



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED
Confidential Attachment**

Appointment of the Members of the Sinking Fund and Investment Advisory Committees

Date:	August 19, 2008
To:	Civic Appointments Committee
From:	Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer
Wards:	All
Reason for Confidential Information:	This report deals with personnel matters about identifiable persons.
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SUMMARY

To present the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer’s recommendation for the appointment of four members of the Sinking Fund and Investment Advisory Committees for a term of office up to November 30, 2010 or until a successor is appointed.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer recommends that:

1. Council waive the term limit provisions of the Public Appointments Policy to permit the appointment to the Sinking Fund Committee of an incumbent who has served two terms;
2. Council appoint the four candidates listed in Confidential Attachment 1 to the Sinking Fund and Investment Advisory Committees for a term of office ending November 30, 2010, and until their successors are appointed;
3. the Civic Appointments Committee forward their recommendations to City Council; and

4. Council authorize the City Clerk to make the appointees' names public once appointed by Council.

Financial Impact

Compensation for each member is \$5,000 per annum and is funded in Corporate Finance's operating budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The four members of each Committee are appointed under Council's policy for Citizen Appointments. Under this policy, the procedure for these appointments is set out as follows:

The four citizen members for the Committee are recruited through City-wide advertising, screened against Council-approved qualifications by the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer and short-listed, interviewed and nominated by the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer to the City's Civic Appointments Committee for recommendation to Council.

At its meeting held on December 5, 6 and 7, 2005, Council approved the following recommendation:

“Authority be granted to expand the mandate of the City of Toronto Sinking Fund Committee to include an advisory role regarding City-managed investment portfolios as well as providing advice to the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer on performance measurement and investment strategies.”

COMMENTS

The Sinking Fund and Investment Advisory Committees consist of four citizen members and the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer. The Sinking Fund Committee is chaired by the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer and is responsible for the sole control and management of investments of approximately \$750 million accumulated for the redemption of debenture debt issued by the City as well as providing investment and financial advice. It establishes policies and strategies, approves investment transactions and declares surpluses, if available, in accordance with statutory requirements related to the City's sinking fund. The Investment Advisory Committee is chaired by a citizen member elected by its members and performs an advisory role regarding the City's money market and bond funds which are valued at approximately \$3 Billion.

Each Committee requires skilled and experienced members who are able to deal with complex debt and investment management issues. Applications were reviewed and interviews held to assess the experience in investment and risk management issues. The recommended members represent a broad range of financial and investment backgrounds

and possess the education, knowledge and continuity of experience suited to understanding the financial matters before the Committees.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENT 1

Confidential Information – Appointment of the Four Members of the Sinking Fund and Investment Advisory Committees

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