

Nominating Panel - Toronto Local Appeal Body

Meeting No.	6	Contact	Nancy Fiorentino, Committee Administrator
Meeting Date	Tuesday, February 15, 2022	Phone	416-397-0088
Start Time	9:00 AM	E-mail	appoint@toronto.ca
Location	Video Conference	Chair	Anna Kinastowski

XV6.1	ACTION	Amended		Ward: All
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Appointment of Public Members to the Toronto Local Appeal Body

Confidential Attachment - Personal matters about identifiable individuals who are being considered for appointment to the Toronto Local Appeal Body.

Panel Recommendations

The Nominating Panel - Toronto Local Appeal Body recommends that:

1. City Council appoint the following candidates to the Toronto Local Appeal Body, for a term of office ending March 9, 2026, and until successors are appointed:

Gerald Swinkin
Carissa Wong

2. City Council direct that Confidential Attachments 1 to 6 to the report (February 1, 2022) from the City Clerk remain confidential in their entirety as they relate to personal matters about identifiable individuals being considered for appointment to the Toronto Local Appeal Body.

Decision Advice and Other Information

Candidates' biographies:

Gerald Swinkin

Gerald Swinkin obtained his LL.B. from Osgoode Hall Law School. He was called to the Ontario Bar in 1979. After commencing his legal career as a staff lawyer in the Legal Department of the City of Mississauga, he moved into the private sector, ultimately becoming a partner with the national law firm Blake, Cassels and Graydon LLP, specializing in municipal/planning law. After retirement from practice, Gerald was appointed in August 2016 to the Ontario Municipal Board (now the Ontario Land Tribunal) and served 5 years.

Carissa Wong

Carissa Wong is a second-generation Torontonian, lawyer, and accredited mediator who is passionate about community, planning and the environment. She has published extensively on diverse participation in environmental decision-making and has assisted multi-party discussions on natural resource governance with First Nations in the Canadian north. She holds a Master of Environmental Management from Duke University and a certificate in Advanced Mediation from Harvard's Negotiation Institute.

Origin

(February 1, 2022) Report from the City Clerk

Summary

At its meeting on February 15, 2022, the Nominating Panel – Toronto Local Appeal Body considered [Item XV6.1 Appointment of Public Members to the Toronto Local Appeal Body](#) and made recommendations to City Council.

Background Information

(February 1, 2022) Report from the City Clerk on Appointment of Public Members to the Toronto Local Appeal Body

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2022/xv/bgrd/backgroundfile-221803.pdf>)

Confidential Attachment 1 - List of Candidates, Qualifications, Confidential Diversity Information Summary, and Applications for Appointment to the Toronto Local Appeal Body (previously circulated with Item XV5.1)

Confidential Attachment 2 -Diversity Information Summary for Current Public Members of the Toronto Local Appeal Body (previously circulated with Item XV5.1)

Confidential Attachment 3 - Toronto Local Appeal Body Written Assignment (to be circulated under separate cover)

Confidential Attachment 4 - Toronto Local Appeal Body - Completed Assignments from Applicants Selected for Interview (to be circulated under separate cover)

Confidential Attachment 5 - Interview schedule for February 15, 2022 (to be circulated under separate cover)

Confidential Attachment 6 - Interview questions for February 15, 2022 (to be circulated under separate cover)