Appointment of Members to the Exhibition Place Board

Date: June 11, 2015
To: Facilities and Finance 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 Exhibition Place Board of Governors.

SUMMARY

The Facilities and Finance Nominating Panel will conduct interviews on June 19, 2015 and recommend four candidates to City Council for appointment to the Exhibition Place Board.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Clerk recommends that:

1. The Facilities and Finance Nominating Panel recommend four candidates to City Council for appointment to the Exhibition Place Board of Governors, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office as follows:
   a. two candidates for a term of office ending on December 31, 2016, and until successors are appointed; and
   b. two candidates for a term of office ending on November 30, 2018, and until successors are appointed.

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 Exhibition Place Board.
FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

DECISION HISTORY


On May 25, 2015, the Facilities and Finance Nominating Panel identified eight candidates to be interviewed for appointment to the Exhibition Place Board: http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2015.NF4.1.

COMMENTS

Board members should meet certain qualifications

In addition to the eligibility requirements of the City’s Public Appointments Policy, public members of the board should collectively demonstrate a range of qualifications, including:

- experience or interest in strategic planning
- specific expertise in one of the following areas: property management and development, finance, marketing, legal, public relations and communications, public/private enterprises, and human resources
- ability to devote time required for board meetings and for pre-meeting study and review of agenda and supporting material
- keen interest in and knowledge of trade and consumer show management and/or events management/entertainment industry
- a youthful perspective, defined as an individual in the 18-30 age range, is a desired qualification for at least one public member

Board members’ terms will be staggered

City Council has approved the staggering of board terms where not otherwise prescribed by law so that half of each board retires every two years. As a transitional measure during this round of appointments, two of the public members for the Exhibition Place Board will be appointed for two years and the other two will be appointed for four years.

The members appointed for an initial two-year term will not have that term count toward the term limit under the Public Appointments Policy, and may apply to serve again following their two-year appointment.
City Council appoints the Board’s Chair

City Council appoints the Chair of the Exhibition Place Board, while the board elects the Vice Chair. On December 2, 2014, City Council appointed Councillor Mark Grimes as the Chair of the Exhibition Place Board for a term of office until December 31, 2016, and until a successor is appointed.

We have consulted with Exhibition Place staff

Public Appointments staff consulted with Exhibition Place staff in the fall of 2014 and June 2015 to discuss board requirements and issues.

Public release of names of recommended candidates

The names of the recommended candidates will be publicly reported once the Facilities and Finance 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 Exhibition Place Board (previously distributed with Item NF4.1)
Confidential Attachment 2 – Confidential Voluntary Diversity Information Summary (previously distributed with Item NF4.1)
Confidential Attachment 3 – Interview Schedule for the June 19, 2015 Facilities and Finance Nominating Panel meeting