



AGENDA

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

March 25, 2021, 9:30 AM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER

Members

Mayor N. Nenshi, Chair
Councillor G-C. Carra, Vice-Chair
Councillor G. Chahal
Councillor P. Demong
Councillor J. Farkas
Councillor J. Gondek
Councillor E. Woolley

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Members may be participating remotely.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. OPENING REMARKS
3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA
4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES
 - 4.1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee, 2021 February 18
5. CONSENT AGENDA
 - 5.1. DEFERRALS AND PROCEDURAL REQUESTS
 - 5.1.1. Deferral request for the Process for providing transit outside the city, IGA2020-1534 from Q3 2021 to Q1 2022, IGA2021-0413
 - 5.1.2. Deferral request of Calgary-Chestermere Regional Transit Project Heads of Agreement, IGA2020-1534 from Q1 2021 to 17 June 2021, IGA2021-0410
 - 5.2. BRIEFINGS

- 5.2.1. Alberta Urban Municipalities Association Meeting (AUMA) Update – March 2021, IGA2021-0402
- 5.2.2. Calgary Metropolitan Region Board – February 2021 Board Meeting Update, IGA2021-0332
- 5.2.3. Calgary Metropolitan Region Board – February 2021 Governance Committee Meeting Update, IGA2021-0383
- 5.2.4. City of Calgary – City of Chestermere Intermunicipal Committee March 2021 Meeting Update, IGA2021-0461
- 5.2.5. City of Calgary - Foothills County Intermunicipal Committee March 2021 Meeting Update, IGA2021-0463

6. POSTPONED REPORTS
(including related/supplemental reports)

None

7. ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

- 7.1. Federation of Canadian Municipalities Update - March 2021 (Verbal), IGA2021-0432

8. ITEMS DIRECTLY TO COMMITTEE

- 8.1. REFERRED REPORTS
None

- 8.2. NOTICE(S) OF MOTION
None

9. URGENT BUSINESS

10. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

- 10.1. ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES
None

- 10.2. URGENT BUSINESS

11. ADJOURNMENT



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INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

**February 18, 2021, 9:30 AM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER**

PRESENT:

Mayor N. Nenshi, Chair
Councillor G-C. Carra, Vice-Chair (Remote Participation)
Councillor G. Chahal (Remote Participation)
Councillor P. Demong (Remote Participation)
Councillor J. Farkas (Remote Participation)
Councillor J. Gondek, Chair (Remote Participation)
Councillor E. Woolley (Remote Participation)

ALSO PRESENT:

Legislative Advisor J. Palaschuk
Legislative Advisor D. Williams

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Nenshi called the Meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

2. OPENING REMARKS

Mayor Nenshi provided opening remarks and a traditional land acknowledgement.

ROLL CALL

Councillor Carra, Councillor Chahal, Councillor Demong, Councillor Farkas, Councillor Gondek, Councillor Woolley, and Mayor Nenshi.

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Committee, by General Consent, moved Item 10.1.1 to be the first item dealt with following the Consent Agenda.

Moved by Councillor Woolley

That the Agenda for today's Meeting be amended by adding Item 9.1 Federal Government Update (Verbal), IGA2021-0308 as an Item of Urgent Business.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Carra

That the Agenda for the 2021 February 18 Regular Meeting of the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee be confirmed, **as amended**.

MOTION CARRIED

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

- 4.1 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee, 2021 January 21

Moved by Councillor Carra

That the Minutes of the 2021 January 21 Regular Meeting of the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee be confirmed.

MOTION CARRIED

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Carra

That the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

5.1 DEFERRALS AND PROCEDURAL REQUESTS

None

5.2 BRIEFINGS

- 5.2.1 Federation of Canadian Municipalities Update – February 2021, IGA2021-0257

- 5.2.2 Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) Update - February 2021, IGA2021-0242

- 5.2.3 Calgary Metropolitan Region Board – January 2021 Board Meeting Update, IGA2021-0225

- 5.2.4 CMRB – January and February 2021 Land Use and Servicing Committee Update, IGA2021-0219

MOTION CARRIED

6. POSTPONED REPORTS

None

7. ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

- 7.1 Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) Update (Verbal), IGA2021-0271

Councillor Demong provided a verbal update and was thanked by Committee.

- 7.2 Coal Mining Policy Update (Verbal), IGA2021-0269

A presentation entitled "Coal Mining Policy Update" was distributed with respect to Verbal Report IGA2021-0269.

