



AGENDA

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

March 20, 2025, 9:30 AM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER

Members

Councillor K. Penner, Chair
Councillor G-C. Carra, Vice-Chair
Councillor A. Chabot
Councillor P. Demong
Councillor D. McLean
Councillor S. Sharp
Councillor C. Walcott
Mayor J. Gondek, Ex-Officio

SPECIAL NOTES:

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Committee 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, 2025 February 5
5. CONSENT AGENDA
 - 5.1 DEFERRALS AND PROCEDURAL REQUESTS
None
6. POSTPONED REPORTS
(including related/supplemental reports)
None
7. ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

- 7.1 Memorandum of Understanding – The Blackfoot Confederacy and The City of Calgary, IGA2025-0096
- 7.2 Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Update - March 2025 (Verbal), IGA2025-0283
- 7.3 Alberta Municipalities Update - March 2025 (Verbal), IGA2025-0284
- 7.4 Calgary Metropolitan Region Board – 2025 March Board Meeting Update (Verbal), IGA2025-0332

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

- 10.1.1 Intermunicipal Update, IGA2025-0004
Held confidential pursuant to Sections 21 (Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations) and 24 (Advice from officials) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

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- 10.1.2 Federal Update (Verbal), IGA2025-0285
Held confidential pursuant to Sections 21 (Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations) and 24 (Advice from officials) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

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10.2 URGENT BUSINESS

11. BRIEFINGS

- 11.1 Calgary Metropolitan Region Board – 2025 January Governance Committee Meeting Update, IGA2025-0206
- 11.2 Calgary Metropolitan Region Board – 2025 February Board Meeting Update, IGA2025-0257
- 11.3 2025 February City of Calgary – City of Chestermere Intermunicipal Committee Update, IGA2025-0260

12. ADJOURNMENT



MINUTES

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

**February 5, 2025, 9:30 AM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER**

PRESENT: Councillor K. Penner, Chair
Councillor G-C. Carra, Vice-Chair
Councillor A. Chabot (Remote Participation)
Councillor P. Demong (Remote Participation)
Councillor D. McLean
Councillor S. Sharp (Remote Participation)
Councillor C. Walcott

ALSO PRESENT: General Manager C. Arthurs
Senior Legislative Advisor A. de Grood
Legislative Specialist A. Gagliardi

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Councillor Penner called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Councillor Carra, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Demong, Councillor McLean, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Walcott, and Councillor Penner

2. **OPENING REMARKS**

Councillor Penner provided opening remarks and a traditional land acknowledgment.

3. **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Carra

That the Agenda for the 2025 February 5 Regular Meeting of the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee be confirmed.

MOTION CARRIED

4. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

- 4.1 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee, 2024 December 18

Moved by Councillor Walcott

That the Minutes of the 2024 December 18 Regular Meeting of the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee be confirmed.

MOTION CARRIED

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councillor McLean

That the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

5.1 DEFERRALS AND PROCEDURAL REQUESTS

- 5.1.1 Procedural Request - Reschedule Intergovernmental Affairs Committee Meeting from 2025 April 10 to 2025 April 9 at 930 a.m., IGA2025-0189

MOTION CARRIED

6. POSTPONED REPORTS

None

7. ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

- 7.1 Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Update - February 2025 (Verbal), IGA2025-0064

A document entitled "Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Update – February 2025 (Verbal)" was distributed with respect to Verbal Report IGA2025-0064.

Moved by Councillor Walcott

That with respect to Verbal Report IGA2025-0064, the following be approved:

That the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee recommend that Council receive the document entitled "Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Update – February 2025 (Verbal)" for the Corporate Record.

For: (7): Councillor Penner, Councillor Carra, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Demong, Councillor McLean, Councillor Sharp, and Councillor Walcott

MOTION CARRIED

- 7.2 Alberta Municipalities Update - February 2025 (Verbal), IGA2025-0065

A document entitled "Alberta Municipalities Update – February 2025 (Verbal)" was distributed with respect to Verbal Report IGA2025-0065.

