

## **Selection of Candidates for Interview for the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority Board**

**Date:** May 6, 2026

**To:** Civic Appointments Committee

**From:** City Clerk

**Wards:** All

### **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 Toronto and Region Conservation Authority Board.

### **SUMMARY**

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The Civic Appointments Committee will select candidates to be interviewed for appointment to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority Board. The Civic Appointments Committee will conduct interviews at its next meeting and will recommend one candidate to City Council for appointment.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The City Clerk recommends that:

1. The Civic Appointments Committee select four of the candidates listed in Confidential Attachment 1a to be interviewed at its next meeting for appointment to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.
2. The Civic Appointments Committee direct that the confidential information contained in Confidential Attachments 1a, 1b and 2 remain confidential in its entirety as it relates to personal matters about identifiable individuals being considered for appointment to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.

## 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 February 6 and 7, 2024, City Council adopted item CA12.2, Appointment of a Public Member to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, and appointed one public member to the TRCA Board for a term of office ending December 15, 2027, and until a successor is appointed:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2024.CA12.2>

At its meeting held December 13, 14, and 15, 2023, City Council adopted item CA10.2, Appointment of Public Members to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, and appointed four public members to the TRCA Board for a term of office ending December 15, 2027, and until successors are appointed:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2023.CA10.2>

## COMMENTS

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### Composition of the TRCA

The board consists of 28 members and is composed of:

- 14 representatives from the City of Toronto appointed by City Council of which 10 are Members of Council and 4 are public members
- 14 members representing the Regional Municipalities of Peel, Durham, and York, the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio, and the Town of Mono

### There is currently one position under consideration

The current vacancy on the board is a result of the term of Connie Tang coming to an end effective February 2, 2026.

### The term of office for the appointee will be concurrent with other members

**The term of office for public appointees to the TRCA is governed by the *Conservation Authorities Act* which states that "A member shall be appointed for a term of up to four years, as may be determined by the council that appoints the member."**

The new appointee will complete the term previously held by the member, ending December 15, 2027, and until a successor is appointed.

## **Public members should meet certain qualifications**

In addition to the general eligibility requirements in the Public Appointments Policy, public members of the TRCA must demonstrate:

- broad interest in, and knowledge of, conservation and the management of natural resources
- knowledge of the natural resources in the regions under the TRCA's jurisdiction
- flexible schedules for attendance at meetings, tours, special events, and other activities relating to the Authority's work
- ability to actively participate in the decision-making process
- interest in, and ability to, be an advocate of the Authority's programs, goals, and objectives

## **Consultation**

Public Appointments staff consulted with the Clerk and Manager of Privacy from the TRCA to discuss the vacancy and skills sought by the board.

## **Outreach was conducted for this board**

The opportunity to join the TRCA was shared through many channels including the Public Appointments e-updates list and social media.

## **Next steps - Interviews**

Once the Civic Appointments Committee selects candidates, the City Clerk's Office will contact them to schedule their interviews. Four interviews at 15 minutes each will take approximately 1 hour to complete.

## **CONTACT**

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## **SIGNATURE**

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John D. Elvidge  
City Clerk

## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Confidential Attachment 1a – List of Eligible Candidates, Qualifications, Confidential Diversity Information Summary, and Applications for Appointment to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority Board

Confidential Attachment 1b – List of Ineligible Candidates, Qualifications, Confidential Diversity Information Summary, and Applications for Appointment to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority Board

Confidential Attachment 2 - Voluntary Diversity Information for Current Appointees to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority Board