

## Options and Timeline

The information below outlines the work that the Ward Boundary Commission would undertake in each option.

### Option A

*Recruit a Ward Boundary Commission through the 2023 Boards, Commissions and Committees process to review the effectiveness of the 14-ward system and potentially increase the number of Councillors to be implemented for the 2029 term of Council.*

### Option B

*Recruit a Ward Boundary Commission through the 2023 Boards, Commissions and Committees process to review the effectiveness of the 14-ward system with no change to the number of Councillors.*

Activities – Current Term	Option A: Ward Boundary Commission	Option B: Ward Boundary Commission
Reviews number of Councillors	✓	
Engages Ward Boundary Commission	✓	✓
Reviews effectiveness of 14 wards	✓	✓

## Timelines for Options A and B

Current Term		
Date	Option A	Option B
Q3 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recruit Ward Boundary Commission members</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recruit Ward Boundary Commission members</li> </ul>
Q4 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council appointments to the Ward Boundary Commission</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council appointments to the Ward Boundary Commission</li> </ul>
Q1 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ward Boundary Commission's report to Council (timelines, engagement plan)</li> <li>Engagement with public and interested parties</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ward Boundary Commission's report to Council (timelines, engagement plan)</li> <li>Engagement with public and interested parties</li> </ul>
Q2 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engagement with public and interested parties</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engagement with public and interested parties</li> </ul>

Current Term		
Date	Option A	Option B
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ward Boundary Commission writes report</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ward Boundary Commission writes report</li> </ul>
Q3 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commission presents report to Council on findings, including a summary on engagement with public and interested parties</li> <li>Ward Boundary Commission makes recommendations to Council on effectiveness of the 14-ward system and to potentially increase the number of Councillors to be implemented for the 2029 term of Council and amendments to Ward Boundary Determination and Review Policy (“the Policy”)</li> <li>Administration presents report to Council (with Ward Boundary Commission report) on service and financial impacts</li> <li>City Clerk’s Office begins drafting updates to the Policy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ward Boundary Commission presents report to Council on findings, including a summary on engagement with public and interested parties</li> <li>Ward Boundary Commission makes recommendations to Council on effectiveness of the 14-ward system and the Policy</li> <li>Administration presents report to Council (with Ward Boundary Commission report) on service and financial impacts</li> <li>City Clerk’s Office begins drafting updates to the Policy</li> </ul>
Q4 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>City Clerk’s Office presents revised Policy to Council</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>City Clerk’s Office presents revised Policy to Council</li> </ul>

2025 Term	
Option A	Option B
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Should Council direct an increase in the number of ward Councillors (or if ward population deviation exceeds +/- 15% per Policy), a new Ward Boundary Commission develops ward boundary scenarios for the 2029 term</li> <li>Implementation considerations (e.g., service and budget) related to Council effectiveness recommendations adopted by Council</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If ward population deviation exceeds +/- 15% per Policy, a new Ward Boundary Commission develops ward boundary scenarios for the 2029 term</li> <li>If applicable, Council approves new ward boundaries for the 2029 term</li> <li>Implementation considerations (e.g., service and budget) related to Council effectiveness recommendations adopted by Council</li> </ul>

2025 Term	
Option A	Option B
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• If applicable, Council approves new ward boundaries for the 2029 term</li><li>• Administration implements changes to be ready for the 2029 term</li></ul>	

2029 Term
Option A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• If applicable, new Council elected reflecting ward boundaries established in 2025 term</li></ul>