Moved by Councillor Demong

That with respect to Verbal Report IGA2025-0065, the following be approved:

That the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee recommend that Council receive the document entitled "Alberta Municipalities Update – February 2025 (Verbal)" for the Corporate Record.

For: (7): Councillor Penner, Councillor Carra, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Demong, Councillor McLean, Councillor Sharp, and Councillor Walcott

MOTION CARRIED

8. ITEMS DIRECTLY TO COMMITTEE

8.1 REFERRED REPORTS

None

8.2 NOTICE(S) OF MOTION

None

9. URGENT BUSINESS

None

10. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

10.1 ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

None

10.2 URGENT BUSINESS

None

11. BRIEFINGS

11.1 Prairie Economic Gateway Elected Steering Committee – 2025 January Update, IGA2025-0145

11.2 January 2025 City of Calgary – Rocky View County Intermunicipal Committee Update, IGA2025-0167

12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Demong

That this meeting adjourn at 9:40 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED

The following Items have been forwarded to the 2025 February 25 Regular Meeting of Council:

CONSENT AGENDA

- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Update - February 2025 (Verbal), IGA2025-0064
- Alberta Municipalities Update - February 2025 (Verbal), IGA2025-0065

The next Regular Meeting of the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee is scheduled to be held on 2025 March 20 at 9:30 a.m.

CONFIRMED BY COMMITTEE ON

CHAIR

CITY CLERK

People, Innovation & Collaboration Services Report to
Intergovernmental Affairs Committee
2025 March 20

ISC: UNRESTRICTED
IGA2025-0096

Memorandum of Understanding – The Blackfoot Confederacy and The City of Calgary

PURPOSE

This report follows up on the Council-directed Protocol Agreement drafted for the Blackfoot Confederacy and City of Calgary (IGA2024-0941). Administration is seeking Council's approval of the agreement and a commitment to its implementation.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

That the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee recommend Council to direct Administration, in support of The City of Calgary's commitment to the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action, to: Scope out and identify the resources needed to support Protocol Agreements with Nations; Begin with scoping and identifying the resources for a Protocol Agreement in response to the request made through the Mayor's Office 2023 November 16 by the Blackfoot Confederacy; Report back to Council on the results of the scoping work and the resources required through the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee no later than the end of Q2, 2024; Direct Administration to commence Protocol (Relationship) Agreement development with the Blackfoot Confederacy and report back with the agreement for approval, no later than Q3 of 2025. Approve Administration's request to apply to the Government of Alberta's Alberta Community Partnership Fund to access matching grant dollars for protocol implementation. Develop a sustainment plan for Protocol (Relationship) Agreements beyond 2026 and report back in Q1 of 2026.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee recommend that Council:

1. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding on Communication and Cooperation and direct Administration to begin implementation.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

General Manager Chris Arthurs concurs with this report and recommendations.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), also referred to as a Relationship Agreement or Protocol Agreement, outlines how municipalities and Indigenous groups will engage with one another and establish a collaborative relationship.
- The City of Calgary does not currently have an MOU or Protocol Agreement with any First Nation or Indigenous group and The City has received two requests for the development of MOUs since November 2024. The Province of Alberta has reached three First Nations agreements since 2019.
- With Council direction provided in October 2024, Administration has worked collaboratively with the Blackfoot Confederacy to co-develop an MOU on Communication and Cooperation which has included working with an Elder and drafting

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a corresponding Terms of Reference for Administrative oversight and agreement implementation.

- The City plans to host a Pipe Ceremony and public event to sign the agreement upon Council approval.
- In anticipation of future requests, The City is committed to meeting with any local Indigenous Nation who requests an MOU with The City. Timelines for development will depend on the number of requests in queue and the resources available at the time of the request.

