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**Date:** Friday, October 2, 2015

**To:** Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee

**From:** Lori Da Silva, CEO, London Convention Centre Corporation

**Subject:** London Convention Centre Board Appointments

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**Background:**

In September 2012, the London Convention Centre Corporation By-Law was updated and approved by Council. Section 4 of this By Law addresses the composition of the Board of the Corporation. Paragraphs (1) through (4) identify the community sectors which are to be represented on the LCC Board. This sector representation is important to ensure good relationships with the communities that drive a high percentage of conventions and conferences to the LCC.

*Sections 4 through 7 of the LCC By Law is as follows:*

- (1) The Board of the Corporation shall be composed of the Mayor as a member ex officio and ten members appointed by Council:
  - (a) two of whom shall be Members of Council;*
  - (b) six of whom may be engaged full-time in or otherwise representative of one of the following sectors of the community:
    - (i) hospitality;*
    - (ii) travel and transportation;*
    - (iii) health care;*
    - (iv) business;*
    - (v) marketing or public relations;*
    - (vi) digital media;*
    - (vii) sports;*
    - (viii) agriculture or agrifoods; or*
    - (ix) education;**
  - (c) one of whom shall not be engaged either full-time or part-time in any sector mentioned in clause (b) or (d); and*
  - (d) one of whom may, but need not, be a member of the not-for-profit corporation Emerging Leaders London Community Network.**
- (2) Council shall nominate individuals for appointment under subsection (1).*
- (3) If an individual engaged in a sector mentioned in clauses (b) or (d) of subsection (1) is nominated to the Council, the Council shall first satisfy itself that the individual can generally represent the sector, and can fairly serve the best interests of the Corporation and the sector having regard to the individual's personal interests.*
- (4) Expressions of interest of individuals in serving as directors may be solicited:
  - (a) by advertising in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality;**

- (b) by a posting on the Corporation's and/or the City's website; and/or  
(c) in any other manner determined by the Council, acting reasonably; and the Civic Administration shall submit a list of names of interested individuals to Council, who shall consider such individuals prior to making its nominations.

## **TERM**

5. (1) Members of Council appointed as Directors shall be appointed for a term not exceeding their term in office as Member of the Council that appoints them.  
(2) Directors who are not members of Council shall be appointed for a term not exceeding thirty-six (36) months; provided, however, such term may not exceed the term of office of the Council that appoints them.  
(3) Directors are eligible for re-appointment to the Board for up to six consecutive years.  
(4) The seat of an appointed member of the Board becomes vacant if the Director is absent from the meeting of the Board for three successive meetings without being authorized to do so by the Council.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

6. (1) Each Director shall be at least eighteen years of age and not an undischarged bankrupt or mentally incompetent person.  
(2) Seventy-five percent (75%) of the Directors who are not Members of Council or the Mayor shall be residents of the City. The balance of the Directors, other than the Mayor and Members of Council, may be residents of any of the municipalities within 100 kilometres of the municipal boundaries of the City.

## **NO REMUNERATION**

7. Directors shall serve without remuneration.

### **Current 2015 LCC Board Appointments:**

On December 9, 2014, Council resolved that the following actions be taken with respect to appointments to the LCC Board of Directors:

- a) Councillor P. Hubert and Councillor J. Zaifman BE APPOINTED for the term December 1, 2014 to November 30, 2018;
- b) B. Soanes, J. Cookson, Dr. R. Holliday, J. Irwin, M. Seabrook, C. Colvin, T. Ferguson, P. White, BE APPOINTED to the LCC Board to complete their terms;
- c) C. Moss, Vin Nov, Tony Soares BE CONSIDERED for appointment as terms of members are completed;

The attached chart details the current LCC Board, sector represented and term.

### **Recommendations for the 2016 LCC Board of Directors:**

1. The LCC Board of Directors recommends C. Moss be appointed to the LCC Board for a 3 year term starting December 15, 2015 to December 31, 2018.
2. The LCC Board of Directors recommends reappointing Ms. Jeannine Cookson for a one-year term for 2016, for a total of 6 years. Ms. Cookson will serve as Chair of the London Convention Centre Board, having served on the LCC Executive Committee from 2013 to 2015, representing the hospitality sector.

