Staff Report



To City Council

Service Area Corporate Services

Date Tuesday, May 28, 2024

Subject 2024-2026 Council Appointment to the

Downtown Guelph Business Association Board

of Directors

Recommendation

1. That Councillor _____ be appointed to the Downtown Guelph Business Association Board of Directors for a term ending November 15, 2026.

Executive Summary

Purpose of Report

Councillor Goller resigned from his seat on the Downtown Guelph Business Association (DGBA) Board of Directors (the Board) on April 30th, 2024. The purpose of this report is to appoint a member of City Council to fill the vacancy left by Councillor Goller's resignation.

Key Findings

City Council is required to fill the vacancy on the Board. The vacancy is open to councillors elected in wards two or three only, per by-law (2017)-20217 which establishes the Downtown Business Improvement Area.

Strategic Plan Alignment

The appointment of City Council members to local boards contributes to the foundations theme and lead with accountability objective of the Future Guelph Strategic Plan by ensuring the continued effectiveness of City Council processes.

Future Guelph Theme

Foundations

Future Guelph Objectives

Foundations: Lead with accountability

Financial Implications

None.

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Appointment Process

One City Council member from ward 2 or 3 shall be appointed to the Board for the remainder of the 2024 term of City Council. The City Clerk will seek nominations for this position from eligible members of City Council and will provide those nominations to the Mayor, as chair, in advance of the May 28th, 2024 City Council meeting. City Council appointments are made in accordance with the procedures set out in the Striking Committee – Council Appointment Procedure.

Appointments

The term of office for appointments to the Board is the term of City Council. As this vacancy is the result of a resignation, the term is the remainder of the 2022-2026 City Council term.

Downtown Guelph Business Association Board of Directors

Meetings: the third Tuesday of the month at 5:00 p.m.

The term of office is set as the term of Council as per By-law (2017)-20217.

The Board ensures that downtown is a vibrant urban center for the community and remains the community's civic, cultural, social and economic center. It also improves business through the creation of a unique environment downtown and the promotion and advertising of the varied businesses.

Financial Implications

None.

Consultations and Engagement

None.

Attachments

None.

Departmental Approval

None.

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