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To: City Council

From: City Clerk

Re: Vacancy on the Toronto District School Board

Shaun Chen, the TDSB trustee for Ward 21 (City Wards 41 & 42) was elected as Member of the House of Commons in the federal election on October 19, 2015.

This will create a vacancy on the Toronto District School Board.

The TDSB is meeting in the evening of October 28 to decide whether to appoint a new trustee or hold a by-election to be conducted by the City Clerk at the Board's expense.

The Municipal Elections Act, 1996 (MEA) requires that City Council approve the advance vote days for the TDSB by-election. The MEA also prescribes very tight timelines for the turnaround of the by-election. Consequently, Council needs to consider and approve the recommended dates as soon as possible in order that the electors and candidates can be quickly and dutifully informed.

As the Board may make its decision after the Council agenda on which this letter appears has gone to print, the City Clerk submits this as notice of a further report to be submitted after the Board decision.

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