

Committee of the Whole (2) Report

DATE: Tuesday, January 21, 2020

WARD(S): ALL

TITLE: RESIGNATION OF A MEMBER – OLDER ADULT TASK FORCE

FROM:

Wendy Law, Deputy City Manager, Administrative Services and City Solicitor

ACTION: DECISION

Purpose

To inform Council of the resignation of Mr. George Mathew from the Older Adult Task Force, and to seek Council's direction with respect to filling the vacancy.

Report Highlights

- A member has resigned from the Older Adult Task Force
- Council's direction is required to fill the vacancy

Recommendations

1. That the resignation of Mr. George Mathew be received; and
2. That Council provide direction with respect to filling the vacancy.

Background

The Office of the City Clerk received an email from Mr. George Mathew indicating his intention to resign from his Council appointed position on the Older Adult Task Force. At its meeting on December 16, 2019, the Older Adult Task Force was advised of Mr. Mathew's resignation and the Task Force adopted the following recommendation:

1. That the resignation of Mr. George Mathew be received; and
2. That Council consider filling the vacancy caused by the resignation.

Previous Reports/Authority

Not applicable

Analysis and Options

The Terms of Reference for the Older Adult Task Force provides that:

1. The Task Force membership shall be composed of the following:
 - a) A maximum of three (3) Council members
 - b) A maximum of six (6) citizen members who are part of the older adult population or have significant insight/experience with the Vaughan older adult community.
 - c) A minimum of one (1) member representing an organization or service provider serving older adults.
2. The Task Force shall appoint a Chair and Vice-Chair.
3. Members are to be appointed by Council. Any changes to the membership will require Council approval.

After the resignation, there are 8 members (2 members of Council, 5 citizen members and 1 organization representative) remaining on the Task Force.

Considering that only one year has elapsed of the four-year term of Council, it is advisable to fill the vacancy caused due to the resignation. Staff is suggesting the following Options:

Option 1

Council may wish to appoint a member from the applicants from the previous recruitment at beginning of the term. The Office of the City Clerk will then contact the selected former applicant(s) regarding their interest to serve on the Older Adult Task Force and report back at the Council Meeting on January 28, 2020. A list of former applicants and their applications from March 2019 are provided in Confidential Attachment 1 for Council's consideration.

Option 2

Council may direct the Office of the City Clerk to initiate the regular recruitment process to fill the vacancy of Mr. Mathew. Staff will report back with all applications once the recruitment process is completed.

Financial Impact

No new funds are required as the operational expenses are covered within the Office of the City Clerk's budget.

Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations

There are no Regional implications associated with this report.

Conclusion

The City Clerk is requesting that Council receive the resignation of Mr. George Mathew and provide direction with respect to filling the vacancy as a result of the resignation.

For more information, please contact: Todd Coles, City Clerk, extension 8281.

Attachment

1. Confidential Attachment – applications from March 2019 (Mayor and Members of Council only).

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