

Request for Decision City Council



Type of Decision

Meeting Date	January 25, 2006				Report Date	December 16, 2005			
Decision Requested	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	Priority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	High	<input type="checkbox"/>	Low
	Direction Only				Type of Meeting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Open	<input type="checkbox"/>	Closed

Report Title

New Appointments to Mayor and Council's Children First Roundtable

Policy Implication & Budget Impact

This report and recommendation(s) have been reviewed by the Finance Division and the funding source has been identified.

Policy Implication: The Children's First Roundtable has experienced a decline in membership due to recent resignations.

In order to continue to provide effective support to the Mayor and Council on matters concerning children and youth, the Roundtable sought to increase participation for the balance of this term.

Budget Impact: There is no budget impact associated with these appointments.

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Background Attached

Recommendation

WHEREAS the Mayor and council have previously authorized the terms of reference for the Mayor and Council's Children First Roundtable; and

WHEREAS a decrease in membership has occurred due to recent resignations; and

WHEREAS the Roundtable believes the following individuals are imminently qualified to become members;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Diane Loyer, Lucy Gregorini, Carmen Robillard and Tracy Saarikoski be appointed to the Mayor and Council's Children's First Roundtable effective January 26, 2006 for the balance of this term ending November 30, 2006.

Recommendation Continued

Recommended by the Department

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Recommended by the C.A.O.

Mark Mieto
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Date: December 16, 2005

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Background

The role of the Mayor and Council's Children First Roundtable is to advise the Mayor and members of Council on children's issues and to take a leadership role in promoting efforts in the community which put children first. It will also provide information and recommendations on the development of policies and programs to address the needs of children of all ages in the City of Greater Sudbury. Activities include recognizing citizens, organizations and businesses that contribute to the quality of life for children and public awareness activities which focus on the importance of early years experiences for children. The Mayor or his designate will act as Chair.

Recently the Roundtable has experienced a decline in membership due to recent resignations. The Roundtable has selected four individuals: Diane Loyer (Outreach Team Leader, ICAN), Lucy Gregorini (Early Years Practitioner, Ontario Early Years Centre North), Carmen Robillard (Executive Director, Our Children Our Future) and Tracy Saarikoski (Director, Teddy Bear Day Care) from the list of those who had previously applied to serve on the Roundtable. All of these individuals meet the criteria for both citizen and community expert membership with extensive experience working on behalf of children in a variety of sectors including education and advocacy, early child development, child welfare, research and planning. Current members of the Roundtable believe that the appointments of these individuals will serve to support their efforts in providing recommendations of policies and programs to the Mayor and Council that will benefit all children and youth in the City of Greater Sudbury.