

# Minutes CIP Board of Directors Meeting

March 20, 2025 Videoconference

**Present:** 

Janice Barry PhD, RPP, MCIP Director Paul Bell RPP, MCIP Director Beate Bowron RPP, FCIP Director Lesley Cabott RPP, FCIP Director Jason Ferrigan RPP, MCIP Director Laura Hartney RPP, MCIP Director Dan Huang RPP, MCIP Director Eliza Hydesmith Director Olimpia Pantelimon urbaniste, RPP, MCIP Director Robert Priebe RPP, MCIP Director Jenna Schroeder RPP, MCIP Director Gordon Smith LPP, MCIP, FCSLA Director

Valérie Broadfoot Director, Governance and Operations

Regrets:

Raymond Kan RPP, MCIP Director
Karen Meades Interim CEO

#### 1.0 Welcome and Call to Order

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Lesley Cabott welcomed everyone to the meeting and land acknowledgements were made. Lesley confirmed quorum had been achieved and called the meeting to order.

## 2.0 Approval of March 20, 2025 Draft Meeting Agenda

**Action** 

Related material: March 20, 2025 Draft Meeting Agenda

Lesley reviewed the draft agenda, confirming no conflicts of interest.

#### Motion 2024-2025/71

Moved: Beate Bowron / Seconded: Laura Hartney

"That the agenda for the March 20, 2025 Board of Directors meeting be adopted as circulated."

CARRIED.

#### 3.0 Officer Model and Bylaw Amendments

**Action** 

Laura Hartney presented governance model options from DLA Piper, noting that the current legislation limits the Board's ability to implement

their preferred one-two-one governance cycle. The Board considered two main options: one maintaining three-year terms without a President-Elect and another aligning more closely with the desired model but requiring an election by the membership.

After much discussion, the majority of the Board favoured retaining a three-year Director term for Directors and adding a Past President role. This would be an honorary role and not an Officer position. The need to formalize the Past President's role was discussed, with a suggestion that they could be involved in CIP's representation in international contexts (e.g. Commonwealth Association of Planners).

The Board's decision will be conveyed to DLA Piper and their advice will be sought regarding any required amendments to CIP's bylaws or governance policies to implement Option 1.

Motion 2024-2025/72

Moved: Laura Hartney / Seconded: Janice Barry

"That Option 1 being retention of a three-year Director term and provision of a Past President as a member of the Board be selected as the preferred governance model."

CARRIED.

The Governance Committee will develop the role of the Past President.

The Executive Committee will confirm next steps with DLA Piper and the need for any bylaw or policy amendments.

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## 4.0 Closed Session

# Motion 2024-2025/73

Moved: Dan Huang / Seconded: Jenna Schroeder

"That the CIP Board of Directors meeting convene in a closed session." **CARRIED.** 

Motion 2024-2025/74

Moved: Gordon Smith / Seconded: Laura Hartney

"That the CIP Board of Directors closed session meeting be adjourned." **CARRIED.** 

#### 5.0 Adjournment

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held in Ottawa from May 2 to 4, 2025.

#### Motion

Moved: Gordon Smith / Seconded: Olimpia Pantelimon

"That the March 20, 2025 Board of Directors meeting be adjourned at 3:11 pm ET."

CARRIED.