

2013 CALGARY AWARDS SELECTION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Recipients of the 2013 Calgary Awards have been selected by the Calgary Awards juries. The information and recipient names are being presented to Council for approval. Should Council require more information regarding a specific recipient, Administration requests Council approve the remaining slate of recipients so as not to delay the notification and event preparation.

CITY CLERK'S RECOMMENDATION(S):

That Council:

1. Approve the slate of award recipients identified for the 2013 Calgary Awards, in attachment one, as recommended by the four selection juries; and,
2. Direct that attachments one, three and four remain confidential under Section 17(4) (g) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIP) until 2014 June 4, in advance of the 2014 June 11 ceremony.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION / POLICY

Council approved at the 2006 December 12 regular meeting, (C2006-70) the Personnel and Accountability Committee (PAC) recommendation that Council approve the slate of the Calgary Awards recipients as recommended by the four selection juries.

BACKGROUND

In 1994, The City of Calgary established the Calgary Awards to celebrate and recognize outstanding achievements and contributions made by Calgarians. Each year, individuals, corporations, community groups, schools and organizations are nominated in five major award categories.

INVESTIGATION: ALTERNATIVES AND ANALYSIS

A thorough process is in place for receiving Calgary Awards nominations and compiling information for the jury's review.

City Clerk's Citizen Recognitions & Protocol reviewed all nominations to ensure eligibility. Jury members received the nominations for review, and then met to discuss and select award recipient(s). Citizen Recognitions and Protocol retains copies of all nominations of file for a year. Juries reviewed the nominations and recommended the slate of Calgary Award recipients.

The four juries are as follows with jury members listed in attachment two:

Jury 1: Reviewed nominations and have recommended award recipients for the Community Achievement Awards and the Signature Award;

Jury 2: Reviewed nominations and have recommended award recipients for the Environmental Achievement Awards;

Jury 3: Reviewed nominations and have recommended award recipients for The Award for Accessibility;

Jury 4: Read all books and have recommended an award recipient for The City of Calgary W.O. Mitchell Book Prize.

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A full list of nominations considered by the juries is in attachment three. Further biographical information on recommended recipients is found in attachment four.

Following Council approval of the recommended slate of award recipients, Administration will notify selected nominees and prepare for the awards presentation on 2014 June 11.

Stakeholder Engagement, Research and Communication

City Clerk's Citizen Recognitions & Protocol works with Customer Service & Communications to create a marketing and advertising plan to promote the Calgary Awards program to Calgarians. Promotion is done both internally within The Corporation and externally to citizens.

Citizen Recognitions & Protocol liaises with stakeholders which include City Business Units and external partners regarding specific awards and criteria.

Citizen Recognitions & Protocol secures jury members based on the Selection Process (approved by Council in 2003). Jury members represent a diverse cross section of community leaders, retired Members of Council, Senior City Administration, and past award recipients.

Strategic Alignment

The Calgary Awards program is an example of Council priority "investing in great communities and a vibrant urban fabric".

As per imagineCALGARY's long range plan, a "strong sense of community" is important to Calgarians—a sense of belonging, attachment and civic pride. The Calgary Awards program recognizes outstanding contributions made by Calgarians which positively impacts one's sense of community.

Social, Environmental, Economic (External)

No implications were identified.

Financial Capacity

Current and Future Operating Budget:

Costs incurred are budgeted for in City Clerk's Corporate Special Events budget. Estimated amounts of 15% of costs are offset through a sponsorship program.

Current and Future Capital Budget:

No financial impact to current or future capital budget.

Risk Assessment

There are no significant risks associated with the review and approval of the Calgary Awards recipients.

However, should Council require more information regarding a specific recipient, Administration requests Council approve the remaining slate of recipients so as not to delay notification and event preparation.

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REASON(S) FOR RECOMMENDATION(S):

The Calgary Awards program maintains a thorough and fair review process. The proposed recipients recommended for Council approval were subject to this robust review process and selected for recognition by our juries.

ATTACHMENT(S)

1. 2013 Calgary Awards Recipients (confidential)
2. 2013 Calgary Awards Jury Members
3. 2013 Calgary Awards listing of nominees by award category (confidential)
4. Award Recipient background information (confidential)

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