DISCUSSION

Background

On 2023 November 16, the Mayor's Office received a letter from the Blackfoot Confederacy requesting that The City of Calgary enter negotiations to develop of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) (see Attachment 1). MOUs, also referred to as Relationship Agreements or Protocol Agreements, are legally non-binding agreements that outline how local Indigenous groups and municipalities engage with one another and establish a cooperative relationship. Each agreement varies depending on the aspirations of its signatories, and may include guiding principles, areas of mutual interest and convening conditions for meetings and discussions. The Federation of Canadian Municipalitiesⁱ recommends that municipalities establish Protocol Agreements with surrounding Nations because they:

- Present a clear long-term joint vision for the community-to-community relationship;
- Show a willingness to heal past wrongs and renew the relationship between communities;
- Create a formal commitment that protects the relationship from a change in leadership, and signals its importance to staff; and
- Bring together community members in joint celebration to build positive interpersonal relationships.

The Blackfoot Confederacy is the first group to request an agreement of this kind from The City, setting the precedent for other Nations. In November 2024, The City received additional requests from Tsuut'ina (EC2024-1320) and Bearpaw Nations (EC2024-1335). The development of these agreements is currently underway. Administration will consider any future requests from local Indigenous groups and commence work in the order requests are received.

Agreement Development

To better understand how MOUs are developed, City Administration undertook scoping work to capture other municipalities learnings to support initial conversations with the Blackfoot Confederacy regarding a development approach. An Elder was identified early in the process to provide guidance on agreement content, ceremony and cultural protocols that would serve as parallel processes throughout the work. Following Council's approval on 2024 September 23, collaborative drafting began through regular meetings between the Confederacy and City Administrative staff.

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Proposed Agreement

The agreement developed is organized in two corresponding documents. The first, the Memorandum of Understanding, provides an overarching principle-based agreement that commits to good intentions and future collaboration. The MOU title is used instead of protocol agreement to signal a partnership, as opposed to a guide for cultural protocols. Once approved, this document will be signed by the Mayor and Blackfoot Chiefs.

The second administrative document, the Terms of Reference, outlines the logistical details for meeting and implementation via the establishment of a Technical Committee who oversees the work and includes intergovernmental leaders from both partners. The Terms of Reference provides greater flexibility by allowing Administration, through the committee co-chairs, to update the terms as the work evolves. This format also borrows from The City's Intermunicipal Committees' Terms of References for its regional partners.

Resourcing

In September 2024, Council directed Administration to apply to the Government of Alberta's Alberta Community Partnership Fund to access matching grant dollars for protocol implementation. Administration applied to the fund at the end of January 2025 and is awaiting a decision. If received, funding will be used to pilot convening mechanisms including a hosting budget for working table meetings, ceremonies or gatherings, and over time pay for coordination, feedback integration and evaluation. Funding will also support the Confederacy by removing the administrative costs of convening and piloting implementation structures.

Last fall, Council also directed Administration to develop a sustainment plan for Protocol Agreements beyond 2026 and report back to Council through the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee in Q1 of 2026 (Refer to IGA2024-0941). Administration will use learnings from its first year implementing The City's MOU with the Blackfoot Confederacy to inform this plan.

Next Steps

With Council's approval of the MOU, Administration will proceed with the planning and implementation of a Pipe Ceremony and signing. This will serve as a parallel process marking the commitment to the agreement from City leaders, Blackfoot Chiefs and Elders.

Following the Ceremony and signing, Administration will convene its first Technical Committee meeting to begin planning for implementation. This will include establishing collaborative working tables around areas of mutual interest.

EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Public/interested parties were informed | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public communication or engagement was not required |

IMPLICATIONS

Social

MOUs create conditions for mutual respect and sustained collaboration with local First Nations. By building trust and strengthening communication, The City is a better neighbour and partner to the Blackfoot Confederacy. MOUs are intended to be longstanding commitments that extend beyond political terms. They are a mechanism that ensures social, environmental and economic priorities are regularly discussed and advanced for both partners.

Environmental

MOUs can facilitate joint environmental initiatives and practices that result in more effective environmental stewardship.

Economic

In 2021-2022, Indigenous-owned businesses generated approximately \$552 millionⁱⁱ in revenue in Calgary and on Treaty 7 First Nation lands. Indigenous-owned businesses operate on and beyond First Nations lands and are active across every sector. In building and strengthening relationships with Indigenous Nations, agreements offer an opportunity to diversify and expand the city's economy through new businesses and partnerships.

