

## Committee of the Whole (1) Report

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**DATE:** Wednesday, April 7, 2021

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE: ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE – RECRUITMENT OF ONE (1) CITIZEN MEMBER**

**FROM:**

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

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

To seek Council's direction with respect to recruiting one (1) citizen member to the Accessibility Advisory Committee in a vacancy caused due to a resignation.

**Report Highlights**

- Franca Porcelli resigned from the Accessibility Advisory Committee.
- Council's direction is required to fill the vacancy caused due to the resignation.

**Recommendation**

1. That the Office of the City Clerk be directed to advertise and recruit 1 (one) citizen member to fill the vacancy caused due to the resignation of a member.

**Background**

At its meeting on March 10, 2021, Council approved the following recommendation (Committee of the Whole Report 11, Item No.9):

- 1) That recommendation 1 contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Administrative Services and City Solicitor dated March 8, 2021, be approved; and
- 2) That the decision on advertising and recruiting 1 (one) citizen member be deferred to the April 7, 2021 Committee of the Whole (1) meeting.

## **Previous Reports/Authority**

[Extract from Council meeting minutes of March 10, 2021 \(Item 9, Report No. 11\).](#)

## **Analysis and Options**

The City of Vaughan's Accessibility Advisory Committee has an overall mandate to advise Council to support the City's work in identifying and removing barriers to lay the foundation for a barrier-free, inclusive City.

The objectives of the Accessibility Advisory Committee are as follows:

- advise Council about the requirements and implementation of accessibility standards and the preparation of accessibility reports;
- work on initiatives that promote accessibility;
- assist in the preparation and implementation of the City's multi-year Accessibility Plan; and
- provide guidance, address and identify the needs of the community by the removal and prevention of barriers in the City of Vaughan's by-laws, facilities, policies, programs, practices, initiatives and services.

According to its Terms of Reference, the Accessibility Advisory Committee is composed of one (1) Member of Council and nine (9) citizen members. Members are appointed by Council, and any changes to the membership require Council approval.

## **Financial Impact**

There is no financial impact associated with this report.

## **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

There are no Regional Impacts/Considerations associated with this report.

## **Conclusion**

Staff is requesting that Council consider filling the vacancy of one (1) citizen member to the Accessibility Advisory Committee caused due to the resignation of a member.

**For more information**, please contact Todd Coles, City Clerk, Extension 8281

## **Attachments**

None.

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