



## Decision Letter

### Nominating Panel - Committee of Adjustment

<b>Meeting No.</b>	7	<b>Contact</b>	Jonathan Canchela, Administrator
<b>Meeting Date</b>	Wednesday, July 10, 2024	<b>Phone</b>	416-392-6627
<b>Start Time</b>	9:30 AM	<b>E-mail</b>	jonathan.canchela@toronto.ca
<b>Location</b>	Committee Room 4, City Hall/Video Conference	<b>Chair</b>	Anna Kinastowski

NA7.1	ACTION	No Action		Ward: All
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### Appointment of Public Members to the Committee of Adjustment

**Confidential Attachment - Personal matters about identifiable individuals who are being considered for appointment to the Committee of Adjustment.**

#### Panel Recommendations

The Nominating Panel - Committee of Adjustment recommends that:

1. City Council appoint the following candidates to the Committee of Adjustment for a term of office ending November 14, 2026, and until successors are appointed, as follows:

North York Panel:

Carl Knipfel

Toronto and East York Panel:

Ryan Bissonnette

2. City Council appoint the following candidate to the Committee of Adjustment - Scarborough Panel to fill a vacancy created by the leave of absence, for a term of office until the end of a leave, including up to the end of the term, November 14, 2026, and until a successor is appointed:

Eric Hou

#### Decision Advice and Other Information

The Nominating Panel - Committee of Adjustment:

1. Directed that Confidential Attachments 1a, 1b, and 2 to 5 to the report (June 28, 2024) from the City Clerk remain confidential in their entirety as they relate to personal matters about identifiable individuals being considered for appointment to the Committee of Adjustment.

#### Candidates' biographies:

##### Ryan Bissonnette

With a degree in History and Political Science and certificates in Communications and Public Relations and Alternative Dispute Resolution, Ryan boasts a rich variety expertise. Over two decades, he has navigated the realms of public policy, contributing significantly to diverse sectors, including legislative, transportation, gaming, and healthcare. Ryan's proficiency is further evidenced by his strategic involvement in major infrastructure projects.

##### Eric Hou

Eric Hou holds a Juris Doctor degree and is currently employed as a provincial lawyer at the Ontario Ministry of Transportation. Eric's legal practice spans across real estate law, corporate commercial and transportation law and he has extensive experience in provincial highway and transit corridor planning and permitting processes. As a lifelong resident of Toronto, Eric is deeply passionate in serving the local communities in meaningful ways.

##### Carl Knipfel

Carl is an experienced professional architect/planner with extensive urban design, planning and business experience. He has focused on municipal urban design and city building and has authored urban design guidelines, official plan design policies and worked to improve the economic sustainability of many Ontario municipalities through design interventions.

### Origin

(June 28, 2024) Report from the City Clerk

### Summary

At its meeting on July 10, 2024 the Nominating Panel - Committee of Adjustment considered Item [NA7.1](#) and made recommendations to City Council.

### Summary from the report (June 28, 2024) from the City Clerk:

The Nominating Panel - Committee of Adjustment will conduct interviews and recommend 3 candidates to City Council for appointment to the Committee of Adjustment.

### Background Information

(June 28, 2024) Report from the City Clerk on Appointment of Public Members to the Committee of Adjustment

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/na/bgrd/backgroundfile-247335.pdf>

Confidential Attachment 1a - List of Eligible Candidates, Qualifications, Confidential Diversity Information Summary, and Applications for Appointment to the Committee of Adjustment

Confidential Attachment 1b - List of Ineligible Candidates, Qualifications, Confidential Diversity Information Summary, and Applications for Appointment to the Committee of Adjustment

Confidential Attachment 2 - Diversity Information Summary for Current Public Members of the Committee of Adjustment

Confidential Attachment 3 - Committee of Adjustment Written Assignment

Confidential Attachment 4 - Committee of Adjustment - Completed Assignments from Applicants Selected for Interview

Confidential Attachment 5 - Interview Schedule for July 10, 2024