



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED
with Confidential Attachment**

**Union Station Revitalization Public Advisory Group
Appointment Recommendations**

Date:	May 22, 2007
To:	Government Management Committee
From:	Chief Corporate Officer
Wards:	All
Reason for Confidential Information:	This report deals with personal matters about identifiable persons.
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SUMMARY

City Council at its meeting on March 5, 6, 7 and 8, 2007 confirmed the re-establishment of the Union Station Revitalization Public Advisory Group (USRPAG). In response to an advertisement in several local publications requesting applications for membership in the USRPAG, 28 applications were submitted. The confidential attachment to this report contains the names of all the applicants, as well as those selected by a membership review committee in accordance with the USRPAG Terms of Reference approved by Council at its meeting on October 26, 27, 28 and 31, 2005.

It is recommended that City Council confirm the list of candidates selected for membership in the Union Station Revitalization Public Advisory Group.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Chief Corporate Officer recommends that:

1. City Council adopt the confidential instructions to staff in Attachment 1; and
2. Council authorize the public release of names of the individuals recommended for membership in the Union Station Revitalization Public Advisory Group.

Implementation Points

Staff will advise the individual applicants of the decision of Council respecting the appointment of the new members to the USRPAG.

Financial Impact

The recommendations in this report have no financial impact.

DECISION HISTORY

City Council at its meeting on March 5, 6, 7 and 8, 2007 adopted Item 1 on the agenda of the Executive Committee Meeting 4, approving the re-establishment and continuation of a variety of advisory bodies and working committees. This gave authority for the appointment of members to the Union Station Revitalization Public Advisory Committee.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Staff is required to report back to the relevant Standing Committee with the recommendations for appointment to this Committee. On the basis of the authority to re-establish the USRPAG, staff advertised for members in the Toronto Star, Now Magazine and Novae Res Urbis, as well as posting the notice on the City's web site.

COMMENTS

Staff received a total of 28 applications for appointment to the USRPAG which were reviewed in accordance with the Terms of Reference for the USRPAG approved by City Council at its meeting on October 26, 27, 28 and 31, 2005. The Selection Committee sorted the applications of the citizen members into 6 sectors, as outlined in the Terms of Reference. The Selection Committee recommends that 19 candidates be chosen for the USRPAG out a possible composition of 21 citizen members. The names of all of the candidates and those recommended for appointment to the USRPAG are attached as a confidential document to this report in Attachment 1.

The selection process was based on the applicants' written response to the requested qualifications and requirements outlined in the newspaper advertisement. Each candidate was sorted into one of the 6 sectors defined in the Terms of Reference and then evaluated based on their written submissions. The Terms of Reference defines a maximum of 21 citizen members for USRPAG and further recommends a preferred number of candidates for each of the sectors. The Terms of Reference also recommend that the USRPAG group not be fully populated at the outset of its term to allow for later additions to the membership to fill any deficiencies in the spectrum of the group's composition.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Confidential Information
USRPAG Applicants and Recommended Members