



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Proposed New Member – Advisory Committee on Long-Term Care Homes and Services

Date:	June 5, 2009
To:	Advisory Committee on Long-Term Care Homes and Services
From:	General Manager, Long-Term Care Homes and Services
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	

SUMMARY

The terms of reference for the Advisory Committee on Long-Term Care Homes and Services requires a maximum of 12 members, including six (6) interested citizens whose past and professional and community involvements demonstrate an interest and concern in long-term care of the elderly, plus designated members representing organizations such as Inter-Home Volunteers, Inter-Home Advisory Committee, the Homemakers and Nurses Services Program and Residents' Councils.

Ms. Beth Morum has recently resigned from the Seven Oaks Home Advisory Committee and Inter-Home Advisory Committee, which she chaired. The Chairperson of the Inter-Home Advisory Committee is a designated member of the Advisory Committee on Long-Term Care Homes and Services, in order to ensure communication and linkage across the various levels of advisory committees within the division. At the May 2009 meeting of the Inter-Home Advisory Committee, the Committee elected a new Chairperson, Mr. Jan Nowakowski. Mr. Nowakowski is also Chairperson of the Carefree Lodge Home Advisory Committee.

Mr. Nowakowski is retired, having lived and worked as a Country Manager in many communities globally, including Denmark and Canada. His background is in trading and shipping. He also owned his own business in timber for some time. Since retiring, he has become selectively involved in a variety of community volunteer activities, including the Carefree Lodge Home Advisory Committee. He is married with two children and a new grandchild.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The General Manager, Long-Term Care Homes and Services recommends that Mr. Jan Nowakowski be appointed to membership on the Advisory Committee on Long-Term Care Homes and Services, for a period of four (4) years, with the provision for an extension of an additional term, as outlined in the terms of reference; and that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications arising out of this report.

COMMENTS

Mr. Nowakowski has been briefed on the responsibilities of Advisory Committee membership by the division's General Manager. He has indicated his ability to volunteer the time and insights necessary to be an effective committee member.

Mr. Nowakowski's background in business, his understanding of the long-term care system, his commitment to volunteerism and his belief in community engagement make him an excellent candidate for membership on the committee. Mr. Nowakowski has confirmed his interest and willingness to serve in this capacity for the required term.

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