

October 6, 2021

Re: London Ward 13 – Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As concerned and committed Londoners, we feel it is imperative that the Corporate Services Committee act to ensure that Ward 13 continues to be represented at Council for the remainder of the current term following the recent vacancy. This particular ward is so critical to the overall social fabric and economic success of the city, that leaving it unrepresented, is not in the best interest of any of us.

We have both known and worked alongside John for over 15 years, on various projects, both business related and charitable. These projects have supported both Ward 13 and London as a whole.

John is a rare individual who leads with integrity and passion, supported by collaborative work and followed by decisive action. He leads with his support of London and Ward 13, as guideposts.

We support the nomination of **John Fyfe-Millar** to fill the vacancy on the grounds that:

- He is qualified and capable of stepping into the position given his intimate knowledge of the ward and its issues.
- He is an ardent proponent of Ward 13 and the downtown.
- He is uniquely familiar with the issues and needs of both the residential and business communities within the Ward.
- He has a proven track record of working within the City Hall environment.
- In the ranked ballot election of 2018, the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was marginal.
- Given the point above, entering a by-election or nominating an outside third party make no sense whatsoever.

Ward 13 cannot be left without strong and capable representation until the next municipal election.

Please -Move to nominate John Fyfe-Millar to fill the vacant seat as soon as possible.

We consent to this letter being part of the public agenda.

Susan Diane Brooks and William (Bill) J. Smith.