

Appointment of Citizens to the Accessibility Advisory Panel

Presented To: Nominating Committee

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Report Summary

This report sets out the procedure for the appointment of citizens to the Accessibility Advisory Panel.

Resolution

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury appoints _____, and _____ to the Accessibility Advisory Panel, for the term ending November 14, 2026, as outlined in the report entitled "Appointment of Citizens to the Accessibility Advisory Panel", from the General Manager of Corporate Services, presented at the Nominating Committee on September 10, 2024.

Relationship to the Strategic Plan, Health Impact Assessment and Climate Action Plans

This report refers to operational matters.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

Background

At the Nominating Committee of January 30, 2023, Sheila Bianconi and Jennifer Mallette were appointed to serve on the Accessibility Advisory Panel. In the spring of 2024, Clerk's Services was advised that Ms. Bianconi and Ms. Mallette had resigned from the Panel.

The Accessibility Advisory Panel is a legislatively mandated panel that requires the majority of members to be persons with disabilities.

With the two resignations, the membership of the Panel currently sits at nine members, of which, six are persons with a disability.

The Nominating Committee is being asked to fill the vacancies on the above noted panel, the term of which coincides with the term of Council ending November 14, 2026.

Appointment

Individuals who had previously applied to serve on the panel were contacted and asked to confirm whether they would like their previously submitted application to stand and be considered by the Committee.

Original application packages from the January 30, 2023, Nominating Committee for those who indicated they would like their initial application to stand have been provided to members of the Committee under separate cover.

The selection of these positions is to be conducted in accordance with the City of Greater Sudbury's Procedure By-law. Council's procedure requires that in the event more candidates are nominated for the required position, that position will be chosen by simultaneous recorded vote. Requests for simultaneous recorded votes are conducted by way of electronic vote, however, the electronic vote system does not have the functionality for dealing with appointments. Accordingly, the By-law provides that paper ballots are to be used for members that are attending in person and members participating virtually are to provide their votes to the Clerk in writing.

The Nominating Committee is being asked to select two citizens to fill the vacancy on the Accessibility Advisory Panel.

Six applications are submitted to the Committee for their consideration to fill the vacant positions.

- Two applicants have identified as persons with a disability: Valerie Sylvie and Andrew Way.
- Four applicants have identified as persons without a disability: Dana Carbone, Alexandre Desjardins, Colette Julien Leclair and Karen L. Wilson.

Resources Cited

City of Greater Sudbury Procedure By-law 2019-50: <https://www.greatersudbury.ca/city-hall/by-laws/>

City of Greater Sudbury Committees of Council and Advisory Panels By-law 2023-31: <https://pub-greatersudbury.escribemeetings.com/FileStream.ashx?DocumentId=48825>