

TO:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING ON NOVEMBER 24, 2014
FROM:	ART ZUIDEMA CITY MANAGER
SUBJECT:	ELDON HOUSE MUNICIPAL SERVICE BOARD BY-LAW AMENDMENT TO THE BOARD COMPOSITION

RECOMMENDATION

That, on the recommendation of the City Manager, the attached proposed by-law (Appendix "A") **BE INTRODUCED** at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on November 25, 2014 to amend By-law No. A.-6825-162 entitled "A *by-law to establish a municipal service board for the purpose of operating and managing Eldon House*" in order to increase the number of directors for the municipal service board known as Eldon House Corporation from five (5) directors to nine (9) directors.

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER

Municipal Council Resolution, May 22/23, 2012 – Creation of a separate Eldon House Municipal Service Board through municipal by-law.

BACKGROUND

The Investment and Economic Prosperity (IEPC) Standing Committee of Council on November 10, 2014 received a letter of request from the Eldon House Board of Directors, attached as Appendix "B" to this report, to increase the size of the Eldon House Municipal Service Board to nine (9) directors from the current five (5) directors for the upcoming term of office.

This Board recommendation was unanimously supported, (a copy of the Eldon House Board resolution is attached as Appendix "C" to this report) based upon their collective experience serving as a very small inaugural Board for more than two years since August 28, 2012.

On May 22, 2012 Council passed by-law #A.-6825-162 entitled "A *by-law to establish a municipal service board for the purpose of operating and managing Eldon House*" which established the Eldon House Corporation as a municipal service board. The board was charged with the management and operation of Eldon House, which is a City of London museum. There is no remuneration for the Eldon House Municipal Service Board members.

The City of London Culture Office is recommending that the current Eldon House Board Composition Clause 3.1 be amended as follows:

The Corporation shall consist of a board of directors composed of nine (9) directors appointed by Council each of whom shall be a person qualified to serve and a resident of the City of London:

- (a) one (1) of whom shall have a background in and experience with finance;*
- (b) one (1) of whom shall have a background in and experience with law;*
- ~~*(c) three (3) of whom shall have a distinct interest and/or knowledge of history and heritage;*~~

Additions to Clause:

- (c) one (1) of whom shall have a background in and experience with human resources and labour relations;*
- (d) one (1) of whom shall have a background in and experience with public history or education;*
- (e) one (1) of whom shall have a background in and experience with marketing and promotion; and,*

(f) *four (4) of whom shall have experience with one or more of the following areas:*

- *a distinct interest and/or appreciation of history and heritage*
- *community relations and business partnerships*
- *heritage property and museums operations*
- *administrative experience with municipal agencies, boards or commissions*

The intent is to have this change to the size of the Eldon House Board in effect for the upcoming term of Council.

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CC: Ms. Maureen Spencer-Golovchenko, Chair Eldon House Corporation

Appendices:

- Appendix A: By Law #A.-6825-162 Amendment
- Appendix B: Letter from Eldon House
- Appendix C: Motion to Increase Eldon House Board Size