

# DECISION/DIRECTION NOTE

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**Title:** St. John's Transportation Commission Membership – Extension of Term

**Date Prepared:** October 7, 2024

**Report To:** Special Meeting of Council

**Councillor and Role:** Mayor Danny Breen, Governance & Strategic Priorities

**Ward:** N/A

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**Decision/Direction Required:** That Council approve the one-year term extension of Commissioner Tolulope Akerele.

## **Discussion – Background and Current Status:**

The St. John's Transportation Commission will have two vacant public member positions on the Commission by the end of December 2024. One position, currently held by Chair Lynn Zurel, will be advertised in a call for members.

The second position is held by Commissioner Tolulope Akerele. Commissioner Akerele started her two-year term on the Commission in January 2021 and was re-appointed for a second two-year term in January 2023, as permitted under section 3(a) of the Transportation Commission By-Law. The By-Law does not address further extensions for Commissioners.

The Commission requests to extend Commissioner Akerele for one year to enable her continued expertise both in St. John's and nationally as part of the Canadian Urban Transit Association's Transit Board Member Committee.

## **Key Considerations/Implications:**

1. Budget/Financial Implications: N/A
2. Partners or Other Stakeholders: St. John's Transportation Commission
3. Is this a New Plan or Strategy: No

If yes, are there recommendations or actions that require progress reporting?

If yes, how will progress be reported? (e.g.: through the strategic plan, through Cascade, annual update to Council, etc.)

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4. Alignment with Strategic Directions:

N/A

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5. Alignment with Adopted Plans: N/A

6. Accessibility and Inclusion: N/A

4. Legal or Policy Implications: N/A

5. Privacy Implications: N/A

6. Engagement and Communications Considerations: N/A

7. Human Resource Implications: N/A

8. Procurement Implications: N/A

9. Information Technology Implications: N/A

10. Other Implications: N/A

**Recommendation:**

That Council approve the one-year term extension of Commissioner Tolulope Akerele.

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