

Appointments to the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI), The Dora Mavor Moore Awards, Board of Directors, and the City of Toronto French Committee (Comité français de la ville de Toronto)

(City Council on December 14, 15 and 16, 1999, adopted this Clause, without amendment.)

The Striking Committee recommends as follows:

(1) International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI):

The Striking Committee recommends that:

- (i) Councillor Mario Silva be appointed as the City's candidate to run for election to serve on the Executive Committee of the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) for a term of office commencing August 1, 2000, and expiring on November 30, 2000, and until his successor is appointed; and**
- (ii) the Chief Administrative Officer be requested to provide any necessary assistance to help the foregoing candidate to obtain the two additional endorsements that must be filed with such candidate's nomination papers by the December 31, 1999 submission deadline;**

(2) Dora Mavor Moore Awards, Board of Directors:

The Striking Committee recommends that Councillor Kyle Rae be appointed to the Dora Mavor Moore Awards, Board of Directors, for a term of office expiring on November 30, 2000, and until his successor is appointed; and

(3) City of Toronto French Committee (Comité français de la ville de Toronto):
(Up to four Members of Council)

The Striking Committee recommends that the following Councillors be appointed to the City of Toronto French Committee (Comité français de la ville de Toronto) for a term of office expiring on November 30, 2000, and until their successors are appointed:

**Councillor Elizabeth Brown
Councillor Mario Silva.**

The Striking Committee submits the following report (November 26, 1999) from the City Clerk:

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to provide Members of Council with a list of Members' preferences for appointment to the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI), the Dora Mavor Moore Awards, Board of Directors, and the City of Toronto French Committee (Comité français de la ville de Toronto).

Financial Implications and Impact Statement:

Not applicable.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Striking Committee give consideration to Members' preferences outlined in the attached Schedule 1 and recommend to City Council the appointment of:

- (1) one Member of Council as the City's candidate to run for election to serve on the Executive Committee of the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) for a term of office commencing August 1, 2000, and expiring on November 30, 2000, and until his or her successor is appointed;
- (2) one Member of Council to the Dora Mavor Moore Awards, Board of Directors, for a term of office expiring on November 30, 2000, and until his or her successor is appointed; and
- (3) up to four Members of Council to the City of Toronto French Committee (Comité français de la ville de Toronto) for a term of office expiring on November 30, 2000, and until their successors are appointed.

Background:

- (i) International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI):

The Striking Committee on November 18, 1999, requested the City Clerk to canvass Members of Council for their interest in being appointed to the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (as the City's candidate to run for election to serve on the Executive Committee of ICLEI), and submit a list of interested Members to the Striking Committee for its consideration at a meeting to be scheduled prior to the December 14, 1999 meeting of City Council.

Councillor King's term on the Executive of ICLEI expires in August 2000. Councillor King has suggested that Councillor Jack Layton be nominated as the City's candidate. The election is held in the spring and the appointment of those who are successful in the election takes effect August 1, 2000, and expires July 31, 2002. However, ICLEI has advised that since the term runs past this term of Council, the City of Toronto may wish to appoint its candidate for a term expiring on November 30, 2000, and until his or her successor is appointed, at which time the incoming Council could decide whether it wished to continue or amend this appointment, if necessary.

ICLEI has also advised that candidates for the upcoming election must submit their nomination papers by December 31, 1999, and they must meet certain basic qualifications. These qualifications include, in part, the requirement that a candidate's nomination papers must either be endorsed in writing by at least three Full Members of ICLEI from different countries or by the Executive Committee. The Member that a candidate represents can count as one of the endorsing Members.

ICLEI is an international association of local governments dedicated to the prevention and solution of local, regional, and global environmental problems through local action. The council is formally associated with the International Union of Local Authorities (IULA).

(ii) Dora Mavor Moore Awards, Board of Directors:

The Striking Committee on November 18, 1999, requested the City Clerk to canvass Members of Council for their interest in being appointed to the Dora Mavor Moore Awards, Board of Directors, and submit a list of interested Members to the Striking Committee for its consideration at a meeting to be scheduled prior to the December 14, 1999 meeting of City Council.

The Treasurer for the Board has advised that the Board would prefer to have Councillor Kyle Rae appointed by City Council to its Board for the reasons outlined in a communication submitted to the Striking Committee dated November 16, 1999.

(iii) City of Toronto French Committee (Comité français de la ville de Toronto):

City Council on November 23, 1999, adopted without amendment, Clause No. 13 of Report No. 7 of the Administration Committee, headed "Approval of the Members of the City of Toronto French Committee", wherein reference is made to the composition of such Committee.

