

## **Appointment of Public Members to the McCormick Playground Arena Board**

**Date:** June 19, 2025

**To:** Toronto and East York Community Council

**From:** City Clerk

**Wards:** Ward 9

### **REASON FOR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

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This report deals with personal matters about identifiable individuals who are being considered for appointment to the McCormick Playground Arena Board.

### **SUMMARY**

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City Council has authorized the City Clerk to shortlist, interview, and recommend candidates to the Toronto and East York Community Council for appointment to the McCormick Playground Arena Board. This report recommends the appointment of four public members to the McCormick Playground Arena Board.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The City Clerk recommends that:

1. Toronto and East York Community Council appoint the following four candidates to the McCormick Playground Arena Board, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending July 10, 2029, and until successors are appointed:

- Christina Lee-Rotstein
- Inna Rumiantseva
- Monica Reddon
- Nicholas Fillion

2. Toronto and East York Community Council direct that Confidential Attachment 1 remain confidential in its entirety as it relates to personal matters about identifiable individuals.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT

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There are no financial implications arising from this report.

## DECISION HISTORY

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At its meeting held July 19 and 20, 2023, City Council temporarily amended the composition of the McCormick Playground Arena Board and waived the two-term limit provision of the Public Appointments Policy, and appointed two members to the McCormick Playground Arena Board, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending April 21, 2025, or until successors are appointed:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2023.TE6.69>

At its meeting held June 22 and 23, 2023, Toronto and East York Community Council appointed four members to the McCormick Playground Arena Board, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending June 22, 2027, and until successors are appointed:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2023.TE6.69>

At its meeting held April 21, 2021, Toronto and East York Community Council appointed four members to the McCormick Playground Arena Board, at pleasure of Council, for a term of office ending April 21, 2025, and until successors are appointed:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2021.TE24.72>

## COMMENTS

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### Composition of the McCormick Playground Arena Board

The board consists of 11 members and is composed of:

- The Councillor for Ward 9
- 9 public members
- 1 non-voting staff member from the Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division

### There are currently five positions under consideration

These positions are being considered as a result of four members' terms ending on April 21, 2025, and one pre-existing vacancy as a result of the resignation of Moussa Ferzoli, effective January 21, 2024.

### Term of office

The term of office for public appointees to the McCormick Playground Arena Board is four years. Members appointed through this current process will serve a term of office ending July 10, 2029, and until successors are appointed.

## **The City Clerk recruits and recommends candidates for Arena Boards to Community Council**

City Council has authorized the City Clerk to screen, interview, and recommend candidates for the McCormick Playground Arena Board to the Toronto and East York Community Council.

City Clerk's staff conducted outreach to attract qualified individuals with relevant skills and qualifications. City Clerk's staff promoted the opportunity using social media, posters in the arena, and volunteer search websites.

City Clerk's staff shortlisted and interviewed candidates based on the City Council approved qualifications and eligibility criteria. Parks and Recreation staff were also asked to sit on the panel given their relationship with the McCormick Playground Arena. The panel consisted of:

- Operation Support Officer, Community Recreation, Parks & Recreation
- Project Manager, Public Appointments, City Clerk's Office

The panel determined the candidates by weighing their applications and interview performance.

### **Staff are recommending four candidates for appointment**

City Clerk's Office and Parks and Recreation staff are recommending four candidates for appointment to the McCormick Playground Arena Board (see Attachment 1). These candidates cover the range of City Council approved qualifications for the McCormick Playground Arena Board with the relevant knowledge and experience.

## **CONTACT**

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## **SIGNATURE**

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John D. Elvidge  
City Clerk

## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Attachment 1 – Recommended Candidates and Biographies for the McCormick Playground Arena Board

Confidential Attachment 1 - List of Candidates, Qualifications, Confidential Diversity Information Summary, and Applications for Appointment to the McCormick Playground Arena Board