

City Council**Notice of Motion**

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Creating a "Photo Laureate" for Toronto - by Councillor Joe Mihevc, seconded by Councillor Paul Ainslie

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to referral to the Economic Development Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

Recommendations

Councillor Joe Mihevc, seconded by Councillor Paul Ainslie, recommends that:

1. City Council establish the position of "Photo Laureate of Toronto" on terms and conditions similar to that of the Poet Laureate.
2. City Council request the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture to develop terms of reference for the position with a view to nominating the first Toronto Photo Laureate in early 2015.

Summary

There are numerous wonderful photographers taking pictures of virtually all aspects of life in the City. Photographs are part of telling the story of our City. In naming a Photo Laureate, we celebrate the telling of our City's story. We also celebrate the craft of photography and leaders in the field. We have had great success with our Poet Laureate. The poets holding the position have written great poems and undertaken many public readings and other commitments. A similar scenario is encouraged with a Photo Laureate.

(Submitted to City Council on May 6 and 7, 2014 as MM51.1)

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM51.1