



REPORT FOR ACTION WITH CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT

Toronto Local Appeal Body - Selection of Candidates for Interview

Date: November 14, 2019

To: Nominating Panel - Toronto Local Appeal Body

From: City Clerk

Wards: All

REASON FOR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

This report deals with personal matters about identifiable individuals who are being considered for appointment to the Toronto Local Appeal Body.

SUMMARY

The Nominating Panel – Toronto Local Appeal Body must select candidates for interview to fill a vacancy on the Toronto Local Appeal Body. The Nominating Panel will conduct the interviews at its December 9, 2019 meeting and make recommendations to City Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Clerk recommends that:

1. The Nominating Panel – Toronto Local Appeal Body interview six candidates listed in Confidential Attachment 1 for interview at its December 9, 2019 meeting for appointment to the Toronto Local Appeal Body.
2. The Nominating Panel – Toronto Local Appeal Body direct that the confidential information contained in Confidential Attachments 1 and 2 remain confidential in its entirety as it relates to personal matters about identifiable individuals being considered for appointment to the Toronto Local Appeal Body.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting held February 26, 2019, City Council appointed seven public members to the Tribunals Nominating Panel at pleasure of Council for a term of office ending February 28, 2023, and until successors are appointed, to make recommendations to Council on the appointment of public members to the City's nine quasi-judicial tribunals, including the Toronto Local Appeal Body:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2019.CC3.5>.

COMMENTS

Composition of the Toronto Local Appeal Body

The Toronto Local Appeal Body (TLAB) consists of ten public members, including a Chair and a Vice-Chair.

There is one new vacancy on the TLAB

There is currently one vacancy on the TLAB due to the resignation of Gillian Burton on November 4, 2019.

Public members should meet certain qualifications

Members should collectively bring the following skills and expertise to the committee:

- Experience in adjudication and mediation;
- Knowledge and experience with land use planning and planning law;
- Excellent listening skills and ability to analyze complex evidence;
- Sound judgement, tact, fairness and decorum;
- Ability to write clearly and concisely;
- Demonstrated high ethical standards and integrity;
- Ability to work under pressure to ensure timely hearing decisions; and
- Respect for access to justice, diversity and accommodation.

Applicants who are being considered for nomination will be required to successfully complete a pre-assessment test to proceed to the interview stage.

Members must satisfy certain eligibility requirements

In addition to the general eligibility requirements set out in the Public Appointments Policy, members of the Toronto Local Appeal body must meet these criteria:

- Cannot be a member of Toronto's Committee of Adjustment, a land division committee, or planning advisory committee member;
- Former Members of Council who served in the immediately preceding term of Council are ineligible for appointment; and
- Members cannot act as agents for applicants before the Committee of Adjustment, Toronto Local Appeal Body and other City administrative tribunals and would be required to resign from the TLAB before doing so.

Members receive remuneration

Members of the Toronto Local Appeal Body receive:

- \$600 per diem for full day hearings or mediation, business meetings and training sessions.
- \$400 for a half day hearings or mediation, business meetings and training sessions (less than 3.5 hours).
- \$200 for a written decision

In addition to receiving the remuneration for a member, the Chair shall receive \$60,000 annually, the Vice Chair shall receive \$15,000 annually and public members shall receive \$1,500 annually.

Public members serve four year terms and until successors are appointed

The successful candidates will be appointed for a four year term of office ending December 9, 2023 and until a successor is appointed.

Outreach was conducted for this vacancy

In order to attract highly skilled, diverse candidates for this vacancy, staff conducted outreach through the Ontario Professional Planners Institute, the Society of Ontario Adjudicators and Regulators, Novae Res Urbis, LinkedIn, Twitter, and the public appointments e-updates list.

Next steps - Interviews

Once the Local Appeal Body Nominating Panel has selected candidates for interviews, the City Clerk's Office will contact the candidates to schedule them for 15 minute interviews. Six interviews plus deliberations will take approximately 3 hours to complete.

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ATTACHMENTS

Confidential Attachment 1 – List of candidates, qualifications, confidential diversity information summary, and applications for appointment to the Toronto Local Appeal Body

Confidential Attachment 2 - Diversity Data for Current Public Members on the Toronto Local Appeal Body