

To: City Council

From: Mayor David Miller

Date: February 20, 2009

Subject: Appointment of Citizens to the Boards of Directors of
Build Toronto and Invest Toronto

I am writing as Chair of the Corporations Nominating Panel for the Boards of Directors of Build Toronto and Invest Toronto and to transmit and recommend adoption of the Nominating Panel's recommendations for the appointment of citizens to those Boards.

The Corporations Nominating Panel for the Boards of Directors of Build Toronto and Invest Toronto (the "Nominating Panel") recommends that:

- (1) City Council waive the provisions of Section 2.1 of the Public Appointments Policy concerning residency with regard to two nominees to the Board of Build Toronto;
- (2) City Council appoint the seven persons, including the recommended Vice-Chair, named in Confidential Attachment 1 to this report to serve at the pleasure of Council as members of the Board of Directors of Build Toronto effective on a date in April 2009 to be determined by the City Manager, for a term ending March 31, 2011, with a renewal term of two years, or until a successor is appointed;
- (3) Should City Council re-open Executive Committee Item 24.1 to amend the size and composition of the Board of Directors of Build Toronto by adding an additional citizen member to that board, the citizen named in Confidential Attachment 2 to this report be appointed to serve at the pleasure of Council as a member of the Board of Directors of Build Toronto effective on a date in April 2009 to be determined by the City Manager, for a term ending March 31, 2011, with a renewal term of two years, or until a successor is appointed;
- (4) City Council appoint the twelve persons, including the recommended Vice-Chair, named in Confidential Attachment 3 to this report to serve at the pleasure of Council as members of the Board of Directors of Invest Toronto effective on a date in April 2009 to be determined by the City Manager, for a term ending March 31, 2011, with a renewal term of two years, or until a successor is appointed;
- (5) Confidential Attachments 1, 2 and 3 to this report be made public following City Council's approval and after the successful candidates have been notified of Council's decision.

I also recommend that City Council express its appreciation to Mr. Tom Heintzman and Ms Sangeeta Subramanian for their dedicated service in the recruitment process for the two Boards and for working diligently to help the City meet its governance and diversity objectives.

BACKGROUND

The Board of Directors of Build Toronto is composed of 11 members: the Mayor as Chair; 7 citizens, including a vice-chair, nominated by the Panel, the Chair of Council's Economic Development Committee, the City's General Manager of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the City's Chief Corporate Officer. The term of the citizen appointees to the Build Toronto Board will be two years with a two year renewal.

The Board of Directors of Invest Toronto is composed of 15 members: the Mayor as Chair; 12 citizens, including a vice-chair, nominated by the Panel, the Chair of Council's Economic Development Committee and the City's General Manager of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism. The term of the citizen appointees to the Invest Toronto Board will be two years with a two year renewal.

As provided for by Council's Public Appointments Policy, I appointed a Corporations Nominating Panel, chaired by myself, to identify, recruit and recommend candidates for consideration by Council for these boards. Assisting me with this process for both Build Toronto and Invest Toronto were Tom Heintzman, President, Bullfrog Power Inc., and Sangeeta Subramanian, Manager, DiverseCity onBoard of The Maytree Foundation.

The recruitment process for these boards included advertisements in the Toronto Star, the Globe and Mail Report on Business and the Board of Trade eBulletin, circulation of the advertisement to the DiverseCity database of over 250 potential candidates maintained by Maytree Foundation and posting on the Maytree and City web sites. The advertisement was also sent to 11 professional associations and business groups for posting on their web sites and circulation to their memberships. Finally, the advertisement was circulated to the networks of community and diversity groups maintained by the Diversity Management and Community Engagement Unit of the City Manager's Office.

A total of 84 applications were received and reviewed by the Panel for the Build Toronto Board and 82 for the Invest Toronto Board. The Panel interviewed a total of 34 candidates for the 19 citizen positions on the two boards. The recommended candidates for the Build Toronto and Invest Toronto Boards, including recommended Vice-Chairs, are set out in Confidential Attachments 1, 2 and 3 to this report, respectively.

I want to personally, and on behalf of City Council, thank Mr. Heintzman and Ms Subramanian for their participation in the recruitment process and for working to help the City meet its governance and diversity objectives. Their contributions to the City are greatly appreciated.

Mayor David Miller

Attachments:

- Confidential Attachment 1: Recommended Citizen Appointments to the Build Toronto Board of Directors
- Confidential Attachment 2: Additional Citizen Appointment to the Build Toronto Board of Directors
- Confidential Attachment 3: Recommended Citizen Appointments to the Invest Toronto Board of Directors