



City Council
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, Ontario
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July 29th, 2026

Re: MM43.50 - The Mayor's Seat: Restoring Mayoral Accountability on the Toronto Police Service Board

To City Council,

On behalf of the IntegrityTO citizen coalition, we wholeheartedly endorse Councillor Bradford's motion, seconded by Councillor Pasternak.

The Toronto Police Service Board is one of the most important—if not the most important—civilian governance bodies in our city. Public safety, law and order, and maintaining public trust in our police service are not optional responsibilities. They require the direct involvement of the person ultimately accountable for the state of the city: **the Mayor**.

Toronto must have a police service that operates with integrity, maintains zero tolerance for corruption and nepotism, sets a high standard for recruitment, and delivers value for the \$1.7 billion gross budget it received in fiscal 2026. Most importantly, it must earn and maintain the trust of the public while ensuring a safe and orderly city.

That is why the Mayor should demonstrate leadership and a commitment to accountability and transparency by serving on this esteemed seven-person board. As the city's highest elected official, the Mayor sets the tone for Toronto. Their presence on the Police Service Board sends a clear message that public safety is a top priority.

The public looks to the Mayor and City Council to demonstrate moral leadership by supporting this motion. Civilian oversight of the police is essential, and the Mayor should be at the table, asking the tough questions and ensuring the highest standards of accountability.

Sincerely,

Daniel Tate
Executive Director

