

Request for Recommendation Priorities Committee



Type of Decision									
Meeting	January 23, 2008				Report Date	January 14, 2008			
Decision Requested	X	Yes		No	Priority	X	High		Low
	Direction Only				Type of Meeting	X	Open		Closed

Report Title
Appointment of Priorities Committee Chair and Vice-Chair for the term ending December 31, 2008

Budget Impact / Policy Implication	Recommendation
<p>NA This report has been reviewed by the Finance Division and the funding source has been identified.</p>	
<p>Policy Implication:</p> <p>The procedure for the appointment of Priorities Committee Chair and Vice-Chair will be made in accordance with Council's Procedure By-law 2006-100.</p> <p>Budget Impact:</p> <p>There is no budget impact associated with this Request for Decision.</p>	<p>That Councillor _____ be appointed Chair of the Priorities Committee for the term ending December 31, 2008 or until his/her successor is appointed, whichever occurs later; and</p> <p>That Councillor _____ be appointed Vice-Chair of the Priorities Committee for the term ending December 31, 2008 or until his/her successor is appointed, whichever occurs later.</p>
Background Attached	Recommendation Continued

Recommended by the Department	Recommended by the C.A.O.
 Caroline Hallsworth Executive Director, Administrative Services	 Mark Mieto Chief Administrative Officer

Report Prepared By	Division Review
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Background

Article 33 of the Procedure By-law provides for the annual appointment of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Priorities Committee. Both the Chair and Vice-Chair are eligible for reappointment for a second term.

No Member of Council shall simultaneously serve as a Deputy Mayor or Chair of Planning, Priorities or Finance Committees.

Remuneration

The Chair of the Priorities Committee is currently paid \$4,416 per annum.

Selection

The selection of the Priorities Committee Chair and Vice-Chair is to be conducted in accordance with Article 37 of the Procedure by-law.

In the event more than one candidate is nominated for either the Chair or Vice-Chair positions, then the voting process to be used will be decided by the Priorities Committee at the outset of the meeting.

In the event a Member of Council requests a vote by paper ballots, a supply of ballots has been prepared.

In order to be appointed, the applicant must receive a majority of votes (i.e. if all thirteen Members of Council are present, the applicant would require seven (7) votes to be appointed). In the event of an equality of votes, then the successful candidate is to be determined by lot conducted by the Clerk.

Where no applicant receives the majority required for appointment and where two or more applicants are tied with the least number of votes, a special roll call vote shall be taken to decide which of the tied applicants with the least number of votes shall be dropped from the list of names to be voted on in the next vote.

It is always in order for a Member of Council to nominate themselves and to vote for themselves.

Under Robert's Rules of Order a nomination does not need a second.

Once the successful candidates have been selected, resolutions will be introduced confirming the appointment of the successful candidates.