

***Expression of Condolence for
Jason Doyle by Toronto City Council***

Moved by: Mayor John Tory

Seconded by: Councillor Jennifer McKelvie

The Mayor and Members of Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Jason Doyle, on October 16, 2021.

A long time forester, Jason held a number of positions in Forestry Operations. He had a 30 year career with the City of Toronto, overseeing the Urban Forestry branch as Director since 2010. Jason received many awards for his work and dedication to forestry operations. Most notably, in 2006 Jason received an award on behalf of the City from the Ontario Federal Council for Leadership in Science and Sustainable Development. In 2015, Jason was awarded the City of Toronto's Ombudsman's Award for outstanding Public Service in proactively resolving complaints. Jason also provided leadership when the City of Toronto Forestry crews provided emergency assistance to the City of Winnipeg. Jason led the Forestry team's emergency response through many storms, including windstorms, flooding and the ice storm of 2013.

Under Jason's leadership, Urban Forestry implemented Toronto's Strategic Forest Management Plan which set out a vision and framework for the sustainment and expansion of our City's vital urban forest. This brought greater public awareness of the benefits of a healthy urban forest, promoted stewardship and set a goal for tree canopy cover in Toronto. Jason's commitment to the growth and sustainment of our urban forest will have a lasting impact on our City.

Jason showed great dedication and enthusiasm for his work, the people of Toronto and his staff. He was a dear friend to so many people and will be terribly missed by everyone that had the good fortune of knowing and working with him. Jason is loved and remembered for his sense of humour as he was always ready with a joke, a smile, and a laugh.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Jason Doyle's family, friends and colleagues.

November 9, 2021