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REPORT FOR ACTION WITH CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT

Appointment of Associate Medical Officers of Health

Date: June 17, 2020 To: Board of Health From: Medical Officer of Health Wards: All

REASON FOR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

This report deals with personal matters about identifiable individuals, including municipal or local board employees, who are being considered for appointment as Associate Medical Officers of Health.

SUMMARY

This report recommends the appointment of two public health physicians as Associate Medical Officers of Health (AMOH) for the City of Toronto Health Unit and updates the status of AMOH appointment By-laws.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Medical Officer of Health recommends that:

1. City Council appoint the physicians in Confidential Attachment 1 as Associate Medical Officers of Health for the City of Toronto Health Unit.

2. City Council forward its decision to the Ontario Minister of Health for the approval of the Associate Medical Officer of Health appointments in Recommendation 1 above.

3. City Council authorize the introduction of the necessary Bill in City Council to appoint the physicians in Confidential Attachment 1 as Associate Medical Officers of Health, subject to approval by the Ontario Minister of Health.

4. City Council authorize the public release of Confidential Attachment 1, once adopted by City Council.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact resulting from the adoption of the recommendations in this report.

DECISION HISTORY

Under the *City of Toronto Act 2006*, City Council has the authority to appoint the Medical Officer of Health and Associate Medical Officers of Health for the City of Toronto Health Unit. These appointments are subject to approval by the Ontario Minister of Health. Physicians require Associate Medical Officer of Health designation in order to have medico-legal signing authority under the *Health Protection and Promotion Act*.

COMMENTS

Public health physicians are needed to fill temporary positions needed in order to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak in Toronto, and these physicians will require Associate Medical Officer of Health designation in order to fully perform their duties.

The recommended Associate Medical Officers of Health appointments are outlined in Confidential Attachment 1. These appointments require the approval of City Council and the Ontario Minister of Health.

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SIGNATURE

Dr. Eileen de Villa Medical Officer of Health Confidential Attachment 1 - Physicians Recommended for Appointment as Associate Medical Officers of Health for the City of Toronto Health Unit