

Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee

Report

11th Meeting of the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee
July 27, 2022

PRESENT: Mayor E. Holder (Chair), Councillors M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, M. Hamou, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, P. Van Meerbergen, S. Turner, E. Pelozo, J. Fyfe-Millar, S. Hillier

ALSO PRESENT: A. Job, B. Westlake-Power

Remote Attendance: L. Livingstone, A. Barbon, B. Card, S. Corman, J. Davison, K. Dickins, A. Dunbar, S. Glover, S. Mathers, K. Paleczny, K. Pawelec, K. Scherr, M. Schulthess, J. Smit, A. Thompson

The meeting is called to order at 4:00 PM; it being noted that the following members were in remote attendance: M. van Holst, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, S. Lehman, P. Van Meerbergen, S. Turner, E. Pelozo and S. Hillier.

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

That it BE NOTED that the following pecuniary interests were disclosed:

- a) Councillor S. Turner discloses a pecuniary interest in item 4.1 of this Report, specifically Business Case #4: London Public Library Reading Garden Access from Dundas Place Flex Street, having to do with London Community Recovery Network - Recovery Funding Business Cases, by indicating that his spouse is employed by the London Public Library;
- b) Councillor J. Helmer discloses a pecuniary interest in item 3.1 of this Report, having to do with Municipal Accommodation Tax on Short-term Accommodations, by indicating that he has rented out his home through Airbnb in the past and may do so again in the future.

2. Consent

Moved by: E. Pelozo

Seconded by: J. Fyfe-Millar

That Consent Items 2.1, 2.3 and 2.4, BE APPROVED.

Yeas: (15): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, M. Hamou, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, P. Van Meerbergen, S. Turner, E. Pelozo, J. Fyfe-Millar, and S. Hillier

Motion Passed (15 to 0)

2.1 London Community Grants Program Innovation and Capital Funding Allocations (2022)

Moved by: E. Pelozo

Seconded by: J. Fyfe-Millar

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Neighbourhood and Community-Wide Services, the report dated July 27, 2022, titled "London Community Grants Program Innovation and Capital Funding Allocations (2022)", BE RECEIVED for information.

Motion Passed

2.3 Diversion Pilot Project - Single Source Contract Award - SS-2022-210

Moved by: E. Pelosa
Seconded by: J. Fyfe-Millar

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Environment and Infrastructure, the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Economic Development, the Deputy City Manager, Social and Health Development and concurrence of the Manager, Purchasing & Supply, that the following actions be taken with respect to the Diversion Pilot Program's Outreach Services;

- a) the quote submitted by London Cares Homeless Response Services for the delivery of Diversion Pilot Project Outreach Services for the period of July 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022, BE ACCEPTED at a total estimated cost of \$71,150 (excluding HST); it being noted that funding to be sourced from the Operating Budget Contingency Reserve;
- b) the single source contract with London Cares Homeless Response Services for the delivery of Diversion Pilot Project Outreach Services including an option to renew for four (4) additional six-month periods contingent on funding availability, BE APPROVED; it being noted that the contract award is in accordance with the Procurement of Goods and Services Policy, Section 14.4 d and e;
- c) the Civic Administration BE AUTHORIZED to undertake all administrative acts which are necessary in relation to this project; and,
- d) the approval given herein BE CONDITIONAL upon the Corporation entering into a Purchase of Service Agreements with each program.

Motion Passed

2.4 Reports of the Diversity, Inclusion and Anti-Oppression Community Advisory Committee

Moved by: E. Pelosa
Seconded by: J. Fyfe-Millar

That the 1st and 2nd Reports of the Diversity, Inclusion and Anti-Oppression Community Advisory Committee from its meetings held on June 9, 2022 and July 14, 2022, respectively, BE RECEIVED.

Motion Passed

2.2 Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Public Transit Stream (ICIP-PTS) - London Transit Commission Highbury Avenue Facility

Moved by: M. Hamou
Seconded by: J. Fyfe-Millar

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Finance Supports and the Deputy City Manager, Environment and Infrastructure, the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to work with London Transit Commission (LTC) staff to develop a joint application to the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Public Transit Stream (ICIP-PTS) for a new LTC facility on Highbury Avenue to accommodate transit service growth and the conversion of the LTC fleet to zero-emission buses; it being noted that Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee received a communication dated July 25, 2022 from B. Brock with respect to this matter.

