

City Council**Motion without Notice**

MM32.36	ACTION			Ward:All
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Appointment of Public Member to the Civic Theatres Boards - by Councillor Gary Crawford, seconded by Councillor John Filion

** This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

** This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

Recommendations

Councillor Gary Crawford, seconded by Councillor John Filion, recommends that:

1. City Council appoint Paul Bernards to the Boards of Directors of the Civic Theatres Toronto, the St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts, the Hummingbird (Sony) Centre for the Performing Arts, and the Toronto Centre for the Arts, at pleasure of Council for a term of office ending on November 30, 2018 and until a successor is appointed.

Summary

City Council in April 1, 2016, amended the composition of the Boards of Directors of the Civic Theatres Toronto, the St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts, the Hummingbird (Sony) Centre for the Performing Arts, and the Toronto Centre for the Arts to add one additional public member who is a qualified chartered accountant. Subsequently, Victor D'Souza was appointed by City Council in July 2016 and recently resigned effective August 16, 2017 leaving the board without the required financial experience.

The Civic Theatres Board is short two members and the Finance Audit and Risk Management Committee is short one member. This appointment will fill that vacancy.

The recommended candidate, Paul Bernards was interviewed by the City Theatres Nominating Panel on June 27, 2016.

Paul Bernards is the Chief Financial Officer of Discovery Air, and a Chartered Professional Accountant. He has worked in finance for over 30 years and has served on the board of the Canadian Opera Company for 15 years. He has also been the Chair of their Audit, Finance and Operating Committee for nearly 10 years.

Mr. Bernards will serve for the balance of the current term.

Background Information (City Council)

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