

### AGENCY REPORT FOR ACTION WITH CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT

## Appointment of a Public Member from the Aboriginal Community to the Heritage Toronto Board of Directors

**Date:** March 11, 2020

To: Civic Appointments Committee

From: Allison Bain, Executive Director, Heritage Toronto

Wards: All

#### REASON FOR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

This report deals with personal matters about identifiable persons being considered for appointment to the Heritage Toronto Board of Directors.

#### SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to recommend the appointment of a public member from the Aboriginal community to the Heritage Toronto Board of Directors.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The Executive Director of Heritage Toronto recommends that:

 The Civic Appointments Committee recommend 1 candidate, listed in Confidential Attachment 1, to City Council for appointment as a public member from the Aboriginal community to the Heritage Toronto Board, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending on April 2, 2024 and until a successor is appointed.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There are no financial implications to this report.

#### **DECISION HISTORY**

At its meeting held July 16, 2019, City Council appointed 6 public members to the Heritage Toronto Board to serve for the term ending July 17, 2023 and 3 public members for the term ending July 17, 2021:

http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2019.CA8.2

At its meeting held July 23, 2018, City Council appointed 1 public member from the Aboriginal Community to the Heritage Toronto Board to serve for the term ending February 4, 2022:

http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2018.MM44.105

At its meeting held January 31, 2018, City Council appointed 13 public members to the Heritage Toronto Board to serve for the term ending February 4, 2022: http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaltemHistory.do?item=2018.CA18.1

During its meeting on November 7, 8 and 9, 2017, City Council modified the appointment process for Heritage Toronto by authorizing Heritage Toronto staff and the City Clerk to shortlist, interview, and recommend 13 candidates to the Civic Appointments Committee for appointment to the Heritage Toronto Board by City Council:

http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2017.MM34.12

#### **ISSUES BACKGROUND**

Heritage Toronto is an arm's-length charitable agency of the City of Toronto. The City of Toronto By-law No. 885-2004 outlines the mandate and structure of the Heritage Toronto Board.

During its meeting on November 7, 8 and 9, 2017, Council authorized the City Clerk and Heritage Toronto Staff to shortlist, interview and recommend candidates to the Civic Appointments Committee for appointment to the Heritage Toronto Board by City Council. To appoint its directors, Heritage Toronto follows the City of Toronto's *Public Appointments Policy: Governing Appointments to City Agencies and Corporations and Other Bodies* which was adopted by City Council in September 2006 and subsequently revised in 2011 and 2014.

#### One public member recently resigned from the Board

There is currently one vacancy on the Heritage Toronto Board due to the resignation of Gene Jamieson, who was appointed to the Board on July 23, 2018 with a term ending on February 4, 2022. He resigned effective February 1, 2020.

# Heritage Toronto and City Clerks staff are recommending 1 highly qualified candidate for appointment to the Heritage Toronto Board as the public member from the Aboriginal Community.

Staff conducted a targeted outreach strategy to attract qualified individuals from the Aboriginal community specializing in fundraising, marketing and communications and/or with knowledge and/or expertise of heritage issues. To attract qualified candidates, staff promoted the opportunity to professional and community organizations. Staff also invited individuals with the required qualifications and eligibility to consider applying.

Heritage Toronto and City Clerk staff screened and shortlisted 2 candidates based on the City Council-approved qualifications and eligibility criteria. The panel determined the final candidate by weighing their application and interview performance using a scoring system.

#### Public release of the name and biography of the recommended candidate

The name and biography of the recommended candidate will be publicly reported once the Civic Appointments Committee forwards its recommendations to City Council.

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#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Confidential Attachment 1 – Recommended Candidate and Biography for the Heritage Toronto Board