



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Amendment to By-law Appointing Building Inspectors

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To:	Planning and Growth Management Committee
From:	V. Ann Borooah, Chief Building Official and Executive Director
Wards:	All Wards
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SUMMARY

This report requests Council's authority to have appropriate city staff prepare a Bill to amend By-law 131-2004 which appoints inspectors required for the enforcement of the Building Code Act in the City of Toronto. The amendment will revise the list of individuals appointed under this by-law.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Toronto Building recommends that:

1. That authority be granted for the introduction of a Bill revising the list of appointed Inspectors under the Building Code Act, 1992.

Financial Impact

The recommendation will have no financial impact beyond what has already been approved in the current year's budget.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting on January 27, 28 and 29, 2004 Council adopted Planning and Transportation Committee Report No.1 which set out provisions for a harmonized by-law for the appointment of Building Inspectors citywide and repealing previous appointing by-laws established prior to the amalgamation of the City of Toronto.

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/2004/agendas/council/cc040127/plt1rpt/cl005.pdf>

The new by-law was enacted and passed on January 30, 2004.

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/bylaws/2004/law0131.pdf>

The new by-law was amended on April 24, 2007 – by-law 345-2007

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/bylaws/2007/law0345.pdf>

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Under Section 3 of the Building Code Act, 1992 it is the responsibility of the Council of each municipality to appoint such inspectors as are necessary for the enforcement of the Act in the area in which the municipality has jurisdiction.

A By-law appointing such inspectors as necessary was adopted by City of Toronto Council on January 27, 28 and 29, 2004 as amended in 2007. As a result of various retirements, resignations, and changes in responsibilities since then, it is necessary that certain revisions be made to the list of individuals of the Toronto Building staff, previously appointed as “Inspectors”.

COMMENTS

Under the Building Code Act a person is not eligible to be appointed as an inspector unless he or she has the qualifications set out in the Building Code for the position. The individuals named in By-law 131-2004 and those listed with this report for amendment to the by-law all meet the qualifications prescribed by the Building Code.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENT

List of Names to be added or deleted from Schedule A of By-law No. 131-2004 as amended.