

Bill No. 317
2021

By-law No. A.-6151()-____

A by-law to amend By-law No. A.-6151-17, being “A by-law to establish policies for the sale and other disposition of land, hiring of employees, procurement of goods and services, public notice, accountability and transparency, and delegation of powers and duties, as required under section 270(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*” by deleting and replacing Schedule “F”, being the Accountability and Transparency to the Public Policy.

WHEREAS section 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, C.25, as amended, provides that a municipal power shall be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS section 9 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, C.25, as amended, provides a municipality with the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority;

AND WHEREAS on December 17, 2007 the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacted By-law A.-6151-17, being “A by-law to establish policies for the sale and other disposition of land, hiring of employees, procurement of goods and services, public notice, accountability and transparency, and delegation of powers and duties, as required under section 270(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*” (the “Council Policy By-law”);

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to amend Schedule “F” – “Accountability and Transparency to the Public Policy” to By-law No. A.-6151-17;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. By-law No. A.-6151-17, being “A by-law to establish policies for the sale and other disposition of land, hiring of employees, procurement of goods and services, public notice, accountability and transparency, and delegation of powers and duties, as required under section 270(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*”, is hereby amended by deleting Schedule “F” its entirety and replacing it with the attached new Schedule “F”.
2. This by-law shall come into force and effect on the date it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council on August 10, 2021

Ed Holder
Mayor

Catharine Saunders
City Clerk

First Reading – August 10, 2021
Second Reading – August 10, 2021
Third Reading – August 10, 2021

Schedule “F”



London
CANADA

Accountability and Transparency to the Public Policy

Policy Name: Accountability and Transparency to the Public Policy

Legislative History: Adopted December 17, 2007 (By-law No. A.-6151-17); Amended July 24, 2018 (By-law No. A.-6151(v)-420; Amended August 10, 2021 (By-law No. A.-6151_____) August 10, 2021

Service Area Lead: City Clerk

1. Policy Statement

1.1 London City Council and the Civic Administration acknowledge the importance of the transparency of its proceedings and accountability for its actions. The City of London has, as its goal, that of an open, accessible, ethical and accountable government. This commitment is further delineated in City Council’s values of:

Good Governance;
Driven by Community;
Acting with Compassion; and
Moving Forward through Innovation.

2. Definitions

2.1 Not applicable.

3. Applicability

3.1 This policy shall apply to City Council and all employees of The Corporation of the City of London.

4. The Policy

4.1 City Council shall ensure accountability and transparency of the operations of the municipality, including the activities of senior management, through the use of an accountability and transparency framework comprised of 5 key areas:

a) Purpose

- Clearly articulating the vision, mandate, values, strategic priorities and results of the organization in the form of a Council Strategic Plan
- Engaging in activities that are consistent with the Council Strategic Plan

b) Decision Making

- Undertaking a decision-making process that is transparent and accessible to the public
- Engaging effectively and openly with the public and other stakeholders

c) Communication with the Public

- Communicating with the public so that they are able to participate effectively

- Taking into consideration the needs of our audience, when making information public, through the use of different mediums and technology
- Following all applicable legislation governing the sharing of information, including the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

d) Performance

- Being accountable to the citizens of London for performance by defining targets for performance in each Council term and reporting on performance on an annual basis
- Ensuring the concept of continuous improvement is implemented in the organization

e) Appropriate Behaviour and Conduct

- The actions of Council Members and the Civic Administration being governed by a Code of Conduct