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Subject: [EXTERNAL] London Ward 13: Councillor Vacancy

To whom it may concern:

As home owners and residents of Ward 13, we think that 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.

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 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, Mr. Fyfe-Millar was the second choice for Ward 13 voters and the difference in constituency support between Mr. Fyfe-Millar and the vacating councillor was small.

Ward 13 results[\[21\]](#)

Candidate	Maximum round	Maximum votes	Share in maximum round	Maximum votes	
				First round votes	Transfer votes
Arielle Kayabaga	8	2,804	100.0%		
John Fyfe-Millar	7	2,186	48.5%		
Jonathan Hughes	6	1,100	21.6%		
Kevin Wilbee	5	831	15.3%		
Ben Benedict	4	391	7.5%		
Gil Warren	3	358	6.3%		
David Lundquist	2	240	4.2%		
Rod Morley	1	57	1.0%		
Eligible votes		5,714	49.1%		
Exhausted votes		2,910	50.9%		

Given the points above, entering a by-election would not seem necessary or productive.

The only alternative to choosing Mr. Fyfe-Millar that makes some sense to us would be to appoint someone who was not a candidate in 2018, and who is knowledgeable of and sympathetic to Ward 13 issues and concerns, with the guarantee that they would not be eligible to run in the 2022 civic election in Ward 13.

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.

Thank you,
Christine Kelsey and John Broeze
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