



Memorandum

April 25, 2018

Memo To: Mayor and Members of Council
May 7 Committee of the Whole Meeting

From: Neil Garbe, Chief Administrative Officer

Subject: Request for Support – AMO Board of Directors

I have an interest in pursuing a position on the Board of Directors of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) to serve as the staff representative for the Large Urban Caucus. The nomination requires support, by way of resolution, from the employee's municipal Council.

As my term as President of the Ontario Municipal Administrators Association wraps up, I am interested in continuing to:

1. Promote Richmond Hill as a leading example of excellence in municipal government
2. Be at the decision making table while promoting the interests of Richmond Hill
3. Be among the municipalities best able to respond and adapt to legislative and regulatory changes affecting municipal government
4. Build a strong network of like-minded municipal colleagues to share experiences and best practices

AMO is the organization that represents the interests of municipalities to the Province and whose advice is sought on policy development and implementation. Having a representative on its Board of Directors would allow Richmond Hill to have another avenue with direct access to Provincial decision makers, which I believe would lead to strong outcomes for Richmond Hill.

The position of Board Member requires approximately 6 days per year for attendance at meetings as well as attendance at the annual AMO conference. A copy of the position description and time commitment is attached.

Recommendation:

It is my request that the following resolution be adopted:

"The Council of the Town of Richmond Hill supports the nomination of Neil Garbe, Chief Administrative Officer, as a candidate to serve as the Employee Large Urban Caucus representative on the Board of Directors for the Association of Municipalities of Ontario."

"Signed version on file in the Office of the Clerk"

Neil Garbe
Chief Administrative Officer

Attachment

2018 – 2020
AMO BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Call for Nominations

April 23, 2018

Monday, April 23, 2018

To: Head and Members of Council
From: Trevor Wilcox, Secretary-Treasurer, AMO

Please be advised that in accordance with the Association's governing by-law, the Secretary-Treasurer is requesting nominations to the 2018 – 2020 AMO Board of Directors.

Attached please find:

- A summary of the offices for which elections will be held at the 2018 Annual Meeting;
- An estimate of the annual time commitment required to serve on the AMO Board of Directors and for those who will then serve on the AMO Executive Committee; and
- Nomination Form

The names of all qualified individuals who are duly nominated will appear on the ballot for election to the Board. From the AMO Bylaw No. 2, Part 3, qualifications are:

3.3 Qualifications of Directors.

a) Every Director shall:

- be an individual of eighteen (18) or more years of age;
- be an elected official of a Member Municipality or an employee of a Member Municipality of the Corporation;
- not be an undischarged bankrupt; and
- not be declared incapable.

b) The position of Secretary-Treasurer is to be filled by an employee of a Member Municipality and also meet the qualifications of 3.3 a).

Qualified Nominees must obtain a Council resolution of support which must also specify the Caucus or position for which the individual is being nominated. In order to provide the broadest representation possible, AMO Bylaw No. 2 stipulates that a member municipality can only have one representative on the Board unless another representative is on the Board as an appointed official from a municipal group. See Section 3.4(e).

A completed Nomination Form and supporting material must be received no later than 12:00 noon on Monday, June 25, 2018. Nominations will not be accepted beyond that date. AMO's Chief Returning Officer, Peter Fay, will certify the nomination. A Nominations Report will be issued no later than Friday, July 27, 2018.

Please forward a completed Nomination Form to the Association via email amoelections@amo.on.ca or fax at (416) 971-6191 or mail to the attention of Pat Vanini, Executive Director

All candidates will be contacted to confirm receipt of their nominations and at that time will receive further information on the election process.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Pat Vanini, Executive Director at (416) 971-9856, ext. 316, e-mail pvanini@amo.on.ca or Lorna Ruder, Executive Assistant, ext. 341, email lruder@amo.on.ca

Commitment:

The following is an estimate of time individuals can normally expect to devote for service on the AMO Board of Directors and Executive Committee (i.e. Chair of each Caucus).

Executive Meetings: 10 days

Memorandum of Understanding Meetings: 8 days
(Executive Committee only)

Board Meetings: 6 days

AMO Conference: 3 days

Other Commitments: up to 6 days, depending on interest
(task forces, other meetings)

Board Meetings:

Board meetings are normally held on the fourth Friday in September, November, January, March and June and on the Saturday and Sunday in advance of the AMO Annual Conference in August. The June meeting is normally held in the President's or Secretary-Treasurer's home municipality. In addition to the Board meetings, Board members may also serve on AMO Task Forces.

Executive Meetings:

Executive meetings are held on the Thursday before a scheduled Board meeting and on the fourth Thursday of the month when there is no Board meeting. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) meetings are specifically scheduled annually in concert with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

AMO Board/Executive/Volunteer Expense Reimbursement Policy

This policy applies to members of the Executive and Board as it relates to Executive Committee meetings (including MOU meetings) and Board of Directors meetings.

