

City Council

Motion without Notice

MM34.24	ACTION			Ward:All
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**Newcomer Advocate Appointment - by Councillor Joe Mihevc,
seconded by Councillor Neethan Shan**

** Notice of this Motion has not been given. A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice.
* This Motion is subject to referral to the Striking Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.
* This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

Recommendations

Councillor Joe Mihevc, seconded by Councillor Neethan Shan, recommends that:

1. City Council appoint Councillor Neethan Shan to replace Councillor Joe Mihevc as one of the City of Toronto's Newcomer Advocates for the balance of the current term of Council.

Summary

City Council appointed Councillor Joe Mihevc and Councillor Jim Karygiannis as Newcomer Advocates for the balance of the current term of Council. Councillor Mihevc has subsequently assumed the role of Poverty Reduction Advocate, following the passing of Deputy Mayor Pam McConnell, and as such, cannot also fulfill his responsibilities as Newcomer Advocate.

With more than half of our residents being immigrants, the significant and ongoing increase in refugee claimants in Toronto, and the recently announced increase in future immigration levels, it is urgent that a second Newcomer Advocate be appointed.

Background Information (City Council)

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