Yeas: (14): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, M. Hamou, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, P. Van Meerbergen, S. Turner, J. Fyfe-Millar, and S. Hillier

Nays: (1): E. Pelozza

Motion Passed (14 to 1)

3. Scheduled Items

3.1 Not to be heard before 4:05 PM - Public Participation Meeting - Municipal Accommodation Tax on Short-Term Accommodations - Single Source Procurement 2022-211

Moved by: S. Lewis

Seconded by: M. Hamou

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Finance Supports, the following actions be taken with respect to collecting Municipal Accommodation Tax on Short-term Accommodations:

a) the proposed by-law as appended to the staff report dated July 27, 2022 as Appendix "A" BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting on August 2, 2022, with respect to the collection of Municipal Accommodation Tax in the City of London, entitled "A By-law to Impose a Municipal Accommodation Tax"; and

b) the approval hereby BE GIVEN to enter into a contract with the Ontario Restaurant, Hotel & Motel Association for an additional four (4) years with two one-year extensions; it being noted that this will be a single source contract as per the Procurement of Goods and Services Policy, in accordance with section 14.4 (d); and

c) the proposed by-law as appended to the staff report dated July 27, 2022 as Appendix "B" BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting on August 2, 2022 to:

i) approve the Amending Agreement to the Municipal Accommodation Tax Collection Agreement between The Corporation of the City of London and the Ontario Restaurant Hotel & Motel Association for the collection of the Municipal Accommodation Tax in the City of London;

ii) authorize the City Treasurer to approve any amendments to the Amending Agreement;

iii) authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement; and,

iv) authorize the City Treasurer to approve any future amending agreements to the agreement between The Corporation of the City of London and the Ontario Restaurant Hotel & Motel Association for the collection of the Municipal Accommodation Tax in the City of London;

it being noted that no individuals made verbal presentations at the public participation meeting.

Yeas: (14): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, M. Cassidy, M. Hamou, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, P. Van Meerbergen, S. Turner, E. Pelozza, J. Fyfe-Millar, and S. Hillier

Recuse: (1): J. Helmer

Motion Passed (14 to 0)

Moved by: A. Hopkins

Seconded by: S. Lewis

Motion to open the public participation meeting.

Yeas: (14): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, M. Cassidy, M. Hamou, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, P. Van Meerbergen, S. Turner, E. Pelozza, J. Fyfe-Millar, and S. Hillier

Recuse: (1): J. Helmer

Motion Passed (14 to 0)

Moved by: J. Fyfe-Millar

Seconded by: P. Van Meerbergen

Motion to close the public participation meeting.

Yeas: (14): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, M. Cassidy, M. Hamou, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, P. Van Meerbergen, S. Turner, E. Pelozza, J. Fyfe-Millar, and S. Hillier

Recuse: (1): J. Helmer

Motion Passed (14 to 0)

4. Items for Direction

4.1 London Community Recovery Network – Recovery Funding Business Cases

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Economic Development, the following actions be taken with respect to the staff report dated July 27, 2022 related to the London Community Recovery Network (LCRN) – Recovery Funding Business Cases:

a) the LCRN Business Cases: A through F, included in the above-noted staff report, BE RECEIVED;

b) the following funding requests BE APPROVED:

i) Business Case #1: Green Economic Stimulus: Building Retrofits for Local Residents and Businesses;

ii) Business Case # 2: Belong: Inclusive Arts Experiences for Children and Youth;

iii) Business Case # 3: Argyle BIA Currency Pilot Program;

iv) Business Case # 4: London Public Library Reading Garden Access from Dundas Place Flex Street;

v) Business Case # 5: London Innovation Challenge; and,

vi) Business Case # 6: London Tech Talent Growth;

c) the Mayor and the City Clerk BE AUTHORIZED to execute any contract or other documents, if required by the City Solicitor, to implement the approved noted in part b) above;

it being noted that the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee received the following communications with respect to this matter:

- Martino, Executive Director, Crouch Neighbourhood Resource Centre;
- Rajic, Executive Director, Glen Cairn Community Resource Centre;
- Yi, Executive Director, London Arts Council;

- Maly, Executive Director, Downtown London;
- Peebles, Coordinator, Programming and Outreach Services, London Public Library;
- Clark-Emery, Manager Neighbourhood Community Development Westminster and Youth Services, Neighbourhood Resource Association Westminster Park;
- Needham, Executive Director, South London Neighbourhood Resource Centre;
- Finn, Tourism London;
- Pastorius, General Manager, Old East Village Business Improvement Area; and,
- Chief Executive Officer, London & District Construction Association.

