

CreateTO Board - Appointment of Public Member

Date: February 19, 2021

To: Corporations Nominating Panel

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 CreateTO Board.

SUMMARY

The Corporations Nominating Panel will conduct interviews and recommend one candidate to City Council for appointment to the CreateTO Board.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Clerk recommends that:

1. The Corporations Nominating Panel recommend one public member to City Council for appointment to:

a) the CreateTO Board, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending on March 10, 2025, and until a successor is appointed, and

b) the Boards of Directors of Build Toronto and the Toronto Port Lands Company, at the pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending on March 10, 2023, and until a successor is appointed.

2. City Council direct that the confidential information contained in Confidential Attachments 1, 2, 3 and 4 remain confidential in their entirety as they relate to personal matters about identifiable individuals being considered for appointment to the CreateTO Board.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting held February 8, 2021, the Corporations Nominating Panel selected eight candidates to interview for appointment to the CreateTO Board:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2021.NC11.2>

At its meeting held September 30, 2020, City Council appointed 3 public members to the CreateTO Board with a term of office ending October 2, 2024 and until successors are appointed:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2020.CC24.4>

At its meeting held January 15, 2020, the Corporations Nominating Panel selected eleven candidates to interview for appointment to the CreateTO Board:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2020.NC6.3>

COMMENTS

Composition of the CreateTO Board

The Board has a total of eight members, including:

- Six public members
- The Mayor or designate appointed by the Mayor
- 1 Member of Council

There is currently one position under consideration

The Corporations Nominating Panel must recommend one public member to fill a vacancy on the board resulting from the resignation of Dino Chiesa on November 26, 2020. The new member will serve a four-year term and be appointed for a term of office ending March 10, 2025, continuing to serve until a successor is appointed.

Public Members appointed to CreateTO are cross appointed

In 2017, City Council adopted amended shareholder directions for Build Toronto and the Toronto Port Lands Company. As a result of these amendments, the members of CreateTO are also members of the Board of Directors of Build Toronto and the Toronto Port Lands Company by virtue of their position.

Public members on corporate boards serve two-year terms and serve until successors are appointed.

Board members should meet certain Council-approved qualifications

In addition to the eligibility requirements set out below, the public members should collectively represent a range of skills, knowledge and experience in the following:

- Executive level experience in a major public, private, or not-for-profit organization;
- Senior level experience and professional skills in real estate, property development, urban planning, facilities management, investment industry, infrastructure delivery, community development, economic development, brownfield remediation, or environmental sustainability;
- Experience in large-scale transformative change and implementing complex business strategies;
- Post-graduate degree preferred in any one of the following fields: finance, business, economics, risk management, accounting, public administration, urban planning, engineering, or law; and/or
- A certificate in board governance or training in a related field, such as director's education, is preferred.

Members must satisfy certain eligibility requirements

In addition to the eligibility requirements set out in the City's Public Appointments Policy, the board's public members must satisfy the following additional eligibility requirements in order to be selected for appointment:

- Cannot be a supplier of goods or services to the City of Toronto;
- Cannot have an employment or an interest in an organization that is involved in a real estate transaction with the City of Toronto; and/or
- Cannot be involved in litigation with the City of Toronto.

Public release of name of recommended candidate

The name of the recommended candidate will be publicly reported once the Corporations Nominating Panel forwards its recommendations to City Council.

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Interim City Clerk

ATTACHMENTS

Confidential Attachment 1 – List of Candidates, Qualifications, and Confidential Voluntary Diversity Information Summary and Applications for Appointment to the CreateTO Board (previously distributed with item NC11.2)

Confidential Attachment 2 - Diversity Information Summary for Current Public Members of the CreateTO Board (previously distributed with item NC11.2)

Confidential Attachment 3 – Interview Schedule for the CreateTO Board Interviews on March 1, 2021

Confidential Attachment 4 – Interview Questions for the CreateTO Board Interviews on March 1, 2021 (to be distributed under separate cover)