
Economic Development Committee

Meeting No.	24	Contact	Merle MacDonald, Committee Administrator
Meeting Date	Tuesday, September 22, 2009	Phone	416-392-7340
Start Time	9:30 AM	E-mail	edc@toronto.ca
Location	Committee Room 2, City Hall	Chair	Councillor Kyle Rae

Economic Development Committee		
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ED24.1	Presentation			
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Update on the Economy**Summary**

Providing an update on the Economy.

No material available.

ED24.2	ACTION			Ward: All
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Appointment of the Third City of Toronto Poet Laureate

Confidential Attachment - Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees

Origin

(September 3, 2009) Report from General Manager, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism

Recommendations

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

1. City Council appoint the selected individual listed in Attachment 1 of the report (September 3, 2009) from the General Manager, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, to the position of third Poet Laureate for the City of Toronto for a three-year term.
2. City Council authorize the public release of the confidential information in Attachment 1 of the report (September 3, 2009) from the General Manager, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, upon adoption of this report.

Summary

The purpose of this report is to appoint the third City of Toronto Poet Laureate. This report recommends that Council approve the candidate identified in Confidential Attachment 1 for a three-year term under the terms outlined in this report.

The position of the City of Toronto Poet Laureate honours a poet who writes excellent poetry and has written on themes that are relevant to the people who live here. Toronto's Poet Laureate advocates for poetry and the arts, attracts people to the literary world, and uses his or her unique perspective to create a dialogue on contemporary issues.

Financial Impact

Funding for the Poet Laureate honorarium of \$10,000 per annum is included in the approved 2009 Cultural Services operating budget.

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

Background Information

Appointment of the Third City of Toronto Poet Laureate
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ed/bgrd/backgroundfile-23284.pdf>

ED24.3	ACTION			Ward: 13
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Baby Point Gates Business Improvement Area (BIA) Poll Results

Origin

(August 24, 2009) Report from General Manager, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism

Recommendations

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

1. City Council pass a by-law to designate the area described by Attachment 1 (Maps 1 to 5) of the report (August 24, 2009) from the General Manager, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, as a Business Improvement Area, under Chapter 19 of the Municipal Code, based upon the results of the poll respecting the intention to designate the Baby Point Gates BIA.
2. City Council amend Schedule A of Municipal Code Chapter 19, Business Improvement Areas, to include the Baby Point Gates BIA.
3. City Council grant authority for the introduction of the necessary bills in Council to give effect thereto.
4. City Council authorize and direct the appropriate City Officials to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Summary

The purpose of this report is to recommend the Designation of the proposed Baby Point Gates Business Improvement Area.

In accordance with Chapter 19 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code, the City Clerk conducted a poll to determine if there is sufficient support to designate the proposed Baby Point Gates BIA. The number of objecting petitions regarding the Baby Point Gates BIA do not meet the sufficiency benchmark to prevent the designation set out in Chapter 19-9A of the Municipal Code. Accordingly, City Council may establish a Business Improvement Area. Based upon the results, it is recommended that Council pass a by-law to designate the area described by Attachment 1 (Maps 1-5), as the Baby Point Gates BIA.

Financial Impact

The proposed Baby Point Gates BIA is one of three potential new BIAs to be established in 2009.

Capital budgets may be impacted in future years should streetscape or other capital improvements be undertaken by the Baby Point Gates BIA. These capital improvements are cost-shared equally between the BIA and the City.

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

Background Information

Baby Point Gates Business Improvement Area (BIA) Poll Results
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ed/bgrd/backgroundfile-23239.pdf>

ED24.4	ACTION			Ward: 17
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St. Clair Gardens Business Improvement Area (BIA) Boundary Expansion Poll Results

Origin

(August 26, 2009) Report from General Manager, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism

Recommendations

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

1. City Council designate the area described by Attachment 1 of the report (August 26, 2009) from the General Manager, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, as the expanded St. Clair Gardens Business Improvement Area (BIA), under Chapter 19 of the Toronto Municipal Code, based on the poll results respecting the intention to expand the St. Clair Gardens BIA.

2. City Council amend Schedule A of the Municipal Code Chapter 19 Business Improvement Areas to include the expanded St. Clair Gardens BIA.
3. City Council direct the City Solicitor to submit any necessary bills in Council to give effect to the expanded St. Clair Gardens BIA.

Summary

The purpose of this report is to recommend the expansion of the St. Clair Gardens Business Improvement Area (BIA) boundaries.

In accordance with Chapter 19 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code, the City Clerk conducted a poll to determine if there is sufficient support to expand the boundaries of the St. Clair Gardens BIA. The number of objecting petitions was zero and therefore does not meet the sufficiency benchmark to prevent the expansion as set out in Chapter 19-9B of the Municipal Code. Accordingly, City Council may expand the boundaries of the Business Improvement Area. Based upon the results, it is recommended that Council pass a by-law to designate the area described by the map in Attachment 1 (Maps 1 and 2), as the expanded St. Clair Gardens BIA.

Financial Impact

Capital budgets may be impacted in future years should streetscape or other capital improvements be undertaken by the expanded St. Clair Gardens BIA. These capital improvements are cost-shared equally between the BIA and the City.

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

Background Information

St. Clair Gardens Business Improvement Area (BIA) Boundary Expansion Poll Requests (<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ed/bgrd/backgroundfile-23273.pdf>)

ED24.5	ACTION			Ward: 13, 14, 16, 22, 25
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Business Improvement Areas (BIA) Board of Management - Various Additions and Deletions

Origin

(August 24, 2009) Report from General Manager, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism

Recommendations

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

1. City Council approve additions and deletions to the Bloor by the Park, Junction Gardens, The Eglinton Way and Uptown Yonge Business Improvement Areas Boards of Management as set out in Attachment 1 of the report (August 24, 2009) from the

General Manager, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.

2. City Council amend Schedule A of the Municipal Code Chapter 19, Business Improvement Areas, to reflect changes to the BIA Boards of Management.

Summary

The purpose of this report is to recommend that City Council approve additions and deletions to the Bloor by the Park, Junction Gardens, The Eglinton Way and Uptown Yonge BIAs Boards of Management.

Financial Impact

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

Background Information

Business Improvement Areas (BIA) Board of Management - Various Additions and Deletions
(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ed/bgrd/backgroundfile-23240.pdf>)

ED24.6	Information			Ward: All
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Toronto Arts Council's 2008 Allocations Report

Origin

(August 31, 2009) Letter from Executive Director, Toronto Arts Council

Summary

Providing a summary of the City's financial investment in its arts community for the period January 1 to December 31, 2008.

Background Information

Toronto Arts Council 2008 Allocations Report
(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ed/bgrd/backgroundfile-23275.pdf>)