Moved by Councillor Demong

That with respect to Verbal Report IGA2021-0269, the following be approved,
after amendment:

That the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee:

1. Receive the Presentation for the Corporate Record; **and**
2. **Direct Administration to participate in the Government of Alberta consultation process.**

For: (5): Mayor Nenshi, Councillor Carra, Councillor Demong, Councillor Gondek, and Councillor Woolley

MOTION CARRIED

7.3 Community Safety Investments Joint-Funding Partnership Working Group, IGA2021-0057

A presentation entitled "Community Safety Investments Joint-Funding Partnership Working Group" was distributed with respect to Report IGA2021-0057.

Moved by Councillor Woolley

That the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee recommend that Council:

1. Approve the Terms of Reference for the Joint-Funding Partnership Working Group;
2. Request that the Mayor extend invitations to the Joint-Funding Partnership Working Group members identified in the Terms of Reference;
3. Name up to three members of Council to participate in the Joint-Funding Partnership Working Group.

For: (5): Mayor Nenshi, Councillor Carra, Councillor Demong, Councillor Gondek, and Councillor Woolley

MOTION CARRIED

8. ITEMS DIRECTLY TO COMMITTEE

8.1 REFERRED REPORTS

None

8.2 NOTICE(S) OF MOTION

None

9. URGENT BUSINESS

9.1 Federal Government Update (Verbal), IGA2021-0308

Mayor Nenshi provided a verbal update and was thanked by Committee.

9.2 Recall Legislation Update (Verbal), IGA2021-0307

A presentation entitled "Recall Legislation Update" was distributed with respect to Verbal Report IGA2021-0307.

Moved by Councillor Demong

That with respect to Verbal Report IGA2021-0307, the following be approved:

That the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee receive the Presentation for the Corporate Record.

For: (4): Mayor Nenshi, Councillor Carra, Councillor Demong, and Councillor Woolley

MOTION CARRIED

10. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Moved by Councillor Carra

That pursuant to Section 21 (Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, Committee now move into Closed Meeting at 9:38 a.m., in the Council Boardroom, to discuss confidential matters with respect to the following Item:

- Regional Strategy Report Back and Update, IGA2020-1253

Committee reconvened in public meeting at 10:59 a.m. with Mayor Nenshi in the Chair.

ROLL CALL

Councillor Carra, Councillor Demong, Councillor Farkas, Councillor Gondek, Councillor Woolley, and Mayor Nenshi.

Absent for Roll Call

Councillor Chahal (Council Business)

Moved by Councillor Carra

That Committee rise and report.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Carra

That the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee add Item 9.2 Recall Legislation Update (Verbal), IGA2021-0307, as an Item of Urgent Business.

MOTION CARRIED

10.1 ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

10.1.1 Regional Strategy Report Back and Update, IGA2020-1253

This Item was dealt with following the Consent Agenda.

Administration in attendance during the Closed Meeting discussions with respect to Confidential Report IGA2020-1253:

Clerks: J. Palaschuk and D. Williams. Law: H. Oh and D. Mercer. Advice: D. Shearer, N. Kuzmak, C. Arthurs, L. Cote, M. Surgenor-Sands, S. Dagleish, N. Younger, N. Zoldak, A. McIntire, D. Corbin, M. Sheldrake, A. Eaton, M. Atkinson, C. Ferguson, and M. Van Ham.

Moved by Councillor Carra

That with respect to Report IGA2020-1253, the following be approved:

That Intergovernmental Affairs Committee:

1. Forward the Report, **amended** Recommendations, Attachments, and Presentation to the 15 March 2021 Strategic Meeting of Council, to be accompanied by Report IGA2020-1153, Annexation from Foothills County Resource and Timelines; and
2. Direct that this Report, **amended** Recommendations, Attachments, Presentation, and Closed Meeting discussion remain confidential pursuant to Section 21 (Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, to be reviewed 2031 January 21.

For: (6): Mayor Nenshi, Councillor Carra, Councillor Demong, Councillor Farkas, Councillor Gondek, and Councillor Woolley

MOTION CARRIED

Committee returned to the Agenda and dealt with Item 7.1.

10.2 URGENT BUSINESS

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Carra

That this meeting adjourn at 11:58 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED

The following Item has been forwarded to the 2021 March 01 Combined Meeting of Council:

CONSENT

- Community Safety Investments Joint-Funding Partnership Working Group, IGA2021-0057

The following Item has been forwarded to the 2021 March 15 Strategic Meeting of Council:

- Regional Strategy Report Back and Update, IGA2020-1253

The next Regular Meeting of the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee is scheduled to be held 2021 March 25 at 9:30 a.m.

