

Mayor's Advisory Panel on International Hosting Opportunities

Gord Nixon, Chair
Sevaun Palvetzian, Member
Saäd Rafi, Member

March 8th, 2016

Re: *Bringing the World to Toronto: A Report from the Mayor's Advisory Panel on International Hosting Opportunities*

Dear Mayor and Members of Council,

On behalf of my colleagues Sevaun and Saäd, I am presenting you with the final report of the Mayor's Advisory Panel on International Hosting Opportunities.

Following the TORONTO 2015 Pan Am / Parapan Am Games last summer, our Panel was asked to provide advice and recommendations for future international event hosting in Toronto.

Specifically, we were requested to engage with members of the community and Councillors to determine the benefits and risks of hosting major international events, the types of events Toronto should consider hosting, the key city building objectives, and what needs to be done, from a strategic perspective, to ensure that Toronto can be successful if and when it decides to pursue these events.

Over the past three months, working with a small group of City staff, we had the chance to consult with a wide range of stakeholders and hear about both their interests and concerns for Toronto as a future host city.

The attached document, "*Bringing the World to Toronto*," represents the culmination of this work. We thank you for taking the time to read the report and look forward to engaging with you on our recommendations.

Sincerely,



Gord Nixon