

Date: September 27, 2017

To: City Council

From: Mayor John Tory

Re: Appointment of Chair and Director to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation Board of Directors

Recommendations:

I recommend that:

1. City Council appoint Kevin Marshman as chair of the board of directors of the Toronto Community Housing Corporation until December 10, 2017 and until his successor is appointed, completing the term of Norman (Bud) Purves who has resigned.

2. City Council re-appoint Kevin Marshman as director and chair of the Toronto Community Housing Corporation for an additional 2-year term from December 10, 2017 to December 10, 2019 and until his successor is appointed.

Background:

Norman (Bud) Purves has resigned as chair and a director of TCHC effective September 28, 2017.

City Council should appoint a director to complete Norman Purves' term as chair

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When a vacancy in the chair occurs, TCHC By-Law No. 2 requires that City Council either (a) appoint a chair to hold office until the expiration of the original term or (b) authorize the board to appoint a chair from among their members.

Kevin Marshman was appointed to the Board in 2015 and was appointed Vice Chair of the Board in April of 2016. As TCHC moved forward with a permanent CEO search, Kevin Marshman took a brief leave of absence from the Board to serve as interim CEO.

Kevin has a knowledge of Toronto Community Housing from an organizational level, a board level, and a frontline level that will be of great value in leading the Board and the organization forward. In addition to this, Kevin has 35 years of senior executive experience in the business services and technology sectors with a main focus on business unit operations and organizational leadership. Kevin is an ideal candidate to take up the role of Chair of the TCHC board.

Kevin Marshman's appointment as chair will complete the original chair's term ending on December 10, 2017 and when his successor is appointed.

City Council should reappoint Kevin Marshman for an additional two year term

Kevin Marshman's appointment to the board expires December 10, 2017 along with the other public members of the board. Although a recruitment is planned and City Council will be considering appointments and/or reappointments of directors in early 2018, City Council should provide some certainty to the leadership situation at TCHC by now reappointing Kevin Marshman for an additional two-year term as director and Chair from December 10, 2017 until December 10, 2019 and until his successor is appointed.

The remaining public members terms will be addressed in the ordinary course of events by the recruitment and appointment of the next board, scheduled to be before Council in early 2018.

Norman Purves' vacant director seat will be addressed as part of a planned recruitment

Since the terms of all of the public members expire on December 10, 2017 and it appears there are no quorum issues, the vacancy on the board created by Norman Purves' resignation will be addressed in the ordinary course of events by the recruitment and appointment of the next board, scheduled to be before Council in early 2018.

Sincerely,

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Mayor John Tory