

## **Appointment of Member to the Sign Variance Committee to Fill a Vacancy**

**Date:** September 1, 2015  
**To:** Tribunals Nominating Panel  
**From:** City Clerk  
**Wards:** All

### **REASON FOR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

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This report deals with personal matters about identifiable individuals who are being considered for appointment to the Sign Variance Committee.

### **SUMMARY**

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There is one vacancy on the Sign Variance Committee due to a recent resignation. The Tribunals Nominating Panel needs to recommend a public member to fill this vacancy.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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**The City Clerk recommends that:**

1. The Tribunals Nominating Panel recommend one candidate to City Council for appointment to the Sign Variance Committee, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending on November 30, 2018, and until a successor is appointed.
2. City Council direct that the confidential information contained in Confidential Attachments 1 and 2 remain confidential in its entirety as it relates to personal matters about identifiable individuals being considered for appointment to the Sign Variance Committee.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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There are no financial implications arising from this report.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

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On May 28, 2015, the Tribunals Nominating Panel recommended five candidates for appointment to the Sign Variance Committee:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2015.NQ2.1>.

On June 10, 11, and 12, 2015, City Council appointed five members to the Sign Variance Committee:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2015.CC7.9>.

## **COMMENTS**

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### **Composition of the Sign Variance Committee**

There are five members of the public on the Sign Variance Committee.

### **The previous public member resigned from the Committee**

Nicole Treksler was appointed to the Committee in June 2015 for a four-year term. She resigned from the Committee effective July 10, 2015, resulting in a vacancy.

### **Committee members should meet certain qualifications**

Public members should collectively possess a range of qualifications including:

- a strong interest in the complexities and challenges of city building
- an understanding of the diverse neighbourhoods and communities across the City
- knowledge in one or more areas of: law, planning, architecture, government, economic development, community development, land development, or citizen advocacy
- decision-making, communication, and mediation skills to facilitate an open and fair meeting process

It is recommended that at least three public members should have adjudication experience and two public members should have public speaking and organizational skills to be able to chair public meetings and maintain order in conflict situations.

Applicants were asked to relate their experiences to these qualifications.

Public members are ineligible for appointment to the Committee if they are an owner, employee, or agent of an advertising, communications, or media relations agency or a business which owns, controls, or has shares in a media outlet.

Former Council members who served in the immediately preceding term of Council are ineligible for appointment as public members.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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City Clerk

## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Confidential Attachment 1 – List of Candidates and Qualifications Summary, and Applications for Appointment to the Sign Variance Committee (previously distributed with item NQ1.3)

Confidential Attachment 2 – Confidential Voluntary Diversity Information Summary (previously distributed with Item NQ1.3)

Attachment 1 - Resignation letter dated July 10, 2015 from Nicole Treksler