CONFIRMED BY COMMITTEE ON

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Deputy City Manager's Office Briefing to
Intergovernmental Affairs Committee
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ISC: UNRESTRICTED
IGA2021-0402

Alberta Urban Municipalities Association Meeting (AUMA) Update – March 2021

PURPOSE OF BRIEFING

The City of Calgary (The City) is an active member within the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) and this briefing memo is a monthly update to the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee (IGA) on their activities and The City's work within the AUMA on provincial issues.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

AUMA Pre-Budget Advocacy

In anticipation of the 2021 provincial budget, AUMA President Barry Morishita submitted a letter on 2020 November 24 to the President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance outlining the organization's provincial budget priorities on behalf of Alberta municipalities. Those priorities were:

1. Stable and predictable long-term funding
2. Partners in Economic Growth
3. Avoid transferring cost and responsibilities to municipalities

The AUMA encouraged its members to amplify this message and support collective advocacy efforts by sharing AUMA's priorities with Members of the Legislative Assembly (MLAs). AUMA President Morishita and AUMA CEO Dan Rude also met with both the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Municipal Affairs at the end of January 2021 and relayed the priorities in person to the Government of Alberta.

AUMA's Key Messages on the 2021 Provincial Budget

The AUMA acknowledges that 2020 and 2021 have been a period of economic uncertainty, and that Alberta's government faces difficult choices due to the COVID-19 pandemic, oil price shock and the global economic recession. While the provincial government attempts to re-establish a sustainable fiscal trajectory, the broken promises and choices made in Budget 2021 and the corresponding three-year fiscal plan will have a long-term impact on Albertans, who live and work in our communities. The AUMA points out that:

- The government's commitment to funding municipal infrastructure has diminished. While Budget 2021 increases Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) funding this year, the long-awaited Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) is being deferred until 2024, and municipalities will see a 25 per cent cut in MSI funding collectively over the next three years.
- Although we are relieved the provincial government didn't follow through with its planned increase to education property taxes, which the province mandates municipalities collect on its behalf, the Alberta government still takes \$0.30 of every dollar that residents and businesses pay in municipal property taxes.
- Immediate response is required to provide urban municipalities with funding to address homelessness and support struggling businesses. We are dismayed to see the budget

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does not also include a plan and funding for addictions to address the opioid crisis, which is resulting in the deaths of more Albertans every day.

- AUMA will continue to advocate for collaborative partnerships with municipalities to ensure that responsible investment occurs in our communities, where we can maximize the return on our investments, create jobs and stimulate our economy.

Upcoming AUMA Meetings

- Next AUMA Executive Committee meetings are scheduled for 2021 March 18 and 2021 April 8.
- Next AUMA Board meeting is scheduled for 2021 April 22.
- Planning underway for the 2021 Spring Municipal Leaders Caucus. No date set yet but anticipated to be held mid-April 2021.

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**Deputy City Manager's Office Briefing to
Intergovernmental Affairs Committee
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**ISC: UNRESTRICTED
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Calgary Metropolitan Region Board – February 2021 Board Meeting Update

PURPOSE OF BRIEFING

The purpose of the briefing is to update the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee on the work of the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board (CMRB) from their meeting on 2021 February 26, which was extended to 2021 March 4. For both meetings, Mayor Nenshi represented The City for the majority of the meeting, and Councillor Carra represented The City when the Mayor was required to attend an alternative meeting.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Update from the 2021 February 26 Board meeting:

- The Assistant Deputy Minister in Municipal Affairs, Dale Beesley, provided a COVID-19 update from the Province.
- HDR | Calthorpe provided an explanation of changes to the Growth Plan and identified some of the outstanding issues that must be resolved. During this agenda item, CMRB Administration presented an approach for the Board to address outstanding concerns, which were listed. Multiple municipalities, including The City of Calgary, indicated that they had issues that they would like to add to the list of issues to be managed. The Board accepted the process for information.
- The Board discussed the use of the current draft of the Growth Plan to support the third phase of public engagement. Wheatland County put forward a motion requiring that public engagement also take place on the Regional Evaluation Framework and the Servicing Plan. This motion failed. The Board supported that the draft Growth Plan be discussed at the Technical Advisory Committee one more time before being used for public engagement, and that a draft Regional Evaluation Framework be circulated for feedback.
- The Board received an update on the phase 3 public engagement process and voted to adjust the timeframe for public engagement to occur between 2021 March 18 and 2021 April 8.
- The February 26 meeting went beyond its scheduled time. Consequently, four agenda items were deferred until a newly scheduled Board meeting on 2021 March 4.

Update from the 2021 March 4 Board meeting:

- Foothills County brought forward a motion such that: "CMRB member municipalities calculate their in-kind contributions provided in 2020 and January 2021 (13 months) towards the development of the Growth & Servicing plans and the Regional Evaluation Framework. Member municipalities are to provide this calculation to CMRB administration for distribution to all CMRB members." After discussing the opportunities and challenges of this motion, it was not approved by the Board.
- The Board had an in-camera discussion on the contract with HDR | Calthorpe. The Board accepted for information the update on the HDR | Calthorpe delivery of contracted services.

