
City Council

Motion without Notice

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Amendment to the composition of the Build Toronto Board of Directors - by Mayor John Tory, seconded by Deputy Mayor Denzil Minnan-Wong

** Notice of this Motion has not been given. A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice.
* This Motion is subject to referral to the Executive Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.
* This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

Recommendations

Mayor John Tory, seconded by Deputy Mayor Denzil Minnan-Wong, recommends that:

1. City Council amend the composition of the Build Toronto Board of Directors to be as follows:
 - a. the Mayor, or a member of City Council who the Mayor recommends as his designate and is appointed by City Council;
 - b. the Chair of City Council's Economic Development Committee;
 - c. the Chair of City Council's Planning and Growth Management Committee;
 - d. eight residents of Toronto who are not elected officials or employees of the City or any of its agencies or corporations;
 - e. the Mayor shall be Chair, or if a Mayor's designate is appointed, City Council appoints a Board member as Chair on the recommendation of the Mayor; and
 - f. the Board elects a Vice Chair from amongst its members.

Summary

The current composition of the Build Toronto Board of Directors requires the chair of the board to be a public member if the Mayor does not take his or her seat on the board as chair.

City Council should consider a more flexible composition that would allow either a public member or a Councillor to serve as chair. For example, given the review of City real estate services that is currently being undertaken, City Council may wish a Member of Council to serve as chair, on an interim basis, to ensure better integration with the interests of the City as

sole shareholder of the corporation.

Furthermore, City Council choosing to appoint a Member of Council as Chair of Build Toronto would be consistent with another City Corporation, Invest Toronto, as it is chaired by the Chair of the Economic Development Committee.

In order to provide this flexibility, the composition of the board should be amended to delete the requirement that the chair be a public member if the Mayor declines his or her seat on the board. City Council should be free to appoint either a public member or Council Member when it makes appointments.

As the appointment of public members to the board is before City Council at this meeting as Item CC10.8, City Council should consider this Motion before it makes a decision on the other Item.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM10.14