SYNOPSIS

Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Committee Citizen Appointments

In accordance with the Town of Amherst Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Policy, there is an ability to appoint up to five Town of Amherst residents to the committee. As one of our current five citizen appointments has moved outside of the Town of Amherst, staff issued an expression of interest for a new member, receiving one application.

That being said, this Committee has worked well together during their current term and are in the middle to latter stages of the Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Strategy development. Adding a new member at this stage of the process may not be ideal or fair to both the prospective new member and the current Committee members. Furthermore, as the current citizen membership expire on October 31, staff are recommending no further citizen appointments be made at this time.

MOTION:

That Council not make a further appointment at this time and wait until the other citizen appointments expire on October 31, 2023 to re-advertise and appoint new members.