Travel Expense:

AMO will reimburse travel expenses in excess of \$300.00 per meeting for AMO Board of Directors, AMO Executive Committee meetings, and MOU meetings, which are generally held in the City of Toronto or the President or Secretary-Treasurer's municipality. Travel expenses refer to airfare, train fare, car mileage, public transit, and parking costs, and shall not apply to AMO Board of Directors/Executive meetings that are held prior to or following the AMO Annual Conference, Urban Symposium or Counties, Regions and Single Tier Symposium. Members are expected to make the most efficient and cost effective travel arrangements.

Mileage Rates:

Automobile travel allowance rates are

- 54 cents for the first 5,000 kilometers, and
- 48 cents for each additional kilometer.

AMO's mileage rate is based on Revenue Canada's current "Automobile Deduction Limits and Expense Benefit Rates for Business" and is adjusted annually to reflect any changes.

Accommodation/Meals:

There is no provision for the reimbursement of accommodation and meals.

Northern Ontario Exception:

Northern Ontario Executive Committee and Board members are expected to take advantage of airfare savings, and make the most efficient and cost effective travel arrangements. As some Northern Ontario board/executive members have connecting flights making it impossible to complete their travel without incurring accommodation and meal expenses, then AMO will reimburse a maximum of three days accommodation and meal expenses.

Notice of Elections:

Elections will be held for the 2018 – 2020 AMO Board of Directors consistent with the AMO By-law No. 1. Positions include:

- President (must be a municipal elected official).
- Secretary-Treasurer (must be a municipal staff official).
- 6 County Caucus Directors. To be Elected: Three elected officials and one municipal employee to be elected by caucus constituency at the conference. Appointed Officials: Chairs of the Eastern and Western Ontario Wardens Caucuses.
- 7 Large Urban Caucus Directors. To be Elected: Five elected officials and one municipal employee to be elected by caucus constituency at the conference. Appointed Official: Chair of the Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario.
- 6 Northern Caucus Directors. To be Elected: Four elected officials to be elected by caucus constituency at the conference: two from the Northeast and two from the Northwest. Appointed Officials: Chairs of the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities and the Northern Ontario Municipal Association.
- 7 Regional and Single Tier Caucus Directors. To be Elected: Six elected officials to be elected by caucus constituency at the conference. Appointed Official: Chair of the Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario's Single Tier Cities and Regions.
- 6 Rural Caucus Directors. To be Elected: Four elected officials and one municipal employee to be elected by caucus constituency at the conference. Appointed Official: Chair of the Rural Ontario Municipal Association.
- 6 Small Urban Caucus Directors. To be Elected: Four elected officials and one municipal employee to be elected by caucus constituency at the conference. Appointed Official: Chair of Ontario Small Urban Municipalities.

Each of the above elected caucus members shall serve a two-year term.

*Excerpt from AMO Bylaw No. 2, Section 3.4 (e): No Member Municipality may be represented on the Board by more than one Director elected to the Board (either a municipal elected official or a municipal employee) except in the case where the Director is an appointed Director as set out in Section 3.4 b) ii), or the City of Toronto (Section 3.4 c).

NOMINATION FORM
2018 – 2020 AMO Board of Directors

- It is the responsibility of the person nominated to file a complete and accurate Nomination Form.
- Nominations will be accepted no later than **12:00 noon Monday, June 25, 2018.**
- Council Resolution of support must be attached, and must specify the Board Office position.

Send completed forms to:

Pat Vanini, Executive Director
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
200 University Avenue, Suite 801
Toronto, ON M5H 3C6
Email: amoelections@amo.on.ca
Fax: 416-971-6191

Please type or print clearly:

Nominee's Name, as it is to appear on the ballot

Nominee's Municipal Position Title

Nominee's Municipality

Address

Municipality and Postal Code

Nominee's Email address and phone number

Nominated for the Office of (check one only):

- ☐ President
- ☐ Secretary-Treasurer
- ☐ Director County Caucus
- ☐ Director Large Urban Caucus
- ☐ Director Northern Caucus
- ☐ Director Regional & Single Tier Caucus
- ☐ Director Rural Caucus
- ☐ Director Small Urban Caucus

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- ☐ *A Council Resolution confirming Board Office Nomination and Council support for the Nomination is ATTACHED*

Consent of Nominee and Statement of Qualification:

I, the Nominee mentioned in this Nomination Form do hereby consent to such Nomination and declare that I am qualified to be elected and to hold the office for which I am nominated.

Signature of Nominee and date

Certificate of AMO's Chief Returning Officer:

I, Peter Fay, the Chief Returning Officer, appointed by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, to officiate over these elections, do hereby certify that I have examined the Nomination Form of the aforementioned Nominee filed with me and am satisfied that such Nominee is qualified to be nominated to the office indicated above.

Signature of Chief Returning Officer and date

Date Nomination Form received in AMO Office