

REPORT FOR ACTION WITH CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT

Appointments to the Toronto Food Policy Council

Date: March 21, 2019 **To:** Board of Health

From: Medical Officer of Health

Wards: All

REASON FOR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

This report deals with personal matters about identifiable individuals who are being considered for appointment to the Toronto Food Policy Council.

SUMMARY

The Toronto Food Policy Council (TFPC) was created as a subcommittee of the Board of Health (BOH) in 1991 to keep Toronto Public Health (TPH) and the BOH abreast of emerging policy issues, trends, challenges and possibilities related to fostering an equitable, sustainable food system.

This report provides an update on the membership for and recommends appointments to the Toronto Food Policy Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Medical Officer of Health recommends that:

- 1. The Board of Health appoint the 14 candidates listed in Confidential Attachment 1 to the Toronto Food Policy Council for a term of office ending December 31, 2021, and until successors are appointed.
- 2. The Board of Health authorize the public release of the names and biographies in Confidential Attachment 1 once Recommendation 1 of this report is adopted by the Board of Health.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact associated with this report.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting on January 22, 2018, the Board of Health adopted the Medical Officer of Health's Report, which included recommended appointments to the Toronto Food Policy Council.

https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2018/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-110672.pdf

COMMENTS

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The TFPC meets monthly and is supported by TPH staff. Membership includes two Councillors, one citizen member from the BOH and up to 30 community members from diverse sectors of the food system. A full list of the TFPC appointed membership is available on the Toronto Food Policy Council's website.

It is recommended that the BOH appoint the recommended candidates listed in Confidential Attachment 1, which includes fourteen voting members of the TFPC.

The TFPC would also like to acknowledge the contribution of outgoing TFPC Community Members Alex Dow, Arsema Berhane, Hala Chaoui, Elisa Levi, Hilda Nouri, Katie German, Lisa Slater, Richard Matern and Sonia Dhir and outgoing TFPC City Council Members Mary Fragedakis, Mary Margaret McMahon and Joe Mihevc.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Confidential Attachment 1 - Recommended candidates for appointment to the Toronto Food Policy Council