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Subject: **Brampton Arts Walk of Fame Nomination Working Group**

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Recommendations:

1. That the report titled: **Brampton Arts Walk of Fame Nomination Working Group**, dated May 2, 2022, to the Committee of Council meeting of June 8, 2022, be received;
2. That the individuals listed in confidential Appendix A to this report be appointed to the Brampton Arts Walk of Fame Nomination Working Group; and
3. That the confidential Appendix A to this report become public upon its approval.

Overview:

- On September 29, 2021, Council approved the Brampton Arts Walk of Fame Program Recommendation Report (CW437-2021).
- The report outlined a revised vision, mission and goals for the program and established the terms of reference for the formation of a Nomination Working Group to monitor the careers of creative talent emerging from Brampton and advise the City on the development of recommendations for the induction of artists and cultural producers into the Brampton Arts Walk of Fame.
- At that time, Regional Councillor Rowena Santos was appointed as the Council representative on the Nomination Working Group. Staff was also directed to undertake a call for expressions of interest for additional group members and report back to Council for approval of the group's composition.

- In Q1 2022, staff sought expressions of interest for the Nomination Working Group from the creative community, the Arts, Culture and Creative Industry Development Agency, local arts, culture and creative institutions, and City staff.
- City staff reviewed and assessed responses received and prepared a proposed composition of individuals for the Nomination Working Group for Council consideration, which is hereto attached as confidential Appendix A.
- The proposed composition aims to reflect a balance of localized and broader industry representation, with knowledge and expertise across the inclusive and evolving spectrum of creative disciplines recognized by the Brampton Arts Walk of Fame. Further subject matter advisors may also be called upon, and additional members considered as needed to support the group's work.
- Pending Council approval of the recommended Nomination Working Group composition, staff will:
 - Inform the group members of their approval.
 - Establish a date for the group's first meeting.
 - Work towards advising the City on nomination recommendations for approval in the new term of Council.

Background:

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The Nomination Working Group should include members who are deeply immersed in and/or aware of Brampton's cultural scene, possess knowledge and expertise in the arts and creative industries and can speak in an informed manner about the Canadian awards landscape and its impact on the sector. Representation should reflect Brampton's diversity and include, and may not be limited to, the following:

- Established artists
- Emerging and/or young artists
- A representative from the Arts, Culture and Creative Industries Development Agency
- Representatives from local arts, cultural and creative institutions
- A representative from City Council
- City staff with subject matter expertise

Additional City staff will be present to lead meetings and facilitate group operations. Further subject matter advisors may also be called upon, and additional members considered as needed to support the group's work.

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Current Situation:

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Next Steps

Pending Council approval of the recommended Nomination Working Group composition, staff will:

- Inform the group members of their approved appointment.
- Establish a date for the group's first meeting.
- Work towards advising the City on nomination recommendations for approval in the new term of Council.

Corporate Implications:

Financial Implications:

There are no financial implications associated with the recommendations of this report.

Term of Council Priorities:

This Brampton Arts Walk of Fame supports the Term of Council priority *Brampton is a Mosaic* by recognizing and celebrating Brampton's extraordinary creative talent and supporting diverse and inclusive cultural expression.

Culture Master Plan

The Brampton Arts Walk of Fame aligns with Brampton's vision for arts and culture. It supports the strategic themes of *Developing a Community of Practice* and *Building Brampton's Identity* by building meaningful connections with program inductees and alumni, generating learning and talent development opportunities for the public and artistic community, and promoting Brampton as a vibrant and creative place.

Conclusion:

This report recommends a proposed composition for the Brampton Arts Walk of Fame Nomination Working Group. Pending Council approval of the recommendations in this report, staff will proceed with the next steps in launching the group's operation.

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Appendix A: Open Meeting exception under Section 239(2)(b), under the Municipal Act, 2001. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees. *Brampton Arts Walk of Fame Nomination Working Group Proposed Composition.*