

STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL

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DATE: November 14, 2022

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL

NAME AND TITLE: MAUREEN CONNELLY, CORPORATE OFFICER/MANAGER OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

SUBJECT: Designation of Municipal Employees under the Financial Disclosure Act

ATTACHMENTS: Schedule "A" – Designated Municipal Employees

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council DESIGNATES as "municipal employees" under the *Financial Disclosure Act* the positions identified in Schedule "A" attached to the report dated November 14, 2022 from the Corporate Officer/Manager of Legislative Services titled "Designation of Municipal Employees under the *Financial Disclosure Act*".

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to facilitate Council updating the designation of municipal employees pursuant to the *Financial Disclosure Act*.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION:

The *Financial Disclosure* Act (the "Act") requires that Council designate which municipal employees are required to file a "Statement of Disclosure" in the form prescribed by the Act.

The Statement of Disclosure requires "designated municipal employees" to disclose certain assets, such as interests in real property (excluding their personal residence), liability (excluding any residential property debt and household debt), and sources of income. The intent of the Act is to identify what areas of influence and possible financial benefit a designated municipal employee might have by virtue of their position.

The Act requires that "designated municipal employees" must file a Statement of Disclosure each year between January 1st and 15th with the Corporate Officer. The Corporate Officer is required by the Act to send a copy of the filed Statements of Disclosure to members of City Council in confidence. Unlike the Statements of Disclosure that are required to be filed by elected officials, disclosure statements filed by designated municipal employees are not available for public inspection.

The current list of designated municipal employee positions was approved by Council in 2020. Administrative reorganizations and changes to job titles have made it necessary to update the list of designated municipal employee positions.

Schedule "A" attached to this report lists the current positions recommended a being appropriate for designation as a "municipal employee", as that term is defined in the Act. The positions listed in Schedule "A" include statutory officers of the City under section 146 of the Community Charter, together with several other positions that may exercise considerable influence over corporate decisions.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION:

It is recommended that Council approve the proposed list of designated municipal employees for the purposes of the *Financial Disclosure Act*, as set out in Schedule "A" attached to the report.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Maureen Connelly, Corporate Officer/Manager of Legislative Services

APPROVED BY:

Walter Babicz, City Manager

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