

Staff Report for Decision

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SUBJECT 2021 ACTING MAYOR SCHEDULE

OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report

To present two options for the 2021 Acting Mayor Schedule and request that Council select an option.

Recommendation

That Council select an option for the 2021 Acting Mayor Schedule.

BACKGROUND

Section 130 of the Community Charter requires that "The council must, in accordance with its applicable procedure bylaw, provide for the designation of a councillor as the member responsible for acting in the place of the mayor when the mayor is absent or otherwise unable to act or when the office of mayor is vacant."

"Council Procedure Bylaw 2018 No. 7272" requires that the Corporate Officer annually prepare a schedule to designate Council members to serve as Acting Mayor on a rotating basis. The Acting Mayor fulfills the responsibilities of the Mayor in his absence. If both the Mayor and Acting Mayor are absent from a Council meeting, the Council Member who is next in rotation as Acting Mayor and is in attendance at the meeting will act as Chair of the meeting. The schedule is for a one-year period.

DISCUSSION

If a Council member knows they will be absent during their assigned time period they may wish to switch periods, via motion, with another member of Council.

Two options are presented for Council's consideration. The schedule in Option one is in the same order as in the 2020 Acting Mayor schedule and was originally created using a random generator. Option two is a new schedule and was developed using a random generator.



OPTIONS

1. That Council approve option one as the 2021 Acting Mayor Schedule:

NAME	DATES	
Councillor Bonner	2021-JAN-01 to	2021-FEB-14
Councillor Geselbracht	2021-FEB-15 to	2021-MAR-28
Councillor Turley	2021-MAR-29 to	2021-MAY-09
Councillor Maartman	2021-MAY-10 to	2021-JUN-27
Councillor Thorpe	2021-JUN-28 to	2021-AUG-08
Councillor Armstrong	2021-AUG-09 to	2021-SEP-19
Councillor Brown	2021-SEP-20 to	2021-NOV-07
Councillor Hemmens	2021-NOV-08 to	2021-DEC-31

- The advantages of this option: Each member of Council will have the same rotation as in the Acting Mayor schedule for 2020.
- The disadvantages of this option: Council may wish to select an alternative schedule.
- Financial Implications: Council members do not receive additional financial compensation when in the Acting Mayor role.
- 2. That Council approve option two as the 2021 Acting Mayor Schedule:

NAME	DATES	
Councillor Turley	2021-JAN-01 to	2021-FEB-14
Councillor Armstrong	2021-FEB-15 to	2021-MAR-28
Councillor Maartman	2021-MAR-29 to	2021-MAY-09
Councillor Hemmens	2021-MAY-10 to	2021-JUN-27
Councillor Bonner	2021-JUN-28 to	2021-AUG-08
Councillor Brown	2021-AUG-09 to	2021-SEP-19
Councillor Thorpe	2021-SEP-20 to	2021-NOV-07
Councillor Geselbracht	2021-NOV-08 to	2021-DEC-31

- The advantages of this option: Each Councillor will experience a different time period where they exercise their Acting Mayor duties.
- The disadvantages of this option: Council may wish to select an alternative schedule.
- Financial Implications: Council members do not receive additional financial compensation when in the Acting Mayor role.



SUMMARY POINTS

- The Acting Mayor Schedule is required by legislation and is prepared annually.
- Council has been provided two options to choose from.
- Council members do not receive additional remuneration when acting in the Mayor's role.

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