Date:    July 5, 2016
To:      City Council
From:    Mayor John Tory
Re:      Appointment of a Toronto Ombudsman

I am pleased to transmit the report from the Selection Panel recommending appointment of an Ombudsman as identified in the confidential Attachment.

Fiona Crean was Toronto's Ombudsman from September 2008 until November 2015. In November 2015, City Council appointed Kwame Addo as Interim Ombudsman until a permanent Ombudsman is appointed by City Council.

I appointed a Selection Panel that included Councillor Kelly (chair), Councillor Burnside, Councillor Nunziata and Councillor Wong-Tam. The Ombudsman Selection Panel undertook a comprehensive recruitment process to recommend a preferred candidate to City Council. The Selection Panel was assisted by an independent external search firm.

I want to thank the Panel for their participation in the recruitment process and for their efforts to ensure a successful outcome for this very important position.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

John Tory
Mayor of Toronto

Attachments
1. Report from Chair, Ombudsman Selection Panel
2. Confidential Attachment – Ombudsman