

Appointment of the Toronto Ombudsman

Date:	October 22 , 2012
To:	City Council
From:	City Manager
Wards:	All
Reason for Confidential Information:	Personal matters about an identifiable person. Labour relations or employee negotiations.
Reference Number:	

SUMMARY

City Council must consider the appointment of the Ombudsman.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Manager recommends that:

1. City Council consider the appointment of the Ombudsman and confidential Attachment 1; and
2. City Council direct the confidential instructions adopted by City Council remain confidential at this time and be made public at the discretion of the City Solicitor.

Financial Impact

None.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At its meeting held on October 22, 2007, City Council established an independent Ombudsman for the City of Toronto as required by the *City of Toronto Act, 2006* including the powers, jurisdiction and operating framework for the function.

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/ex/reports/2007-06-25-ex10-cc-dit10.pdf>

City Council at its meeting on September 24, 2008 appointed a Toronto Ombudsman.
<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2008.CC24.2>

COMMENTS

The Toronto Ombudsman is responsible for investigating public complaints about decisions, actions or recommendations made or omitted in the course of implementing City policies and administering City services. The Ombudsman is a statutory function required under the *City of Toronto Act, 2006* and reports directly to City Council.

The current term of the Ombudsman ends on November 16, 2013. The re-appointment of the Toronto Ombudsman requires a 2/3 majority vote (30 Members) of City Council.

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ATTACHMENT

Confidential Attachment