



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED
with Confidential Attachment**

Citizen appointments to the Gibson House/Zion Schoolhouse Community Museum Management Board

Date:	April 11, 2007
To:	North York Community Council
From:	Donald G. Eastwood, General Manager Economic Development, Culture and Tourism
Wards:	Ward 23, Willowdale
Reason for Confidential Information:	Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees
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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which the community council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

This report requests the North York Community Council's authority to appoint five citizen members, one member from the North York Historical Society and one member from the Toronto Region Conservation Authority to the Gibson House/Zion Schoolhouse Community Museum Management Board.

Terms of Board members are coincident with Council terms. In 2006, a recruitment process was initiated to appoint the five citizen members of the board. Applications were made available through existing boards and committees, community centres and libraries, were advertised in the U of T Bulletin, on the City's website and on the websites of the Volunteer Centre of Toronto and Charity Village. The Multicultural History Society of Ontario was hired to recruit and submit the names of qualified candidates from the diverse communities across the city, and a public information session was held. Review panels were established for each board to consider applications, conduct interviews and make recommendations regarding the candidates best qualified to fill the vacancies.

Schedule A to Chapter 103, Heritage, Toronto Municipal Code, states that the Gibson House/Zion Schoolhouse Community Museums Management Board be comprised of five citizen members, one representative from the North York Historical Society, one representative from the Toronto Region Conservation Authority, one representative from the Toronto District School Board, one representative from the Toronto Catholic School Board and one to two members of City Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The General Manager of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism recommends:

1. North York Community Council authorizes the public release of the confidential information and recommendations in Attachment 1, upon adoption of this report.
2. The North York Community Council nominate the selected individuals listed in Attachment No. 1 to the Gibson House/Zion Schoolhouse Community Museum Management Board for a term expiring on or before November 30, 2010, or until a successor is appointed; and
3. The appropriate City official be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Financial Impact

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

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At its meeting of November 23, 24 and 25, 1999, Council established By-law No. 793-1999, which created nine Community Museum Boards (CMMB's). Each Community Council is to nominate the membership of the CMMBs in its jurisdiction with the exception of the Fort York Board; the Collections, Conservation and Shared Resources Board and the Historic Houses Board where membership is to be nominated by the Economic Development Committee.

COMMENTS

All citizens seeking appointment or reappointment to the Community Museum Boards are required to make an application, participate in an interview and selection process designed to determine the most qualified candidates and be appointed by Council or Community Council.

The review panel met on February 22nd, 2007 to interview six applicants. The review panel has recommended the appointment of the five citizens listed on Attachment No. 1 as individuals who will bring energy, knowledge and skill to the work of the Gibson House/Zion Schoolhouse Community Museum Management Board.

The North York Historical Society has recommended the appointment of one of their members as listed on Attachment No. 1 to the Gibson House/Zion Schoolhouse Community Museum Management Board.

The Toronto Regions Conservation Authority has recommended the appointment of one of their members as listed on Attachment No. 1 to the Gibson House/Zion Schoolhouse Community Museum Management Board.

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ATTACHMENT 1

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