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- The Board voted to support Q4 2020 actuals.
- During the roundtable discussion, Board members inquired about the status of the provincial funding since the announcement of the recent provincial budget. CMRB staff indicated that provincial funding to the CMRB was not being adjusted. Other roundtable discussion items included changes to Disaster Recovery Program funding, Bill 52 (elected official recall), EMS dispatch updates and the desire to declare March 21 as the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

Board Vision Process

- CMRB administration organized two workshops for Board members to complete its vision. On March 4, Board members participated in the first workshop. The second workshop is scheduled to take place on March 19. Both sessions were in camera.

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**Deputy City Manager's Office Briefing to
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Calgary Metropolitan Region Board – February 2021 Governance Committee Meeting Update

PURPOSE OF BRIEFING

The purpose of the briefing is to update Intergovernmental Affairs Committee on the work of the Calgary Metropolitan Region Governance Committee from their meeting on 2021 February 18. Councillor Chahal represented The City at the meeting.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The Committee supported the Q4 2020 actuals and recommended them for review by the Board.

The Committee also reviewed two items related to dispute resolution. The first item was a “Dispute Resolution Framework” while the second was “REF (Regional Evaluation Framework) Appeal Process & Non-REF Reconsideration Process”. The proposed Dispute Resolution Framework would provide separate approaches to “REF Decisions” and “Non-REF Decisions.” It should be noted that REF decisions apply only to the Board’s review of statutory plans such as municipal development plans and area structure plans.

The dispute resolution process for REF decisions is proposed to consist of a three-step approach: (1) Facilitated Discussions, (2) Mediation, and (3) Municipal Government Board hearing. Non-REF Decisions (all other decisions of the Board) would consist of a two-step approach: (1) Facilitated Discussions, and (2) Mediation.

After substantial discussion, the Committee approved a motion directing Administration to prepare a Dispute Resolution bylaw and to return to the Governance Committee with the proposed bylaw.

Other updates that were provided included the status of Treaty 7 Land Acknowledgement discussions and the Chief Officer Performance Review.

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**Deputy City Manager's Office Briefing to
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City of Calgary – City of Chestermere Intermunicipal Committee March 2021 Meeting Update

PURPOSE OF BRIEFING

The purpose of the briefing is to update Intergovernmental Affairs Committee on the discussions of the City of Calgary – City of Chestermere Intermunicipal Committee meeting held 2021 March 12. Councillors Chahal and Carra attended on behalf of The City of Calgary.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The Committee received an update that the Calgary – Chestermere Interface Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) project is being submitted for two additional awards. In addition, the Interface IDP has triggered amendments to Belvedere ASP and the Rocky View-Calgary IDP.

Chestermere updated Committee about their new site for the Civic Centre project; adjacent to a future school site. Phase 1 will include a field house, Phase 2 a sports facility, and Phase 3 is to be determined. The current library and City Hall will remain where they are.

The Committee also continued their discussion of the potential extension of Calgary Transit service into Chestermere with the potential for planned service anticipated in autumn 2021. The Heads of Agreement is being finalized and is intended to reach Calgary's Intergovernmental Affairs Committee at the 2021 June 17 meeting. Chestermere Council will consider final readings of their Transit Bylaw on March 16.

Councillor Carra informed Committee of Calgary Council's support for the idea of refocusing growth along 17th Avenue SE.

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**Deputy City Manager's Office Briefing to
Intergovernmental Affairs Committee
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City of Calgary - Foothills County Intermunicipal Committee March 2021 Meeting Update

PURPOSE OF BRIEFING

The purpose of the briefing is to update the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee on the discussions of the City of Calgary – Foothills County Intermunicipal Committee meeting held 2021 March 12. Councillors Demong, Colley-Urquhart and Keating attended on behalf of The City of Calgary.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Councillor Demong from Calgary and Councillor Alger from Foothills were appointed co-chairs for 2021.

The Committee received an update for information on the potential Sirocco Annexation indicating that the item was deferred to the 2021 March 15 Strategic Meeting of Council. Discussions included the lack of details regarding the project including the annexation area, compensation, resourcing, and the attention given to a single landowner. The County would welcome a letter of intent from The City.

Foothills spoke to their Council's unanimous concerns regarding the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board's Growth Plan and their preference for the Interim Growth Plan. They announced their intent to run a County-led public engagement, parallel to the CMRB's effort, but aimed at highlighting plan impacts to Foothills landowners. They appreciated Calgary Councillor's willingness to listen to their concerns.

Foothills brought forward additional items for discussion; of note, Foothills would like to advance the opening up of South-West Ring Road's Bridge 17 sooner to address safety concerns. Committee agreed to further explore crafting a joint letter to Alberta Transportation. Further Administrative investigations will be necessary.