Service and Financial Implications

Existing operating funding - one-time

In September 2024, Council directed Administration to develop a sustainment plan for Protocol Agreements beyond 2026 and report back to Council through the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee in Q1 of 2026 (Refer to IGA2024-0941). With the current pace of agreement requests exceeding Administration's resource capacity, there may be delays in commencing agreement development. To manage in the interim, work will be initiated on agreements in the order requests are received and as capacity is created.

RISK

- There is a reputational and relational risk for The City if it declines the proposed agreement or does not invest adequate resources in its implementation. This may be perceived as disrespectful and erode trust in The City's commitment to Reconciliation and its collaboration with First Nations.
- There is a risk that other local Indigenous groups may perceive that the Blackfoot Confederacy received special treatment from The City since they are the first to sign an agreement.
- There is a risk that implementation may be unsustainable with current resources.
- There is a risk that once this agreement is complete, other local First Nations may request an agreement, fostering stronger relationships and collaborative opportunities, though resulting in additional work and resource limitations.

ATTACHMENT(S)

1. Blackfoot Confederacy Protocol Agreement Request
2. Memorandum of Understanding on Communication and Cooperation
3. Presentation

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Department Circulation

General Manager/Director	Department	Approve/Consult/Inform
Chris Arthurs	People, Innovation & Collaboration Services	Approve

Author: Government Relations

ⁱ *Strong Together Tool Kit*, September 2015, Federation of Canadian Municipalities, p.18. [stronger-together-toolkit-cedi.pdf](#)

ⁱⁱ *Indigenous Economic Contribution Study*, December 2023. Calgary Economic Development, The City of Calgary and MNP LLP, p. 19. [CED2023_Indigenous-Economic-Contribution-Study.pdf](#)



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November 16, 2023

The City of Calgary Office of the Mayor
Honorable Mayor Jyoti Gondek
PO Box 2100, Station M, #8069
Calgary, AB T2P 2M5
www.calgary.ca

Dear Mayor Gondek:

Re: Protocol Agreement Negotiations

We, the Chiefs of the Blackfoot Confederacy, thank you for allowing us to host you and your staff on April 6 of this year. We were happy you could join and we look forward to continued networks between the City of Calgary and the Blackfoot Confederacy.


We provide this correspondence to your office, and to City Council, requesting to enter into negotiations leading towards a possible Protocol Agreement between the City of Calgary and the Chiefs of the Blackfoot Confederacy.

We would be honored to work with the City of Calgary on a variety of initiatives and believe this agreement would be the first step in addressing many concerns.

We would direct our staff to work with your office to provide the technical negotiations and submit an agreement for our approval.

We thank you in advance and look forward to our dialogue and on-going communications.


Chief Roy Fox, Makiinima,
Kainai Blood Tribe


Chief Ouray Crowfoot, Nlo'skai'stamik
Siksika Nation


Chief Troy Knowlton, Kiaayo token
Piikani Nation

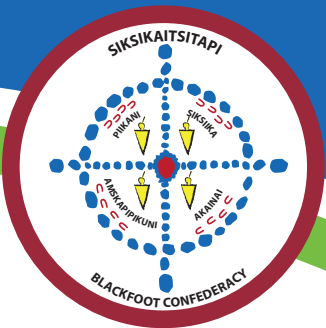

Chairman Scott Kipp, Natch'kato'pi
Blackfeet Tribe



Memorandum of Understanding

on communication and
cooperation between

the **Blackfoot Confederacy**
and **The City of Calgary**



WHEREAS the parties:

