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Item No. 12.1.2 Executive Standing Committee December 13, 2021

TO: Mayor Savage and Members of Executive Standing Committee

SUBMITTED BY: (Original Signed)

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DATE: December 9, 2021

SUBJECT: Councillor Nominations to Halifax Regional Library Board and Indigenous

Community Liaison

### ORIGIN

Requirement to fill one vacancy on the Halifax Regional Library Board as a result of the resignation of Councillor Outhit and a requirement to fill the vacancy for Indigenous Community Liaison which was missed during the 2020 Councillor appointments

## **LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY**

The Public Appointment Policy – Governing appointments to HRM agencies, boards, committees and commissions and external bodies approved by Halifax Regional Council August 2011.

#### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Executive Standing Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council;

- Appoint Councillor Morse to the Halifax Regional Library Board for a term to November 2022 as outlined in the discussion section of this report; and
- Appoint Councillor Mason as the Indigenous Community Liaison for a term to November 2022 as outlined in the discussion section of this report.

# **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION**

On November 26, 2021 the Clerk's Office sent out a call for expression of interest for vacant positions as follows:

- 1. Halifax Regional Library Board for a term to November 2022 (1 position). This position was previously held by Councillor Outhit who has resigned; and
- 2. **Indigenous Community Liaison for a term to November 2022 (1 position).** *This appointment was missed in 2020.* The designate acts on behalf of the Mayor (principal representative), when requested by the Mayor, for government-to-government interactions requiring a political representative as Regional Council's Indigenous Community liaison

The Clerk's Office received one expression of interest for Halifax Regional Library Board from Councillor Kathryn Morse.

The Clerk's Office received one expression of interest for the Indigenous Community Liaison position from Councillor Waye Mason.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No financial implications at this time.

### **RISK CONSIDERATION**

No risk considerations were identified.

# **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

No community engagement was required.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

No environmental implications were identified.

## **ALTERNATIVES**

Executive Standing Committee could choose to recommend that Halifax Regional Council appoint any other member of Council to fill the positions outlined in this report.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

No attachments.

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