Voting Record:

Moved by: M. Hamou

Seconded by: J. Fyfe-Millar

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Economic Development, the following actions be taken with respect to the staff report dated July 27, 2022 related to the London Community Recovery Network (LCRN) – Recovery Funding Business Cases:

- a) the LCRN Business Cases: A through F, included in the above-noted staff report, BE RECEIVED;
- b) the following funding requests BE APPROVED:
 - i) Business Case #1: Green Economic Stimulus: Building Retrofits for Local Residents and Businesses;
 - ii) Business Case # 2: Belong: Inclusive Arts Experiences for Children and Youth;
 - v) Business Case # 5: London Innovation Challenge; and,
- c) the Mayor and the City Clerk BE AUTHORIZED to execute any contract or other documents, if required by the City Solicitor, to implement the approved noted in part b) above;

it being noted that the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee received the following communications with respect to this matter:

- J. Martino, Executive Director, Crouch Neighbourhood Resource Centre;
- S. Rajic, Executive Director, Glen Cairn Community Resource Centre;
- E. Yi, Executive Director, London Arts Council;
- B. Maly, Executive Director, Downtown London;
- D. Peebles, Coordinator, Programming and Outreach Services, London Public Library;
- K. Clark-Emery, Manager Neighbourhood Community Development Westminster and Youth Services, Neighbourhood Resource Association Westminster Park;
- N. Needham, Executive Director, South London Neighbourhood Resource Centre;
- C. Finn, Tourism London;

- J. Pastorius, General Manager, Old East Village Business Improvement Area; and,
- Chief Executive Officer, London & District Construction Association.

Yeas: (14): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, M. Hamou, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, S. Turner, E. Pelozza, J. Fyfe-Millar, and S. Hillier

Nays: (1): P. Van Meerbergen

Motion Passed (14 to 1)

Moved by: S. Lewis
 Seconded by: S. Lehman

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Economic Development, the following actions be taken with respect to the staff report dated July 27, 2022 related to the London Community Recovery Network (LCRN) – Recovery Funding Business Cases:

b) the following funding requests BE APPROVED:

iii) Business Case # 3: Argyle BIA Currency Pilot Program;

Yeas: (15): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, M. Hamou, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, P. Van Meerbergen, S. Turner, E. Pelozza, J. Fyfe-Millar, and S. Hillier

Motion Passed (15 to 0)

Moved by: A. Hopkins
 Seconded by: E. Pelozza

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Economic Development, the following actions be taken with respect to the staff report dated July 27, 2022 related to the London Community Recovery Network (LCRN) – Recovery Funding Business Cases:

b) the following funding requests BE APPROVED:

iv) Business Case # 4: London Public Library Reading Garden Access from Dundas Place Flex Street;

Yeas: (13): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, M. Hamou, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, E. Pelozza, J. Fyfe-Millar, and S. Hillier

Nays: (1): P. Van Meerbergen

Recuse: (1): S. Turner

Motion Passed (13 to 1)

Moved by: J. Fyfe-Millar
 Seconded by: E. Pelozza

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Economic Development, the following actions be taken with respect to the staff report dated July 27, 2022 related to the London Community Recovery Network (LCRN) – Recovery Funding Business Cases:

b) the following funding requests BE APPROVED:

vi) Business Case # 6: London Tech Talent Growth;

Yeas: (15): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, M. Hamou, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, P. Van Meerbergen, S. Turner, E. Pelozza, J. Fyfe-Millar, and S. Hillier

Motion Passed (15 to 0)

4.2 Consideration of Appointment to the London and Middlesex Community Housing Board of Directors (Requires 2 Members)

Moved by: S. Lewis

Seconded by: M. van Holst

That the following actions be taken with respect to the London & Middlesex Community Housing:

a) the resubmitted communication dated May 30, 2022 from P. Chisholm, Chief Executive Officer, London & Middlesex Community Housing BE RECEIVED;

b) the communication dated July 13, 2022 from A.M. Mitchell, Board of Directors, London & Middlesex Community Housing BE RECEIVED; and,

c) the following BE APPOINTED as Class I Directors to the London & Middlesex Community Housing Board of Directors for the term ending December 31, 2024;

- Phil Squire
- John Corboy

Yeas: (15): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, M. Hamou, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, P. Van Meerbergen, S. Turner, E. Pelozza, J. Fyfe-Millar, and S. Hillier

Motion Passed (15 to 0)

4.3 Argyle Business Improvement Association Budget Request

Moved by: S. Lewis

Seconded by: J. Helmer

That the following actions be taken with respect to the communication dated June 20, 2022 from the Argyle BIA:

a) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to prepare a business case for the 2023 budget update for a corridor street scape design to help identify opportunities that can form a basis for a CIP capital budget for the 2024-2027 MYB;

b) the above-noted communication from the Argyle BIA board BE RECEIVED;

it being noted that this may assist in identifying those which can be prioritized for early implementation during through the CIP as infrastructure renewal projects along this corridor are completed.

Yeas: (14): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, M. Hamou, J. Morgan, A. Hopkins, P. Van Meerbergen, S. Turner, E. Pelozza, J. Fyfe-Millar, and S. Hillier

Absent: (1): S. Lehman

Motion Passed (14 to 0)

5. Deferred Matters/Additional Business

None.

6. Adjournment

Moved by: P. Van Meerbergen

Seconded by: S. Lewis

That the meeting BE ADJOURNED.

Motion Passed

The meeting adjourned at 5:04 PM.