

Subdivision & Development Appeal Board

Mandate and Composition

Mandate	To hear and determine appeals from decisions of the Subdivision or Development Authorities.
Composition	Minimum of 15, maximum of 25 Residents of Calgary.

Details

Chair	Bill Chomik
Number of meetings in the last year.	SDAB conducted 64 meetings in 2019
Summary of initiatives, projects or work completed or ongoing in the last year.	In 2019, the SDAB: in Q1, heard many cannabis-related appeals which were filed in late 2018. ceased advertising newly filed appeals in the Calgary Herald as of March 28, 2019. continued board member training, including provincially-mandated training. issued 97 decisions on average 18 days from the close of the respective hearing. processed 80 appeal applications over the course of the year.
Outline of 2020 work plan.	As an administrative tribunal, the SDAB conducts hearings and issues decisions on appeals in accordance with MGA and City of Calgary Bylaw requirements. Its 2020 "workplan" is essentially a list of goals with milestone ranges. These have been preempted, to some extent, by actions the SDAB has had to take to accommodate new procedures necessary to continue the Board's mandate in the face of constraints imposed by COVID-19; however, the following goals continue to be addressed: Increase the appeal filing fee to \$200 and amendments to the SDAB Bylaw (completed). Move to paperless hearings (research underway, no firm commencement date). Cease live streaming of hearings and replace with live audio streaming (completed). Develop clear policies around chair and vice-chair nomination processes (completed)
Challenges to fulfilling mandate.	The SDAB resolved the extraordinary cannabis appeal caseload from 2018 in 2019. Currently (in 2020), the Board has established new hearing procedures to conduct its meetings (and internal meetings) during COVID-19.
Additional information you would like to share with Council.	Please refer to the "2019 Annual Report – Message from the Chair" document (Attachment 19.B).

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