Appointment of Citizens to the Board of Directors of Build Toronto Inc.

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**SUMMARY**

This report recommends the appointment of seven citizens, one of whom is to serve as Chair, and the identification of two alternate members, to the Board of Directors of Build Toronto Inc.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Corporation Nominating Panel recommends that:

1. City Council appoint the individuals listed in Confidential Attachment 1 to this report to serve at the pleasure of Council as members of the Board of Directors of Build Toronto Inc., including one individual to serve as Chair of the Board of Directors, effective June 24, 2013, for a term ending June 23, 2015, with a renewal term of two years, or until a successor is appointed;

2. City Council waive the Public Appointments Policy residency requirement for membership for the one individual listed in Confidential Attachment 1 to this report to permit service on the Board of Directors of Build Toronto Inc. according to the terms in Recommendation 1.
(3) City Council identify the individuals named in Confidential Attachment 2 as alternate members of the Board of Directors of Build Toronto Inc. so that in the event there is a citizen vacancy on the Board during the term they may be approached to determine their continued interest and availability for the Board and be considered by Council for appointment at that time;

(3) Confidential Attachment 1 be made public following City Council’s approval and after the individuals named therein have been notified of Council's decision by staff in the City Clerk’s Office;

(4) the contents of Confidential Attachment 2 to this report be kept in their entirety confidential after consideration of this report by Council.

Financial Impact
There are no financial implications resulting from implementation of the recommendations in this report.

DECISION HISTORY
City Council, at its meeting held on July 11, 12 and 13, 2012, adopted Item CC25.3 to amend the composition of the Board of Directors of Build Toronto Inc. to be comprised of 13 members as follows:

- the Mayor as Chair, or a member of City Council who the Mayor recommends as his designate and is appointed by City Council who shall be Vice-Chair;
- the Chair of the City Council’s Economic Development Committee as appointed by City Council;
- the Chair of the City Council’s Planning and Growth Management Committee as appointed by City Council;
- 8 residents of Toronto who are not elected officials or employees of the City or any of its agencies or corporations, one of whom shall be the Chair if the Mayor is not the Chair;
- the City’s General Manager of Economic Development and Culture; and
- the City’s Chief Corporate Officer.


A report from the City Manager is before City Council recommending that the composition of the Build Toronto Board be amended.

Also at its meeting of July 11, 12 and 13, 2012, City Council appointed one citizen to fill a vacancy on the Build Toronto Board as Item CC25.4. At that time, Council appointed Ian MacKellar to the Board for a term effective July 12, 2012 and ending March 31, 2015, with a renewal term of two years, or until a successor is appointed.

http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2012.CC25.4
Since the term of this appointment extends beyond the term of the original Build Toronto board, only seven out of eight citizen positions on the Build Toronto board were recruited through this process at this time.

**ISSUE BACKGROUND**

The Public Appointments Policy provides that a Corporation Nominating Panel be appointed by the Mayor to review applications, short list candidates for interviews, interview candidates and recommend the citizen members of the Boards of Directors of City-owned and partnered corporations, including a recommended Chair where required, to City Council for appointment. The recruitment of candidates for the Board of Build Toronto was conducted with the assistance of NAFOR Inc., an external search consultant.

**COMMENTS**

Advertising for the recruitment of citizen members for the Board of Directors of Build Toronto Inc. included an ad in the Toronto Star newspaper on Wednesday, January 16, 2013, and the Novae Res Urbis electronic newsletter on Friday, January 18, 2013 and online leader board ads on the web sites of the Globe and Mail and National Post newspapers and CBC.ca from January 21 to February 11. Additional online advertising was placed with industry associations – the International Council of Shopping Centres, the Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD) and the National Association of Industrial Office Properties (NAIOP) – and Realpac (Workopolis).

Notice of this opportunity was posted on the Public Appointments Page of the City's web site, with links to pages for the board, including application forms in three electronic formats for download. Additional notices were also placed on the Civic Engagement, Get Involved, Your City, City Hall and Resident pages on the City's web site.

Notice of the opportunity was also circulated to the Mayor, Councillors, AAs, EAs and CAs list and the postal and email interested persons lists maintained by the City Clerk’s Office and the community networks and listservs of diverse communities maintained by the Diversity, Equity and Human Rights Office. The opportunity was also posted on the “DiverseCity onBoard” web site of the Maytree Foundation and circulated to 28 professional, business and ethno-racial groups, including the Director’s College, the Institute of Corporate Directors, the Toronto Lawyers Association, the Greater Toronto Civic Action Alliance and Professional Engineers Ontario, for circulation to their memberships or posting on their web sites.

228 applications for the Build Toronto Board were received and reviewed by the Panel, who interviewed 21 candidates on May 2, 2013. The recommended candidates for appointment to the Board, the recommended candidate for Chair of the Board, and recommended alternate board members, are set out in the Confidential Attachments to this report. It is recommended that City Council waive the Public Appointments Policy residency requirement for membership for the one incumbent individual listed in Confidential Attachment 1 to this report to permit continued service on the Board.
This report is submitted by the Chair on behalf of the members of the Corporation Nominating Panel which also included Councillor Ford and Councillor Crisanti.

SIGNATURE

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Councillor France Nunziata  
Chair, Corporation Nominating Panel

ATTACHMENTS

Confidential Attachment 1:  Recommended Citizen Appointments to the Board of Directors of Build Toronto Inc.

Confidential Attachment 2:  Recommended Alternate Citizen Members of the Board of Directors of Build Toronto Inc.