



Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee

Mandate and Composition

<p>Mandate</p>	<p>The Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee works with Administration to advise Council on Council and Administrative policies, strategies and service delivery in accordance with the Social Wellbeing Principles.</p> <p>The Social Wellbeing Principles state that The City will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Strive to provide equitable services. This includes removing barriers to access and inclusion; ▪ Advance the active and shared process of Truth and Reconciliation in collaboration with the community; ▪ Seek opportunities to support and grow culture in Calgary (1); and ▪ Aim to stop social problems before they begin using a prevention approach. <p>The Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee's main purpose is to provide advice using an intersectional approach (meaning to consider how decisions impact people who are members of multiple, overlapping population groups) by drawing on different perspectives of its membership.</p>
<p>Composition</p>	<p>3 voting non-binding representatives, or designates, from existing Council advisory committees with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One from the Advisory Committee on Accessibility ○ One from the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee ○ One from Anti-Racism Action Committee <p>4 voting non-binding representatives, or designates, from existing Administration committees with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One from Calgary Local Immigration Partnership Council ○ One from Cultural Leadership Council ○ One from Family & Community Support Services Calgary Forum ○ One from Senior's Age Friendly Strategy Steering Committee <p>6 voting members, appointed by Council at the annual Organizational Meeting of Council with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Three members who have knowledge of the needs of and connections to networks of a diverse population. Consideration will be given to those qualified applicants that fill gaps in subject matter expertise in relation to other members. Lived experience is considered an asset; ○ One member with expertise in advancing gender-equity;



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One member with expertise in social innovation or social determinants of health; and ○ One member that is a faculty member of a post-secondary institution with experience advancing social equity. <p>1 non-voting member of Administration: the director of Calgary Neighbourhoods or designate.</p>
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Details

Chair	Danisha Bhaloo-Shivji
Summary of initiatives, projects or work completed or ongoing in the last year.	<p>Stewardship of the Social Wellbeing Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presented to the leadership teams of two business units (Transit, Calgary Community Standards) regarding how to access the Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee (with presentations to more business units in next few months) • Supported the development of a tool to inform equitable City Policy development. • Developed web-content for the Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee. <p>Consultation and Advice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided feedback on the following policies, services and strategies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Environmental Strategy and Action Plan ○ Traffic Calming Policy ○ Inclusive Engagement Guide and Processes ○ Transit Fare Review Principles ○ Guidebook for Great Communities ○ School Safe Zones Bylaw ○ The Solutions for Achieving Value and Excellence (SAVE) Program ○ The Anti-Racism Panel Discussion and Public Consultation • Provided advice related to best approaches to remove barrier to Covid-19 vaccinations. • Provided feedback on the development and revisions to the City of Calgary’s Gender Base Analysis Plus content. • Developed a Gender, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion subcommittee of Social Wellbeing; and a Guidebook for Great Communities Subcommittee (cross-advisory committees).



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	<p>Process and Committee Coordination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hosted a collaborative meeting among Advisory Committees seeking to advance similar social objectives including presenting on the role of the Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee. • Developed new process for identifying upcoming reports to Council that the Committee would like to review for Social Wellbeing considerations. • Identified opportunities to increase coordination between Advisory Committees.
<p>Outline of 2021-2022 work plan.</p>	<p>Please see attached</p>
<p>Challenges to fulfilling mandate.</p> <p><i>(COVID impacts will be documented in the next section)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With Covid-19 there is both increased need for equitable service delivery and increased awareness about the needs of Calgarians. The pandemic has surfaced changing and immediate needs of vulnerable groups. • There is growing public demand for Administration to better respond to inequality and inequity. Administration is seeking more SWAC advice as a result. There is some risk that demand can exceed SWAC capacity. In collaboration with Administration, SWAC will identify opportunities to optimize and prioritize time.
<p>Additional information you would like to share with Council.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

Impact of COVID-19

<p>How many meetings were held since March 2020?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee Meeting • 5 Gender Equity Diversity and Inclusion Subcommittee meetings • 1 Guidebook for Great Communities Subcommittee meeting • Additional planning and working group meetings
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<p>How has public participation in meetings been impacted?</p> <p>Please identify any barriers to accessibility, participation, etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• There have been tasks SWAC wanted to accomplish that were impacted by Covid-19. For example, we were planning a meeting between committees that participate on SWAC (ex: CAUAC & ACA). The intent of this was to develop relationships and identify opportunities for cross-committee collaboration and ensuring committees are not duplicating efforts. This was postponed to later in the year and was facilitated virtually.
<p>How do you manage to continue the work of the committee in the current situation?</p>	<p>Meetings are held on MS Teams. SWAC has prioritized its work based on the current context.</p>

Attachment:

- A. 2021-2022 Work Plan