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## MANAGEMENT REPORT

**Date:** October 15, 2024  
**To:** Mayor and Members of Council  
**From:** Vicky Trotter, Council Committee Coordinator  
**Report Number:** COU24-115  
**Attachments:** None

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**Title:** Destination Stratford Board and Councillor Representative Request

**Objective:** To consider a request from the Destination Stratford Board of Directors to appoint an additional City Councillor to the Board.

**Background:** The current composition of the Destination Stratford Board of Directors includes one City Councillor who is appointed at the start of each council term.

At the January 10, 2024 Destination Stratford Board meeting the following motion was passed:

**To request that the City of Stratford appoint a second City Councillor for Board Member representation.**

It is staff's understanding that this was requested by the current Council representative and that the Board supports the request.

**Analysis:** Section 4.3 of the Procedural By-law 140-2007 states Council may make amendments to council representation on boards at any time during the term of Council.

Should Council wish to nominate an additional Councillor representative to the Destination Stratford Board a resolution nominating a member would need to be adopted and By-law 4-2023, amended. Destination Stratford would then be responsible for amending any relevant by-laws or policies governing the Board and making the appointment.

The Remuneration By-law 20-98 provides for a stipend or remuneration to members of Councils who sit on local boards in the amount of \$60.00 for a meeting which is three (3) hours or less in duration and \$90.00 for a meeting which is more than three (3) hours in one day. The additional costs for a Councillor attending twelve (12) meetings

per year is approximately \$720.00 to \$1,080.00. A budget line currently exists for such remuneration.

Options:

1. Council could decide to nominate a second Council member to the Board. Under this option, members of Council interested in serving on the Destination Stratford Board for the remainder of the Council term, would submit their names to the City Clerk. A report would be brought forward at a subsequent Council meeting to select the nominee.
2. Council could decide to file the request from the Board and take no action;
3. Council could decide to table or defer the request from the Board.

**Financial Implications:**

**Financial impact to current year operating budget:**

Remuneration for an additional councillor would be paid from the current year budget line for remuneration for Council Members.

**Financial impact on future year operating budget:**

Remuneration for an additional councillor would be included in future years operating budget under remuneration for Council members.

**Alignment with Strategic Priorities:**

**Not applicable:** This report does not align with one of the Strategic Priorities as the purpose of the report is to consider an additional councillor appointment to the Destination Stratford Board.

**Alignment with One Planet Principles:**

**Not applicable:** This report does not align with one of the Strategic Priorities as the purpose of the report is to consider an additional councillor appointment to the Destination Stratford Board.

**Staff Recommendation: THAT the request to nominate a second member of Stratford City Council to the Destination Stratford Board of Directors be received;**

**AND THAT direction be given with respect to Option 1 or Option 2.**

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