City Council may appoint up to four Members of Council to the City of Toronto French Committee.

Comments:

Members of Council were canvassed on November 22 and 23, 1999, to determine their interest in being appointed to the aforementioned bodies. The attached Schedule contains a list of those Members who have indicated an interest in such appointments.

Conclusion:

It is recommended that the Striking Committee give consideration to Members' preferences outlined in the attached Schedule, and recommend to City Council for its meeting to be held on December 14, 1999, the appointment of Members of Council to the International Council for Local Environmental Initiative (ICLEI); the Dora Mavor Moore Awards, Board of Directors; and the City of Toronto French Committee (Comité français de la ville de Toronto).

Contact:

Joanne Hamill, Manager of Community Councils and Committees – 392-4339.

The Striking Committee also submits the following communication (November 8, 1999) from Councillor Joan King, Seneca Heights:

My term on the Executive of ICLEI will expire in August 2000. I believe it is important that the City of Toronto have representation on the Executive, especially since the World Secretariat is housed here in Toronto. Therefore, I would like to suggest that the Striking Committee consider nominating Councillor Jack Layton as the City of Toronto's representative on ICLEI. I have taken the liberty of speaking with Councillor Layton and he is willing to let his name be put forward.

The City of Toronto representative will need to submit his or her name to the World Secretariat by December 31, 1999 to be considered for election to the ICLEI Executive. Therefore there is urgency to this matter and it should be considered at the next Striking Committee.

I appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

(Communication dated November 2, 1999, addressed
to Executive Committee Members from Mr. Jeb Brugmann,
Secretary General, The International Council for
Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI))

I am writing to advise you that your term as an Executive Committee member has been extended, by vote of the full ICLEI membership, to August 1, 2000.

As you know, the nomination process for the 2000-2002 Executive Committee Election is underway. All completed nomination papers must be received in the World Secretariat by 24:00 (Eastern Standard Time) on December 31, 1999. Nomination papers must be endorsed by at least 3 Full Members of ICLEI from different countries. In addition, all nominees must provide descriptions of their professional backgrounds as relevant to ICLEI (approximately 200 words) and statements explaining why they wish to serve on the ICLEI Executive Committee (approximately 300 words). Both of these statements will be included in the official ballot materials. Please contact Celia Chandler, Director of Administration at the World Secretariat, if you require nomination papers or guidance on the nominations process.

The Striking Committee also submits the following communication (November 16, 1999) from Mr. David Baile, Treasurer, Dora Mavor Moore Awards:

On behalf of the Performing Arts Information Service (operating as the Dora Mavor Moore Awards), I would like to request that Toronto City Council appoint one of its members to our Board of Directors.

The Dora Mavor Moore Awards were founded 21 years ago to acknowledge and celebrate excellence in Toronto's performing arts community. To this end, each year we produce the Dora Mavor Moore Awards show where 23 awards are presented to Toronto's premiere performers, designers, producers and directors. The awards have grown in stature considerably over the years and the event itself has become an annual milestone in Toronto's cultural calendar. In recognition of the stature of these awards and the contribution that the performing arts make to all of Toronto's citizens, we feel that it would be appropriate to have a representative of Toronto City Council on the Board.

Councillor Kyle Rae (like many of Toronto's Council Members) has a long track record of supporting Toronto's arts community. Furthermore, we feel he brings a perspective and awareness of issues to the Board that would make a significant contribution. So, we would also request that it be Councillor Rae who is appointed. Thank you for your consideration and please let me know if you require additional information.

The following Members of Council appeared before the Striking Committee in connection with the foregoing matter:

- Councillor Joan King, Seneca Heights; and
- Councillor Mario Silva, Trinity-Niagara.

(A copy of each of the following was forwarded to all Members of Council with the agenda of the Striking Committee for its meeting on December 8, 1999:

- Schedule 1 referred to in the foregoing report dated November 26, 1999, from the City Clerk; and
- communication dated August 31, 1999, addressed to ICLEI Members from Mr. Jeb Brugmann, Secretary General, ICLEI, providing information relating to the nomination procedure for candidates for the upcoming ICLEI Executive Committee election,

and a copy thereof is also on file in the office of the City Clerk.)

Respectfully submitted,

Toronto, December 8, 1999.

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Acting Chair

(Report No. 13 of The Striking Committee was adopted, without amendment, by City Council on December 14, 15 and 16, 1999.)