



## Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee

### MANDATE

The Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee advises Council and Administration on City policies, strategies and service delivery in accordance with the Social Wellbeing Principles. ([link](#))

### COMPOSITION

14 Members:

- 6 Public Members
- 7 Representatives from various Committees
- The Director of Calgary Neighbourhoods or designate

### ANNUAL UPDATE & KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Since May 2021, The Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee and its subcommittee, the Gender Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Subcommittee have provided advice on 13 strategies or policies and two events. Spanning 11 business units, the diversity of initiatives has provided the opportunity for the committee to have wide-ranging impact across The City of Calgary.

Business Unit	Project
Calgary Community Standards	Amendment to the Public Behaviour Bylaw to address street harassment Increasing Accessibility to and Safety of Affordable Childcare Problem Properties Project
Calgary Emergency Management Agency	Calgary Safety Expo
Calgary Growth Strategies	Update on the Calgary Food Action Plan
Calgary Neighbourhoods	Calgary's Mental Health & Addiction Strategy implementation Equity Analysis Equity Action and Resourcing Plan Strategic Meeting of Council on Equity
Calgary Recreation and Real Estate and Development Services	Eventful City Strategy – Greyhound Site
Calgary Transit	Safety for All
City Clerk's Office	Recommendations to develop a user-friendly and accessible public hearing process
Corporate Initiatives	User Fee Policy Review
Environmental and Safety Management	Climate Strategy and Action Plan
Waste and Recycling Services	Single Use Items Reduction Strategy

Members of the committee also participated on the panel for The City of Calgary's Trends Event 2022: Equity Considerations for All, provided a presentation to the Engage Resource Unit, participated in two external working groups for the Climate Strategy and Action Plans and provided feedback on the proposals submitted to the Equity in Service Delivery Fund. Through



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this feedback, the committee was instrumental in how The City invested \$950,000 in actions intended to advance equity in City service delivery.

Feedback from Administration has been overwhelming positive, detailing how the committee's advice and perspectives have encouraged and sometimes challenged Administration to think differently about their approaches and the emphasis placed on specific dimensions of their strategies and/or policies. In some instances, the committee has been able to provide ongoing advice at multiple phases of a project.

Over the next year, the committee is excited for the formation of the Equity Program Team and the opportunity to provide guidance as The City prioritizes the advancement of equity in service delivery. The committee is also looking forward to identifying additional mechanisms to provide Administration and Council with advice on emerging social issues, especially as we move into this post-pandemic period with the risk of inequitable recovery amongst Calgarians. The committee is enthusiastic to do so in coordination and collaboration with other BCCs and administrative committees.

Lastly, as is reflected in the Boards, Commissions and Committees 2022 Annual Update report, (C2022-0523) presented to City Council on 2022 June 21, the Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee is currently recommending changes to its terms of reference. These changes are intended to improve the clarity of the mandate and composition of the committee.

### **CHALLENGES**

The Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee has at times been challenged to provide advice early in a project's development. As a result, when projects are further along, it can be difficult for Administration to incorporate feedback in a meaningful way. This upcoming year, the committee intends to increase its efforts to identify opportunities and mechanisms to build relationships across the organization, as well communicate the benefit and value of the committee's perspectives and feedback.

### **WORKPLAN FOR THE NEXT YEAR**

Please see attached.

### **OPERATIONS**

Since May 2021, collectively the Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee and the Gender Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Subcommittee have met 19 times. Members participated virtually for all meetings and minimal technical issues were experienced. For the upcoming year, the committee intends to host hybrid meetings as the opportunity to attend virtually has proven effective in minimizing barriers for some members to participate.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

If you wish to include attachments, please list below:

A. 2022-2023 Work Plan



Focus Area	Task	Measure of Success	'Responsibility' in Terms of Reference
Stewardship of Social Wellbeing	Present on Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee (SWAC) to select members of Administration and other BCCs.	Presentations provided to five targeted business units/BCC.	Support Administration in the stewardship of the Social Wellbeing Principles including advising on the development of processes and mechanisms to advance the Social Wellbeing Policy.
Consultation and Advice	Prioritize City policies and strategies up for review and make recommendations to Administration.	Recommendations presented to Council on at least five policies or strategies per year.	Advise Council and Administration on opportunities to advance the Social Wellbeing Principles during the development of or revisions to Administration and Council policies, strategies or service delivery.
	Provide information to Administration on community needs and advise The City on actions as it relates to post-pandemic recovery or other relevant issues.	To be determined based on post-pandemic recovery.	
	Advise on the roll out of implementation of Equity Analysis (GBA+).	Complete an annual review of progress made.	
	Advocate for the use of disaggregated data and identify gaps in data collection and how lived experience can be a valued resource.	Enlisting a working group of the committee to provide guidance to Administration on the use of data.	
	Advocate for the development of public measures of success related to the advancing the Social Wellbeing Principles.	Complete an annual review of progress made.	
Process & Committee Coordination	Identify opportunities for collaboration between committees represented on the Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee.	Will identify two opportunities for cross-committee collaboration.	Play a coordinating role with Administration committees and Council advisory committees (as outlined in 'composition') when necessary.
	Advance the mandate of new and existing subcommittees including the Gender Equity Diversity and Inclusion Subcommittee.	This sub-committee will meet at least five times over the next 12 months. Updates will be provided via SWAC meetings.	
	Identify opportunities to increase transparency and awareness of the Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee.	Explore the opportunity to have a Calgary.ca webpage for the Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee (including agenda, minutes, etc.).	