

# AGENCY REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

## Appointment of Members to the Heritage Toronto Board of Directors

Date:	June 16, 2015
To:	Civic Appointments Committee
From:	Nominations Selection Committee, Heritage Toronto Board of Directors
Wards:	All

#### SUMMARY

The Heritage Toronto Nominations Selection Committee for the Heritage Toronto Board of Directors recommends that City Council appoint 15 at-large public members representing the City of Toronto, two public members representing each of the Community Council areas of Etobicoke York, North York, and Toronto and East York, and one Toronto Historical Association representative to the Heritage Toronto Board.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The Nominations Selection Committee for the Heritage Toronto Board of Directors recommends to the Civic Appointment Committee that:

- 1. City Council appoint the 11 candidates listed in Confidential Attachment 1 to the Heritage Toronto Board of Directors, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending on December 31, 2016, and until successors are appointed.
- 2. City Council appoint the 10 candidates listed in Confidential Attachment 1 to the Heritage Toronto Board of Directors, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending on November 30, 2018, and until successors are appointed.
- 3. City Council appoint the candidate listed in Confidential Attachment 1 as the Toronto Historical Association representative to the Heritage Toronto Board of Directors, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending on November 30,

2018, and until a successor is appointed.

4. City Council direct that the confidential information in Confidential Attachment 2 remain confidential in its entirely as it relates to personal information about identifiable individuals being considered for appointment to the Heritage Toronto Board of Directors.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications to this report.

#### **DECISION HISTORY**

Heritage Toronto is an arm's-length charitable agency of the City of Toronto. City of Toronto By-law No. 885-2004 outlines the mandate and structure of the Heritage Toronto Board. The Heritage Toronto Board is made up of 15 members-at-large and two members from each of the Community Council areas (eight members in total). In addition, the Heritage Toronto Board has a representative from the Toronto Historical Association and a representative of the Aboriginal community. To appoint the directors, Heritage Toronto followed the City of Toronto's *Public Appointments Policy: Governing Appointments to City Agencies and Corporations and Other Bodies* which was adopted by City Council in September 2006 and subsequently revised in 2011 and 2014.

City Council has approved the staggering of board terms where not otherwise prescribed by law so that half of each board retires every two years. As a transitional measure during this round of appointments, 11 public members for the Heritage Toronto Board will be appointed for two years and 11 public members will be appointed for four years. The members appointed for an initial two-year term will not have that term count toward the term limit under the Public Appointments Policy, and may apply to serve again following their two-year appointment.

### **ISSUES BACKGROUND**

Heritage Toronto was included in the City of Toronto's invitation to members of the public to apply to serve on City boards, committees, and tribunals. In addition, Public Appointments Secretariat staff discussed opportunities on the Heritage Toronto Board during information sessions in late 2014 and early 2015. Applications to the Heritage Toronto Board were collected by the Public Appointments Secretariat and forwarded to Heritage Toronto staff following the application deadline of February 27, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. In total, 80 applications were received for the Heritage Toronto Board.

A Nominations Selection Committee was established by the Heritage Toronto Board to oversee the entire nominations process, select candidates to be interviewed, interview

candidates, and make final recommendations to City Council. The Nominations Selection Committee has taken into consideration demographic, diversity, and geographic representation as directed by the *Public Appointments Policy* and the skill sets required on the Board to achieve its mandate.

The Nominations Selection Committee recommends that the Civic Appointments Committee approve the public members in recommendation 1, all of whom reside in the City of Toronto, to be directors on the Heritage Toronto Board for a term of office ending on December 31, 2016, and until successors are appointed, and forward a recommendation to City Council for final approval. Candidates representing Community Council areas are identified in Confidential Attachment 1.

In addition, the Nominations Selection Committee recommends that the Civic Appointments Committee approve the public members in recommendation 2, and one representative from the Toronto Historical Association in recommendation 3, all of whom reside in the City of Toronto, to be directors on the Heritage Toronto Board for a term of office ending on November 30, 2018, and until successors are appointed, and forward a recommendation to City Council for final approval. Candidates representing Community Council areas are identified in Confidential Attachment 1.

The Nominations Selection Committee was unable to recommend a representative of the Aboriginal community or two representatives from the Scarborough Community Council area at this time and will recruit for these public members through the Public Appointments Secretariat in the near future.

## Public release of names and biographies of recommended candidates

The names and biographies of the recommended candidates will be publicly reported once the Civic Appointments Committee forwards its recommendations to City Council.

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### **ATTACHMENTS**

Confidential Attachment 1 - Names and Biographies of Candidates Recommended for Appointment to the Heritage Toronto Board of Directors
Confidential Attachment 2 - Confidential Voluntary Diversity Information Summary for Candidates for the Heritage Toronto Board of Directors