

Toronto Port Authority Board – Selection of Candidates for Interviews

Date: February 9, 2015
To: Civic Appointments Committee
From: City Clerk
Wards: All

REASON FOR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

This report deals with personal matters about identifiable individuals who are being considered for appointment to the Toronto Port Authority board.

SUMMARY

The Civic Appointments Committee must select candidates for interviews for the Toronto Port Authority board. The Interview Subcommittee for Toronto Port Authority will meet on March 4, 2015 to conduct the interviews and make recommendations to the Civic Appointments Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Clerk recommends that:

1. The Civic Appointments Committee select 5 of the candidates listed in Table 1 of Confidential Attachment 1 to be interviewed at the March 4, 2015 meeting of the Interview Panel for Toronto Port Authority.
2. The Civic Appointments Committee direct that the confidential information contained in Confidential Attachments 1 and 2 remain confidential in their entirety as they relate to personal matters about identifiable individuals being considered for appointment to the Toronto Port Authority Board.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

The timing of this recruitment process is in line with the direction given by the Civic Appointments Committee at its January 16, 2015 meeting.

COMMENTS

Toronto Port Authority is a Federal Public Authority

The Toronto Port Authority, recently rebranded PortsToronto, is a federal public authority that regulates navigation within the Toronto harbour, and owns and operates the Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport, Marine Terminals 51 and 52 and the Outer Harbour Marina.

The City of Toronto has one seat on the Toronto Port Authority's nine-member Board of Directors, which has representatives from the federal, provincial and municipal governments.

The Canada Marine Act contains additional eligibility criteria

In addition to the eligibility requirements of the City's Public Appointments Policy, members of the public are ineligible for appointment to the Toronto Port Authority board if they are:

- an elected official of the municipal, provincial, or federal government or a member of the Senate;
- an employee or officer for the municipal, provincial, or federal government, provincial or federal Crown corporation, or a port authority;
- an individual who is not a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident;
- a director, officer, or employee of a person who is a user of the Port of Toronto;
- an individual who has been declared mentally incompetent by a court; or
- an undischarged bankrupt.

In the application form, applicants were asked to indicate if any of these restrictions applied to them.

Next steps - Interviews

Once the Civic Appointments Committee has selected candidates for interviews, the City Clerk will contact the candidates to schedule them for 15 minute interviews. Five interviews at 15 minutes each will take approximately 1.5 hours to complete.

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ATTACHMENTS

Confidential Attachment 1 – List of candidates and qualifications summary, and applications for Appointment to the Toronto Port Authority Board
Confidential Attachment 2 – Confidential Voluntary Diversity Information summary