

November 28, 2016

To: His Worship the Mayor
And Members of City Council

Re: 2017 Elected Official Committee Appointments

RECOMMENDATION

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
- NOVEMBER 16, 2016**

1. That City Council appoint and approve the elected member appointments to the committees summarized in Appendix A.
2. That all appointments be made effective December 1, 2016 with terms of office to December 31, 2017 unless otherwise noted.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – NOVEMBER 16, 2016

The Committee adopted a resolution to concur in the recommendation contained in the report.

Mayor Michael Fougere, Councillors: Barbara Young (Chairperson), Lori Bresciani, John Findura, Jerry Flegel, Bob Hawkins, Joel Murray, Mike O'Donnell and Andrew Stevens were present during consideration of this report by the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee, at the **PRIVATE** session of its meeting held on November 16, 2016, considered the following report from the City Clerk:

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CONCLUSION

The appointment of elected members to committees should be determined by reviewing the attached list item by item.

BACKGROUND

Elected official appointments are required annually to fill vacancies on various committees. Executive Committee is comprised of all member of Council so appointments to it are perfunctory. The purpose of this report is to facilitate the remaining appointments required for 2016 and 2017.

DISCUSSION

To facilitate the appointment process, Appendix A lists the current committee structure that elected officials serve on. The attached list summarizes the committees to which appointments are required. The list is based on the committee structure as at October 31, 2016.

Appendix B is a summary of 2016 elected official attendance at committee meetings (as at October 31, 2016). This information is provided as directed by resolution of City Council on November 24, 2003 which read as follows:

“That the City Clerk be instructed to include information on the attendance of members of Council at committee meetings when bringing forward future reports to Executive Committee on Elected Official Committee Appointments.”

Attendance records for external committees are not available.

As part of the discussion, Council is ask to consider a change in membership for the Regina Appeal Board. (RAB). The RAB is considered a quasi-judicial board, similar to Board of Revision (BOR) and Development Appeal Board (DAB). Both BOR and DAB has private citizen membership and independent legal counsel which contributes to the arms-length decision making. The Administration is asking Council to consider changing the membership of RAB to private citizen membership.

The City Solicitor’s Office has encountered challenges when defending RAB decisions in Court. By making a change for this board to be more quasi-judicial, with independent membership, this will also be an opportunity to strengthen the decision making by this Board. There would be a distinct advantage for defence of decisions in using the model for decision writing that is currently used by BOR and DAB.

The Administration is proposing to finish 2016 with the two members of Council currently appointed to RAB. We would advertise for the new membership with terms commencing in January 2017.

RECOMMENDATION IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

Honorariums for independent members of RAB would be in line with those for DAB and BOR.

Environmental Implications

None with respect to the recommendations of this report.

Policy and/or Strategic Implications

Elected officials participation in various boards, committees and commissions is required to facilitate the decision making process of the City. It also ensures the Vision for Regina is articulated from the top level and works to foster inclusiveness and harmony in the community.

Other Implications

Section 65(c) of *The Cities Act* requires elected officials to participate in council and committee meetings and meetings of other bodies to which they are appointed by Council.

Accessibility Implications

None with respect to the recommendations of this report.

COMMUNICATIONS

After the appointments are approved by City Council, a list of committee members will be communicated to all departments, the media, and other interested parties.

DELEGATED AUTHORITY

The recommendations contained in this report require City Council approval.

Respectfully submitted,

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jim Nicol', is written above a horizontal line.

Jim Nicol, Secretary