



Appointment of a TTC Board member to the TTC-Metrolinx PRESTO Joint Advisory Group

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To: TTC Board

From: Director – Commission Services

Summary

The purpose of this report is to seek the appointment of a TTC Board member to the TTC-Metrolinx PRESTO Joint Advisory Group.

The term of appointment for outgoing Vice-Chair Joanne De Laurentiis ended on March 26, 2025. Ms. De Laurentiis previously served as a member of the TTC-Metrolinx PRESTO Joint Advisory Group.

The TTC-Metrolinx PRESTO Joint Advisory Group consists of the CEOs for both Metrolinx and TTC, together with two Board members each from Metrolinx and the TTC. The Chair, Jamaal Myers, is currently one of the two TTC Board member representatives. The expiration of the term of Joanne De Laurentiis has created a vacancy which is to be filled by a TTC Board member.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the TTC Board:

1. Appoint one TTC Board member to the TTC-Metrolinx PRESTO Joint Advisory Group.

Financial Summary

Board members are not paid per diems for their service on Committees of the Board or Working Groups, and City Council members do not receive any additional payment for attending Board meetings or meetings of Committees of the Board.

Equity/Accessibility Matters

TTC staff are in regular communication with the Advisory Committee on Accessible Transit (ACAT) Communications Subcommittee on means to enhance accessibility to meetings.

Decision History

At its meeting on September 23, 2023, the TTC Board appointed TTC Chair Jamaal Myers and then Vice-Chair Joanne De Laurentiis to the TTC-Metrolinx PRESTO Joint Advisory Group.

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Comments

TTC-Metrolinx PRESTO Joint Advisory Group (JAG)

In order to increase transparency, accountability and develop stronger working relationships, in 2020, the TTC and Metrolinx developed an updated governance structure, which includes the following:

- Program Group: core members are TTC and Metrolinx Executive Level staff.
- Executive Group: core members are the TTC CEO, Metrolinx CEO, and Executive Level staff from both the TTC and Metrolinx.
- TTC-Metrolinx PRESTO Joint Advisory Group: core members are the TTC CEO, Metrolinx CEO, two TTC Board members and two Metrolinx Board members. At least one member appointed by the TTC Board must be a member of City Council.

The Joint Advisory Group is an advisory body providing an additional level of consultation between the TTC and Metrolinx in the interest of fostering a productive and collaborative working relationship for the delivery of a fare card system for the TTC. The Joint Advisory Group does not have the authority to make decisions on behalf of the TTC Board or Metrolinx Board. All policy and financial matters related to the program requiring TTC Board and/or Metrolinx Board approval will continue to be reported in accordance with the legislative framework.

The broad mandate and objectives of the Joint Advisory Group is to advise and provide counsel and direction on the following issues, as defined and required under the PRESTO Agreements, and in particular the TTC Business Requirements:

- Remain informed on joint vision, key strategic and transformational programs;
- Hear escalations from the TTC-Metrolinx PRESTO Executive Group; and
- Support alignment with the City of Toronto and Province.

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Attachments

Attachment 1 - Members' preferences for appointment to the TTC-Metrolinx PRESTO Joint Advisory Group