

Appointment of Public Member to the Leaside Memorial Community Gardens Arena Board

Date: June 17, 2019
To: North York Community Council
From: City Clerk
Wards: 15

SUMMARY

At its meeting on December 4, 5, and 13, 2018, City Council amended the Public Appointments process to authorize the City Clerk to shortlist, interview and recommend candidates to Community Councils for appointment to the Leaside Memorial Community Gardens Arena Board.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Clerk recommends that:

1. North York Community Council appoint the following candidate to the Leaside Memorial Community Gardens Arena Board, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending on June 26, 2023, and until a successor is appointed:

Jennifer Smith

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting held May 22, 2019, North York Community Council appointed five member to the Leaside Memorial Community Gardens Arena Board to serve for the term ending May 22, 2023 and until successors are appointed:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2019.NY6.21>

At its meeting held December 4, 5, and 13, 2018, City Council authorized the City Clerk to screen, interview and recommend public appointments to the Leaside Memorial Community Gardens Board to City Council through the Community Council:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2019.CC1.1>

COMMENTS

City Council directed the City Clerk to recruit and recommend candidates for the Arena Boards to the Community Council.

At its meeting held December 4, 5, and 13, 2018, City Council authorized the City Clerk to screen, interview and recommend candidates to the North York Community Council for appointment to the Leaside Memorial Community Gardens Arena Board.

City Clerk's staff conducted outreach to attract qualified individuals specializing in facilities & business management, finance, and community engagement. To attract qualified candidates, City Clerk's staff promoted the opportunity to various professional and community organizations. Staff also invited individuals with the required qualifications and eligibility to consider applying. Consideration was also given to reflecting gender, diversity, and geographical representation on Leaside Memorial Community Gardens Arena Board.

City Clerk's staff screened and shortlisted 2 candidates based on the City Council-approved qualifications and eligibility criteria, and interviewed the shortlisted candidates. Parks, Forestry and Recreation staff were also asked to sit on the panel given their relationship with Leaside Memorial Community Gardens Arena. The panel consisted of:

- Supervisor, Community Recreation-Facilities, Parks, Forestry & Recreation
- People Services Consultant, Public Appointments, City Clerk's Office

The panel determined the final candidate by weighing their applications and interview performance using a scoring system.

Parks, Forestry and Recreation and City Clerks staff are recommending 1 highly qualified and diverse candidate for appointment to the Leaside Memorial Community Gardens Arena Board.

Parks, Forestry and Recreation and City Clerk's staff are recommending 1 highly qualified candidates for appointment to Leaside Memorial Community Gardens Arena Board (see Attachment 1).

The appointment is the result of a public member resignation effective May 24, 2019.

Composition of the Leaside Memorial Community Gardens Arena Board

The board consists of 11 members and is composed of:

- The Councillor for Ward 15
- 9 public members
- 1 representative from Infrastructure Ontario to serve for the duration of the loan from Infrastructure Ontario to the City
- 1 non-voting staff member from the Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division

Term of office

The term of office for the public appointee to the Leaside Memorial Community Gardens Arena Board is four years. The member appointed will serve a term of office ending June 26, 2023, and until a successor is appointed.

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SIGNATURE

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City Clerk

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Recommended Candidate and Biography for the Leaside Memorial Community Gardens Arena Board