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STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Toronto Public Library Board April Meeting – Revised Date

Date: March 24, 2025

To: Toronto Public Library Board

From: City Librarian

SUMMARY

This report provides details of a proposed date change for the April 28, 2025 Toronto Public Library Board meeting, as required by the Board's Procedural by-law.

At the Library Board meeting on February 24, 2025, the Library Board approved moving the date of the April 2025 Library Board meeting from Tuesday, April 22 to Monday, April 28. Since then, however, Prime Minister Mark Carney has called a federal election on Monday, April 28, which means the April Library Board meeting must be moved. This report proposes that the April Library Board meeting date revert to Tuesday, April 22, 2025.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Librarian recommends that the Toronto Public Library Board:

1. moves the date of the April 2025 Library Board meeting from Monday, April 28 to Tuesday, April 22, 2025.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact associated with this report.

The Director, Finance & CFO has reviewed this financial impact statement and agrees with it.

DECISION HISTORY

At its February 24, 2025 meeting, the Library Board considered [Toronto Public Library Board April Meeting – Revised Date](#), and moved the April Library Board meeting from April 22, 2025 to April 28, 2025.

At its January 27, 2025 meeting, the Library Board approved the [Toronto Public Library Board – 2025 Meeting Dates Schedule](#).

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Section 16(1) of the [Public Libraries Act](#) requires that a board shall hold at least seven regular meetings in each year. The Board's meeting schedule provides for nine meetings in 2025 (not including Special meetings). This schedule is developed around the meeting schedule provided by the City for Council and its Committees.

In accordance with the Toronto Public Library Board Procedural By-law, Section 8 – Scheduled Meetings of the Board, *any change in the date, time or location of any meeting must be approved by the Chair or by Board resolution.*

COMMENTS

Moving the date of the April 2025 Library Board meeting from Monday, April 28 to Tuesday, April 22 is being considered because Prime Minister Mark Carney has called a federal election for Monday, April 28.

The Library Board meeting schedule is developed around the meeting schedule provided by the City for Council and its Committees. City Council is scheduled to meet on April 23 – 25, 2025, so these dates are not available for a Library Board meeting.

This leaves Tuesday, April 22, 2025 as the best viable option for a Library Board meeting to ensure Board meetings are evenly distributed from month to month.

The following dates are proposed for the remainder of meetings of the Toronto Public Library Board in 2025. All meetings begin at 6:00 pm.

- **Tuesday**, April 22
- Monday, May 26
- Monday, June 23
- Monday, September 29
- Monday, October 27
- Monday, December 01

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SIGNATURE

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