

Appointment of Public Members to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation Board of Directors

Date: May 2, 2023

To: Nominating Panel - Corporations

From: 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 Community Housing Corporation Board of Directors.

SUMMARY

The Nominating Panel - Corporations will conduct interviews and recommend seven public members to City Council for appointment to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation Board of Directors. One of the seven public members or one of the three tenant directors will be recommended for appointment as Chair.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Clerk recommends that:

1. The Nominating Panel - Corporations recommend seven public members to City Council for appointment to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation Board of Directors, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending June 16, 2025, and until successors are appointed.
2. The Nominating Panel - Corporations recommend to City Council the appointment of Chair of the Toronto Community Housing Corporation Board from among the recommended candidates for public member and tenant director.

3. City Council direct that the confidential information contained in Confidential Attachments 1-4 remain confidential in their entirety as they relate to personal matters about identifiable individuals being considered for appointment to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation Board of Directors.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting on April 24, 2023, The Nominating Panel - Corporations selected candidates for interview at its May 17, 2023 meeting:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2023.NC3.1>

At its meeting on April 6 and 7, 2022, City Council appointed one tenant director, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending March 10, 2023, and until a successor is appointed:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2022.CC42.3>

At its meeting on March 10, 2021, City Council appointed seven public members including one Chair, and two tenant directors, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending on March 10, 2023, and until successors are appointed:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2021.CC30.4>

At its meeting on February 8, 2021 the Nominating Panel - Corporations recommended six candidates for re-appointment to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation Board of Directors. The Nominating Panel - Corporations also selected seven candidates to interview for appointment to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation Board of Directors:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2021.NC11.1>

At its meeting on October 27, 28, and 30, 2020 City Council amended the Toronto Community Housing Corporation Shareholder Direction to make permanent the process to select Tenant Directors for the TCHC Board of Directors:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2020.EX17.2>

COMMENTS

Composition of the Toronto Community Housing Corporation

The board has a total of 13 members including:

- the Mayor or the Mayor's designate
- 2 City Councillors

- 3 tenant directors
- 7 public members

Board members must meet certain qualifications

In addition to the general eligibility requirements in the Public Appointments Policy, board members should collectively represent a range of expertise including:

- knowledge of the field of social housing
- housing advocacy or community development
- land development
- property management
- business management
- corporate governance
- organizational development
- labour relations
- business law
- social services for hard-to-serve tenants

The Nominating Panel - Corporations will recommend one member as Chair

As part of this process, the Nominating Panel - Corporations must recommend to Council the appointment of Chair of the Board. Candidates for both the public member and tenant director positions are eligible to be considered for Chair.

Any candidates for a public member position on the board who have expressed an interest in being considered for Chair will be asked an additional interview question by the Nominating Panel as part of the selection process.

Any candidates recommended as tenant directors through the staff-led selection process who have expressed an interest in being considered for Chair will also attend the Nominating Panel meeting where they will be asked an additional interview question as part of the selection process.

All public members will serve a two year term

The term of office for public members appointed by City Council is two years. The members appointed through this process will serve a term ending on June 16, 2025, and until successors are appointed.

Board members receive remuneration

- The Chair receives a \$20,000 annual retainer.
- Public members receive a \$2,500 annual retainer, plus \$500 per meeting up to an annual maximum of \$10,000.

Public appointments staff have consulted with the Toronto Community Housing Corporation

In preparation for this process, Public Appointments staff consulted with TCHC staff and the Chair of the TCHC Board to discuss the public appointments process as well as current and future strategic directions of the Toronto Community Housing Corporation and how the board can best support that work.

Public release of the names of the recommended candidates

The names and biographies of the recommended candidates will be publicly reported once the Nominating Panel - Corporations forwards its recommendations to City Council.

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SIGNATURE

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City Clerk

ATTACHMENTS

Confidential Attachment 1 – List of Candidates, Qualifications, Confidential Diversity Information Summary, and Applications for Appointment to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation Board of Directors (previously circulated with item NC3.1)

Confidential Attachment 2 –Diversity Information Summary for Current Public Members of the Toronto Community Housing Corporation Board of Directors (previously circulated with item NC3.1)

Confidential Attachment 3- Toronto Community Housing Corporation Interview Schedule (to be circulated under separate cover)

Confidential Attachment 4 - Toronto Community Housing Corporation Interview Questions (to be circulated under separate cover)