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K. Scherr
Deputy City Manager, Environment and Infrastructure

I hereby certify that the Municipal Council, at its meeting held on April 23, 2024 resolved:

That the following actions be taken with respect to establishing a secondary school student transit pass pilot project:

a) the Civic Administration in collaboration with the London Transit Commission BE DIRECTED to initiate the development of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB), for the purpose of partnering to deliver a pilot project to provide annual transit passes to secondary school students at Clarke Road Secondary School, including the following:

i) the pilot project BE LIMITED to school years beginning September 2024 for all Grade 9 students and September 2025 for all Grade 9 and 10 students attending Clarke Road Secondary School;

ii) the current post-secondary student annual transit pass agreements between the City of London, Western University and Fanshawe College and the current Children Under 12 Ride Free program BE CONSIDERED as templates to establish the framework for this pilot program; and

b) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to report back to Council with the MOU, an appropriate source of financing, and metrics reporting for the pilot program;

it being noted that the TVDSB has written the Minister of Education to ask for consideration for provincial funding support for a bussing pilot. Additionally, continuing the program beyond the pilot project would require a permanent source of ongoing operating funding from a variety of sources, including reallocation of funding or funding from senior levels of government that would need to be investigated;

it being further noted that the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee heard delegations from the following individuals with respect to this matter:

- L. Pizzolato, Trustee, Wards 1, 11, 12 and 14 and C. Lynd, Superintendent, Thames Valley District School Board; and
- D. Hendry, Get on the Bus - Co-Founder & Project Director. (5.1/8/SPPC) (2024-T03)



M. Schulthess
City Clerk
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cc: K. Paleczny, General Manager, London Transit Commission
L. Pizzolato, Trustee, Thames Valley District School Board
C. Lynd, Superintendent, Thames Valley District School Board
D. Hendry, Get on the Bus – Co-Founder & Project Director