



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### Change to Municipal Code Chapter 103 Heritage – Including City Council representation on the Toronto Historic Museums Board

<b>Date:</b>	August 22, 2007
<b>To:</b>	Economic Development Committee
<b>From:</b>	Rita Davies, Executive Director, Toronto Culture Economic Development, Culture and Tourism
<b>Wards:</b>	All
<b>Reference Number:</b>	

#### **SUMMARY**

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This report requests Council to amend Municipal Code Chapter 103 Heritage to add a member of City Council to the Toronto Historic Museums Board for a term expiring on or before November 30, 2010 or until a successor is appointed and;

Upon amendment of the Municipal Code, Council request the City Clerk to canvass members of City Council for their interest in being appointed to the Toronto Historic Museums Board and report back to Economic Development Committee.

Terms of Board members are coincident with Council terms.

The Toronto Historic Museums Board is comprised of the Chair (or another representative) from each of the Community Museum Management Boards. This is the only Community Museum Management Board that does not have a representative from City Council.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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**The Executive Director of Toronto Culture recommends:**

1. City Council amend Municipal Code Chapter 103 Heritage to add a member of City Council to the Toronto Historic Museums Board for a term expiring on or before November 30, 2010 or until a successor is appointed and;
2. Upon amendment of the Municipal Code, Council request the City Clerk to canvass members of City Council for their interest in being appointed to the Toronto Historic Museums Board and report back to Economic Development Committee.

### **Financial Impact**

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

### **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

At its meeting of November 25, 1999, by its enactment of By-law No. 793-1999, City Council established nine Community Museum Management Boards, and provided for the appointment of members thereto. With the exception of the Collections Conservation and Shared Resources Board, the membership of each Community Museum Management Board included one or two Members of Council. In April of 2001 By-law No. 793-1999 was amended to allow for appointment of a Member of Council to the Collections, Conservation and Shared Resources Board.

### **COMMENTS**

The Toronto Historic Museums Board (THMB) is the only board appointed by City Council within Museums and Heritage Services that does not have a Council representative. A representative from Council would enable the THMB to have a direct connection back to City Council.

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### **SIGNATURE**

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