

## **Appointment of Member to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority Board to Fill a Vacancy**

**Date:** April 13, 2016  
**To:** Environmental Nominating Panel  
**From:** City Clerk  
**Wards:** All

### **REASON FOR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

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This report deals with personal matters about identifiable individuals who are being considered for appointment to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) Board.

### **SUMMARY**

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There is one vacancy on the TRCA Board due to a recent resignation. The Environmental Nominating Panel will interview three candidates during its meeting on April 20, 2016, and recommend one public member to City Council to fill this vacancy.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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#### **The City Clerk recommends that:**

1. The Environmental Nominating Panel recommend one candidate to City Council for appointment to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority Board, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending on July 9, 2018, and until a successor is appointed.
2. City Council direct that the confidential information contained in Confidential Attachments 1, 2, 3, and 4 remain confidential in their entirety as they relate to personal matters about identifiable individuals being considered for appointment to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority Board.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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There are no financial implications arising from this report.

## DECISION HISTORY

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On March 8, 2016, the Environmental Nominating Panel selected three candidates to be interviewed for appointment to the TRCA Board:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2016.NE6.1>.

On July 7, 8, and 9, 2015, City Council appointed five public members to the TRCA Board:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2015.CC8.14>.

## COMMENTS

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### **The TRCA Board is an external advisory body that consists of 28 members**

The TRCA delivers programs to further the conservation, restoration, development, and management of natural resources within its watersheds. The TRCA Board sets strategic policy and oversees the business and affairs of the TRCA.

The TRCA Board has 28 members, including 14 representatives from the City of Toronto, of which nine are Members of Council and five are public members.

The other 14 members include representatives from the Regional Municipalities of Peel, Durham, and York, the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio, and the Town of Mono.

### **The term length is three years for public members**

Under the Conservation Authorities Act, members may not be appointed to hold office for more than three years at any one time. To coincide with the terms for the City of Toronto's previously appointed public members on the TRCA board, the candidate appointed to fill the current vacancy will be appointed for a term ending July 9, 2018, and will serve until their successor is appointed.

### **Board members should meet certain qualifications**

In addition to the requirements outlined in the City's Public Appointments Policy, public members should collectively demonstrate a range of qualifications, including:

- broad interest in, and knowledge of, conservation and the management of natural resources
- knowledge of the natural resources in the regions under the TRCA's jurisdiction
- ability to actively participate in the decision-making process
- interest in, and ability to, be an advocate of the TRCA's programs, goals, and objectives

In addition, applicants should have flexible schedules for attendance at meetings, tours, special events, and other activities relating to the TRCA's work.

## **TRCA Board members receive remuneration**

TRCA Board members receive a per diem of \$86.62 plus mileage for each meeting attended.

## **Public release of name of recommended candidate**

The name of the recommended candidate will be publicly reported once the Environmental Nominating Panel forwards its recommendations to City Council.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Confidential Attachment 1 – List of Candidates and Qualifications Summary, and Applications for Appointment to the TRCA Board (previously distributed with Items NE4.1 and NE6.1)

Confidential Attachment 2 – Confidential Voluntary Diversity Information Summary (previously distributed with Items NE4.1 and NE6.1)

Confidential Attachment 3 – Interview Schedule for the TRCA Board Interviews on April 20, 2016

Confidential Attachment 4 – Applications for Candidates to be Interviewed by the Environmental Nominating Panel on April 20, 2016