- a. Acknowledge that The City of Calgary is a municipality pursuant to the *Alberta Municipal Government Act*.
- b. Acknowledge that for the purposes of this agreement, the Blackfoot Confederacy, also known as Siksikaitsitapi, is comprised of the Siksika Nation, Piikani Nation and the Blood Tribe (Kainai), which are Indian Bands according to the *Indian Act*.
- c. Acknowledge the Blackfoot Confederacy’s culture and its history as it relates to their land, heritage and peoples.
- d. Support the municipal Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, consistent with the Canadian Constitution and Alberta Law.
- e. Wish to learn about one another and identify opportunities for collaboration.
- f. Wish to establish a productive working relationship, based on areas of mutual benefit and cooperation.
- g. Affirm the necessity of mutual respect and collaborative relationships to promote environmental sustainability, and advance the region economically, socially, and culturally.
- h. Recognize that this agreement is a voluntary engagement between the parties and it is not consultation pursuant to section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982*.
- i. Intend that this agreement is relationally held and is not legally binding on the parties.
- j. This agreement may be dissolved at any time by agreement of the Parties. Where there is no agreement regarding the dissolution of this agreement, either party, upon provision of two weeks written notice to the other party, may cause the agreement to be dissolved.

Parties are guided by core values, including:

- **Trust** – Both parties have good and sincere intentions in approaching this work.
- **Respect** – Both parties seek to understand and recognize the unique strengths, knowledge, and capacity each party contributes to the relationship.
- **Reciprocity** – Both parties support and action work that is helpful to one another.
- **Honesty** – Both parties listen and are straightforward in communicating their intent and interests.

Now therefore the Parties agree to:

- Invest in building working relationships between two parties.
- Establish a Technical Committee that is guided by a Terms of Reference that can be updated as needed upon the Technical Committee’s written consent.
- Establish regular, transparent and constructive communication on matters of mutual benefit by convening the Technical Committee and its working tables.
- Appoint and resource their own staff required for the Technical Committee and its corresponding working tables.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Chief Travis Plaited Hair
Kainai Nation

Chief Troy Knowlton
Piikani Nation

Chief Ouray Crowfoot
Siksika Nation

Mayor Jyoti Gondek
The City of Calgary



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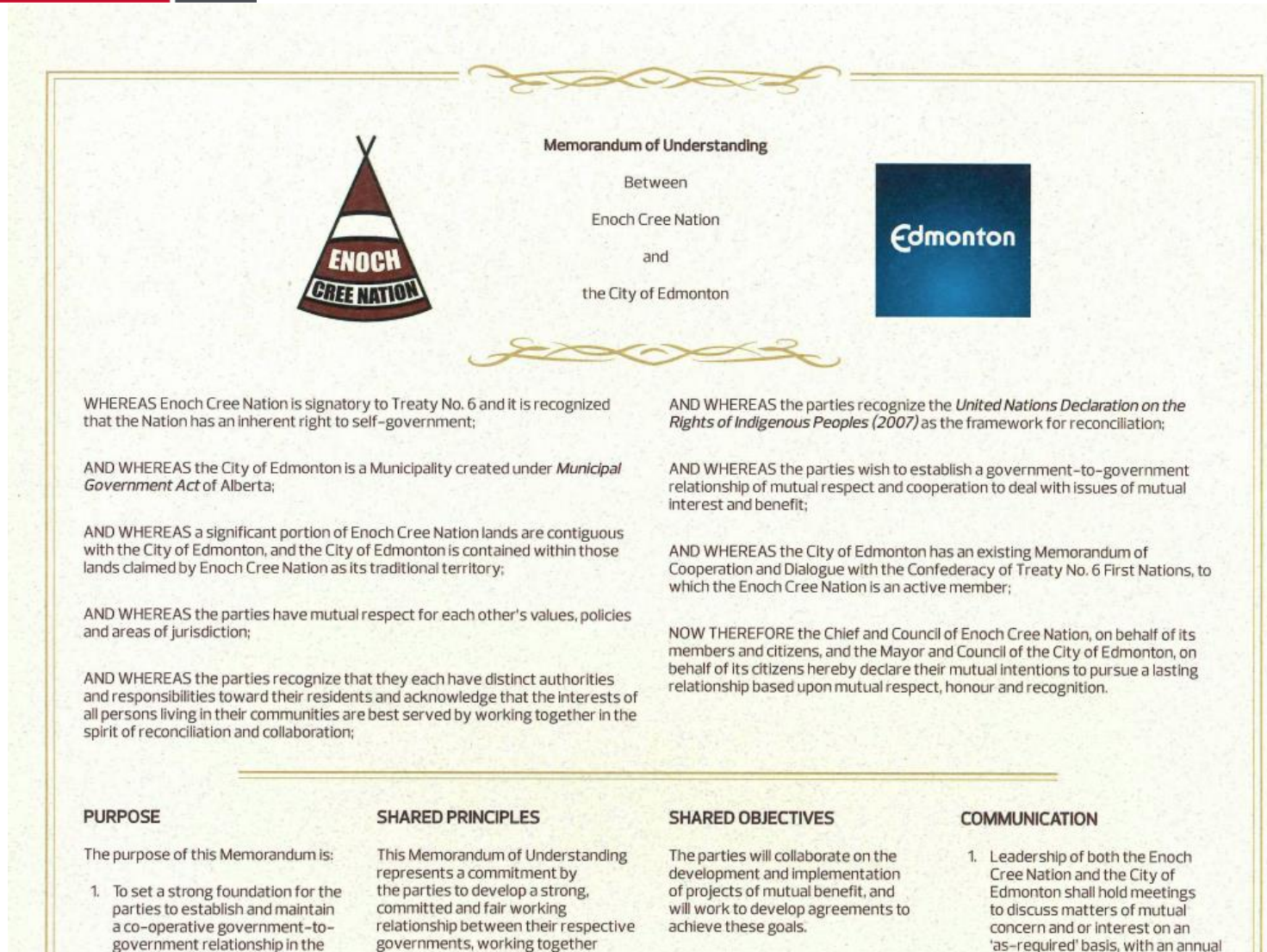
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Recommendation

