommendation: That the Forest City Beer Fest to be held Saturday, August 3, 2013, at Museum London, **BE DESIGNATED** as a municipally-significant event.

18. Resignation from the Advisory Committee on the Environment and on the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the communication dated February 19, 2013 from Ali Youssef, resigning his appointments to the Advisory Committee on the Environment and the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee, **BE ACCEPTED** and Mr. Yousseff **BE THANKED** for participating on the Committees.

19. Appointment to the Accessibility Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following **BE APPOINTED** to the Accessibility Advisory Committee for the term ending February 28, 2015:

Voting:

- Cindy Bailey (Person with a Disability)
- Antoinette Dona (Parent of a Child with a Disability)

20. Appointment to the Advisory Committee on the Environment

Recommendation: That the following individual **BE APPOINTED** to the Advisory Committee on the Environment for the term ending February 28, 2015:

Voting:

- Trevor Kolybaba (Member-at-Large)

21. Appointment to the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following **BE APPOINTED** to the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee for the term ending February 28, 2015:

Voting:

- Fernando Cirino (Member-at-Large)
- Dr. Maurice Hirst (Member-at-Large)
- Iain MacKenzie (Member-at-Large)
- Chris Smart (Member-at-Large)
- Brennan Vogel (Member-at-Large)

22. Appointment to the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following **BE APPOINTED** to the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee for the term ending February 28, 2015:

Voting:

- Michael Janzen (Member-at-Large)
- Paul Williamson (Member-at-Large)

23. Appointment to the Transportation Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following **BE APPOINTED** to the Transportation Advisory Committee for the term ending February 28, 2015:

Voting:

- Henk Ketelaars (Member-at-Large)
- Michael Clark (Old East Village BIA)

24. Appointment to the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following individual **BE APPOINTED** to the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee for the term ending February 28, 2015:

Voting:

- Bill Hall (London District Catholic School Board Representative)

V. DEFERRED MATTERS/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

25. Request for Support re Bell Media and Astral Media Inc.

Recommendation: That the Director of Intergovernmental and Community Liaison **BE REQUESTED** to submit a draft letter of support regarding the acquisition of Astra Media Inc. by Bell, to the Municipal Council for consideration

at its meeting on March 26, 2013, with such letter to include emphasis on the need for protection of local talent, production, content and artists in order to preserve the unique interests of local communities.

26. Special Meeting – March 26, 2013

Recommendation: That the Committee Secretary **BE DIRECTED** to make arrangements for a Special Meeting of the Corporate Services Committee at 2:30 PM on Tuesday, March 26, 2013, for the purpose of dealing with two in camera matters.

VI. CONFIDENTIAL

(See Confidential Appendix to the 8th Report of the Corporate Services Committee enclosed for Members only.)

The Corporate Services Committee convened in camera from 2:20 PM to 3:52 PM after having passed a motion to do so, with respect to the following matters:

- C-1. A matter pertaining to litigation currently in the Ontario Court of Justice for the Province of Ontario effecting the municipality; and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.
- C-2. A matter pertaining to litigation currently before the Superior Court of Justice, Court file No. 38191/01 effecting the municipality; and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.
- C-3. A matter pertaining to potential litigation and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, and for the purpose of providing instructions and directions to officers and employees of the Corporation with respect to a potential arbitration concerning the apportionment of costs for social housing, Ontario Works, Child Care and Land Ambulance between Middlesex County and the City of London.
- C-4. A matter pertaining to personal matters, including information regarding identifiable individuals, including municipal employees, with respect to employment related matters, matters pertaining to litigation or potential litigation, 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.
- C-5. A matter pertaining to personal matters, including information regarding an identifiable individual, including a municipal employee, with respect to employment related matters, 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.
- C-6. A matter pertaining to personal information about identifiable individuals including municipal employees, with respect to employment related matters; matters pertaining to litigation or potential litigation; advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose and advice of officers and employees of the Corporation, including communications necessary for that purpose.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:52 PM.