



**IN CAMERA**

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

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TO: Vancouver City Council  
FROM: City Clerk  
SUBJECT: Appointment to Streetohome Foundation Board

**IN CAMERA RATIONALE**

This report is recommended for consideration by Council on the In Camera agenda as it relates to Section 165.2(1) of the *Vancouver Charter*. (a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the city or another position appointed by the city.

**RECOMMENDATION**

- A. THAT Council request that Sadhu Johnston be re-appointed by the Streetohome Foundation Board as a Director for so long as he holds the position of City Manager with the City of Vancouver or the term of his appointment to the Streetohome Foundation Board expires, whichever is sooner.
- B. THAT, if Recommendation A is approved, the City Clerk be directed to notify the Streetohome Foundation of Council's request and ask that Streetohome's Board of Directors re-appoint Sadhu Johnston accordingly at their next Board meeting or by consent resolution at their earliest convenience.

**REPORT SUMMARY**

This report recommends the re-appointment of Sadhu Johnston, City Manager, to the Streetohome Foundation Board to continue serving with his counterparts, Shayne Ramsey, CEO of BC housing, as well as Laura Case, COO of Vancouver Coastal Health, who together represent the main funding partners of Streetohome Foundation on its board of directors.

**COUNCIL AUTHORITY/PREVIOUS DECISIONS**

Sadhu Johnston has been serving on the Streethome Foundation Board for the past four years and the previous City Manager represented the City on the board prior to that.

**CITY MANAGER'S/GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS**

The Deputy City Manager recommends approval.

**REPORT****Background/Context**

The Streethome Foundation is a community organization funded (operating budget) predominantly by the City of Vancouver, BC Housing, and Vancouver Coastal Health, working to ensure that all citizens of Vancouver have access to safe, decent, affordable housing. The foundation brings together business, government and community leaders to build resources and develop lasting solutions to homelessness. The goals of the foundation include:

- Providing permanent stable housing with appropriate support services;
- Preventing people who are most vulnerable from becoming homeless; and
- Building broad public support and commitment for permanent solutions to homelessness.

The creation of the Streethome Foundation was first recommended back in 2007.

On March 13, 2007, City Council received a Council report attaching a consultant's report entitled, "Vancouver Homelessness Funding Model: More than just a warm bed" (the "Homelessness Action Report"). This Council Report as well as the Homelessness Action Report are attached to this report as Appendix "A".

At its March 13, 2007 meeting, Council resolved to receive the Homelessness Action Report for information and to support in principle the creation of what is now known as the Streethome Foundation.

As set out on page 35 of the Homelessness Action Report, "the Foundation would be oriented to broader social issues related to homeless and near homeless population and the related community....Founding members would include the Vancouver Foundation, the City, VCHA [Vancouver Coastal Health Authority], BC Housing, [etc] ... Each founding member would nominate one director."

Streethome Foundation was subsequently incorporated on March 27, 2008.

To the best of staff's knowledge, the City has appointed its City Manager to be the City's representative on the Streethome Foundation's board from incorporation in 2007 to the present day.

This has worked well, with the other main funding partners typically appointing their senior official to the board as well. Shayne Ramsey, the CEO of BC Housing is on the Streethome Foundation board of directors as is Laura Case, the Chief Operating Officer for Vancouver Coastal Health - Vancouver Community, and Ida Goodreau, the former CEO of Vancouver Coastal Health.

***Implications/Related Issues/Risk (if applicable)******Financial***

There are no financial implications. The City's annual contributions to Streethome are the subject of separate reports to Council each year.

***CONCLUSION***

This report recommends that Council request that the Streethome Foundation re-appoint Sadhu Johnston, City Manager, to the Streethome Foundation board of directors so as to continue the long-standing tradition of having the senior officials of the three main funding partners, namely the City of Vancouver, BC Housing, and Vancouver Coastal Health serving on its board of directors.

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