Terms of Reference Diversity, Inclusion and Anti-Oppression Community Advisory Committee

Role

The role of a Community Advisory Committee is to provide the Municipal Council with a formalized on-going opportunity for public consultation and to offer recommendations, advice, and information to the Municipal Council on those specialized matters which relate to the purpose of the committee.

Mandate

The Diversity, Inclusion and Anti-Oppression Community Advisory Committee (DIACAC) reports to the Municipal Council, through the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee. The DIACAC is to provide leadership on matters related to diversity, inclusivity, equity and the elimination of discrimination in the City of London.

The Diversity, Inclusion and Anti-Oppression Community Advisory Committee (DIACAC) may be called upon for the following:

- to provide consultation, advice, report findings and make recommendations to City Council as necessary or at such times as Council may deem desirable, on matters of discrimination as defined by the Ontario Human Rights Code and matters related to diversity, inclusivity and equity in the City of London;
- to act as a resource for the City in the development, maintenance and refinement
 of policies and practices that facilitates an inclusive and supportive work
 environment. This includes, but is not limited to, human resource policies related
 to recruitment, hiring, training, and promotion that provide equitable opportunity
 for members of London's diverse populations;
- to participate in the development of new policies and programs or the refinement of existing ones, related to matters of discrimination, diversity, inclusivity and equity in the City of London; and
- to be a source of information to the Council on community resources available regarding issues of discrimination.

Composition

Voting Members

- fifteen members-at-large
- a minimum of one individual who is primarily French-speaking

Non-Voting Members

Non-Voting and Resource members may be engaged as the committee deems necessary.

Sub-committees and Working Groups

The Community Advisory Committee may form sub-committees and working groups as may be necessary to address specific issues; it being noted that the City Clerk's Office does not provide resource support to these sub-committees or working groups. These sub-committees and working groups shall draw upon members from the Community Advisory Committee as well as outside resource members as deemed necessary. The Chair of a sub-committee and/or working group shall be a voting member of the Community Advisory Committee.

Term of Office

Appointments to Community Advisory Committees shall be determined by the Municipal Council.

Conduct

The conduct of Community Advisory Committee members shall be in keeping with Council Policy including the Respectful Workplace Policy.

Meetings

Meetings shall be once monthly at a date and time set by the City Clerk in consultation with the Community Advisory Committee. Length of meetings shall vary depending on the agenda. Meetings of working groups that have been formed by the Community Advisory Committee may meet at any time and at any location and are in addition to the regular meetings of the Community Advisory Committee.