That the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee recommend that Council:

1. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding on Communication and Cooperation and direct Administration to begin implementation.

Memoranda of Understanding (or Protocol Agreements)

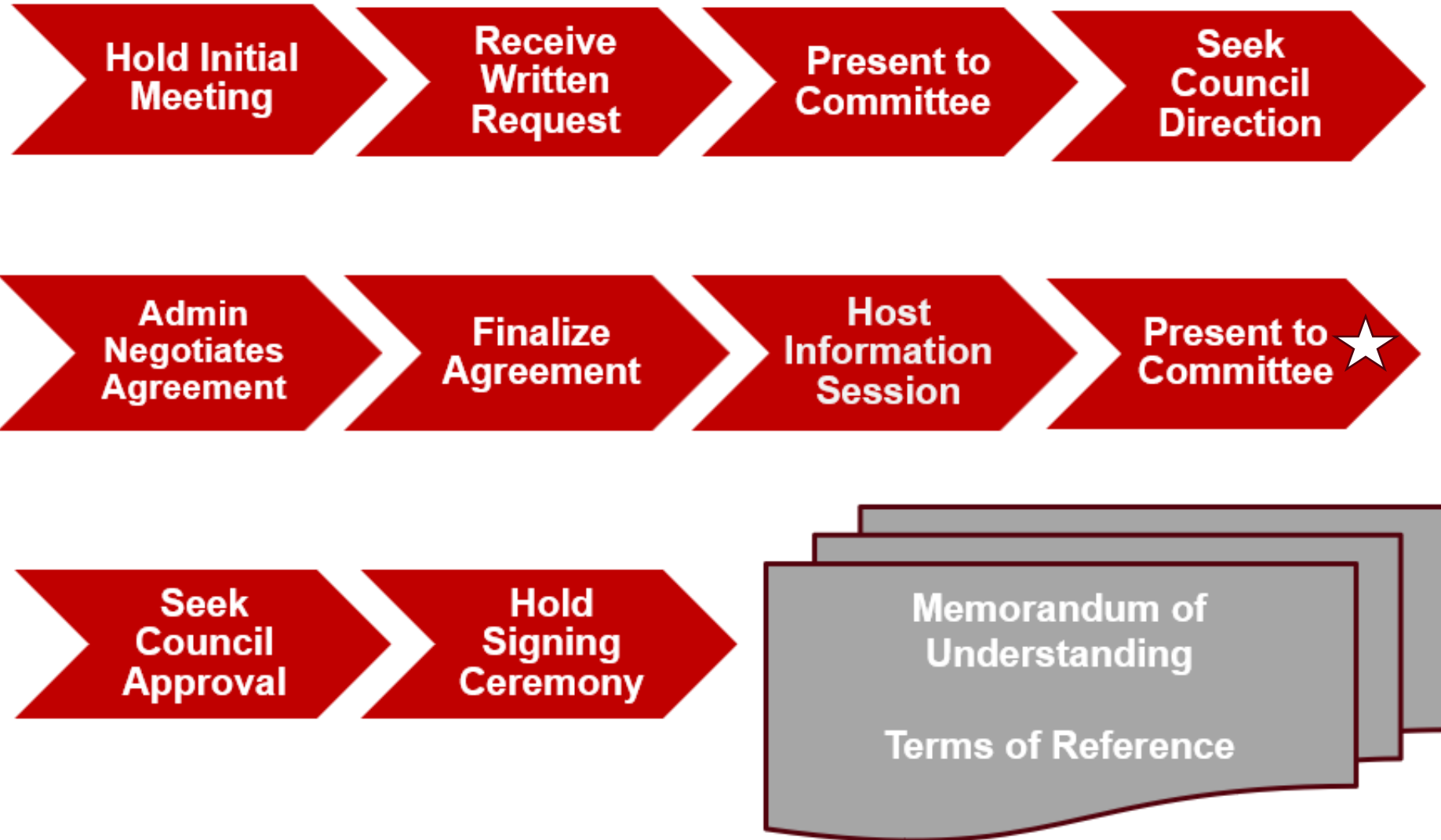


- Outline how municipalities and Indigenous groups will engage with one another and establish a collaborative relationship.
- Strengthens relationships between partners, smoothing the way for economic partnerships, joint programming and other agreements.

Nation Requests and Council Direction

- In November 2023, the Mayor's Office received a letter from the Blackfoot Confederacy requesting that The City of Calgary enter negotiations to develop of a Protocol (Relationship) Agreement (see Attachment 1).
- In September 2024, Council directed Administration to commence agreement development and report back to Council through the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee with the agreement for approval, upon completion.
- The Blackfoot Confederacy is the first group to request an agreement of this kind from The City, setting the precedent for other Nations.
- In November 2024, The City received two additional requests for agreements from Tsuut'ina and Bearspaw Nation. Both agreements are under development.

MOU Development Process



MOU Structure

Two corresponding documents developed:

1. Memorandum of Understanding

- Overarching guiding document recognizing each partner and outlining shared principles for collaboration
- Signed by Mayor and Chiefs

2. Terms of Reference

- Outlines the logistical details for meeting and implementation through the establishment of a Technical Committee who oversees the work.
- Signed by executive administrative leaders from both partners.
- Format mirrors the Terms of Reference for The City's Intermunicipal Committees
- Can be updated as needed upon the agreement of committee chairs.

Resourcing

- Upon Council direction, an application was submitted by Administrative with a recommendation letter from the Blackfoot Confederacy to the Government of Alberta's Alberta Community Partnership Grant. Administration is currently awaiting a decision.
- In Q1 of 2026, Administration will report back to Council through the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee with a proposed sustainment plan for review and approval.

Next Steps

- The City of Calgary and Blackfoot Confederacy will host a Pipe Ceremony and signing this spring.
- The Technical Committee will be convened to begin implementation.



Recommendation

That the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee recommend that Council:

1. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding on Communication and Cooperation and direct Administration to begin implementation.

Planning and Development Services Briefing to

Intergovernmental Affairs Committee

2025 March 20

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IGA2025-0206

Calgary Metropolitan Region Board – 2025 January Governance Committee Meeting Update

PURPOSE OF BRIEFING

The purpose of this briefing is to update the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee on the work of the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board (CMRB) from their Governance Committee (the Committee) meeting held on 2025 January 31.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra represented The City of Calgary at the meeting.

