

# AGENDA and Schedule "A" to the minutes of the meeting of the SMALL BUSINESS ADVISORY PANEL held Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. Town of Walkerville Meeting Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, City Hall

### 1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

# 2. <u>MINUTES</u>

\* Adoption of the minutes of the meeting held October 28, 2009 – *(previously distributed)* 

# 3. <u>DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT</u>

# 4. **PRESENTATION**

**4.1** Mr. Patrick P. Persichilli, Vice President, Windsor-Essex Development Commission – Discussion regarding current issues facing small business in Windsor and possible solutions.

### 5. <u>BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</u>

# 5.1 Small Business Advisory Panel Subcommittee Report

### 5.2 Small Business Advisory Panel Terms of Reference

Discussion regarding the membership composition which includes "two general managers from the Administration" – Mandate and Terms of Reference – *attached*.

# 6. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

### 6.1 <u>City of Windsor Website</u>

Discussion to consider placing minutes/agendas of the Small Business Advisory Panel on the City of Windsor Website.

The Chair submitting the following *future* Agenda items for your consideration:

- **6.2** Formulate a process for identifying the issues facing the small business community to be brought to City Council.
- **6.3** Simplify City Hall processes involved in addressing small business matters by benchmaking with other municipalities that are able to serve the small business sector better.
- **6.4** Review the processes by the Building Department regarding time frames and different interpretations by administration which result in placing unreasonable demands and confusion for small business owners.
- **6.5** Challenges arising from the current border situation resulting in a decreased capacity for handling cross border traffic.
- **6.6** Health By-laws for restaurants.
- **6.7** Sign By-laws.
- **6.8** Holding an open forum to hear the concerns of small businesses.

# 7. <u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u>

To be determined.

### 8. ADJOURNMENT