

A meeting of the **Public Safety Standing Committee** is held this day commencing at 4:30 o'clock p.m. in Council Chambers there being present the following members:

Councillor Jones (Chair)  
Councillor Gignac  
Councillor Dilkens  
Councillor Maghnieh  
Councillor Payne

Delegations

Melanie Coulter, Executive Director, Windsor- Essex County Humane Society  
Basil Kingstone, representing Jazzpurr (available for questions)

*Also present are the following from Administration:*

Helga Reidel, Chief Administrative Officer  
Valerie Critchley, City Clerk/Licence Commissioner and Corporate Leader  
Public Engagement and Human Services  
George Wilkki, City Solicitor and Corporate Leader Economic Development  
and Public Safety  
Gary Cian, Manager of Policy, Gaming and Licensing/Deputy Licence  
Commissioner  
Sandra Bradt, Corporate Policy Coordinator  
Arm Kalinowski, Manager of Compliance and Enforcement  
Agatha Armstrong, Deputy City Clerk

Call to Order

The meeting is called to order at 4:30 o'clock p.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None

3. **Adoption of Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Dilkens, seconded by Councillor Halberstadt,  
That the minutes of the meeting of the Public Safety Standing Committee held  
May 18, 2011 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.  
Carried.

4. **Request for Deferrals, Referrals, and Withdrawals**

None Requested.

**S . Business Items**

**Item 1 Response to CRS7/2011- Responsible Pet Ownership/Licensing of**

Melanie Coulter, Executive Director, Windsor-Essex County Humane Society appears before the Public Safety Standing Committee, to speak in support of the recommendation to adopt the report in principle with a further report on administrative and budgetary issues regarding; Voluntary Licensing of Cats; Grant Funds to Humane Society; Implement Voucher Program; Implementation of the licensing of breeders, suggesting that all options presented are viable options.

Councillor Gignac states that Windsor does have a large feral cat population and understands the benefits of a spay/neuter and trapping program, and inquires if the Humane Society would trap the feral cats.

M. Coulter states that the Humane Society does not trap the cats, that would be the responsibility of the caregiver on the ground, the spay/neuter return program requires a caregiver on the ground in order to humanely return the spay/neutered cat to the area. The Humane Society will support the caregivers and provide the service at a lower cost.

Councillor Gignac inquires as to the amount of feral cats in the City of Windsor.

M. Coulter states that the feral cat population can be determined by statistics; Pet Smart has a formula that is used to determine the feral cat population. If the municipality has a larger percentage of feral cats which are spay/neutered the feral cat population is going to decrease. A voucher program will assist citizens who are unable to financially afford to spay/neuter their animal; this would in tum have a positive effect in decreasing the feral cat population.

Councillor Gignac inquires if the Humane Society would have any indication as to the number of Vouchers that should be recommended by the Public Safety Standing Committee to Council for this initiative.

M. Coulter states that a voucher program would not be only for feral cats, it would be limited to **1** voucher per household, and concludes by stating that 2000 vouchers a year could be easily distributed.

Councillor Payne states that Administration is recommending that Responsible Pet Ownership/Licensing of Cats initiatives be referred to the 2012 budget process, suggesting that it becomes difficult for the Public Safety Standing Committee to make any recommendations to Council without actual figures, and concludes by requesting Administration to report back to the Committee in July with budget estimates for a spay/neuter voucher program.

The City Clerk/Licence Commissioner states that Administration would be able to outline options with budget estimates for a spay/neuter program, and concludes by reminding the committee of the zero percent tax increase initiative.

Councillor Payne states that once the options are presented by Administration, the Committee will have to determine how to proceed.

Moved by Councillor Payne, seconded by Councillor Gignac,  
**PSSC6/II** That Administration **REPORT BACK** with budget estimates for a spay and neuter voucher program for low income cat owners which would bring about a potentially significant reduction in the cat population in the City.

Carried.

Councillor Dilkens voting nay.

### **Item 2 Communication Systems Support Agreements with Motorola**

Moved by Councillor Gignac, seconded by Councillor Dilkens,  
**PSSC7/11** THAT the Chief Administrative Officer and/or City Clerk **BE AUTHORIZED** to sign a Communication Systems Support Agreement, #630-0610 for network support, with Motorola, at a cost of \$24,660.00 per month (\$295,920.00 annually) plus applicable taxes which provides the Corporation of the City of Windsor with network monitoring, technical support, call management and infrastructure field service response and support for the Corporate Radio System until May 31, 2013, to be satisfactory in form to the City Solicitor, in technical content to the Fire Chief, and in financial content to the City Treasurer; and

THAT the agreement **BE FUNDED** from the Pay As You Go (PAYG) Lease Reserve Fund (170) for a total cost of \$295,920. 00. Based on this amount, sufficient funding is available within the PAYG Lease Reserve Fund.

As the systems support is essential to the communications functions of the corporation, the contract renewal process needs to continue annually as a purchase order via Sole Source as per section 39(1) of the Purchasing Bylaw regarding contract renewal.

Carried.

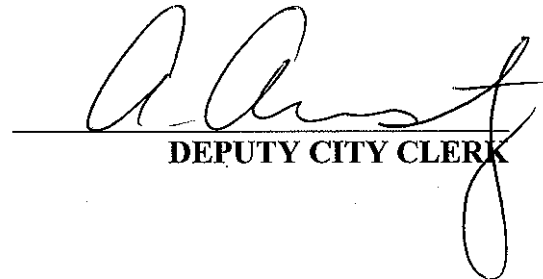
6. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Public Safety Standing Committee will be held on July 20, 2011 at 4:30 o'clock p.m. in Council Chambers.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the meeting is adjourned at 4:55 o'clock p.m.

  
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CHAIRPERSON

  
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DEPUTY CITY CLERK