

January 6, 2026

TransNet Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee: Reappointment and Appointment of Members

Overview

In accordance with the [TransNet Extension Ordinance](#) (Ordinance), the TransNet Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee (ITOC) was established to provide enhanced accountability for expenditures made under the Expenditure Plan. The ITOC functions independently and transparently to ensure voter mandates are carried out as required by the Ordinance and to develop constructive recommendations for improving the financial integrity and performance of the TransNet program. The ITOC has ten primary responsibilities, as outlined in the Ordinance, including conducting both [annual fiscal and compliance audits](#) and [triennial performance audits](#) of the TransNet program. Additional information regarding ITOC responsibilities and membership is included in Attachment 1.

The ITOC consists of seven voting members, each representing a specific area of expertise. This item addresses both the reappointment of one current member whose terms expires in May 2026 and the appointment of one new member to fill a vacant position.

Key Considerations

Reappointment of Member

The term for the following position expires in May 2026:

- A professional licensed architect, civil engineer, or traffic engineer

The incumbent has requested reappointment and is eligible to serve through May 2030. Per the Ordinance, the reappointment process includes:

1. Review by the Technical Screening Committee of the submitted reappointment application.
2. Approval by the Selection Committee based on the recommendation provided.

Action: Appoint

The Selection Committee is asked to:

1. Consider the reappointment of the current member in the professional licensed architect, civil engineer, or traffic engineer position for the term of up to four years through May 2030.
2. Consider the appointment of one TransNet Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee member in the position for a licensed engineer in the field of transportation project design or construction for the remainder of the current term, through May 2028.

Fiscal Impact:

Consistent with TransNet Extension Ordinance provisions, ITOC members shall serve without compensation except for direct expenses (parking/mileage for attendance at meetings) related to the work of the ITOC.

Schedule/Scope Impact:

The position for a professional as a licensed engineer in the field of transportation project design or construction became vacant in June 2025. If appointed, the newly selected member is anticipated to begin serving in February 2026.

Appointment of New Member

A vacancy in the position for a licensed engineer in the field of transportation project design or construction occurred in June 2025. Per the Ordinance, the appointment process includes:

1. Review by the Technical Screening Committee of the submitted appointment applications and recommend at least two candidates for each open position.
2. The Selection Committee then appoints one ITOC member for each open position from the qualified candidates recommended by the Technical Screening Committee.

On December 17, 2025, in accordance with the process outlined in the Ordinance, the Technical Screening Committee convened to review all submitted applications. The Committee recommended the reappointment of one current member and determined two applications for the vacant position met the required qualifications and were highly qualified. A recommendation memo from the Technical Screening Committee is included as Attachment 2, and the applications for both the reappointment and appointment candidates are provided in Attachment 3. Additional details on the selection process are available in Attachment 4.

The candidates recommended for reappointment and appointment by the Technical Screening Committee have been notified of the January 6, 2026, Selection Committee meeting and are anticipated to participate in the meeting.

Next Steps

Following the Selection Committee's considerations, all applicants will be notified of the final selection results. If reappointed, the new term for the professional licensed architect, civil engineer, or traffic engineer category will begin in June 2026. If the Selection Committee chooses to appoint a candidate to the vacant position, the selected candidate for a licensed engineer in the field of transportation project design or construction role is expected to begin in February 2026. In the alternative, the Selection Committee may request that staff solicit applications for additional qualified candidates for further consideration. The same selection process will then be followed for any new candidates.

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- Attachments:
1. ITOC Overview and Current Membership
 2. Technical Screening Committee Recommendation Memo
 3. Candidate Applications
 4. Discussion Memo