Members and Chair Corporate Services Committee

Remuneration for Elected Officials and Appointed Citizens

Dear Colleagues,

Following existing council policy on remuneration for elected officials and appointed citizens would result in an inflationary increase of approximately 0.7% for 2021, as that is the percentage change in the Canadian Price Index for Ontario at the end of December 2020 and the value is lower than the change in the labour index over the same period.

By July of 2020, London and the rest of the country had been in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic for approximately 4 months. At that time, in consideration of the impact of COVID-19 on our economy, London City Council chose not to increase the remuneration of elected officials and appointed citizens. Given that we are now 14 months in, and the uncertainty and disruption caused by the pandemic continues, we believe it to be prudent to continue to forego the annual increase in remuneration that would be otherwise implemented as per council policy.

Therefore, we are seeking support for the following motion:

That, notwithstanding the provisions of Council Policy "Remuneration for Elected Officials and Appointed Citizen Members," the remuneration for elected officials and appointed citizens NO INCREASE to remuneration for elected officials or appointed citizens be made for 2021.

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