

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - SEPTEMBER 29, 2009

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP COMPOSITION

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

1. That this report be received for information.

Economic Impact

Costs associated with advertising are within the department's approved 2009 budget.

Communications Plan

N/A

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to inform Council of the necessity to commence the recruitment process with respect to filling the vacant position on the Accessibility Advisory Committee for the remainder of the 2006-2010 term.

Background - Analysis and Options

At its meeting on May 26, 2009, Council declared the position of Ms. Gina Mastrogiuseppe vacant and directed "That the Vaughan Community Health Care Corporation Board of Directors be requested to nominate for Council's consideration a person with a disability to fill the vacant position for the remainder of the 2006-2010 term".

The Vaughan Community Health Care Corporation (VCHCC) Board of Directors was contacted with respect to Council's request. On June 4, 2009, staff were informed by VCHCC that they currently did not have a nomination that would meet the committee's requirement.

Out of the eight members that currently sit on the Accessibility Advisory Committee, four members are persons with disabilities. Section 12(3) of the *Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2001* (ODA) states that, "a majority of the members of the committee shall include persons with disabilities". To comply with the ODA it is necessary at this time to appoint one more person with a disability to the committee.

It should be noted that the list of qualified applicants on file is depleted and therefore it is necessary to advertise in order to fill the vacancy.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

The Accessibility Advisory Committee supports the Vaughan Vision through provision of effective and efficient delivery of services by identifying opportunities to promote a barrier-free community.

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council by Serving our Citizens and promoting community safety, health & wellness.

Regional Implications

Not applicable.

Conclusion

To comply with the *ODA* it is necessary to appoint a member with a disability to fill the current vacancy on the Accessibility Advisory Committee for the remainder of the 2006-2010 term. Staff will advertise on the City's website and the Vaughan Citizen/Liberal to fill the vacancy.

Attachments

None

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