

REPORT FOR ACTION

Amending the Toronto Municipal Code to reflect Real Estate Authorities

Date: November 29, 2019

To: General Government and Licensing Committee

From: City Clerk

Wards: Ward(s) affected or All

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to authorize staff to submit a Bill to Council to codify the existing delegated real estate authorities of City Officials. No change to existing or recommended real estate delegation is proposed in this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Clerk recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the City Solicitor, in consultation with the City Clerk, to introduce the necessary Bill in Council to amend the City of Toronto Municipal Code to include the delegated authorities of staff in Real Estate Matters, as approved by City Council, and as amended from time to time.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This report has no financial impact.

DECISION HISTORY

At its May 11 and 12, 2010 meeting City Council delegated authority to City staff for certain real estate matters:

2010.EX43.7 - Delegation of Authority in Certain Real Estate Matters http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaltemHistory.do?item=2010.EX43.7

At its October 2, 3 and 4, 2017 meeting City Council amended this delegation as part of a new Real Estate Framework:

2017.EX27.12 - City-Wide Real Estate - Delegated Authorities Framework and Transition Plan

http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaltemHistory.do?item=2017.EX27.12

City Council has continued to amend delegated real estate authorities. In 2019 to date, City Council has amended this delegation twice, not including the recommended amendment in Item GL10.8 currently before the General Government and Licensing Committee.

COMMENTS

Real Estate delegation is fully documented - but in multiple sources

City Council has approved delegation to staff in real estate matters by resolution. Over time, Council has amended that delegation, also by resolution. Finding a comprehensive source for real estate delegation can be a challenge, requiring the reader to review several Council decisions. Consolidating these delegated authorities into the Code will provide that source for the public and staff. As the City Clerk continually updates the Code to reflect enacted by-laws, any changes to these authorities will be reflected.

The Municipal Code already contains delegation to City Officials

Delegation to City Officials is already found in several Municipal Code chapters. Including delegation of authority in real estate matters is a consistent approach.

The City Solicitor has been consulted on this report.

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SIGNATURE

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