

Appointment of Public Member to the Moss Park Arena Board

Date: February 20, 2020

To: Toronto and East York Community Council

From: City Clerk

Wards: 13

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 Moss Park Arena Board.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Clerk recommends that:

1. Toronto and East York Community Council appoint Sona Dhawan to the Moss Park Arena Board, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending on March 12, 2024, and until a successor is appointed.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting held June 25, 2019, Toronto and East York Community Council appointed 3 public members to the Moss Park Arena Board to serve for the term ending June 26, 2023 and until successors are appointed:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2019.TE7.124>

At its meeting held July 16, 17 & 18, 2019, City Council waived the two-term limit for public appointments and appointed 1 public member to the Moss Park Arena Board to serve for the term ending June 26, 2023 and until a successor is appointed:
<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2019.TE7.124>

At its meeting held September 16, 2019, Toronto and East York Community Council appointed 1 public member to the Moss Park Arena Board to serve for the term ending September 16, 2023 and until a successor is appointed:
<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2019.TE8.58>

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 Toronto and East York Community Council for appointment to the Moss Park 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 the Moss Park 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 Moss Park 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 candidate by weighing their application and interview performance using a scoring system.

Parks, Forestry and Recreation and City Clerks staff are recommending 1 highly qualified candidate for appointment to the Moss Park Arena Board.

Parks, Forestry and Recreation and City Clerk's staff are recommending 1 highly qualified candidate for appointment to Moss Park Arena Board (see Attachment 1). This candidate covers the range of City Council approved qualifications for Moss Park Arena Board with the relevant knowledge and experiences.

This appointment is a result of 1 public member's term coming to an end on February 1, 2020.

Composition of the Moss Park Arena Board

The board consists of 11 members and is composed of:

- The Councillor for Ward 13
- 9 public members
- 1 non-voting staff member from the Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division

Term of office

The term of office for public appointees to the Moss Park Arena Board is four years. Members appointed will serve a term of office ending March 12, 2024, and until a successor is appointed

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Recommended Candidate and Biography for the Moss Park Arena Board