

REPORT FOR ACTION WITH CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT

Appointment of Members to the Toronto Public Library Board

Date: January 16, 2015

To: Interview Subcommittee for the Toronto Public Library Board

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 Public Library board.

SUMMARY

The Interview Subcommittee for the Toronto Public Library Board will interview and recommend candidates to the Civic Appointments Committee for appointment to the Toronto Library Board.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Clerk recommends that:

- 1. The Interview Subcommittee for the Toronto Public Library Board recommend eight candidates to the Civic Appointments Committee for appointment to the Toronto Public Library Board, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending on November 30, 2018, and until successors are appointed.
- 2. The Interview Subcommittee for the Toronto Public Library direct that the confidential information contained in Confidential Attachments 1 and 2 remain confidential in their entirety as it relates to personal matters about identifiable individuals being considered for appointment to the Toronto Public Library Board.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

On January 16, 2015, the Civic Appointments Committee identified 19 candidates to be interviewed for appointment to the Toronto Public Library Board, and established a subcommittee to conduct the interviews:

http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaltemHistory.do?item=2015.CA1.2 http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaltemHistory.do?item=2015.CA1.3

COMMENTS

This recruitment is time sensitive

The Public Libraries Act requires City Council to appoint members to the Library Board within 60 days of the first meeting of City Council. February 10, 2015 is the first full regular meeting of City Council, and the Library Board public appointments should be made at that meeting.

The Public Libraries Act dictates length of term and election of Chair

The Public Libraries Act requires the Board to elect its own Chair and Vice Chair from amongst its members, and dictates that the term of office for Board members is coincident with the term of Council. Therefore, Council will not appoint a Chair or stagger the terms of office for the Toronto Public Library Board.

Public release of names of recommended candidates

The names of recommended candidates will not be publicly reported until the Civic Appointments Committee forwards its recommendations to City Council.

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ATTACHMENTS

Confidential Attachment 1 – List of candidates and qualifications summary, and applications for Appointment to the Toronto Public Library Board (previously distributed with item CA1.3)

Confidential Attachment 2 – Confidential Voluntary Diversity Information summary (previously distributed with item CA1.3)