

## Appointments to Regina Planning Commission and Community Wellness Committee

<b>Date</b>	May 19, 2021
<b>To</b>	Executive Committee
<b>From</b>	City Clerk's Office
<b>Service Area</b>	Office of the City Clerk
<b>Item No.</b>	E21-26

### RECOMMENDATION

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The Executive Committee recommends that City Council Approve:

1. The following committee and commission appointments for the term of office indicated below, for each vacancy and that each appointed member continue to hold office for the term indicated or until their successor is appointed:

Community Wellness Committee

Councillor Bob Hawkins      June 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021

Regina Planning Commission

John Aston                      June 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021

2. This report at its meeting on May 26, 2021.

### ISSUE

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The purpose of this report is to facilitate the appointment of citizen representation to the Regina Planning Commission for a term specified in the report and appointment of an elected official to the Community Wellness Committee with a term expiry, December 31, 2021.

## **IMPACTS**

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### **Policy Impacts**

#### Regina Planning Commission

In accordance with City Council's policy statement to Strengthening Eligibility and Diversity Requirements for board and committee representation:

*"City Council values and seeks to further enhance the inclusive nature of Regina through living the values of respect and trust, celebrating the strength that comes from diversity and inviting participation from all in decision making. Nominees will have been recruited through an inclusive, transparent and equitable process and appointments made by City Council will reflect these objectives.*

*Representative citizen members provide a varied and valued perspective, reflecting and honouring the diversity of our community and bring experience, skills and expertise that contribute to good governance and informed decision making."*

The advertisement placed in the Leader Post and on the City website, highlighted the policy statement to strengthen eligibility and diversity representation on the Regina Planning Commission.

The Office of the City Clerk reached out to External Stakeholder partners inviting interested citizens to apply for a position on the Regina Planning commission and were also posted on Facebook, Twitter, Regina.ca, and LinkedIn.

#### Community Wellness Committee

Elected officials' participation on 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

### **Strategic Impacts**

Serving on a committee of Council is both a privilege and means for the public to communicate with Council on behalf of the community. The time, effort and expertise members dedicate to committees of Council is invaluable and contributes significantly to the Official Community Plan Goal 2: Community Engagement 14.14.

There is no accessibility, environmental, financial, legal/risk or other impacts.

## **OTHER OPTIONS**

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There are no other options associated with the recommendations of this report.

## COMMUNICATIONS

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Advertisements inviting interested citizens to apply for a position on the Regina Planning Commission were posted on Facebook, Twitter, Regina.ca, and LinkedIn and placed in the Leader Post for two consecutive weekends starting April 17, 2021. The deadline for applications was noted as April 28, 2021 but was extended to May 6, 2021. After City Council has finalized the appointments, all applicants will be notified in writing of the outcome of their applications.

## DISCUSSION

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Executive Committee is required to nominate individuals for City Council consideration presented in this report. The following information is provided on activities that have been carried out in preparation for the appointments:

The appointment process to the following commission and committee was initiated to facilitate the appointment of individuals where vacancies currently exist as of April 9, 2021:

- Community Wellness Committee (Elected Official appointment); and
- Regina Planning Commission (Citizen Appointment).

As appointments are always contingent on the candidate remaining until their successor is appointed, business is still being conducted.

### **Regina Planning Commission Appointment:**

Annual appointments to the Regina Planning Commission were made on December 16, 2020. The Office of the City Clerk received notice from Mr. Jacob Sinclair on April 9, 2021 tendering his resignation from the Regina Planning Commission. This position requiring an appointment is to continue the remaining term appointment that expires on December 31, 2021. This is to ensure that the staggered term appointments set by City Council continue.

Executive Committee is required to nominate individuals for City Council consideration on the Regina Planning Commission as presented in this report. Individuals nominated may not be Elected Officials or employed by any level of government.

### **Community Wellness Committee Appointment**

In accordance with *The Committee Bylaw, Bylaw No. 2009-40* Schedule "A" Table 1 of the bylaw states that the composition of the Community Wellness Committee shall consist of five members of Council.

The Office of the City Clerk received notice from Councillor Terina Shaw on May 6, 2021 tendering her resignation from the Community Wellness Committee.

**DECISION HISTORY**

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CM19-12 Strengthening Eligibility and Diversity was considered on August 26, 2019, approved the Strengthening Eligibility and Diversity Policy.

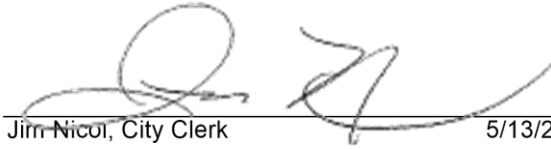
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