



## COUNCIL MEMBER APPOINTMENTS TO AGENCIES, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS

### RECOMMENDATION

1. That the actions as outlined in Attachment 1 of the March 14, 2023, Office of the City Clerk report OCC01747, be approved.
2. That Attachment 1 of the March 14, 2023, Office of the City Clerk report OCC01747 remain private, until approved by City Council, pursuant to sections 17 (disclosure harmful to personal privacy) and 24 (advice from officials) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

### Report Purpose

**Council decision required.**

### REPORT

Council member appointments to the agencies listed in Attachment 1 expire as follows, in expiry order:

- GEF Seniors Housing (GEF): April 19, 2023;
- River Valley Alliance (RVA): April 27, 2023 [Annual General Meeting (AGM)];
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM): May 25-28, 2023 (AGM, during the annual conference); and
- REACH Edmonton Council for Safe Communities (REACH): June 8, 2023 (AGM).

Appointment recommendations are required. A list of other organizations with Council member appointments is provided for information in Attachment 2.

Under Council Procedure C575D, Agencies, Boards, Committees and Commissions, Section 9(c), appointments will be made by resolution of Council for a term of one year, for up to a maximum of six consecutive years, unless otherwise directed by Council, or as stated in the agency's governing documents.

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## External Civic Agencies

Councillors are appointed to external civic agencies to serve as representatives and spokespersons for Council and to represent Council's interests. The appointments in Attachment 1 are to:

- GEF (management body), while not a requirement, the City of Edmonton has received positive feedback on the GEF Council member appointment. In November 2022, GEF sent a letter to Administration on the annual general recruitment process. In that letter, the Chair of the GEF Board, Don Gnatiuk indicated that, "...the recent one-year appointment of a City Councillor as a non-voting member...to our Board has proven beneficial. The appointed Council position was well received, provided valuable advice, and enhanced significantly GEF/City relationships necessary for effective governance."
- RVA and FCM (intergovernmental bodies), which involve more than one municipality or level of government.
- REACH (advisor body), where the role of the appointee is mostly of a liaison nature to promote communication with the agency, or to demonstrate support for its efforts.

## GEF

A Councillor Liaison (non-voting) member is appointed to the GEF Board under Council Procedure C575D, Schedule 1 - External Agencies - Advisor or Liaison Classification:

- Appointments where the role of the appointee is mostly of a liaison nature to promote communication with the agency, or to demonstrate support for its efforts; and
- Councillors may be appointed if the agency requires information about Council's policy direction.

Councillor Cartmell is eligible for reappointment for a one-year term as per Section 9(c) of Council Procedure C575D, Agencies, Boards, Committees and Commissions.

## RVA

Council Member appointments to the RVA Board of Directors are governed by the Articles of Association:

- The business and affairs of the Company shall be managed by a board comprised of seven Municipal Directors, being members of the municipal councils of the Members, and appointed by their respective municipal councils, two of whom are from the City of Edmonton.
- The term of appointment for Municipal Directors will be one year expiring at the next [AGM] of the Company following the appointment. A Municipal Director shall be eligible for reappointment.

Councillors M. Janz and A. Salvador are eligible for reappointment to the RVA Board of Directors.

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## FCM

The FCM Board of Directors consists of 74 Directors, which are elected municipal officials and affiliate members from all regions and various-sized communities across Canada. The nomination process for the Board of Directors is regulated by FCM's Bylaw 1:

- There shall be seven Directors representing Alberta, including one nominee selected by the City of Edmonton. Once the nominees have been determined, they shall be included on a slate to be presented to the Members for election.
- Each elected Director shall hold the office of Director for the period from immediately following the end of the [AGM] at which [they] became a Director and continuing until the end of the next [AGM]; any retiring Director is eligible for re-election or re-appointment if otherwise qualified.

Under the FCM's governing regulations described below, submitted nominations must include confirmation of the municipality's (Municipal Member referenced below) agreement to cover the costs associated with the candidate's participation.

- Each person seeking election to the FCM Board of Directors shall:
  - have the written approval of their Municipal Member to participate on FCM's Board of Directors, confirming that the Municipal Member will cover any costs related to the candidate's participation in FCM meetings (if elected). The candidate will submit a signed consent form together with an official copy of a resolution endorsed by the Municipal Member.

Councillor Hamilton is eligible for reappointment for a one-year term in accordance with the FCM bylaw.

## REACH

REACH is made of seven to 15 Directors; REACH currently has a 13 Member Board of Directors. In addition, REACH allows four entities (one being the Edmonton City Council) to each nominate one Advisor for appointment by the Board.

While the REACH bylaws are silent on terms for Advisors, Directors are elected to the Board and serve a term not to exceed three years, to a maximum of two consecutive terms (six years).

Councillor Rutherford is eligible for reappointment for a two-year term in accordance with the REACH bylaws.

## GBA+

- These are Council member appointments and as such an analysis has not been conducted.

## ATTACHMENTS

1. Council Member Appointments to Agencies, Boards and Commissions - Actions - PRIVATE

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## 2. Other Organizations with Council Member Appointments