



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED
with Confidential Attachment**

Appointment of Associate Medical Officer of Health

Date:	October 27, 2014
To:	Board of Health
From:	Medical Officer of Health
Wards:	All
Reason for Confidential Information:	This report deals with personal matters about identifiable individuals.
Reference Number:	

SUMMARY

This report recommends the appointment of a public health physician as Associate Medical Officer of Health (AMOH) for the City of Toronto Health Unit and updates the status of AMOH appointment by-laws.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Medical Officer of Health recommends that:

1. City Council appoint the physician named in section 1 of the Confidential Attachment as Associate Medical Officer of Health for the City of Toronto Health Unit;
2. City Council repeal the by-laws and/or parts thereof appointing former Associate Medical Officers of Health named in section 2 of the Confidential Attachment;
3. City Council forward this report and the Confidential Attachment to the provincial Minister of Health and Long-Term Care for approval of the appointment in Recommendation 1, and for information regarding the rescinding

of individual Associate Medical Officer of Health appointments in Recommendation 2;

4. Authority be granted to introduce the necessary Bill in Council to appoint the physician named in section 1 of the Confidential Attachment as Associate Medical Officer of Health, subject to the approval of the provincial Minister of Health and Long- Term Care; and
5. Authority be granted to introduce the necessary Bill in Council to rescind the appointments of the individuals named in section 2 of the Confidential Attachment.

Financial Impact

No financial implications.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Under the *City of Toronto Act 2006*, City Council has the authority to appoint the Medical Officer of Health and Associate Medical Officers of Health for the City of Toronto Health Unit. These appointments are subject to the approval of the provincial Minister of Health and Long-Term Care. Public Health physicians require Associate Medical Officer of Health designation in order to have medico-legal signing authority under the *Health Protection and Promotion Act*.

COMMENTS

A public health physician has recently joined Toronto Public Health to backfill a temporary vacancy, and will require Associate Medical Officer of Health designation in order to fully perform her duties.

The recommended Associate Medical Officer of Health appointment is outlined in the Confidential Attachment. This appointment requires the approval of City Council and the provincial Minister of Health and Long-Term Care.

City Council is being asked to repeal the by-laws or parts thereof appointing several public health physicians as Associate Medical Officers of Health as these individuals are no longer employees of the City. The names of these physicians are set out in section 2 of the Confidential Attachment. This does not require the approval of the provincial Minister of Health and Long Term Care.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1:
Confidential Information - Appointment of Associate Medical Officer of Health