TORONTO

REPORT FOR ACTION

Appointment to fill the vacancy in the Office of Councillor, Ward 28, Toronto Centre-Rosedale

Date: October 23, 2017

To: City Council **From:** City Clerk

Wards: 28

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to appoint a qualified person to the office of Councillor, Ward 28, Toronto Centre-Rosedale.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Clerk recommends that:

- 1. City Council appoint a person from among the following persons who have signified in writing that they are legally qualified to hold the office of Councillor and have consented to accept the office if they are appointed to fill the vacancy of Councillor, Ward 28, Toronto Centre-Rosedale:
 - 1. Samina Alim
 - Aftab Arif
 - 3. Rona Bailey
 - 4. Ryan Bissonnette
 - Jonathan Callegher
 - 6. Ole Calderone
 - 7. Kevin Clarke
 - 8. Michael Creek
 - 9. Stephen Devine
 - 10. Murtaza Ebrahim
 - 11. Susan Gapka
 - 12. Jonathan Hughes
 - 13. Fenton Jagdeo
 - 14. Suzanne Kemper
 - 15. Sarah Khattab
 - 16. Kimberley King
 - 17. John Kladitis

- 18. Masudur Laskar
- 19. Joel MacCallum
- 20. Faiza Malik
- 21. Louis Molnár
- 22. Eric Murphy
- 23. Roland Ollivier
- 24. Randall Pancer
- 25. John Porter
- 26. Patrick Quealey
- 27. Taras Rakchaev
- 28. Alison Rose
- 29. Erik Rozenski
- 30. Brian Scholz
- 31. Jeeniraj Thevasagayam
- 32. Robert Thompson
- 33. Lucy Troisi
- 34. Giulia Volpe
- 35. Kevin Vuong
- 36. Robert Patrick Wright

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This report has no financial impact.

DECISION HISTORY

City Council on October 2, 3 and 4, 2017 declared the office of Councillor for Ward 28 vacant, following the passing of Councillor Pam McConnell. Council decided to fill the vacancy by appointment.

http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaltemHistory.do?item=2017.CC32.2

By law, City Council must fill the vacancy by appointment within 60 days of declaring it vacant. Therefore City Council must make an appointment by December 3, 2017.

COMMENTS

36 applications received

The City Clerk's Office has sought applications from interested and qualified persons for appointment to fill the vacant office. Advertisements were placed in the Toronto Sun and Metro newspapers. Information about the appointment opportunity was also communicated using social media and the City's website.

An information session was held at Toronto City Hall on October 17, 2017 where interested persons could learn more about the appointment process and complete the required forms. The deadline for filing the required forms was Monday, October 23, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. By the deadline, the City Clerk had received 36 applications.

The City Clerk has reviewed the documents and is satisfied that the applicants are qualified to hold office.

Applicants have also been given the opportunity to submit supplementary documentation in support of their candidacy for appointment.

City Council has approved a process for this appointment

- 1. Each applicant shall be provided the opportunity to address City Council for up to 5 minutes;
- 2. The order in which applicants address City Council shall be determined by lot drawn by the City Clerk when City Council begins its debate on the item;
- 3. Members of City Council shall be entitled to ask one question of each candidate;
- 4. City Council shall vote on the appointment by ballot in accordance with the Council Procedures; and
- 5. City Council shall enact a by-law confirming the appointment of the successful candidate to the office for the remainder of the term of the present Council.

Next steps

The appointee will assume office once City Council enacts a by-law confirming the appointment and the City Clerk administers the Declaration of Office. The new Councillor will hold office until the end of the term on November 30, 2018.

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SIGNATURE

Ulli S. Watkiss City Clerk

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - List of Candidates and the Wards of their Qualifying Address Attachment 2 - Balloting Rules contained in Appendix A-II to Municipal Code Chapter 27, Council Procedures, as applicable

Attachment 1
List of Candidates and the Wards of their Qualifying Address

	Candidate	Ward in Which Their Qualifying Address is Located
1	Samina Alim	34
2	Aftab Arif	37
3	Rona Bailey	28
4	Ryan Bissonnette	28
5	Jonathan Callegher	28
6	Ole Calderone	28
7	Kevin Clarke	27
8	Michael Creek	28
9	Stephen Devine	28
10	Murtaza Ebrahim	42
11	Susan Gapka	27
12	Jonathan Hughes	28
13	Fenton Jagdeo	9
14	Suzanne Kemper	28
15	Sarah Khattab	20
16	Kimberley King	9
17	John Kladitis	30
18	Masudur Laskar	28
19	Joel MacCallum	28
20	Faiza Malik	20
21	Louis Molnár	20
22	Eric Murphy	28
23	Roland Ollivier	18
24	Randall Pancer	21
25	John Porter	40
26	Patrick Quealey	19
27	Taras Rakchaev	14
28	Alison Rose	19
29	Erik Rozenski	28
30	Brian Scholz	31
31	Jeeniraj Thevasagayam	38
32	Robert Thompson	28
33	Lucy Troisi	28
34	Giulia Volpe	29
35	Kevin Vuong	28
36	Robert Patrick Wright	20

Attachment 2

Balloting Rules contained in Appendix A-II to Municipal Code Chapter 27, Council Procedures, as applicable

[Note: Parts A to F do not apply]

G. Members vote for one nominee and sign ballot.

Using the ballot, a member votes for only one nominee, signs the ballot and prints his or her name on the ballot.

H. Balloting results public.

All ballot results are public.

I. Announcing ballot results and members' votes.

The Chair announces the results of the ballot, and if requested, announces the individual ballot results and the name of the member casting the ballot.

J. When most votes do not make a majority.

If the nominee with the most votes does not receive the votes of a majority of the members present, Council conducts another ballot in accordance with Subsections G, H, I and K.

K. Steps to exclude nominees with few or no votes or tie votes.

The next ballot excludes the nominees with the fewest votes and any nominee with no votes. If two or more nominees are tied with the fewest votes, the Chair selects the nominee or nominees who advance to the next ballot by the following method:

- A. The names of the tied nominees are placed on sheets of paper of equal size, and the paper are folded in half and placed in a box; and
- B. The Chair pulls one or more pages with the name or names of the nominee or nominees who advance to the next ballot from the box.

L. Votes to find a candidate with the most votes and then a majority vote.

Balloting continues in accordance with Subsections G, H, I and K until one nominee receives both the most votes and a majority of votes.

M. Steps for when remaining nominees are tied.

If after the steps set out in Subsection L only two nominees remain and the votes for the two remaining nominees are tied, the Chair selects the winner by the following method:

- A. The names of each of the two remaining nominees are placed on two sheets of paper of equal size, and the papers are folded in half and placed in a box; and
- B. The Chair pulls the name of one nominee from the box, and that nominee is declared the winner.