

Appointment of Integrity Commissioner

ISSUE

Bylaw No. 9537, *The Code of Ethical Conduct for City Council Bylaw, 2019* (the “Bylaw”) requires City Council to appoint an Integrity Commissioner. This report recommends a candidate suitable for the role and outlines proposed remuneration for City Council’s consideration.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Mr. Randall Langgard be appointed as the City of Saskatoon’s Integrity Commissioner until December 31, 2021, with an option to renew for further one-year periods.
2. That the remuneration for Mr. Langgard be set out at \$2,000.00 for 2019, \$5,000.00 for 2020 and \$2,500.00 for 2021 as an annual retainer, plus an hourly rate of \$375.00 for investigation, education and advisory services.
3. That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate agreement and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement under the Corporate Seal.

BACKGROUND

At its Regular Business Meeting on April 29, 2019, City Council passed the Bylaw. This Bylaw requires the appointment of an Integrity Commissioner.

The duties and responsibilities of the Integrity Commissioner are set out in section 84 of the Bylaw and include:

- Provision of advice and recommendations to members of Council on questions of compliance with the Bylaw.
- Preparation of written materials for use by members of Council, and content for the City’s website, regarding the role and the ethical obligations and responsibilities of members of Council.
- Deliverance of educational programs to members of Council and City staff regarding the role and the ethical obligations and responsibilities of members of Council.
- Receipt and investigation of complaints under the Bylaw.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

The City of Regina also has an Integrity Commissioner. There were discussions between the two cities about appointing the same Integrity Commissioner.

Mr. Langgard was appointed as Integrity Commissioner for the City of Regina in July of 2018. He was appointed after a province-wide advertisement and selection.

The City Clerk and Interim City Solicitor interviewed Mr. Langgard at the end of June, 2019. Mr. Langgard has a multi-faceted list of credentials and is uniquely qualified to perform this role for the City of Saskatoon. Mr. Langgard's biography is attached as Appendix 1.

Mr. Langgard is willing to provide services to the City of Saskatoon at the same rate as the City of Regina which is based on an annual fee plus hourly rate for work that is performed. The annual fee proposed would be \$2,000.00 for 2019, \$5,000.00 for 2020 and \$2,500.00 for 2021, plus an hourly rate of \$375.00 for investigation, education and advisory services.

NEXT STEPS

Following the appointment of Mr. Langgard, the City Clerk's Office and the City Solicitor's Office will work with him to set up appropriate training for City Council and to develop appropriate information materials.

APPENDICES

1. Biography of Mr. Langgard

Report Approval

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