

Staff Report



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REPORT TO: Committee of the Whole

DATE OF MEETING: March 18, 2024

SUBMITTED BY: Amanda Fusco, Director, Legislated Services and City Clerk, 519-741-2200 ext. 7809

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WARD(S) INVOLVED: All

DATE OF REPORT: February 27, 2024

REPORT NO.: COR-2024-135

SUBJECT: 2024 Committee Member Appointments – Arts and Culture Advisory Committee

RECOMMENDATION:

That effective immediately Olufunmilayo Ajibade be appointed as the one (1) Arts Educator for the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee for a term ending November 14, 2024; and further

That effective immediately Julie Hall be appointed as one (1) Arts Organization for the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee for a term ending November 14, 2024.

REPORT HIGHLIGHTS:

- The purpose of this report is to appoint new members to the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee, due to the resignation of previously appointed members.
- This report supports the delivery of core services

BACKGROUND:

On November 16, 2022, Council appointed citizens and members of Council to various advisory committees, boards, and special committees for the current term. At the Striking Committee meeting, twelve (12) individuals were appointed to the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee for the term ending November 14, 2024.

On October 16, 2023, Chidi Nwene (city resident) and Brenda Reid (practicing artist) were appointed to fill two of the three vacancies arising from the resignations of Mark Waddell (city resident) and Anna McWebb (arts educator) and passing of Chandrika Anjaria (arts organization representative). The Arts Organization representative vacancy remained.

REPORT:

On February 9, 2024 Canan Altinkas (practicing artist) resigned, leaving the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee with 2 vacancies, 1 arts organization representative and one arts educator.

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The candidates from the most recent recruitment were contacted to determine interest and availability. The Nominating Committee considered the applications and recommended that Olufunmilayo Ajibade fill the Arts Educator vacancy and Julie Hall be appointed as one (1) Arts Organization member as the member is also a practising artist. In accordance with the Appointments to Boards and Committees Policy (GOV-BOA-063) the members will be appointed for the remainder of the current term, ending November 14, 2024 and advised of the ability to re-apply if they wish to continue to serve on the Committee.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This report supports the delivery of core services.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Capital Budget – The recommendation has no impact on the Capital Budget.

Operating Budget – The recommendation has no impact on the Operating Budget.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

INFORM – This report has been posted to the City’s website with the agenda in advance of the council / committee meeting.

CONSULT – The Nominating Committee was consulted when considering applications to fill the vacancies.

COLLABORATE – The Program Administrator for Arts & Creative Industries and Committee Administrator for the Committee collaborated on the report and recommendation.

PREVIOUS REPORTS/AUTHORITIES:

There are no previous reports/authorities related to this matter.

APPROVED BY: Victoria Raab, General Manager, Corporate Services

ATTACHMENTS:

None.