The Committee recommended to the Board to receive for information the 2024 Q3 and 2024 Q4 Actuals. The actuals summary suggests that the CMRB's costs were generally in line with budgeted amounts for 2024. The CMRB remains under the total budget for 2024, and member requisitions will not be required.

Author: Quincy Brown, Regional Planning

General Manager Debra Hamilton concurs with the information in this Briefing.

Planning and Development Services Briefing to

Intergovernmental Affairs Committee

2025 March 20

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IGA2025-0257

Calgary Metropolitan Region Board – 2025 February Board Meeting Update

PURPOSE OF BRIEFING

The purpose of this briefing is to update the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee on the work of the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board (CMRB) from their Board meeting held on 2025 February 07.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Mayor Jyoti Gondek represented The City of Calgary at the meeting. Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra was also in attendance as The City's alternate representative.

In closed session, the Board built on the 2024 December discussions on how to respond to the Government of Alberta announcement to cease funding for the CMRB and transition from mandatory to voluntary membership. CMRB Administration provided new information around potential options for future voluntary regional collaboration to inform the Board's discussions, including information around the option to wind down operations.

Following the closed session discussions, the Board unanimously approved the following motion:

- That the Board send a letter to the Minister of Municipal Affairs notifying the Government of Alberta of the following:
 - That the Board has directed administration to initiate the process for the orderly winding down of the operations of the organization.
- That the Board requests the immediate repeal of Ministerial Order MSD:064/22 to remove the requirement for the Regional Evaluation Framework and to repeal the Growth Plan.
- That the Board requests the Minister repeal the CMRB Regulation effective May 1, 2025.

NOTE: Following the Board meeting, on 2025 February 18 the Minister of Municipal Affairs rescinded Ministerial Order MSD:064/22 as requested by the Board, repealing both the Growth Plan and Regional Evaluation Framework.

In addition, the Board unanimously approved a subsequent motion proposed by Mayor Jyoti Gondek for the following:

- That the eight members of the CMRB agree to meet and discuss an alternate regional approach before 2025 May 01, which recognizes the significance of a coordinated approach to:
 - Regional amenities, including source water protection/distribution, transit, recreation, commercial and other;
 - Economic development opportunities; and
 - Planning and development for residential, industrial, commercial and mixed uses.

The Board received presentations from CMRB Administration and Foothills County Administration on a Regional Evaluation Framework application for the proposed Highfield and Rowland Acres Area Structure Plan and designation of a Hamlet Growth Area within Foothills County. The application requested two exceptions to policies of the Growth Plan to enable the residential development of 1,162 acres of land located near the intersection of Highway 2 and

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Highway 547. After some discussion, the Board approved the Regional Evaluation Framework application.

The next Board meeting is scheduled on 2025 March 14.

Author: Kristine Cave, City & Regional Planning

General Manager Debra Hamilton concurs with the information in this Briefing.

Planning and Development Services Briefing to

Intergovernmental Affairs Committee

2025 March 20

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2025 February City of Calgary – City of Chestermere Intermunicipal Committee Update

PURPOSE OF BRIEFING

The purpose of this briefing is to update Intergovernmental Affairs Committee on the discussions of The City of Calgary - City of Chestermere Intermunicipal Committee held on 2025 February 21.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Councillor Andre Chabot and Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra represented The City at the meeting. Mayor Shannon Dean and Councillor Rob Wawrzynowski represented the City of Chestermere. Councillor Carra chaired the meeting.

The agenda included a presentation prepared by both Administrations to support a discussion on regional recreation opportunities. The presentation provided an overview of the regional, bi-lateral, and tri-lateral context, local considerations for The City of Calgary and City of Chestermere, as well as opportunities for collaboration. The municipalities committed to further exploration of ways to collaborate on recreation facilities.

Administration round table updates included how the two municipalities may continue to collaborate on the development of the 17th Avenue / Chestermere Blvd corridor. Further information will be brought to the next meeting, currently scheduled for 2025 April 4.

Author: Shelly Ohama, City and Regional Planning

General Manager Deb Hamilton concurs with the information in this Briefing.