

Toronto Local Appeal Body- Chair's 2023 Annual Report

Date: May 30, 2024
To: Planning and Housing Committee
From: Director, Court Services Division
Wards: All

SUMMARY

Enacted on May 3rd, 2017, the Toronto Local Appeal Body (TLAB) is an independent, quasi-judicial tribunal established through City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 142, Local Appeal Body, the City of Toronto Act, and other provincial legislation. The TLAB has all the powers of the Ontario Land Tribunal related to the hearing of appeals to Committee of Adjustment decisions for minor variance and consent applications under subsections 45(12), 53(14), 53(19) and 53(27) of the Planning Act.

The TLAB is composed of fourteen members including the Chair, Vice-Chair, and twelve Panel Members who are nominated by an impartial citizen-member nominating panel with recommendations for appointments submitted to City Council. City Council appoints Members of the TLAB for a four-year term of office.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director of Court Services, recommends that:

1. City Council receive the 2023 Annual Report from the Chair of the Toronto Local Appeal Body, contained in Attachment 1 to the report for information.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

The 2022 Annual Report from the Chair of the Toronto Local Appeal body and New Arrangement for Legal Support was received for information on October 11, 2023. The link to Council's decision is available at:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2023.PH6.6>

The 2021 Annual Report from the Chair of the Toronto Local Appeal body was received for information by Council on July 19, 2022. The link to Council's decision is available at:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2022.PH35.8>

At its meeting on June 8, 2021, City Council received for information the 2020 Annual Report from the Chair of the Toronto Local Appeal Body, from the Director, Court Services. City Council directed the City Manager to report back on items 1, and 3a-c as outlined in this report. The link to City Council's decision is available at:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2021.PH23.13>

The 2019 Annual Report from the Chair of the Toronto Local Appeal Body was received for information by Council on July 28 and 29, 2020. City Council directed the City Manager to review the recommendations in the TLAB 2019 Annual Report from the Director, Court Services and report back to the Planning & Housing Committee by the first quarter of 2021 on the feasibility of implementing the Chair's recommendations.

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2020.PH15.4>

The 2018 Annual Report from the Chair of the Toronto Local Appeal Body was received for information by Council on May 14, 2019. The link to Council's decision is available at:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2019.PH5.7>

The 2017 Annual Report from the Chair of the Toronto Local Appeal Body was received for information by Council on June 26, 27, 28 and 29, 2018. The link to Council's decision is available at

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2018.PG30.10>

COMMENTS

The Toronto Local Appeal Body Chair's Annual Report covers TLAB activities from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

The 2023 Annual Report includes the following sections:

- Executive Summary
- About the TLAB – Background
- Organizational Structure TLAB
- Operational Highlights
- Business Meeting Highlights
- TLAB Milestones
- Key Principles of the TLAB
- The TLAB Appeal Process - Timelines
- Adopted Practice Directions
- Performance Metrics and Summary Statistics
- Going Forward: Emerging Issues and Recommendations

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Toronto Local Appeal Body Chair's 2023 Annual Report