

DATE OF MEETING | NOVEMBER 5, 2018 |

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SUBJECT | 2019 APPOINTMENTS TO THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO BOARD |

OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report

To obtain Council direction regarding appointments to the Regional District of Nanaimo Board and establish voting assignments for each Director for 2019.

Recommendation

That Council:

1. appoint for a one year term, eight Directors to the Regional District of Nanaimo Board;
2. assign 5 votes to five Directors and 4 votes to three Directors; and,
3. appoint one alternate Director to the Regional District of Nanaimo Board.

BACKGROUND

Council's Policy "Appointments to the Board of Directors of the Regional District of Nanaimo" (RDN) states the following:

Council to review, on a yearly basis, the City's appointees to the Regional District of Nanaimo Board of Directors, and that the selection of members of Council shall be considered on a combination of experience and voter confidence.

Voter confidence is determined by the number of votes cast per candidate in the 2018 General Local Election. A Councillor may also be appointed as an Alternate Director to the RDN in accordance with Section 200 of the *Local Government Act*. The following table outlines the order of votes cast from highest to lowest.

Member of Council	Election Votes Cast
1. Leonard Krog	20,040
2. Erin Hemmens	15,937
3. Sheryl Dawn Armstrong	15,817
4. Ben Geselbracht	15,136
5. Tyler Brown	14,935
6. Jim Turley	11,649
7. Don Bonner	9,674
8. Ian Thorpe	8,993
9. Zeni Maartman	8,558

Based on the above table it is recommended that Council assign five votes to numbers 1-5 and four votes for numbers 5-8. Number 9 would be assigned the alternate position.

In total, the Regional District of Nanaimo Board is comprised of nineteen directors. Representation is from the City of Nanaimo, District of Lantzville, City of Parksville and Town of Qualicum Beach and seven unincorporated electoral areas. The RDN Board provides regional governance and various services throughout the east coast of Vancouver Island.

OPTIONS

1. That Council:
 1. appoint for a one year term, eight Directors to the Regional District of Nanaimo Board;
 2. assign 5 votes to five Directors and 4 votes to three Directors; and,
 3. appoint one alternate Director to the Regional District of Nanaimo Board.
 - **Budget Implication:** Members appointed to the RDN Board receive remuneration from the Regional District of Nanaimo.
 - **Legal Implication:** Council is required by the *Local Government Act* to appoint members to the Regional District of Nanaimo Board.
 - **Policy Implication:** Council Policy “Appointments to the Board of Directors of the Regional District of Nanaimo” explains the process which must be followed to appoint members to the Board.
2. That Council provide alternate direction.]

SUMMARY POINTS

- The City of Nanaimo is required to appoint eight directors to the RDN Board.
- City appointees are determined by a combination of voter confidence and experience.]

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