то:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING ON JULY 23, 2013
FROM:	MARTIN HAYWARD MANAGING DIRECTOR, CORPORATE SERVICES AND CITY TREASURER/CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
SUBJECT:	LETTER OF AGREEMENT PROVINCIAL DEDICATED GAS TAX FUNDS FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATION

That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer, the <u>attached</u> proposed by-law (Appendix "A") **BE INTRODUCED** at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on July 30, 2013 to authorize the Mayor and the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer to execute a Letter of Agreement between the Province of Ontario and the City of London with respect to the Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for Public Transportation Program.

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER

Board of Control – January 16, 2008
Board of Control - December 13, 2006
Municipal Council - February 20, 2006
Board of Control – April 29, 2009
Board of Control – June 23, 2010
Finance and Administration Committee – June 15, 2011
Finance and Administrative Services Committee – June 18, 2012

BACKGROUND

On October 22, 2004, the Province of Ontario announced its Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for Public Transportation Program. The London Transit Commission has advised that the Province has indicated that dedicated gas tax funds are to be used for the following purposes:

- Public transportation capital expenditures that promote increased transit ridership, and are above a municipality's baseline spending;
- Public transportation operating expenditures that are above a municipality's baseline spending;
- Capital expenditures for the replacement of any public transportation vehicles that are above a municipality's baseline spending;
- Capital expenditures that provide improvements to public transportation security and passenger safety, and are above a municipality's baseline spending; and
- Major refurbishment on any fully accessible, or to be made fully accessible, public transportation vehicle, and are above a municipality's baseline spending.

The Minister of Transportation has recently confirmed the City's allocation of \$9,468,844 for the, 2012/2013 Program. Each year the attached Letter of Agreement and supporting by-law must be received before the funds will be released.

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