

Committee of the Whole (2) Report

DATE: Tuesday, November 09, 2021

WARD(S): ALL

TITLE: OLDER ADULT TASK FORCE – FILLING A VACANCY

FROM:

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

ACTION: DECISION

Purpose

To consider the applications received during the recruitment process held in February 2021 for appointing one (1) citizen member to the Older Adult Task Force.

Report Highlights

- One (1) citizen member needs to be appointed to the Older Adult Task Force to fill a vacancy caused due to the passing of a member, Jitendra (Jitu) Pancholi.
- The successful candidate will be advised of their appointment.

Recommendation

- 1. That Council consider the applications received during the recruitment process held in February 2021 [Confidential Attachment 1] for appointing one (1) citizen member to the Older Adult Task Force for the term ending in June 2022; and
- 2. That Council reduce the quorum requirement in the interim until the vacancy is filled.

Background

At its meeting on October 25, 2021, the Older Adult Task Force was advised of the passing of Jitendra (Jitu) Pancholi, and the Task Force unanimously adopted the following recommendations:

1. That Council was requested to consider filling a vacancy from the applications received during the recruitment process conducted in February 2021; and

2. That Council was requested to reduce the quorum requirements in the interim till the vacancy was filled.

In February 2021, the Office of the City Clerk, in collaboration with Corporate and Strategic Communications, coordinated a recruitment process utilizing the City's Social Media platforms and the City's website to recruit members to the Older Adult Task Force.

In an effort to save time and resources, members of the Older Adult Task Force unanimously adopted a recommendation to fill the current vacancy from the applications received during the recruitment process conducted in February 2021. These applications are provided to Mayor and Members of Council as Confidential Attachment 1.

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.

There are currently 7 members remaining on the Task Force: 2 members of Council, 4 citizen members and 1 organization representative.

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

Staff is requesting that Council consider the applications received in February 2021 for appointing one (1) citizen member to the Older Adult Task Force to fill the vacancy caused due to the passing of Jitendra (Jitu) Pancholi.

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

Attachment

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

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