



REFERRAL OF MEMBER MOTION BY CITY COUNCIL

Renaming of City Hall Committee Rooms

Date:	November 2, 2009
To:	Government Management Committee
From:	City Council
Wards:	Ward: 27

City Council Decision

City Council on October 26 and 27, 2009, referred Motion MM41.9 to the Government Management Committee.

Recommendations

Councillor Vaughan, seconded by Councillor Davis, recommends that:

1. City Council name the four public meeting rooms on the second floor of Toronto City Hall in honour of noted mayors who achieved important firsts in our City's history:

Committee Room 1 changed to William Lyon MacKenzie - First mayor of Toronto

Committee Room 2 changed to Phil Givens – First mayor in the new City Hall

Committee Room 3 changed to True Davidson – First female mayor at the Metro level

Committee Room 4 changed to William Hubbard – First black mayor of Toronto
2. City Council request the Chief Corporate Officer to develop recommendations for the renaming of the private meeting rooms surrounding the council offices (currently identified as A,B,C, etc.) based on the founding towns of Toronto, in consultation with the Community Councils and Heritage Toronto. For example Mimico, Weston, and Leaside could all be recognized.

3. City Council request the General Manager, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and the Chief Corporate Officer to work together to produce and display archival photographs and interpretative panels explaining the history and significance of the towns and former mayors in each of the rooms to explain the new names.

Summary

In the spirit of our City's 175th birthday, this is a proposal for Toronto City Council to initiate a heritage-based naming exercise to rename the generically identified meeting rooms on the second floor of Toronto City Hall rooms with new identifiers drawn from our collective civic history.

(Submitted to City Council on October 26 and 27, 2009 as MM41.9)