

Previous Council Direction

Creation of the Calgary Climate Panel

With the adoption of the Calgary Climate Resilience Strategy on June 25th, 2018, The City moved forward with one of the first recommended actions for governance; collaborative action from The City, industry, and citizens to form the Calgary Climate Panel. This was an external advisory network and partnership collaboration, with a mandate to provide:

- Broad strategic advice to Administration on energy and carbon reduction opportunities, severe weather risk reduction; and
- Communication on progress through an annual reporting process.

Creation of the Climate Advisory Committee

On June 23, 2021, the Calgary Climate Panel presented its second Annual Report to Utilities and Corporate Services (UCS) as part of the Annual Report for the Climate Strategy (UCS2021-0842). The Annual Report highlighted six recommendations to Council including the recommendation “to strengthen Calgary Climate Panel governance” by becoming an advisory committee of Council with the intent that this committee would provide credible, strategic, and independent advice on climate action and strategies directly to Council and Administration.

On March 29, 2022, Council approved the establishment of the Climate Advisory Committee and its Terms of Reference (CD2022-0361).

Calgary Climate Strategy - Pathways to 2050

On July 5th, 2022, Council approved the Calgary Climate Strategy – Pathways to 2050 (CD2022-0465). The amended recommendations directed City Administration “to augment or revise the scope of the Climate Advisory Committee terms of reference to include a broader representation of affected and/or interested parties to allow fulsome public engagement with accompanies action planning and to support the Committee with the necessary administrative staff to achieve this goal.”

This report is in response to the above Council direction.