

Appointment of Members to the Waterfront Toronto Board

Date: March 11, 2016
To: Corporations Nominating Panel
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 Waterfront Toronto Board.

SUMMARY

The Corporations Nominating Panel will conduct interviews and recommend three candidates to City Council for appointment to the Waterfront Toronto Board.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Clerk recommends that:

1. The Corporations Nominating Panel recommend three candidates to City Council for appointment to the Waterfront Toronto Board, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending on March 31, 2019.
2. City Council direct that the confidential information contained in Confidential Attachments 1, 2, and 3 remain confidential in their entirety as they relate to personal matters about identifiable individuals being considered for appointment to the Waterfront Toronto Board.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

On February 29, 2016, the Corporations Nominating Panel identified 11 candidates to be interviewed for appointment to the Waterfront Toronto Board:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2016.NC7.1>.

On February 4, 2016, City Council re-appointed the City's two current public members on the board for a term of office ending once City Council appoints their successors.

The current public members' terms were set to expire on February 28, 2016:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2016.CC12.1>.

The timing of this recruitment process is in line with the direction given by the Corporations Nominating Panel at its September 9, 2015 meeting:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2015.NC1.1>.

COMMENTS

Waterfront Toronto is a partnered corporation

Waterfront Toronto (formerly known as the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation) is a partnered corporation that was created by the Governments of Canada and Ontario and the City of Toronto in 2001. Waterfront Toronto's mandate is to oversee, lead, and implement the Toronto waterfront's renewal and revitalization.

Composition of the Waterfront Toronto Board and selection of the Chair

The Waterfront Toronto Board consists of up to 13 members, as outlined below:

- Four members are appointed by the Government of Canada;
- Four members are appointed by the Government of Ontario, one of whom may be an elected official;
- Four members are appointed by the City of Toronto, one of whom may be an elected official (on December 3, 2014, City Council appointed Deputy Mayor Denzil Minnan-Wong as the Mayor's designate on the board for a term of office ending on December 2, 2017, and until a successor is appointed); and
- One member is jointly appointed by the three orders of government as Chair, and may be a Government of Canada, a Government of Ontario, or a City of Toronto appointee or an additional appointee.

Public members receive remuneration

Public members receive \$500 per board and committee meeting and an annual retainer (\$30,000 for the Chair, \$7,500 for the board committee Chairs, and \$5,000 for the other public members).

The Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation Act, 2002 contains additional eligibility criteria

In addition to the eligibility requirements in the City of Toronto's Public Appointments Policy, Section 5. (2.1) of the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation Act, 2002 states that members of the public are ineligible for appointment to the Waterfront Toronto Board if they are an employee of:

- The Government of Canada or one of its agencies;
- The Government of Ontario or one of its agencies; and/or
- The City of Toronto or one of its local boards.

In the application form, applicants were asked to indicate if any of these restrictions applied to them and, if so, to elaborate on their current employment situation.

Public members will serve three-year terms of office

Board members will be appointed for a three-year term of office ending on March 31, 2019. Section 5. (3) of the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation Act, 2002 provides that: "The term of office of a board member is determined by the person or persons who appoint the member and may not exceed three years." For this reason, the terms of the three public members will end on March 31, 2019 and cannot continue until their successors are appointed.

Public release of names of recommended candidates

The names of the three recommended candidates will be publicly reported once the Corporations Nominating Panel 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 Waterfront Toronto Board (previously distributed with Item NC7.1)

Confidential Attachment 2 – Confidential Voluntary Diversity Information Summary (previously distributed with Item NC7.1)

Confidential Attachment 3 – Interview Schedule for the Waterfront Toronto Board Interviews on March 21, 2016