

REPORT FOR ACTION WITH CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT

Appointment of Public Members to the Toronto Transit Commission

Date: January 12, 2021

To: Civic Appointments Committee

From: Interim 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 Transit Commission.

SUMMARY

The Civic Appointments Committee will conduct interviews and recommend two public members to City Council for appointment to the Toronto Transit Commission.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Interim City Clerk recommends that:

1. The Civic Appointments Committee recommend two candidates for appointment to the Toronto Transit Commission:
 - a. One candidate, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending March 27, 2023, continuing to serve until a successor is appointed.
 - b. One candidate, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending February 4, 2025, continuing to serve until a successor is appointed.
2. City Council direct that the confidential information contained in Confidential Attachments 1 - 5 remain confidential in their entirety as they relate to personal matters about identifiable individuals being considered for appointment to the Toronto Transit Commission.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting held December 8, 2020, the Civic Appointments Committee selected six candidates to interview for appointment to the Toronto Transit Commission:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2020.CA16.3>

At its meeting held October 27, 2020, City Council adopted a motion to request the Civic Appointments Committee to make every effort to fill the Toronto Transit Commission Board public member vacancy with a member of the Black, Indigenous and People of Colour (BIPOC) community and to give preference to transit riders and persons with disabilities: <http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2020.MM25.11>

At its meeting held March 27, 2019, City Council appointed two public members to the Toronto Transit Commission, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending March 27, 2023, and until successors are appointed:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2019.CA4.1>

COMMENTS

There are currently two positions under consideration

One of the positions is a vacancy due to the resignation of Alan M. Heisey, effective November 1, 2020.

The other position is currently held by Joanne De Laurentiis, whose term ended on December 31, 2020, though members continue to serve until a successor is appointed.

Term of office

One member would serve for a four year term from the time of the Council appointment. The other member would complete the remainder of the term previously held by Alan M. Heisey, which ends on March 27, 2023, and until a successor is appointed.

Composition of the Toronto Transit Commission

The board consists of 10 members composed of:

- 6 members of Council
- 4 public members

Public members should meet certain qualifications

Public members of the board shall have directorship and executive-level experience and collectively represent a range of skills, knowledge, and experience with one or more large organizations in the following areas:

- strategic business management, including transformative change management
- financial management, accounting, law, and engineering
- customer service or marketing management
- management or planning with a rail or public transit organization
- formulation and/or management of public-private partnerships
- capital project/construction management or capital procurement/supply chain management
- operations and information technology
- labour relations/industrial safety management
- professional knowledge and working experience of urban sustainability, intersectionality, and inclusive governance
- understanding and/or experience with TTC operations

Public members must satisfy certain eligibility requirements

To be eligible for appointment to this board public members must meet the eligibility requirements set out in the City of Toronto's Public Appointments Policy.

In addition, persons who are owners, employees, or agents of companies that are engaged in business with the TTC, or could be reasonably expected to engage in procurement opportunities with the Commission on transit-related projects, shall not be considered for positions as public members.

Public members receive remuneration

The public member vice chair receives a \$10,000 annual retainer, and other public members receive a \$5,000 annual retainer. Public members also receive a \$450 per diem for meetings attended.

Council has asked the Civic Appointments Committee to seek diverse candidates through this process

City Council requested the Civic Appointments Committee to make every effort to fill the TTC vacancies with a member of the Black, Indigenous and People of Colour (BIPOC) community and to give preference to transit riders and persons with disabilities.

Public release of the names of the recommended candidate

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

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Confidential Attachment 1 – List of Candidates, Qualifications, Confidential Diversity Information Summary, and Applications for Appointment to the Toronto Transit Commission (previously circulated with item CA16.3)

Confidential Attachment 2 –Interest in Re-appointment from Current Member of the Toronto Transit Commission (previously circulated with item CA16.3)

Confidential Attachment 3 –Diversity Information Summary for Current Public Members of the Toronto Transit Commission (previously circulated with item CA16.3)

Confidential Attachment 4 - Toronto Transit Commission Interview Schedule (to be circulated under separate cover)

Confidential Attachment 5 - Toronto Transit Commission Interview Questions (to be circulated under separate cover)